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Research Interests

Empirical Microeconomics with interest in Labor Economics, Public Economics and Health Economics.

Professional Experiences

Research Fellow, Melbourne Institute of Applied Economic and Social Research, Faculty of Business and Economics, University of Melbourne, September 2017-

Research Affiliate, IZA Institute of Labor Economics, Bonn, Germany, Feb 2019-

Research Affiliate, Tax and Transfer Policy Institute (TTPI), Crawford School of Public Policy, Australian National University, September 2018-

Education

PhD Economics, University of Calgary, Canada (2017).

MA Economics, Simon Fraser University, Canada (2011).

Research

Publications

Zaresani, Arezou, "Return-to-Work Policies and Labor Supply in Disability Insurance Programs," *American Economics Association Papers and Proceedings*, 2018, 108():272-76.

Zwicker, Jennifer, **Arezou Zaresani**, Herb Emery, "Describing Heterogeneity of Unmet Needs Among Adults with a Developmental Disability: An examination of the 2012 Canadian Survey on Disability," *Research in Developmental Disabilities*, Volume 65, June 2017.

Working Papers

"Adjustment Costs and Incentives to Work: Evidence from a Disability Insurance Program." (Under review)

- *Funded by a Faculty Research Grant, Faculty of Business and Economics, University of Melbourne, 20,000 AUD, 2018.*

"Intensive and Extensive Margins of Utilization: Evidence from *in vitro* Fertilization Treatment," with Lucie Schmidt.

"Why Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder Have Lower Labor Supply than the Other Disability Groups?"

Work in Progress

“Costs of Gaming a Tax System: Evidence from Australian Taxation Data,” with Robert Breunig, Shane Johnson and Miguel Olivo-Villabrille.

“Does More Information Results in Better Health Care? Evidence from National Broadband Network (NBN) Expansion in Australia,” with Gideon Aschwanden and Diana Contreras Suarez.

- *Funded by a Economic and Social Participation Research Initiative (ESPRIt) seed grant, University of Melbourne, 10,000 AUD, 2018.*

“Working while Unemployed? Evidence from a Work While on Claim Program,” with Claudio Labanca and Adam Laveccia.

- *Funded by a Faculty Research Grant, Faculty of Business and Economics, University of Melbourne, 2019.*

“Financial Incentives and Value Based Health Care,” with Anthony Scott.

Teaching

Guest lecturer, Department of Business and Economics, University of Melbourne, 2018.

Public economics (honours and master students).

Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, University of Calgary, 2011-2017.

Empirical public economics (graduate), Health economics (graduate and undergraduate), Redistribution and social insurance (graduate).

Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, Simon Fraser University, 2009-2011.

Advance econometrics (undergraduate), Principles of microeconomics (undergraduate), Calculus (undergraduate).

Research Grants

Faculty Research Grant, Faculty of Business and Economics, University of Melbourne, Project “*Working while Unemployed? Evidence from a Work While on Claim Program,*” 2019.

Faculty Research Grant, Faculty of Business and Economics, University of Melbourne, Project “*Adjustment Costs and Incentives to Work: Evidence from a Disability Insurance Program,*” 20,000 AUD, 2018.

Economic and Social Participation Research Initiative (ESPRIt) seed funding, University of Melbourne, Project “*Does More Information Results in Better Health Care? Evidence from National Broadband Network (NBN) Expansion in Australia,*” with Diana Contreras Suarez and Gideon Aschwanden, 10,000 AUD, 2018.

Awards and Honors

Academic Project Support Grant (APSG), University of Calgary, 2016.

Conference travel grant, Faculty of Graduate Study (FGS), University of Calgary, 2016.

Conference travel grant, Canadian Economics Association (CEA), 2015, 2016, 2017.

Conference travel grant, Annual Health Econometrics Workshop (AHEW), 2014, 2015.

University Research Grants Committee (URGC), University of Calgary, 2015.

Graduate scholarship, Faculty of Arts, University of Calgary, 2011- 2017.

Conference travel grant, HAND Organization, 2012.

Entrance scholarship, Department of economics, University of Calgary, 2011.

Bursary financial award, Simon Fraser University, 2009-2011.

Travel grant, Mathematics of Information Technology and Complex Systems (MITACS), 2010.

Graduate scholarship, Department of economics, Simon Fraser University, 2010- 2011.

Entrance scholarship, Department of economics, Simon Fraser University, 2010.

Conferences and Presentations (* scheduled)

2019 Allied Social Sciences Association (ASSA), Health Economics and Well-being Workshop, Monash University*, University of Technology Sydney*.

2018 Allied Social Sciences Association (ASSA), Society of Labor Economics (SOLE), 9th Australasian Workshop on Econometrics and Health Economics, Canadian Economic Association (CEA), Canadian Health Economics Study Group (CHESG), Labor Economics Workshop (LEW) at the University of Sydney, Monash University, Victoria University of Wellington.

2017 Asian and Australasian Society of Labour Economics (AASLE) Inaugural Conference, Australian Health Economics Society, IZA Summer School in Labor Economics, University of Melbourne.

2016 Canadian Public Economics Group (CPEG), Canadian Economics Association (CEA), American Society of Health Economics (ASHEcon), Empirical Microeconomics Workshop, University of Calgary.

2015 International Health Economics Association (IHEA), Canadian Health Economics Study Group (CHESG), Canadian Economics Association (CEA), Annual Health Econometrics Workshop (AHEW), University of Calgary.

2014 Annual Health Econometrics Workshop (AHEW), Canadian Economics Association (CEA).

Other Professional Activities

Seminars, Professional Development and Social Committee (SPDSC), External weekly seminars organizer, Melbourne Institute of Applied Economics and Social Research, University of Melbourne, January 2018-December 2018.

Content Advisory Committee member, Melbourne Institute of Applied Economics and Social Research, University of Melbourne, January 2018-

Co-organizer of student weekly seminar series, Department of Economics, University of Calgary, September 2014-September 2015.

Member of the scientific committee for selecting papers at the International Health Economics Association (IHEA 2015), February 2015.

Vice-President academic and communication at Economics Graduate Association (EGA), University of Calgary, September 2013-September 2015.

Skills

Language

English (fluent), Farsi (native), Azeri Turkish (native), Spanish (beginner).

Software

Stata, Mathematica, Matlab, C, R.

Certificate and Workshops

Data Mining in Social Sciences Workshop, Centre for Excellence in Population Ageing Research (CEPAR), University of New South Wales (UNSW), 2017.

Economics of Health Inequalities Workshop, Center of Health Economics, Monash University, 2017.

Innovative Teaching in Health Economics, International Health Economics Association (IHEA), Bocconi University, Milan, Italy, 2015.

Instructional Skills Workshop (ISW), University of Calgary, 2013.

Managing Projects, Mathematics of Information Technology and Complex Systems (MITACS) Skills Training and Entrepreneurship Program, University of British Columbia, 2010.

Proactive Communication Skills, Mathematics of Information Technology and Complex Systems (MITACS) Skills Training and Entrepreneurship Program, University of British Columbia, 2010.

Practice Presentation Skills, Mathematics of Information Technology and Complex Systems (MITACS) Skills Training and Entrepreneurship Program, University of British Columbia, 2010.

References

Available upon request.

Curriculum Vitae last updated: February 2019.