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2007 - 2013 Chair, Department of Economics, Wellesley College  
2007 - 2010 Class of 1919 Professor, Department of Economics, Wellesley College  
2005 - 2007 William R. Kenan, Jr. Professor, Department of Economics, Wellesley College  
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1997 - 2003 Associate Professor, Department of Economics, Wellesley College  
1996 - 1997 Senior Economist, White House Council of Economic Advisers  
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1991 - 1997 Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Wellesley College  
1990 - 1991 Lecturer, Department of Economics, Princeton University

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2023 - Non-Resident Senior Fellow, Brookings Institution  
2021 - 2023 Non-Resident Fellow, Brookings Institution  
2008 - 2012 Editorial Advisory Committee, *Perspectives on Sexual and Reproductive Health*  
2004 - Member, National Academy of Social Insurance  
2000 - 2003 Faculty Affiliate, Joint Center for Research on Poverty  
1998 - Research Associate, National Bureau of Economic Research  
1996 - 1998 Faculty Research Fellow, National Bureau of Economic Research

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“The Causes and Consequences of Declining U.S. Fertility” (co-PI with Melissa Kearney)

Funding Source: Smith Richardson Foundation  
Award Amount and Duration: \$200,000 over two years

Completion Date: December 2024

“Simplified Financial Aid Estimates and College Access, The Role of Facebook.”

Funding Source: JPAL-North America  
Award Amount and Duration: \$50,000 over 18 months  
Completion Date: September, 2018

"The Lasting Effect of Sesame Street on Children’s Development: Lessons for Early Childhood Interventions"

Funding Source: Spencer Foundation  
Award Amount and Duration: \$41,000 over 9 months  
Completion Date: December 2015

“The Impact of Simplifying Estimates of College Costs.”

Funding Source: College Board  
Award Amount and Duration: \$89,000 over 2 years  
Completion Date: December 2015

“Income Inequality and the Decision to Stay in School” (co-PI with Melissa Kearney)

Funding Source: Smith Richardson Foundation  
Award Amount and Duration: \$50,000 over 1 year  
Completion Date: August 2013

"Recessions and Retiree Health" (co-PI with Courtney Coile and Robin McKnight)

Funding Source: Social Security Administration  
Award Amount and Duration: \$50,000 over 1 year  
Completion Date: October 2012

“Explaining Trends in Teen Childbearing” (co-PI with Melissa Kearney)

Funding Source: National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unwanted Pregnancy  
Award Amount and Duration: \$96,000 over 1 year  
Completion Date: August 2011

“Recessions, Social Security, and Living Arrangements of the Elderly” (co-PI with Courtney Coile)

Funding Source: Social Security Administration  
Award Amount and Duration: \$40,000 over 1 year  
Completion Date: October 2011

“The Economic Crisis and Retirement Income.” (co-PI with Courtney Coile)

Funding Source: Upjohn Institute  
Award Amount and Duration: \$10,000 over 8 months  
Completion Date: October 2010

“Reconsidering Retirement: How Losses and Layoffs Affect Older Workers” (co-PI with Courtney Coile)

Funding Source: Social Security Administration  
Award Amount and Duration: \$37,000 over 1 year  
Completion Date: October 2010

“Family Planning Waivers and Teen Fertility” (co-PI with Melissa Kearney)

Funding Source: National Institute of Child Health and Human Development  
Award Amount and Duration: \$137,000 over 2 years  
Completion Date: April 2009

“Targeting Investments in Children: Fighting Poverty When Resources are Limited” (co-PI with David Zimmerman)

Funding Source: Robin Hood Foundation  
Award Amount and Duration: \$250,000 over 1 year  
Completion Date: September 2008

“Children’s Health and Educational Outcomes” (co-PI with Diane Whitmore)

Funding Source: U.S. Department of Education  
Award Amount and Duration: \$100,000 over 18 months  
Completion Date: September 2006

“The Impact of Abortion Legalization on the Family” (co-PI with Jon Gruber and Doug Staiger)

Funding Source: National Institute of Child Health and Human Development  
Award Amount and Duration: \$930,000 over three years  
Completion Date: October 2005

“The Impact of Pay Inequity on the Retirement Income of Women and Minorities” (co-PI with Olivia Mitchell)

Funding Source: American Association of Retired Persons  
Award Amount and Duration: \$49,000 over 8 months  
Completion Date: December 1998

“What Have We Learned About Abortion Policy?” (co-PI with Douglas Staiger)

Funding Source: Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation  
Award Amount and Duration: \$39,000 over 10 months  
Completion Date: November 1998

"The Effects of Maternal Welfare Receipt on Children's Outcomes." (co-PI with David J. Zimmerman)

Funding Source: William T. Grant Foundation  
Award Amount: \$220,000 over 3 years  
Completion Date: December 1998

