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Major Fields of Interest

Labor economics, applied econometrics, economics of education, health economics, public economics

Education

Ph.D., Economics	2012	University of California, Davis
M.A., Economics	2007	University of California, Davis
B.A., Economics	2006	University of California, Davis

Professional Experience

Associate Professor (Teaching), University of Southern California, Sol Price School of Public Policy
2018–Present

Graduate courses: Economics for Public Policy; Methods for Policy Analysis; Multivariate Statistical Analysis; Applied Econometrics for Program Evaluation

Undergraduate courses: Economic Analysis for Public Policy; Finance of the Public Sector; Public Policy and Planning Analysis; Empirical Methods for Public Policy

Graduate Labs: Master of Public Policy Statistics Lab; Master of Health Administration STATA Lab

Vice Chair, Department of Public Policy, University of Southern California, Sol Price School of Public Policy
2019–2021

Responsible for management of Master of Public Policy, Master of Science in Public Policy Data Science, and Bachelor of Science in Public Policy programs (including associated minors, certificates, etc.)

Assistant Professor (Teaching), University of Southern California, Sol Price School of Public Policy
2012–2018

Peer-Reviewed Publications

Liberman, Danica B. and **T.J. McCarthy**, “The Cost of Callbacks: Return Visits for Diagnostic Imaging Discrepancies in a Pediatric Emergency Department,” *Emergency Radiology*, 26(4), August 2019, 381-389. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10140-019-01681-4>.

Sun, Di, **T.J. McCarthy**, and Danica B. Liberman, “Cost-Effectiveness of Watchful Waiting in Acute Otitis Media,” *Pediatrics*, 139(4), April 2017, e20163086. DOI: 10.1542/peds.2016-3086.

Larsen, Matthew, **T.J. McCarthy**, Jeremy Moulton, Marianne Page, and Ankur Patel, “War and Marriage: Assortative Mating and the World War II GI Bill”, *Demography*, 52(5), October 2015, 1431-1461.

Melnikow, Joy, Stephen Birch, **T.J. McCarthy**, Christina Slee, L. Jay Helms, and Miriam Kuppermann, “Tamoxifen for Breast Cancer Risk Reduction: Impact of Alternative Approaches to Quality-of-Life Adjustment on Cost Effectiveness Analysis,” *Medical Care*, 46(9), September 2008, 946-953.

Book Chapters and Other Publications

McCarthy, T.J., “The Costs of America’s Post-9/11 Overseas Military Operations,” in C. Castro & E. Weiss (Eds.), *American Military Life in the 21st Century: Social, Cultural, and Economic Issues and Trends*. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO. November 2018.

McCarthy, T.J., “Lifetime Compensation for Military Service,” in C. Castro & E. Weiss (Eds.), *American Military Life in the 21st Century: Social, Cultural, and Economic Issues and Trends*. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO. November 2018.

McCarthy, T.J., *Study Guide* to accompany *Macroeconomics: Theory and Policy*, by B. Modjtahedi, Houghton Mifflin, 2008.

McCarthy, T.J., *Study Guide* to accompany *Microeconomics: Theory and Policy*, by B. Modjtahedi, Houghton Mifflin, 2008.

Awards and Honors

External Awards

Excellence in Research on Military and Veteran Families Award (for “War and Marriage: Assortative Mating and the World War II GI Bill”), Military Family Research Institute, Purdue University, 2016

University of Southern California

Distinguished Faculty Service Award, Academic Senate, 2024

Faculty Fellow, Center for Excellence in Teaching, 2018-2019

Robert Biller Outstanding Faculty Award, USC Price, 2017

Outstanding Professor of the Year, USC Price Graduate Policy and Administration Community, 2015 & 2016

Faculty of the Year Award, USC Price Master of Health Administration program, 2014

Mentor of the Year Award, USC Price Master of Public Policy program, 2014

University of California, Davis

Department of Economics Distinguished Teaching Assistant Award, 2011

Department of Economics Graduate Student Teaching Award, 2010-2011

Service

University Service (University of Southern California)

Academic Senate Committee on Compensation and Benefits (*co-chair*), 2022-present

Steering Committee, Project Full View, 2020-present

Senator, Academic Senate, 2018-2020 and 2022-present

Associate Director, Center for Knowledge-Powered Interdisciplinary Data Science (CKIDS), 2020-present

Committee on Academic Policies and Procedures (CAPP), 2019-present

CAPP Petitions Panel, 2019-present

Academic Senate Committee on Teaching and Learning, 2021-2022

Academic Senate Committee on Finances and Enrollment, 2020-2022
Academic Senate Task Force on Pay Equity and Salary Transparency, 2020-2022
Academic Senate Committee on Research, Teaching, Practitioner, and Clinical-Track Faculty Affairs (previously “Non-Tenure Track Faculty Affairs”), 2014-2020 (**co-chair, 2018-2020**)
Academic Senate Committee on Tenured and Tenure-Track Faculty Affairs, 2018-2020
Academic Senate Committee on Part-Time Faculty Affairs, 2018-2020

