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EDUCATION

B.A. Reed College, Economics, 1982
M.A. The Johns Hopkins University, Economics, 1986
Ph.D. The Johns Hopkins University, Economics, 1989

POSITIONS HELD

2002-present Professor of Economics, UC Irvine
1996-2002 Associate Professor of Economics, UC Irvine
1988-1996 Assistant Professor of Economics, UC Irvine

OTHER AFFILIATIONS

2006-07 Acting Director, Global Peace and Conflict Studies Center, UC Irvine
2003-present Research Fellow, Center for the Study of Civil Wars, Peace Research Institute of Oslo.
2003-present Associate Editor, *Global Crime* (formerly *Transnational Organized Crime*).
2002-07 Member, EU Network on Polarization and Conflict.
1999-present Research Fellow, CESifo Research Network, Munich, Germany
1998-present Member, Center for the Study of Democracy, UC Irvine
1997-present Associate Editor, *Economics of Governance*
1996-present Member, Global Peace and Conflict Studies Center, UC Irvine
1989-present Member, Institute for Mathematical Behavioral Sciences, UC Irvine

ARTICLES IN JOURNALS AND BOOKS:

Skaperdas, Stergios, "Conflict and Attitudes Toward Risk," **American Economic Review**, Papers and Proceedings, May 1991, 81 (2), 116-20.

Skaperdas, Stergios, "Cooperation, Conflict, and Power in the Absence of Property Rights," **American Economic Review**, September 1992, 82 (4), 720-739; reprinted in Fiorentini, G. and Zamagni, S. (eds.), *The Economics of Corruption and Illegal Markets*, Vol. 1,

- 1999, London: Edgar Elgar Publishing.
- Konrad, Kai A. and Skaperdas, Stergios, "Self-Insurance and Self-Protection: A Non-Expected Utility Analysis," **Geneva Papers on Risk and Insurance Theory**, December 1993, 18, 131-146.
- Skaperdas, Stergios and Syropoulos, Constantinos, "Gangs as Primitive States," in G. Fiorentini and S. Peltzman (eds.), *The Economics of Organised Crime*, 1995, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Skaperdas, Stergios and Grofman, Bernard, "Modeling Negative Campaigning," **American Political Science Review**, March 1995, 89, 49-61.
- Skaperdas, Stergios and Li, Gan, "Risk Aversion in Contests," **Economic Journal**, July 1995, 105, 951-962.
- Skaperdas, Stergios, "Contest Success Functions," **Economic Theory**, February 1996, 7, 283-290.
Reprinted in Congleton, R.G., Hillman, A.L., and Konrad, K.A., (eds.) *40 Years of Research on Rent Seeking 1: Theory of Rent Seeking*, 2008, Berlin-Heidelberg: Springer
- Skaperdas, Stergios and Syropoulos, Constantinos, "On the Effects of Insecure Property," **Canadian Journal of Economics**, April 1996, 29, S622-S626.
- Skaperdas, Stergios and Syropoulos, Constantinos, "Can the Shadow of the Future Harm Cooperation?," **Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization**, May 1996, 29, 355-372.
- Garfinkel, Michelle R. and Skaperdas, Stergios, "Introduction: Conflict and Appropriation as Economic Activities," in Garfinkel and Skaperdas (eds.), *The Political Economy of Conflict and Appropriation*, 1996, New York: Cambridge University Press.
- Skaperdas, Stergios and Syropoulos, Constantinos, "Competitive Trade With Conflict," in Garfinkel and Skaperdas (eds.), *The Political Economy of Conflict and Appropriation*, 1996, New York: Cambridge University Press.
- Skaperdas, Stergios and Syropoulos, Constantinos, "The Distribution of Income in the Presence of Appropriative Activities," **Economica**, February 1997, 64, 101-117.
- Konrad, Kai A. and Skaperdas, Stergios, "Credible Threats in Extortion," **Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization**, June 1997, 33, 23-39.
- Konrad, Kai A. and Skaperdas, Stergios, "Backing Up Words With Deeds: Information and Punishment in Organized Crime," **Nordic Journal of Political Economy**, 1997, 24, 51-63.

