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EDUCATION

The Graduate Center - CUNY, New York, NY

Aug. 2013 - Sept. 2020

Ph.D., Economics *with specialization in Health and Labor Economics and Applied Econometrics*

Dissertation: "Essays on the short term impact of minimum unit pricing policy in Scotland"

Committee: David Jaeger (chair), Michael Grossman and Partha Deb

M.Phil. and M.A., Economics

University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA

Aug. 2011 - June 2013

M.A., Economics

American University in Bulgaria (AUBG), Blagoevgrad, Bulgaria

Aug. 2007 - May 2011

B.A., *summa cum laude*, Economics and Mathematics

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Khurxhi, I.P. (2020), The early impact of Scotland's minimum unit pricing policy on alcohol prices and sales.

Health Economics. <https://doi.org/10.1002/hec.4156>

WORKING PAPERS

Impact of Scotland's minimum unit pricing on self-reported alcohol consumption.

Obesity prevalence and Covid-19 death rates: A cross-country study.

WORK IN PROGRESS

Minimum unit pricing and its effect on wholly alcohol-attributable deaths. (with Pablo Crespo)

Culture and obesity prevalence: An epidemiological approach using data from immigrants in Spain.

Tobacco packaging in Australia: Is the answer PLAIN?

Medicaid expansion and admissions to substance abuse treatment centers.

TEACHING POSITIONS

Visiting Assistant Professor - Trinity College, Hartford, CT

Fall 2020 - Present

Visiting Lecturer - Trinity College, Hartford, CT

Fall 2015 - Summer 2020

Courses taught: Contemporary Micro Issues (x12); Introduction to Statistics for Economics (x8); Mathematical Economics (x3); Health Economics (x3); Labor Economics (x2); Basic Economic Principles; Senior Seminar: Social Mobility and Immigrant Experience.

Thesis Advisor (2018-2019): Shannon Hebert "The Effect of the Affordable Care Act's Medicaid Eligibility Expansion on Labor Supply". Winner of the Ferguson Prize in Economics, awarded to the two best essays written by a senior economics major. First time a visiting faculty member in Trinity College's Economics Department has supervised a year-long thesis which won the Ferguson Prize.

New York City College of Technology - CUNY, New York, NY

Fall 2017 - Spring 2018

Quantitative Reasoning Fellow

Graduate Teaching Fellow - Brooklyn College - CUNY, New York, NY

Fall 2014 - Spring 2017

Courses taught: Money and Capital Markets (M.B.A/M.A.); Mathematical Methods in Economics (M.B.A/M.A.); Mathematical Economics (x2); Intermediate Microeconomics; International Trade; Elementary Microeconomics; Elementary Macroeconomics.

Adjunct Lecturer - York College - CUNY, New York, NY

Spring 2014 - Spring 2015

Courses taught: Introduction to Economic Statistics (x2); Introduction to Macroeconomics; International Economics.

Adjunct Lecturer - Queens College - CUNY, New York, NY

Summer 2014 and 2015

Courses taught: Introduction to Microeconomics (x2)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant - Research Foundation of CUNY

Jan. 2016 - June 2016

Advisor: Prof. Nuria Rodriguez-Planas (Queens College)

HONORS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Graduate Center Fellowship - The Graduate Center

Aug. 2013 - July 2018

University of Virginia Fellowship - University of Virginia

Aug. 2011 - July 2013

University of Virginia Teaching Assistantship - University of Virginia

Aug. 2011 - July 2013

Full four year Open Society Institute (SOROS) Scholarship - AUBG

Aug. 2007 - May 2011

Valedictorian of Class 2011 - AUBG

May 2011

PRESENTATIONS

Economics Junior Faculty Workshop at Trinity College (x2)

Fall 2019

Dissertation Seminar at The Graduate Center - CUNY (x2)

Fall 2019

Brownbag Seminar at The Graduate Center - CUNY (x3)

Fall 2014 - Spring 2018

ACTIVITIES

Student representative: Elections Committee - The Graduate Center

Jan. 2014 - June 2015

Student representative: Executive Committee - The Graduate Center

Jan. 2014 - June 2015

Member: American Economic Association (AEA); Center for Economic and Policy Research (CEPR)

American Society of Health Economists (ASHEcon); International Health Economics Association (iHEA)

The Women in Economics Initiative (WiE)

SKILLS AND ABILITIES

Computer Skills: Stata, R, E-views, Matlab, LyX, MS Office

Languages: English (fluent), Albanian (native), Turkish (intermediate), Italian (intermediate)

Other: Excellent communication skills, ability to collaborate well with others for group success, capacity for leadership, strong interpersonal skills, time management abilities, excellent networking skills. Ability to effectively advise and mentor students.

CITIZENSHIP

USA, Albania

REFERENCES

Professor David A. Jaeger (Advisor)

University of St. Andrews, NBER and IZA

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Distinguished Professor Miguel Ramirez

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