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EDUCATION

Harvard University

2022 - Current

Ph.D. in Population Health Sciences (Global Health and Population)

Fields: Health Economics, Infectious Diseases

Dissertation: Physician allocation of infectious disease screening and its implications for disease surveillance

Committee: Nicolas Menzies (Chair), Jessica Cohen, Leila Agha

Barnard College, Columbia University

2017

B.A. in Economics with Honors, *magna cum laude*

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Baum, S, Agha L, Menzies N, Cohen J. (2025) Association of prenatal syphilis screening mandates with maternal syphilis case detection. *Under review.*

Baum, S, Pelissari D et al. (2024) Surveillance for TB drug resistance using routine rapid diagnostic testing data: Methodological development and application in Brazil. *PLOS Computational Biology*.

Baum, S and Benshaul-Tolonen A. (2021) Extractive Industries and Gender Equality. *Review of Environmental Economics and Policy*.

Baum, S, Reddy V, Vora N, et al. (2020) Cost comparison between two responses to Hepatitis A virus incidents in restaurant food handlers—New York City, 2015 and 2017. *Journal of Public Health Management and Practice*.

WORK IN PROGRESS

Baum, S. Selection and surveillance: Linking changes in safety net access and STI case detection

Baum, S. Physician responses to changes in local epidemiology: A movers design leveraging shocks to Lyme disease risk

Baum, S and Menzies N. Identifying pathways to TB drug resistance in Brazil

GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

NIH National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases T32 Award (2023-2026)

Princeton in Africa Fellowship (2018-2019)

TEACHING

Introduction to Economics with Applications to Health and Development

Harvard School of Public Health - Margaret McConnell (2024), James Potter (2025)

Econometric Methods for Health Policy

Harvard School of Public Health - Nidhya Menon (2025)

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Consultant, Mark Clapp

Mass General Brigham
Boston, MA

2025 - Current

Research Assistant, Nicolas Menzies

Harvard School of Public Health
Boston, MA

2023 - Current

Health & Policy Research Assistant

EcoHealth Alliance
New York, NY

2021 - 2022

Senior Policy Associate
Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab
(J-PAL at MIT)
2019 - 2021
Cambridge, MA

Research Fellow
Population Services International
2018 - 2019
Johannesburg, South Africa

Research Assistant, Anja Tolonen
Economics Dept., Barnard College
2017 - 2019
New York, NY

Consultant
New York City Department of Health
2017 - 2018
New York, NY

Intern - HIV, Health & Development
UN Development Program
2017
New York, NY

CONFERENCES Global Health Security (2022)
World Bank Land and Poverty Conference (2018)
Consortium of Universities for Global Health (2016)

SKILLS
Technical: R, Stata, ArcGIS, L^AT_EX
Languages: English (Native), French (Intermediate)