- Skaperdas, Stergios, "On the Formation of Alliances in Conflict and Contests," **Public Choice**, July 1998, vol. 96 (1-2), 25-42.
- Skaperdas, Stergios and Syropoulos, Constantinos, "Complementarity in Contests," **European Journal of Political Economy**, November 1998, 14 (4), 667-684.
- Lee, Jaewoo and Skaperdas, Stergios, "Workshops or Barracks? Productive versus Enforcive Investment and Economic Performance," in Baye, Michael (ed.), *Advances in Applied Microeconomics*, Volume 7, Contests, 1998, London and Stamford, CT: JAI Press Inc.
- Konrad, Kai A. and Skaperdas, Stergios, "Extortion," **Economica**, November 1998, 65, 461-77.
- Garfinkel, Michelle R. And Skaperdas, Stergios, "Contract or War? On the Consequences of a Broader View of Self-Interest in Economics," **The American Economist**, Spring 2000, 44, 5-16.
(reprinted in Michael Szenberg (ed.) *Shifting Paradigms, New Directions in Economics*, 2004, Cambridge University Press.)
- Garfinkel, Michelle R. and Skaperdas, Stergios, "Conflict Without Misperceptions or Incomplete Information: How the Future Matters," **Journal of Conflict Resolution**, December 2000, 44(6), 793-807.
- Skaperdas, Stergios and Syropoulos, Constantinos, "Guns, Butter, and Openness: On the Relationship Between Security and Trade," **American Economic Review**, Papers and Proceedings, May 2001, 91(2), 353-357.
- Skaperdas, Stergios, "The Political Economy of Organized Crime: Providing Protection When the State Does Not," **Economics of Governance**, 2001 (2), 173-202;
reprinted in Glazer, A. and Konrad, K.A. (eds.), *Conflict and Governance*, 2003, Heidelberg: Springer Publishers.
- Skaperdas, Stergios and Syropoulos, Constantinos, "Insecure Property and the Efficiency of Exchange," , **Economic Journal**, January 2002, 112, 133-146.
- Genicot, Garance and Skaperdas, Stergios, "Investing in Conflict Management," **Journal of Conflict Resolution**, February 2002, 46(1), 154-170.
- Skaperdas, Stergios, "Warlord Competition," **Journal of Peace Research**, July 2002, 39(4), 435-446.
- Anbarci, Nejat, Skaperdas, Stergios, and Syropoulos, Constantinos, "Comparing Bargaining Solutions in the Shadow of Conflict: How Norms Against Threats Can Have Real Effects," **Journal of Economic Theory**, September 2002, 106(1), 1-16.

