

Interests Health economics, labor economics, social security, applied econometrics.

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Current positions and affiliations

Since 2020 University of Zürich, Department of Economics
Senior researcher, Jacobs Center for Productive Youth Development.

Affiliations Institute for Labor Economics (IZA) research fellow, CESifo network affiliate.

Past positions and research visits

2020 Harvard University, Harvard Medical School
Postdoctoral fellow, Department of Health Care Policy/NBER.

2019 University of Basel, Department of Economics
Postdoctoral fellow, Labour Economics Research Group.

2019 University of St. Gallen, Department of Economics
Doctoral/postdoctoral fellow, Center for Disability and Integration.

2018 Sanitas Health Insurance, Zürich
Data Scientist, Advanced Analytics Division.

2015 University of Uppsala, Department of Statistics/IFAU
Research stay, Institute for Evaluation of Labor Market and Education Policy (IFAU).

Education

2017 University of St. Gallen, School of Economics and Political Science
PhD in Economics, specialization track: Econometrics, grade: 6.o/6.o.
Thesis committee: Michael Lechner, Rafael Lalive, Reto Föllmi.

2011 University of Freiburg, Faculty of Economics and Behavioral Sciences
Diploma in Economics.

Research

Publications Peers with special needs: Effects and policies. 2021. *Review of Economics and Statistics*. *Forthcoming*. (With S. Balestra and B. Eugster).

Summer-born struggle: The effect of school starting age on health, education, and work. 2020. *Health Economics* 29(5), 591–607. (With S. Balestra and B. Eugster).

Does external medical review reduce disability insurance inflow? 2019. *Journal of Health Economics* 64, 108–128.

Disability discrimination in higher education: analyzing the quality of counseling services. 2017. *Education Economics* 25(6), 543–553. (With E. Deuchert, L. Kauer, and C. Wuppermann).

Aging faster in office? the effect of extended service in political office on longevity. 2016. *Applied Economics Letters* 23(7), 510–515. (With E. Deuchert).

	On the heterogeneity of terror. 2014. <i>European Economic Review</i> 68, 116–136. (With K. Kis-Katos and G. Schulze).
	On the origin of domestic and international terrorism. 2011. <i>European Journal of Political Economy</i> 27, 17–36. (With K. Kis-Katos and G. Schulze).
Working papers	Who Increases Emergency Department Use? New Insights from the Oregon Health Insurance Experiment. 2022. Tulane University/University of Zürich. <i>Under review</i> . (With A. Denteh).
	Physicians and the production of health: Returns to health care during the mortality transition. 2021. University of Zürich. <i>Revise and resubmit at the Review of Economics and Statistics</i> . (With B. Mäder).
	Behavioral Responses to Supply-Side Drug Policy During the Opioid Epidemic. 2021. Harvard University. <i>Under review</i> . (With S. Balestra, N. Maestas, and T. Sherri).
	Dealing with uncertainty: Seller reputation in the online market for illegal drugs. 2021. University of St. Gallen/University of Zürich. <i>Under review</i> . (With N. Eschenbaum).
	Predicting disability enrollment using machine learning. 2019. <i>NBER Disability Research Center Paper NB 18-Q4</i> . (With T. Layton, N. Maestas, D. Prinz, and B. Vabson).
Work in progress	The World Parenting Survey. 2021. University of Zürich. (With U. Zölitz).
	Price vs. quantity mechanisms in managed care plans: Cost efficiency, adverse selection and corporate capture. 2021. University of Zürich. (With L. Kauer and T. Müller).
	Disability insurance, labor supply and latent work capacity in the US population. 2020. Harvard University. (With N. Maestas, K. Mullen, and S. Rose).
Other publications	Arbeitsanreize in der Schweizerischen Invalidenversicherung. 2016. <i>Education Permanente</i> 1, 40–44. (With B. Eugster).
	Gezeigt dass es geht? Wirksamkeit unterschiedlicher Politikansätze zur Integration von Menschen mit Behinderung aus volkswirtschaftlicher Perspektive. In: <i>Berufliche Inklusion von Menschen mit Behinderung: Best Practices aus dem ersten Arbeitsmarkt</i> . Ed. by S. Böhm, D. Dvertmann, and M. Baumgärtner. Berlin-Heidelberg: Springer, 23–43. 2013 (with E. Deuchert).
Referee services	Journal of Health Economics, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Labour Economics, Health Economics, Social Science & Medicine, Education Economics, Parliamentary Affairs.

