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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, June 2005

B.A. Economics and Mathematics, *summa cum laude*, College of the Holy Cross, May 2000

FIELDS

Public Economics, Cultural Economics, Labor Economics, Economics of Aging

EMPLOYMENT

College of the Holy Cross, Chair, Department of Economics and Accounting, July 2020-present

College of the Holy Cross, Associate Professor, September 2012-present

College of the Holy Cross, Assistant Professor, September 2005-August 2012

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

“The Roundness of Antiquity Valuations from Auction Houses and Sales” with Justin Svec. *Eastern Economic Journal*. 48, 602-630. 2022.

“Spousal Labor Market Effects from Government Health Insurance: Evidence from a Veterans Affairs Expansion” with Joanna Lahey. *Journal of Health Economics*. 45, 63-76. 2016.

“The Asset and Income Profiles of Residents in Senior Care Communities” with Norma Coe. *Research on Aging*. 35(1), 45-72. 2013.

“The Effect of Ticket Resale Laws on Consumption and Production in Performing Arts Markets” with Lesley Chiou. *Eastern Economic Journal*. 38(2), 210-222. 2012.

“Health Insurance and the Labor Supply Decisions of Older Workers: Evidence from a U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Expansion” with Joanna Lahey. *Journal of Public Economics*. 94(7-8), 467-478. 2010.

“Moral Rights Protection for the Visual Arts” with Stacy Nazzaro '10 and Debra O'Connor. *Journal of Cultural Economics*. 34(1), 27-44. 2010.

“Measuring Tax Incidence: A Natural Experiment in the Hybrid Vehicle Market” with Victor Matheson *Environmental Economics and Policy Studies*. 10(2-4), 101-107. 2009.

“Determinants of the Distribution of Congressional Earmarks Across States” with Victor Matheson. *Economics Letters*. 104(2), 63-65. 2009.

“Broadway Productions and the Value of a Tony Award” with Lesley Chiou. *Journal of Cultural Economics*. 33(1), 49-68. 2009.

“A Survey of House Price Hedonic Studies of the Impact of Environmental Externalities” with Katherine Kiel. *Journal of Real Estate Literature*. 9(2), 117-144. 2001.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

“Will Better Access to Health Care Change How Much Older Men Work?” with Joanna Lahey. Boston College Center for Retirement Research Issue in Brief. Number 10-14. August 2010.

RESEARCH PAPERS

“Mandatory Spay and Neuter Laws: Are They Effective?” with Meredith Stevens '11.

“The Impact of the Enforcement of Provenance Rules on the Value of Antiquities” with Katherine Kiel and Katherine Tedesco.

“The Effect of Academy Award Competition on Market Share” with Lesley Chiou and Victor Matheson.

“Dual-Eligible Medicaid Spending: Are We on the Flat of the Curve?” with Joanna Lahey and Margaret Czervionke '07. Boston College Center for Retirement Research Working Paper #2008-16.

“Drawing Conclusions from Non-Random Samples: A Comment on Race and Art: Prices for African American Painters and their Contemporaries by Richard Agnello” with Victor Matheson. Holy Cross Department of Economics Working Paper #09-06.

“Health and Utilization Effects of Increased Access to Publicly Provided Health Care: Evidence from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs” Holy Cross Department of Economics Working Paper #09-02.

“Costs and Benefits of Elderly Prescription Drug Coverage: Evidence from Veterans' Health Care” Holy Cross Department of Economics Working Paper #08-03.

HONORS, GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2018: Holy Cross Course Development Summer Grant: *Development of New Required Course in Economics: Quantitative Microeconomics* (with Katherine Kiel)

2012-2014: *Labor Market Effects of Public Health Insurance on Married Couples*. National Institute on Aging grant (with Joanna Lahey, \$82,000)

2010-2011: *Labor Market Effects of Public Health Insurance on Workers and Spouses*. Social Security Administration grant (through Boston College Center for Retirement Research, with Joanna Lahey, \$40,000)

2007-2008: *Effects of Dual-Eligible Medicaid Spending on Health Outcomes and Service Use*. Social Security Administration grant (through Boston College Center for Retirement Research, with Joanna Lahey and Margaret Czervionke, \$30,000)