- Skaperdas, Stergios, "Turning 'Citizens' into 'Consumers': Economic Growth and the Level of Public Discourse," in Breton, A., Galeotti, G., Salmon, P., and Wintrobe, R. (eds.), *Rational Foundations of Democratic Politics*, 2003, pp.30-43, New York: Cambridge University Press.
- Skaperdas, Stergios, "Restraining the Genuine *Homo Economicus*: Why the Economy Cannot Be Divorced from its Governance," **Economics and Politics**, (special issue in honor of Mancur Olson), July 2003, 15(2), 135-162.
- Castillo, Ramon A. and Skaperdas, Stergios, "All in the Family or Public? Law and Appropriative Costs as Determinants of Ownership Structure," **Economics of Governance**, 2005, 6, 93-104.
- Skaperdas, Stergios, "Anarchy," in the *Oxford Handbook of Political Economy*, edited by Barry Weingast and Donald Wittman, 2006, Oxford University Press.
- Skaperdas, Stergios, "Bargaining versus Fighting," **Defence and Peace Economics**, December 2006, 17(6), 657-676.
- Garfinkel, Michelle R. and Stergios Skaperdas, "Economics of Conflict: An Overview," in T. Sandler and K. Hartley (eds.), *Handbook of Defense Economics, Vol. II*, 649-709, 2007, North Holland – Elsevier.
- McBride, Michael and Skaperdas, Stergios, "Explaining Conflict in Low-Income Countries: Incomplete Contracting in the Shadow of the Future," in M. Gradstein and K.A. Konrad, (eds.), *Institutions and Norms in Economic Development*, 141-161, 2007, Cambridge, MA: MIT Press.
- Konrad, Kai A. and Skaperdas, Stergios, "Succession Rules and Leadership Rents," **Journal of Conflict Resolution**, August 2007, 51(4), 622-645.
- Skaperdas, Stergios, "An Economic Approach to Analyzing Civil Wars," **Economics of Governance**, 2008, 9(1), 25-44.
- Robson, Alexander and Skaperdas, Stergios, "Costly Enforcement of Property Rights and the Coase Theorem," **Economic Theory**, July 2008, 36(1), 109-128.
- Garfinkel, Michelle R., Skaperdas, Stergios, and Syropoulos, Constantinos, "Globalization and Domestic Conflict," **Journal of International Economics**, December 2008, 76(2), 296-308.
- Garfinkel, Michelle R., Skaperdas, Stergios, and Syropoulos, Constantinos, "Globalization and Insecurity: Reviewing Some Basic Issues," in G.D. Hess (ed.), *Guns and Butter: The Economic Causes and Consequences of Conflict*, 2009, Cambridge, MA: MIT Press.

Skaperdas, Stergios and Vaidya, Samarth, "Persuasion as a Contest," forthcoming in **Economic Theory**.

EDITED BOOK

Garfinkel, Michelle R. and Skaperdas, Stergios (eds.), *The Political Economy of Conflict and Appropriation*, 1996, New York: Cambridge University Press.

SHORT ARTICLES

Skaperdas, Stergios, "Gangs and the State of Nature," in Peter Newman (ed.), *The New Palgrave Dictionary of Economics and the Law*, 1998, London: MacMillan.

Skaperdas, Stergios, "The Dark Side of Self-Interest" (in Greek, "Η Σκοτεινή Πλευρά του Ατομικού Συμφεροντος,") **Οικονομικός Ταχυδρομος**, December 2003, 60-64.

AWARDS AND GRANTS

Held various fellowships and scholarships at Reed College and the Johns Hopkins University

Phi Beta Kappa, 1982.

UC Irvine Academic Senate Faculty Research Fellowship, 1991-92.

National Science Foundation, "Collaborative Research on Welfare and Inefficiency Under Directly Unproductive Activities," (in collaboration with C. Syropoulos), 1992-95.

UC Irvine School of Social Sciences and Academic Senate, "Conference on the Political Economy of Rent Seeking and Conflict," (with Michelle Garfinkel), 1994.

Global Peace and Conflict Studies, UC Irvine, "Conflict and Trade," 1996-97; "Comparative Advantage: to Trade or to Take?", 1997-98.

Center for the Study of Democracy, UC Irvine, 1999, conference on "Social Conflict and Economic Performance."

World Bank, 2001, workshop on "civil wars and post-conflict transitions"(with Patrick Morgan).

