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Education

Ph.D. Economics, Johns Hopkins University, 2024 (expected)

M.A. Economics, Johns Hopkins University, 2020

B.S. Economics and Political Science *magna cum laude*, George Washington University, 2015

Interests

Industrial Organization, Health Care, Labor Economics

Employment

Teaching Assistant, Johns Hopkins University 2019–Present

Professor Ludmila Poliakova, Monetary Analysis, Fall 2019
Professor Elena Krasnokutskaya, Industrial Organization, Spring 2020
Professor Robert J. Barbera, Elements of Macroeconomics, Fall 2020

Research Assistant to Professor Nicholas W. Papageorge, Johns Hopkins University, 2018

Bates White Economic Consulting

Senior Consultant 2018
Consultant II 2016–2017
Consultant 2015–2016

Research

Publications

Socio-Demographic Factors Associated with Self-Protecting Behavior during the Covid-19 Pandemic
(with Nicholas W. Papageorge, Michéle Belot, Eline van den Broek-Altenberg, Syngjoo Choi, Julian C.
Jamison and Egon Tripodi) *Journal of Population Economics*, 34 (2): 691–738, 2021.

Press: MarketWatch, VoxEU

Working Papers

The Marginal Labor Supply Disincentives of Welfare Reforms (with Robert Moffitt).

Work in Progress

Who Gains From Private Insurance?

Other Works

Behavior During a Pandemic (with Emma Kalish and Nicholas W. Papageorge) *IZA World of Labor*, opinion piece, July 13, 2020.

Replications

Asymmetry in the Business Cycle: Friedman's Plucking Model with Correlation Innovations, Tara M. Sinclair, *Studies in Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics*, Vol 14: Iss. 1, Article 3 (2010)

Converted primary GAUSS programs into R functions.

Consumption and Portfolio Choice Over the Life Cycle, João F. Cocco, Francisco J. Gomes, and Pascal J. Maenhout, *The Review of Financial Studies*, Vol 18: Iss. 2 (2005)

Project using Econ-Ark toolkit. Collaboration with Mateo Velásquez-Giraldo.

Why are the Beveridge-Nelson and Unobserved-Components Decomposition of GDP so Different?, James C. Morley, Charles R. Nelson, and Eric Zivot, *The Review of Economics and Statistics*, Vol 85: No 2 (2003)

Converted GAUSS uc_ur.opt and arima212.opt programs into R functions.

Fellowships and Awards

Departmental Fellowship, Johns Hopkins University, Department of Economics, 2018–2023

Distinguished Scholar Award, George Washington University, 2015

Special Honors in Economics, George Washington University, 2015

Special Honors in Political Science, George Washington University, 2015

Research Days—First Prize in Economics, George Washington University, 2015

Luther Rice Fellowship, George Washington University, 2014–2015

Memberships

American Society of Health Economists

Skills

Stata, R, Matlab, SQL, Office, LATEX