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Robert S. Goldfarb

Current Position: Professor of Economics, George Washington University

Date of Birth: February 7, 1943

Education:	<u>School</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>Area</u>
	Columbia	B.A. 1964	Economics
	Yale	M.A. 1965	Economics
		M. Phil. 1967	Economics
		Ph.D. 1968	Economics

Major Employment: Professor of Economics, George Washington University, June 1980 -present.

Chairman, Department of Economics, George Washington University, July 1983-July 1986.

Associate Professor of Economics, The George Washington University, August 1973-June 1980.

Assistant Professor of Economics, Yale University, July 1968 - July 1973.

Other Positions : Board of Trustees, Eastern Economic Association, 1996-1998, 1999-2001, 2003-2005

Consultant, the World Bank. Prepared a Study on Improving Labor Market Information Systems in Developing Countries, Feb.-July 1992

Consultant, the World Bank. Reviewed Evidence on Education and Training Programs in Selected Countries, May 1990-June 1991

Consultant, OECD: Wrote Review Paper on Educational Attainment of the Labor Force, October 1988-February 1989

Visiting Scholar, Department of Economics, Harvard University, September-December 1986.

Consultant, Office of Management and Budget, Summer 1982.

Senior Economist, Government Programs and Regulation, Council on Wage and Price Stability, January-July 1980; Consultant, August 1980-June 1981.

Organization of American States, August 1978: Consultant, Conducted Seminar Analyzing the Jamaican Labor Market.

National Commission on Employment and Unemployment Statistics, August 1977 - March 1978: Consultant, Writing a Background Paper.

Council on Wage and Price Stability, July 1974-February 1976: Consultant on Davis-Bacon Act Study.

Federal Trade Commission, January 1974 - June 1975: Consultant on Computer School Case.

Visiting Research Associate, University of California (Berkeley), January - June 1972.

Office of Economic Opportunity, 1971 -1972: Consultant on Manpower Program Study.

New Haven City Planning Department, 1969-1970: Consultant on Manpower Program Planning.

Fields of Specialization:

Recent teaching experience in Microeconomics, and the Microeconomics of Public Policy. Prior teaching experience in Philosophy and Economics, Economics of the Arts, Labor Economics, Public Finance and Urban Economics.

Research in Philosophy and Economics since 1985 has focused on: assumption choice in economics; the status of claims that moral norms should be incorporated in microeconomic modeling of individual behavior; the nature of empirical testing of theories in economics; problems in drawing inferences from large empirical literatures in economics, and the analogy-content of forecasting. An additional research program since the late 1990's has focused on modeling harmful behaviors, such as cigarette smoking and cyclical dieting. Previous research in Labor Economics focused on analysis of wage determination, wage regulation, unemployment, labor supply, U.S. immigration laws, and labor compensation provisions under legislated deregulation.

Publications :

"The Evaluation of Government Programs: The Case of New Haven's Manpower Training Activities," Yale Economic Essays, Fall 1969.

"Manpower Programs in a Local Labor Market: A Theoretical Note," American Economic Review, December 1970 (with Daniel Hamermesh).

"Pareto Optimal Redistribution: A Comment," American Economic Review, December 1970. Reprinted in Hacienda Publica Espanola, 61, November-December 1979.

"Job Search, the Duration of Unemployment, and the Phillips Curve: Comment," American Economic Review, September 1972, (with Paul Gayer).

"A Model of Wage Setting and Wage Diversity in Local Labor Markets," Western Economic Journal, March 1973.

"Government Investment Decisions and Institutional Constraints on Income Redistribution," Journal of Public Economics, May 1974, (with Geoffrey Woglom).

"The Policy Content of Quantitative Minimum Wage Research," Industrial Relations Research Association Proceedings, December 1974; reprinted in part in The Monthly Labor Review, April 1974.

"Learning in Government Programs and Usefulness of Cost-Benefit Analysis: Lessons from Manpower and Urban Renewal History," Policy Sciences, September 1975.

"Explaining Male-Female Wage Differentials for the 'Same Job'," Journal of Human Resources, Winter 1976 (with James Hosek).

