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## EDUCATION

Ph.D., Economics, Cornell University, 2022 (Expected)  
M.A., Economics, Cornell University, 2019  
B.A., Economics, Minor in Applied Statistics, University of Michigan, 2013

## RESEARCH FIELDS

Labor and public economics, with a focus on education and health policy

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2020-present	Research Consultant and Intern for the NYC Office of School Health, Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
2018-present	Research Assistant for Professor Maria Fitzpatrick
2017 (Summer)	Research Assistant for Professor Jordan Matsudaira
2016	Research Associate, Urban Institute
2013-2015	Research Assistant, Urban Institute
2012-2013	Research Assistant for Professor James Hines
2012-2013	Research Assistant for Professor Raj Arunachalam

## WORKING PAPERS

“Funding Schools During Fiscal Crises: The Effects of Federal Recessionary Aid on State Support for Public Education” (Job Market Paper)  
“Occupational Licensing in Healthcare and Markets for Higher Education: Evidence from Pharmacy Technicians”  
“The Incidence of Pension Costs for Public School Teachers”, with Maria Fitzpatrick and Michael Lovenheim (Revise & Resubmit)  
“The New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene School Vision Program: A Description of Program Expansion” with Sophia Day, Emanuela Acquafredda, Jill Humphrey, Maria Fitzpatrick, Jasmina Spasojevic, and Kevin Konty (Revise & Resubmit)  
“Asthma and BMI in New York City Public Schools” with Sophia Day and Kevin Konty  
“Does Medicaid Reimbursement for School-Based Health Services Help Students?”

## WORKS IN PROGRESS

“Air Quality, Asthma, and Achievement in New York City Public Schools”  
“The Effects of Targeted Follow-up in School Health Programs on Children’s Health and Academic Achievement: Lessons from the New York City School Vision Program” with Maria Fitzpatrick

## SELECTED POLICY PAPERS

- Wheaton, Laura, Victoria Lynch, and Martha Johnson. "The Overlap in SNAP and Medicaid/CHIP Eligibility, 2013." Washington, DC: The Urban Institute. 2017.
- Baum, Sandy and Martha Johnson. "Strengthening Federal Student Aid: An Assessment of Proposals for Reforming Federal Student Loan Repayment and Federal Education Tax Benefits." Washington, DC: The Urban Institute. 2016.
- Baum, Sandy and Martha Johnson. "Financing Public Higher Education: The Evolution of State Funding." & "Financing Public Higher Education: Variation across States." Washington, DC: The Urban Institute. 2015.
- Baum, Sandy and Martha C. Johnson. "Student Debt: Who Borrows Most? What Lies Ahead?" Washington, DC: The Urban Institute. 2015.
- Durham, Christin, and Martha Johnson. "Innovations in NYC Health and Human Services Policy: Homelessness Prevention, Intake, and Shelter for Single Adults and Families." Washington, DC: The Urban Institute. 2014.

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- "Occupational Licensing in Healthcare and Markets for Higher Education." Paper presentation at the Knee Center Occupational Licensing Conference, hosted by Southern Illinois University Edwardsville and The Knee Center for the Study of Occupational Regulation at Saint Francis University. May 2020.

## REFEREING

*Economics of Education Review*

## HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2019	Cornell Economics Small Labor Grant Award
2016-2017	Cornell University College of Human Ecology Fellowship Award
2010-2012	Michigan Competitive Scholarship
2011	James B. Angell Scholar
2011	Summer in South Asia Research Fellowship
2010	William J. Branstrom Freshman Prize

## SERVICE

2020-2021	Committee Member, Diversity and Inclusion in Cornell Economics
2017-2018	Graduate Student Representative for the Department of Policy Analysis and Management, Graduate and Professional Student Assembly
2013-2016	Forum Planning Committee Co-chair, Street Sense, Washington, DC
2011-2012	Committee Chair, Circle K at the University of Michigan

## OTHER

Programming:	Stata, LaTeX; experience with SAS, R, and ArcGIS
Languages:	English, Spanish
Citizenship:	United States