

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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### Academic Degrees

A.B., Princeton University, 1951 (Summa Cum Laude)  
A.M., University of Chicago, 1953  
Ph.D., University of Chicago, 1955

### Honorary Degrees

Doctor Philosophae Honoris Causa, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel, 1985  
Doctor of Laws, Knox College, Galesburg, Illinois, 1985  
Doctor of Arts, University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, Illinois, 1988  
Doctor of Science, State University of New York at Stony Brook, Stony Brook, New York, 1990  
Doctor of Humane Letters, Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey, 1991  
Doctor Philosophae Honoris Causa, University of Palermo, Buenos Aires, Argentina, 1993  
Doctor of Humane Letters, Columbia University in the City of New York, 1993.  
Doctoris Honoris Causa Scientiarum Oeconomicarum, Warsaw School of Economics, 1995.  
Doctoris Honoris Causa, University of Economics, Prague, 1995.  
Doctor of Business Administration, University of Miami, 1995.  
Doctor of Science, University of Rochester, 1995  
Doctor of Humane Letters, Hofstra University, 1997  
Doctor of Humane Letters, University d' Aix-Marselles, 1999  
Doctor Honoris Causa, University of Athens, 2002  
Doctor of Laws, Harvard University, 2003  
Doctor Honoris Causa, Hitotsubashi University, 2005

## Academic Appointments

University Professor, University of Chicago, Departments of Economics, Graduate School of Business, and Sociology, 1983 - present;  
University Professor, Department of Economics, 1970 - 1983; Chairman, Department of Economics, 1984-1985  
Rose-Marie and Jack R. Anderson Senior Fellow, Hoover Institution, 1990-present  
Ford Foundation Visiting Professor of Economics, University of Chicago, 1969-70  
Arthur Lehman Professor of Economics, Columbia University, 1968-69  
Professor of Economics, Columbia University, 1960-1968  
Assistant and Associate Professor of Economics, Columbia University, 1957-60  
Assistant Professor, University of Chicago, 1954-57

## Other Appointments

Member, Senior Research Associate and research policy advisor to the Center for Economic Analysis of Human Behavior and Social Institutions, National Bureau of Economic Research, 1957-79  
Board of Publications, University of Chicago Press, 1971-75  
Member, Domestic Advisory Board, Hoover Institution, 1973-1991  
Research Associate, Economics Research Center, N.O.R.C., 1980-present  
Columnist, *Business Week*, 1985- 2004  
Member, Academic Advisory Board, American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research, 1987-1991.  
Associate Member, Institute of Fiscal and Monetary Policy, Ministry of Finance, Japan, 1988-present.  
Board of Directors, Manhattan Institute, 1997-  
Helped found and Member of the Board, UNext, 1999-2003  
Affiliated with Lexecon Corp., 1990-2002  
Member, Advisory Committee to the Secretary of Defense, 2001-  
Board of Directors, The New Center for Accelerating Medical Innovations, Washington, DC, 2003-  
Member, Accenture Energy Advisory Board, 2003-  
Affiliated with LEAF, Inc., 2003-  
Co-Author, Becker-Posner Blog, 2005-

## Professional Societies

American Economic Association (Distinguished Fellow, 1988; President, 1987  
Vice President, 1974; Editorial Board, *American Economic Review*, 1968-71)  
American Statistical Association  
Econometric Society  
Economic History Association  
Western Economic Association (Vice President, 1995-96; President, 1996-97)

## Elected Societies

Phi Beta Kappa, Princeton University, 1950  
Fellow, American Statistical Association, 1965-  
Founding Member, National Academy of Education, 1965 (Vice-President, 1965-67)  
Fellow, Econometric Society, 1967-

Mont Pelerin Society, 1971; Executive Board, 1985-1996, Vice-President, 1989,  
President, 1990-92  
Fellow, American Academy of Arts and Sciences, 1972-  
Member, National Academy of Sciences, 1975-  
Member, International Union for the Scientific Study of Population, 1982-  
Member, American Philosophical Society, 1986-  
Fellow, National Association of Business Economists, 1993-  
Pontifical Academy of Sciences, 1997-  
Corresponding Member, National Academy of Sciences of Buenos Aires, 2000-

