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EDUCATION

Université du Québec à Montréal Ph.D. in Economics Université de Montréal M.Sc. in Economics	2020- 2018-2019
ACADEMIC VISITS	
Cornell University Faculty sponsor Mathieu Taschereau-Dumouchel	2024-2025
RESEARCH	

Working Papers

Inflation, Attention and Expectations, with Massimiliano Marcelino \mathcal{E} Dalibor Stevanovic.

Work In Progress

Real Heterogeneity and Rational Inattention

Abstract. We use the NY Fed's Survey of Consumer Expectations to document a systematic relationship between U.S. households' macroeconomic expectations and their hand-to-mouth status. We rationalize our findings by introducing rational inattention in an environment that resembles a Two-Agent New Keynesian model. Real heterogeneity leads households of different types to choose distinct signals, even when facing identical marginal costs of attention [...]

Revisiting Business Cycles under Rational Inattention

Abstract. We solve a dynamic stochastic general equilibrium model with rational inattention (an RI-DSGE). The physical environment resembles a simple New Keynesian model with capital. In the model, shocks to the marginal efficiency of investment induce business cycle comovement due to limited attention.

By contrast, several bells and whistles are needed to achieve the same result in conventional DSGE [...]

Quantifying the Effect of Noisy News on Business Cycles, with Patrick Fève & Alain Guay.

Abstract. We propose a simple semi-parametric statistic that combines moment conditions between noisy signals and present or future changes in TFP to the impulse response function of news and noise shocks. We evaluate their respective contributions to business cycle fluctuations [...]

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Université du Québec à Montréal

Advanced macroeconomics I (graduate), TA, (2024)

Advanced macroeconomics II (graduate), TA, (2023)

Methods of dynamic programming (graduate), TA, (2021)

Business cycles and economic policies (graduate), TA, (2021-2024)

Macroeconometrics (graduate), TA, (2021-2024)

PRESENTATIONS

2025 (including scheduled): Bank of Canada Montreal Workshop \cdot Barcelona School of Economics Summer Forum, Monetary Policy Workshop \cdot 7th Behavioral Macroeconomics Workshop

2024: Macro Lunch Cornell \cdot 58th annual Canadian Economics Association Meetings \cdot 63th annual congress of the Canadian Economic Society

2023: 62th annual congress of the Canadian Economic Society

SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Doctoral Fellowships

2022-2025

REFERENCES

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