MacArthur Foundation Program on Global Security and Sustainability, Research and Writing Grant on "Investing in Conflict Management: An Economic Approach," 2002-2004 (with Garance Genicot)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (Since 1993)

- European Summer Symposium in Economic Theory (ESSET), Study Center Gerzensee, Switzerland, July 2009.
- Peace and Development International Workshop, organized by McGill University, the World Bank, and the National University of Rwanda, Kigali, Rwanda, May 2009.
- Workshop on "Voting and Fighting," Leitner Center for Comparative Political Economy, Yale University, New Haven, CT, May 2009.
- Workshop on "Rationality and conflict," Cowles Foundation for Research in Economics, Yale University, New Haven, CT, January 2009.
- PSSI session on the costs of conflict, AEA meetings, San Francisco, CA, January, 2009.
- Conference on "Conflicts, Globalization, and Development," CEPR and Paris School of Economics, Paris, France, November 2008.
- Workshop on "Post-conflict Reconstruction," (co-organized by the World Bank), McGill University, Montreal, Canada, November 2008.
- Conference on "Advances in the Theory of Contests and its Applications," CESifo Summer Institute, Venice, Italy, July 2008.
- Conference on Economic Theory and Econometrics, Naxos, Greece, July 2008.
- Conference on "Contests: Theory and Applications," Stockholm School of Economics, Stockholm, Sweden, June 2008.
- Conference on "Contests and Tournaments," School of Business, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC, March 2008.
- American Economic Association meetings, session on "The Micro-Level Consequences of Political Violence and Civil War," New Orleans, LA, January 2008.
- Conference on Defense and Peace Economics, Royal Military Institute of Canada, Kingston, Ontario, Canada, November 2007.
- Conference on Conflict, co-organized by CSCW, PRIO, and Department of Economics at NYU, New York City, February 2007.
- Session on "Transparency," American Economic Association meetings, Chicago, IL, January 2007.
- Workshop on Bolivia's economic growth, Institute for Economic Development at Harvard University, Kennedy School of Government, November 2006.
- Workshop on Economics and Conflict, Center for the Study of Civil Wars, Peace Research Institute of Oslo, Norway, June 2006.
- Conference in memory of Herschel Grossman, Brown University, April 2006.
- Workshop on Institutions and Conflict, Institute for Governmental Studies, UC Berkeley, April 2006.
- Conference in memory of Jack Hirshleifer, UCLA, March 2006.
- Session on "International Conflict," Peace Science Society International, Allied Social Science Association Meetings, Boston, MA, January 2006.
- Conference of the EU Network on Polarization and Conflict, Bocconi University, Milan, Italy, December 2005.
- Workshop on Economics and Conflict, Center for the Study of Civil Wars, Peace Research Institute of Oslo, Norway, December 2005.
- CESifo Conference on "Guns and Butter: The Economic Causes and Consequences of Conflict," Munich, Germany, December 2005
- Keynote speaker, XV Annual Mexican Colloquium of Mathematical Economics and

Econometrics, Tijuana, Mexico, November 2005.

