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Education

2019–2025 (exp.) **Ph.D. Economics**, University of Illinois at Chicago
Dissertation: *Essays on the Economics of Tobacco Control Policies*
Committee: John Tauras (chair), Marcus Casey, Darren Lubotsky, Jacob Robbins

2016–2019 **M.S. Economics**, Drexel University

2011–2015 **B.S. Mathematics** (*Magna Cum Laude*), La Salle University

Research Interests

Applied Microeconomics

Health Economics, Economics of Unhealthy Behaviors, Public Finance, Regional Analysis

Dissertation

"Assessing Public Health & Economic Impact of Tobacco Control Policies: Examining the Health and Cost Savings of Mothers and Infants", *Job Market Paper*

In progress.

"Economic Implications of Cigarette Consumption and Taxation: A Case Study of Indiana"

This paper contributes to the tobacco literature by examining the economic impacts of increasing cigarette excise taxes to account for externalities and internalities in Indiana. This study evaluates the effects of different tax rates on employment, GDP, and personal income using the REMI model. Employing a range of excise tax rates from \$1.91 to \$22.12 per pack, this paper finds that moderate tax increases yield positive economic outcomes. Specifically, simulations show that raising the tax to \$1.91 and \$6.96 per pack results in significant improvements in employment, GDP, and income over a 20-year period. Overall, this research highlights the potential for cigarette excise taxes to positively impact Indiana's economy, providing valuable insights for policymakers.

Academic Experience

2024–Current **Adjunct Lecturer, North Central College**
Department of Economics & Finance

2019–Current **University of Illinois at Chicago**
Instructor & Teaching Assistant, Dept. of Economics (2019–)
Research Assistant, Dr. John Tauras (2022–2023)

Senate, Educational Policy Committee (2022-2023)
Graduate Student Council (2021-2023)
Research Assistant, Dr. Marcus Dillender (2021-2022)
Research Assistant, Dr. Marcus Casey (2021)

Technical Reports

- [1] **"Report on the Vaping Epidemic in Indiana and Marion County"** with John Tauras and Frank Chaloupka. Institute for Health Research & Policy, A report commissioned by the Richard M. Fairbanks Foundation. October 2023
- [2] **"An Examination of the Economic Impact of Tobacco in Indiana and Marion County"** with John Tauras and Frank Chaloupka. A report commissioned by the Richard M. Fairbanks Foundation. April 2023.
- [3] **"The Cost of Smoking Employees in Indiana and Marion County"** with John Tauras and Frank Chaloupka. A report commissioned by the Richard M. Fairbanks Foundation. February 2023.

Courses Taught

North Central College

Sports Economics

University of Illinois at Chicago

Instructor: Health Economics, Labor Economics, Research & Writing in Economics, Experience UIC

Teaching Assistant: Principles of Microeconomics, Principles of Macroeconomics, Intermediate Microeconomics, American Economic History, Health Economics, History of Economic Thought

Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth

The Mathematics of Volatile Markets, Game Theory & Economics, The Mathematics of Money

Other Teaching

AP Calculus AB & BC, Honors Calculus, Pre-Calculus, Trigonometry, Algebra I & II, Geometry, Economics & Finance

Other Experience

2021–2022	<i>AP Calculus Instructor, Sacred Heart Academy Bryn Mawr, virtual</i>
2017–2021	<i>Economics Instructor, Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth, Summer</i>
2016–2019	<i>Honors Math Teacher, Marion Mercy Academy, St. Katharine Drexel Program</i>
2018–2019	<i>AP Calculus Instructor, Sacred Heart Academy Bryn Mawr</i>
Summer 2018	<i>Policy & Data Fellow, Economy League of Greater Philadelphia</i>
2016–2018	<i>Advanced Mathematics Teacher, The Crefeld School</i>
2015–2016	<i>Algebra Teacher, St. Basil Academy (closed June 2021)</i>

Honors, Awards & Scholarships

April 2024 **Mitch Krask Award** for excellence in undergraduate teaching
University of Illinois at Chicago, Economics Department

Presentations & Invited Talks

(* denotes scheduled presentation or talk.)

October 2024 *Economic Impacts of Tobacco Consumption and Taxation in Indiana**
REMI's 2024 Annual Users' Conference

November 2023 *How to Read Papers in Economics*, Presented with Nisha Bhatta and Ann James
Economics Club, University of Illinois at Chicago

July 2022 *Policy & Consumption of Addictive Substance: A Focus on Marijuana*
Economics Research Luncheon, University of Illinois at Chicago

Additional Information

Skills: Stata, R, Mathematica, L^AT_EX, Tableau, Microsoft Excel

Membership: American Economic Association, American Society of Health Economists, Academy Health

References

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