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FIELDS: Monetary Economics, Economic History

EXPERIENCE

Mercatus Center at George Mason University
Post-Graduate Research Fellow, Monetary Policy Program Arlington VA
Dec 2020 — Current

Federal Reserve Bank of New York
Senior Analyst, Open Market Trading Desk New York NY
Nov 2017 — Dec 2019

Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago
Associate Economist, Macroeconomic Research Chicago IL
July 2016 — Nov 2017

EDUCATION

George Mason University
Doctor of Philosophy in Economics Fairfax VA
Current

University of Chicago
Master of Science in Financial Mathematics Chicago IL
June 2020

Rutgers University
Bachelor of Art in Mathematics, Economics New Brunswick NJ
May 2016

Raritan Valley Community College
Associate of Science in Science and Mathematics Branchburg NJ
May 2014

WORKING PAPERS

“Towards a Modern Treasury-Fed Accord”

“The Macroeconomic Dynamics of Preindustrial England, 1270-1700”

ARTICLES

Jonas D. M. Fisher and Christopher M. Russo, “Recent Declines in the Fed’s
Longer-Run Economic Projections,” *Chicago Fed Letter*, no. 375. 2017

TEACHING

University of Chicago Booth School of Business
Teaching Assistant for Executive MBA Macroeconomics Chicago IL
Autumn 2017

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SERVICE

George Mason University, Graduate Assembly
Representative of the Economics Department

Fairfax VA
Aug 2021 — Current

Raritan Valley Community College, ΦΘΚ Honor Society
President of the AEΠ College Chapter

Branchburg NJ
Aug 2013 — Aug 2014

TESTIMONY

*Safeguarding the Federal Reserve's Independence, Before the United States House
Financial Services Subcommittee on National Security, International Development
and Monetary Policy, 117th Cong.* 2021/09/23

DISCOURSE MAGAZINE

Nobel Winners, the Minimum Wage and Evolution 2021/10/14
Escalating Dorm Rates, Eminent Domain and Economics 101 2021/10/07
Demystifying the Debt Limit 2021/09/20
The Government Isn't Cooking the Books on Inflation 2021/07/16
What's Going On at the Federal Reserve? 2021/07/12
No, the Fed Did Not Just Hike Interest Rates 2021/07/06
The Fed Often Gets Monetary Policy Right 2021/06/17
We May Be Headed Into a Perfect Storm on Negative Interest Rates 2021/05/24
A Challenge for the Fed: Some Overnight Rates Are Falling Below Zero 2021/03/19
The GameStop Short Squeeze 2021/01/29

OP-EDS

The Thing That Should Not Be National Review 2021/10/06
There's No Quick Fix for the Debt Ceiling Barron's 2021/10/01
Good Economic Policy Is About More Than Inflation Reason 2021/07/16
It's Time for the Fed to Taper Talk, Seriously Morning Consult 2021/07/15
Fed: Inflation Marches, But Don't Tighten—Yet Morning Consult 2021/06/11
Inside the Fed's Playbook for a Dollar Default Barron's 2021/06/11
Permanently Suspend the Debt Limit The Hill 2021/05/18
Is the Federal Reserve Taking Too Much Risk? National Review 2021/02/04
Congress and SEC: Let the people trade by making
financial markets freer and fairer Washington Times 2021/02/04

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INTERVIEWS

| | | |
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| Long-Haul Inflation Fears | Market Watch | 2021/11/01 |
| Worried about the Fed's next steps? ... | Market Watch | 2021/10/21 |
| C-SPAN: The National Debt and the Debt Ceiling | Washington Journal | 2021/10/13 |
| ... 2021 Debt Limit Fight, Its Potential Impacts... | Macro Musings | 2021/10/04 |
| Todd Feinburg Show on the Debt Limit | WTIC Radio | 2021/09/29 |
| Christopher Russo on the Debt Limit | Voice of America | 2021/09/27 |
| ... on Monetary Policy, the Fed, and Inflation | Todd Nief Show | 2021/09/15 |
| David Webb Show on the Debt Limit | SiriusXM | 2021/08/17 |
| US Treasury Buffer to Ease Reverse Repo Takeup | MNI Market News | 2021/07/08 |
| Inflation and What to Expect from the Fed | Policy Download | 2021/06/22 |
| ... Fed-Treasury Tensions and Potential Solutions... | Macro Musings | 2021/03/15 |
| The GameStop Affair | Discourse Podcast | 2021/02/12 |

QUOTES

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|--|-----------------------|------------|
| ... default on national debt would cause recession | The Hill | 2021/10/05 |
| Standoff Over \$28T of U.S. Government Debt... | CoinDesk | 2021/09/29 |
| ... Tweaks to Fed's Emergency Lending Powers | S&P Global | 2021/09/23 |
| ... Answers about the Debt Limit Fight | The Hill | 2021/09/19 |
| U.S. Debt Limit Impasse? Fed's 'loathsome' ... | Reuters | 2021/09/17 |
| Fed installs 'smoke detectors' for overnight... | S&P Global | 2021/08/13 |
| Biden Vows to Spend Big, Control Inflation... | Inside Sources | 2021/07/29 |
| Americans Expect Years of Higher Inflation... | Sinclair Broadcasting | 2021/07/13 |
| Fed Signals Patience on IOER After Repo Move | MNI Market News | 2021/03/25 |
| US lawmakers... GameStop stock probe | Al Jazeera | 2021/02/18 |
| Fed to Hike Reverse Repo, IOER Rates | MNI Market News | 2021/02/16 |
| Good Ideas that Might Find Favor in a New Era | Discourse Magazine | 2021/01/02 |
| Families Borrow Less for College | Wall Street Journal | 2014/07/31 |
| ... NJ county college students asked to pledge... | NJ Advance Media | 2013/10/15 |

SPEECHES

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| Opening Keynote at Oklahoma Chamber Fly-In | Washington DC | 2021/09/28 |
| Mercatus All-Staff on "GameStop Short Squeeze" | Arlington VA | 2021/02/04 |
| Student Commencement Speaker | Branchburg NJ | 2014/05/19 |

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SCHOLARSHIPS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

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| Graduated with Highest Honors (Economics Dept.) | Rutgers University | 2016 |
| Certificate in Quantitative Economics | Rutgers University | 2016 |
| Henry Rutgers Scholar (“outstanding thesis” award) | Rutgers University | 2016 |
| Phi Theta Kappa Transfer Scholarship (full-tuition) | Rutgers University | 2014 — 2016 |
| Distinguished Chapter at International Convention | Phi Theta Kappa | 2014 |
| Community College Academic Team Bronze Scholar | Coca-Cola Foundation | 2014 |
| Galileo Scholarship | RVCC Foundation | 2013 — 2014 |
| Leaders of Promise Scholarship | Coca-Cola Foundation | 2013 |
| Honors College student and graduate | Raritan Valley CC | 2012 — 2014 |