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PRESENT POSITION

2001-present Assistant Professor of Economics, Department of Economics and the Woodrow Wilson School of International and Public Affairs, Princeton University

AFFILIATIONS

2003-present Faculty Associate, Education Research Center, Princeton University
2001-present Faculty Research Fellow, National Bureau of Economic Research
2001-present Faculty Associate, Center for Health and Well Being, Princeton University
2001-present Faculty Associate, Office of Population Research, Princeton University

EDUCATION

2001 **Ph.D.** Economics, Columbia University
1998 **M.A.** Economics, Columbia University
1996 **B.A.** Economics, Louisiana State University
1995 **DEUG** Economics, Université de Paris IX–Dauphine

HONORS AND GRANTS

2005 Ralph O. Glendinning University Preceptorship of Economics and Public Affairs, Princeton University
2004 NIH Grant “The Relationship between College Education and Health” (With Christina Paxson and Cecilia Rouse)
2003-2004 NBER Aging and Health Research Fellowship
2002 Dorothy S. Thomas Award by the Population Association of America awarded to the best graduate paper on the relationship between health and SES.
2001 PhD with distinction, Columbia University

1996-2001 President's Fellow, Columbia University
 1998-1999 Public Policy Consortium Fellowship, Columbia University
 1998-1999 Bradley Fellowship, Columbia University
 1996 B.A. Summa cum Laude (GPA 4.0)
 1995 DEUG Cum Laude Top 2% of graduating class (9th out of 768)
 1992-1993 Valedictorian Scholarship, Universidad Externado de Colombia

PUBLISHED AND FORTHCOMING PAPERS

“Technological Innovation and Inequality in Health,” joint with Sherry Glied, January 2008, forthcoming *Demography*.

“Education and Health: Evaluating theories and evidence,” joint with David Cutler, The Effects of Social and Economic Policy on Health, Editors J. House, R. Schoeni, G. Kaplan, and H. Pollack, forthcoming, Russell Sage Press.

“Competing Risks and the War on Cancer,” joint with Bo Honoré, *Econometrica*, Vol. 74, Issue 6, November 2006.

“Financial Development and Pathways of Growth: State Branching and Deposit Insurance Laws in the United States From 1900 To 1940,” joint with Rajeev Dehejia, *Journal of Law and Economics*, vol. 50, May 2007.

“The Determinants of Mortality,” joint with David Cutler and Angus Deaton, *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, Vol. 20, No. 3, Summer 2006.

“Estimation of Models with Grouped and Ungrouped Data by Means of “2SLS”,” joint with Phoebus J. Dhrymes, *Journal of Econometrics*, (2006) Vol. 133, No. 3, pp. 1-29.

“The Effect Of Education On Medical Technology Adoption: Are The More Educated More Likely To Use New Drugs?,” joint with Frank Lichtenberg, special issue of the *Annales d’Economie et Statistique* in memory of Zvi Griliches, forthcoming.

“Access to Care, Provider Choice and the Infant Health Gradient,” joint with Anna Aizer and Mark Stabile, *American Economic Review Papers and Proceedings*, Vol. 95, No. 2, May 2005.

“The Relationship between Education and Adult Mortality in the United States,” *Review of Economic Studies*, Vol.72 (1), January 2005.

- Reprinted in Modern Classics in the Economics of Education, edited by Clive R. Belfield, Edward Elgar Publishing Inc., 2006.
- Awarded the Dorothy S. Thomas Award in 2002

“Booms, Busts and Babies’ Health,” joint with Rajeev Dehejia, *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, Vol. 119, No. 3, August 2004.

“Were Compulsory Education and Child Labor Laws Effective? An Analysis from 1915 to 1939 in the U.S.,” *Journal of Law and Economics*, Vol XLV(2), October 2002, pp. 401-435.

WORK IN PROGRESS

“Longevity and human capital investments: evidence from declines in maternal mortality,” joint with Seema Jayachandran, June 2007 (under revision for the *Quarterly Journal of Economics*)

“The needs of the Army: using compulsory relocation in the military to estimate the effect of air pollutants on children’s health,” October 2006 (under revision for the *Journal of Human Resources*)

“Understanding Health Differences by Education,” joint with David Cutler, June 2007

“Education and Cognitive Ability,” Joint with David Cutler, January 2008

“Competing risks and the effect of education on cancer” joint with Bo Honoré

“Socio-economic status and Health: Reconsidering the Evidence for Causal Pathways,” joint with Bo Honoré

“Infant Health Gradients and Access To Care: Evidence from California’s Disproportionate Share Program,” joint with Anna Aizer and Mark Stabile. NBER Working Paper #10445, April 2004

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Commentary on “Immigration, Health, and New York City: Early Results Based on the U.S. New Immigrant Cohort of 2003,” by Guillermina Jasso, Douglas S. Massey, Mark R. Rosenzweig, and James P. Smith. Federal Reserve Bank of New York *Economic Policy Review* 11, no. 2 (December): 153-5.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Princeton University 2001-2007

Intermediate Microeconomics with calculus (Economics Undergraduate Course)

Microeconomic Analysis—Basic (MPA Course)

The Economics of Health and Health Care (MPA Course)

The Economics of Health and Health Care (Undergraduate Course)

Public Finance (Economics Ph.D. course)

Advanced Topics in Economics (Economics Undergraduate course)

Columbia University 1996-2001

Teaching Assistant for Intermediate and Graduate Microeconomics

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Referee

American Economic Review, Econometrica, Economic Journal, Economics of Education Review, European Economic Review, Health Affairs, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Economic Growth, Journal of Health Economics, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Health Economics, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Population Economics, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of the European Economic Association, National Science Foundation, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Review of Economic Studies, Review of Economics and Statistics.

Seminar presentations

Brigham Young University, Brown University, Case Western University, City University of New York, Columbia University, Cornell University, Dartmouth University, Duke University, Federal Reserve Board Washington, Federal Reserve Bank New York, Federal Reserve Bank Philadelphia, Free University of Amsterdam, Harvard, IHEA conference, London School of Economics, MIT, Michigan State University, NBER Summer Institute, NYU, Notre Dame University, Pompeu Fabra University, Princeton University, Rand Santa Monica, SUNY Buffalo, Tillburg Institute, Toronto University, University of Illinois-UC, UC-Davis, UC-Irvine, UC-Berkeley, UCLA, University College London, University of Chicago Business School, University of Chicago Harris School, University of Houston, University of Maryland, University of Montreal, University of Pennsylvania, University of Texas A&M, University of Virginia, Vanderbilt University, World Bank, Yale University.

PhD students supervised

Economics Department:

Nisreen Salti (American University of Beirut),

Wesley Yin (Chicago Harris School),

Debopam Bhattacharya (Dartmouth)

Ferit Ucar

Office of Population Research:

Juan Guzman (World Bank).

PERSONAL

Citizenship: U.S. citizen, born in Colombia.

Date of Birth: July 26, 1974.

Marital status: Married to Todd Muney.

Children: Leila Muney.