- 2007: Batchelor (Ford) Summer Faculty Fellowship, College of the Holy Cross
- 2006-2007: *The Impact of Health Insurance on Work and Retirement Decisions*. Social Security Administration grant (through Boston College Center for Retirement Research, with Joanna Lahey, \$30,000)
- 2004-2005: Pre-doctoral Fellowship in the Economics of Health and Aging, National Bureau of Economic Research
- 2003: George P. Shultz Fund Grant for data collection, MIT
- 2000-2004: Jacob K. Javits Fellowship
- 2000: Gertrude McBrien Mathematics Prize, College of the Holy Cross
- 2000: Freeman M. Saltus Economics Prize, College of the Holy Cross
- 1999: Phi Beta Kappa, College of the Holy Cross

TEACHING

Courses Taught:

College of the Holy Cross: Principles of Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, Health Economics, Economics of the Arts, Public Economics, Social Welfare and Public Policy, Passport: Math Functions

Massachusetts Institute of Technology: Principles of Macroeconomics

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Presentations:

“Mandatory Spay and Neuter Laws: Are They Effective?” with Meredith Stevens ’11 Holy Cross Department of Economics and Accounting summer research seminar, July 2020.

“Mandatory Spay and Neuter Laws: Are They Effective?” with Meredith Stevens ’11 Eastern Economic Association Annual Meetings, March 2020.

“Spousal Labor Market Effects from Government Health Insurance: Evidence from a Veterans Affairs Expansion” with Joanna Lahey. Boston College Center for Retirement Research Seminar Series, January 2015.

“The Impact of the Enforcement of Provenance Rules on the Value of Antiquities” with Katherine Kiel and Katherine Tedesco. Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings, November 2013.

“The Effect of Academy Award Competition on Market Share” with Lesley Chiou and Victor Matheson. Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings, November 2011.

“Spousal Labor Market Effects from Government Health Insurance: Evidence from a Veterans Affairs Expansion” with Joanna Lahey. National Bureau of Economic Research Summer Institute, July 2011.

“Spousal Labor Market Effects from Government Health Insurance: Evidence from a Veterans Affairs Expansion” with Joanna Lahey. Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings, November 2010.

“Spousal Labor Market Effects from Government Health Insurance: Evidence from a Veterans Affairs Expansion” with Joanna Lahey. Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Annual Meetings, November 2010.

“Dual-Eligible Medicaid Spending: Are We on the Flat of the Curve?” with Joanna Lahey and Margaret

Czervionke, Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings, November 2009.

“Dual-Eligible Medicaid Spending: Are We on the Flat of the Curve?” with Joanna Lahey and Margaret Czervionke, Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Annual Meetings, November 2009.

“Broadway Productions and the Value of a Tony Award” with Lesley Chiou, Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings, November 2008.

“Dual-Eligible Medicaid Spending: Are We on the Flat of the Curve?” with Joanna Lahey and Margaret Czervionke, Retirement Research Consortium Annual Conference, August 2008.

“Health Insurance and the Labor Supply Decisions of Older Workers: Evidence from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs” with Joanna Lahey, Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Annual Meetings, November 2007.

“Health Insurance and the Labor Supply Decisions of Older Workers: Evidence from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs” with Joanna Lahey, American Public Health Association Annual Meetings, November 2006.

“Costs and Benefits of Elderly Prescription Drug Coverage: Evidence from Veterans’ Health Care” Northeastern University Department of Economics Seminar Series, January 2006.

Discussant/Session Chair:

2020: Eastern Economic Association Annual Meetings (Discussant)

2016: American Economic Association Annual Meetings (Discussant)

2013: Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings (Discussant/Session Chair)

2011: Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings (Discussant)

2010: Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings (Session Chair)

2009: Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings (Discussant)

2008: Retirement Research Consortium Annual Conference (Discussant)

Referee:

Agricultural and Resource Economics Review; American Economic Journal: Economic Policy; American Journal of Health Economics; Communications in Statistics; Contemporary Economic Policy; Eastern Economic Journal; Economics and Politics; Economics e-journal; Empirical Economics; Environmental Economics and Policy Studies; Fordham University Press; Health and Social Care in the Community; Industrial and Labor Relations Review; Industrial Relations; Journal of Cultural Economics; Journal of Health Economics; Journal of Human Resources; Journal of Labor Research; Journal of Public Economics; Journal of Real Estate Finance and Economics; Journal of Sports Economics; Oxford University Press; The Review of Economics and Statistics; Service Science; The Social Science Journal; Social Science and Medicine; Urban Studies