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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Public Policy, Cornell University Concentration in Economics with a Minor in Data Science	May 2025 (Expected)
M.P.P., Public Policy, University of Virginia Best Master's Thesis	May 2016
B.A., History, University of Virginia Distinguished Major with High Distinction	May 2015

RESEARCH FIELDS

Policy Analysis, Economics of Education, Labor Economics

REFERENCES

Maria Fitzpatrick (Chair)
Professor of Economics and
Public Policy
Associate Dean of Public Affairs
Vice Provost of Social Sciences
Cornell University
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Douglas Miller
Professor of Economics and
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Rene Kizilcec
Assistant Professor of
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RESEARCH

Job Market Paper

“The Effect of the Minimum Wage on Childcare Firms” (approved Federal Statistical Research Data Center project)

Working Papers

“Does Access to an Algorithmic Decision-making Tool Change Child Protective Service Caseworkers’ Investigation Decisions?” (Revise and Re-submit; with Maria Fitzpatrick and Chris Wildeman)

“Asthma Management in Schools: A Tool for Reducing Absenteeism?” (with Maria Fitzpatrick, Chelsea Chen, Sophia Day, Kevin Konty, and Kira Argenio)

Works in Progress

“The Effect of High School Magnet Programs on Academic and Racial Segregation” (approved Texas Education Agency project)

“Educational equality in online versus residential degree programs” (with Rene Kizilcec)

Publications

Bassok, D., Markowitz, A., Bellows, L., & **Sadowski, K.** (2021). New Evidence on Teacher Turnover in Early Childhood. *Educational Evaluation and Policy Analysis*, 42(4).

Boguslav, A., Cohen, J., Katz V., Sadowski, K., Wiseman, E., Wyckoff, J. (2023). Core Requirements, Structured Flexibility, and Local Judgment: Balancing Adherence and Adaptation in the Design and Implementation of District-Wide Professional Development. *Educational Evaluation and Policy Analysis*. *Educational Evaluation and Policy Analysis*.

Kizilcec, R.F., Makridis, C.A., **Sadowski, K.** (2021). Pandemic Response Policies' Democratizing Effects on Online Learning. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America*, 118(11).

Markowitz, A., **Sadowski, K.**, & Hamre, B. (2021). Teacher Education and the Quality of Teacher-Child Interactions: New Evidence from the Universe of Publicly-Funded Early Childhood Programs in Louisiana. *Early Education and Development*, 1-19.

Miller, L.C. & **Sadowski, K.** (October, 2017). Students Changing Schools During the School Year: Student Mobility in Virginia and the Challenged School Divisions. Charlottesville, VA: USA.

Resting Projects

“Are Schools Protective of Health, Even During a Pandemic? The Effects of School Openings During the COVID-19 Pandemic on Children’s Health Care Usage.” (with Maria Fitzpatrick)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Assistant to Maria Fitzpatrick	2020-Present
Burning Glass Institute, Part-Time Economist	2022-Present
Harvard Graduate School of Education, NLP Analyst for Reach Every Reader Teacher Simulation	2020-2021
University of Virginia, Research Specialist	
Tennessee Department of Education, Intern	

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

Graduate Teaching Assistant, PAM 2070 Big Data for Big Policy Problems (Initial Offering)	Summer 2020, 2021
Graduate Teaching Assistant, INFO/CS 4300 Language and Information	Spring 2020

University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Economics of Public Policy	Fall 2015, Spring 2016
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GRANTS

Russell Sage Foundation co-funded with W.E. Upjohn Institute for Employment (\$10,000)	2024
Horowitz Foundation for Social Policy (\$10,000)	2024
Cornell Population Center Rapid Response Graduate Research Support Grant (\$500)	2021
Cornell College of Human Ecology (CHE) First Year Fellowship	2020

PRESENTATIONS

Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management	2018
Eastern Economic Conference	2023
Association for Education Finance and Policy	2017, 2019, 2021, 2024

SERVICE

Referee Economics of Education	
Graduate Students of Public Policy, Student Mentor	Academic Years 2022-24
Diversity in Cornell Economics, Executive Member	Summer 2020 to Spring 2022
Working Group on Diversity and Inclusion, Committee Member	Summer 2020 to Spring 2022
Presentations in Emerging Research, Chair	Academic Year 2020-21
Loaves and Fishes Food Bank, Volunteer	November 2016 to Spring 2021

SKILLS

Statistical Software: Stata, SAS, Python (sci-kit learn, pytorch, tensorflow), R (tidyverse, shiny), SQL, VBA, Mplus
Programs: GitHub, Qualtrics, LaTeX, Microsoft Suite, Tableau
Skills: Causal Inference/Econometrics, Natural Language Processing (NLP), Machine Learning (ML), Text Mining, Data Scraping, Data Visualization, Survey Development, Grant Writing, Archival Research