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## INTERESTS

Public Financial Management. Public Sector Employment, Social Policy.

## APPOINTMENTS

City University of New York, New York, <i>Assistant Professor</i>	2017-Present
Howard J. Samuels State and City Policy Center, <i>Director</i>	2023-Present
Georgia State University, Atlanta, <i>Research Assistant</i>	2012-2017
Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi, <i>Research Associate</i>	2011-2012
Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad, <i>Research Associate</i>	2010-2011
Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai, <i>Research Officer</i>	2009-2010

## EDUCATION

<b>Ph.D.</b> , Public Policy, Georgia State University, Atlanta.	2017
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Dissertation Title: Essays on Fiscal Institutions, Public Expenditures, and Debt.</li><li>- Committee: Sally Wallace (Chair), Charles R. Hankla, W. Bartley Hildreth, Gregory B. Lewis, and Ross Rubenstein</li><li>- Specializations: Policy Analysis and Evaluation, Public Budgeting and Finance</li></ul>	
<b>M.A.</b> , Development Studies, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai.	2009
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Focus on Development Economics, Political Economy, Project Evaluation</li></ul>	
<b>B.Sc.</b> , Mathematics and Physics, University of Lucknow, India.	2007

## PUBLICATIONS

“Budget Systems and post-pandemic economic resilience in developing countries”, 2023, with Komla Dzigbede and Muzata Sombo, *Journal of Public Budgeting, Accounting, and Financial Management*, 35(3), 333-353

“Managing Public Finances During Major Crises”, 2023 with Justina Jose and Komla Dzigbede, In *Research Handbook on Public Financial Management*, Edward Elgar Publishing, London.

“Revenue Composition and Budget Variances of Cities During the Pandemic: Insights from Financial Reports of Ten Large U.S. Cities.”, 2023, with Daniel W. Williams, *Municipal Finance Journal*, 44(2), 3–30.

“Do Subnational Fiscal Rules Reduce Public Investment? The Case of Fiscal Responsibility Laws in India.” *Public Finance Review*, 51(3), 315–338.

“Forecast Bias and Budget Credibility in Rwanda, Senegal, and Uganda : Results from a New Fiscal Database”, 2022, with Marco Cangiano and Joel Desouve, Report published by Collaborative Africa Budget Reform Initiative, South Africa.

“Progress Toward Increasing Women’s and Minorities Access to Top State Government Jobs?”, 2022, with Gregory B. Lewis and Jonathan Boyd, *Public Personnel Management*, 51 (2), 213-234

“Evaluating the Comparative Accuracy of COVID-19 Mortality Forecasts: An Analysis of the First-Wave Mortality Forecasts in the United States”, 2022, with Daniel W. Williams *Forecasting* 4(4):798-818

“Can Tax Increment Financing Benefit U.S. Rust Belt Cities?”, 2022, with Komla Dzigbede *Economic Development Quarterly* 36(4):331-342,

“The Pandemic and New York City Finances” with Wooserk Park, 2021, *Municipal Finance Journal* 42(1):43-61

“Fiscal and Monetary Response to the Covid-19 Pandemic in India” with Justina Jose, 2021, *Journal of Public Budgeting, Accounting and Financial Managementl* 33(1):56-68

“Covid-19 economic shocks and fiscal policy options for Ghana” with Komla Dzigbede, 2020, *Journal of Public Budgeting, Accounting and Financial Managementl* 32(5):903-917

“Revenue Forecasting in Low-Income and Developing Countries: Biases and Potential Remedies” with Marco Cangiano, 2019, in *The Palgrave Handbook of Government Budget Forecasting*, edited by Daniel Williams and Thad Calabrese, New York: Palgrave MacMillan

“The Financial Health of Child Welfare Nonprofits in New York State”, with James Krauskopf and Alexis Perrotta, 2019, Center for Nonprofit Strategy and Management, Baruch College and Council for Family and Child Caring Agencies. New York, NY.

“Progress towards Pay Equity in State Governments?” with Gregory B. Lewis and Jonathan R. Boyd, 2018, *Public Administration Review* 78(3):386-397

“Financing Georgia’s Future IV” with Sally Wallace, 2018, *Publication No. 300*, Fiscal Research Center and Center for State and Local Finance, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA.

