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Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1972
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Ph.D. (Economics)
Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1976

National Science Foundation Graduate Fellow,
September 1972 - September 1975.

Stonier Fellow (American Bankers Association),
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Academic and Professional Experience:

Research Assistant to Professor Don Patinkin, Falk Institute for Economic Research,
Jerusalem Israel, Summer 1971, Summer 1973

Research Assistant, St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank, Summer 1972

Instructor, MIT, 1975

Assistant Professor of Economics, Graduate School of Business, University of Chicago, September 1976 - September 1982; Visiting Associate Professor, Summer 1983, Summer 1984, Fall 1985

Visiting Senior Lecturer, Department of Economics, Tel Aviv University, Spring 1979

Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University of Michigan, Fall 1980

Lady Davis Research Fellow, Department of Economics, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, January - July 1981

Senior Lecturer, Department of Economics, Tel Aviv University, 1982 - 1988

Associate Professor, Department of Economics, Tel Aviv University, 1988 - 1990

Visiting Research Associate, Institute for International Economic Studies, Stockholm, Sweden, January - February 1986, September 1986, February 1987, July-August 1987, May 2004

Visiting Associate Professor, Department of Economics, University of Pennsylvania, 1987-88

Visiting Professor, Department of Economics, Princeton University 1988-90

Professor, Department of Economics, University of Maryland, August 1990 – present

Co-Director, Center for International Economics, University of Maryland, 1994- present

Research Associate, National Bureau of Economic Research, September 1990 - present

Consultant – International Monetary Fund, World Bank, InterAmerican Development Bank

Lady Davis Professor, Department of Economics, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, January - July 1997

William Haber Professor of Economics, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, October 1999 - September 2000

Research Fellow, Centre for Economic Policy Research, (International Macroeconomics, Public Policy), September 2000 - present

Professor of Economics, Berglas School of Economics, Tel-Aviv University, October 2000
– September 2006

Jack and Lisa Yael Professor of Comparative Economics, Berglas School of Economics,
Tel-Aviv University, October 2002 – September 2006

Director, Foerder Institute for Economic Research, Tel Aviv University, 2001 - 2004

Executive Committee, Israel Economic Association, 2001-4

Co-Organizer, NBER Summer Institute in International Finance and Macroeconomics,
2002-3

Economic Policy Panel 2006-7

Scientific Advisory Committee, CREI, Universitat Pompeu Fabra

Visiting Fellow, Collegio Carlo Alberto, University of Torino, Spring-Summer 2009

Senior Fellow, Collegio Carlo Alberto, University of Torino, starting January 2010

Current Research Grants

Principal Investigator "Political Budget Cycles," funded by the National Science
Foundation, SES-0418482, 2004-2009

Editorships:

Co-Editor, *Economics and Politics*, 1998-2003

Board of Editors, *Economics and Politics*, 2006-2009

Board of Editors, *European Economic Review*, 1992-1997, 2005-present

Board of Editors, *Journal of the European Economic Association*, 2003-2008

Associate Editor, *Journal of Economic Growth* 1996-2001

Board of Editors, *American Economic Review* 1998-2003

Board of Editors, *European Journal of Political Economy* 2000-2006

Teaching Experience:

Undergraduate – Macroeconomics; Economic Growth; Political Economy

MBA – Macroeconomics; Money and Banking; Public Finance

Graduate – Macroeconomic Theory; Growth Theory; Monetary Economics; International Finance; Political Economy (Graduate teaching awards at Maryland, 1990, 1992, 1994, 1995, 1999, 2000, 2003)

Books

Political Economy in Macroeconomics, Princeton University Press, February 2000, Paperback edition, February 2002, Chinese Translation 2004, Indian subcontinent edition 2004. (Winner of the Association of American Publishers Award for best book in economics published in 2000 by a Professional or Scholarly Press)

Articles

"Government Debt, Human Capital and Bequests in a Life-Cycle Model," *Journal of Political Economy*, Vol. 86, No. 3 (June 1978).

"The Optimal Rate of Inflation Revisited," *Journal of Monetary Economics*, Vol. 5, No. 2 (April 1979).

"On Permanent Effects of Transitory Phenomena in a Simple Growth Model," *Economics Letters*, Vol. 3, No. 1 (1979).

"Recent Developments in Macroeconomic Disequilibrium Theory," *Econometrica*, Vol 48, No. 2 (March 1980).

"Inflation and Capital Accumulation Under a Finite Horizon," *Journal of Monetary Economics*, Vol. 8, No. 2 (September 1981).

"The Permanent Effects of Inflation on Development and Choice of Production Technique," in *Development in an Inflationary World*, A. Razin and J. Flanders, (eds.), Academic Press: New York, 1981.

"Unemployment in LDC's: Worker Heterogeneity, Screening, and Quantity Constraints," *World Development*, Vol. 10, No. 2 (December 1982).

"The Variable Employment Elasticity Hypothesis: Theory and Evidence," (with Daniel Hamermesh and Norman Obst), *Research in Labor Economics*, Vol. 6, (1984).