"AFDC Income, Recipient Rates and Family Dissolution: A Comment," Journal of Human Resources, Spring 1976 (with Joe Minarik).

"A 'Missing Link' in the Social Rate of Discount Literature," Journal of Public Economics, October 1976.

"Evaluating Alternate Theories of Intercity Wage Differentials," Journal of Regional Science, December 1976, (with Anthony Yezer).

(Major author of Minimum Wage Legislation; Legislative Analysis No. 7, American Enterprise Institute, June 27, 1977; no author listed in document.)

"The Demand for an 'Otherwise Normal' Good Can Have an Upward Sloping Segment Under Coupon

or Time Rationing," Atlantic Economic Journal, December 1977.

"An Indirect Test of Efficient City Size," Journal of Urban Economics, January 1978, (with Anthony Yezer).

"Labor Market Responses for Computer Occupations," Industrial Relations, February 1978, (with Sheldon Haber).

"Cost Implications of Changing Davis-Bacon Administration," Policy Analysis, Fall 1978, (with John Morall).

"Measuring Types of Unemployment: Implications for Unemployment Statistics," Background Paper #8, National Commission on Employment and Unemployment Statistics, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C., June 1978. Reprinted in National Commission on Employment and Unemployment Statistics, Concepts and Data Needs -Appendix Vol. I, pp. 100-120.

"Methods of Allocating Funds to Alleviate Teenage Unemployment Problems," in Conference Report on Youth Unemployment: Its Measurement and Meaning, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C., 1978, (with Joseph Cordes).

"On the Diagnosis of Unemployment Types," in Paul Burgess and Jerry Kingston (eds.), High Employment: Problems and Solutions, Arizona State University, Arizona Department of Employment Security, 1980.

"Compensating Victims of Government Policy Changes," Regulation, Sept./Oct. 1980.

"The Davis-Bacon Act: An Appraisal of Recent Studies," Industrial and Labor Relations Review, January 1981,(with John Morrall).

"The Context of Recent Research," in Simon Rottenberg, editor, The Economics of Legal Minimum Wages, Washington, D.C.: American Enterprise Institute, 1981.

"Modelling Physician Patient Load and Treatment Location Decisions," Atlantic Economic Journal, September 1981, (with Roger Feldman, Marsha Goldfarb, and John Rafferty).

"Occupational Preferences' in the U.S. Immigration Law: An Economic Analysis," Barry R. Chiswick, editor, The Gateway: U.S. Immigration Issues and Policies, Washington, D.C.: American Enterprise Institute, 1982.

"An Economic Analysis of the Service Contract Act," Industrial and Labor Relations Review, October 1982 (with John Heywood).

"Some New Evidence: Have Regional Wage Differentials Really Disappeared?" Growth and Change, January 1983 (with Anthony Yezer and Sebastian Crewe).

"Compensating When the Government Harms," In What Role For Government? edited by Richard Zeckhauser and Derek Leebaert, Duke University Press, 1983 (with James Barth and Joseph Cordes).

"A Model of Teenage Labor Supply," Journal of Economics and Business, Summer 1983 (with Anthony Yezer).

"Do Davis-Bacon Minimum Wages Raise Product Quality?" Journal of Labor Research, Summer 1983 (with Michael Metzger).

"Alternative Rationales for Severance Pay Compensation Under Airline Deregulation," Public Choice, 1983:3 (with Joseph Cordes).

"An Economic Analysis of Odd-Even Gasoline Rationing," Atlantic Economic Journal, December 1983 (with Michael Metzger).

"A Davis-Bacon Musicale: Symphony Orchestras as Migrant Labor," Journal of Labor Research, Fall 1984.

"Can Remittances Compensate for Manpower Outflows: The Case of Philippine Physicians," Journal of Development Economics May-June-August 1984 (with Oli Havrylyshyn and Steve Mangum).

"The Firm's Demand For Daily Hours of Work," Atlantic Economic Journal March, 1985. (with Bryan Boulier and Vincy Fon).

"A More General Rationale for Circular Indifference Curves," Studies in Economic Analysis, Vol. 9, #2, Fall 1985, (with Bryan Boulier and Vincy Fon).

