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EDUCATION:

- 2010** **University of Michigan**
Ph.D. in Economics
- 2007** **University of Michigan**
M.A. in Economics
- 2001** **Boston College**
B.A. with major in Economics, *summa cum laude*

EMPLOYMENT:

- 2010-present** **Boston College, Center for Retirement Research**
Research Economist
- 2008-2009** **ICPSR Summer Program**
Team Leader and Computing Consultant
- 2005-2009** **University of Michigan**
2007-2009 Graduate Student Instructor, School of Public Health
2005-2008 Graduate Student Research Assistant, Economic Research Initiative on the Uninsured
- 2008** **Institute of Medicine**
Consultant
- 2001-2004** **Federal Reserve Bank of Boston**
Research Associate

HONORS:

- 2009-2010 University of Michigan, Gail Roggin Wilensky Fellowship
2001 Boston College, Alice E. Bourneuf Award
2000 Boston College, Phi Beta Kappa

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Spring 2016 Microeconomic Theory (Undergraduate); Boston College
Fall 2015 Public Policy in an Aging Society (Undergraduate); Boston College
Spring 2014 Public Policy in an Aging Society (Undergraduate); Boston College
Fall 2014 Public Policy in an Aging Society (Undergraduate); Boston College
Spring 2014 Public Policy in an Aging Society (Undergraduate); Boston College
Fall 2013 Public Policy in an Aging Society (Undergraduate); Boston College
Spring 2013 Microeconomic Theory (Undergraduate); Boston College
Spring 2012 Microeconomic Theory (Undergraduate); Boston College

PUBLICATIONS:

Refereed Journal Articles

“How Do Financial Resources Affect the Timing of Retirement After a Job Separation?”
accepted at *Industrial and Labor Relations Review*.

“The Effects of the Great Recession on the Retirement Security of Older Workers,” with Alicia H. Munnell. 2013. *Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* 650(1): 124-142.

“Hispanics and Health Insurance Coverage: The Rising Disparity” with Catherine G. McLaughlin. 2008. *Medical Care* 46(10): 1086-1092.

“Higher Income and Uninsured: Common or Rare?” with Hanns Kuttner. 2007. *Health Affairs* 26(6): 1,745-1,752.

“Stock Prices and the Equity Premium during the Recent Bull Market,” with Richard W. Kopcke. 2004. *New England Economic Review* 2004(1): 63-85.

Working Papers

“The Impact of Temporary Assistance Programs on the Social Security Claiming Age,” with Geoffrey T. Sanzenbacher and April Yanyuan Wu. 2015. Working Paper 2015-27. Chestnut Hill, MA: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

“Job Polarization and Labor Market Outcomes for Older, Middle-Skilled Workers,” with Qi Guan. 2015. Working Paper 2015-23. Chestnut Hill, MA: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

“What Causes Workers to Retire Before They Plan?” with Alicia H. Munnell and Geoffrey T. Sanzenbacher. 2015. Working Paper 2015-22. Chestnut Hill, MA: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

“How Does Occupational Access for Older Workers Differ by Education?” with Steven A. Sass and Jorge D. Ramos-Mercado. 2015. Working Paper 2015-20. Chestnut Hill, MA: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

“The Transition from Defined Benefit to Defined Contribution Pensions: Does It Influence Elderly Poverty?” with Natalia S. Orlova and April Yanyuan Wu. 2015. Working Paper 2015-17. Chestnut Hill, MA: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

“Will the Average Retirement Age Continue to Increase?” with Christopher M. Gillis and Anthony Webb. 2015. Working Paper 2015-16. Chestnut Hill, MA: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

“Improving Employees’ Life and Disability Insurance Benefit Decisions: Results of an Employer Survey,” with Anek Belbase and Norma B. Coe. 2015. Working Paper 2015-6. Chestnut Hill, MA: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

“Do Tax Incentives Increase 401(k) Saving? Evidence from the Adoption of Catch-Up Contributions,” with April Yanyuan Wu and Francis M. Vitagliano. 2014. Working Paper 2014-17. Chestnut Hill, MA: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

“Are Retirees Falling Short? Reconciling the Conflicting Evidence,” with Alicia H. Munnell and Anthony Webb. 2014. Working Paper 2014-16. Chestnut Hill, MA: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

“Why do SSI and SNAP Enrollments Rise in Good Economics Times and Bad?” with April Yanyuan Wu. 2014. Working Paper 2014-10. Chestnut Hill, MA: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

“Lower-Income Individuals Without Pensions: Who Misses Out and Why?” with April Yanyuan Wu. 2014. Working Paper 2014-2. Chestnut Hill, MA: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

