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## **TRUNCATED CURRICULUM VITAE**

### **Academic Credentials**

**Ph.D. (Economics)**, University of Manchester

*Areas of Concentration:* Monetary Economics, International Economics and Applied Economics.

*Thesis Title:* “Macroeconomic Shocks and Stabilisation Policy Choices: The Case of Jamaica”,

Awarded Grade A1; *Supervisors:* Prof. Fred Nixson and Dr. Bernard Walters

**M.Sc. (Economics)**, *Areas of specialisation:* Monetary Economics and International Finance & Trade Theory and Policy, University of the West Indies (UWI), Mona

**B.Ed. (Mathematics)**, Second Class Honours, Upper Division, University of the West Indies (UWI), Mona

**Dip. Sc. Ed. (Mathematics, and Chemistry)**, Nairobi University Kenya Science Campus (formerly Kenya Science Teachers College, (KSTC))

### **Work Experience**

**Adjunct Associate Professor of Economics** (College of Business and Hospitality Management), Northern Caribbean University (NCU); Courses facilitating: *Managerial Economics* and *Research Methods* (to MBA students), January 2018 - present

**Principal Lecturer & Research Head**, Caribbean Maritime University (formerly CMI), School of Academic Studies. Supervised all teaching staff; coordinated evening programme; led the academic team planning the inaugural Caribbean Maritime Institute biennial logistics conference held in 2015; lectured Research Methodology, Sustainable Development, Macroeconomics and Microeconomics; and supervised undergraduate final projects and MSc Thesis, **2015 - 2018**

**Adjunct Lecturer**, University of the West Indies, Mona, School of Education, lecturing budget planning and financial management to MA TVET students, **AY2016/17**

**Economics Lecturer**, University of Technology Jamaica, (UTech), Faculty of Education and Liberal Studies (FELS), Business and Computer Studies Unit; Unit Research Coordinator for Business and Computer Studies Unit; Member of the UTech/UNEVOC Centre Team, Visiting Academic at the University of Witwatersrand in Johannesburg, South Africa, **2012-2014**

**Economic Affairs Officer**, United Nation Secretariat, Economic Commission of Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) in Port-of-Spain, Trinidad and Tobago. My duties of the post include *inter alia:* monitoring economic developments in the fields of Financing for Development and Economic Development at the global, regional and national levels; Designs and conducts studies on the above subjects; Interprets and applies statistical and econometric results; Develops draft policy recommendations; Formulates proposals of policy recommendations to be presented to

intergovernmental and ad-hoc expert group; and Organizes expert groups meetings on the above subjects. **2011-2012**

**Economist/Competition Analyst**, Jamaican Fair Trading Commission (FTC); Duties and Responsibilities include: Analyses of the impact of Government regulation on Competition; Provide Government and the public with economic analyses of market processes as they relate to antitrust, consumer protection and regulation; Formulate plans, conduct necessary research and economic analyses and submit appropriate recommendations regarding cases to be investigated; etc. **2008 – 2011**

**Adjunct Economics Lecturer**, University of the Commonwealth Caribbean (UCC); Course(s) facilitated: *Statistics* (to Associate degree students), *Macroeconomics/Microeconomics* (to 1<sup>st</sup> year degree students), and *Labour Economics* (to 4<sup>th</sup> year degree students) and *Economic Environment of Business and Research Methods* (to MBA and MPA students). **2000 – 2014; 2018 - present**

**Associate Professor of Economics** (College of Business and Hospitality Management), Northern Caribbean University (NCU); Courses facilitated: *Business and Economics Calculus I and Macroeconomics/Microeconomics* (to 1<sup>st</sup> year degree students), *Intermediate Financial Management* (to 4<sup>th</sup> year degree students), and *Operations Management* (to 4<sup>th</sup> year degree students). **2007 – 2008**

**Graduate Teaching Assistant (GTA) of Economics**, University of Manchester, Economic Studies; Courses facilitated: *UK Economy (Microeconomics and Macroeconomics)*, *Advanced Mathematics*, *Advanced Statistics*, and *Computer Application* (to 1st Year degree students), *Macroeconomics IIA and IIB and Developing Countries in International Economy* (to 2nd Year degree students), and *Economic Analysis for Developing Countries* (to Post-graduate Diploma). **2002–2007**

**Economics Lecturer/Trainer**, Business Department, Manchester College of Arts and Technology (MANCAT); Areas Lectured: *Insurance, Money and Banking, Marketing, and Human Resources Management Theory*: The programme caters for adults seeking access to Higher Education to pursue degree programmes, **2005-2006**

### **Course Development**

2012-2013 Revised and taught the following courses at UTech ECO1005: Introduction to Macroeconomics, ECO4001: Caribbean Economic Growth and Development, ECO1012: Introduction to Microeconomics, ECO3009: Principles of Economics; and designed and taught ECO3018: Intermediate Economics.