"The Unemployment Insurance Appeals Process: "Who Fights and Who Wins." (co-PI with Orley Ashenfelter)

Funding Source: United States Department of Labor  
Award Amount and Duration: \$8,500 over 6 months  
Completion Date: November 1995

"Women on the Verge of Retirement: Predictors of Retiree Well-Being" (co-PI with Olivia S. Mitchell)

Funding Source: AARP Andrus Foundation  
Award Amount and Duration: \$75,000 over 1 year  
Completion Date: June 1995

"The Benefit of Additional High School Math and Science Classes for Young Women: Evidence from Longitudinal

Data." (co-PI with David J. Zimmerman)

Funding Source: United States Department of Labor, Women's Bureau  
Award Amount and Duration: \$40,000 over 1 year  
Completion Date: October 1993

## **RECENT PRESENTATIONS AND SEMINARS**

- “The True Cost of College: A Fireside Chat with Phillip Levine”  
American Association of Universities, Chief Academic Officers 2023 Meeting, September 2023
- “Advancing Affordability After the New FAFSA”  
Coalition for College, Annual Meeting, August 2023
- “The Complication with FAFSA Simplification”  
National Association of Student Financial Aid Officers (NASFAA), Annual Meeting, June 2023  
COFHE Financial Aid Retreat, June 2023  
Eastern Association of Student Financial Aid Officers (EASFAA), Annual Meeting, May 2023
- “The Consequences of High-Fatality School Shootings for Surviving Students and their Schools”  
University of Wisconsin, LaFollette School, April 2023.
- “Communicating College Costs On and Off Campus”  
COFHE Financial Aid Retreat (keynote address), June 2023  
COFHE Assembly, April 2023
- “Making College More Affordable: So Many Bad Ideas (and a Couple of Good Ones)”  
National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities (NAICU) Fall Leadership Conference,  
October 2022.
- “US Fertility Trends: Recent Evidence and Implications.”  
NBER Corporate Associates Research Symposium, May 2022
- “A Problem of Fit: How the Complexity of College Pricing Hurts Students – and Universities”  
College Board Forum, October 2022  
COFHE Deans and Vice Presidents of Admissions and Financial Aid Retreat, June 2022  
Coalition for College, July 2022  
National Association of Student Financial Aid Officers (NASFAA), Annual Meeting, June 2022  
National Partnership for Educational Access (NPEA), April 2022  
Massachusetts Association of Student Financial Aid Officers (MASFAA), March 2022  
Brookings Institution, Economics Studies Lunch, February 2022
- “The Racial Wealth Gap, Financial Aid, and College Access”  
Industrial Relations Section Centennial, Princeton University, June 2023  
University of Pittsburgh, September 2022  
National Bureau of Economic Research, Race and Stratification Working Group Meeting, April 2022  
Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, December 2021  
University of Richmond, October 2021



- “Exposure to a School Shooting and Subsequent Well-Being.”  
National Bureau of Economic Research, Summer Institute, Children’s Program Meeting, July 2020
- “Communicating Messages of Affordability and Access using MyinTuition”  
NACAC Annual Conference, September 2019
- “Do College Applicants Respond to Changes in Sticker Prices Even When They Don’t Matter?”  
National Bureau of Economic Research, Education Program Fall Meeting, November 2019  
Harvard University PIER Public Seminar, November 2019  
Lafayette College, September 2019  
DC Econ of Education Seminar, May 2019
- “Colleges’ Experiences Using MyinTuition to Simplify College Cost Estimates”  
College Board Forum, October 2018
- Affordability Roundtable, August 2018  
Coalition for Access, Affordability, and Success Conference: Zero to One Million – Team Up, Dream Up
- “Financial Sustainability and College Access.”  
COFHE Assembly, April 2018.
- “Towards Better Communicating College Costs.”  
ATI Fall 2017 Strategic Support Meeting, October 2017.  
COFHE Financial Aid Officers’ Retreat, June 2017.
- “The Accidental Consequences of Spikes in Gun Sales.”  
Dartmouth College, April 2017.
- “Early Childhood Education by MOOC: Lessons from Sesame Street.”  
University of Texas, Department of Economics, March 2016  
Texas A&M University, Department of Economics, March 2016  
Northwestern University, School of Education and Social Policy, May 2015  
Williams College, Department of Economics, April 2015  
Georgetown University, McCourt School of Public Policy, April 2015  
Harvard University, Department of Economics, March 2015  
University of Illinois, March 2015  
Federal Trade Commission, March 2015  
University of Maryland, Department of Economics, February 2015
- “*MyinTuition*: Wellesley’s Game-Changing Cost Estimator.”  
College Board Forum. October 2014.
- “Designing Effective Mentoring Programs for Disadvantaged Youth”  
The Hamilton Project (Brookings Institution). June 2014.
- “Income Inequality and the Decision to Stay in School”  
World Bank Conference on Equity: Aspirations Poverty and Inequality, May 2014.  
University of New Hampshire, April 2014.  
Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland Income Distribution Workshop, March 2014.  
National Bureau of Economic Research, Universities Research Conference, May 2013.
- “Media Influences on Teen Sexual Behavior and Childbearing: The Impact of MTV’s *16 and Pregnant*.”  
Canadian Institute for Advanced Research, February 2014.  
BU/Harvard/MIT Health Economics Workshop, February 2014.  
Dartmouth College, October 2013.

