



Thomas J. Sargent

GRFP Recipient: 1964

Undergraduate Institution:
B.A. 1964, University of
California, Berkeley

Graduate Institution:
Ph.D. 1968, Harvard University

Graduate Field of Study:
Economics

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Current Position:
Senior Fellow, Hoover Institution,
Stanford University and Professor
of Economics, New York
University

RESEARCH INTERESTS //

Thomas J. Sargent specializes in the fields of macroeconomics, monetary economics and time series economics. As of 2011, he ranks 17th among the most cited economists in the world. Sargent, together with Christopher A. Sims, was awarded the Nobel Prize in Economics in 2011 “for their empirical research on cause and effect in the macroeconomy.” He also leads a reading group at Stanford University and New York University, which is highly noted as a famous institution among graduate students in economics.

ORGANIZATIONAL SERVICE //

American Economic Association
Executive committee, 1986-88
Vice president, 2000-2001
President elect, 2006
President, 2007

Econometric Society Council
Member, 1987-92; 1995-99
Second vice president, 2003
First vice president, 2004
President, 2005

Society for Economic Dynamics and Control
President, 1989-1992

AWARDS/ HONORS //

- Honorary doctorate of sciences, University of Minnesota (2013)
- Nobel Prize (Sveriges Riksbank Prize) in Economic Sciences (2011)
- Honorary doctorate, University of Bern (2011)
- CME (Chicago Mercantile Exchange) Group-MSRI (Mathematical Sciences Research Institute) Prize in Innovative Quantitative Applications (2011)
- Award for Scientific Reviewing, National Academy of Sciences (2011)
- Corresponding fellow, British Academy (2011)
- Honorary doctorate in economics, European University Institute (2008)
- Honorary doctorate, Stockholm School of Economics (2003)
- Recipient of 1996-97 Erwin Plein Nemmers Prize in Economics, Northwestern University (1996)
- Fellow, American Academy of Arts and Sciences (1983)
- Fellow, National Academy of Sciences (1983)
- Mary Elizabeth Morgan Prize for Excellence in Economics, University of Chicago (1979)
- Fellow, Econometric Society (1976)
- University Medalist as Most Distinguished Scholar in Class of 1964, University of California, Berkeley

POSITION PROFILE //

- 2009-present - Princeton University
- 2002-09 - Professor of economics, New York University
- 1998-2002 - Donald Lucas Professor of Economics, Stanford University
- 1991-98 - David Rockefeller Professor of Economics, University of Chicago
- 1987-present - Senior fellow, Hoover Institution, Stanford University
- 1985-87 - Visiting scholar, Hoover Institution, Stanford University
- 1981-82 - Visiting professor of economics, Harvard University
- 1979-present - Research associate, National Bureau of Economic Research
- 1976-77 - Ford Foundation visiting research professor of economics, University of Chicago
- 1975-87 - Professor of economics, University of Minnesota
- 1973 - Member, Brookings Panel on Economic Activity
- 1971-87 - Advisor, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis
- 1971-75 - Associate professor of economics, University of Minnesota
- 1970-73 - Research associate, National Bureau of Economic Research
- 1970-71 - Associate professor of economics, University of Pennsylvania
- 1968-69 - First lieutenant and captain, U.S. Army; served as staff member and acting director, Economics Division, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (systems analysis)
- 1967-68 - Research associate, Carnegie Institute of Technology