School Service (Price School of Public Policy)

BSPP Program Committee, 2022-present
MPP/MPPDS Program Committee, 2022-present
Dean’s Office Review Committee for Executive Master of Leadership Program, 2021-2022
Master of Public Policy Curriculum Review Committee, 2020-2021
Vice Chair, Department of Public Policy, 2019-2021
Academic Affairs Committee, 2019-2021
Teaching Excellence Committee, 2019-2020
Public Policy Field Committee (**chair**), 2016-2019
Master of Health Administration Program Committee, 2014-2015
Master of Public Policy Program Committee, 2012-2015
Undergraduate Program Committee, 2012-2015
Doctor of Policy, Planning, and Development Program Committee, 2013-2014

Doctoral Committee Service

USC Price Ph.D. Dissertation Committee: Renzhi Shen (current), Jung Ho Park (2019), Ryan Merrill (2017)
USC Price Ph.D. Qualifying Exam Committee: Zissis Marmarelis (2022), Renzhi Shen (2022), Soledad De Gregorio (2016)
USC Price DPPD Dissertation Committee: Timothy Walsh (2023, **chair**)
USC Price DPPD Qualifying Exam Committee: Timothy Walsh (2021, **chair**)
USC Price DPPD Screening Exam Advisory Committee: Suh Chen Hsiao (2013), John Wingo (2013), Moraya Moini (2013)
USC Rossier Ph.D. Dissertation Committee: Shira Korn (2020), Paul Bruno (2020), So Yun Park (2019), Edward Cremata (2018)
USC Rossier Ph.D. Qualifying Exam Committee: Shira Korn (2018), Paul Bruno (2017), Edward Cremata (2017), Hovanes Gasparian (2017), So Yun Park (2017)
Other Ph.D. Dissertation Committees: Matthew Multach (Psychology, 2021)
Other Ph.D. Qualifying Exam Committees: Alessandro Giambrone (Economics, 2023), Matthew Multach (Psychology, 2020)

Referee Service

Journal of Policy Analysis & Management; Journal of Public Affairs Education; Contemporary Economic Policy; Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Student Research Online Seminar Series

Additional Service

Policy Council [*Board of Directors*], Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management (APPAM), 2023-present
Undergraduate Education Community (**co-chair**), Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management (APPAM), 2023-present

Committee of Institutional Representatives, Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management (APPAM), 2020-present

Research and Data Science Committee, Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs, and Administration (NASPAA), 2020-present

Undergraduate Education Interest Group (*also member of steering committee*), Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management (APPAM), 2021-2023

Judge, USC Price Robert P. Biller Award for Best Policy Analysis, 2013-2020 and 2022-2023

USC Montes Scholarship Review Committee, 2021

Faculty Advisor for DataFest project (“Data scraping for salary benchmarking”), USC Center for Knowledge-Powered Interdisciplinary Data Science (CKIDS), 2020

Selection Committee for Medical & Science Category, 2015 Lincoln Awards Honoring Veterans

Faculty Advisor for USC Price team in 2014 and 2015 Policy Solutions Challenge regional competitions

Faculty Advisor, Latino Association for Policy, Planning and Development, 2013-2014

Invited Presentations

- “Intimidating Subjects, Misperceptions, and Self-Fulfilling Expectations”, Faculty Fellows Cohort Meeting, USC Center for Excellence in Teaching, September 30, 2022.
- “Evidence-Based Policy and Decision-Making”, USC Price Global Visiting Scholars Platform, January 18, 2019.
- “Economics and Public Policy Analysis”, USC Price International Summer Scholars Program, July 18, 2017.
- “The WWII-Era GI Bill of Rights”, Association of Pacific Rim Universities Symposium 2017: Policy and Professional Practice to Enhance the Health and Well-Being of Military Veterans in the Pacific Rim, University of Southern California, May 18, 2017.
- “Methods for Policy Analysis”, MD/MPH Health Policy Seminar, USC Keck School of Medicine, June 16, 2016.
- “Economics and Quantitative Methodology for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Research and Policy”, IPR Guest Lecture Series, Institute for Health Promotion & Disease Prevention Research, USC Keck School of Medicine, December 5, 2014.
- “The Vietnam War, College Deferments, and Men’s Marital Prospects”, USC Price Doctoral Research Seminar, USC Price School of Public Policy, October 31, 2013.
- “The Vietnam War, College Deferments, and Men’s Marital Prospects”, Economics Department Seminar, University of San Francisco, November 1, 2012.