"The Relative Efficiency of Private and Public Transfers," Public Choice (with Joseph Cordes and Harry Watson), Vol. 49, No. 1, 1986.

"Compensation for Displaced Workers - Why, How Much, How?" in P. Chinloy and E. Stromsdorfer (editors) Labor Adjustment in the Pacific Basin, Boston: Kluwer-Nijhoff Publishing Co., 1987. (with Joseph Cordes and Dan Hamermesh).

"Interarea Wage Differential Dynamics," Papers of the Regional Science Association, December 1987 (with Anthony Yezer).

"The Employer's Choice of Paying Wages or Salaries," Industrial Relations Research Assoc. Proceedings, Dec. 1987.

Comment (in the form of a letter) on Mark Machina's "Uncertainty: Problems Solved and Unsolved," Journal of Economic Perspectives, Spring 1988.

"Comments on Claire Brown's Paper" and "Comments on the Reynolds-Seninger Paper," in Garth Mangum and Peter Phillips (editors) Three Worlds of Labor Economics M.E. Sharpe Co., 1988.

"Design and Implementation of Job Loss Compensation Provisions: Lessons from the Airline Deregulation Experience," International Journal of Transport Economics, February 1989. (with Joseph Cordes and Richard Johnson).

Contributing Author (with Arvil V. Adams) to "Educational Attainment of the Labor Force," Chapter 2 in OECD Employment Outlook July 1989 , pp.47-94.

"The Demand for Labor with Heterogeneous Hours," Eastern Economic Journal, July-September 1990 (With Bryan Boulier and Vincy Fon).

"Pisces Economicus: The Fish as Economic Man," Economics and Philosophy, April 1991 (with Bryan Boulier)

"The Theory-as-Map Analogy and Changes in Assumption Sets in Economics," in A. Etzioni and P. Lawrence, eds. Socio-Economics:Toward a New Synthesis, M.E. Sharpe and Co. 1991 (with William Griffith).

"Amending the Economist's Rational Egoist Model to Include Moral Values and Norms Part 1: The Problem and Part 2: Alternative Solutions" two chapters in K. Koford and J. Miller, eds. Social Norms and Economic Institutions, Univ. of Michigan Press. 1991 pp. 39-84.(with William Griffith). [Also included in the volume are comments on our chapters by Timothy Brennan, Mark Cohen and Dennis Mueller, and our "Response to our Commentators."].

"Commentary on Part Two" (Commentary on papers by Teresa Sullivan and by Alice and Masao Nakamura about immigrant demographic characteristics and earnings), in Barry Chiswick, Editor, Immigration, Language and Ethnicity, Washington, D.C.: American Enterprise Institute, 1992, pp. 167-176.

"Dealing with Arguably Legitimate Exam Gripest: a Possible Pareto Improvement," Economic Inquiry, 32, January 1994.

"If Empirical Work in Economics Is Not Severe Testing, What is It?" in Ingrid Rima, Editor,

Measurement, Quantification, and Economic Analysis, London: Routledge 1995, pp.333-364

"Does Salaried Status Affect Human Capital Accumulation?" Industrial and Labor Relations Review January 1995 (with Sheldon Haber)

"Evaluating Dising on Social Science: A review Essay" in W. Samuels and J. Biddle, Editors, Research in the History of Economic Thought and Methodology, Vol 13, 1995, pp. 169-177.

"The Economist-As-Audience Needs A Methodology of Plausible Inference," Journal of Economic Methodology, December 1995, pp. 201-222.

"Does Studying Economics Discourage Cooperation?: Watch What We Do, Not What We Say or How We Play," Journal of Economic Perspectives, Winter 1996 (with Tony Yezer and Paul Poppen)

"Information Problems for Policy Analysis and Forecasting," Eastern Economic Journal, Winter 1996 (with H.O. Stekler)

"Methodological Commentary- Investigating Immigrant-Black Labor Market Substitution: Reflections on the Case Study Approach," in Harriet Duleep and Phanindra Wunnava, Editors, Immigrants and Immigrant Policy: Individual Skills, Family Ties, and Group Identities, Greenwich, Conn: JAI Press, 1996, pp.289-306.

