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Education

Ph.D. (1999) Economics, University of Colorado
B.A., *cum laude* (1994) International Affairs, The George Washington University

Learned Societies

Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management
American Economic Association
American Education Research Association
Phi Beta Kappa (Treasurer, Delta of Texas, 2001-2009)

Academic Experience

2009 – present, Senior Researcher
UTD Texas Schools Project/Education Research Center
University of Texas at Dallas

2005 – present, Associate Professor
Department of Economics, Texas Christian University
College of Education, Texas Christian University

2000 – 2009, Faculty Research Fellow
UTD Texas Schools Project, University of Texas at Dallas

1999 – 2005, Assistant Professor
Department of Economics, Texas Christian University

Spring 1999, Graduate Part-Time Instructor
Department of Economics, University of Colorado

Refereed Publications

- Klopfenstein, K. (forthcoming 2010). Does the Advanced Placement Program Save Taxpayers Money? The Effect of AP Participation on Time to College Graduation. In: *AP: A Critical Examination of the Advanced Placement Program*, Sadler, P., Sonnert, G., Tai, R., and Klopfenstein, K. eds. Cambridge, MA: Harvard Education Press.
- Klopfenstein, K. and Thomas, M.K. (forthcoming 2010). Advanced Placement Participation: Evaluating the Policies of States and Colleges. In: *AP: A Critical Examination of the Advanced Placement Program*, Sadler, P., Sonnert, G., Tai, R., and Klopfenstein, K. eds. Cambridge, MA: Harvard Education Press.
- Lockhart, C., Klopfenstein, K., and Giles-Sims, J. (2009) Distinguishing Quality of Nursing Facility Care From Stringency of Enforcement. In: *Social Sources of Disparities in Health and Health Care and Linkages to Policy, Population Concerns and Providers of Care*, J.J.Kronenfeld, ed. Volume 27 of Research in the Sociology of Health Care, pp. 213-34. New York: MacMillan.
- Klopfenstein, K., and Thomas, M.K. (2009) The Link Between Advanced Placement Experience and Early College Success. *The Southern Economic Journal*, 75(3): 873-891.
- Lockhart, C., Giles-Sims, J, and Klopfenstein, K. (March 2009). Comparing states' Medicaid nursing facilities and HCBS long-term care programs: Quality and fit with inclination, capacity and need. *Journal of Aging & Social Policy*, 21(1): 52-74.
- Lockhart, C., Giles-Sims, J, and Klopfenstein, K. (2008). Cross-State Variation in an Unusual Public Social Program: Medicaid Support of Nursing Facility Long-Term Care for Older Citizens. *State and Local Government Review*, (40)3: 173-185.
- Klopfenstein, K. (2005). Beyond Test Scores: The Impact of Black Teacher Role Models on Rigorous Math-Taking. *Contemporary Economic Policy*, 23(3): 1-13.
- Klopfenstein, K. (2004). The Advanced Placement Expansion of the 1990s: How Did Traditionally Underserved Students Fare? *Education Policy Analysis Archives*, 12(68). <http://epaa.asu.edu/epaa/v12n68/>.
- Klopfenstein, K. (2004). Advanced Placement: Do Minorities Have Equal Opportunity? *Economics of Education Review*, 23(2): 115-131.
- Klopfenstein, K. (2003). Recommendations for Maintaining the Quality of Advanced Placement Programs. *American Secondary Education*, 32(1): 39-48.

Garnett, R. and Klopfenstein, K. (2003). Critical Thinking as an Interpersonal Experience: Rethinking Introductory Courses Across the Disciplines. *Inquiry: Critical Thinking Across the Disciplines*, 23(1): 11-16.

Books Edited

Sadler, P., Sonnert, G, Tai, R., and Klopfenstein, K., eds. (forthcoming 2010). *AP: A Critical Examination of the Advanced Placement Program*. Cambridge, MA: Harvard Education Press.

Work in Progress

The AP Arms Race: Is Excessive Grade-Weighting to Blame?

The Effect of Block Scheduling on Student Achievement

Evaluation Reports

Evaluation of Smaller Learning Communities at O.D. Wyatt High School, Year 4 Annual Report (2009)

Evaluation of the Texas High School Project, First Comprehensive Annual Report (forthcoming 2009)

Evaluation of Smaller Learning Communities at O.D. Wyatt High School, Year 3 Annual Report (2008)

Internal Policy Memo: Recommendations for Improving Student Retention at TCU (2007)

Evaluation of Smaller Learning Communities at O.D. Wyatt High School, Year 2 Annual Report (2007)

Evaluation of Smaller Learning Communities at O.D. Wyatt High School, Year 1 Annual Report (2006)

Grants Received/Consulted On

August 2007 – July 2011. Team co-leader, student outcomes analysis. Texas Education Agency grant, “Evaluation of Texas High School Project.” P.I.s: Barbara Means and Nancy Adelman, SRI International. \$193,618.

January 2007 – December 2008. Consultant (research). National Science Foundation Research and Evaluation on Education in Science and Engineering synthesis grant, “Synthesis of Research on Advanced High School Coursework in Science and Mathematics.” P.I.s: Philip Sadler and Gerhard Sonnert, Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics. \$16,000 of \$200,000.