### **Staff Development/Training**

2016 Training in Quality Assurance IMO ISO 9001:2015, Caribbean Maritime Institute.

2014 Further training workshop in preparing material for blended (a combination of online and face-to-face) learning at the University of Technology Jamaica, offered by the Commonwealth of Learning (COL)

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### **Teaching Assessment**

- 2013 An outstanding peer review received from Mr. Granville Pitter, Programme Director and Lecturer in the Business and Computer Studies Unit at the University of Technology Jamaica (UTech)
- 2007 An outstanding peer review received from Chiara Perroni, Lecturer in Econometrics, Economics, the University of Manchester

### **Consultancy/Projects/University Service**

1. Amonde, T. M, N. Mbeki, and D. Young (2014), “the effects of Radical Uncertainty on the Nature and Role of Power in Mark-up Pricing”, Project Working Paper of Witwatersrand University, South Africa
2. Amonde, T. M, N. Mbeki, T. Richardson, W. Sambinegavi, and D. Young (2014), “Mark-up Pricing and Radical Uncertainty Theory of Firm: Empirical Testing of Speculative Pricing by Firms, Project Working Paper of Witwatersrand University, South Africa
3. Government of Jamaica (GOJ)/Ministry of Education and Youth (MoEY): Consultancy to provide Technical Assistance for the Integration of STEM in the National Standard Curriculum (NSC), Contract # GOJ-61-2014/2015. The consultancy commenced in January 2015. I was the Science and Mathematics specialist in the Consultancy and member of a team of eight (8) consultants. The Consultancy involves reviewing the National Standards Curriculum and giving feedback to MoEY, sensitization of teacher on STEM methodology, developing a framework for STEM implementation, and developing curriculum for some nine (9) STEM Academies in Jamaica.
4. As a principal team member of UTech-UNESCO/UNEVOC Centre, prepared (with Simon M. Yalams & Dave D. Muir – of FENC) a proposal to conduct audit of the readiness of the entire education system for the implementation of STEM integration. The proposal was submitted to the MoEY early 2014 and met with Senator Wensworth Skeffrey on 01 July 2014. We were then asked to prepare and conduct curriculum audit, in addition to preparing to train some 25 teachers of Sydney Pagon High School on STEM Integration and STEM Methodology over the period 27-28 August 2014
5. Research coordinator in the BCS Department and supervised nine (9) integrative study groups, of which two (2) were for Ms. Sharon Hall and one co-supervised with Miss. Nardia Brown.
6. Supervised of MSc WIE student (Miss Jacqueline Steele) practicum/thesis “Customer Service Training: Implications for Quality Internal Customer Service and Job Performance of Administrative Professionals at a tertiary Institution” (pass with corrections)
7. Has co-supervised a PhD CTE student (Lela Faulkner-Douglas) - “An Examination of the Effectiveness of the Business Studies programme offered by Community Colleges in Jamaica”
8. Currently co-supervising (*with Dr. Onyefulu and Dr. Phillip*) a PhD in Education Leadership student (Stephen Wallder) - “Matriculation Requirements, Student Progression and Academic performance in Business Education in a University in Jamaica: 2008 -2012.”

9. As research coordinator for Business and Computer Studies, I mobilised colleagues in my Division to prepared their research output to be presented at UTech's Research & Technology Day 2014; two research abstracts (from G. Shaw and from T. Amonde & S. Wallder) were submitted to SGSRE (through Dr. Gareth Phillips to Prof. Simon Yalams) for consideration; on the day of event, only one paper (of T. Amonde & S. Wallder) was presented both at Papine Campus and Montego Bay Campus; Miss. Brown, Mr. Wallder, Dr. Amonde & two students (Natasha Colquhoun & Cluet Wright) worked at the BCS booth at different times, tirelessly advancing/promoting the BCS programme.
10. Attended and participated in a break-out session at the HEART/NTA UNESCO UNEVOC TVET Symposium, held at Knutsford Court Hotel on 31 October 2013.
11. Prepared and presented (on the *Role of Research Supervisors in Integrative Studies*) at SOTAVE's research supervision seminar.