“How Do Subjective Longevity Expectations Influence Retirement Plans?” with Mashfiqu R. Khan and April Yanyuan Wu. 2014. Working Paper 2014-1. Chestnut Hill, MA: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

“Point of No Return: How Do Financial Resources Affect the Timing of Retirement After a Job Separation?” 2013. Working Paper 2013-21. Chestnut Hill, MA: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

“How Will Older Workers Who Lose Their Jobs During the Great Recession Fare in the Long-Run?” with Natalia Orlova and Anthony Webb. 2013. Working Paper 2013-9. Chestnut Hill, MA: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

“How Does the Composition of Disability Insurance Applicants Change Across Business Cycles?” with Norma B. Coe. 2013. Working Paper 2013-5. Chestnut Hill, MA: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

“What is the Long-Term Impact of *Zebley* on Adult and Child Outcomes?” with Norma B. Coe. 2013. Working Paper 2013-3. Chestnut Hill, MA: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

“Sticky Ages: Why is Age 65 Still a Retirement Peak?” with Norma B. Coe and Mashfiqur Khan. 2013. Working Paper 2013-2. Chestnut Hill, MA: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

“Holding Out or Opting Out? Deciding Between Retirement and Disability Applications in Recessions.” 2012. Working Paper 2012-26. Chestnut Hill, MA: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

“Great Recession-Induced Early Claimers: Who Are They? How Much Do They Lose?” with Norma B. Coe. 2012. Working Paper 2012-12. Chestnut Hill, MA: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

“The Impact of Unemployment Insurance Extensions on Disability Insurance Application and Approval Rates.” 2011. Working Paper 2011-17. Chestnut Hill, MA: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

“Long-Run Earnings Volatility and Health Insurance Coverage: Evidence from the SIPP Gold Standard File.” 2011. Working Paper 11-35. Washington, DC: Center for Economic Studies, U.S. Census Bureau.

“Asymmetric Information and the Generosity of Employer-Sponsored Health Insurance.” 2010. Working Paper. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan.

“Another Moment to Consider: Health Plan Choice and the Distribution of Out-Of-Pocket Medical Spending.” 2010. Working Paper. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan.

“Measuring the Incidence of the Personal Income Tax Through Pre-Tax Wage Changes,” with Shanthi P. Ramnath. 2010. Working Paper. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan.

“Decomposing the Growing Disparity in Health Insurance Coverage between Hispanics and Non-Hispanic Whites,” with Catherine G. McLaughlin. 2008. *Economic Research Initiative on the Uninsured Working Paper* 56.

Issues in Brief

“Do Catch-Up Contributions Increase 401(k) Saving?” with Qi Guan, April Yanyuan Wu, and Francis M. Vitagliano. 2015. *Issue in Brief* 15-10. Chestnut Hill, MA: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

“Are Retirees Falling Short? Reconciling the Conflicting Evidence,” with Alicia H. Munnell and Anthony Webb. 2015. *Issue in Brief* 15-5. Chestnut Hill, MA: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

“Why Don’t Lower-Income Individuals Have Pensions?” with April Yanyuan Wu and Jacob Penglase. 2014. *Issue in Brief* 14-8. Chestnut Hill, MA: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

“Do Longevity Expectations Influence Retirement Plans?” with Mashfiqur R. Khan and April Yanyuan Wu. 2014. *Issue in Brief* 14-6. Chestnut Hill, MA: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

“How Long Do Unemployed Older Workers Search for a Job?” 2014. *Issue in Brief* 14-3. Chestnut Hill, MA: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

“Why Did Disability Allowance Rates Rise in the Great Recession?” with Norma B. Coe. 2013. *Issue in Brief* 13-11. Chestnut Hill, MA: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

“How Important is Medicare Eligibility in the Timing of Retirement?” with Norma B. Coe and Mashfiqur R. Khan. 2013. *Issue in Brief* 13-7. Chestnut Hill, MA: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

“Who Claimed Social Security Early Due to the Great Recession?” with Norma B. Coe and Kendrew Wong. 2012. *Issue in Brief* 12-14. Chestnut Hill, MA: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

“Disability Insurance: Does Extending Unemployment Benefits Help?” 2011. *Issue in Brief* 11-14. Chestnut Hill, MA: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

GRANTS:

2015-2016 Social Security and Total Replacement Rates in Disability and Retirement
Funded by the Social Security Administration through the Disability Research Consortium (NBER)

2015-2016 The Impact of Student Debt on Early-Career Retirement Saving
Funded by the Social Security Administration

2015-2016 How Much Would Reducing the Price of Older Workers Increase Their Attractiveness?
Funded by the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation

2014-2015 How Does Occupational Segregation Differ for High- and Low-Educated Older Workers?
Funded by the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation

2014-2015 Constructing a Nationwide Dataset on the Availability of Home and Community-based Services for the Elderly
Funded by Boston College

