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Professional Appointments

Assistant Professor (Tenure Track), Dept. of Economics and Statistics, CSU Los Angeles Aug 2022 – Present

Coordinator, Financial Fitness Program, College of Business and Economics, CSU Los Angeles 2024 – Present

Faculty Research Affiliate, Center for Health Economics and Policy Studies, San Diego State University Aug 2021 – Present

Visiting Assistant Professor, Dept. of Economics, University of Nevada, Las Vegas Aug 2021 – Aug 2022

Adjunct Professor, Dept. of Economics, Finance, and Insurance, University of Hartford Aug 2020 – Aug 2021

Visiting Instructor, Dept. of Economics, Finance, and Insurance, University of Hartford Aug 2019 – Aug 2020

Education

Ph.D., Economics, University of New Hampshire May 2021

Dissertation: “Three Essays in Applied Microeconomics: Spillover Effects of Anti-Discrimination and Anti-Violence Policies.” Chair: Dr. Andrew J. Houtenville.

Cognate in College Teaching, University of New Hampshire May 2021

M.A., Economics, University of New Hampshire May 2015

B.A., Economics, Izmir University of Economics May 2012

Areas of Specialization

Research: Health, Risky Behaviors, Crime, Education, Public and Welfare Economics, Marketing Research

Teaching: Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, Econometrics, Statistics, Health and Public Economics

Publications

“Recreational Marijuana Laws, Racial Disparities in Arrests, and Psychiatric Well-being” (with Zach S. Fone and Joseph J. Sabia). Forthcoming, *Journal of Law and Economics*.

“Female Athletics, Human Capital and Crime: Evidence from a Natural Experiment” (with Joseph J. Sabia and Drew McNichols). *Journal of Human Resources*, 58(3): 1120–1133 (2024).

“Anti-Bullying Laws and Suicide Among Teenagers” (with Joseph J. Sabia and Daniel I. Rees). *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*, 41(3): 787–823 (2022).

“Ignorance Is Bliss: Understanding How the Number of Eco-Labels Affects High vs. Low-Knowledge Consumers” (with Irem Yoruk and Mine Ucok Hughes). *Business Forum*, 30(1): 31–47 (2025).

Under Review

“Actually I Don’t: The Impact of Warrantless Arrest Laws on Divorce and Marriage” (with Ben Brewer). Under review, April 2026.

“The Impact of Anti-Bullying Laws on Youth Organ Donation” (with Ben Brewer). Under review, April 2026.

“Pediatric Vehicular Heatstroke: Heat Exposure, Cabin Biophysics, and the Limits of State-Level Policy Identification”. Under review, May 2026.

Working Papers

“Are LGB Individuals with Disabilities Underserved? Evidence on Disparities in Social Security Disability Benefit Receipt” (with Dhaval Dave and Joseph J. Sabia), March 2026.

“From the Field to the Safety Net: Title IX, Teen Fertility, and Women’s Welfare Program Participation,” April 2026.

“NAFTA and US Crime: Disentangling the Trade and China Shocks” (with Devika Hazra), April 2026.

“The Structure of Suicide Mortality in NAFTA-Exposed U.S. Commuting Zones, 1990–2016,” April 2026. *Preliminary*.

“Did Recreational Marijuana Lower High School Graduation? Evidence from Colorado” (with Zachary Fone), April 2026. *Preliminary*.

“Up in Smoke: The Impact of Medical Marijuana Laws on Organ Donation” (with Ben Brewer), April 2026. *Preliminary*.

“Who the Safety Net Catches: Trade Shocks, Program Design, and Welfare Take-Up After NAFTA” May 2026. *Preliminary*.

Work in Progress

“Trade Shocks, Birth, and Mortality: The Population-Health Response to NAFTA and USMCA in U.S. Commuting Zones, 1985–2023.”

“Trade Shocks and Teen Mental Health.”

“Trade Shocks and Welfare Take Up.”

“Heatstroke and Pediatric Vehicular Mortality”.

“Anti-Hazing Laws, Mental Health, and Student Success.”

“Diaper Taxes and Infant Health.”

Grants

- Social Security Administration** (via UW Madison RDRC) Sep 2024 – Sep 2025
With Joseph J. Sabia and Dhaval M. Dave. Total budget: \$195,996. “Disparities in Social Security Program Participation Between LGB and Non-LGB Households: Evidence from the COVID-19 Pandemic.”
- Bank of America Charitable Foundation** Jul 2025 – Jul 2026
Total budget: \$30,000. “Career Readiness and Employability Advancement Program.”
- CSULA College of Business and Economics, Assessment Mini-Grant** Jun 2025 – Jun 2026
Total budget: \$1,000. 2025–2026 Academic Year.

