# Christopher G. Kingston

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## **Education**

Stanford University 1996–2001 Ph.D. in Economics

Univ. of Massachusetts, Amherst 1994–95 Non-degree Graduate exchange

**Trinity College Dublin** 1990–94 B.A. in Mathematics

## **Academic Employment**

## **Amherst College**

2021-	Richard S. Volpert '56 Professor of Economics
2018-21	Karen and Brian Conway '80, P'18 Presidential Teaching Professor of Economics
2015-	Professor of Economics
2009-15	Associate Professor of Economics
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2001-09 Assistant Professor of Economics

Teaching: Econ 111: An Introduction to Economics

Econ 220: Public Choice

Econ 245: Economic Development

Econ 300: Microeconomics

Econ 420: Game Theory and Applications Econ 479: Institutions and Governance Econ 490: Special Topics (several)

Econ 499: Senior Honors

Service: Committee on Educational Policy (Jan 2022-); Committee of Six (2013–15, 2020-

21); Ad-Hoc Committee for the Development of a Common Form to Evaluate Classroom Teaching (chair) (2018); Faculty Committee on Admission and Financial Aid (2017–20); Ad-Hoc Committee on Education and Athletics (2017-18); Facilities

Working Group (2013–15); Library committee (2012–13); Provost Search

committee (2012); Chair, Economics Department (2010–12); Orientation committee

(2005–09); Housing committee (2002–04)

## **Personal Information**

Republic of Ireland citizen, United States permanent resident (green card).

### Publications (peer-reviewed)

- "America, 1720-1820: War and Organisation", in Adrian Leonard, ed., Marine Insurance: Origins and Institutions, Palgrave MacMillan (History of Finance Series), 2016.
- "Governance and Institutional Change in Marine Insurance, 1350-1850", European Review of Economic History 18(1), 2014.
- "Corporate Insurers in Antebellum America" (with Robert E. Wright), *Business History Review* 86(3), 2012.
- "Institutions: Rules or Equilibria?" (with Avner Greif), in Gonzalo Caballero and Norman Schofield, eds., *Political Economy of Institutions, Democracy and Voting*, Springer, 2011.
- "Marine Insurance in Philadelphia during the Quasi-War with France, 1795-1801", *Journal of Economic History* 71(1), 2011.
- "Intermediation and Trust", Ekonomiaz 77 (2), 2011.
- "Military coups and the consequences of durable *de facto* power: The case of Pakistan" (with Aditya Bhave), *Economics of Governance* 11(1), 2010.
- "The Deadliest of Games: The Institution of Dueling" (with Robert E. Wright), *Southern Economic Journal* 76(4), 2010.
- "Comparing Theories of Institutional Change" (with Gonzalo Caballero), *Journal of Institutional Economics* 5(2), 2009.
- "Social Structure and Cultures of Corruption", *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*, 67(1), 2008.
- "Marine Insurance in Britain and America, 1720-1844: A Comparative Institutional Analysis", *Journal of Economic History* 67(2), 2007.
- "Parochial Corruption", Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization 63(1), 2007.
- "Capital social e instituciones en el proceso de cambio económico" (with Gonzalo Caballero), Ekonomiaz 59(2), 2005.

#### Book Reviews / non-peer-reviewed

- Review of The Ocean is a Wilderness: Atlantic Piracy and the Limits of State Authority, 1688-1856 by Guy Chet. Journal of Economic History 75(3), 2015.
- Review of Nathaniel Bowditch and the Power of Numbers: How a Nineteenth-Century Man of Business, Science, and the Sea Changed American Life. By Tamara Plakins Thornton. Journal of Economic History 77(2), 2017.
- "Institutional Change", in A. Marciano and G. Ramello (eds), *Encyclopedia of Law and Economics*, Springer, 2018.

## **Working Papers**

- "Risk and Revolution: Asymmetric Information in Boston Marine Insurance, 1759-1781".
- "Marine Insurance in Philadelphia during the French and Indian War, 1755-1759".
- "Adverse Selection and Institutional Change in Eighteenth Century Marine Insurance".
- "Corruption and Social Structure: Theory, and Evidence from India", *BREAD* working paper #75, June 2004.
- "Equilibrium Institutions, Coalition Building, and Leadership: Institutional Change in the context of Global Governance" (with Eric Brousseau).

#### Honors and Awards

2016-8 Mellon "Reimagining the Commons" award, Amherst College	
2013 'Flipped classroom' (PICT) initiative award, Amherst College.	
2013 Mellon project on student-faculty research, Amherst College.	
Featured in Princeton Review's <i>The Best 300 Professors</i> .	
2009–10 Senior sabbatical fellowship, Amherst College.	
2009–10 Faculty Research Award Program (FRAP) award, Amherst Col	lege.
2004–05 Miner D. Crary Sabbatical Fellowship, Amherst College.	
2001 Outstanding Teaching Assistant award, Stanford University.	
2000–01 Lynde and Harry Bradley Foundation Dissertation Fellowship,	SIEPR.
1999, 2000 Summer Fellowships, John M. Olin Program, Stanford Law Sc	hool.
1996–97 Graduate Fellowship, Economics Department, Stanford.	
1994–95 International Graduate Exchange Scholarship, UMass Amhers	t.
1993 Arthur Lyster Prize for Mathematics, Trinity College Dublin.	

## Refereeing

American Political Science Review, American Sociological Review, Applied Mathematics and Computation, Diplomatic History, Eastern Economic Journal, Economics and Politics, Economics of Governance, Erkenntnis, European Journal of Law and Economics, European Review of Economic History, Explorations in Economic History, The Great Circle, International Review of Law and Economics, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of Economic Education, Journal of Economic Growth, Journal of Economic History, Journal of Economic Surveys, Journal of Institutional Economics, Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics, Journal of Legal Studies, Journal of Public Economic Theory, Journal of Risk and Insurance, Public Choice, Scottish Journal of Political Economy, Social Choice and Welfare, Southern Economic Journal, William and Mary Quarterly, World Development.

Book manuscript reviews: Oxford U. Press; Cambridge U. Press; Routledge; Blackwell.

#### **Other Professional Activities**

Member	American Economic Association, Cliometric Society, Economic History
	Association.
2019, June	Co-organizer (multiple sessions), Risk and the Insurance Business in History
	conference, Seville.
2016-17	Visiting Scholar, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona.
2013	Question writer for AP Microeconomics exam.
2011	External reviewer for a liberal arts college's economics department.
2010-11	Co-organizer, Copeland colloquium on International Development: Successes, Failures,
	future directions, Amherst College.
2010	Co-organizer, Mellon 23 conference on Economic History and Development: common
	insights held at Williams College.
2008	Workshop organizer, ESNIE, Corsica.
2007	Visiting Professor, Universidad Católica Argentina, Buenos Aires.
2005-06	Chair, Five-College Junior Faculty Economics Seminar Series.
2004, Fall	Visiting Scholar, CNISS, Washington University in St. Louis.
1995–96	Actuarial trainee, New Ireland Assurance Co., Dublin.