

Curriculum Vitae

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Personal Details

Born Leicester, UK 27/9/1968
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Education

Bachelor of Economics with Honours (first class), Monash University 1990
Completing Ph.D. in the Department of Economics at Monash University.

Thesis title: *Blood, Information and Virtue*. Thesis examines issues of motivation, institutions and methodology, particularly with regard to the use of gifts as an approach to the problem of quality control in the supply of blood.

Employment

1993 to 2000: Lecturer/ Assistant Lecturer, Department of Economics, Monash University, Clayton.

2001 – : Research Fellow, Centre of Policy Studies, Monash University. Duties include lecturing in Public Finance in the Department of Economics.

Publications:

“Efficiency Effects of Inter-Government Financial Transfers in Australia” (with P. B Dixon and M. T. Rimmer) *The Australian Economic Review* (2002) vol. 35, no. 3, pp. 304-15

“Competition, Rationality and Complexity in Economics and Biology” in Colander, David (ed.) (2000) *Complexity and the History of Economic Thought* Routledge, London

Commissioned Studies

Payroll Taxes: thresholds, firm sizes, deadweight losses and Commonwealth Grants Commission Funding (with P. B Dixon and M. T. Rimmer) Report prepared for Victorian Treasury, October 2002

Effects of Changes in Commonwealth Grants to States: An Applied General Equilibrium Analysis (with P. B Dixon and M. T. Rimmer) Report prepared for the Review of Commonwealth-State Funding, April 2002.

Research Interests:

Public Finance

Federalism

Public Choice

CGE modeling

Methodology

New Institutional Economics