“Trends in Public Private Pay Parity in State and Local Governments” with Gregory B. Lewis and Chester Galloway, 2018, *Review of Public Personnel Administration* 38(3):303-331

“Public Transportation Access and the Spatial Distribution of Poverty” with Chris Wyczalkowski and Xi Huang, 2017, *Regional Science and Urban Economics* 66:198-212

“The Fiscal Architecture of Georgia: Structural Changes and Future Implications.” with Sally Wallace, 2017, *Publication No. 292*, Fiscal Research Center, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA.

“The Anatomy of Collaboration in International Development Practice: Comparative Insights from Nigeria and Ghana” with Jon Schmid, 2017, *Development in Practice*

27(4):198-212

“Public Budgeting in African Nations: Fiscal Analysis in Development Management (Book Review)” with Komla Dzigbede. 2016. *Public Budgeting and Finance*, 36(4):131-134

“State Tax Reform Efforts: 2010-2015.” with Carolyn Bourdeaux, Sally Wallace, and Sarah Larson. 2016. *Publication No. 22*, Center for State and Local Finance, Georgia State University. Republished in *State Tax Notes*. 2016. 79(12): 891-906.

“Multidimensional Poverty Measurement and Analysis (Book Review)” *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*. 2015. 35(1): 252-255.

“The State and Local Government Workforce: Trends and Patterns in Georgia, the South, and the United States.” with Gregory B. Lewis, 2014, *Publication No. 2*, Center for State and Local Finance, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA.

“The Employment of Veterans in State and Local Government Service” with Gregory B. Lewis, 2014, *State and Local Government Review* 46(2): 91-105.

## TEACHING

Public Finance and Budgeting, Graduate Course

Introduction to Budgeting, Executive Education Course

Microeconomics for Public Policy, Graduate Course

Introduction to Policy Analysis, Undergraduate Course

## PRESENTATIONS

“The Federal Government’s Performance As a Model Employer for Individuals with Disabilities an Examination of the Impact of Obama-Era Policy Changes on Representation Patterns.” with Gregory B. Lewis, Presented at the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Annual Conference, Atlanta (November 2023)

“Analysis of New York City Revenue Forecasting by Type of Revenue Through Three Recessions” with Daniel W. Williams and Berat Kara at the Association for Budgeting and Financial Management Annual Conference, Denver (October 2023).

“Using Open AIs to Forecast Government Revenue.” with Daniel W. Williams, Il Hwan Chung, Melisa McShea and Berat Kara at the Association for Budgeting and Financial Management Annual Conference, Denver (October 2023).

“Covid-19 Fiscal Recovery and Budget Credibility in Major U.S. Cities: Insights from the Annual Comprehensive Financial Reports of Forty Cities” (Poster) with Alisha Sukhram, Fatouma Keita, and Daniel W. Williams at the Association for Budgeting and Financial Management Annual Conference, Denver (October 2023)

“Independent Municipal Fiscal Councils: A Survey of their Architecture, Scope and Efficacy”, with Marco Cangiano at the Association for Budgeting and Financial Management Annual Conference, Denver (October 2023)

“Pay Parity for Persons with Disabilities in the Federal Government.” with Gregory B. Lewis, Southeastern Conference for Public Administration. Atlanta (September 2023)

“Progressive Taxation by Any Means Necessary? The Political Economy of SALT deductibility.” with Carolyn Abott, Western Social Science Association Annual Conference, Tempe AZ (April 2023)

“Fiscal Recovery and Budget Credibility in New York Municipalities: Examination of Local Government Finances After the Pandemic” Local Government Lab Conference, Rockefeller Institute of Government, Albany NY. (March 2023)

“Forecast Bias and Budget Credibility: An Examination of Twenty Year of Budgets from Rwanda, Senegal, and Uganda” Overseas Development Institute, London (November 2022)

“Forecast Bias and Budget Credibility in Rwanda, Senegal, and Uganda” with Andrew Crosby and Emily Carroll at the Association for Budgeting and Financial Management Annual Conference, Miami, FL (September 2022)

“Budget Variances and Credibility” with Daniel W. Williams, at the Association for Budgeting and Financial Management Annual Conference, Miami, FL (September 2022)

“Retro Rewind? New York City Fiscal Crises and Policy Responses: From the 1970s to COVID-19 ” with Andrew Crosby and Emily Carroll at the Association for Budgeting and Financial Management Annual Conference, Miami, FL (September 2022)

