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CURRENT POSITION **Principal Economist** 2015–present
Federal Reserve Board of Governors Washington, DC
Labor Markets section, Division of Research and Statistics

Senior Economist 2014–2015
Federal Reserve Board of Governors Washington, DC
Labor Markets section, Division of Research and Statistics

Economist 2009–2014
Federal Reserve Board of Governors Washington, DC
Macroeconomic Analysis section, Division of Research and Statistics

EDUCATION **Ph.D., Economics** 2002–2008
University of California, San Diego La Jolla, CA
Dissertation title: “Measuring U.S. Labor Market Dynamics”

B.A., Economics 1996–2000
University of California, Berkeley Berkeley, CA
With highest honors

JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

May 2021 “Across The Universe: Policy Support for Employment and Revenue in the Pandemic Recession”, with Ryan A. Decker, Robert J. Kurtzman, and Byron F. Lutz, *AEA Papers and Proceedings*

Feb. 2021 “The Cyclical Behavior of the Price-Cost Markup”, with Valerie A. Ramey; *Journal of Money, Credit, & Banking*, 50th Anniversary Issue

Aug. 2020 “The Dynamics of Disappearing Routine Jobs: A Flows Approach”, with Matias Cortez, Nir Jaimovich, and Henry E. Siu, *Labour Economics*, special issue on “Technology and the Labour Market”

Dec. 2012 “The Ins and Outs of Forecasting Unemployment: Using Labor Force Flows to Forecast the Labor Market”, with Regis Barnichon, *Brookings Papers on Economic Activity*

Jan. 2011 “Industry Evidence on the Effects of Government Spending”, with Valerie A. Ramey, *American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics*

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WEB PUBLICATIONS	Oct. 2014	“Updating the Labor Market Conditions Index”, with Hess Chung and David Ratner, <i>FEDS Notes</i>
	May 2014	“Assessing the Change in Labor Market Conditions”, with Hess Chung, Bruce Fallick, and David Ratner, <i>FEDS Notes</i>
	Apr. 2014	“Why is Involuntary Part-Time Work Elevated?”, with Tomaz Cajner, Dennis Mawhirter, and David Ratner, <i>FEDS Notes</i>
	Nov. 2012	“Assessing Conditions in the Labor Market”, with Stephanie Aaronson, Bruce Fallick, and William Wascher, <i>Staff memo to FOMC</i>

WORKING PAPERS	Aug. 2023	“Estimating Natural Rates of Unemployment: A Primer”, with Brandyn Bok, Richard K. Crump and Nicolas Petrosky-Nadeau (Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco Working Paper 2023-25)
	Dec. 2020	“Across The Universe: Policy Support for Employment and Revenue in the Pandemic Recession”, with Ryan A. Decker, Robert J. Kurtzman, and Byron F. Lutz (FEDS Paper no. 2020-099)
	Aug. 2020	“Unemployment Rate Benchmarks”, with Richard K. Crump and Nicolas Petrosky-Nadeau (FEDS Paper no. 2020-72)
	Dec. 2014	“Assessing the Change in Labor Market Conditions”, with Hess Chung, Bruce Fallick, and David Ratner (FEDS Paper no. 2014-109)
	June 2009	“Understanding Unemployment Dynamics: The Role of Time Aggregation”
	May 2009	“A Longitudinal Analysis of the Current Population Survey: Assessing the Cyclical Bias of Geographic Mobility”
	Dec. 2008	“Weekly Time Series of the U.S. Labor Market”
	Jan. 2007	“The Cyclical of Worker Flows: New Evidence from the SIPP”, with Shigeru Fujita and Garey Ramey

RELEVANT POSITIONS HELD	Infrastructure Manager	2019–present
	Federal Reserve Board of Governors Labor Markets section, Division of Research and Statistics	Washington, DC
	Research Assistant Valerie A. Ramey, Professor of Economics UC San Diego and National Bureau of Economic Research	2006–2008 La Jolla, CA
	Research Assistant George L. Perry, Senior Fellow The Brookings Institution	2000–2002 Washington, DC

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**PROFESSIONAL
ACTIVITIES**

Statistical Associate Editor
Brookings Papers on Economics Activity
The Brookings Institution

2000–2002
Washington, DC

Professional Affiliations
American Economic Association

Reviewer for

American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics; International Economic Review; Journal of Applied Econometrics; Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control; Journal of the European Economic Association; Journal of Monetary Economics; Journal of Money, Credit, & Banking; Quarterly Journal of Economics; Review of Economics and Statistics; and various other journals