- WZB conference on “advances in the theory of contests and tournaments,” Berlin, Germany, October 2005.
- CESifo conference on “political economy and development,” Venice, Italy, July 2005.
- Summer School on “Economics, Extra-Legal Protection, and Organised Crime,” European Science Days, Steyr, Austria, July 2005.
- Workshop on “Polarization and Conflict,” EU Network, Konstanz, Germany, June 2005.
- American Economic Association and Peace Science Society (International) session, Philadelphia, PA, January 2005.
- Workshop on Civil wars, Peace Research Institute of Oslo, Norway, December 2004.
- Conference on "Decisions, Sports, and Statistics," Institute for Mathematical Behavioral Sciences, UC Irvine, December 2004.
- CEPR conference on Crime and Conflict, GREQAM, University of Aix-en-Provence, Marseille, October 2004.
- Conference on Game Theory, Institute for Mathematical Behavioral Sciences, UC Irvine, September 2004.
- Conference on "rationalist approaches to war and peace," WZ-Berlin, July 2004.
- Conference on "Polarization and Conflict," EU Network, Oslo, July 2004.
- Workshop on "Between War and Peace," Peace Research Institute of Oslo and University of Oslo, Norway, June 2004.
- Meeting on "Conflict and Economic Performance," Peace Research Institute of Oslo and University of Oslo, Norway, December 2003.
- Conference on "Analyzing Conflict: Insights from the Natural and Social Sciences," UCLA, April 2003.
- American Economic Association and Peace Science Society (International) session, Washington, D.C., January 2003.
- Conference on Polarization and Conflict, Barcelona, Spain, December 2002.
- Workshop on the Changing Organization of Labor, CESifo Research Network, Venice Summer Institute, July 2002.
- Conference in Economic and Econometric Theory, Chania, Crete, Greece, July 2002.
- Conference on Corporate Governance, UC Irvine, February 2002.
- Peace Science Society (International) session on "Trade and Security," Allied Social Science Association Meetings, Atlanta, GA, January 2002.
- Conference on “Contests in Politics and Industrial Organization,” organized by the CEPR and WZB, Berlin, Germany, November 2001.
- Conference on “Civil Wars and Post-Conflict Transitions,” UC Irvine, May 2001.
- Public Choice Society meeting, San Antonio, March 2001.
- American Economic Association Meetings, New Orleans, January 2001.
- Peace Science Society (International) session, New Orleans, January 2001.
- Conference on “why some countries avoid conflict and others do not,” World Institute for Development Economics Research, United Nations University, Helsinki, Finland; October 2000.
- Workshop on “the binds of democratic politics,” Villa Colombela Group, Parma, Italy, September 2000.
- Conference on “The Economics of Civil Wars,” organized by the World Bank and the Woodrow Wilson School, Princeton, NJ, March 2000.
- Economic Policy Panel Meeting, Helsinki, October 1999.

- Public Choice Society Meeting, New Orleans, March 1998.
- Conference on "Contests," Tinbergen Institute, Rotterdam, August 1997.
- Conference on "The State and the Economy," Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, July 1997.
- Public Choice Society meeting, San Francisco, CA, March 1997.
- Southeastern Economic Theory Conference, Miami, FL, November 1996.
- Public Choice Society Meeting, Houston, April 1996.
- Midwest Economics Meeting, University of Minnesota, October 1995.
- Public Choice Society meeting, Long Beach, March 1995.
- North American Winter Meeting of the Econometric Society, Washington DC, January 1995.
- Western Economic Association Meeting, Vancouver B.C., June 1994.
- North American Summer Meeting of the Econometric Society, Quebec, June 1994.
- Public Choice Society Meeting, Austin, April 1994.
- Southern California Political Economy Seminar, UCLA, April 1994.
- Southeastern Economic Theory Conference, Duke University, October 1993.
- Conference on the Economics of Organized Crime, Bologna, June 1993.
- Economic Science Association and Public Choice Society meetings, New Orleans, March 1993.

SHORT-TERM VISITS

Center for Economic Studies, University of Munich, Summer 1995.

Department of Economics, Stockholm School of Economics, (gave a series of lectures "on the Political Economy of Conflict and Appropriation"), Spring 1999.

Department of Economics, Free University of Berlin, Spring 1999.

Athens University of Economics and Business, March 2002, March 2006.

INVITED SEMINARS (Since 1992)

Athens University of Economics and Business (2002, 2004, 2006), Boston University (1994), Brown University (1994), Catholic University of Bolivia (2006), Claremont Graduate University (1995, 1998), Claremont McKenna College (2003), Drexel University (2006), Florida International University (2001), Free University of Berlin (1999), Harvard University (1994), McMaster University (1992), Pennsylvania State University (2000), Simon Fraser University (1996), Southern Methodist University (1997), Stockholm School of Economics (1999, 2005), Universitat Pompeu Fabra (2001), Universite Laval (2001), University of Arizona (2000), University of British Columbia (1996, 2002), University of California at Berkeley (2004, 2007), University of California at Davis (1992, 2002), University of California at Los Angeles (1994), University of California at Riverside (2001, 2002), University of California at San Diego (1997, 2008), University of California at Santa Barbara (1997), University of Chicago Business School (1996), University of Guelph (1992), University of Konstanz (2005), University of Maryland (2002), University of Munich (1995), University of Southern California (1994, 1995, 2006);

School of Law, 2002), University of Toronto (1992, 2001), Wissenschaftszentrum-Berlin (2004), Yale University (2000, 2004).