July 2005 – June 2010. External Evaluator (program evaluation). U.S. Department of Education “Smaller Learning Communities Grant.” Awarded to Fort Worth Independent School District. \$32,640 of \$800,000.

June 2004 - May 2005. P.I. TCU Research and Creative Activities Fund. \$3,500. “Investigating the Advanced Placement Gap in Texas High Schools.”

Jan 2002 - Dec 2002. P.I. Spencer Foundation Small Research Grant. \$34,950. “Advanced Placement: Issues of Minority Access and Participation.”

Classes Taught (*undergraduate unless otherwise indicated*)

Statistics
Introductory Microeconomics
Urban Economics
Labor Economics
Econometrics
Economics of Education (*Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership*)
Senior Seminar in Economics: The Economics of the Family
Senior Seminar in Economics: The Economics of Segregation

Other Professionally Related Activities

Invited Participant, “Early College High School Invitational Research Forum,” organized by Jobs for the Future. Atlanta, GA (February 2010)

Invited Participant, mini-conference “Where To? College Level Work in High School,” organized by Jobs for the Future and funded by the Gates Foundation and the Nellie Mae Education Foundation. Boston, MA (January 2009)

Attended Value-Added Modeling Conference in Madison, WI (May 2008)

Completed TCU Certification Program in GIS (Summer 2007)

Invited Participant, Conference on Advanced High School Coursework in Science and Mathematics. Cambridge, MA (May 2007)

Invited Participant, Texas Educational Researcher Summit sponsored by The College

Board. Austin, TX (September, 2006)

Invited Speaker, Accelerated Learning: Shaping Public Policy to Serve Underrepresented Youth co-sponsored by Jobs for the Future and the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education, Atlanta (June 2006)

Invited Speaker, Education Writers Association Regional Meeting, Atlanta (Sept 2005)

Invited Participant, Institute of Education Sciences/National Center for Education Research Postsecondary Research Conference, Washington, D.C. (April 2005)

Advisor to the Student Preparation and Readiness for College Committee of the State of Texas P-16 Council (January – March 2005)

Presenter, Education Policy Mini-Conference, “Closing the Gaps in Texas: Research, Practice, and Policy.” Austin, TX. (Sept 2004)

Honors and Awards

Outstanding McNair Mentor (2007)

Faculty Fellow, TCU Center for Teaching Excellence (2005-06)

Graduate Award for Public Policy Research, University of Colorado (Spring 1998)

Editorial Activities

Ad hoc Referee, Eastern Economic Journal

Proposal Referee, National Science Foundation

Ad hoc Referee, Economics of Education Review

Ad hoc Referee, Southern Economic Journal

Ad hoc Referee, Journal of Curriculum Studies

Ad hoc Referee, Educational Evaluation and Policy Analysis

Ad hoc Referee, Educational Assessment

Ad hoc Referee, Contemporary Economic Policy

Ad hoc Referee, Southwestern Economic Review

Selected Media Coverage

The Advanced Placement Juggernaut. *New York Times*, Room for Debate blog. 12/20/09.

More Texas Students Taking, Failing Advanced Placement Exams. *Dallas Morning News*, 12/6/09.

Obama as a Role Model: Students, Educators Share Excitement. ABCNews.com, 1/5/08.

Ahead of the Class, Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate Courses Appeal to Students Seeking a Competitive Edge. *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*, 1/11/07.

Count on Teachers Making the Grade. *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*. 5/30/06.

A Teacher Takes Me On. Editorial by Jay Mathews. *WashingtonPost.com*, 7/25/06.

Advanced Placement: A Detour for College Fast Track? *USA Today*, 3/20/06.

As AP Expands, Studies Disagree on Its Value. *Washington Post*, 2/28/06 p.A08.

Advanced Placement on Upswing. *USA Today*, 2/7/06.

Student Demand for AP Classes Jumps. *Miami Herald*, February 6, 2006.

Admissions Offices Misuse AP Data on Student Transcripts, Scholars Suggest. *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, 1/10/05.

Contributions to the University and the Community

Invited Speaker, Women's Policy Forum. Fort Worth, TX (August 19, 2009)

McNair Scholar Mentor (2006-07 and 2000-02)

Invited Speaker, Humanists of Fort Worth (March 14, 2007)

Consultant for TCU's Successful Graduation Committee. Developed a model of TCU freshman retention and presented findings to faculty/staff, Chancellor's cabinet, and Provost's council (April – November 2006)

Facilitated (with Cecilia Silva, Education) a Learning Circle Discussion on "Education in the 21st Century" sponsored by the Center for Civic Literacy (February 21, 2006)

Advisory Board Member, TCU Center for Civic Literacy (2005 – 2008)

Invited Forum Speaker, Westside Unitarian Universalist Church (May 22, 2005)

Faculty Liaison, TCU Advanced Placement Summer Institute (2002, 2003, 2006)

National Advanced Placement Economics test grader. Lincoln, NE (June, 2003)

Chancellor's Stay in School Task Force Advisory Committee (2001-02)

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