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Peer-Reviewed Publications and Artistic Performances/Exhibitions

Articles

- Ruiz, I. & Vargas-Silva, C. (2010). Monetary Policy and International Remittances. *Journal of Developing Areas*, 43 (2), 173-186.
- Vargas-Silva, C. (2009). To Send or Not to Send. That is the Question. A Review of the Literature on Remittances. *Journal of Business Strategies*, 26 (1), 65-90.
- Ruiz, I., Shukralla, E., & Vargas-Silva, C. (2009). Remittances, Institutions and Growth: A Panel Semi-Parametric Approach. *International & International Economic Journal*, 23 (1), 111-119.
- Vargas-Silva, C. (2009). Crime and Remittance Transfers. *Eastern Economic Journal*, 35 (2), 232-247.
- Vargas-Silva, C. (2009). The Tale of Three Amigos: Remittances, Exchange Rates and Money Demand in Mexico. *Review of Development Economics*, 13 (1), 1-14.
- Vargas-Silva, C. (2008). Are Remittances Manna from Heaven? A look at the Business Cycle Properties of Remittances. *The North American Journal of Economics and Finance*, 19 (3), 290-303.
- Vargas-Silva, C. (2008). Monetary Policy and the U.S. Housing Market: A VAR Analysis Imposing Sign Restrictions. *Journal of Macroeconomics*, 30 (3).
- Vargas-Silva, C. (2008). The Effect of Monetary Policy on Housing: A Factor-Augmented Vector Autoregression (FAVAR) Approach. *Applied Economics Letters*, 15 (10).
- Vargas-Silva, C. (2007). Measuring the Macroeconomic Impact of Workers Remittances in a Data-Rich Environment. *Applied Financial Economic Letters*, 3 (6).
- Vargas-Silva, C. (2006). Portfolio Reasons for Homeownership: The Case of Immigrants. *Ecós de Economía* (23), 73-86.
- Vargas-Silva, C. & Peng, H. (2006). Macroeconomic Determinants of Workers Remittances: Host versus Home Countries Economic Conditions. *Journal of International Trade and Economic Development*, 15 (1), 81-99.

Chapters

Non-Refereed

- Vargas-Silva, C. (2009). "Exchange Rates.," In Press, *21st Century Economist: A Handbook*.
- Ruiz, I. & Vargas-Silva, C. (2009). "Recession, Return Migration, and Remittances.," *Hispanic Economic Outlook*.
- Ruiz, I. & Vargas-Silva, C. (2009). "The Current State of Workers' Remittances.," *Hispanic Economic Outlook*.

Proceedings

Full Paper

- Vargas-Silva, C. (2006). The Determinants of International Remittances: Evidence from the Legalized Population. *Academy of Economics and Finance Meeting*.

Research Monographs and Technical Reports

Chapters, Cases, Readings, Supplements

- Vargas-Silva, C. (2009). "Exchange Rates.," In Press, *21st Century Economist: A Handbook*.
- Ruiz, I. & Vargas-Silva, C. (2009). "Recession, Return Migration, and Remittances.," *Hispanic Economic Outlook*.
- Ruiz, I. & Vargas-Silva, C. (2009). "The Current State of Workers' Remittances.," *Hispanic Economic Outlook*.

Funded External Grants

Research: Grants

Research

- 2008 - Vargas-Silva, C., Faculty Research Grant(\$5,000).
- 2008 - Vargas-Silva, C., IDB Scholarship on Remittances(\$5,000), Inter-American Development Bank.

Peer-Reviewed Presentations/Posters

Paper Presentations

International

Vargas-Silva, C. (2009). *What's to Blame for the Recent Slowdown in Workers' Remittances*. American Economic Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California.

Vargas-Silva, C. (2008). *Remittances and Relative Prices*. Eastern Economic Association, New York, New York.

Vargas-Silva, C. (2008). *Remittances and Relative Prices: Evidence from State Level Data*. Southern Economic Association Conference, DC, District of Columbia.

Vargas-Silva, C. (2008). *Remittances and Relative Prices*. Southwestern Social Science Association, Las Vegas, Nevada.

National

Nath, H. & Vargas-Silva, C. (2008). *Remittances and Relative Prices*. Academy of Economics and Finance, Nashville, Tennessee.

Vargas-Silva, C. (2006). *The Determinants of International Remittances: Evidence from the Legalized Population*. Academy of Economics and Finance Meeting, Houston, Texas.

Regional

Vargas-Silva, C. (2007). *Criminality and Remittances: Evidence from Colombia*. Eastern Economic Association, New York, New York.

Vargas-Silva, C. (2007). *Are women more generous? Remitting behavior of Hispanic men and women*. Southwestern Social Science Association, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Vargas-Silva, C. (2007, November). *Are Hispanics in the U.S. Promoting Informality in Latin America?* Southwestern Economics Association, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Vargas-Silva, C. (2006). *Remittances, Exchange Rates and Domestic Money Demand: A Structural VAR Approach*. Midwest Economic Association Meetings, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Vargas-Silva, C. (2006). *The Real Exchange Rate and Capital Inflows: A New Look at the Empirics*. Missouri Valley Economic Association, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Vargas-Silva, C. (2006). *Are Daughters More Generous? An Inquiry into the Remitting Patterns of Hispanics the U.S.* Southern Economic Association Meeting, Charleston, South Carolina.

Vargas-Silva, C. (2006). *Measuring the Reaction of Monetary Policy to International Remittances*. Southern Economic Association Meeting, Charleston, South Carolina.

Vargas-Silva, C. (2005). *Dollarization and Seigniorage: the Case of Puerto Rico*. Midwest Economic Association Meetings, Chicago, Illinois.

Work or Professional Experiences

Experience: Academic

Intern, Office of Congressman Jose Serrano (1999 - 1999).

Intern, Office of Senator Ruben Berrios (1998 - 1998).

Experience: Consulting

2009: Asian Development Bank

2008: Inter-American Development Bank, Multilateral Investment Fund

2007: United Nations, WIDER, Vargas-Silva, C.; Amuedo-Dorantes, C. and Pozo, S., *Remittances and the Macroeconomy: The Case of Small Island Developing States*, part of the United Nations, WIDER Project on Fragility and Development.

Honors and Awards

Award

2006: Distinguished Economics Paper Award (best paper by a Ph.D. candidate in economics) of The Academy of Economics and Finance Meeting, February 2006. Academy of Economics and Finance.

2006: Graduate Research and Creative Scholar Award (award to the best research by a Ph.D. student in economics) at Western Michigan University, March 2006. Western Michigan University.

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