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Academic Positions

Lecturer, Princeton University, 1999-2000
Assistant Professor of Economics, Hamilton College, 2000 – 2006
Associate Professor of Economics, Hamilton College, 2006 – present
Chair of Economics Department, Hamilton College, 2007-present

Education

Brown University, Sc.B., Applied Mathematics-Economics, 1995
Princeton University, M.A., Economics, 1997
Princeton University, Ph.D., Economics, 2000

Dissertation

“Healthy, Wealthy and Wise: Investments in Human Capital”
Advisors: Anne C. Case, Jeffrey R. Kling and Harvey S. Rosen

Research Interests

Health Economics
Labor Economics
Behavioral Economics

Courses Taught

Principles of Economics
Economic Statistics
Microeconomic Theory
Labor Economics
Health Economics
Research Seminar

Honors, Grants, and Collaborations

Omicron Delta Epsilon Honor Society, Brown University, 1994
Magna Cum Laude, Brown University, 1995
Princeton University Fellowship, 1995-1999
Association of Princeton Graduate Alumni Teaching Prize, Princeton University, 1999
Lucas Grant, Hamilton College, 2001
Faculty Collaborator, Levitt Fellowship, Hamilton College, 2004, 2008
Faculty Collaborator, Freeman Grant in Asian Studies, Hamilton College, 2005

Published Articles

1. "Forecasting Job Placements of Economics Graduate Students," (with Alan B. Krueger), Journal of Economic Education, Winter 2000, 31(1): 81-94.
2. "Adapting to Heart Conditions: A Test of the Hedonic Treadmill," Journal of Health Economics, July 2001, 20(4): 495-508.
3. "The Effects of Health Events on the Economic Status of Married Couples," Journal of Human Resources, Winter 2003, 38(1): 219-230.
4. "Sickness and Preventive Medical Behavior," Journal of Health Economics, July 2003, 22(4): 675-689.
5. "Portfolio Choice and Health Status," (with Harvey S. Rosen), Journal of Financial Economics, June 2004, 72(3): 457-484.
6. "Where do Faculty Receive their PhDs? A Comparison Across Six Disciplines," Academe, July/August 2005, 91(4): 53-54.
7. "Fatalistic Tendencies: An Explanation of Why People Don't Save," B.E. Journals in Economic Analysis and Policy: Contributions to Economic Analysis and Policy, 2005, 4(1): Article 11, 1-21.
8. "Recent Publishing Trends at the AER, JPE and QJE," Applied Economics Letters, January 2007, 14(1): 59-63.
9. "The Search for Economics Talent: Doctoral Completion and Research Productivity," (with Wayne A. Grove), American Economic Review Papers and Proceedings, May 2007, 97(2): 506-511.
10. "Is Trade Good for Your Health?" (with Ann L. Owen), Review of International Economics, September 2007, 15(4): 660-682.
11. "Financial Shocks and Worry about the Future," (with Ann L. Owen), Empirical Economics, November 2007, 33(3): 515-530.
12. "Identity and Environmentalism: The Influence of Community Characteristics," (with Ann L. Owen and Julio Videras), Review of Social Economy, *forthcoming*

Working Papers and Works in Progress

13. "Well-being Across America: Evidence from a Random Sample of One Million Americans," (with Andrew J. Oswald), Review of Economics and Statistics, *revise and resubmit*
14. "Objective Confirmation of Subjective Well-Being," (with Andrew J. Oswald), Science, *revise and resubmit*
15. "More Information Isn't Always Better: The Case of Voluntary Provision of Environmental Quality," (with Ann L. Owen and Julio Videras), Economic Inquiry, *revise and resubmit*
16. "Early Decision and College Performance," (with Elizabeth Jensen), Economics of Education Review, *revise and resubmit*
17. "The Economics Ph.D. Pipeline: Different Predictors of Success for U.S. versus Foreign Applicants," (with Andrew Grodner and Wayne A. Grove), *under review*
18. "Fatalism and Savings," (with Joel Shapiro), *under review*

19. "Factors Influencing Student Performance in Economics: Class and Instructor Characteristics," (with Wayne A. Grove), in preparation for International Handbook on Teaching and Learning Economics
20. "Community Ties and the Voluntary Provision of Public Goods: A Finite Mixture Model Approach" (with Ann Owen and Julio Videras)
21. "Did Legalized Abortion Lead to a Decline in Abortion Rates?" (with John-Henry Forster '08 and Douglas Miller)
22. "The Impact of Pledging Greek Societies on Academic Performance," (with William Shinehouse '11)

Book

Principles of Economics (with Alan B. Krueger and Martha Olney) , Worth Publishers, in progress

Invited Presentations

American Economic Association Annual Meetings (2003, 2007, 2009), Binghamton University, California Polytechnic State University, Cornell University, Davidson College, NBER Higher Education Working Group Meetings, Occidental College, University of Michigan, Syracuse University, Princeton University, Vassar College, Wayne State University, Wellesley College

Referee Service

Applied Economics, Canadian Journal of Economics, Contemporary Economic Policy, Eastern Economic Journal, Economic Inquiry, Finance Research Letters, Health Psychology, Journal of Aging and Health, Journal of Applied Econometrics, Journal of Applied Economics, Journal of Banking and Finance, Journal of Economic Growth, Journal of Health Economics, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Labor Economics, National Science Foundation, Preventive Medicine, Quarterly Review of Economics and Finance, Social Science and Medicine, Southern Economic Journal

Departmental and College-Wide Service

Information Technology Committee, Faculty Committee on Admissions and Financial Aid, Health Professions Advisory Committee, Search Committee for Dean of Admissions, Search Committee for Director of Financial Aid, Economics Department Hiring Committee, Arthur Levitt Center for Public Affairs Council, Presidential Advisory Group