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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

July 2005- present: Professor of Economics, University of California at Berkeley

July 2003- June 2005: Associate Professor of Economics, University of California at Berkeley

July 2002- June 2003: Assistant Professor of Economics, University of California at Berkeley

July 1999- June 2002: Assistant Professor of Economics, Harvard University

EDUCATION:

1999 Ph.D. in Economics, MIT
Thesis title: *Essays in the Economics of Income Taxation*
1996 M.D. in Economics at DELTA, Paris
1994 B.A. in Mathematics at Ecole Normale Supérieure, 45 Rue d'Ulm, Paris

VISITING POSITIONS:

September 2009- December 2009: Visiting Professor, Department of Economics, MIT

September 2007- June 2008: Fellow, Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, Stanford

September 2004- June 2005: National Fellow, Hoover Institution, Stanford University

July 2001- June 2002: Visiting Assistant Professor, University of California at Berkeley

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

2003-present: Research Associate, Public Economics Group, NBER

2004-present: Research Fellow, Public Policy Group, CEPR

2005-present: Research Fellow, CESifo

1999-2003: Faculty Research Fellow, Public Economics Group, NBER

2001-2004: Research Affiliate, Public Policy Group, CEPR

2002-2005: Research Affiliate, CESifo

EDITORIAL RESPONSIBILITIES:

2006-present: Editor, Journal of Public Economics

2004-present: Associate Editor, International Tax and Public Finance

2003-2006: Co-Editor, Journal of Public Economics

2004-2005: Associate Editor, Economic Journal

2002-2003: Associate Editor, Journal of Public Economics

HONORS:

- 2007 TIAA-CREF Paul A. Samuelson Certificate of Excellence (runner up prize for best publication of the year on financial security) joint with Esther Duflo, William Gale, Jeffrey Liebman, and Peter Orszag for our 2006 publication "Saving Incentives for Low- and Middle-Income Families: Evidence from a Field Experiment with H&R Block"
- 2006 Purvis Memorial Prize of the Canadian Economic Association (best publication of the year on the Canadian economy) joint with Michael Veall for our 2005 publication, "The Evolution of High Incomes in Northern America: Lessons from Canadian Evidence"
- 2006 Nominated for the Best Young French Economist Prize, Le Monde, Cercle des Economistes, (two winners, three nominations)
- 2003 Alfred P. Sloan Research Fellowship
- 2002 Best Graduate Teacher Award (UC Berkeley Econ Graduate Students Association)
- 2002 CESifo prize in Public Economics for best paper by a young scholar: "Optimal Income Transfer Programs: Intensive Versus Extensive Labor Supply Responses"
- 1999 National Tax Association dissertation prize
- 1999 Review of Economic Studies Tour
- 1998 Alfred P. Sloan Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship

RESEARCH GRANTS:

- 2006-2009 NSF grant SES-0617737 (with Wojciech Kopczuk):
"Earnings Inequality and Mobility in the United States, 1937-2004: Evidence from Social Security Administration Data"
- 2004-2005 NBER-SSA Retirement Research Center grant (with Jeff Liebman):
"Earnings Responses to Raising the Social Security Taxable Maximum"
- 2002-2007 NSF CAREER grant SES-0134946:
"The Evolution of Income Inequality During the 20th Century: Effects of Taxation and Policy Consequences"
- 2000 NSF small research grant SES-0078535 (with Esther Duflo):
"The Determinants of 401(k) Participation: The Role of Economic Incentives, Plan Design, Financial Education, and Peer Effects"

TEACHING:

Graduate Courses: Public Economics, Mathematics for Economists

Undergraduate Courses: Public Economics

REFEREED PUBLICATIONS:

1. "Using Elasticities to Derive Optimal Income Tax Rates", Review of Economic Studies, 68, 2001, 205-229.
2. "The Desirability of Commodity Taxation under Nonlinear Income Taxation and Heterogeneous Tastes", Journal of Public Economics, 83, 2002, 217-230.
3. "The Elasticity of Taxable Income: Evidence and Implications", Joint with Jon Gruber, Journal of Public Economics, 84, 2002, 1-32 (longer version: NBER Working Paper No. 7512, January 2000).

