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CURRENT ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Vassar College, Department of Economics
Assistant Professor 2018 – present

OTHER CURRENT ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS

Special Sworn Status, United States Census Bureau 2022 – present

RESEARCH FIELDS

Health Economics, Labor Economics, Applied Microeconomics

EDUCATION

University of Illinois at Chicago
Ph.D. in Economics, August 2018

Columbia University
M.P.H. in Health Policy and Management, 2010

Johns Hopkins University
B.S. in Biomedical Engineering, 2003

PUBLICATIONS (former student or student co-authors are underlined)

"The Impact of the CARES Stimulus Payments on COVID-19 Transmission and Mortality" (with Caitlyn Fleming) – *The BE Journal of Economic Analysis & Policy* 23, no. 4 (2023): 925-941.

"SNAP Work Requirements Increase Mental Health Care Use" (with Lindsay Allen and Diana Henry) – *Health Services Research* 58, no. 1 (2023): 60-66.

“Online Platforms for Classroom Experiments: A Primer for New Adoptees”
(with Tisha Emerson, Melissa Knox, and Mahjuja Taznin) –*The Journal of Economic Education* (2023): 1-9.

“The Long-Term Effects of Measles Vaccination on Earnings and Employment” *AEJ: Economic Policy*, May 2022, 14(2):34-60.

“Replication Data for: The Long-Term Effects of Measles Vaccination on Earnings and Employment”. Nashville, TN: American Economic Association [publisher], 2022. Ann Arbor, MI: Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research [distributor], 2022-04-21.
<https://doi.org/10.3886/E138401V1>

“The Effects of the SNAP Cycle on Diabetes Management as Evidenced by a One-Time Change in Disbursement Schedule”
(with Sabrina Young, Rachel Harrington, Lindsay Allen, and Nathan Pauly), *Diabetes Care*, August 2022, 45(8), 1735-41.

"SBM Recommends Increased Access To Federal Food Assistance During And After The Covid-19 Pandemic"
(with Young, Sabrina K., Saied Toossi, Jordan W. Jones, Joanna Buscemi, and Marian L. Fitzgibbon), Position Statement, *Society of Behavioral Medicine*, September 2020.

“Cost-Effectiveness Analysis of Sacubitril/Valsartan for the Treatment of Heart Failure with Reduced Ejection Fraction in the United States”
(with Patrick M. Zueger, Varun M. Kumar, Rachel L. Harrington, Gianna C. Rigoni, Robert J. DiDomenico, and Daniel R. Touchette), *Pharmacotherapy: The Journal of Human Pharmacology and Drug Therapy*, 2018, 38(5), 520-530.

“Wellness Programs With Financial Incentives Through Disparities Lens”
(with Alison Evans Cuellar, Anthony T. Lo Sasso, Mona Shah, and Tayna R. Lewis-Walls), *American Journal of Health Promotion*, 2018, 32(2), 355-358.

“Boosting Workplace Wellness Programs with Financial Incentives”
(with Alison Evans Cuellar, Anthony T. Lo Sasso, Seth Richards-Shubik, Hilary Wolfendale, Amelia Haviland, Mona Shah, and Kevin Volpp), *American Journal of Managed Care*, October 2017, 23: 294-300

“The Effect of Narrow Provider Networks on Health Care Use”
(with Anthony T. Lo Sasso), *Journal of Health Economics*, December 2016, 50: 86-98

WORKING PAPERS

“Improved Schooling and Labor Market Outcomes from Reducing Infectious Disease” (with Sarah Pearlman) – *Revise and Resubmit*

“Writing about Current Events in the Economics Classroom” (with Amanda Stype) – *Out for Review*

“Systematic Review of the SNAP Cycle Literature” (with Sabrina Young and [Courtney Spero](#)) – *Out for Review*

“Liquidity Constraints and Staggered Income Disbursement: Evidence from TANF, SNAP, and Medicaid” (with Lindsay Allen and Sabrina Young) – *working paper*

“Plan Choice Matters: The Impact of High Deductible Health Insurance Plans on Spending and Enrollee Behavioral Response” – *working paper*

“Measles Vaccination in Childhood: The Impact on Labor Market Participation and Private Health Insurance” (with Amanda Stype) – *working paper*

WORK IN PROGRESS

“Social Determinates of Health – Understanding the SNAP cycle of Diabetes Management among Adults and Children” (with Sabrina Young and Victoria Udalova)

“Staggered Benefit Disbursement and Health” (with Victoria Udalova)

“Long-Run Mortality Impacts of Measles Vaccination in Childhood” (with Victoria Udalova)

“History of the Measles Vaccine Rollout in Texas” (with [Maggie Greenberg](#) and [Ryan Panek](#))

“The Effects of SNAP Expansion Policies on Food and Economic Hardship during an Economic Downturn” (with Joseph Benitez, Sabrina Young, Saied Toossi, and Jordan Jones)

“The Nutritional Value of Foreign Entry: New Evidence from Barcoded Data” (with Kasper Vrolijk and Carlos Uribe Terán)

HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2022 Rowland “Bing” Chang Award for Excellence in Research, IPHAM Population Health Forum, Northwestern University “The Impact of Staggered Benefit Disbursement on Opioid Use, Hospitalizations, and Mortality”

- 2016-2018 AHRQ R36 Dissertation Grant “Long Run Effects of High Deductible Health Insurance on Health Care Use and Health” (R36 HS24831-01)
- 2017 Houston H. Stokes Award for Outstanding Research in a Third-year Paper, UIC
- 2014 3rd place Illinois Economic Association Student Paper Competition

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Presentations

- 2025 Hamilton/Colgate (scheduled)
- 2024 Midwest International Development Conference, SEA Annual Conference (scheduled), Chicago Health Economics Workshop (scheduled)
- 2023 Haverford College; American Society of Health Economists, SEA Annual Conference, APPAM Fall Research Conference
- 2022 ASSA Annual Meeting; American Society of Health Economists, APPAM Fall Research Conference; NBER Summer Institute; Vassar College; Data Intensive Research Conference; Southeastern Health Economics Study Group (SHESG); USDA Economic Research Service; SEA Annual Conference
- 2021 Williams College; Vassar College
- 2020 ASSA Annual Meeting; Vassar College
- 2019 American Society of Health Economists; International Health Economics Association Conference; Vassar College; APPAM Fall Research Conference; Building Healthy Communities Symposium Vassar College
- 2018 American Society of Health Economists; APPAM Fall Research Conference; SUNY Albany; University of Iowa; Vassar College; University of Northern Iowa; UIC
- 2017 Society of Labor Economists Research Conference; International Health Economics Association Conference; APPAM California Regional Student Research Conference; UIC Undergraduate Economics Club; UIC Economics Seminar; UIC Graduate Student Research Seminar; Illinois Economics Association
- 2016 American Society of Health Economists; UIC Economics Seminar; Illinois Economics Association; UIC Graduate Student Research Seminar

- 2015 Academy Health Economics Interest Group Meeting; Academy Health Annual Research Meeting; APPAM Fall Research Conference; Illinois Economics Association; UIC Economics Seminar; UIC Graduate Student Research Seminar
- 2014 Illinois Economic Association; Academy Health Annual Research Meeting (poster); UIC Economics Seminar; UIC Graduate Student Research Seminar

Grants

- 2021-2024 Lucy Maynard Salmon Research Fund Award from Vassar College: “Understanding the SNAP Cycle of Diabetes Management among Adults and Children”
- 2019-2020 Suzanne Schrier Heimerdinger Memorial Faculty Research Fund Award from Vassar College: “Work Requirements and SNAP Benefits: Impacts on Health”
- 2019-2020 Jane R. Heimerdinger 1925 Fund Award from Vassar College: “How Local Price of Care Impacts Health Insurance Plan Choice”
- 2018-2019 Elinor Nims Brink Fund Award from Vassar College: “The Impact of Staggered Benefit Disbursement on Opioid Use, Hospitalizations, and Mortality”
- 2016-2018 AHRQ R36 Dissertation Grant: “Long Run Effects of High Deductible Health Insurance Plans on Health Care Use and Health” (R36 HS24831-01)

Memberships

American Economic Association
 American Society of Health Economists
 Association of Public Policy Analysis and Management
 International Health Economics Association
 Society of Labor Economists
 Southern Economic Association

Referee Service

American Economic Journal: Economic Policy; The Economic Journal; Journal of Development Economics; Journal of Health Economics; American Journal of Health Economics; Health Economics; Medical Care Research and Review; American Journal of Managed Care; China Economic Review

Departmental and College Service

2024-present Co-organized Economics Department Seminar Series
2023-present Director of the Ford Scholars Program
Fall 2022 Institute for the Liberal Arts Committee Member
2021-2022 Columbia MPH Program Faculty Advisor
2019-present Public Health Advisor and Member of the Vassar/Columbia BA/MPH Admissions Committee
2018-2019 Faculty Conversation Group on Public Health at Vassar College
2014-2016 Organized UIC Graduate Student Economics Seminar

Service to the Profession

2024-present Co-Organized Liberal Arts Colleges – Public and Labor (LAC-PaL) Virtual Seminar Series
2022 Mentor for CSWEP’s Graduate Student Mentoring Workshop

Workshops

2024 Nielsen Center for the Liberal Arts at Eckerd College – Early Career Faculty Workshop
2022 NCFDD’s Faculty Success Program,
2021 CEE’s EDUCATE Workshop: Expanding Diversity in Undergraduate Classes with Advancements in the Teaching of Economics
2020 CSWEP’s CeMENT Workshop: Mentoring for Junior Faculty
2019 iHEA’s Teaching Health Economics Interest Group Workshop

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Vassar College

ECON 102 Introduction to Economics
ECON 240 US Economic Issues
ECON 220 Health Economics
ECON 307 Advanced Topics in Health Economics

University of Illinois at Chicago

ECON 215 Health Economics
ECON 344 Economic Development

NON-ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

2012 *Intern*, GE’s Health Economic Outcomes Research Group