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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor, Department of Health Services Policy and Management, University of South Carolina, August 2015-present
Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Furman University August 2012-August 2015.
Officer, United States Marine Corps, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, May 2002-June 2007.

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Economics, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee, May 2012
Major Fields: Health and Environmental Economics, Public Finance
Minor Fields: Industrial Organization, Applied Econometrics

M.A., Economics, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee, August 2010

M.B.A., Cameron University, Lawton, Oklahoma, December 2007

B.S., Economics, United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD, *with Honors and Distinction*, May 2002

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Health Economics (Fall 2015, Undergraduate)
The Economics of Health and Health Care Reform (Spring 2013, 2014, Undergraduate)
Empirical Methods in Economics (i.e. Econometrics-Fall 2014, Undergraduate)
The Economics of Health and Health Care Reform (Spring 2013, 2014, Undergraduate)
Environmental Economics (Fall 2013, Undergraduate)
Introduction to Economics (Fall 2013, Spring 2013-2014, Undergraduate)
Public Finance (co-taught Spring 2012, Undergraduate)
Intermediate Macroeconomics (Fall 2009, Undergraduate)
Principles of Economics (Summer 2009-2010, Undergraduate)

JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

Lindley, Lisa, Sandra Mixer, and Melanie Cozad (forthcoming). The Influence of Nursing Unit Characteristics on RN Vacancies in specialized hospice and palliative care. *American Journal of Hospice and Palliative Medicine*.

Cozad, Melanie, Lisa Lindley, and Sandra Mixer (forthcoming). Staff Efficiency Trends Among Pediatric Hospices, 2002-2011. *Nursing Economic\$*

Lindley, Lisa, Sandra Mixer, Melanie Cozad (2014). The Effect of Pediatric Knowledge on Hospice Care Costs. *American Journal of Hospice and Palliative Medicine* 31(3): 269-274.

JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS (continued)

Cozad, Melanie, Bruno Wichmann (2013). Efficiency of Health Care Delivery Systems: Effects of Health Insurance Coverage. *Applied Economics* 45(29): 4082-4094.

Cozad, Melanie, Jacob LaRiviere. (2013) Fuel Price Increases and the Timing of Changes in Household Driving Decisions. *Journal of Environmental Economics and Management* 65(2): 194-207.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

“Can and should we put a price tag on nature?” (Op-Ed), with John Quinn, October 5th 2014, <http://www.greenvilleonline.com/story/opinion/contributors/2014/10/04/can-put-price-tag-nature/16684369>

“The Tennessee Economy: Long-Term Outlook” with M. Murray et al., *An Economic Report to the Governor of the State of Tennessee*, January 2011

JOURNAL MANUSCRIPTS UNDER-REVIEW

Lindley, L.C., & Cozad, M.J. (under review). Nurse knowledge, work environment, and turnover in highly specialized pediatric end-of-life care: Implications for Advanced Practice Nurses. *Journal for Specialists in Pediatric Nursing*.

Cozad, M.J. Lindley, L.C., Mixer, S.J. (under review). Using agency nurses to fill RN vacancies within specialized hospice and palliative care. *Policy, Politics, & Nursing Practice*.

JOURNAL MANUSCRIPTS UNDER-DEVELOPMENT

Cozad, M.J. (WIP) “The Impacts of Health Care Reform on Hospital Salaries, Wages, and Hours: Lessons from Massachusetts”

Cozad, M.J. (WIP) “Better to Be Safe than Sorry? The Impact of Massachusetts Health Reform on Hospitals”

Cozad, M.J. (WIP) “The Effects of Health Care Reform on Hospital Uncompensated Care Costs: Lessons from Massachusetts”

Cozad, M.J and Quinn, J. (WIP) “Willingness to Pay for Forest Conservation in Upstate South Carolina: A Contingent Valuation Survey”

GRANTS

Internal Ongoing Research Support

11550-GA02

Cozad, M. (PI)

11/01/2015-05/31/2-15

SC Center for Effectiveness Research in Orthopaedics/Smartstate/SC Commission on Higher Education.