4. "Optimal Income Transfer Programs: Intensive Versus Extensive Labor Supply Responses", Quarterly Journal of Economics, 117(3), 2002, 1039-1073.
5. "Participation and Investment Decisions in a Retirement Plan: The Influence of Colleagues' Choices", Joint with Esther Duflo, Journal of Public Economics, 85, 2002, 121-148.
6. "Income Inequality in the United States, 1913-1998", Joint with Thomas Piketty, Quarterly Journal of Economics, 118(1), 2003, 1-39, **series updated to 2006 in July 2008**.
7. "The Effect of Marginal Tax Rates on Income: A Panel Study of Bracket Creep", Journal of Public Economics, 87(5-6), 2003, 1231-1258.
8. "The Role of Information and Social Interactions in Retirement Plans Decisions: Evidence from a Randomized Experiment." Joint with Esther Duflo, Quarterly Journal of Economics, 118(3), 2003, 815-842.
9. "Direct or Indirect Tax Instruments for Redistribution: Short-Run versus Long-Run", Journal of Public Economics, 88(3-4), 2004, 503-518.
10. "Top Wealth Shares in the United States, 1916-2000: Evidence from Estate Tax Returns", joint with Wojciech Kopczuk, National Tax Journal, 57(2), Part 2, June 2004, 445-487. (Longer version: NBER Working Paper No. 10399, March 2004).
11. "The Optimal Treatment of Tax Expenditures", Journal of Public Economics, 88(12), 2004, 2657-2684.
12. "The Evolution of High Incomes in Northern America: Lessons from Canadian Evidence" joint with Michael Veall, American Economic Review, 95(3), 2005, 831-849.
13. "Dividend Taxes and Corporate Behavior: Evidence from the 2003 Dividend Tax Cut" joint with Raj Chetty, Quarterly Journal of Economics, 120(3), 2005, 791-833 (longer version NBER Working Paper No. 10841, October 2004; preliminary version NBER Working Paper No. 10572, June 2004).
14. "Saving Incentives for Low- and Middle-Income Families: Evidence from a Field Experiment with H&R Block", joint with Esther Duflo, William Gale, Jeffrey Liebman, and Peter Orszag, Quarterly Journal of Economics, 121(4), 2006, 1311-1346.
15. "Welfare Reform in European Countries: A Micro-Simulation Analysis", joint with Herwig Immerwoll, Henrik Kleven, and Claus Kreiner, Economic Journal, 117(1), 2007, 1-44.
16. "The Evolution of Income Concentration in Japan, 1885-2005: Evidence from Income Tax Statistics", joint with Chiaki Moriguchi, forthcoming Review of Economics and Statistics (Earlier version NBER Working Paper No. 12558, October 2006).
17. "Details Matter: The impact of Presentation and Information in the Take-up of Financial Incentives for Retirement Savings", forthcoming American Economic Journal: Economic Policy (Earlier version CEPR Discussion Paper No. 6386, July 2007).
18. "The Optimal Income Taxation of Couples," joint with Henrik Kleven and Claus Kreiner, forthcoming Econometrica, (longer version CESifo Working Paper, No. 2092, September 2007, older version NBER Working Paper No. 12685, November 2006).

OTHER PUBLICATIONS:

1. "Optimal Income Tax Rates and Elasticities: A Summary", National Tax Association Proceedings, 92nd Annual Conference on Taxation 1999, 64-71.
2. "Inkomstskillnader i USA, 1913-1998", Joint with Thomas Piketty, Ekonomisk Debatt, 30, 1, 2002, 15-31. (in Swedish)
3. "Implications of Information and Social Interactions for Retirement Saving Decisions", Joint with Esther Duflo, in O. Mitchell and S. Utkus, eds., Pension Design and Structure: New Lessons from Behavioral Finance. Pension Research Council. (Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press), 2004.
4. "Reported Incomes and Marginal Income Tax Rates, 1960-2000: Evidence and Policy Implications", Tax Policy and the Economy, ed. James Poterba, (Cambridge: MIT Press), Volume 18, 2004.
5. "Top Incomes in the United States and Canada over the Twentieth Century", Journal of the European Economic Association, Paper and Proceedings, 3(2-3), 2005, 402-411.
6. "Income Concentration in a Historical and International Perspective", in eds. Alan Auerbach, David Card, John Quigley, Public Policy and Income Distribution, (New York: Russell Sage Foundation), 2006, 221-258.
7. "Redistribution Toward Low Incomes in Richer Countries", in A. Banerjee, R. Benabou, and D. Mookherjee eds. Understanding Poverty, (Oxford: Oxford University Press), 2006, 187-201.
8. "The Evolution of Top Incomes: A Historical and International Perspective", joint with Thomas Piketty, American Economic Review: Papers and Proceedings, 96(2), May 2006, 200-205. Reprinted in Inequalities and Societies Reader, First Edition, W.W. Norton & Company, New York, February 2009.
9. "The Effect of the 2003 Dividend Tax Cut on Corporate Behavior: Interpreting the Evidence", joint with Raj Chetty, American Economic Review: Papers and Proceedings, 96(2), May 2006, 124-129.
10. "How Progressive is the U.S. Federal Tax System? A Historical and International Perspective", joint with Thomas Piketty, Journal of Economic Perspectives, 21(1), Winter 2007, 3-24.
11. "The Effects of Taxes on Market Responses to Dividend Announcements and Payments: What Can we Learn from the 2003 Dividend Tax Cut?" joint with Raj Chetty and Joseph Rosenberg, in A. Auerbach and J. Slemrod, eds. Taxing Corporate Income in the 21st Century, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2007, 1-32.
12. "Income Inequality in the United States, 1913-2002", Joint with Thomas Piketty, Chapter 5 in A. B. Atkinson and T. Piketty, eds. Top Incomes over the Twentieth Century: A Contrast Between European and English Speaking Countries, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2007, 141-225 (longer and updated version of refereed publication 6.)
13. "The Evolution of High Incomes in Canada, 1920-2000", joint with Michael Veall, Chapter 6 in A. B. Atkinson and T. Piketty, eds. Top Incomes over the Twentieth Century: A Contrast Between European and English Speaking Countries, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2007, 226-308 (longer version of refereed publication 12.)