**Professional Services (in AY2012/2013 – AY2013/2014)**

1. Peer reviewer and referee for the following journals: Applied Economics, Applied Financial Economic Letters, Applied Economic Letters, and Applied Financial Economics. I have been a peer review for the Journal since 2007, during which I have reviewed at least seven articles, some of whose titles are: APE-2012-0538 "Identification of monetary policy shocks in China", AFE-2012-0084 "Exchange rates and Monetary policy coordination: the case of Latin America", AFE-2011-0060 "Monetary policy reactions and the exchange rate", APE-2013-0570 "Heterogeneous mortgage markets, private consumption and monetary policy: a theoretical approach", APE-20130379 "Reserve option mechanism as a stabilizing policy tool: evidence from exchange rate expectations", APE-2013-0394 "Who holds the surging gold price? The role of the central bank worldwide", APE-2013-0581 "Effects of monetary policy shocks during financial crises – A threshold Vector Autoregression Approach", & APE-2014-0258 "The macroeconomy of Angola: Breaks and persistence in Angola macro data".
2. Team member (as Mathematics and Science specialist) in the STEM consultancy project conducted for Government of Jamaica.
3. External Examiner of two modules ((Risk Management and Insurance ACCT4804, and Caribbean Economic Development ECON3501); & (Caribbean Economic Development ECON3501 – CASE only)) for the Council of Community Colleges of Jamaica (CCCJ) on 7 October 2013 & 21 March 2014
4. Through collaboration with Dr. Nobantu Mbeki, I secured a Visiting Academic position at the Witwatersrand University in Johannesburg, South Africa, all paid for by a three year cycle research project funded by the Government of the Republic of South Africa. My visit to South Africa in late November to early December 2014 allowed for co-supervisions of: one Post-Doctoral, two Doctoral and three Masters students (in the discipline area of Business and Commerce).
5. Conferences attended in recent years include: Inaugural Teacher Education Conference in association with the Jamaica Teachers' Association, Montego Bay, Jamaica, 23-25 October 2013 (presenter); International Conference on Urban Education (ICUE) held in Montego Bay, Jamaica, 5-7 November 2014 (presenter); UNESCO/UNEVOC 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on TVET, Montego Bay,

Jamaica, 13 – 15 May 2015 (presenter); National Conference on Educational Leadership & Management, Montego Bay. 20 – 21 August 2015 (presenter); and Logistics Conference Kingston, September 23-24, 2015 (session moderator).

### **Publications – Papers/Reports/Conference papers**

1. Amonde, T.M. (2018). “The Effectiveness of Integrating Interactive Technology in Reading Comprehension: A Case Study of a Grade School in Jamaica”, (with N. Iyare & J. James ), *Working Paper*, submitted to a peer reviewed journal.
2. Amonde, T.M. (2017). “The Rise of Tax Services and VAT in Jamaica”, (with F. Lewis), *Working Paper*, submitted to a peer reviewed journal.
3. Amonde, T.M.(2017) "Last mile logistics and tourist destinations in the Caribbean", (with N. Iyare & I. Ajagunna). *Worldwide Hospitality and Tourism Themes*, Vol. 9 Issue: 1, pp.17-30, Available at: <https://doi.org/10.1108/WHAT-11-2016-0063>
4. Amonde, T.M.(2017). "Tourism development and logistics in the Caribbean: will there be a symbiotic relationship?", (with I. Ajagunna & F. Pinnock). *Worldwide Hospitality and Tourism Themes*, Vol. 9 Issue: 1, pp.116-123, <https://doi.org/10.1108/WHAT-11-2016-0071>
5. Amonde, T.M.(2017)."Tourism business development and logistics in the Caribbean: Will there be a symbiotic relationship?" (with I. Ajagunna, F. Pinnock & R. Teare)). *Worldwide Hospitality and Tourism Themes*, Vol. 9 Issue: 1, pp.124-128, . Available at: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1108/WHAT-12-2016-0073>
6. Amonde, T.M.(2015). "Prior academic achievements in Mathematics and English and university academic outcomes: A case of a business teacher education programme in Jamaica", (with S. Wallder). *The Bridge: Journal of Educational Research-Informed Practice*, Vol. 2 Issue 2, pp. 114-135, Special Edition.
7. Amonde, T. (2015). “Dissecting the relationship between prior academic outcomes and student progress in business education courses at university level: Implications of what we have learned from a cohort of Teacher Trainees in Jamaica”, (with S. Wallder), *Working Paper*. presented at UNESCO/UNEVOC 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on TVET, Montego Bay, Jamaica, 13 – 15 May 2015.
8. Amonde, T. (2014). “Prior Academic Achievements and University Academic Outcomes: A Case of Teacher Education Programme in Jamaica”, (with S. Wallder), a paper presented at the International Conference on Urban Education (ICUE) held in Montego Bay, Jamaica, 5-7 November 2014.
9. Amonde, T. (2014). “Dissecting Jamaica’s Value Added Tax”, (with F. Lewis), *Working Paper* , Ministry of Finance and Planning
10. Amonde, T. M.. (2013). “University Matriculation and Student Progress in Economics and related courses at University level: Implications of what we have learned from the 2009 – 2013 Cohort in the past 5 years.”, (with S. Wallder), *Working Paper* presented at the Inaugural Teacher Education Conference in association with the Jamaica Teachers’ Association, Montego Bay, Jamaica, 23-25 October 2013.