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Member of Editorial Board, *Economics of Governance*, since 1997

Member of Editorial Board, *Global Crime* (formerly *Transnational Organized Crime*), since 2003

Conference Organization:

"The Political Economy of Rent Seeking and Conflict," UC Irvine, May 1994 (co-organized with Michelle Garfinkel).

"Social Conflict and Economic Performance," held at UC Irvine in January 1999.

"Civil Wars and Post-Conflict Transitions," Co-organized with World Bank Staff, UC Irvine, May 2001.

Member of Organizing Committee, Conference of the Society for the Advancement of Economic Theory (SAET), Rhodes, Greece, July 2003.

Member of Organizing Committee, Southwest Economic Theory Conference (SWET), UC Irvine, February 2004.

"Rationalist Approaches to War and Conflict," WZB, Berlin (co-organized with Kai Konrad and Tom Cusak), July 2004.

"Causes and Consequences of Conflict," WZB, Berlin (co-organized with Kai Konrad and Johannes Muenster), March 2008.

Referee for:

American Economic Review, American Journal of Political Science, B.E. Journals in Economics, Economic Inquiry, Defense and Peace Economics, Economic Journal, Economic Theory, Economic Modelling, Economics and Politics, Economics of Governance, European Economic Review, European Journal of Political Economy, Games and Economic Behavior, International Economic Review, International Journal of Game Theory, International Journal of Industrial Organization, Journal of Conflict Resolution, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of Economic Theory, Journal of Economics, Journal of International Economics, Journal of Law, Economics, & Organization, Journal of Mathematical Economics, Journal of Mathematical Psychology, Journal of Mathematical Sociology, Journal of Peace Research, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Politics, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Public Economic Theory, Journal of Theoretical Politics, Mathematical Social Sciences, Public Choice, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Rand

Journal of Economics, Review of Economic Studies, Social Science Quarterly, Cambridge University Press, Greek Ministry of Education, Israel Science Foundation, MIT Press, National Science Foundation (Economics program and Decision, Risk & Management Science program).

TEACHING

Undergraduate Courses Taught: “Basic Economics” (principles of economics); “The Global Economy” (core course for International Studies majors); “Intermediate Microeconomic Theory”; “The Economics of Conflict and Cooperation;” “The Political Economy of Economic Development.”

Graduate Courses Taught: “Microeconomic Theory” (core Ph.D. course); “Mathematical Methods for Economists;” “Industrial Organization”; “Public Choice”; “Topics in Economic Theory;” “Topics in Political Economy.”

Chair or Co-Chair of Ph.D. committees (year of graduation and first tenure-track or other position):

Nathan Fiala (2009; Economist, the World Bank)

Hao Jia (2008; Lecturer, Deakin University, Australia)

Vimal Kumar (2008; Assistant Professor, Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur)

Hyeok Ki Min (2008; Associate Research Fellow, Korea Institute for International Economics and Trade)

Amjad Toukan (2007, Assistant Professor, Chapman University)

Gang Qiu (2006; Assistant Professor, Central Chinese University, Beijing)

Gary Milante (2006, Project Coordinator, Development Economics Research Group, the World Bank)

Ashish Chaturvedi (2005, Research Fellow, Social Science Research Center-Berlin (WZB))

Samarth Vaidya (2003, Lecturer, Deakin University, Australia)

Alexander Robson (2001; Lecturer, Economics, Australian National University);

Ramon Castillo (2000; Economist, Banco de Mexico and Assistant Professor, El Colegio de la Frontera Norte)

Seyda Gultas-Wentworth (1999; Economist, General Accounting Office)

Paul Marselian (1998; Director of Economic Research, KPMG Peat Marwick, Seattle)