14. "The Evolution of Income and Wealth Concentration in Switzerland over the 20th Century", joint with Fabien Dell and Thomas Piketty, Chapter 11 in A. B. Atkinson and T. Piketty, eds. Top Incomes over the Twentieth Century: A Contrast Between European and English Speaking Countries, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2007, 472-500.

15. "Savings Incentives for Low- and Moderate-Income Families in the United States: Why is the Saver's Credit Not More Effective?" joint with Esther Duflo, William Gale, Jeffrey Liebman, and Peter Orszag, Journal of the European Economic Association, Paper and Proceedings, 5(2-3), 2007, 647-661.

16. "Means Testing and Tax Rates and Earnings", joint with Michael Brewer and Andrew Shephard, IFS Working Paper, April 2008, prepared for The Mirrlees Review: Reforming the Tax System for the 21st Century, Oxford University Press.

BOOK REVIEWS, COMMENTS, DISCUSSIONS, SHORTER PIECES:

1. Book review of Diamond, Peter (2003), Taxation, Incomplete Markets, and Social Security, Cambridge: MIT Press, Journal of Economic Literature, 42, June 2004, 529-530.

2. Comments on Douglas Bernheim and Antonio Rangel "Behavioral Public Economics: Welfare and Policy Analysis with Nonstandard Decision-Makers", in Peter Diamond and Hannu Vartiainen Eds., Behavioral Economics and Its Applications, Princeton and Oxford: Princeton University Press, 2006, 81-84.

3. Comments on Thomas J. Kniesner and James P. Ziliak, "Evidence of Tax-Induced Individual Behavioral Responses", in John Diamond and William Zodrow (eds.), Fundamental Tax Reform: Issue, Choices, and Implications, Cambridge MA: MIT Press, 2008, 413-416.

4. "Striking It Richer: The Evolution of Top Incomes in the United States", Pathways Magazine, Stanford Center for the Study of Poverty and Inequality, Winter 2008, 6-7.

WORKING PAPERS:

"Information and Behavioral Responses to Taxation: Evidence from an Experiment with EITC Clients at H&R Block", joint with Raj Chetty, draft in preparation, September 2008

"Optimal Taxation and Social Insurance with Crowd-out of Private Insurance", joint with Raj Chetty, September 2008.

"Optimal Minimum Wage in Competitive Labor Markets," joint with David Lee, revised, April 2008.

"An Agency Theory of Dividend Taxation," joint with Raj Chetty, NBER Working Paper No. 13538, October 2007, revision requested from the American Economic Journal: Economic Policy.

"Earnings Inequality and Mobility in the United States: Evidence from Social Security Data since 1937", joint with Wojciech Kopczuk and Jae Song, revised September 2008 (older and longer version NBER Working Paper No. 13345, August 2007), revised and resubmit to the Quarterly Journal of Economics.

"Income and Wealth Concentration in Spain in a Historical and Fiscal Perspective", joint with Facundo Alvaredo, CEPR Discussion Paper No. 5836, September 2006, revised December 2007, conditionally accepted in the Journal of the European Economic Association.

“Earnings Responses to Increases in Payroll Taxes”, joint with Jeffrey Liebman, preliminary version, October 2006.

“Optimal Progressive Capital Income Taxes in the Infinite Horizon Model”, NBER Working Paper, No. 9046, July 2002.

“Do Taxpayers Bunch at Kink Points?”, NBER Working Paper, No. 7366, September 1999, revised April 2002.

“Responses to Federal Income Tax Changes in the Inter-War Period”, mimeo Harvard University, 1999.

“A Characterization of the Income Tax Schedule Minimizing Deadweight Burden”, mimeo Harvard University, 1999.

CONFERENCES ORGANIZED:

Co-organizer (with Antonio Rangel) of Stanford Institute for Theoretical Economics on Public Economics Theory (Theory of Taxation), July 2000

Co-organizer (with Doug Bernheim and Antonio Rangel) of Stanford Institute for Theoretical Economics conference on Public Economics Theory (Political Economy), July 2001

Co-organizer (with Doug Bernheim and Antonio Rangel) of Stanford Institute for Theoretical Economics conference on Public Economics Theory (Dynamic Fiscal Policy), July 2002

Co-organizer (with Naomi Lamoreaux, Peter Lindert, Jean-Laurent Rosenthal, and Kenneth Sokoloff) of All-UC Economic History Conference on the New History of Economic Inequality, April 2004

Co-organizer (with V.V. Chari) of NBER Summer Institute Conference on Taxation, August 2004

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PROGRAM COMMITTEE:

2003 Member of the Theoretical and Applied Economics Program Committee for the 58th European Meeting of the Econometric Society, Stockholm

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