"Minimum Wage Policy and Research: What's A Person To Believe?" (with Steve Baldwin) in Garth Mangum and Steve Mangum, editors, Of Heart and Mind: Social Policy Essays in Honor of Sar A. Levitan, Kalamazoo, Michigan: Upjohn, 1996, pp. 201-216.

"The Value of Public Art as Public Culture" (with Joseph Cordes) in Arjo Klamer, editor, The Value of Culture, U. Amsterdam Press, 1996, pp. 77-95.

"Now You See It, Now You Don't: Emerging Contrary Results in Economics," Journal of Economic Methodology, December 1997, pp.221-244.

"Survey Methods" (with Bryan Boulier) in Handbook of Economic Methodology, edited by John Davis, Wade Hands, and Uskali Maki. Cheltenham, U.K.: Edward Elgar 1998, pp.488-492.

"The Use and Non-Use of Surveys in Economics" (with Bryan Boulier), Journal of Economic Methodology, June 1998, pp. 1-22.

"Economic Man as a Moral Individual" (with Richard Dowell and William Griffith) Economic Inquiry, October 1998, pp. 645-53.

"An Economic Theory of Cigarette Addiction" (with Steve Suranovic and Tim Leonard) Journal of Health Economics, January 1999, pp. 1-29.

"Understanding Smoking Behavior:An Economics Perspective," (with Steve Suranovic and Tim Leonard) TEN (The Economics of Neuroscience), January 2000, pp.32-34.

"An Onassis Retrospective: Which Goods are Auctioned, and Why," Journal of Economic Education, Spring 2000, pp. 157-168.

"New on Paternalism and Public Policy" (with Thomas C. Leonard and Steve Suranovic) Economics and Philosophy October 2000, pp. 323-331.

"Why Do Empirical Results Change?: Forecasts as Tests of Rational Expectations" (with Herman Stekler) in Roger Backhouse and Jeff Biddle, editors, Toward a History of Applied Economics, Annual Supplement to History of Political Economy, Vol. 32, 2000, Durham:Duke University Press, pp. 95-116.

"Combining the Results of Rationality Studies: What Did We Know and When Did We Know It?" (with Herman Stekler) Indian Economic Review, Jan-June 2001, pp. 269-300.

"Are Rival Theories of Smoking Underdetermined?"(with Tim Leonard and Steve Suranovic) Journal of Economic Methodology , June 2001, pp.229-251.

"Meta-Analysis (A Comment)," (with Herman Stekler) Journal of Economic Perspectives, Summer 2002, pp.225-26.

"Economics at the Millenium," (with Thomas C. Leonard), Society, November-December 2002, pp.24-36. (Invited Paper).

"Remembering James Tobin: Stories Mostly from His Students," Eastern Economic Journal (Fall, 2003), pp. 499-518.

"Inequality of What Among Whom?:Rival Conceptions of Income Distribution in the 20th Century" (with Thomas C. Leonard) Research in the History of Thought and Methodology, Vol 23-A pp. 79-123 (forthcoming, 2005)

"Modeling Alternative Motives for Dieting,"(with Steve Suranovic and Thomas C. Leonard) Eastern Economic Journal (forthcoming)

"Methodological Issues in Forecasting: Insights from the Egregious Business Forecast Errors of Late 1930," (with Herman Stekler and Joel David) Journal of Economic Methodology, (forthcoming)

Manuscripts in Progress or Submitted for Publication:

“Vaccination Externalities,” (with Dejawant Singh Datta and Bryan Boulier)

An Economic Analysis of Weight Change, Overeating, and Dieting,” (with Steve Suranovic and Tim Leonard)

“Do We Teach Students to “Think Like Economists?” (With Herman Stekler)

“Reducing ‘Surprises’ from Structural Change” (with Claire Hanselmann, Herman Stekler and Ellen Walrath)

Unpublished Reports for Government or International Agencies:

"A 'New' Approach to Local Labor Market Analysis: A Feasibility Study," (with Daniel Hamermesh), A Report to the Manpower Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 1970.

"A Simultaneous Equation Model of the Youth Labor Market," Report to the U.S. Department of Labor (ASPER), 1976, (with Anthony Yezer).