- 2014-2015 What Causes Workers to Retire Before They Plan? Analyzing the Relative Importance of Health, Financial, and Employment Shocks
Funded by the Social Security Administration
- 2014-2015 Job Polarization and Labor Market Outcomes for Older Workers
Funded by the Social Security Administration
- 2014-2015 The Impact of Temporary Assistance Programs on Social Security Claiming Age
Funded by the Social Security Administration
- 2014-2015 The Relationship between the VA Disability Rating and the Ability to Work: 1995-2013
Funded by the Social Security Administration through the Disability Research Consortium (NBER)
- 2013-2015 Can Today's Pension System Serve the Low Income?
Funded by the Ford Foundation
- 2013-2014 Will the Average Retirement Age Continue to Increase?
Funded by the Social Security Administration
- 2013-2014 Are Retirees Falling Short? Reconciling the Conflicting Evidence
Funded by the Social Security Administration
- 2013-2014 Estimating the Effect of a Refundable Tax Credit on the Labor Supply Elasticity of Impaired Adults
Funded by the Social Security Administration through the Disability Research Consortium (NBER)
- 2013-2014 Are Younger Disability Beneficiaries Unhealthier than Ever?
Funded by the Social Security Administration through the Disability Research Consortium (NBER)
- 2013-2014 Does the Catch-Up Contribution Provision Increase 401(k) Retirement Saving?
Funded by the Social Security Administration
- 2012-2013 Point of No Return: How Does the Duration of a Jobless Spell Affect Retirement Timing?
Funded by the Social Security Administration
- 2012-2013 Why Do SSI and SNAP Enrollments Rise in Good Economic Times and in Bad?
Funded by the Social Security Administration
- 2012-2013 How Does Increased Longevity for Men Affect Well-Being for Older Women?
Funded by the Social Security Administration
- 2012-2013 Death's Anchor: How do Updated Longevity Expectations Influence Retirement Plans?
Funded by the Social Security Administration
- 2011-2012 Sticky Ages: Why is Age 65 Still a Retirement Peak?
Funded by the Social Security Administration.
- 2011-2012 How Will Older Workers Who Lose Their Jobs During the Great Recession Fare in the Long-Run?
Funded by the Social Security Administration
- 2011-2012 The Trend in Disability Insurance Coverage Rates and its Effect on SSI and SSDI Application
Funded by the Social Security Administration

- 2011-2012 Early Retirement or Disability? Projecting Social Security Application Activity in the Current Business Cycle
Funded by the Social Security Administration
- 2010-2012 How Has The Composition of Disability Insurance Applicants Changed Across and Within Business Cycles?
Funded by the Russell Sage Foundation
- 2010-2011 Who Are the Early Claimers? How Much Do They Lose?
Funded by the Russell Sage Foundation.
- 2010-2011 The Impact of Unemployment Benefits Extensions on DI Applications and Approval Rate
Funded by the Social Security Administration
- 2010-2011 What is the Long-Term Impact of Zebley on SSI and SSDI Rolls?
Funded by the Social Security Administration.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

- Co-Coordinator Member The Seminar Series on Aging at Boston College
AEA, APPAM, and SOLE
- Journal Referee *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management, Review of Economic Studies, Journal of Population Ageing, LABOUR, Journal of Labor Economics, Social Security Bulletin, Journal of Health Economics, National Tax Journal, IZA Journal of Labor Policy, Economics Letters, Labour Economics, and Journal of Gerontological Social Work*
- Grant Referee Social Security Administration Steven H. Sandell Grantees and Dissertation Fellows, Russell Sage Foundation

Presentations (*invited speaker)

- 2006 *Economic Research Initiative on the Uninsured Fall Conference, Ann Arbor, MI
- 2008 Midwest Economics Association Annual Conference, Chicago, IL
*ISR Quantitative Methodology Program Seminar, Ann Arbor, MI
- 2009 Midwest Economics Association Annual Conference, Cleveland, OH
*University of Michigan ISR-Zwerdling Labor Seminar, Ann Arbor, MI
APPAM Fall Conference, Washington, DC
- 2010 *Urban Institute, Washington, DC
*U.S. Treasury Office of Tax Analysis, Washington, DC
*Bryn Mawr College, Bryn Mawr, PA
*RAND, Santa Monica, CA
*Columbia University Mailman School of Public Health, New York, NY
*U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, Washington, DC
*Center for Retirement Research at Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA
*Mathematica Policy Research, Cambridge, MA
*American Society of Health Economists Biennial Conference (poster), Ithaca, NY
*U.S. Census Bureau SIPP Analytic Research Conference, Washington, DC
- 2011 Society of Labor Economics Annual Conference, Vancouver, BC

