

# Véra Zabrodina

University of Basel  
Faculty of Business and Economics  
Peter-Merian Weg 6, 4002 Basel, Switzerland  
vera.zabrodina@unibas.ch

**Research interests:** Health economics, labour economics, social insurance, applied econometrics.

## Education

---

- 2017—      Ph.D. in Applied Economics, Faculty of Business and Economics, University of Basel. Supervisors: Conny Wunsch (University of Basel) and Andrea Weber (Central European University)
- 2013–2015    M.Sc. in Economics, HEC Lausanne, University of Lausanne
- 2010–2013    B.Sc. in Economics, HEC Lausanne, University of Lausanne

## Research positions and visits

---

- 2022          Center for Labor Economics, University of California, Berkeley (scheduled 01/2022–03/2022). Host: David Card.
- 2018—      Research and teaching assistant, Labour economics, Faculty of Business and Economics, University of Basel
- 2015–2020    Research associate in health economics, Institute of Social and Preventive Medicine (IUMSP), University Hospital of Lausanne and University of Lausanne
- 2015–2016    Research assistant, Institute for Biomedical Ethics, University of Basel

## Peer-reviewed publications

---

Zabrodina, Véra, Mark Dusheiko, and Karine Moschetti (2020). A Moneymaking Scan: Dual Reimbursement Systems and Supplier-Induced Demand for Diagnostic Imaging. *Health Economics*, 29(12): 1566–1585.

Moschetti, Karine, Véra Zabrodina, Tenzin Wangmo, Alberto Holly, Jean-Blaise Wasserfallen, Bernice S. Elger, and Bruno Gravier (2018). The determinants of healthcare expenditures of prisoners: Evidence from Switzerland. *BMC Health Services Research*, 18:160.

Moschetti, Karine, Véra Zabrodina, Pierre Stadelmann, Tenzin Wangmo, Alberto Holly, Jean-Blaise Wasserfallen, Bernice S. Elger, and Bruno Gravier (2017). Exploring differences in healthcare utilization of prisoners in the canton of Vaud, Switzerland. *PLOS ONE*, 12(10): e0187255.

## Work in progress

---

Timing Moral Hazard under Deductibles in Health Insurance

Unemployment Insurance in the Presence of Heterogeneity (with Conny Wunsch)

The Optimal Time-Profile of Unemployment Insurance Benefits (with Conny Wunsch)

Heterogeneous Labour Supply Elasticities and Inefficient Employment (with Ulrike Unterhofer)

## Policy reports

---

Assessment of the use of diagnostic imaging equipment in the canton of Ticino (2020). Report for the Public Health Service of the canton of Ticino, Switzerland [in French], with Karine Moschetti.

Evaluation of the impact of the certificate of need regulation for heavy medical equipment (2020). Report for the Public Health Service of the canton of Vaud, Switzerland [in French], with Mark Dusheiko and Karine Moschetti.

Assessment of the need for costly diagnostic imaging equipment subject to certificate of need laws (2016). Report for the Public Health Service of the canton of Neuchatel, Switzerland [in French], with Mark Dusheiko and Karine Moschetti.

## Research grants

---

2021–2022    Research Fund of the University of Basel for Excellent Junior Researchers

## Awards and scholarships

---

2019            Early Career Researcher Best Paper Prize, International Health Economics Association

2017–2018    Study grant for a Ph.D. in Applied Economics, University of Basel

2015            Faculty prize for the highest GPA, M.Sc. in Economics, HEC Lausanne

## Further coursework

---

2017–2018    Swiss Program for Beginning Doctoral Students in Economics, Study Center Gerzensee (Microeconomics and Econometrics)

2017            Graduate courses at the University of Basel: Advanced Research Methods, Topics in Advanced Mathematics

2016	Swiss School of Public Health+ International Doctoral Courses and Seminars in Health Economics and Policy (Cost-effectiveness analysis and health technology assessment, University of Lausanne; Economics of health behaviors, University of Lucerne; Empirical methods for microeconomics with applications to health, University of Lugano)
2014–2015	M.Sc. exchange semester, with graduate courses in microeconomics and macroeconomics, University of Zurich
2013	Development economics, Summer School, London School of Economics

## **Presentations at conferences and seminars**

---

2021	Annual Conference of the European Society for Population Economics, Barcelona (virtual) IRDES-Dauphine Workshop on Applied Health Economics and Policy Evaluation, Paris (virtual)
2020	Ski and Labour Seminar, Engelberg Young Swiss Economists Meeting, Zurich IHEID Virtual PhD Workshop, Geneva (virtual) EALE SOLE AASLE World Conference, Berlin (virtual) Econometric Society World Congress, Milan (virtual) Economics Lunch, Basel
2019	International Health Economics Association Congress, Basel Swiss Health Economics Workshop, Lucerne Swiss TPH HealthEconmix Seminar, Basel
2018	Conference and Doctoral Workshop of the Swiss Society of Health Economics, Lucerne Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics, St. Gallen Young Swiss Economists' Meeting, Zurich
2017	Swiss Health Economics Workshop, Lausanne European Health Economics Association PhD-Supervisor Conference, Lausanne International Health Economics Association Congress, Boston IRDES Workshop on Applied Health Economics and Policy Evaluation, Paris Young Swiss Economists' Meeting, Zurich

## **Teaching**

---

2021	Causal Inference for Policy Evaluation, M.Sc. and Ph.D. (lab sessions and teaching assistance), Prof. Conny Wunsch, University of Basel
2020	Applied Empirical Analysis, M.Sc. and Ph.D. (lab sessions and teaching assistance), Prof. Conny Wunsch, University of Basel

2018, 2019    Empirical Research Methods in Labour Economics, M.Sc. and Ph.D. (lab sessions and teaching assistance), Prof. Conny Wunsch, University of Basel  
Advanced Empirical Research Methods, M.Sc. and Ph.D. (teaching assistance), Prof. Conny Wunsch, University of Basel

### **Refereeing service**

---

Labour Economics, Economic Analysis and Policy, International Journal of Health Policy and Management

### **Service to the University of Basel**

---

2018–2022    Representative of Ph.D. students and Postdocs on the board of the Graduate School of Business and Economics  
2018–2021    Representative of Ph.D. students and Postdocs at the Faculty Assembly of the Faculty of Business and Economics

### **Other employment**

---

2009, 2014    Summer intern in Economics, AECOM, London, United Kingdom  
2009–2013    Graphic designer, ESL Education, Montreux, Switzerland

Updated: November 2021