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EXPERIENCE

U.S. Congress Joint Economic Committee <i>Chief Economist – Vice Chairman David Schweikert (R-AZ-01)</i>	Washington DC 01/2023 – 01/2024
U.S. Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs <i>Economist – Ranking Member Patrick Toomey (R-PA)</i>	Washington DC 01/2022 – 01/2023
Mercatus Center at George Mason University <i>Postgraduate Research Fellow – Monetary Policy Program</i>	Arlington VA 12/2020 – 12/2021
Federal Reserve Bank of New York <i>Senior Analyst – Open Market Trading Desk</i>	New York NY 11/2017 – 12/2019
Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago <i>Associate Economist – Macroeconomics Research Division</i>	Chicago IL 07/2016 – 11/2017

EDUCATION

George Mason University <i>Doctor of Philosophy in Economics</i> – <i>Dissertation: The Failure of the Federal Reserve’s Monetary Policy Framework</i> – <i>Fields: Monetary Economics, Economic History</i>	Fairfax VA Expected 2025
University of Chicago <i>Master of Science in Financial Mathematics</i> – <i>Teaching assistant for Executive MBA Macroeconomics at Chicago Booth</i>	Chicago IL 2020
Rutgers University <i>Bachelor of Arts in Mathematics, Economics</i> – <i>ΦΘΚ full-tuition scholarship, “highest honors,” “outstanding thesis”</i> – <i>Certificate in Quantitative Economics</i>	New Brunswick NJ 2016
Raritan Valley Community College <i>Associate of Science in Science and Mathematics</i> – <i>Honors College, ΦΘΚ Honor Society (AEP president), summa cum laude</i>	Branchburg NJ 2014

RESEARCH

“God of the Market.” <i>Journal of Markets and Morality</i> . Forthcoming.	2024
<i>Republican Response to the 2023 Economic Report of the President</i> . U.S. Congress Joint Economic Committee. 118th Cong.	2023
“Tailoring Liquidity Rules Did Not Cause the Failure of Silicon Valley Bank.” U.S. Congress Joint Economic Committee. May 16, 2023.	2023
“Recent Declines in the Fed’s Longer-Run Economic Projections” with Jonas D. M. Fisher. <i>Chicago Fed Letter</i> , no 375.	2017

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TESTIMONY

- “Considerations on a Bullion-Backed Digital Currency.” *Before the New Hampshire House Committee on Commerce and Consumer Affairs*. January 9, 2024. 2024
- “Safeguarding the Federal Reserve’s Independence.” *Before the U.S. House Financial Services Subcommittee on National Security, International Development and Monetary Policy*. 117th Cong. 2021

OPINION

- Nobel Winners, the Minimum Wage, and Evolution Discourse 10/14/2021
- Escalating Dorm Rates, Eminent Domain, and Economics 101 Discourse 10/07/2021
- The Thing That Should Not Be National Review 10/06/2021
- There’s No Quick Fix for the Debt Ceiling Barron’s 10/01/2021
- Demystifying the Debt Limit Discourse 09/20/2021
- Good Economic Policy is About More Than Inflation Reason 07/16/2021
- The Government Isn’t Cooking the Books on Inflation Discourse 07/16/2021
- It’s Time for the Fed to Taper Talk, Seriously Morning Consult 07/15/2021
- What’s Going on at the Federal Reserve? Discourse 07/12/2021
- No, the Fed Did Not Just Hike Interest Rates Discourse 07/06/2021
- The Fed Often Gets Monetary Policy Right Discourse 06/17/2021
- Fed: Inflation Marches, But Don’t Tighten Yet Morning Consult 06/11/2021
- Inside the Fed’s Playbook for a Dollar Default Barron’s 06/11/2021
- We May Be Headed Into a Perfect Storm on Negative Interest Rates Discourse 05/24/2021
- Permanently Suspend the Debt Limit The Hill 05/18/2021
- A Challenge for the Fed: Some Overnight Rates are Falling Below Zero Discourse 03/19/2021
- Is the Federal Reserve Taking Too Much Risk? National Review 02/04/2021
- Congress and SEC: Let the People Trade Washington Times 02/04/2021
- The GameStop Short Squeeze Discourse 01/29/2021

QUOTES

- Can the Fed afford to raise interest rates? CNBC 11/15/2021
- Inflation Spike May Sway Biden’s Choice for... Voice of America 11/13/2021
- ... default on national debt would cause recession The Hill 10/05/2021
- Standoff Over \$28T of U.S. Government Debt... CoinDesk 09/29/2021
- ... Tweaks to Fed’s Emergency Lending Powers S&P Global 09/23/2021
- ... Answers about the Debt Limit Fight The Hill 09/19/2021
- U.S. Debt Limit Impasse? Fed’s ‘loathsome’... Reuters 09/17/2021
- Fed installs ‘smoke detectors’ for overnight... S&P Global 08/13/2021
- Biden Vows to Spend Big, Control Inflation... Inside Sources 07/29/2021
- Americans Expect Years of Higher Inflation... Sinclair Broadcasting 07/13/2021
- Fed Signals Patience on IOER After Repo Move MNI Market news 03/25/2021
- US lawmakers... GameStop stock probe Al Jazeera 02/16/2021
- Fed to Hike Reverse Repo, IOER Rates MNI Market news 02/16/2021
- Good Ideas that Might Find Favor in a New Era Discourse Magazine 01/02/2021
- Families Borrow Less for College Wall Street Journal 07/31/2014
- ... NJ county college students asked to pledge NJ Advance Media 10/15/2013

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INTERVIEWS

Moody's puts U.S. sovereign credit downgrade watch	Bloomberg TV	11/10/2023
David Webb Show: Inflation	Amer. Radio Journal	12/21/2021
Inflation and the Fed Meeting	Market Watch	12/16/2021
Long-Haul Inflation Fears	Market Watch	11/01/2021
Worried about the Fed's next steps? ...	Market Watch	10/21/2021
C-SPAN: The National Debt and the Debt Ceiling	Washington Journal	10/13/2021
... 2021 Debt Limit Fight, Its Potential Impacts	Macro Musings	10/04/2021
Todd Feinburg Show on the Debt Limit	WTIC Radio	09/29/2021
Christopher Russo on the Debt Limit	Voice of America	09/27/2021
... on Monetary Policy, the Fed, and Inflation	Todd Nief Show	09/15/2021
David Webb Show: Debt Limit	SiriusXM	08/17/2021
US Treasury Buffer to Ease Reverse Repo Takeup	MNI Market News	07/08/2021
Inflation and What to Expect from the Fed	Policy Download	06/22/2021
... Fed-Treasury Tensions and Potential Solutions	Macro Musings	03/15/2021
The GameStop Affair	Discourse Podcast	02/12/2021

SPEECHES

Fund for American Studies on "Fed History"	Washington DC	02/18/2022
Opening Keynote at Oklahoma Chamber Fly-in	Washington DC	09/28/2021
Mercatus All-Staff on "GameStop Short Squeeze"	Arlington VA	02/04/2021
RVCC Student Commencement Speaker	Branchburg NJ	05/19/2014

HONORS

Distinguished Chapter at International Convention	Phi Theta Kappa	2014
Community College Academic Team Bronze Scholar	Coca-Cola Foundation	2014
Galileo Scholarship	RVCC Foundation	2013
Leaders of Promise Scholarship	Coca-Cola Foundation	2013

REFERENCES

Prof. Garrett B. Jones	Prof. Christopher J. Coyne	Prof. Carlos Ramirez
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