- *Social Security Administration RRC Annual Meetings, Washington, DC
- U.S. Census Bureau Research Data Center Annual Conference, Minneapolis, MN
- APPAM Fall Conference, Washington, DC
- 2012 Society of Labor Economics Annual Conference, Chicago, IL
- *Social Security Administration, Washington, DC
- Western Economics Association Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA
- *Social Security Administration RRC Annual Meetings, Washington, DC
- APPAM Fall Conference, Baltimore, MD
- U.S. Census Bureau Research Data Center Annual Conference, Chicago, IL
- *Russell Sage Foundation Great Recession Initiative Conference, New York, NY
- 2013 *ANNALS Special Issue Conference, Ann Arbor, MI
- *U.S. Census Bureau SIPP Workshop, Ann Arbor, MI
- *Social Security Administration RRC Annual Meetings, Washington, DC
- APPAM Fall Conference, Washington, DC
- 2014 *National Academy of Social Insurance Annual Conference, Washington, DC
- *U.S. Census Bureau SIPP Workshop, Durham, NC
- Midwest Economics Association Annual Conference, Evanston, IL
- Society of Labor Economics Annual Conference, Arlington, VA
- Netspar International Pension Workshop, Venice, Italy
- *U.S. Census Bureau SIPP Workshop, Ann Arbor, MI
- *Social Security Administration RRC Annual Meetings, Washington, DC
- *Social Security Administration DRC Annual Meetings, Washington, DC
- APPAM Fall Conference, Albuquerque, NM
- 2015 *Brandeis University, Waltham, MA
- *Social Security Administration, Washington, DC
- Society of Labor Economists Annual Conference, Montreal, PQ
- *Social Security Administration RRC Annual Meetings, Washington, DC
- 2015 (scheduled) APPAM Fall Conference, Miami, FL
- National Tax Association Annual Conference on Taxation, Boston, MA
- 2016 (scheduled) ASSA Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA

Invited Discussant

- 2013 NBER: Labor Market in the Aftermath of the Great Recession, Cambridge, MA

Interviews and Media Mentions

Brandon, Emily. 2015. "Jobs that Welcome Older Workers." *U.S. News and World Report*. (September 14). Available at:

<http://money.usnews.com/money/retirement/articles/2015/09/14/jobs-that-welcome-older-workers>

Brandon, Emily. 2015. "10 Jobs Hiring Older Workers." *U.S. News and World Report*. (September 14). Available at:

<http://money.usnews.com/money/retirement/slideshows/10-jobs-hiring-older-workers>

Clark, Meagan. 2014. "Minimum Pension Law Proposed to Pad Americans' Retirement Savings." *International Business Times*. (September 16). Available at: <http://www.ibtimes.com/minimum-pension-law-proposed-pad-americans-retirement-savings-1690104>

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MarksJarvis, Gail. 2013. "Older Workers Hit by Recession Will Continue to Struggle." *The Chicago Tribune*. (June 7). Available at: http://articles.chicagotribune.com/2013-06-07/business/sc-cons-0606-marksjarvis-20130606_1_retirement-savings-older-workers-great-recession

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Peters, Mark. 2014. "Older Job Seekers Quick to Give Up Regardless of Labor Market Conditions." *The Wall Street Journal*. (February 4). Available at: <http://blogs.wsj.com/economics/2014/02/04/older-job-seekers-quick-to-give-up-regardless-of-labor-market-conditions/>

Polyak, Ilana. 2015. "Quite a Dilemma: Too Young to Retire, Too Old to Rehire." *CNBC*. (January 11). Available at: <http://www.cnbc.com/2015/01/10/quite-a-dilemma-too-young-to-retire-too-old-to-rehire.html>

Schlegel, Jeff. 2013. "Medicare, Obamacare and Retirement Age." *Financial Advisor Magazine*. (July 3). Available at: <http://www.fa-mag.com/news/medicare--obamacare-and-retirement-age-14719.html>

Solman, Paul. 2014. "What's Driving the Good Jobs News for the Month of June?" *PBS Newshour*. (July 3). Available at: <http://www.pbs.org/newshour/bb/whats-driving-good-jobs-news-month-june/>

Wargo, Buck. 2015. "401(k) Pitfalls and Practical Investing Advice for Americans Around That Crucial Age of 50." *The Huffington Post*. (July 30). Available at: http://www.huffingtonpost.com/buck-wargo/exclusive-401k-pitfalls-a_b_7866292.html

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White, Martha C. 2014. "Disabled Recipients of Social Security Fund Face Hefty Benefits Cut." *NBC News*. (June 22). Available at: <http://www.nbcnews.com/business/economy/disabled-recipients-social-security-fund-face-hefty-benefits-cut-n127981>