

# Christopher M. Russo

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## EXPERIENCE

Mercatus Center at George Mason University	Arlington VA
<i>Postgraduate Research Fellow — Monetary Policy Program</i>	2020/12 — 2021/01
Federal Reserve Bank of New York	New York NY
<i>Senior Analyst — Open Market Trading Desk</i>	2017/11 — 2019/12
Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago	Chicago IL
<i>Associate Economist — Macroeconomic Research</i>	2016/07 — 2017/11

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## EDUCATION

George Mason University	Fairfax VA
<i>Doctor of Philosophy in Economics</i>	Current
University of Chicago	Chicago IL
<i>Master of Science in Financial Mathematics</i>	2020/06
Rutgers University	New Brunswick NJ
<i>Bachelor of Art in Mathematics, Economics</i>	2016/05
Raritan Valley Community College	Branchburg NJ
<i>Associate of Science in Science and Mathematics</i>	2014/05

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## SERVICE

George Mason University, Graduate Assembly	Fairfax VA
<i>Representative of the Economics Department</i>	2021/08 — Current
University of Chicago Booth School of Business	Chicago IL
<i>Teaching Assistant for Executive MBA Macroeconomics</i>	2017/08 — 2017/12
Raritan Valley Community College, ΦΘΚ Honor Society	Branchburg NJ
<i>President of the AEP College Chapter</i>	2013/08 — 2014/08

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## TESTIMONY

<i>Safeguarding the Federal Reserve's Independence, Before the United States House Financial Services Subcommittee on National Security, International Development and Monetary Policy, 117th Cong.</i>	2021/09/23
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## ARTICLES

Jonas D. M. Fisher and Christopher M. Russo, "Recent Declines in the Fed's Longer-Run Economic Projections," <i>Chicago Fed Letter</i> , no. 375.	2017
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## WORKING PAPERS

“Towards a Modern Treasury-Fed Accord”

“No Unit Root in Real GDP: Evidence from Preindustrial England, 1270-1700”

“God of the Market”

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## DISCOURSE MAGAZINE

Nobel Winners, the Minimum Wage and Evolution	2021/10/14
Escalating Dorm Rates, Eminent Domain and Economics 101	2021/10/07
Demystifying the Debt Limit	2021/09/20
The Government Isn't Cooking the Books on Inflation	2021/07/16
What's Going On at the Federal Reserve?	2021/07/12
No, the Fed Did Not Just Hike Interest Rates	2021/07/06
The Fed Often Gets Monetary Policy Right	2021/06/17
We May Be Headed Into a Perfect Storm on Negative Interest Rates	2021/05/24
A Challenge for the Fed: Some Overnight Rates Are Falling Below Zero	2021/03/19
The GameStop Short Squeeze	2021/01/29

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## OP-EDS

The Thing That Should Not Be	National Review	2021/10/06
There's No Quick Fix for the Debt Ceiling	Barron's	2021/10/01
Good Economic Policy Is About More Than Inflation	Reason	2021/07/16
It's Time for the Fed to Taper Talk, Seriously	Morning Consult	2021/07/15
Fed: Inflation Marches, But Don't Tighten—Yet	Morning Consult	2021/06/11
Inside the Fed's Playbook for a Dollar Default	Barron's	2021/06/11
Permanently Suspend the Debt Limit	The Hill	2021/05/18
Is the Federal Reserve Taking Too Much Risk?	National Review	2021/02/04
Congress and SEC: Let the people trade by making financial markets freer and fairer	Washington Times	2021/02/04

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## INTERVIEWS

Inflation and the Fed Meeting	American Radio Journal	2021/12/16
Long-Haul Inflation Fears	Market Watch	2021/11/01
Worried about the Fed's next steps? ...	Market Watch	2021/10/21
C-SPAN: The National Debt and the Debt Ceiling	Washington Journal	2021/10/13

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... 2021 Debt Limit Fight, Its Potential Impacts...	Macro Musings	2021/10/04
Todd Feinburg Show on the Debt Limit	WTIC Radio	2021/09/29
Christopher Russo on the Debt Limit	Voice of America	2021/09/27
... on Monetary Policy, the Fed, and Inflation	Todd Nief Show	2021/09/15
David Webb Show on the Debt Limit	SiriusXM	2021/08/17
US Treasury Buffer to Ease Reverse Repo Takeup	MNI Market News	2021/07/08
Inflation and What to Expect from the Fed	Policy Download	2021/06/22
... Fed-Treasury Tensions and Potential Solutions...	Macro Musings	2021/03/15
The GameStop Affair	Discourse Podcast	2021/02/12

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## QUOTES

Can the Fed afford to raise interest rate?	CNBC	2021/11/15
Inflation Spike May Sway Biden's Choice for...	Voice of America	2021/11/13
... default on national debt would cause recession	The Hill	2021/10/05
Standoff Over \$28T of U.S. Government Debt...	CoinDesk	2021/09/29
... Tweaks to Fed's Emergency Lending Powers	S&P Global	2021/09/23
... Answers about the Debt Limit Fight	The Hill	2021/09/19
U.S. Debt Limit Impasse? Fed's 'loathsome'...	Reuters	2021/09/17
Fed installs 'smoke detectors' for overnight...	S&P Global	2021/08/13
Biden Vows to Spend Big, Control Inflation...	Inside Sources	2021/07/29
Americans Expect Years of Higher Inflation...	Sinclair Broadcasting	2021/07/13
Fed Signals Patience on IOER After Repo Move	MNI Market News	2021/03/25
US lawmakers... GameStop stock probe	Al Jazeera	2021/02/18
Fed to Hike Reverse Repo, IOER Rates	MNI Market News	2021/02/16
Good Ideas that Might Find Favor in a New Era	Discourse Magazine	2021/01/02
Families Borrow Less for College	Wall Street Journal	2014/07/31
... NJ county college students asked to pledge...	NJ Advance Media	2013/10/15

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## SPEECHES

Opening Keynote at Oklahoma Chamber Fly-In	Washington DC	2021/09/28
Mercatus All-Staff on "GameStop Short Squeeze"	Arlington VA	2021/02/04
Student Commencement Speaker	Branchburg NJ	2014/05/19

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## SCHOLARSHIPS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

Graduated with Highest Honors (Economics Dept.)	Rutgers University	2016
Certificate in Quantitative Economics	Rutgers University	2016

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Henry Rutgers Scholar (“outstanding thesis” award)	Rutgers University	2016
Phi Theta Kappa Transfer Scholarship (full-tuition)	Rutgers University	2014 — 2016
Distinguished Chapter at International Convention	Phi Theta Kappa	2014
Community College Academic Team Bronze Scholar	Coca-Cola Foundation	2014
Galileo Scholarship	RVCC Foundation	2013 — 2014
Leaders of Promise Scholarship	Coca-Cola Foundation	2013
Honors College student and graduate	Raritan Valley CC	2012 — 2014