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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Economics, University of Chicago, 2005
B.A. with Highest Distinction, Economics, University of Virginia, 1999

EMPLOYMENT and POSITIONS

Economist, RAND, 2011-Present
Associate Director, RAND Center for Disability Research, 2010-Present
Director, RAND Summer Institute Working on Aging, 2011-Present
Professor of Economics, Pardee RAND Graduate School of Public Policy, 2007-2011
Associate Economist, RAND, 2007-2011
Robert Wood Johnson Scholar in Health Policy Research, Harvard University, 2005-2007

FIELDS of INTEREST

Labor Economics, Health Economics, Economics of Aging, Disability Insurance, Health & Retirement

TEACHING

Advanced Econometrics II, Pardee RAND Graduate School, 2007-2011

HONORS, AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2005 Dennis J. Aigner Award for best applied paper published in *Journal of Econometrics*
University of Chicago Fellowship, 1999-2003
Outstanding Economics Student Award, University of Virginia, 1999
Phi Beta Kappa, 1998

GRANTS

Principal Investigator, Michigan Retirement Research Center (SSA) UM12-18, "Does Disability Insurance Save Lives?" September 2011-2012.
Co-Principal Investigator, Michigan Retirement Research Center (SSA) UM12-17 (PI: Nicole Maestas), "SSDI and Healthcare Reform: Evidence from Massachusetts," September 2011-2012.
Principal Investigator, National Institute on Aging R21AG037891, "Alternative Pathways to Retirement," September 2011-August 2013.
Co-Investigator, Sloan Foundation Research Grant (PI: Nicole Maestas), "Pathways from Disability Onset to Retirement: The Roles of Employer Accommodation and Health Insurance," July 2011-December 2013.
Principal Investigator, Michigan Retirement Research Center (SSA) UM11-01, "What Are the Real Application Costs of SSDI?" September 2010-2011.
Co-Investigator, Michigan Retirement Research Center (SSA) UM11-Q1 (PI: Gema Zamarro), "Induced Entry into the SSDI Program: Using SGA Changes as a Natural Experiment," September 2010-June 2011.

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Principal Investigator (with Nicole Maestas), Michigan Retirement Research Center (SSA) UM10-04, “Consistency of the Disability Determination Process and Labor Supply Outcomes,” September 2009-2010.

Principal Investigator, National Institute on Aging R03AG033833, “Using Policy Variation to Identify and Estimate a Structural Model of Retirement,” August 2009-July 2011.

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

“What Explains the Gender Gap in Financial Literacy? The Role of Household Decision-Making,” with Raquel Fonseca, Gema Zamarro and Julie Zissimopoulos, Forthcoming, *Journal of Consumer Affairs*.

“Can You Get What You Pay For? Pay-for-Performance and the Quality of Healthcare Providers,” with Richard Frank and Meredith Rosenthal, *The RAND Journal of Economics*, 41(1), 64-91, 2010.

“The Effect of Schooling and Ability on Achievement Test Scores,” with Karsten Hansen and James Heckman, *Journal of Econometrics*, 121(1-2), 39-98, 2004.

PEER-REVIEWED RAND PUBLICATIONS

“Research Designs for Estimating Induced Entry into the SSDI Program Resulting from a Benefit Offset,” with Nicole Maestas and Gema Zamarro, RAND Technical Report TR-908, 2010.

Towards a Culture of Consequences: Performance Based Accountability Systems for Public Services, with Brian Stecher et al. RAND Monograph MG-1019, 2010.

WORKING PAPERS

“Does Disability Insurance Receipt Discourage Work? Using Examiner Assignment to Estimate Causal Effects of SSDI Receipt,” with Nicole Maestas and Alexander Strand. MRRC Working Paper Series WP 2010-241, June 2011. Revise and resubmit, *American Economic Review*.

“Policy Variation, Labor Supply Elasticities and a Structural Model of Retirement,” with Dayanand Manoli and Mathis Wagner.

“Does Delay Cause Decay? The Effect of Administrative Decision Time on the Labor Force Participation and Earnings of Disability Applicants,” with David Autor, Nicole Maestas and Alexander Strand.

WORK IN PROGRESS

“Does Disability Insurance Save Lives?” with Nicole Maestas and Alexander Strand.

“SSDI and Healthcare Reform: Evidence from Massachusetts,” with Nicole Maestas and Alexander Strand.

“Alternative Pathways to Retirement,” with Stefan Staubli.

“Pathways from Disability Onset to Retirement: The Roles of Accommodation and Health Insurance,” with Nicole Maestas

“Induced Entry into the SSDI Program: Using SGA Changes as a Natural Experiment,” with John Jones, Nicole Maestas, Bob Weathers and Gema Zamarro.

“Health Literacy, Health Knowledge and Health Outcomes,” with Gema Zamarro.

“The Costs of Dementia,” with Adeline Delevande, Michael Hurd, Kenneth Langa and Francisco Martorell.

PRESENTATIONS

2012 AEA Annual Meeting

2011 AEA Annual Meeting, MIT Public Economics Seminar, NBER Spring Public Economics Meeting, MRRC Annual Workshop, Harvard Labor Economics Seminar, SOLE Annual Meeting,

KATHLEEN J. MULLEN

- Center for Retirement Research at Boston College, Social Security Administration, NBER
Summer Institute Social Security Workshop
- 2010 MRRC Annual Workshop, All-CA Labor Economics Conference
- 2009 UC-Santa Barbara Labor Lunch, Tilburg University Econometrics Seminar
- 2008 AEA Annual Meeting
- 2007 Yale School of Public Health, Public Policy Institute of California, Syracuse University
Economics Department, Mathematica Policy Research
- 2003 AEA Annual Meeting
- 2002 University of Chicago Empirical Economics Workshop, American Statistical Association Annual
Meeting

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Referee: *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, American Economic Review, European Journal of Health Economics, Forum for Health Economics & Policy, Health Economics, Health Services Research, Inquiry, Journal of Business and Economic Statistics, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Health Economics, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Public Economics, PLoS Medicine, Social Science & Medicine, Review of Economics & Statistics*

NIH Peer Reviewer, Recovery Act Limited Competition for NIH Grants: Research and Research Infrastructure “Grand Opportunities,” 2009 (Special Emphasis Panel)

Conference Co-Organizer, All-California Labor Economics Conference, September 2011

Session Organizer, PAA Session on “Disability and Labor Market Outcomes,” May 2012