Exploring Methods to Elicit Individual Patient Preferences at Diagnosis to Inform Patient-centered Care. (\$35,481)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (continued)

“The Effect of the 1979 Oil Price Shock on Auto Emissions,” North Carolina Camp Resources, Center for Environmental and Resource Economic Policy Workshop, Wrightsville Beach, NC, August 2011

“Efficiency of Health Care Delivery Systems: Effects of Health Insurance Coverage”
National Tax Association 103rd Annual Conference on Taxation, Chicago, IL, November 2010,
Poster Session, presented with Bruno Wichmann

INVITED PRESENTATIONS, INTERVIEWS, AND SEMINARS

Invited Seminar, “United States Health Care Reform” Greenville Health System Medical Experience Academic Program, Greenville, SC, July 2015.

Invited Seminar, “The Impacts of Health Care Reform on Hospital Salaries, Wages, and Hours: Lessons from Massachusetts,” University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM, January 2015.

Invited Seminar, “The Impacts of Health Care Reform on Hospital Salaries, Wages, and Hours: Lessons from Massachusetts,” Greenville Health System, Greenville, SC, January 2015.

Invited Seminar, “The Impacts of Health Care Reform on Hospital Salaries, Wages, and Hours: Lessons from Massachusetts,” University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC, January 2015.

Participant, Continuing Education Program: Health Economics, American Economic Association Meetings, Boston, MA, January 2015.

Invited Participant, Interdisciplinary Piper Ethics Seminar, Furman University, Greenville, SC, August 2014-June 2015

Invited Presentation, “Gearing Up for Health Care Reform in 2014: An Economic Perspective,” South Carolina Healthcare Financial Management Association, Columbia, SC, January 2014

Interview for “Up Front Health Care,” health care reform TV special produced by WSPA Channel 7, Greenville, SC, December 2013

Invited Participant, Committee on the Status of Women in the Economics Profession Regional Mentoring Workshop, Tampa, FL, November 2013

Invited Discussant, “Changes in Children’s Health Insurance Coverage Following Public Insurance Expansions-United States, 2008-2011”, 11th Southeastern Health Economics Study Group, Baltimore, MD, October 2013

Invited Participant, The Vocations of the Professoriate: Are We Called to Engage the Public?:
Interdisciplinary Faculty Seminar, Furman University, Greenville, SC, August 2013-June 2014

INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

Junior Research Consultant, World Bank. January 2012-May 2013. Research on Palestinian municipal fiscal structure.

Traveled on initial visit to West Bank in March 2012.

Conducted follow up visit in October 2012.

REFEREE EXPERIENCE

Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization
Inquiry
Nursing Economic\$
Health Services Research
PLOS One

OTHER ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Assistant, Center for Business and Economic Research, University of Tennessee, January 2010-May 2012, on National Science Foundation study: *Large-scale Spatially Embedded Interpersonal Networks: Measurement, Modeling, and Dynamics*. PI: Carter Butts, University of California, Irvine with Nicholas Nagle, University of Tennessee. NSF Award: #BCS-0827027

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Furman University
Robert E. Hughes Endowed Professorship, 2013-2015

The University of Tennessee
Participant, Fourth Lindau Meeting on Economic Sciences, Lindau, Germany, August 2011
State Farm Doctoral Dissertation Award Winner, Summer 2011 (\$10,000)
Outstanding Graduate Student Seminar Presentation, Department of Economics, Spring 2011
Outstanding Graduate Student Seminar Presentation, Department of Economics, Spring 2010
Outstanding Graduate Student Research Project, Department of Economics, Fall 2009
J. Fred and Wilma A. Holly Fellowship, College of Business Administration, 2008-2011.

United States Marine Corps
Joint Service Achievement Medal
National Defense Service Medal
Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal
Combat Action Ribbon
Afghanistan Campaign Medal
Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal (Afghanistan)

United States Naval Academy
Roger Fredland Outstanding Economics Student Award, May 2002
Fund for the American Studies Institute on Political and Economic Systems Fellowship, Prague, Czech Republic, Summer 2001

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCH ADVISOR

Brittany Fulton (2013)- “Big Macs, Commutes and BMI: A Cross Sectional Analysis of the Built Food Environment and its Impact on Unhealthy Food Consumption”

Sarah Harris (2013)- “Big Macs, Commutes and BMI: A Cross Sectional Analysis of the Built Food Environment and its Impact on Unhealthy Food Consumption”

Jenny Warnken (2014)- “Socio-Ecological Analysis of Conservation Opportunities on an Urban-Rural Gradient in Upstate South Carolina”

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Economic Association
Academy Health
Southern Economic Association
American Society of Health Economists

REFERENCES

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