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Appointments

Assistant Professor of Economics, California State University, Los Angeles	2022 – present
Faculty Affiliate, Center for Health Economics and Policy Studies, San Diego State University	2021 – present
Visiting Assistant Professor of Economics, University of Nevada, Las Vegas	2021 – 2022
Visiting Instructor and Adjunct Professor of Economics, University of Hartford	2019 – 2021

Education

Ph.D., Economics, University of New Hampshire	2021
M.A., Economics, University of New Hampshire	2015
B.A., Economics, Izmir University of Economics	2012

Fields

Health Economics, Public Economics, Labor Economics, Economics of Crime

Publications

Kumpas, G. "Federal Broadband Investment and Rural Business Formation: Evidence from Rejected Applicants." *Telecommunications Policy*, 50(10): 103327 (2026).

Kumpas, G. "Cabin Heat Exposure and Pediatric Vehicular Heatstroke: A Case-Crossover Study of 970 U.S. Deaths, 1998–2025." *Injury Epidemiology* (2026).

Kumpas, G. "Household Composition and Infant Baby Food Expenditure Around the 2022 Federal Medicaid Postpartum Coverage Extension: A Triple-Difference from the Consumer Expenditure Survey." *Economics Bulletin*, 46(3): 1025–1038 (2026).

Fone, Z.S., **Kumpas, G.**, and Sabia, J.J. "Recreational Marijuana Laws and Racial Disparities: New Evidence on Arrests and Deaths of Despair." *The Journal of Law and Economics*, 69(2): 251–284 (2026).

Yoruk, I., **Kumpas, G.**, and Ucok Hughes, M. "Ignorance Is Bliss: Understanding How the Number of Eco-Labels Affects High vs. Low-Knowledge Consumers." *Business Forum*, 30(1): 34–47 (2025).

McNichols, D., Sabia, J.J., and **Kumpas, G.** "Did Expanding Sports Opportunities for Women Reduce Crime? Evidence from a Natural Experiment." *Journal of Human Resources*, 59(3): 810–851 (2024).

Rees, D.I., Sabia, J.J., and **Kumpas, G.** "Anti-Bullying Laws and Suicidal Behaviors Among Teenagers." *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*, 41(3): 787–823 (2022). Wiley Top Cited Article, 2022–2023.

Revise and Resubmit

Kumpas, G. "Broadband Access and Adolescent Births: Evidence from Rejected Applicants to the 2009 Federal Broadband Stimulus." *Health Economics.*

Hazra, D. and **Kumpas, G.** "Impact of Majoritarian Politics on Gender-Based Violence." *Journal of Development Studies.*

Under Review

Kumpas, G. "Federal Broadband Stimulus Raised Rural Fiber but Not Rural Health: Evidence from Rejected ARRA Applicants."

Kumpas, G. "The Capitalized Value of Rural Broadband: Evidence from the 2009 Stimulus."

Kumpas, G. "Refugee Dispersal and Sexually Transmitted Infection in a High-Income Destination: Evidence from England's Full Dispersal Mandate."

Kumpas, G. "The Medicare Buy-In and the Quiet Death of Old-Age Assistance."

Selected Working Papers

"Which Deaths Rose Where NAFTA Hit: Cause- and Method-Specific Evidence from U.S. Death Records."

"The Textile Shock and the Family: Female-Intensive Trade Exposure and Birth Outcomes under NAFTA."

"The Crime Cost of a Trade Agreement: Evidence from NAFTA's Tariff Phase-In" (with Devika Hazra).

"Actually I Don't: The Impact of Warrantless Arrest Laws on Divorce and Marriage" (with Ben Brewer).

"Are Gays and Lesbians with Disabilities Underserved? New Evidence on Disparities in Social Security Disability Benefits" (with Dhaval M. Dave and Joseph J. Sabia).

"High School Sports and Teen Fertility: A Reassessment of Title IX" (with Joseph J. Sabia).

"Does Coverage Reach the Household Budget? Postpartum Medicaid and Out-of-Pocket Medical Spending."

"Why Do Estimates of the Effect of Legal Sports Betting on Mental Health and Suicide Disagree?"

"County General Relief and Federal Disability Reimbursement."

Other working papers, with abstracts: gkumpas.com/working-papers.

Grants

Social Security Administration, Retirement and Disability Research Consortium (via the University of Wisconsin Center for Financial Security). Co-Principal Investigator, with Joseph J. Sabia and Dhaval M. Dave. $195,996. 2024 – 2025

CBE Assessment Mini-Grant, Cal State LA. Principal Investigator. 2025 – 2026

Fellowships and Awards

President's Investiture Award (research re-assigned time), Cal State LA 2026 – 2027

Top Cited Article 2022–2023, *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management* (Wiley) 2024

Summer Research Stipend, College of Business and Economics, Cal State LA 2023, 2024

Dissertation Fellowship, Department of Economics, University of New Hampshire 2020 – 2021

Graduate Student Service Award, Department of Economics, University of New Hampshire 2018

Selected Presentations

Southern Economic Association (2025, 2022, 2021); Workshop on Violence Against Women, Institut d'Economia de Barcelona (2025); Eastern Economic Association (2025, 2024, 2023); Society of Economics of the Household, Singapore (2024); American Society of Health Economists (2021, 2019); Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (2021, 2019); Population Association of America (2019, 2018).

Teaching

Cal State LA: Principles of Microeconomics; Market Structure Economics; Economics of Health Care; Applied Microeconomic Analysis (M.A.); M.A. Thesis. Principles of Microeconomics holds a Quality Matters Certificate of Course Recognition (2025).

Earlier: Principles of Micro- and Macroeconomics (UNLV, Hartford); Managerial Economics (Hartford).

M.A. theses supervised to completion (8): Michael Fernandez (co-advised), Alan Gomez, Luis Monterrosa, Sofia Bustillo, Daniel Robleto, Silvi Ashak, Kelsey Mitchell, Jonathan Oliver.

Service

Referee: *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*, *Southern Economic Journal*, *Eastern Economic Journal*, *Journal of Labor Research*, *International Journal of Adolescence and Youth*, *SSM – Mental Health*, *Frontiers in Political Science*.

Cal State LA: Faculty Advisor, M.A. in Economics; Co-chair, Instructional Affairs Committee; Coordinator, Financial Wellness and Professional Development programs; Academic Advisement Subcommittee (university, elected); Graduate Studies Committee (college, elected); College Senator (alternate).

Memberships: American Society of Health Economists; Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management; Southern Economic Association; Eastern Economic Association.

Data and Skills

Restricted data: NCHS mortality and natality microdata (National Vital Statistics System); geocoded NLSY79. **Software:** Stata, R, SAS, ArcGIS, LaTeX.

Original data: County-level universe of rejected applicants to the 2009 federal broadband infrastructure programs (328 counties), built from archived NTIA application records.