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Education

Ph.D. Economics, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities 2010

Dissertation: "Essays in health care economics: structural approaches to measuring moral hazard and adverse selection." Graduate Research Program Partnership Fellowship Award Recipient

B.A. Economics *magna cum laude* Cornell University 2003

with distinction in all subjects

Current Positions

Associate Professor, Economics Department, Wake Forest University, 2019 to present

Hough Family Faculty Fellow, Wake Forest University 2018-2021

Affiliated Faculty, Center for Bioethics, Health, and Society 2018 to present

Adjunct Appointment, Public Health Sciences, Wake Forest School of Medicine 2015 to present

My primary research and teaching interests are in health economics, health care markets, public and private insurance, and the analysis of policy questions using econometric and statistical tools. I teach health economics to students across disciplines and economic analysis tools to social science students.

Research Interests

My work is at the intersection of health economics and market organization: improving health care provision by analyzing how markets for health care goods and services work. Current work includes:

<u>Health Insurance and Behaviors</u>- How do insurance contracts influence consumer health behaviors? What influences whether firms offer insurance to their workers? This includes work on public insurance, Medicare Part D, employer-based health plans, and health plan financing.

<u>Health Care Markets and Their Providers</u>- How do the number and type of providers affect care that patients receive? This includes work on hospitals and markets such as nursing homes, hospice care, and rehabilitative care. For example, how do nonprofit incentives change health care service provision? How

does the entry or exit of providers affect affordability and access?

Public Talks

Expert, Spectrum News Interview, topic: open enrollment for the ACA, Nov 2017

Expert, WXII Interview, topic: open enrollment for the ACA, Nov 2017

Panelist, "Am I My Brother's Keeper?," Rethinking Community Initiative, WFU Center for Bioethics, Health and Society, Nov 2017

Speaker, New Ideas Series "Better Together? Nonprofit and For-profits in Hospice Care," Oct 2017 Healthcare Forum Panelist, "Medicaid and the State of Rural Healthcare," Grayson County, Sept 2017

Panelist, "Challenges to Providing Insurance: Adverse Selection and Price" Pre-Med Forum: Dining Dilemmas, May 2017

WFDD Public Radio Interview, "ACA and Economic Impact in the South," Morning Edition and All Things Considered, Feb 2016

Speaker, "How did we get here? Structure and economic forces behind the current U.S. healthcare system," Health Occupation Students of America, Speaker, Oct 2015

Panelist, "Health and Changes in the Workplace," *These Shining Lives* Mainstage Theatre, Sept 2014

Speaker, "It's here! The ACA Health Insurance Market Touchdown." UGA Economics Society Oct 2013

Speaker, International Business Society of the University of Georgia, Lunch and Learn, Feb 2013.

Speaker, "Nonprofit vs. For-profit Competition: A Study of Hospice Care," UGA Economics Society, Jan 2012.

Media citations:

Orthopedics Today April 2018, Wallet Hub April 2018, Triad Business Journal Feb 2018, HealthLeaders Media Jan 2018, Charlotte Observer, Sept 2017 (2), Oct 2017, Athens Patch Feb 2013, Augusta Chronicle Jul 2011

Previous Teaching and Research Positions

Assistant Professor, Economics Department, Wake Forest University,

2014 to 2019

Visiting Researcher, School of Public and International Affairs, University of Georgia, May 2016.

Visiting Researcher, Health Care Management Department, Wharton School of Business, March 2016.

Visiting Research Scholar, Economic Research Initiatives at Duke (ERID), February 2016.

Assistant Professor, Economics Department, Terry College of Business, University of Georgia, 2010 - 2014.

Visiting Scholar, China Center for Health Economics Research, Peking University, Summer 2012.

Visiting Scholar, Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University, Summer 2012.

Research Assistant, Department of Economics, University of Minnesota. 2006 - 2010.

Research Assistant, Center for Governmental Research, Rochester, New York, Summer 2006.

Instructor and Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, University of Minnesota, 2005 – 2009.

Assistant Economist, Federal Reserve Bank of New York, New York, NY, 2003 – 2005.

Teaching Assistant, Industrial and Labor Relations College, Cornell University, 2013.

Research Assistant, Policy Analysis and Management Department, Cornell University, 2001 - 2003.

Research Assistant, Political Sciences Department, Tufts University, 2000 – 2001.

Other Professional Experience

Consultant, The Boston Consulting Group, Singapore, July 2008.

Judge, Fed Challenge Program, Federal Reserve Bank of New York, 2004 – 2005.

Mentor, Economics and Finance Program, James Madison High School, Brooklyn, NY, 2003 – 2004.

Member, Downtown Manhattan Economist Club, New York, NY, 2003 – 2005.

