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Education

2025 Ph.D. in Economics, University of Illinois Chicago
2019 M.S. in Economics, Drexel University
2015 B.S. in Mathematics (*Magna Cum Laude*), La Salle University

Research Interests

Health Economics, Unhealthy Behaviors, Public Finance, Regional Economics, Applied Microeconomics

Employment

Current Positions

2025- Assistant Teaching Professor, Uni. of Massachusetts Dartmouth, Economics Department
Programs: Health & Society, Healthcare Administration, and Economics

Previous Positions

2024-2025 Adjunct Lecturer, North Central College, School of Business & Entrepreneurship
2022-2023 Research Assistant for Dr. John Tauras, University of Illinois Chicago
2021-2022 Research Assistant for Dr. Marcus Dillender, University of Illinois Chicago
2021 Research Assistant for Dr. Marcus Casey, University of Illinois Chicago
2019-2025 Instructor & Teaching Assistant, University of Illinois Chicago, Economics Department
2018 Policy & Data Fellow, Economy League of Greater Philadelphia (*summer*)

Secondary Teaching Positions

2021-2022 AP Calculus Instructor, Sacred Heart Academy Bryn Mawr (*virtual*)
2018-2019 AP Calculus BC Instructor, Sacred Heart Academy Bryn Mawr
2017-2021 Economics Instructor, Johns Hopkins Center of Talented Youth (*summer*)
2016-2019 Honors Math Teacher, Marion Mercy Program, St. Katharine Drexel Program
2016-2018 Teacher of Advanced Mathematics, The Crefeld School
2015-2016 Algebra Teacher, St. Basil Academy

Working Papers

Assessing Public Health & Economic Impact of T21 Laws: Examining Health of Mothers and Infants

Optimal Cigarette Taxation and Macroeconomic Implications: A Case Study of Indiana

Technical Reports

Tauras, J. A., Chaloupka, F. J., & **Esposito, C. A.** (2023, October). Report on the vaping epidemic in Indiana and Marion County. Report commissioned by the Richard M. Fairbanks Foundation.

Tauras, J. A., Chaloupka, F. J., & **Esposito, C. A.** (2023, April). An examination of the economic impact of tobacco in Indiana and Marion County. Report commissioned by the Richard M. Fairbanks Foundation.

Tauras, J. A., Chaloupka, F. J., & **Esposito, C. A.** (2023, February). The cost of smoking employees in Indiana and Marion County. Report commissioned by the Richard M. Fairbanks Foundation.

Research in Progress

“Anti-Queer Policies and Queer Youth Risky Behaviors” with Miranda Mendiola Valdez

“Tobacco Control Policies and Demographic Impacts” with John Tauras and Megan Diaz

Courses Taught

University of Massachusetts Dartmouth

Introduction to Health & Society (HLT 201)

Special Topics: Economics of Risky Behaviors (HLT 350)

Special Topics: Public Health & Tobacco Control (HLT 350)

University of Illinois Chicago

Health Economics (ECON 215)

Labor Economics (ECON 331)

Research & Writing in Economics (ECON 395)

Experience UIC (LAS 110)

North Central College

Principles of Microeconomics (ECON 200)

Sports Economics (ECON 310)

Data Analytics (MGMT 325)

Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth

The Mathematics of Volatile Markets

Game Theory & Economics

The Mathematics of Money

High School Courses

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

Conferences and Invited Talks

November 2024 UIC Economics Research Luncheon

October 2024 REMI Users’ Conference; UIC Economics Club

August 2024 AEA CSQIEP Mentoring Conference (*Mentee*)

November 2023 UIC Economics Club

July 2022 UIC Economics Research Luncheon

Honors and Awards

October 2024 *George I. Treyz Award* for Excellence in Economic and Demographic Analysis
Regional Economic Model, Inc., 2024 REMI Users' Conference

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

Professional Service & Membership

North Central College

Spring 2025 Faculty Participant & Organizer, Illinois Economics Challenge

University of Illinois Chicago

2022-2023 Educational Policy Committee, UIC Senate

2021-2023 Economics Representative, Graduate Student Council

Membership

American Economic Association

American Society of Health Economists

American Public Health Association

Society of Research on Nicotine and Tobacco

Skills

Software: Stata, R/R-Studio, EViews, Excel, Tableau

Documentation: Microsoft Office, LaTeX

Learning Management Systems: Canvas, Blackboard, Blackbaud

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