“New York City Fiscal Crises and Policy Responses: Past and Present” with Andy Crosby and Emily Carroll, Presented at The Rockefeller Institute, SUNY Albany (March 2022) and Western Social Science Association Annual Conference, Denver, CO (March 2022)

“Fiscal Federalism with a pinch of SALT (State and Local Tax Deduction)” The Case of State and Local Tax Deduction Cap, Northeast Conference for Public Administration (NECOPA), Online, November 5-6, 2021

“The Pandemic and New York City Finances” with Wooserk Park, Eugene Lang Fellowship Showcase, Baruch College (December 2021); The Rockefeller Institute, SUNY Albany (June 2021); ); Northeast Conference on Public Administration (November 2020); Association for Budgeting Financial Management Annual Conference (September 2020)

“A Conceptual Model of Participatory Budgeting from the Point of View Budgeting” Association for Budgeting and Financial Management Annual Conference, with Daniel Williams, Alexis Perrotta, and Thad Calabrese, Washington D.C., September 2021

“Market-Based Subnational Borrowing in India: The Emerging Architecture of State Development Loans” with Justina Jose, Association for Budgeting and Financial Management Annual Conference, September 2021.

“Physical Mobility, Non pharmaceutical Interventions, and Covid19 Prevalence: Evidence from Cellular Movement and Smart Thermometer Tracking in the U.S. Counties” Population Association of America Annual Conference, Online (May 8, 2021). Marx School of Public and International Affairs Faculty Seminar (June 2020).

“Tracking the Regional Impact of Covid-19 Spending” with Wooserk Park The Opportunity Project Demo Week, The Census Bureau, Online (December 9, 2020).

“Evaluating the Comparative Accuracy of COVID-19 Forecasts: Evidence from the United States”, with Daniel W. Williams, 40th international Symposium on Forecasting, International Institute of Forecasting, Virtual ISF 2020–Rio de Janeiro, (October 26, 2020).

“A Microsimulation of COVID-19 Economic Shocks and Fiscal Policy Options: Evidence from Ghana” with Komla Dzigbede, Association for Budgeting and Financial Management Annual Conference (September 2020).

“Political Economy of Revenue Forecasting: Evidence from Low and Middle-Income Countries” Association for Budgeting and Financial Management Annual Conference, September 26-28, 2019, Washington D.C. and Western Social Science Association Annual Conference (moved online), April 1-4, 2020, Portland, OR.

“Tax Increment Financing, Property Tax Revenues, and Economic Development”, with Komla Dzigbede, Municipal Finance Conference, July 15-16, 2019, The Brookings Institution, Washington D.C., and Western Social Science Association Annual Conference, April 24-27, 2019, San Diego, CA. and Association for Budgeting and Financial Management Annual Conference, October 4-6, 2018, Denver, CO.

“State Tax Cuts and Debt Market Outcomes: Lessons from the Kansas Tax Cut Experiment” with Komla Dzigbede, Municipal Finance Conference, July 16-17, 2018, The Brookings Institution, Washington D.C. and Public Finance and the New Economy Conference, Georgia State University, April 26-27, 2018, Atlanta, GA. and Western Social Science Association Annual Conference, April 4-7, 2018, San Antonio, TX. and Association for Budgeting and Financial Management Annual Conference, September 28-30, 2017, Washington D.C.

“Subnational Fiscal Rules and Public Investment: Evidence from the Indian States”, American Society for Public Administration Annual Conference, March 17-21, 2017, Atlanta, GA.

“Achieving Diversity and Representation in State Governments: Trends and Explanations” with Gregory B. Lewis and Jonathan Boyd, American Society for Public Administration Annual Conference, March 17-21, 2017, Atlanta, GA.

“Supermajority Rules and the Cost of Subnational Debt” Association for Budgeting and Financial Management Annual Conference, October 6-8, 2016, Seattle, WA, and APPAM California Regional Student Conference, April 7-8, 2017, Riverside, CA.

“State Tax Measures and Revenue Growth through and Post-Crisis” with Sally Wallace and Carolyn Bourdeaux. 109th Annual Conference of the National Tax Association, November 10-12, 2016, Baltimore MD.

“Progress towards Pay Equity in State Governments?” with Gregory B. Lewis and Jonathan Boyd, American Political Science Association Annual Conference, September 1-4, 2016, Philadelphia PA.

“Are Sales Tax Exemptions for Food Effective? Evidence from the States” poster with Christian King, Population Association of America Annual Conference, March 31-April 2, 2016, Washington DC.

