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Biography

Dr. Natalie Reaves is a southern New Jersey native, originally from Brotmanville, NJ. She attended Rutgers University-New Brunswick, the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill and Wayne State University receiving B.S., M.S. and PhD degrees in Economics. Prior to coming to Rowan, she taught at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, and has worked for the Social Security Administration and the United Auto Workers (UAW) Economic Research Dept. She is a Health Economist who examines a variety of health related issues including health insurance, Medicare/Medicaid, Obamacare and the impact of medical technology on health care costs. In addition, she researches the impact of government regulation on innovation in the pharmaceutical industry. In particular, she studies how changes in patents, tax laws and other government regulations encourages/discourages firms to develop remedies for rare and neglected diseases such as Tourette's, rare cancers, Sickle Cell and Malaria. Finally, she also has interests in environmental economics, law and economics and neuroeconomics.