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CURRENT POSITIONS

Weill Cornell Medical College, Cornell University, New York, NY

Postdoctoral Associate, September 2020 - present

Mentor: Sean M. Murphy

Center for Health Economics of Treatment Interventions for Substance Use Disorder,

HCV, and HIV (CHERISH)

Research Affiliate, September 2020 - present

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Economics, Temple University, 2020

Dissertation Chair: Catherine Maclean

B.A., Economics, Clarion University of Pennsylvania, 2015

FIELDS OF SPECIALIZATION Health Economics, Applied Microeconomics, Public Policy, Health Economic Evaluation

Causal Inference, Cost-Effectiveness Analysis Alongside Clinical Trials

Access to Care, Substance Use, Mental Health

PUBLICATIONS

[3] Deza, M., Lu, T., and Maclean, J.C. (2022). Office-based mental healthcare and juvenile arrests. *Health Economics*, 1-23. https://doi.org/10.1002/hec.4578

NBER WP 29465; Summary thread

[2] Bailey, J., Lu, T., and Vogt, P. (2022). Certificate-of-need laws and substance use treatment. Substance Abuse Treatment, Prevention, and Policy, 17(1): 1-7. https://doi.org/10.1186/s13011-022-00469-z

[1] Lu, T. (2021). Marijuana legalization and household spending on food and alcohol. *Health Economics*, 30: 1684-1696. https://doi.org/10.1002/hec.4266

Working Papers

- [1] "Safety-net primary care clinics and psychiatric emergency department" (JMP)
- [2] "The effect of payday lending restrictions on suicides and overdoses" (Working paper)
- [3] "Cost-effectiveness of a peer-delivered behavioral intervention for ART adherence and substance use in South African HIV care" (with Sean M. Murphy and others)
- [4] "Cost of contingency management for alcohol use disorders among persons with serious mental illness" (with Sean M. Murphy and others; R&R at *Psychiatric Services*)

WORK IN PROGRESS

- [1] "Psychiatric treatment and police officer safety" (with Monica Deza, Catherine Maclean, and Alberto Ortega)
- [2] "Prevalence of stimulant use disorder among Medicaid enrollees: Evidence from 2017 2018 Transformed Medicaid Statistical Information System" (with Ali Jalali and Sean M. Murphy)

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EXTERNAL FUNDING

Center for Health Economics of Treatment Interventions for Substance Use Disorders, HCV, and HIV. 2021- 2022. "Stimulant Use Disorder Treatment Paths and Factors Contributing to Health Disparities." National Institute on Drug Abuse (P30DA040500). Role: Principal Investigator Blog post

Honors & Awards

Travel Scholarship, Polysubstance Use Symposium, Center for Opioid Epidemiology and Policy, Grossman School of Medicine, New York University (2022)

Honorable Mention, Finalist, Early Career Research Presentation Competition, College on Problems of Drug Dependence (CPDD 2022)

Summer Research Fellowship, Economics Department, Temple University (2019)

Ph.D. Student Writing Award, Economics Department, Temple University (2019)

Teaching Assistantship, Economics Department, Temple University (2015-2020)

Minority Student Recognition for Academic Achievement, Clarion University of Pennsylvania (2013)

INVITED TALKS

Lafayette College. November 2022

University of St. Gallen. November 2022

Hunter College. November 2022 Providence College. October 2022

University of Arkansas at Little Rock. August 2022

University of New Mexico. April 2022

Presentations

2022

- AcademyHealth
- American Society of Health Economists Conference
- Center for Opioid Epidemiology and Policy NYU Langone Health
- Meeting for College on Problems of Drug Dependence
- Midwest Economics Association Conference
- Southeastern Health Economics Study Group
- Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting

2021

- American Society of Health Economists Conference
- Meeting for College on Problems of Drug Dependence
- National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER) Health Economics Program Fall Meeting
- Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting
- Virtual brownbag series organized by Dr. Chloe N. East

2020

- American Society of Health Economists Conference
- Association for Public Policy and Management: DC Regional Student Conference (Canceled)

Service

Reviewer

- Peer-reviewed journals: Addiction Science & Clinical Practice; Health Economics; International Journal of Drug Policy; Journal of Health Economics; Journal of Rural Health; Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment
- Grant: Center for Health Economics of Treatment Interventions for Substance Use Disorder, HCV, and HIV (2022)
- Conference abstract: American Society of Health Economists (ASHEcon) Conference, 2023

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Conference session organizer

- American Society of Health Economists (ASHEcon) Conference, 2023. "Economics of Substance Use" (submitted)
- Eastern Economic Association (EEA) Conference, 2023. "Economics of Substance Use" (submitted)
- American Society of Health Economists (ASHEcon) Conference, 2022. "Mental Health and Low-Income Population"

Professional service

• Mentor, Committee on the Status of Women in the Economics Profession (CSWEP) workshop for third- and fourth-year graduate students, 2022 Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting (Scheduled)

University service

- Chair, Population Health Sciences Postdoctoral Committee (2021-2022)
- President, Temple Graduate Economic Student Association (2017-2018)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Sole Instructor

• Principles of Microeconomics, Temple University, Summer 2016

Recitation Instructor/Teaching Assistant

- Principles of Microeconomics; Principles of Macroeconomics
- Large sections: 300+ students each semester
- Temple University, Fall 2015-Spring 2020

Guest Lecturer

- Cost-Effectiveness Analysis, Weill Cornell Medical College, Spring 2021
- Economics Senior Capstone, Providence College, Fall 2022

SKILLS

Language: English (fluent), Vietnamese (native)

Computer - Advanced: LaTeX, Microsoft Office, Stata

Computer - Basic: ArcGIS, MATLAB, R, SAS

References

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