## Awards

Arrow Award for Best Article in Health Economics, 2005  
Medal of the Italian Presidency, 2004  
John von Neumann Lecture Award, Rajk College, Corvinus Univ., Budapest, 2004  
Hayek Award, 2003  
NICHD Hall of Honor, 2003  
Heartland Prize, 2002  
American Academy of Achievement, 2001  
National Medal of Science, 2000  
Phoenix Prize, University of Chicago, 2000  
Irene B. Taeuber Award for Excellence in Demographic Research, Population  
Association of America, 1997  
Harold Lasswell Award, Policy Studies Organization, 1996  
Honorary Member, Gente Nueva, Mexico City, 1996  
50 Great Americans, Marquis *Who's Who*, 1995  
Lord Foundation Award, 1995  
Nobel Prize for Economic Sciences, 1992  
John R. Commons Award, Omicron Delta Epsilon, 1987  
MERIT Award, National Institutes of Health, U.S. Department of Health and  
Human Services, 1986  
Frank E. Seidman Distinguished Award in Political Economy, 1985  
Professional Achievement Award, University of Chicago Alumni Association, 1968  
John Bates Clark Medal, American Economic Association, 1967  
W.S. Woytinsky Award, for Human Capital, University of Michigan, 1964

## PUBLICATIONS

### Monographs

*Social Economics*, with Kevin M. Murphy, Harvard University Press, 2000

*Familie, Gesellschaft und Politik (Family, Society, and State)* J.C.B. Mohr (Paul Siebeck), 1996

*The Economics of Life*, (with Guity Nashat-Becker) McGraw-Hill, Inc., 1996; Chinese translation, 1997; German, Japanese translations, 1998; Spanish Translation, 2002

*Accounting for Tastes*, Harvard University Press, 1996; Czech translation, 1998; Chinese translation, 1999, Italian translation, 2000

*A Treatise on the Family*, Harvard University Press, 1981; expanded edition, 1991; Spanish translation, 1987; Chinese translation, 1988, again 2000

*The Economic Approach to Human Behavior*, University of Chicago Press, 1976; German translation, 1982; Polish translation, 1990; Chinese translation, 1993; Romanian translation, 1994; Italian translation 1998

*Essays in Labor Economics in Honor of H. Gregg Lewis*, edited, Special Supplement to the *Journal of Political Economy* 84, no. 2, part 2, August, 1976

*The Allocation of Time and Goods Over the Life Cycle*, with Gilbert Ghez, Columbia University Press for the National Bureau of Economic Research, 1975

*Essays in the Economics of Crime and Punishment*, edited with William M. Landes, Columbia University Press for the National Bureau of Economic Research, 1974

*Economic Theory*, A. Knopf, 1971; Japanese translation, 1976

*Human Capital and the Personal Distribution of Income: An Analytical Approach*, University of Michigan, 1967

*Human Capital*, Columbia University Press, 1964; second edition, 1975; third editon, 1993, University of Chicago Press; Japanese translation, 1975; Spanish translation, 1984; Chinese translation 1987; Romanian translation, 1997

*The Economics of Discrimination*, University of Chicago Press, 1957; second edition, 1971

## Selected Articles

"Peer Comparison and Consumer Debt", Luis Rayo and Gary Becker, *The University of Chicago Law Review*, Vol. 73 (no. 1), Winter 2006.

"The Market for Illegal Goods: The Case of Drugs," with Kevin Murphy, and Michael Grossman, *Journal of Political Economy* 114: (no. 1):38-60, February 2006

"Deadweight Costs and the Size of Government," with Casey Mulligan, *Journal of Law and Economics*, October 2003.

"Population and Economic Growth," with Edward L. Glaeser and Kevin M. Murphy, *American Economic Review*, 89 (no. 2) :145-149, May 1999

"Old-Age Longevity and Mortality-Contingent Claims" with Tomas J. Philipson, *Journal of Political Economy* 106: (no. 3):551-573, June 1998

"The Endogenous Determination of Time Preference" with Casey B. Mulligan, *The Quarterly Journal of Economics* CXII (no. 2): 729-758, August 1997.

"An Empirical Analysis of Cigarette Addiction," with Michael Grossman and Kevin M. Murphy, *American Economic Review* 84 (no. 3): 396-418, June 1994.

"A Simple Theory of Advertising as a Good or Bad," with Kevin M. Murphy, *Quarterly Journal of Economics* CVIII (no. 4): 941-964, November 1993.

