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Before coming to Cornell, she was for many years on the faculty at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. She received her Ph.D. in Economics from Harvard University and her BS from the School of Industrial and Labor Relations at Cornell University.

Professor Blau has served as President of the Society of Labor Economists and the Labor and Employment Relations Association (formerly the Industrial Relations Research Association), Vice President of the American Economic Association (AEA), President of the Midwest Economics Association, and Chair of the AEA Committee on the Status of Women in the Economics Profession. She is a fellow of the Society of Labor Economics, the American Academy of Political and Social Science, and the Labor and Employment Relations Association, and was the 2001 recipient of the Carolyn Shaw Bell Award from the American Economic Association Committee on the Status of Women in the Economics Profession for furthering the status of women in the economics profession. She is on the Editorial Board of the *Journal of Labor Economics* and the Editorial Advisory Board of *The Annals*, and is an Associate Editor of *Labour Economics*; she was formerly an editor of the *Journal of Labor Economics*, on the Board of Editors of the *American Economic Review*, on the Advisory Board of the *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, and an Associate Editor of the *Journal of Economic Perspectives*.

Professor Blau has written extensively on gender issues, wage inequality, immigration, and international comparisons of labor market outcomes. She has published articles in the *American Economic Review*, the *Journal of Political Economy*, the *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, *Economica*, the *Review of Economics and Statistics*, and other major journals. She is the author of *Equal Pay in the Office* and, with Lawrence Kahn, of *At Home and Abroad: U.S. Labor Market Performance in International Perspective* (recipient of the Richard A. Lester Prize for the outstanding book in labor economics and industrial relations for 2002) and the editor, with David Grusky and Mary Brinton of *The Declining Significance of Gender?*, and with Ronald Ehrenberg of *Gender and Family Issues in the Workplace*. She is also coauthor, with Marianne Ferber and Anne Winkler, of *The Economics of Women, Men, and Work* currently in its 6th edition.

Francine Blau is the keynote speaker at the Southern California Conference in Applied Microeconomics to be held in conjunction with the Lowe Institute at Claremont McKenna College on April 16, 2010. Her presentation is titled "*Gender, Source Country Characteristics and Labor Market Assimilation Among Immigrants*".