

DEVELOPING THE PEOPLE AND IDEAS FOR NEXT GENERATION PUBLIC FINANCE

The Center for State and Local Finance connects policymakers, practitioners and academics in public finance through innovative policy research and consulting, as well as premier executive education for state and local leaders.

INNOVATIVE POLICY RESEARCH AND CONSULTING

Tax Policy and Reform
State and Local Fiscal Health
Education Finance
Economic Development and Urban Policy

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Two-, three- and four-day courses World-class faculty, leading practitioners Strategic thinking, analytic skills honed Certificate in Public Financial Management

CENTER LEADERSHIP



The Center for State and Local Finance is led by Jorge Martinez-Vazquez, Regents' Professor of Economics at the Andrew Young School. He is a public economics specialist and has published over 20 books and numerous articles in academic journals, such as Econometrica and Journal of Political Economy. He has extensive international experience, having directed or assisted in projects in more than 90 countries, often in partnerships with international donors, such as the World Bank. Under his direction, the Center operates as part of the school's Public Finance Research Cluster, which uses natural synergies and staff expertise to increase the impact of the school's public finance research and training in the United States and abroad.



KEY RESEARCH

Truth and Integrity in Government Finance Project — Volcker Alliance (2019)

The Value of Historic District Status in Georgia (2019)

Jobs in Georgia, 2017 Update (2019)

The Effects of Start-Up Charter Schools on Academic Milestones (2018)

The Effects of Start-Up Charter Schools on Nearby Property Values (2017)

The Loss of the Middle Class (2017)

Effects of the Great Recession on Tax Increment Financing in the United States, Georgia and Atlanta (2016)

Georgia's Community Improvement Districts (2016)

A Comparison of Economic Growth Trends between Atlanta and Other Large Metropolitan Areas (2015)

TAX POLICY AND REFORM

- Advisement and technical assistance to tax reform commissions and policymakers in states such as Connecticut, Georgia, Kansas, Nebraska, New Mexico, and Washington, D.C.
- Evaluation of tax credits and incentives
- Fiscal impact analysis of tax legislation

STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL HEALTH

- Outlines of the effects of proposed and adopted policy changes
- Analysis of governments' budgetary practices
- State rankings of budgets, revenue, and overall fiscal health

EDUCATION FINANCE

- Funding formula analysis
- School facility funding studies
- Economic impact of charter schools

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND URBAN POLICY

- Job and industry changes in rural and metropolitan areas
- Guides to economic development tools
- City feasibility studies

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