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Education and employment

1993 – 1996 University of Cambridge, BA in Economics and Mathematics.
1996 – 1997 University of Bristol, MSc in Economics and Econometrics.
1997 – 2001 Economic Assistant, HM Treasury (on secondment at Institute for Fiscal Studies 2000-2001)
2001 – Institute for Fiscal Studies

Recent Research Grants

2003 – 2006 “Can Governments Reduce Poverty and Improve Work Incentives?”,
Joseph Rowntree Foundation.
2004 – 2010 “Impact assessment of In-Work Credit and related policies”, DWP.
2006 “Public Policy and Fertility”, ESRC (co-proposer with Sarah Smith
(CMPO)).
2007 – 2009 “Poverty and Inequality in Britain”, Nuffield Foundation (co-proposer with
A. Goodman)
2008 - 2009 “Understanding the compliance costs of benefits and tax credits”,
Nuffield Foundation (co-proposer with Fran Bennett)
2008-2009 Member of National Equality Panel

Selected publications

(2008) “Does welfare reform affect fertility? Evidence from the UK” (with A. Ratcliffe and
S. Smith), IFS Working Paper 08/09.

(2008) *Poverty and Inequality in the UK: 2008* (with A. Muriel, D. Phillips and L. Sibieta),
IFS Commentary 105.

(2008) “Job changes, hours changes and the path of labour supply adjustment”, *Journal
of Labour Economics*, 26(3), pp. 421-453 (with R. Blundell and M. Francesconi)

(2008) “Means-testing and tax rates on earnings” (with E. Saez and A. Shephard),
submission to Mirrlees review of the tax system.

(2008) “Racing Away: Income inequality and the evolution of high incomes”, IFS Briefing
Note 76 (with Luke Sibieta and Liam Wren-Lewis).

(2007) *The lone parent pilots after 12 to 24 months: an impact assessment of In-Work
Credit, Work Search Premium, Extended Schools Childcare, Quarterly Work Focused
Interviews and New Deal Plus for Lone Parents* (with J. Browne, C.Crawford and G.
Knight), DWP Research Report 415.

(2006) “Did working families’ tax credit work? The impact of in-work support on labour
supply in Great Britain” (with Alan Duncan, Andrew Shephard and María José Suárez),
Labour Economics, December 2006, 13(6), 699-720.

(2003) “What really happened to child poverty in the UK under Labour’s first term?” (with
T. Clark and A. Goodman), *Economic Journal*, 113(June), F240-F257.

(2001) “Comparing In-work Benefits and the Reward to Work for Low-Income Families
with Children in the US and UK”, *Fiscal Studies*, 22(1), p41-77.