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Honorary Senior Research Associate, University College London
Member, Social Security Advisory Committee
Member, UK Statistics Authority's Methodological Assurance Review Panel

Professional experience

Institute for Fiscal Studies:

2004 onwards Deputy Director
2001 – 2015 Programme Director
1996 – 2001 Various roles

Other:

2023 onwards Member of the UK Statistics Authority's Methodological Assurance Review Panel
2022 – 2023 Chair of the Nuffield Foundation advisory board for project on "Welfare access, assets and debts of LGBT+ people in the UK"
2016 onwards Member of the Social Security Advisory Committee (and Acting Vice Chair 2019/2020)
2007 onwards Honorary Senior Research Associate, University College London (UCL)
2017 Member of expert advisory group to DWP review of automatic enrolment
2014 – 2016 Lecturer, MSc Applied Policy Analysis, UCL
2010 – 2011 Expert advisor to Lord Hutton's independent review of public-service pensions
2011 onwards Member of Office for Budget Responsibility (OBR) advisory board
2011 – 2014 Advisory board member for ESRC Research Centre on Micro-Social Change at the Institute for Social and Economic Research
2002 – 2015 Member of ONS Pensions Statistics Advisory Group
2010 onwards Editorial board member of the Journal of Pensions Economics and Finance
2002 – 2010 Specialist advisor to the Work and Pensions House of Commons Select Committee

Education

1999 MSc. Economics, Distinction, Birkbeck College, University of London
1996 BSc (Econ) Economics, 1st Class, London School of Economics, University of London. Next in merit to winner of the Sir Edward Stern and Gerstenberg prize for best social sciences degree at the University of London.

Selected research grants awarded

'Review of the Future of Financial Security in Retirement', abrdn Financial Fairness Trust, £720,000, January 2023–July 2027, Principal Investigator
'Unequal ageing: life-expectancy, care needs and reforms to the welfare state responsibilities', Economic and Social Research Council, €380,000, Spring 2021–Spring 2024, Principal Investigator
'IFS Retirement Savings Consortium' comprising organisations from the public, private and voluntary sector, with matched co-funding from the ESRC, Spring 2008–Spring 2023, over £1m, Principal Investigator

'Policies for longer working lives: understanding interactions with health and care responsibilities', Economic and Social Research Council, €344,000, Spring 2016-Spring 2019, Principal Investigator

'Enhancing our understanding of poverty and low income', Joseph Rowntree Foundation, Summer 2015–Winter 2017, £550,000 award, Principal Investigator

'Evaluation of Local Housing Allowance reforms', Department for Work and Pensions, Spring 2011-Spring 2014, IFS component £150,000 (part of consortium led by CRESR)

'Fiscal choices for an independent Scotland', Economic and Social Research Council, Autumn 2012-Spring 2014, £230,000, Co-Investigator

'The Effects of the Financial Crisis on Older Adults in England', Economic and Social Research Council, Autumn 2010-Spring 2012, £100,000, Co-Investigator

'Household responses to complex tax incentives', Economic and Social Research Council, Spring 2011-Spring 2012, £100,000, Co-Investigator

'Evaluation of Incapacity Benefit pilots', Department for Work and Pensions, Summer 2003-Winter 2009, IFS component £775,000 (part of consortium led by PSI)

'Evaluation of the Saving Gateway 2 accounts', HM Treasury, Spring 2005-Spring 2007, IFS component £125,000 (part of consortium led by MORI)

Selected publications (for a full list of publications see <https://www.ifs.org.uk/people/profile/2>)

Co-editor of the IFS Green Budget since 2000, and co-editor of the suite of IFS general election briefing notes from 2005 onwards.

'What can we learn about automatic enrollment into pensions from small employers?' (with J. Cribb), *National Tax Journal*, 2021, vol. 2, No. 74.

'The curious incidence of rent subsidies: evidence of heterogeneity from administrative data' (with Mike Brewer, J. Browne, A. Hood and R. Joyce), *Journal of Urban Economics*, 2019, vol. 114.

'What happens to workplace pension saving when employers are obliged to enrol employees automatically?' (with J. Cribb), *International Tax and Public Finance*, 2019, vol. 27, pp. 664–693.

'Do the rich save more? Evidence from linked survey and administrative data' (with A. Bozio, C. O'Dea and G. Tetlow), *Oxford Economic Papers*, 2017, Vol. 69, No. 4, pp. 1101–1119.

'Signals matter? Large retirement responses to limited financial incentives', (with J. Cribb and G. Tetlow), *Labour Economics*, 2016, Vol 42, pp. 203-212

'Workplace pensions and remuneration in the public and private sectors in the UK' (with J. Cribb), *National Institute Economic Review*, Vol. 237, Issue 1, pp. R30-R37.

'European Public Finances and the Great Recession: France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Spain and the United Kingdom Compared' (with A. Bozio, A. Peichl and G. Tetlow), *Fiscal Studies*, December 2015, Vol. 36, No. 4,

'Disability Benefit Receipt and Reform: Reconciling Trends in the United Kingdom' (with J. Banks and R. Blundell), *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, Spring 2015, Vol. 29 No. 2.

'Financial Crisis Wealth Losses and Responses among Older Households in England' (with J. Banks, R. Crawford and T. Crossley), *Fiscal Studies*, Vol. 34, No. 2, June 2013.

'Tax reform and retirement saving incentives: evidence from the introduction of stakeholder pensions in the UK' (with R. Disney and M. Wakefield), *Economica*, Vol. 76, No. 306, pp. 213-233.

'Conditional Cash Transfers and school dropout rates' (with L. Dearden, C. Frayne and C. Meghir), 2009, *Journal of Human Resources*, Vol. 44, No. 4, Fall,

'Mortality, health status and wealth' (with O. Attanasio), June 2003, *Journal of the European Economic Association*, Vol. 1, No. 4, pp. 821-850