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CURRENT POSITION

Assistant Professor, Loyola University Chicago, School of Business Administration, Department of Economics, began in August 2006

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Economics, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI, December 2006
Dissertation: *Essays on the Intergenerational Transmission of Obesity and Human Capital*
M.A., Economics, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL, December 1997
B.A., *summa cum laude*, Economics and Math, Macalester College, St. Paul, MN, May 1996

PREVIOUS RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Trainee, National Institute of Mental Health Training Grant in Health and Mental Health Economics, UW-Madison, Sept. 2003 – July 2006
Research Assistant, Professor Larry Samuelson, UW-Madison, August 2002-July 2003
Analyst, National Economic Research Associates, Chicago, IL, Nov. 1997-August 2000

PUBLISHED RESEARCH

“Childhood Influences on Youth Obesity,” (with Charles Hokayem), *Economics and Human Biology*, 2005, vol. 3, no. 2, pp. 165-187

WORKING PAPERS

“Measures of the Intergenerational Transmission of Body Mass Index” under review
“Obesity and Educational Attainment” under review (previously “The Role of Weight Status in Intergenerational Correlations of Education”)
“Changes Over Time in the Relationship of Obesity to Education Accumulation” under review
“The Politics of Hope and Despair: The Effect of Presidential Election Outcomes on Suicide Rates” (with Richard Dunn) under review
“Unemployment and Suicide in the United States: A New Look Using Mass Layoffs,” (with Richard Dunn), working paper, November 2008
“The Effect of Relative Weight Status on Education Accumulation,” working paper, November 2008
“Self-selection bias in the relationship of Food Stamp Program participation to obesity,” (with Orgul Ozturk), working paper, October 2008
“Role Switching in Multiple Round Dictator Game Experiments,” working paper, June 2005

**OTHER
RESEARCH**

“The Effect of Changes in Frequency of Food Stamp Benefit Delivery on Obesity and Food Insecurity” (with Orgul Ozturk)

“Decreasing Food Prices, Increased Food Consumption and Increasing BMI” (with H. Kramer, A. Luke, L. Dugas, D. Shoham, G. Cao, R. Cooper, and R. Durazo)

“Costly Delays in Seeking Medical Care,” mimeo

PRESENTATIONS

“The Effect of Relative Weight Status on Education Accumulation”
Meetings of the Southern Economics Association, Washington, DC, November 2008

“Changes Over Time in the Relationship of Obesity to Education Accumulation”
Meetings of American Society of Health Economists, Durham, NC, June 2008

“The Role of Weight Status in Intergenerational Correlations of Education”
6th World Congress, International Health Econ. Assoc., Copenhagen, Denmark, July 2007
Northern Illinois University, Department of Economics workshop, April 2007
University of Chicago, Health Economics workshop, February 2007
University of Illinois-Chicago, Health Economics workshop, October 2006

“Measures of the Intergenerational Transmission of Body Mass Index”
American Society of Health Economists, Madison, WI, June 2006
Mathematica Policy Research, Washington, D.C., March 2006
Loyola University, Chicago, IL, February 2006
UW-Madison Public Economics workshop, October 2005

“Costly Delays in Seeking Mental Health Care,” poster presentation
NIMH Biennial Economics Conference, September 2004, Washington, DC

“Role Switching in Multiple Round Dictator Game Experiments”
UW-Madison, Microeconomic Theory Brown Bag Workshop, November 2003

**RESEARCH
GRANTS**

Loyola University Chicago Summer Research Stipends, Internal Grants
“The Effect of Changes to Food Stamp Benefit Delivery Timing on Obesity,”
Summer 2009, \$6,000

“The Role of Obesity and Social Networks in Education Accumulation,”
Summer 2008, \$6,000

**ACADEMIC
HONORS**

Harold S. Groves Award, best first-year econometrics paper, UW-Madison, 2001
Century Scholarship, University of Chicago, 1996-97

Phi Beta Kappa, Macalester College, 1996

Winner, Minnesota Econ. Assoc. Student Paper Contest, Senior Thesis category, 1996

Robert L. Bunting Prize, Macalester College Department of Economics, 1996

Omicron Delta Epsilon, Macalester College, 1995

John M. Dozier Prize, Macalester College Department of Economics, 1995

Pi Mu Epsilon, Macalester College, 1994

**TEACHING
EXPERIENCE**

Undergraduate: Introductory and Intermediate Microeconomics, Health Economics
MBA: Health Care Economics (Part-time MBA and Health Care Executive MBA)

SERVICE

Referee for *Journal of Health Economics*, *Health Economics*, *Economics and Human Biology*, *Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved*

Discussant at 2008 Meetings of American Society of Health Economists, Durham, NC (3 papers); 6th World Congress, International Health Economics Association, Copenhagen, Denmark, June 2007 (2 papers); Association for Public Policy and Management Meetings, Madison, WI, November 2006 (3 papers); Meetings of American Society of Health Economists, Madison, WI, June 2006 (1 paper)

Member of Department of Economics tenure-track search committee, Loyola University Chicago, 2007-08

Member of School of Business Administration Research Committee, Loyola University Chicago, 2006 – Present

Member, Organizing committee for *Bridges to Latino Health* conference, Loyola University Chicago, 2006-07

Member, Hiring committee for Director of Health Care Management Executive MBA program in School of Business Administration, Loyola University Chicago, 2006

Graduate student liaison to faculty, UW-Madison Department of Economics, 2003-04

President, John R. Commons Club, UW-Madison Department of Economics, 2002-03

AFFILIATIONS

American Economic Association
American Society of Health Economists
International Health Economics Association