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Professional Experience

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Tulane University, August 2011-
External Affiliate, Health Econometrics and Data Group, The University of York, UK, Oct. 2010-
Research Assistant, Demography and Economics of Aging Research, University of North Carolina,
2009–2010
Research Assistant, Department of Economics, University of North Carolina, 2005-2006
Undergraduate Research Fellow, Center for Environmental and Resource Economic Policy, North
Carolina State University, 2003–2005

Education

Ph.D. Economics, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, May 2011
B.S. Economics, North Carolina State University, *Magna Cum Laude*, May 2005

Publications

V. Kerry Smith, Jared C. Carbone, Jaren C. Pope, Daniel G. Hallstrom, Michael E. Darden,
“Adjusting to Natural Disasters.” *Journal of Risk and Uncertainty* (2006) 33: 37-54.

Working Papers

“Smoking, Expectations, and Health: A Dynamic Stochastic Model of Lifetime Smoking Behavior.”
“Smoking, Morbidity, and Mortality: Evidence from a Long Panel.” (with Donna Gilleskie, Daver
C. Kahvecioglu, and Koleman Strumpf)

Research in Progress

“Quality Information Asymmetries and Medicare Plan Choice: The Relationship Between Subjec-
tive and Objective Measures of Quality.”
“The Impacts of Elderly Parent Health Shocks on the Smoking Decisions of the Near-Elderly.”
(with Donna Gilleskie)
“Alcohol Addiction and Preferences for Temptation and Self-Control.” (with Arnie Aldridge)
“The Effects of Economic and Environmental Factors on the Body Mass of Young Children: A
Nationwide Study.” (with Mai Hubbard)

Honors and Awards

University Dissertation Completion Fellowship, University of North Carolina, 2010-2011
Graduate School Transportation Grant, University of North Carolina, 2009
Georges Lurcy Fellowship in Economics, University of North Carolina, 2008-2009
Awarded to the most promising economics graduate student.
Future Faculty Fellowship, University of North Carolina, May 2008
Graduate School Tuition Scholarship, University of North Carolina, 2005-2008
Undergraduate Research Fellowship, CEnREP, North Carolina State University, 2003-2005

Professional Presentations

2011

University of Georgia, Tulane University, University of Connecticut, Vanderbilt University, University of Delaware, Congressional Budget Office, United States Treasury, New York University, Simon Fraser University.

2010

Triangle Health Economics Workshop (Duke University), Second Annual Health Econometrics Workshop (University of Michigan), University of North Carolina Applied Microeconomics Student Workshop.

2009

International Health Economics Association 7th World Congress (Beijing, China), University of North Carolina Applied Microeconomics Student Workshop.

2008

University of North Carolina Applied Microeconomics Student Workshop, University of North Carolina Institute on Aging (Poster).

Teaching Experience

Instructor, Undergraduate Health Economics, University of North Carolina: Spring, Summer 2008.

Instructor, Introduction to Economics, University of North Carolina, Summer 2007.

Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Economics, University of North Carolina: Fall 2006, Spring 2007, (Head Teaching Assistant) Fall 2007.

Computer Skills

FORTRAN, Parallel Processing (MPI), STATA, L^AT_EX, Microsoft Office, ArcGIS

References

Available upon request.