Presentations

2021	University of Rotterdam (invited); Royal Economic Society; NBER Meeting on Improving Health Outcomes for an Aging Population.
2020	TU Munich (invited); BCBS Axis, Chicago (invited).
2019	Society of Labor Economists, Arlington; American Society for Health Economists, Washington D.C.; Health Economics seminar, Department of Health Care Policy, Harvard University.
2018	CESifo Area Conference on Employment and Social Protection, Munich; Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics, St. Gallen; European Workshop On Econometrics and Health Economics, Groningen; Brown Bag seminar, University of Lugano (invited); Development Economics Research Seminar, University of Göttingen (invited).
2017	American Economic Association, Chicago; Research seminar, University of Freiburg (invited); Workshop on Economics of Education, Catanzaro; European Economic Association, Lisbon; Verein für Socialpolitik, Vienna; Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics, Lausanne.
2016	Research seminar, University of Luzern (invited); European Workshop On Econometrics and Health Economics, Odense.

2015 Society of Labor Economists, Montreal; Young Swiss Economists Meeting, Zürich; 5. Workshop Arbeitsmarkt und Sozialpolitik, ifo Institut Dresden; Brown Bag Seminar, University of Uppsala/IFAU (invited).

Grants and awards

2021 Swiss Prize for Research in Education 2021, (25,000 CHF).
SNSF Project Grant No. 204661 (2021–2024), The World Parenting Survey, (with Ulf Zölitz, 474,760 CHF).
Jacobs Foundation Research Grant, The World Parenting Survey, (with Ulf Zölitz, 500,000 CHF).

2018 SNSF Early Postdoc Mobility fellowship, Swiss National Science Foundation, (83,400 CHF).
Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics Young Economist Award, (1,000 CHF).
Basic Research Fund Grant, University of St. Gallen, (with B. Eugster (PI) and S. Balestra, 40,000 CHF).

2017 SNSF Project Grant No. 176381 (2017–2020), Children with special needs: Long-term effects of early therapy and peer composition in schools, Swiss National Science Foundation, (with B. Eugster (PI) and S. Balestra, 180,005 CHF).
Richard-Büchner Foundation funding grant, The opioid crisis: Pain medication, prescriber regulation and illicit drug substitution, (with S. Balestra, 17,000 CHF).
Best dissertation in economics and finance, University of St. Gallen, (1,500 CHF).

2012 SNSF Project Grant No. 143317 (2012–2014), Moral Hazard and Disability Insurance: Evidence from the fourth and fifth revision of the Swiss Disability Insurance Act, Swiss National Science Foundation, (with E. Deuchert (PI) and L. Kauer, 110,039 CHF).

Teaching experience

Lectures Text Analysis in R (Winter School in Data Analytics and Machine Learning, FS 2020, FS 2022).
Methods for Unstructured Data (PhD course, FS 2020, FS 2021).
Computational Data Analytics for Economists (PhD course, FS 2018, with A. Strittmatter).

Teaching assistant Introductory Econometrics (SS 2016, SS 2015, SS 2014), Macroeconomics (SS 2014, SS 2013, SS 2010, FS 2009), Microeconomics (FS 2014, FS 2013), Environmental Economics (FS 2010).

Skills

Tools Vim, Emacs, Git, GIS, Linux.

Programming Python, R, Stata, Oracle SQL, Bash, Latex.

Languages German (native), English (fluent), French (basics).

References

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