“Fiscal Rules and the Social Welfare Provision: Evidence from a Panel of Countries”, Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM) conference, November 12-14 2015, Miami FL.

“State Tax Commissions and Tax Reform Proposals: A Review of Comprehensive State Tax Reforms”, with Carolyn Bourdeaux, Sally Wallace, and Sarah Larson, Association for Budgeting and Financial Management, October 1-3, 2015, Washington DC.

“Urban Poverty and Public Transit: Evidence from Atlanta Metropolitan Area” with Christopher Wyczalkowski and Xi Huang, Urban Affairs Association Annual Conference, April 8-11 2015, Miami FL, and at the annual meeting of the Transportation Research Forum, March 12-14, 2015, Atlanta GA.

“Changing Contours of Suburban Poverty in Metropolitan Areas: A Demographic Analysis”, Poster with Xi Huang, Population Association of America Annual Conference, April 30-May 2, 2015, San Diego CA.

“Trends in Public Private Pay-Comparability in State and Local Governments” with Gregory B. Lewis, Annual South Eastern Conference for Public Administration (SEC-OPA), September 17-20, 2014, Atlanta GA.

“Impact of the Great Recession on State and Local Governments” with Gregory B. Lewis, Annual Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Conference, April 7-10, 2014, Chicago IL.

“The Employment of Veterans in State and Local Governments” with Gregory B. Lewis, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, April 11-14, 2013, Chicago.

## GRANTS

<b>Office of the Dean, Marxe School</b>	2023-2024
“The Political Economy of SALT Deductibility” Principal Investigator (\$4,968)	
<b>Office of the Provost, Baruch College</b>	2022-2023
“Fiscal Federalism and the Local Public Good Provision Examining the Politics and Impact of State and Local Tax Deduction (SALT) Cap” Provost Innovation Seed Grant Co-PI (\$12,000)	
<b>The Research Foundation of City University of New York</b>	2022-2023
“Towards Full Inclusion? Federal Government’s Performance as a Model Employer for Individuals with Disabilities” Funded by PSC-CUNY 53 Principal Investigator (\$6,000)	
<b>Collaborative Africa Budget Reform Initiative</b>	2021-2022
“Tracking Budget Performance in African States: Africa Fiscal Database” Principal Investigator (\$38,000)	
<b>Office of the Provost, Baruch College</b>	2021-2022
“The Pandemic and the Changing Landscape of New York City Budget” Principal Investigator (\$8,500)	
<b>Baruch College Fund</b>	2021-2022
“Budget Systems and Post-Crisis Economic Resilience” Principal Investigator (\$5,000)	
<b>Howard J. Samuels State and City Policy Center</b>	2020-2021
The Pandemic and New York City Budget	

Principal Investigator (\$9,300)	
<b>Office of the Dean, Marxe School</b> “A Microsimulation Analysis of Pandemic’s Economic Impact in Ghana” Principal Investigator (\$4,999)	2020-2021
<b>Howard J. Samuels State and City Policy Center</b> Tax Increment Financing and Economic Development Principal Investigator (\$11,517)	2019-2020
<b>Council of Family and Child Caring Agencies</b> Financial Health of New York Child Welfare Nonprofits Co-PI (\$72,400)	2018-2019
<b>Marxe School of Public and International Affairs</b> Revenue Forecasting in Middle and Low-Income Countries Principal Investigator (\$7,500)	2018-2019
<b>The Research Foundation of City University of New York</b> State Tax Cuts and Debt Market Outcomes Principal Investigator (\$3,500)	2018-2019

#### AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

<b>City University of New York</b> Eugene Lang Fellowship	2023
<b>Rockefeller Institute of Government</b> Richard P. Nathan Public Policy Fellowship (Non-Resident)	2022
<b>City University of New York</b> Faculty Fellowship Publication Program	2022
<b>City University of New York</b> Eugene Lang Fellowship	2021
<b>Baruch College, City University of New York</b> Dean’s Summer Research Fellowship	2019
<b>Andrew Young School of Policy Studies</b> AYSPS Dean’s Award for Excellence in Teaching Policy	2017
<b>Ivan Allen College of Liberal Arts</b> Best Paper Award and Travel Grant	2016
<b>Georgia Fiscal Management Council</b> Graduate Research Scholarship	2015
<b>Andrew Young School of Policy Studies</b> Conference Travel Grant	2013, 2014
<b>Georgia State University</b> Graduate Research Fellowship	2012-2015
<b>CEU Budapest Foundation</b> Full CEU Doctoral Fellowship ( <i>declined</i> )	2012
<b>National University of Singapore</b> NUS Research Scholarship ( <i>declined</i> )	2012
<b>Indian Institute of Public Administration</b> Best Essay Award	2008

