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### Education

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Blacksburg, VA  
Ph.D. in Economics, Expected Completion Date: Summer II 2003.  
Thesis Title: *Essays in Educational Economics and Industry Structure*  
Thesis Advisors: Catherine Eckel and Nancy Lutz

The College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, VA  
Bachelor of Science in Psychology and Economics.

### Professional Experience

**Current Position:** Economics Faculty: Coordinator of Instruction in Principles of Economics, Department of Economics, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University: 1998-present.

**Past Positions:** Instructor of Economics, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University: 1996-1998.

Instructor of Economics and Physical Education, New River Community College: 1990-1992.

### Research Areas:

Industrial Organization  
Educational Economics  
Collective Choice

### Teaching Experience:

Principles of Microeconomics  
Principles of Macroeconomics

### Working Papers:

Testing the Effect of an Online Math Tutorial on Performance in Principles of Economics

Radio Mergers and Their Effect on Station Format

## **Educational Material Development**

Test Item File for *Principles of Economics* by O'Sullivan/Sheffrin, 2001, Prentice Hall, Inc., with Sheryl Ball.

Mathematics/Economics Tutorial, 1999, with James Washenburger and Margaret McQuain

<http://course-delivery.emporium.math.vt.edu/econ/Tutorial/Econ.html>

## **Grants**

Center for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching, Virginia Tech  
Summer 1999

Subject: "Interdepartmental Collaboration between Math and Economics to Develop Instructional Technology"  
\$5287.50

## **Conference Participation**

1998 Instructional Technology Conference  
Roanoke VA

1999 Distributed and Web-Based Learning Conference  
Faculty Development Institute, Virginia Tech

2001 ASSA Meetings  
New Orleans, LA

2003 ASSA Meetings  
Washington, D.C.

## **Awards and Honors**

Economics Undergraduate Teacher of the Year 2000-2001

Economics Principles Teacher of the Year 2002-2003

## **References**

Sheryl Ball, Department of Economics (Director of Undergraduate Studies), Virginia Tech,  
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