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Academic Positions

Wieler Family Sesquicentennial Assistant Professor, Boston College	2024- present
Assistant Professor of Economics, Boston College	2022- present
Post-Doctoral Fellow, University of Rochester	2021-2022

Education

University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI

Ph.D in Economics	May 2021
Master of Science in Economics	Dec 2017

Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, PA

Bachelors of Arts with High Honors in Economics and Psychology	June 2013
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Published Papers

Patnaik, Arpita, Gwyn Pauley, **Joanna Venator**, and Matthew Wiswall. "The Impacts of Same and Opposite Gender Alumni Speakers on Interest in Economics" *Economics of Education Review* 102 (2024): 102579.

Previous version: [NBER Working Paper w30983](#), February 2023

Patnaik, Arpita, **Joanna Venator**, Matthew Wiswall, and Basit Zafar. "The Role of Heterogeneous Risk Preferences, Discount Rates, and Earnings Expectations in College Major Choice." *Journal of Econometrics* 231, no. 1 (2022): 98-122.

Previous version: [NBER Working Paper w26785](#), February 2020

Venator, Joanna, and Jason Fletcher. "Undue burden beyond Texas: An analysis of abortion clinic closures, births, and abortions in Wisconsin." *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management* 40, no. 3 (2021): 774-813

Previous version: [NBER Working Paper w26362](#), October 2019

Persico, Claudia L., and **Joanna Venator**. "The effects of local industrial pollution on students and schools." *Journal of Human Resources* 56, no. 2 (2021): 406-445.

Working Papers

"Dual-Earner Migration Decisions, Earnings, and Unemployment Insurance"

"To Grandmother's House We Go: Childcare Time Transfers and Female Labor Mobility," *with Garrett Anstreicher*

"Concentrating on His Career or Hers?: Descriptive Evidence on Occupational Agglomeration and Spousal Matching."

"Reproductive Policy Uncertainty and Defensive Investments in Contraception," *with Kate Pennington*

Works in Progress

"Do Workforce Development Programs Bridge the Skills Gap?," *with Lisa Kahn, Eleanor Dillon, and Michael Dalton*

"Early Exposure to Robotics Technology and College Major Choice" *with Garrett Anstreicher and Edoardo Bella*

Policy Papers

Sawhill, Isabel, and **Joanna Venator**. "Reducing Unintended Pregnancies for Low-Income Women." in *Policies to Address Poverty in America*, ed. Melissa Kearney and Benjamin Harris (2014): 37-44.

Reeves, Richard and **Joanna Venator**. "Sex, Contraception, or Abortion? Explaining Class Gaps in Unintended Childbearing." Brookings Working Paper, February 2015.

Sawhill, Isabel, **Joanna Venator**, and Quentin Karpilow. “The Impact of Unintended Childbearing on Future Generations.” Brookings Working Paper, Sept 12, 2014

Seminars, Conferences, and Panels (*† indicates cancelled due to COVID 19*)

- 2024: Ohio State Institute for Population Research, Eastern Economics Association Meeting, Online Spatial and Urban Seminar, KU Leuven Summer Event 2024: Migration and Family Economics, NBER Children Spring Meeting, NBER SI Health Economics, APPAM 2024, Southern Economic Association 2024
- 2023: ASSA 2023 Annual Meeting, Berkeley Haas Real Estate, NYU Economics, Southeast Micro Labor Workshop (UGA/Atlanta Fed), Nebraska Labor Summit, APPAM panel “Inequality, Migration, and Place Based Economics Development, and Equity”, Society of Labor Economics (SOLE) 2023, BSE Summer Forum Migration, NBER SI Gender in the Economy, NBER SI Children (co-author presented), Kansas State
- 2022: ASSA 2022 Annual Meeting, US Census Bureau, ASU 6th Annual Empirical Microeconomics Conference, American Education Finance and Policy (AEFP) 2022, SOLE 2022, University of Rochester, American Society of Health Economists (ASHEcon) 2022, University of Pennsylvania Applied Microeconomics
- 2021: University of Iowa, Norway School of Economics, Boston College, Arizona State University, Colby College, Oxford University, Western University, University of Southern California, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, University of Rochester, Wharton Real Estate, Federal Reserve Board, Federal Reserve Bank of New York, University of Georgia, Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, UC-Irvine, Population Association of America (PAA) 2021, SOLE 2021, Penn State Economics of Education Seminar, 16th Meeting of the Urban Economics Association
- 2020: Society of Economics of the Household (SEHO)[†], SOLE, IWPR and American University Working Group on the Economics of Reproductive Health[†], PAA, Health, History, Demography and Development (H2D2) Research Day, Midwest Economics Association[†]; Young Economists Symposium 2020, Urban Economics Association PhD Workshop; APPAM Fall Conference; Washington State Employment Security Department; Washington Center for Equitable Growth Grantee Conference; Harvard Graduate Panel: ‘Heterogeneity by Gender - Evidence from JMPs’
- 2019: APPAM Fall Conference, 14th Meeting of the Urban Economics Association, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, H2D2 Research Day
- 2018: UW Madison Labor Seminar; APPAM Fall Conference

