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Current Position Graduate Teaching Instructor May 2025 - present
Department of Economics, Colorado State University

Graduate Teaching Assistant Aug. 2022 – May 2025
Department of Economics, Colorado State University

Research Experience Research Assistant to Dr. Ray Miller Summer 2025
Regional Economic Development Institute

Research Assistant to Dr. Zach Schaller Summer 2024
Future of Work Project, Russell Sage Foundation

Education **Colorado State University** Fort Collins, CO
Ph.D., Economics Expected 2027
M.A., Economics 2024

Coe College Cedar Rapids, IA
B.A., Economics and Business Administration (*Cum Laude*) May 2022

Research Fields Applied Microeconomics, Health, Demographics, Aging, Urban

Research **Publications**
An, Y., Chin, S. & Miller, R. Growing Old in Rural America: Measuring Late Life Health and Economic Well-being. *The Journal of the Economics of Ageing*.

Abstract: We estimate well-being among older rural Americans with an expected utility framework and simulations using longitudinal data spanning nearly 30 years from the Health and Retirement Study. At age sixty, we find mean rural consumption expenditures of \$24,105, a retirement probability of 53%, and a remaining life expectancy of 20.3 years for the cohort born 1931-36. When adjusting life expectancy for living in poor health, we obtain an age sixty quality adjusted life expectancy (QALE) of only 15.4 years. Our welfare metric suggests well-being among rural residents who report loneliness is only about half that of the non-lonely rural residents—largely driven by substantial consumption and QALE gaps. We also document substantial regional variation in rural well-being. Moreover, we find that older rural Americans are generally falling further behind older urban Americans across birth cohorts. Most of this widening gap is driven by declining relative consumption and wealth as opposed to health.

Selected Works in Progress
Emotional Shocks and Complications in the Workplace, with Sayorn Chin and Sammy Zahran. Analysis and writing stage.

Lead Exposure and Maternal Health, with Sayorn Chin and Sammy Zahran. Analysis stage.

Urban Heat Island and Health Outcomes. Analysis stage.

Skills

Programming & Software

Proficient in: R, Python, Stata

Intermediate: Git/GitHub

Teaching Experience

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Graduate Teaching Assistant

Aug. 2022 – present

Spring 2025: Principles of Macroeconomics (3 sections)

Fall 2024: Principles of Microeconomics (3 sections)

Spring 2024: Principles of Microeconomics (3 sections)

Fall 2023: Principles of Macroeconomics (3 sections)

Spring 2023: Principles of Microeconomics (3 sections)

Fall 2022: Principles of Microeconomics (3 sections)

Honors & Awards

Graduate Teaching Assistantship

2022 – 2027

Awarded a full tuition scholarship and monthly stipend from the Department of Economics at Colorado State University.

Mentoring Program on Aging and Health Economics Research

NBER

May 2024

With support from the National Institute of Aging, NBER launches a mentoring program for students from under-represented and nontraditional backgrounds who are interested in pursuing research in aging and health economics. This fully-funded program includes elements of both training, such as discussions of state-of-the-art empirical methods and relevant data sets, and project development, with an emphasis on identifying promising research questions.

Harley W. Howell Prize

May 2022

This award is given to a senior business and economics major for superior academic achievement, promise of leadership career in the field, sound moral character and campus citizenship. This award was issued by the Stead Department of Business Administration & Economics from Coe College.

Spellman Optimum Optimorum

May 2022

This award is given to a senior who will be entering an economics Ph.D. program immediately following their graduation from Coe College.

Conferences

Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities Conference at NBER

Spring 2024

Service

Brown Bag Seminar Series

Aug. 2024 - May 2025

Organizer

Affiliations

Columbine Health Systems Center for Healthy Aging at Colorado State University, American Economic Association, American Society of Health Economists