"George Joseph Stigler: January 17, 1911-December 1, 1991," *Journal of Political Economy* 101: (no. 5): 761-767, October 1993.

"Cross-Cultural Differences in Family and Sexual Life: An economic analysis," with Richard Posner, *Rationality and Society* 5 (no 4): 421-31, October 1993.

"Nobel Lecture: The Economic Way of Looking at Behavior," *Journal of Political Economy* 101 (no. 3): 385-409, June 1993.

"Government, Human Capital, and Economic Growth," Presidential Address to the Mont Pelerin Society, Vancouver General Meeting, September, 1992, *Industry of Free China* 79 (no. 6): 47-56, June, 1993.

"Rational Addiction and the Effect of Price on Consumption," with Michael Grossman and Kevin Murphy, in George Loewenstein and Jon Elster (eds.), *Choice over Time*, Russell Sage Foundation, 1992.

"George Joseph Stigler," *Journal des Economistes et des Etudes Humaines* 3 (no. 1): 5-9, March 1992.

"The Division of Labor, Coordination Costs, and Knowledge," with Kevin Murphy, *Quarterly Journal of Economics* CVII (no. 4): 1137-1160, November 1992.

- "Fertility and the Economy," *Journal of Population Economics* 5 (no. 3): 185-201, 1992
- "Habits, Addictions and Traditions," *Kyklos* 45 (Fasc. 3): 327-346, 1992.
- "Human Capital and the Economy," *Proceedings of the American Philosophical Society*, 136 (no. 1): 85-92, March, 1992
- "Education, Labor Force Quality and the Economy," *Business Economics* XXVII (no. 1): 7-12, January, 1992.
- "Milton Friedman," in Edward Shils (ed.), *Remembering the University of Chicago: Teachers, Scientists, and Scholars*, University of Chicago Press, 1991.
- "A Note on Restaurant Pricing and Other Examples of Social Influences on Price," *Journal of Political Economy*, 99 (no. 1): 1109-1116, October, 1991.
- "Rational Addiction and the Effect of Price on Consumption," with Michael Grossman and Kevin M. Murphy, *AEA Papers and Proceedings* 81 (no. 2): 237-241, May, 1991.
- "Human Capital, Fertility, and Economic Growth," with Kevin M. Murphy and Robert Tamura, *Journal of Political Economy* 98 (no. 5, pt. 2): S12-S70, October, 1990.
- "Fertility Choice in a Model of Economic Growth," with Robert Barro, *Econometrica* 57: 481-501, March, 1989.
- "A Theory of Rational Addiction," with Kevin M. Murphy, *Journal of Political Economy* 96: 675-700, August 1988.
- "The Family and the State," with Kevin M. Murphy, *Journal of Law and Economics* 31: 1-18, April, 1988.
- "Family Economics and Macro Behavior," Presidential Address to the American Economic Association, December 29, 1988, *American Economic Review* 86 (no. 1): March, 1989.
- "A Reformulation of the Economic Theory of Fertility," with Robert J. Barro, *Quarterly Journal of Economics* CIII (no. 1): 1-25, February, 1988.
- "Human Capital and the Rise and Fall of Families," with Nigel Tomes, *Journal of Labor Economics* 4 (no. 3, pt. 2): S1-S39, July, 1986
- "Special Interests and Public Policies," Acceptance Paper, The Frank E. Seidman Distinguished Award in Political Economy, Rhodes College, September 26, 1985
- "Public Policies, Pressure Groups, and Dead Weight Costs," *Journal of Public Economics* 28 (1985): 329-47.
- "Pressure Groups and Political Behavior," in R. D. Coe and C. K. Wilbur, eds., *Capitalism and Democracy: Schumpeter Revisited* (Notre Dame, IN: University of Notre Dame Press, 1985).

"An Economic Analysis of the Family," Seventeenth Geary Lecture, The Economic and Social Research Institute, Dublin, Ireland, 1985.