Invited Research Talks

Department of Economics, University of North Carolina Greensboro, Nov 2016

Département d'Économie Appliquée, HEC Montréal, May 2016

Finance Department, Wharton School of Business, University of Pennsylvania, Mar 2016

Department of Economics, Duke University, Feb 2016

Department of Economics, Indiana University / Purdue University Indianapolis, Oct 2015

Antitrust Division, Department of Justice, Dec 2014

Public Health Sciences, Wake Forest School of Medicine, Oct 2014

Triangle Health Economics Workshop, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill, Sept 2014

Department of Economics, University of St. Thomas, Jan 2014

China Center for Health Economics Research (CCHER), Peking University, July 2012

Department of Economics, Clemson University, March 2011

Department of Economics, Ball State University, Feb 2011

Department of Policy Analysis and Management, College of Human Ecology, Cornell University, Feb 2010

School of Public and Environmental Affairs, Indiana University, Feb 2010

Department of Economics, Oberlin College, Feb 2010

Department of Economics, University of Toronto, Feb 2010

Department of Economics, Vanderbilt University, Feb 2010

Advanced Analytical consulting group, Feb 2010

Analysis Group: Washington DC Office consulting group, Feb 2010

Bureau of Economic Analysis, Department of Commerce, Feb 2010

Antitrust Division, Department of Justice, Feb 2010

Charles River Consulting, Jan 2010

iMPAQ Internat'l consulting group, Jan 2010

Department of Economics, Terry College of Business, University of Georgia, Jan 2010

Department of Economics, School of Business, University of Kansas, Jan 2010

Conference Presentations

Southeastern Health Economics Study Group (2014, 2016)

Midwest Health Economics Conference (2016)

Eastern Economics Association Meetings, CSWEP Session (2016)

NBER Industrial Organization Meetings (2015)

Midwest Health Economics Conference (2015)

American Society of Health Economists (2010, 2012, 2014)

International Health Economics Association (2011, 2013, 2015)

Georgia Health Economics Research Day (2013)

AEA Annual Meeting (2013, 2014)

Southern Economics Association Meeting (2012)

European Economic Association (2011)

Publications

- "Myopia and Complex Dynamic Incentives: Evidence from Medicare Part D" with Gautam Gowrisankaran and Robert Town, Forthcoming, <u>Review of Economic Studies</u>.
- "Better Together: Coexistence of For-profit and Nonprofit Firms with an Application to the U.S. Hospice Industry," with W. David Bradford, <u>Journal of Health Economics</u>, Vol. 63, January, pp1-18, 2019.
- "Why Do Firms Use Insurance to Fund Worker Health Benefits? The Role of Corporate Finance," with Sara Holland, <u>The Journal of Risk and Insurance</u>, Vol. 86, No. 1, pp 183-212, 2019. First online publication March 23, 2017
- "Outsourcing and Ownership: Theory and Evidence from California General Care Hospitals," with Patrick Warren. <u>Journal of Health Economics</u>, Vol. 48, pp. 1-166. July 2016.
- "Estimating Demand Elasticities Using Nonlinear Pricing," <u>International Journal of Industrial Organization</u>, Vol. 37, pp. 178-191, 2014.
- "Moral Hazard, Adverse Selection and Health Expenditure: A Semiparametric Analysis," with Patrick Bajari, Han Hong, and Ahmed Khwaja. RAND Journal of Economics, Vol. 45, No. 4, pp. 747-763, 2014. Honorable Mention: 23rd Arrow Award. International Health Economics Association, 2015.

"Have US Import Prices Become Less Responsive to Changes in the Dollar?" with Rebecca Hellerstein and Dierdre Daly. <u>Federal Reserve Bank of NY Current Issues in Economics</u> Vol. 12, No. 6, September 2006.

Work in Progress

"Endogenous Entry When Partnerships Matter: the Case of Hospices and Nursing Homes," with Siying Liu, April 2019.

"Initial Learning and Eventual Substitution: A Behavior Study in Medicare Part D," May 2018.

"Effects of a Doctor Ranking System on Patient Choice: Evidence from China," with Jia Li. September 2017.

"How do people respond to epidemics? Results from an online experiment," with Fred Chen. June 2015.

Grants

Wake Forest University/Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Carolina Pilot Grant \$26,000 2016

Honors

ACE Faculty Fellow (Community-Engaged Learning), Wake Forest University 2015-2016 Provost Fund- Prestigious Conference Travel 2015

University Activity

Richter Scholarship Advisor (2 students awarded), Summers 2016, 2017

New Faculty Orientation, Panel Speaker, WFU Oct 2015

New Faculty in the Forest, Chalking Up Your Class, Co-Organizer, WFU Oct 2014, Oct 2015

Center for the Humanities: Medicine Across the Disciplines, WFU Fall 2014

Classes Taught

Economics of Health and Medicine *Undergraduate* (Instructor: Spring 2015, Falls 2014-2015, Fall 2017)

Applied Econometrics *Undergraduate* (Instructor: Spring, 2015, Falls 2014-2015, Spring 2017)

Health Economics *Undergraduate* (Instructor: Falls 2010 - 2013. Springs 2011- 2014)

Principles of Microeconomics (Instructor: Falls 2009 2013, Springs 2011 2012 2014)

Principles of Macroeconomics (TA: Spring 2006)

Industrial Organization *Undergraduate* (TA: Spring 2010)

Introductory Statistics *Undergraduate* (TA: Spring 2003)

Research Journal Peer Reviewer

Economics:

American Economic Journal: Economic Policy

American Economic Review

American Economic Review: Insights

Berkeley Electronic Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy

Contemporary Economic Policy

Econometrica

Economics and Human Biology

Empirical Economics

Health Economics

Independent Review

Journal of Applied Economics

Journal of Econometrics

Journal of Economics and Management Strategy

Journal of the European Economic Association

Journal of Health Economics

Journal of Public Economics

RAND Journal of Economics

Review of Economic Studies

Southern Economic Journal

Cross-disciplinary:

Sustainability

Health:

Health Care Management Review

Blue Cross Blue Shield Pilot Grant, Wake Forest University

North Carolina Medical Journal

Wake Forest University Pilot Research Grant

Languages

English (native), French (fluent)