# Abigail Dow

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#### **EDUCATION**

**Ph.D. Economics**, Boston University (2021 –)

M.Sc. Economics, University College London (Distinction) (2018-2019)

**B.A. Economics & Management**, The University of Oxford (2.1) (2013-2016)

### EMPLOYMENT

#### Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health

Research Assistant to Prof. Margaret McConnell (2022 -)

# University College London

Research Assistant to Prof. Gabriella Conti (2019-2021)

### U.K. Government Economic Service

Assistant Economist, Dept. for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy Labour Markets (2019-2020) Strategic and International Energy Analysis (2018)

Consumer and Competition Policy (2017-2018)

Regulatory Policy Committee Secretariat (2017-2018)

# Working Papers

- "Does More Prenatal Care Improve Health Outcomes? Evidence from Paid Sick Leave Mandates" (Submitted)
- "Intensive Nurse Home Visiting and Perinatal Mental Health in Low-Income Mothers" (Submitted) with Dea Oviedo, Michelle Woodford Martin, Mary Ann Bates, Katherine Baicker, Alecia McGregor, and Margaret McConnell

### Work in progress

- "Disbelieved and Unrelieved? Gender in Doctor Patient Relationships"
- "The Price of Parenthood: Childcare Costs and Fertility"

## Pre-doctoral research and policy briefs

- Conti, Gabriella and Dow, Abigail. 2020. "The Impacts of COVID-19 on Health Visiting Services in England: FOI Evidence for the First Wave"

Featured in the Institute of Government's "The Week in Public Services". Referenced in BBC News coverage of the EEF report on the damage of lockdown to child speech and language skills.

- Conti, Gabriella and Dow, Abigail. 2020. "The Impacts of COVID-19 on Health Visiting in England" Featured in BBC Radio 4 File on 4, The Guardian, Medical Xpress, Nursery World, UCL News, The Institute of Health Visiting, Nursing Times, Children and Young People Now. Included as written evidence for the UK Public Services Committee inquiry Children in Crisis: The Role of Public Services in Overcoming Child Vulnerability.
- Conti, Gabriella and Dow, Abigail. 2020. "Rebuilding the Health Visiting Workforce: Costing Policy Proposals"

# AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS

- 2024 ASHEcon Programme Chair Award for Maternal, Sexual, and Reproductive Health
- 2024 Boston University GSO Conference Grant

# Conferences & Workshops

2024: ASHEcon, APPAM, Harvard Health Econ PhD Workshop

**2023:** BU Applied Micro Dissertation Workshop

2021: Wellcome Trust Longitudinal Studies Conference

### TEACHING

- Boston University, Dept. of Economics
Introductory Microeconomic Analysis, Undergraduate level (2022 -)

## SERVICE

- BU Graduate Economic Association Officer (2023-2024)
- U.K. Civil Service Women in Economics Network Committee (2017-2020)
- Gender in the U.K. Government Economic Service Initiative (2017-2018)

# SKILLS

R, Stata, Qualtrics, SQL (proficient); Python, Matlab (basic)