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Employment

Assistant Teaching Professor (LPSOE), University of California-Riverside, Fall 2016-Present
Economics Research Affiliate, California State University-San Luis Obispo, Summer 2016
Assistant Professor (awarded tenure), Xavier University, Fall 2010-Spring 2016

Education

Ph.D. in Economics, University of California-Santa Barbara, 2010
M.A. in Economics, University of California-Santa Barbara, 2009
M.Sc. in Economics with Merit, London School of Economics, 2005
B.S. in Economics with Honors, *Magna cum Laude*, University of Redlands, 2004

Research Interests

Health Economics, Labor Economics, Mental Health, Crime

Research

Journal Articles

"State Firearm Sales and Criminal Activity: Evidence from Firearm Background Checks" *Southern Economic Journal*, 2016; 83(1), 45-68.

"Variation in Neonatal Inpatient Charges at the State and Local Level" with Eric S. Hall, Linda Levin and Vivek Narendran, *Hospital Topics*, 2015, 93(2), 27-35.

"Suicide and Organ Donors: Spillover effects of Mental Health Insurance Mandates" with Jose Fernandez, *Health Economics*, April 2015, 24(4), 491-497.

"Firearm Background Checks and Suicide" *The Economic Journal*, December 2013, 123, 1085-1099.

"The Impact of Mental Health Insurance Laws on State Suicide Rates" *Health Economics*, January 2013, 22 (1), 73-88.

"Back to School Blues: Seasonality of Youth Suicide and the Academic Calendar" with Benjamin Hansen, *Economics of Education Review*, October 2011, 30 (5), 850-861.

Working Papers and Works in Progress

"Medicaid Eligibility Expansions and Privately Insured Patients"

"Nowhere to Go: Psychiatric Bed Reductions and Ambulance Diversion"

"The Effects of Import Competition on Health in the Local Economy" (with Clay McManus and Georg Schaur)

"Cell Phone Coverage and Traffic Accidents: New Evidence using Cell Phone Towers" (with Bree Lang)

"Postsecondary Academic Calendars and Graduation Rates" (with Stefanie Fischer)

"Negative Social Interactions and Youth Suicide" (with Benjamin Hansen)

Other Publications

"Why indifference is the best react to President Obama's executive actions on guns" USAPP-American Policy and Politics, January 2016. At: <http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/usappblog/2016/01/07/why-indifference-is-the-best-reaction-to-president-obamas-executive-actions-on-guns/>

"Firearm background checks and suicide: Learning more about firearms and suicide" VoxEU, January 2014. At: <http://www.voxeu.org/article/firearm-background-checks-and-suicide>.

"Tighter gun laws may lead to fewer suicides" USAPP-American Policy and Politics. January, 2014. At: <http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/usappblog/2014/01/21/tighter-gun-laws-may-lead-to-fewer-suicides/>.

"Model for Revisiting the Impact of Mental Health Parity Laws on Suicide". Published by: National Action Alliance for Suicide Prevention: Research Prioritization Task Force. (2014). A prioritized research agenda for suicide prevention: An action plan to save lives. Rockville, MD: NIMH and Research Prioritization Task Force. At: <http://actionallianceforsuicideprevention.org/task-force/research-prioritization>.

Journal Referee

American Economic Review, Applied Economics, Criminology, Eastern Economic Review, Economics Bulletin, Economics of Education Review, International Review of Law and Economics, Journal of Health Economics

Awards and Honors

Williams College of Business O'Connor Professor, 2014-2016

Jack and Mary Kay Downing Program Award, 2012-2013

Keith Griffin Memorial Award for Graduate Student Performance (UCSB), 2008-2009

Departmental Research Competition Winner (UCSB), 2007-2008

Conferences and Presentations

Southern Economics Association Annual Meeting, Fall 2015, Presenter, Discussant

Purdue University, September 2015, Seminar Speaker

Southern Economics Association Annual Meeting, Fall 2014, Presenter, Discussant

Western Economics Association 88th Annual Meeting, Summer 2013, Presenter, Discussant and Chair

Midwestern Economics Association Meeting, March 2013, Presenter and Discussant

University of Louisville Economics Seminar Series, September 2012

Western Economics Association 87th Annual Meeting, Summer 2012, Presenter, Discussant and Chair

Western Economics Association 86th Annual Meeting, Summer 2011, Presenter and Discussant

All-UC Labor Conference, 2009

Annual Conference of the Canadian Health Economics Study Group (CHESG), 2009

Society of Labor Economics Annual Meeting, 2009

Teaching Experience

Empirical Analysis in Economics (Econometrics), Health Economics, Microeconomic Principles, Macroeconomic Principles, Markets Strategy and Rivalry, Microeconomic Analysis (MBA), Managerial Economics (MBA), Economics of the Health Industry (MBA), Labor Economics (taught at UC-Santa Barbara)

Service

Xavier University

Golf Team, Faculty Mentor, Phi Beta Kappa Faculty Member, Technology Committee, Student Athlete Discussion Panel Member, First-Year Seminar Workshop Panel Discussant, Common Reading Experience Discussion Leader, Provost Cross-Functional Team, Student Engagement Member, Curriculum Committee Member, Intellectual Contributions Committee Member, Library Liaison, Student Research Assistantship Coordinator, Economics Department Hiring Committee

References

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