"Human Capital, Effort, and the Sexual Division of Labor," *Journal of Labor Economics* 3 (no. 1, pt. 2): S33-S58, January, 1985

"A Theory of Competition Among Pressure Groups for Political Influence," *Quarterly Journal of Economics* XCVII (no. 3): 371-400, August, 1983

"Altruism in the Family and Selfishness in the Market Place," *Economica* 48: 1-15, February, 1981

"An Equilibrium Theory of the Distribution of Income and Intergenerational Mobility" with Nigel Tomes, *Journal of Political Economy* 87 (no. 6): 1153-89, December 1979

"Economic Analysis and Human Behavior," in L. Levy-Garboua, ed., *Sociological Economics* (Beverly Hills, CA: Sage, 1979)

"An Economic Analysis of Marital Instability" with E. M. Landes and R. T. Michael, *Journal of Political Economy* 85 (no. 6): 1153-89, December, 1977

"De Gustibus Non Est Disputandum" with G. J. Stigler, *The American Economic Review* 67 (no. 2): 76-90, March, 1977

"Altruism, Egoism, and Genetic Fitness: Economics and Sociobiology," *Journal of Economic Literature* XIV (no. 3): 817-26, September, 1976

"Child Endowments and the Quantity and Quality of Children" with Nigel Tomes, in G.S. Becker, ed., *Essays in Labor Economics in Honor of H. Gregg Lewis*, *Journal of Political Economy* 84 (no. 4, part 2): S143-62, August, 1976

"A Theory of Social Interactions," *Journal of Political Economy* 82 (no. 6): 1063-93, November/December, 1974

"A Theory of Marriage, Part II," *Journal of Political Economy* 82 (no. 2, part 2): S11-S26, March/April, 1974. Reprinted in T. W. Schultz, ed., *Economics of the Family* (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1974)

"Law Enforcement, Malfeasance, and Compensation of Enforcers" with G. J. Stigler, *Journal of Legal Studies* III (no. 1): 1-18, January, 1974

"On the New Theory of Consumer Behavior" with R. T. Michael, *Swedish Journal of Economics* 75: 378-96, 1973

"A Theory of Marriage: Part I," *Journal of Political Economy* 81 (no. 4): 813-46, July/August, 1973. Reprinted in T. W. Schultz, ed., *Economics of the Family* (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1974)

"On the Interaction Between the Quantity and Quality of Children" with H. G. Lewis, *Journal of Political Economy* 81 (no. 2, part 2): S279-S288, March/April, 1973

"Market Insurance, Self-Insurance, and Self-Protection" with I. Ehrlich, *Journal of Political Economy* 80 (no. 4): 623-48, July/August, 1972

"Crime and Punishment: An Economic Approach," *Journal of Political Economy* 76 (no. 2): 169-217, March/April, 1968

"Education and the Distribution of Earnings" with B. Chiswick, *American Economic Review* LVI (no. 2): 358-69, May, 1966

"A Theory of the Allocation of Time," *Economic Journal* LXXV (no. 299): 493-508, September, 1965

"Underinvestment in College Education?" *American Economic Review* 50 (no. 2): 346-54, 1960. Reprinted in E. Phelps, ed., *Problems of Economic Growth* (New York: W. W. Norton, 1962)

"Investment in Human Capital: A Theoretical Analysis," *Journal of Political Economy* LXX (no. 5, part 2): 9-49, October, 1962

"Irrational Behavior and Economic Theory," *Journal of Political Economy* LXX (no. 1): 1-13, February, 1962

"The Classical Monetary Theory: The Outcome of the Discussion" with W. J. Baumol, revised and published in J. Spengler and W. Allen, eds., *Essays in Economic Thought*, (Chicago: Rand McNally and Co., 1960)

"An Economic Analysis of Fertility," in *Demographic and Economic Change in Developed Countries, Conference of the Universities-National Bureau Committee for Economic Research, a Report of the National Bureau of Economic Research* (Princeton, N.J.: Princeton University Press, 1960), pp. 209-40)

"Union Restrictions on Entry," in *The Public Stake in Union Power*, Philip D. Bradley, ed., Charlottesville, VA: University of Virginia Press, 1959.

"Competition and Democracy," *Journal of Law and Economics* 1: 105-09, 1958

"A Statistical Illusion in Judging Keynesian Models," with M. Friedman, *Journal of Political Economy* LXV (no. 1): 64-75, February, 1957

"The Classical Monetary Theory: The Outcome of the Discussion," with W. J. Baumol, *Economica* XIX (76): 355-76, November, 1952

"A Note on Multi-Country Trade," *American Economic Review*, XLII (no. 4): 558-68, September, 1952