

# GABRIELA BEST

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## CURRENT APPOINTMENT

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, California State University, Fullerton  
August 2012 - present

## PAST PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Missouri State University,  
August 2010 - May 2012

## EDUCATION

Ph.D. University of California, Irvine, Economics, 2010  
Thesis Title: *Essays in Monetary Policy and Learning* (Advisor: Fabio Milani)  
M.A. University of California, Irvine, Economics, 2009  
B.A. California State University, Los Angeles, December 2003  
Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico, Completed 242 units in Economics

## RESEARCH & TEACHING FIELDS

Primary Fields: Macroeconomics, Monetary Economics, Time Series Econometrics  
Secondary Field: International Economics

## PUBLICATIONS

"Policy Preferences and Policymakers' Beliefs: The Great Inflation," *Macroeconomic Dynamics*, Forthcoming.  
"Monetary Policy and News Shocks: Are Taylor Rules Forward-Looking?" (with Pavel S. Kapinos) *The B.E. Journal of Macroeconomics Contribution*, Forthcoming.  
"A New Keynesian Model with Staggered Wage and Price Contracts under Learning," *Journal of Economics Dynamics and Control*, 57, 96–111, 2015.  
"Fear of Floating or Monetary Policy as Usual? A Structural Analysis of Mexico's Monetary Policy," *The North American Journal of Economics and Finance*, 24, 45–62, 2013.

## WORKING PAPERS

"Forward-looking Taylor Rules, Real-time Forecasts, and the Price Puzzle." (with Pavel S. Kapinos)

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## WORK IN PROGRESS

“Monetary Policy Behavior and Volatility Regime Switches: The Role of Learning” (with Joonyoung Hur)

“Monetary Policy Perceptions” (with Fabio Milani)

“The Causes of the Great Inflation in Japan and Germany: Policy Preferences or Policymakers’ Beliefs”

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Dissertation Internship, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, Research Division (06/2008 – 09/2008)

Research Assistant, Professor Fabio Milani (Spring 2007)

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Department of Economics, California State University, Fullerton

Monetary Economics Graduate Course (Fall 2015)

Applied Econometrics (Spring 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016, and Fall 2014,)

Principles of Macroeconomics (Fall 2012 and 2014, and Spring 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016)

Intermediate Macroeconomics (Fall 2012)

Department of Economics, Missouri State University

Applied Econometrics II (Spring 2012)

Principles of Macroeconomics (Fall 2010 and 2011, and Spring 2011 and 2012)

Applied Econometrics (Fall 2010 and 2011)

Intermediate Macroeconomics (Spring 2011)

Department of Economics, UC Irvine

Intermediate Macroeconomics (Summer 2009)

Teaching Assistant, The Paul Merage School of Business, UC Irvine

Business and Government for M.B.A. students (Fall 2009 and Winter 2010)

Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, UC Irvine (2004–2010)

Intermediate Macroeconomics

International Money

Intermediate Microeconomics

Basic Economics

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND SEMINARS

90th Western Economic Association International Annual Conference, Honolulu, HI, (June 28-July 2, 2015)

California State University, Los Angeles, CA (October 6, 2014)

89th Western Economic Association International Annual Conference, Denver, CO (June 19-21, 2014)

Midwest Macro Meetings, University of Missouri, Columbia, MO (May 30 - June 1, 2014), (Paper Accepted)

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## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND SEMINARS (CONTINUED)**

American Association of Hispanics in Higher Education, Pre-Conference Workshops, (March 6, 2014)

88th Western Economic Association International Annual Conference, Seattle, WA (July 1-2, 2013)

California State University, Long Beach, CA (May 3, 2013)

The 48th Annual Meeting of the Missouri Valley Economics Association, Kansas City, MO (October 20-22, 2011)

The 2011 Midwest Macroeconomics Meetings, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN (May 20-22, 2011)

20th Annual Meeting of the Midwest Econometrics Group, Washington University, St. Louis, MO (October 1-2, 2010)

The 6th DYNARE Conference, Bank of Finland, Helsinki (June 3-4, 2010), (paper accepted)

Universidad Autonoma de Baja California, Tijuana, Baja California Norte, Mexico (May 7, 2010)

Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis Seminar Series, St. Louis, MO (June and September 2008)

Small Open Economies in a Globalized World Conference, Second International Conference, Waterloo, Canada (June 12-15, 2008)

Economics Colloquium Series, Department of Economics, University of California, Irvine, CA (2006, 2007, 2008, 2009)

## **WORKSHOP PARTICIPATION**

Semi-Annual Workshop for Applied Time Series Econometrics, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis (November 2010, March 2011, October 2011)

Master Advisor Workshop, Missouri State University (August 11-12, 2011)

Showcase on Teaching and Learning, Missouri State University (Fall 2010)

## **HONORS & AWARDS**

Social Science Merit Fellowship, UC Irvine (Spring 2009)

Dissertation Internship, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis (06/2008 – 09/2008)

Economics Department Research Fellowship, UC Irvine (Spring 2007)

Summer Research Fellowship, Department of Economics, UC Irvine (2006 and 2007)

Departmental Honors, California State University, Los Angeles (2002)

Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society Member

## **OTHER INFORMATION**

Computer Skills: Matlab, Stata, EViews, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

Spanish (Native), English, and French (Intermediate)

Affiliation:

American Economic Association

Committee on the Status of Women in the Economics Profession

Citizenship: USA

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## REFEREE

Journal of Money, Credit and Banking  
European Economic Review  
Studies in Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics  
North American Journal of Economics and Finance  
Advances in Econometrics  
The Journal of Economics

## SERVICE

Department of Economics, Cal State Fullerton:

Student Affairs and Career Development (2015-2016)  
Steering Committee Member (2014-2015 and 2015-2016)  
Seminar Committee Chair (2014-2015)  
Economics Department Commencement Coordinator (2014 and 2015)  
Thesis Committee Member: Sam Chau (2013)  
Undergraduate Curriculum Committee Member (2012-2013)  
Seminar Committee Member (2012-2013 and 2015-2016)

Department of Economics, Missouri State University:

Faculty Research Seminar Organizer (2010-2011)  
Scholarship Committee member (2010-2011)  
Student Liaison Committee member (2010-2011)

## REFERENCES

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