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EDUCATION

PH.D. in Economics, Carleton University, 2006

M.A. in Economics, Queen's University at Kingston, 2000

B.A. Honours in Economics, University of Winnipeg, 1999

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Labor Economics (focus on Health Human Resources), Health Economics (international comparisons), Environmental Economics, Natural Resource Economics, Industrial Organization.

TEACHING INTERESTS

Labor Economics, Health Economics, Environmental Economics, Natural Resource Economics, Quantitative Methods, Industrial Organization.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

For each of the courses listed I was responsible for curriculum development and preparation, writing and presenting lectures, and preparing and grading examinations or other evaluation tools for undergraduate student audiences.

- ECO 470 Topics in Economics: Advanced Health Economics, Spring 2007
- ECO 343 North American Economic Integration, Spring 2007
- ECO 514 Microeconomic Theory, Fall 2006, Fall 2007
- ECO 340 The Canadian Economy: Issues and Policies, Fall 2006, Fall 2007
- ECON 2202 Statistical Methods in Economics and Business II, Winter 2005.
- ECON 2202 Statistical Methods in Economics and Business II, Fall 2004.
- ECON 2201 Statistical Methods in Economics and Business I, Fall 2004.
- ECON 2201 Statistical Methods in Economics and Business I. Summer 2004.
- ECON 2202 Statistical Methods in Economics and Business II. Winter 2004.
- ECON 2201 Statistical Methods in Economics and Business I. Fall 2003.
- ECON 2200 Statistical Analysis for the Social Sciences. Summer 2003.
- ECON 1000 Introductory Macroeconomics. Winter 2003.

CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS

- “An Economic Analysis of the Job Search Decisions for Canadian Nurses” Statistics Canada Socio-Economic Conference, Ottawa Ontario May 28 and 29, 2007.
- “An Economic Analysis of the Job Search Decisions for Canadian Nurses” Eastern Economics Association Annual Conference, New York February 25-27, 2007.
- “An Analysis of the Labour Market for Immigrant Nurses in Canada” Canadian Economic Association Meeting June 4 - June 6, 2004
- “Wages and Educational Credentials: The Case of Registered Nurses in Canada” Canadian Economic Association Meeting May 30 - June 1, 2003

GRANTS

Funded Applications:

- Canadian Embassy Faculty Enrichment Grant for course development (\$3,000)

Unfunded Applications:

- Canadian Labour Market and Skills Researcher Network grant for the study of immigration in Canada (\$15,362)
- University of Maine Summer Faculty Grant (\$7,500)

WORK IN PROGRESS

- “Does Increasing Education Increase the Probability of Promotion? The Case of Registered Nurses in Canada” submitted to Nursing Research October 2007
- “Wages and Educational Credentials for Canadian Nurses” submitted to International Journal of Nursing Studies October 2007
- “An Economic Analysis of the Job Search Decisions for Canadian Nurses” submitted to Journal of Socio-Economics in October 2007.
- “An Analysis of the Labour Market for Immigrant Nurses in Canada” submitted to The Journal of Migration and Integration on March 6th 2007.
- “The Determinants of Job Satisfaction Among Registered Nurses”
- “The Economic Impact of the Nursing Brain Drain from Canada to the United States”
- “Health and Wellness Decisions among Freshmen Students”

COMPUTER SKILLS

- Proficiency with TSP and STATA
- Proficiency with Word, Excel and Power Point
- Experience with mainframe computers

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- American Economic Association
- Canadian Economic Association
- Eastern Economic Association
- Association for the Study of Canada in the United States