"An Analysis of Certain Aspects of the Administration of the Davis-Bacon Act," Council on Wage and Price Stability, May 1976, (with John Morrall). Issued by the Council as a Staff Study, June 25, 1976. Reprinted in Construction Labor Reports, June 1978.

While on the staff of the Council on Wage and Price Stability during 1980, I was acknowledged author or co-author of public record Comments by the Council concerning: U.S. Department of Labor Pension Fund Rules; Interstate Commerce Commission Rules on "Incentive Per Diem" Rental Rates on Railroad Box Cars and Gondolas; Regulation of Coastal Fisheries; and Various Agency Rules on Nondiscrimination Against the Handicapped.

"Estimation of On-The Job Training Costs for Satellite Communications Ground Station Equipment Repairers," (With Stephen Mangum), report to U.S. Army Research Institute, September 1983.

"How the Macroeconomic Environment Affects Human Resource Development" (with Arvil Van Adams and Terence Kelly). Policy Research Working Paper WPS 828, Population and Human Resources Department, The World Bank, January 1992

"Designing a System of Labor Market Statistics and Information" World Bank Discussion Paper no. 205, 1993 (with Arvil V. Adams)

Selected Presentations at Professional Meetings:

"Methods of Allocating Funds to Alleviate Teenage Unemployment Problems," (with Joseph Cordes), presented at conference on "Employment Statistics and Youth," held at U.C.L.A. (sponsored jointly by the U.S. Department of Labor), February 1978.

"On the Diagnosis of Unemployment Types," Governor's Conference on Full Employment, Phoenix, Arizona, May 1978.

"Modelling Physician Patient Load Decisions," (with Roger Feldman, Marsha Goldfarb, and John Rafferty), Western Economic Association, Honolulu, Hawaii, June 1978.

"A Model of Teenage Time Allocation," (with Anthony Yezer), Southern Economic Association, Washington, D.C., November 1978.

Discussant, American Enterprise Conference on the Minimum Wage Laws, November 1979.

"Severance Pay Compensation, Alternative Views of Equity, and the Airline Deregulation Act," (with Joseph Cordes) American Economic Association Meetings, Atlanta, December 1979.

"An Economic Analysis of 'Occupational Preferences' in the U.S. Immigration Law," AEI - University of Illinois Conference on the Economics of the U.S. Immigration Laws, April 1980.

Discussant, Minimum Wage Session, American Economic Association Meetings, Denver, September 1980.

"Equity Criteria for Compensating Those Harmed by Public Actions," APPAM Conference, Boston, October 1980.

"An Economic Analysis of the Service Contract Act," and "An Economic Analysis of Odd-Even Rationing," Eastern Economic Association Meetings, April 1981.

"The Relative Efficiency of Public and Private Transfers," (with Joseph Cordes and Harry Watson), Southern Economic Association Meetings, Washington, D.C., October 1983.

"Case Mix, Quality of Care, and Profits," (with Vincy Fon, Marsha Goldfarb, and Mark Hornbrook) Eastern Economic Association Meetings, New York, March 1984.

"Attractions and Costs of Job Loss Compensation For Airline Employees," (with Joseph Cordes and Richard Johnson) Southern Economic Association, November 1984.

"Compensation for Displaced Workers - Why, How Much, How?" with Joseph Cordes and Daniel Hamermesh) Conference on Labor Market Adjustment, University of Santa Clara, June 1985.

Discussant, Conference on "Three Worlds of Labor Economics," Salt Lake City, Utah, October 1985.

"The Demand for Labor with Heterogeneous Hours," (with Bryan Boulier and Vincy Fon) Atlantic Economic Association, September 1985.

"Interarea Wage Differential Dynamics," North American meetings of the Regional Science Association, Columbus, Ohio, November 1986 (with Anthony Yezer).

Discussant, Sessions on Comparable Worth and on Employment Stability, Southern Economic Association, Nov. 1987.

"The Employer's Choice of Paying Wages or Salaries," Industrial Relations Research Assoc. , Chicago, December 1987.