University of Virginia, November 2013.

“Simplifying Estimates of College Costs.”

College Board, New England Regional Forum. February 2014.

The Hamilton Project (Brookings Institution). October 2013.

“Inequality and Teenage Dropout Behavior”

Cornell University, April 2013.

Purdue University, Department of Economics, March 2012

University of Notre Dame, Department of Economics, March 2012

## **OTHER RECENT PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND AWARDS**

- 2023 Conference co-organizer (with Melissa Kearney), “Fertility and Declining Population Growth in High-Income Countries.” NBER (June).  
Presentation at Trinity College, Borges Dedication (April)  
Presentation at Bates College (Zoom), Board of Trustees Meeting (February)
- 2022 Forbes list of the best higher education books of 2022  
Presentation at University of Richmond, Board of Trustees Meeting (December)  
Presentation at Duke University (Zoom), Board of Trustees Meeting (February)  
Member, NASFAA Task Force on Paying for College Transparency Initiative
- 2018 Boston Globe, 2017 Best of the New People and Ideas.
- 2015 Nominee, Rosabeth Moss Kanter Award for Excellence in Work-Family Research  
Distinguished Faculty Lecture, Wellesley College  
paper selection committee, Society of Labor Economists
- 2014 participant, “Systematic Review Protocol of the Consequences of Teen Pregnancy,” Centers for Disease Control, August.  
participant, Clinton Global Initiative – America, June.
- 2013 participant, “The 37%: Developing a Research Agenda for Addressing Mistimed, Unintended, Unplanned, Unwanted Pregnancy in the U.S.,” National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD).  
conference co-organizer (with Melissa Kearney), NBER Universities Research Conference, May.  
member, external visiting committee, Smith College Department of Economics
- 2011 member, external visiting committee, Swarthmore College Department of Economics

## **PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND ACTIVITIES**

### Associations

American Economic Association

### Committee Service

American Economic Association Ad-Hoc Committee on the Job Market (2006 – 2012)

### Articles Refereed for:

American Economic Review, American Journal of Political Science, American Sociological Review, Contemporary Policy Issues, Demography, Econometrica, Economic Journal, Economics of Education Review, Education Next, Family Planning Perspectives, Health Economics, Industrial Relations, Industrial and Labor Relations Review, Journal of Business and Economic Statistics, Journal of Development Studies, Journal of Economic Literature, Journal of Health Economics, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization, Journal of Legal Studies, Journal of Policy Analysis & Management, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Population Economics, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Urban Economics, Labour Economics, National Tax Journal, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Research in Labor Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, Review of Economics of the Household, Social Science and Medicine.

## **SUBJECTS TAUGHT AT WELLESLEY (all undergraduate)**

Introduction to Probability and Statistical Methods  
Economic Analysis of Social Policy  
Econometrics  
Introduction to Microeconomics  
Intermediate Microeconomic Analysis  
Labor Economics  
Women in the Labor Market

## **WELLESLEY ACTIVITIES**

403b Retirement Oversight Committee	2017-2020
Reappointment and Promotion Committee for Adam Van Arsdale	2017-2019
Search Committee, Director of Admission	2015
Search Committee, Dean of Admission and Financial Aid	2015
Member, Faculty Mortgage Task Force	2013-2014
Chair, Admissions and Financial Aid Policy Committee	2012-2015
Trustee Committee on Admissions and Financial Aid	2012-2015
Search Committee, Vice President for Finance and Treasurer	2012-2013
Faculty Chair, Board of Admissions	2011-2012
Registrar's Advisory Group	2010-2012
Member, Board of Admissions	2010-2011
Trustee Task Force on Endowment Spending	2009-2010
Search Committee, Director of Information Services	2009-2010
American Cities Internship Review Committee	2009-2010
Dean's Council	2008-2010
"Ideas" Committee	2008-2009
Trustee Finance Committee	2007-2010
Chair, Budget Advisory Committee	2007-2010
Financial Planning Working Group, 2015 Commission	2005-2006
Trustee-Faculty Committee on Academic Affairs	2000-2002
Chair, Faculty Benefits Committee	1999-2002
Trustee Finance Committee	1998-2000
Faculty Benefits Committee	1993-1999
Institutional Research Task Force	1993-1994
Technical Advisory Committee	1992-1995
Nominating Committee, Truman Scholarship	1992-2007