"Tight Money and Inflation: Further Results," *Journal of Monetary Economics*, Vol. 15, No. 1 (January 1985).

"A General Measure of Inflation Tax Revenues," *Economics Letters*, Vol. 17, No. 4 (1985).

"State Dependence in Optimal Factor Accumulation," *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, Vol. 100, No. 2 (May 1985).

"Cyclical Determinants of the Natural Level of Economic Activity," *International Economic Review*, Vol. 26, No. 2 (June 1985).

"Optimal Minimum Wage Legislation," *Economic Journal*, Vol. 96, No. 3 (September 1986).

"Reciprocal Externality Models of Low Employment," *European Economic Review*, Vol. 31, No. 1/2 (February/March 1987).

"Stabilization with Exchange Rate Management," (with Elhanan Helpman), *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, Vol. 102, No. 4 (November 1987).

"Inflation, Indexation and Wage Dispersion," (with Daniel Hamermesh), *Economics Letters*, Vol. 25, (1987).

"The Effect of Policy Anticipations on Stabilization Programs," (with Elhanan Helpman), *European Economic Review*, Vol. 32, No. 2 (May 1988).

"Self-Fulfilling Optimism in a Trade Friction Model of the Business Cycle," *American Economic Review*, Vol. 78, No. 2 (May 1988).

"On the Organization of Rural Markets and the Process of Economic Development," (with Zvi Eckstein), *American Economic Review*, Vol. 78, No. 3 (June 1988).

"Future Stabilization and Inflation," (with Elhanan Helpman), in *Finance Constraints, Expectations, and Macroeconomics*, M. Kohn and S.C. Tsiang, (eds.), Oxford University Press: Oxford, 1988.

"Stabilization with Exchange Rate Management under Uncertainty," (with Elhanan Helpman), in *Economic Effects of the Government Budget*, E. Helpman, A. Razin, and E. Sadka (eds.), MIT Press: Cambridge, MA., 1988.

"Monetary Policy, Seigniorage, and Capital Controls in an Open Economy," in *A European Central Bank?*, M. de Cecco and A. Giovannini (eds.), Cambridge University Press: Cambridge, 1989.

"Inflationary Consequences of Uncertain Macroeconomic Policy," (with Elhanan Helpman), *Review of Economic Studies*, vol. 57, no. 1 (January 1990).

"Threshold Externalities in Economic Development", (with Costas Azariadis), *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, Vol. 105, no. 2 (May 1990).

Reprinted in Gene Grossman (ed.), *Economic Growth: Theory and Evidence (International Library of Critical Writings in Economics)*, Hants, U.K.: Edgar Elgar, 1996.

"The Persistence of Unemployment in a Dynamic Insider-Outsider Model," (with Nils Gottfries) in G. Fishelson and Y. Weiss (eds.), *Advances in the Theory and Measurement of Unemployment*, Macmillan: London, 1990.

"Can Restrictions on Banking Replace Fiscal Austerity?," in *Aspects of Central Bank Policymaking*, Z. Eckstein (ed.), Springer-Verlag, 1991.

"Why are Stabilizations Delayed?," (with Alberto Alesina), *American Economic Review*, Vol. 81, no. 5 (December 1991).

Reprinted in T. Persson and G. Tabellini (eds.), *Monetary and Fiscal Policy, volume 2: Politics*, Cambridge, MA: MIT Press, 1994. Reprinted in F. Sturzenegger and M. Tommasi (eds.), *The Political Economy of Reform*, Cambridge, MA: MIT Press, 1998.

"Endogenous Business Cycles with Self-Fulfilling Optimism: A Model with Entry," in *Chaos and Cycles in Economic Equilibrium*, J. Benhabib (ed.), Princeton University Press: Princeton NJ, 1992. (This is a revised and extended version of the May 1988 *AER* paper).

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"Endogenous Fertility in Models of Growth," (with Costas Azariadis), *Revista de Analisis Economico*, Vol. 8, no. 1 (June 1993).

"Seniority Rules and the Persistence of Unemployment," (with Nils Gottfries), *Oxford Economic Papers*, Vol. 46, no. 2 (April 1994).

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"Will Government Policy Magnify Capital Flow Volatility?," (with Giuseppe Bertola), in Leiderman, L. and A. Razin, (eds.), *Capital Mobility: The Impact on Consumption, Investment and Growth*, Cambridge University Press, 1994.

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"When Liberal Policies Reflect External Shocks, What Do We Learn?," (with Leonardo Bartolini), *Journal of International Economics*, Vol. 42, no 3-4 (May 1997).

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"Uncertain Duration of Reform: Dynamic Implications," (with Guillermo Calvo), *Journal of Macroeconomic Dynamics*, Vol 2, no. 4 (December 1998).

"Revelation Uncertainty and Irreversible Investment," (with Plutarchos Sakellaris), *Journal of Macroeconomic Dynamics*, Vol. 3, no. 3 (September 1999).

"Central Bank Independence and the Political Business Cycle," in M. Blejer and M. Skreb (eds.), *Major Issues in Central Banking, Monetary Policies, and Implications for Transition Economies*, Cambridge University Press, 1999.

