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## EDUCATION

<u>Degree</u>	<u>Field</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Year</u>
Ph.D.	Economics	Texas Tech University	May - 2013
M.A.	Economics	Texas Tech University	2010
B.Sc. [First Class Honors]	Statistics	University of Colombo	2006

## FIELD OF SPECIALIZATION

Primary: Monetary Economics, Macroeconomics, Time Series Econometrics  
Secondary: International Finance, Financial Economics

## DISSERTATION

**Title:** "Essays on Financial Stress Effect on Macroeconomic Activities"

**Dissertation Committee:** Dr. Victor Valcarcel (Chair), Dr. Ronald Gilbert (Committee), Dr. Marsha Rahnama (Committee)

**Completion:** May 2013

## TEACHING INTERESTS

Macroeconomics, Monetary Economics, Money and Banking, Econometrics, Time Series

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Money- Macroeconomics, Time Series Econometrics, International Finance, Economic Growth

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Graduate Part Time Instructor, Department of Economics, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas.

- *Intermediate Macroeconomics (Fall 2011, Spring 2012, Fall 2012)*
- *Principles of Macroeconomics (Fall 2009, Spring 2010, Summer 2010, Fall 2010, Spring 2011, Summer 2011, Fall 2011)*
- *Principles of Microeconomics (Summer 2012)*

Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas.

- *Game Theory (Undergraduate) for Dr. Klaus Becker (Fall 2008)*
- *Mathematical Economics II (Graduate), Intermediate Macroeconomics (Undergraduate) for Dr. Victor J. Valcarcel (Spring 2009)*
- *Managerial Economics (Undergraduate) for Dr. Andres J. Vargas (Summer 2009)*

Presenter at Graduate Teaching Workshop, Department of Economics, Texas Tech University (2008 - 2010)

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- Business Analyst, RoomsNet.com International Pvt. Ltd - UK (2006 - 2008)
- Trainee Accountant, Nuwani Costruction (Pvt) Ltd, Sri Lanka (2005 - 2006)
- Trainee Student Research Analyst, AcNielsen Lanka (Pvt) Ltd, Sri Lanka (Sep.2005 - Dec.2005)

### **WORKING PAPERS**

- Do BRIC Countries Care about Global Financial Stress in their Monetary Policy Settings? - A Time Varying Policy Analysis (*JOB MARKET PAPER*)... **Submitted to Journal of Economics (MVEA)**
- A Comparative Analysis of the Financial Stress Indexes of United States.
- The Determinants of Foreign Direct Investments in Services in Asian Developing Countries: *Does Sri Lanka offer a Better Place?*
- A Living Standard Based Grouping System for Divisional Secretary's Divisions in Western Province in SRI LANKA - A Factor Analysis

### **WORK IN PROGRESS**

- A time Varying Monetary Policy Analysis for SRI LANKA - "Evidence from three Decades".
- How does the Advanced country Fiscal Policy react to Banking, Stock and Exchange Rate Stresses? - A VAR Analysis.
- Does SRI LANKA care about the exchange market stress in its Monetary Policy settings?
- The Effects of individual Fiscal Policy changes in European Union member countries on the Monetary policy settings of the European Central Bank?

### **PAPER / POSTER PRESENTATIONS**

- "Do BRIC Countries care about Financial Stress in their Monetary Policy Settings – A Time Varying Policy Analysis" ; *49<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of Missouri Valley Economic Association (2012 October), 82<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting of Southern Economic Association (2012 November – Forthcoming), 2013 Annual Meeting of American Association for the Advancement of Science (2013 February – Forthcoming).*

- "A fine look at the Newspaper Industry in Sri Lanka- A Statistical Approach"; *The Stat Day Conference, University Of Colombo, Sri Lanka (2005)*

## CONFERENCE

### Economics and Statistics

- The Annual Meeting of American Association for the Advancement of Science (2013 February – Forthcoming)
- The 82<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting of Southern Economic Association, New Orleans (2012 -Forthcoming)
- The 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of Missouri Valley Economic Association (MVEA), Memphis (2012)
  - o *Chair for MVEA Health Economics Session II (2012)*
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Arts and Humanities Graduate Research Conference, Lubbock (2012)
- "Stat Day" Conference at Department of Statistics, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka (2005, 2006)

### Teaching and Ethics

- The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Responsible Conduct of Research Conference at Texas Tech University (2012)
- 11<sup>th</sup> Annual John M. Burns Conference on the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning at Texas Tech University (2012)
- The West Texas Assessment Conference at Texas Tech University (2012)
- Acted as Judge for the Undergraduate Research Conference at Texas Tech University (2012)

## PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

<u>Degree Level</u>	<u>Field</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Year</u>
Finalist	Management Accounting	CIMA* - United Kingdom	2006

\*CIMA - Chartered Institute of Management Accountants - [www.cimaglobal.com](http://www.cimaglobal.com)

## SCHOLARSHIPS

- Texas Tech University Graduate School PhD. Dissertation Scholarship (\$3000) - Summer 2012
- Texas Tech University Graduate School Junction Summer Scholarship (\$500) - Summer 2009
- Teaching Assistantship, Department of Economics, Texas Tech University - Aug 2008 to Present
- Bank of Ceylon Scholarship for the Best Results in G.C.E. (O/L) Exam in Kegalle District - 1999

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Member, American Economic Association
- Member, European Economic Association
- Member, Southern Economic Association
- Member, Missouri Valley Economic Association
- Member, Omicron Delta Epsilon Honor Society in Economics
- Member, Stat Circle – University Of Colombo

## COMPUTER SKILLS / LANGUAGES

- Math Software: Matlab
- Econometrics/Statistics: Eviews, STATA, Gretl, R, S\_PLUS, SPSS, MINITAB, GRO CER (basic), SciLab(basic), SAS (basic)
- Languages: English (Fluent), Sinhalese (Native), Tamil (Read/Write)

## OTHER

- Treasurer of Sri Lankan Students Association, Texas Tech University, Lubbock (2009)
- Team Lead of Global Destination Expansion Group, RoomsNet International (Pvt) Ltd. (2008)
- Chief Market Analyst for Barcelona, Madrid and Menorca Travel Destinations in Spain, RoomsNet International (Pvt) Ltd (2006 - 2008)
- Editor of Stat Circle, Department of Statistics, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka (2006)
- Member of Stat Day Organizing Committee, Department of Statistics, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka (2006)
- Chief Organizer of the Inter University Statistics Quiz Competition for Stats day, University of Colombo (2006)

## REFERENCES

### **Dr. Victor J. Valcarcel (Advisor)**

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### **Teaching reference:**

### **Dr. Rashid Al-Hmoud**

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