Honors, Fellowships, and Grants

- 2024: Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health Data For Action Grant (\$98,000); Boston College Teaching Advising and Mentoring Grant (\$8,000)
- 2020: Institute for Research on Poverty Dissertation Fellowship; Washington Center for Equitable Growth Doctoral Grant(\$15,000)
- 2019: AEA Summer Dissertation Fellowship, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago; Alice S. Gengler Graduate Fellowship
- 2018: Culbertson Field Paper Scholarship, Christensen Research Award, Mary Claire Aschenbrenner Phipps Dissertator Fellowship
- 2017: Juli Plant Grainger Summer Research Fellowship, Susan Jane Blake Kocin Scholarship in Labor Economics
- Pre- 2017: Phi Beta Kappa (2013), Sigma Xi Research Fellowship (2011)

Teaching Experience

Boston College: ECON 8085 Graduate Labor I
ECON 3340 Labor Economics (Undergraduate Upper Level)

F22, F23, F24
S23, F23, F24

<u>Univ. of Rochester:</u> Labor Markets (Undergraduate Upper Level)	S22
Freelance Curriculum Design and Writer, Complexly Inc Missoula, MT Educational Video Series, Crash Course Sociology 25 videos, Playlist available at: http://bit.ly/2GZL3rF	Nov 2016 to Jan 2018
<u>UW-Madison Teaching Assistant:</u> Introductory Microeconomics, Intermediate Microeconomics	F15, S16, F16

Advising

Graduate Advisees (indicates chair of dissertation committee)*

Esther Lee (Analysis Group, 2023)
Norihiro Komura (Kyoto University, 2023)
Fangxu Duan (in progress)
Yufeng Shi (in progress)
Yuzhi Yao (in progress)
Vaibhav Ojha (in progress)
Mustafa Runyan (in progress)

Senior Honors Thesis/Capstone Advisees

2024: Benjamin Ragland, Matthew Sher
2025: Denis Mulcahy, Jane Guirl, Sarah Dansreau

Research Experience

University of Wisconsin- Madison

Project Assistant, Prof. Jason Fletcher

Project Assistant, Prof. Claudia Persico

Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago

Summer Fellow

Brookings Institution | Washington DC

Research Assistant, Center for Children and Families

Managing Editor, Social Mobility Memos

Aug 2018 to June 2020

Jan 2017 to July 2018

June 2019- Aug 2019

June 2013 to July 2015

May 2014 to July 2015

Affiliations

Faculty Affiliate, Boston College Global Public Health and the Common Good	2022 to present
Graduate Research Fellow, UW-Madison Institute for Research on Poverty	2017 to 2021
Pre-Doctoral Trainee, UW-Madison Center for Demography and Ecology	2018 to 2021
UW-Madison Collaborative for Reproductive Equity	2018 to 2021
US Census Special Sworn Status	2018 to present

Service

Referee: American Economic Review, Review of Economic Studies, Econometrica, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of Public Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, Review of Economic Dynamics, American Journal of Health Economics, Demographic Research, Demography, Economic Inquiry, Education Economics, Economics of Education Review, Labour Economics, Journal of Human Capital, AEJ Applied, AEJ Policy, Review of Economics of the Household, European Economic Review, Health Affairs, Journal of Health Economics, Journal of Housing Economics, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management, Review of International Economics, Economic Journal

Committee for McCarthy Prize in Social Science, 2024

Society of Labor Economics Conference Program Committee, 2023

CSWEP Liaison, Boston College 2022-present

Public Economics Honors Examiner, Swarthmore College, 2022

Alumni Liaison Officer, Wisconsin Economics Graduate Organization (WEGO), 2017 to 2020

Founder/Board Member, Wisconsinites for Inclusion and Diversity in Economics (WIDE), 2018 to 2020

Additional Information

U.S. Citizen

Programming: Stata, Julia, Python, Matlab, LaTeX, ArcGIS