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

<b>Praxis Matters</b>	2021
Diversity Equity and Inclusion Training	
<b>School of Professional Studies, CUNY</b>	2021
Online Teaching Essentials Course	
<b>Center for Teaching and Learning, Baruch College</b>	2021
Student Engagement Fellowship	
<b>Center for Teaching and Learning, Baruch College</b>	2019
CTL Hybridization Fellowship	
<b>Bernard L. Schwartz Communication Institute</b>	2018
Faculty Seminar on Inclusive Pedagogy	
<b>Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning</b>	2016
Certificate of Excellence in College Teaching	
<b>Center for State and Local Finance, Georgia State University</b>	2016
Certificate in Debt Management	
<b>Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management</b>	2015
Two Workshops: Big Data Applications and Grant Writing	
<b>Urban Affairs Association</b>	2015
Graduate Student Professional Development Workshop	
<b>Special Research Initiatives, Georgia State University</b>	2014
Training on Grant Writing	
<b>Spatial Structures in Social Sciences, Brown University</b>	2011
GIS Training, organized by the Centre for Policy Research	
<b>United Nations Conference on Trade and Development</b>	2008
Research Internship, New Delhi Office	

## SERVICE

<i>President</i> , American Society of Public Administration, NYC Section	2023-Present
<i>Chair elect</i> , Northeastern Conference on Public Administration	2023-Present
<i>Member</i> , Committee on Committees, Baruch College	2022-Present
<i>Member</i> , Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee, Marxe School	2023-Present
<i>Faculty Advisor</i> , Pi Alpha Alpha	2022-Present
<i>Associate Editor</i> , Public Finance and Management	2022-Present
<i>Member</i> , Research Committee, Marxe School	2021-Present
<i>Member</i> , Assessment Group for Budgeting Course, Marxe School,	2022-Present
<i>Vice Chair</i> , Joint Committee of Research, Baruch College	2021-2023
<i>Treasurer</i> , American Society of Public Administration, NYC Section	2022-2023
<i>Member</i> , Higher Education Faculty Search Committee, Baruch College	2021-2022
<i>Member</i> , Admissions Committee, Honors College, Baruch College	2021-2022
<i>Secretary of the Faculty</i> , Marxe School, Baruch College	2020-2023
<i>Member</i> , Committee on Library, Baruch College	2020-2022
<i>Chair</i> , Western Social Science Association (Public Finance Section)	2019-2022
<i>Member</i> , Learning Assessment Committee, Marxe School, Baruch College	2019-2022
<i>Member</i> , Committee of the Library, Baruch College	2019-2021
<i>Member</i> , Zicklin School Curriculum Committee, Baruch College	2018-2020
<i>Member</i> , The Committee for Educational Technology, Baruch College	2018-2020



**REVIEWER  
SERVICE**

Economic Development Quarterly, Journal of Public Budgeting, Accounting and Financial Management, Journal of Public Affairs, Annals of Regional Science, American Sociological Review, United Nations University -WIDER Policy Papers, Public Budgeting and Finance, Public Personnel Management, Public Finance Review, International Journal of Public Leadership, Journal of Planning Educations and Research, The Annals of Regional Science, Municipal Finance Journal, Journal of Urban Economics, Papers in Regional Science, Journal of Urban Affairs, Journal of Transport Geography, Public Administration Review, Development in Practice.

**POPULAR  
MEDIA**

McClatchyDC(2020); IMF PFM Blog (2019); The Saporta Report (2018); Brookings Blogs (2018); GSU Magazine (2018); Chicago Policy Review (2018); Bloomberg (2017); USA Today (2017) State Tax Today (2016); Bloomberg BNA (2014); The Hindu (2014); The Financial Express (2012); The Indian Express (2012).

**ASSOCIATIONS**

Association for Budgeting and Financial Management; Western Social Science Association, Population Association of America, Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management; National Tax Association; American Society for Public Administration; Urban Affairs Association; Midwest Political Science Association.