11. Amonde, T.M. (2013). "Stabilization effects of Narrative-based monetary policy in Jamaica", (*with E. Gbarte*), *International Economic Journal*, 27(3): 463-486. Available at: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/10168737.2012.676059>
12. Amonde, T. (2013). *Economic Survey of the Caribbean 2011-2012: Positive growth amidst lingering downside*, (*with D. Alleyne, M. Hendrickson, K. Yoshida, & M. Dookie*) UN Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean, [Available at]: [http://www.eclac.org/cgi-bin/getProd.asp?xml=/publicaciones/xml/9/50119/P50119.xml&xsl=/publicaciones/ficha-i.xsl&base=/publicaciones/top\\_publicaciones-i.xsl](http://www.eclac.org/cgi-bin/getProd.asp?xml=/publicaciones/xml/9/50119/P50119.xml&xsl=/publicaciones/ficha-i.xsl&base=/publicaciones/top_publicaciones-i.xsl)
13. Amonde, T. M. (2013), "Oil Price Shocks, Price Level and Monetary Policy in Jamaica", *Working Paper*, FELS, UTech Jamaica.
14. Amonde, T. M. (2011), *Macroeconomics for Development: The Caribbean Experience*, (*with D. Alleyne, and M. Hendrickson*) , Comissão Econômica para a América Latina e o Caribe (CEPAL).
15. Amonde, T. M, (2011). "Foreign Exchange Intervention and Systematic Monetary Policy in Jamaica: Is there any Unification?" [Available at]: [http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\\_id=1971025](http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=1971025)
16. Amonde, T. M. (2011). "Foreign Exchange Intervention and Systematic Monetary Policy in Jamaica: Is there any Unification?" [Available at]: [http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\\_id=1971025](http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=1971025)
17. Amonde, T. M. (2011). "Monetary Stabilisation Reaction Function for Jamaica: A Narrative-Based VAR Approach" [Available at]: [http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\\_id=1964721](http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=1964721)
18. Amonde, T, (2010). "Nature and Extent of Competition in the Commercial Banking Sector in Jamaica", (*with A. Grant, and K. Harriott*), a report prepared for Jamaican Fair Trading Commission, New Kingston, Jamaica [Available at]: [http://www.jftc.com/Libraries/Industry\\_Studies/2011\\_1\\_10\\_Final\\_Nature\\_and\\_Extent\\_of\\_Competition.sflb.ashx](http://www.jftc.com/Libraries/Industry_Studies/2011_1_10_Final_Nature_and_Extent_of_Competition.sflb.ashx)
19. Amonde, T. (2009). "VAR Analysis of the Narrative-Based Monetary Stabilization Policy in Jamaica" (*with E. Gbarte*), a paper presented at Western Economic Association International 84th Annual Conference; June 29–July 3, 2009 Sheraton Vancouver Wall Centre.
20. Amonde, T. (2009). "Competition Policy in an Economic Crisis" in *Competition Matters*, Vol. 17, pp. 24-25, edition [Available at] [http://www.jftc.com/Libraries/Newsletters/Competition\\_Matters\\_2009\\_-\\_Competition\\_in\\_Crisis.sflb.ashx](http://www.jftc.com/Libraries/Newsletters/Competition_Matters_2009_-_Competition_in_Crisis.sflb.ashx), Dec. 2009
20. Amonde, T. (2009). "An Economic Enquiry into the Causes of the Perceived Asymmetric Price Transmission in Markets for Specific Consumer Goods in Jamaica", a report prepared for Jamaican Fair Trading Commission, New Kingston, Jamaica [Available at]: [http://www.jftc.com/Libraries/Industry\\_Studies/2009\\_04\\_15\\_FTC\\_Study\\_of\\_the\\_Distributive\\_Trade.sflb.ashx](http://www.jftc.com/Libraries/Industry_Studies/2009_04_15_FTC_Study_of_the_Distributive_Trade.sflb.ashx)

### **Work in Progress**

1. Demand for Boda-Boda Taxis in East Africa: the Case of Western Kenya. (*with B. Ongati and D. Amonde, Kenya*)
2. Integrating STEM in School Curriculum in Developing Countries
3. Number Portability in Jamaica - what have we learnt?
4. An examination of Group Dynamics in a group of Postgraduates Students at a Tertiary Institution in Jamaica. (*with S. Wallder, UTech, Jamaica*)
5. **The Rise of the Tax Services and VAT in Jamaica** (*with Dr. Fabian Lewis, MoF*)
6. Gravity model of Trade in CARICOM (*with Prof. Sunday Iyare, CMU*)
7. Using ICT to teach Business Courses (*with Nardia Brown, UTech, Jamaica*)

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