Fellowships and Awards

- Summer Research Fellowship, CSU Los Angeles College of Business and Economics Summer 2024
- Summer Research Fellowship, CSU Los Angeles College of Business and Economics Summer 2023
- Dissertation Fellowship, Dept. of Economics, University of New Hampshire 2020 – 2021
One recipient per year.
- Graduate Student Service Award, Dept. of Economics, University of New Hampshire 2017 – 2018
- Full Assistantship, Dept. of Economics, University of New Hampshire 2014 – 2019
- Undergraduate Scholarship (tuition waiver and stipend), Izmir University of Economics 2007 – 2012

Conference and Seminar Presentations

- Southern Economic Association Meetings 11/2025, Tampa, FL
- Second Workshop on Violence Against Women (invited) 10/2025, Barcelona, Spain
- Eastern Economic Association Meetings 02/2025, New York, NY
- Society of Economics of the Household Meetings 05/2024, Singapore
- Eastern Economic Association Meetings 02/2024, Boston, MA
- Eastern Economic Association Meetings 02/2023, New York, NY
- Southern Economic Association Meetings 11/2022, Fort Lauderdale, FL
- Southern Economic Association Meetings 11/2021, Houston, TX
- American Society of Health Economists Meetings 06/2021, Online
- Association for Public Policy and Management Student Seminar Series 06/2021, Online
- Southern Economic Association Meetings 11/2020, New Orleans, LA
- Eastern Economic Association Meetings 02/2020, Boston, MA
- Association for Public Policy and Management Meetings 11/2019, Denver, CO
- Western Economic Association Meetings 07/2019, San Francisco, CA

American Society of Health Economists Meetings	06/2019, Washington, DC
Population Association of America Meetings	04/2019, Austin, TX
Eastern Economic Association Meetings	02/2019, New York, NY
Southern Economic Association Meetings	11/2018, Washington, DC
Population Association of America Meetings	04/2018, Denver, CO
Eastern Economic Association Meetings	03/2018, Boston, MA
Southern Economic Association Meetings	11/2017, Tampa, FL

Technical Skills and Data Experience

Software: Stata, R, SAS, MATLAB, ArcGIS, AnyLogic, SPSS, JMP, Eviews, L^AT_EX, Microsoft Office.

Data: National Vital Statistics System (NVSS) restricted microdata (Mortality, Natality), Decennial Census, Current Population Survey (CPS), American Community Survey (ACS), Uniform Crime Reports (UCR), Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS), National Longitudinal Study of Adolescent to Adult Health (Add Health), National Establishment Time Series (NETS), Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS).

Teaching Experience (Instructor of Record)

California State University, Los Angeles

Principles of Microeconomics (multiple sections, Fall 2022 – present); Economics of Healthcare (Spring 2023, 2024, 2025); Applied Microeconomic Analysis, Graduate (Fall 2022, 2023, 2024).

University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Principles of Microeconomics and Macroeconomics (multiple sections, 2021 – 2022).

University of Hartford

Managerial Economics (2021); Principles of Micro- and Macroeconomics (2019 – 2020).

University of New Hampshire (Teaching Assistant)

Environmental Valuation (graduate), Mathematics for Economists (graduate), Econometrics II (graduate), Microeconomic Theory I (graduate), Managerial Economics (MBA), Intermediate Microeconomics, Introductory Macroeconomics.

Referee Service

Eastern Economic Journal, Southern Economic Journal, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management, International Journal of Adolescence and Youth, Journal of Labor Research, SSM – Mental Health.

Graduate Student Advising (M.A. in Economics, CALSTATE LA)

Michael Fernandez (2022–23), Allan Gomez (2023–24), Luis Monterrosa (2023–24), Daniel Robleto (2024–25), Silvi Ashak (2024–25), Sofia Bustillo (2023–25), Kelsey Mitchell (2024–), Jon Oliver (2024–), Sabrina Pirzada (2022–), Braeden Pryor (2025–).

University Service

California State University, Los Angeles

- Senator, Calstate LA Faculty Senate (2026–).
- Program Coordinator, Financial Fitness Program (2024–).
- Program Coordinator, Professional Development Program (2025–).
- Member, Academic Advising Subcommittee, University Level (2025–).
- Member, Graduate Studies Committee, CBE (2025–).
- Member, Ad Hoc Community Engagement Committee, CBE (2024–).
- Member, Ad Hoc M.A. in Economics Task Force (2025–).
- Member, Campus Sustainability Committee (2023–24).
- Chair, Instructional Affairs Committee, Dept. of Econ (2022–).
- Member, Student Affairs Committee, CBE (2022–25).
- Member, Student Affairs Committee, Dept. of Econ (2022–).
- Course Coordinator, Microeconomics, Dept. of Econ (2022–).

University of New Hampshire

- Senator, Graduate Student Senate (2016–19).
- Member, Paul College Diversity and Inclusion Working Group (2018–19).
- Mentor, M.A. Economics Program (2016–19).
- Judge, Undergraduate Research Conference (2018).
- Student Member, Masters Committee (2016–17).

Languages

Turkish (native), English (fluent), German (basic).

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