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"Do Crises Induce Reforms? Some Empirical Tests of Conventional Wisdom" (with William Easterly), *Economics and Politics*, Vol. 13, no. 2 (July, 2001).

"How Does Politics Affect Economic Outcomes? Insights from "New" Political Economy", *The Political Economist*, Spring 2001.

"Conditionality and Ownership in IMF Lending: A Political Economy Approach" *IMF Staff Papers (Special Issue)*, Vol. 49 (2002).

Reprinted in G. Ranis and J. Vreeland (eds.), *Globalization and the Nation State: The Impact of the IMF and the World Bank*, New Haven: Yale University Press, 2005.

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"Interest Rate Defense Against Speculative Attack as a Signal: A Primer," in M. Dooley and J. Frankel (eds.), *Managing Currency Crises in Emerging Markets*, Chicago: University of Chicago Press (for NBER), 2003.

"Fiscal Rules From A Political Economy Perspective," in G. Kopits (ed.), *Rules-Based Fiscal Policy in Emerging Markets: Background, Analysis and Prospects*, New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2004.

"Political Budget Cycles in New Versus Established Democracies" (with Adi Brender), *Journal of Monetary Economics*, Vol. 52, No. 7 (October 2005).

"Political Implications of Fiscal Performance in OECD Countries," (with Adi Brender) in *Fiscal Indicators*, Rome: Banca D'Italia, 2006.

"A Simple Test of the Effect of Interest Rate Defense," (with Stefan Hubrich), *Journal of the Japanese and International Economies*, Vol. 20. No. 4, (December 2006).

"Political Contribution Caps and Lobby Formation: Theory and Evidence," (with Nuno Limão and Thomas Stratmann), *Journal of Public Economics*, Vol. 91, No. 3-4 (April 2007).

"Electoral Fiscal Policy in New, Old, and Fragile Democracies," (with Adi Brender), *Comparative Economic Studies* 49, (2007).

"A Bargaining Theory of Inefficient Redistribution Policies," (with Nuno Limão), *International Economic Review*, Vol. 49, No. 2 (May 2008).

"Is There a Different Political Economy for Developing Countries? – Issues, Perspectives, and Methodology," *Journal of African Economies* 17, *Supplement 1 (Special Issue)*, 2008.

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"Can Public Discussion Enhance Program 'Ownership'?", (with Peter Isard), forthcoming, in C. Reinhart, A. Velasco, and C. A. Vegh, eds., *Money, Crises, and Transition: Essays in Honor of Guillermo Calvo*, Cambridge, MA: MIT Press, 2008.

"How Do Budget Deficits and Economic Growth Affect Reelection Prospects? – Evidence from a Large Panel of Countries," (with Adi Brender), *American Economic Review*, vol. 98, No. 5 (December 2008).

"Consolidation of New Democracy, Mass Attitudes, and Clientelism," (with Adi Brender), *American Economic Review Papers and Proceedings*, vol. 99, no. 2 (May 2009).

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"Indexation and Maturity of Government Bonds: Discussion," in *Public Debt Management: Theory and History*, R. Dornbusch and M. Draghi (eds.), Cambridge University Press: Cambridge, 1990.

"Can Severe Fiscal Contractions be Expansionary?: Comment," in *NBER Macroeconomics Annual 1990*, O.J. Blanchard and S. Fischer (eds.), MIT Press: Cambridge, MA., 1991.

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Review of Alesina, Roubini, and Cohen, *Political Cycles and the Macroeconomy*, in *Journal of Economic Literature*, June 1999.

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Review of Acemoglu and Robinson, *Economic Origins of Dictatorship and Democracy*, *Economic Journal* 117. 2007.

"Discussion of Easterly, 'Are Aid Agencies Improving?'," in *Economic Policy* 52, October 2007.

"Political Economy and Economic Development in Africa: An Overview," (with Olu Ajakaiye and Joseph Karugia), *Journal of African Economies* 17, Supplement 1 (Special Issue), 2008.

"Discussion of Ayuso-i-Casals, Debrun, Kumar, Moulin, and Turrini, 'Tied to the mast? – The role of national fiscal rules in the European Union'," in *Economic Policy* 54, April 2008.

Working Papers

"What Does One Gain By Cutting Off Foreign Aid?," working paper.

"'Lying Low' During Elections: Political Pressure and Monetary Accommodation," working paper.

"Why Emergency Lending Facilities Go Unused" (with Leonardo Bartolini), 2004 SED Meeting Paper 746.

"Special Interest Cycles," (with Marcela Eslava, originally circulated as "Pork Barrel Cycles," NBER Working Paper 12190), working paper.

"Why is Economic Policy Different in New Democracies? Affecting Attitudes About Democracy," (with Adi Brender), NBER Working Paper 13457.

"Do Leaders Affect Government Spending Priorities?," (with Adi Brender), NBER Working Paper 15368.

"Kosher Pork," (with Ethan Ilzetzki), working paper.