"Amending the Economist's "Rational Egoist" Model to Incorporate Norms," Conference on the Enforcement of Social Values, University of Delaware, June 1988. (with William Griffith)
Also presented to the National Economist's Club October 1988, the Society of Government Economists, February 1989, and the Conference on Socio-Economics, Harvard Business School, March 1989).

Organized and Chaired Session on "The Role of Empirical Falsification in Neoclassical Economic Theory," Second Annual International Conference on Socio-Economics, George Washington University, March 1990. Presented my paper "If Economists Do Not Severely Test Their Theories, What's All This Empirical Work in Economics About, Anyway?"

Discussant, Conference on Immigration, Languages and Ethnic Issues: Public Policy in Canada and the United States, American Enterprise Institute, Washington, D.C. May 17, 1990.

"If Economists Do Not Severely Test Their Theories, What's All This Empirical Work in Economics About, Anyway?", History of Economics Society, University of Maryland, June 1991. Also chaired a session on the History of Econometrics.

"Salaried Status and Human Capital Accumulation," (with Sheldon Haber) Atlantic Economic Society, Washington, D.C. October 1991

"If Empirical Work in Economics Is Not Severe Testing, What is It?" Southern Economic Association Meetings, Nashville, Tennessee, November 1991

Discussant, Middlebury College Conference on Immigration, April 2,3 1993.

"Economic Man as Moral Individual: Modelling Moral Preferences in Utility Functions and Related Budget Constraints" (with Richard Dowell and William Griffith). Southern Economic Association, New Orleans, November 1993. American Economic Association/Association for Social Economics Boston, January 1994. Eastern Economic Association, Boston, March 1994.

"The Value of Public Culture: An Economic Perspective," (with Joseph Cordes). Conference on the Value of Culture, Erasmus University, Rotterdam, the Netherlands, May 19, 1995.

"On the Use and Nonuse of Surveys in Economics," (with Bryan Boulier). Southern Economic Association, Washington, D.C. November 25, 1996: ASSA Meetings, New Orleans, January 5, 1997: APPAM meetings, Washington, D.C., Nov. 8, 1997.

"Now You See It, Now You Don't: Emerging Contrary Results in Economics," ASSA Meetings, New Orleans, January 5, 1997.

"Controversial Public Sculpture" (with Joseph Cordes) and "Testing for Rationality: Would Meta-Analysis Help?" (with Herman Stekler). Eastern Economic Association Meetings, New York City, Feb. 28, 1998.

"The 'Rationality' of Economic Forecasts" (with Herman Stekler). History of Economics Meetings, Montreal, June 22, 1998.

"Smoke and Mirrors: Assessing Rival Theories of Smoking" (with Tim Leonard and Steve Suranovic). Eastern Economic Association Meetings, Boston, March 13, 1999

"Why Do Empirical Results Change?: Forecasts as Tests of Rational Expectations" (with Herman Stekler) HOPE Conference on the History of Applied Economics, Duke University, March 27, 1999.

"Ars Vincit Omnia? Economic Aspects of Controversial Public Sculpture," (with Joseph Cordes) and "Why Do Empirical Results Change?: Forecasts as Tests of Rational Expectations" (with Herman Stekler), Eastern Economic Association Meetings, Washington, D.C., March 24,25 2000.

"Assessing Rival Theories of Smoking," (with Thomas C. Leonard and Steve Suranovic) INEM meetings, Vancouver, Canada June 29, 2000

"Measuring the Externality from Flu Vaccinations" (with Dejawant Singh Datta and Bryan Boulier) Eastern Economic Association meetings, New York, Feb 24, 2001

"Inequality among Persons or Inequality between Labor and Capital?:Rival Conceptions of Income

Distribution in the 20th Century” (with Tim Leonard). Eastern Economic Association meetings, Boston, March 16, 2002.

“An Economic Analysis of Weight Change, Overeating, and Dieting,” (with Steve Suranovic and Tim Leonard); “Methodological Issues in Forecasting: Insights from the Egregious Forecast Errors of Late 1930,” (with Herman Stekler and Joel David); and “Remembering James Tobin: Stories Mostly from His Students.” Eastern Economic Association meetings, New York, Feb 22, 2003