

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education:

Ph.D. Economics, University of Washington, 1987
Fields: Labor and Health Economics

B.A. Economics, Temple University, 1982

Work Experience:

7/2019 to present	Teaching Professor (SLSOE) Vice-Chair for Undergraduate Education (7/2019-7/2020, 1/2022-7/2022) Department of Economics, University of California - San Diego
7/2008-6/2019	Associate Teaching Professor (LSOE) Vice-Chair for Undergraduate Education Director of Instruction (7/2010-7/2011, 7/2012-7/2018) Department of Economics, University of California - San Diego
7/2004-7/2008	Assistant Teaching Professor (LPSOE) Vice-Chair for Undergraduate Education Department of Economics, University of California - San Diego
9/1992-7/2004	Senior Lecturer Department of Economics, University of Texas - Austin
10/1987-7/1992	Research Economist Office of Research and Evaluation Bureau of Labor Statistics, US Department of Labor

Grants:

Academic Integration of Study Abroad, (co-PI with Jen Beauchamp) funded by UC Education Abroad Program for \$3,000, December 2018.

Peer Tutoring Lab for Economics, funded by Course Development and Instructional Improvement Program grant from UC San Diego, \$25,000 for the period 9/1/2017-9/1/2018.

Econometrics Video Handbook, co-PI (with Joel Watson), funded by Innovation Learning Technology Initiative grant from the UC Office of the President, \$330,000 for period 5/1/2017-9/1/2020.

Peer Tutoring Lab for Economics, funded by a Course Development and Instructional Improvement Program grant from UC San Diego, \$25,000 for the period 9/1/2016-9/1/2017.

Intermediate Microeconomics Video Handbook, co-PI (with Joel Watson), funded by a Innovation Learning Technology Initiative grant from the UC Office of the President, \$282,758.09 for period 1/1/2014-8/1/2015. \$90,000 in revision funds for the period 9/1/2015-9/1/2018.

A Study of the Indirect Costs of Epilepsy in the U. S., funded by the Epilepsy Foundation of America, \$158,500 for the period 1/15/95-1/15/97

Publications:

Bronars, S. and M. Famulari: "Shareholder Returns and Wages: Evidence for White Collar Workers." *Journal of Political Economy*, April 2001, Vol 109, No. 2, p. 328-354

Bronars, S. G., P. Bingley, M. Famulari, and N. Westergard-Nielsen. "Employer Wage Differentials in the United States and Denmark" in *The Creation and Analysis of Employer and Employee Matched Data*, North Holland, 1999.

Begley, C. E., M. Famulari, J. F. Annegers, D. R. Lairson, T. F. Reynolds, S. Coan, S. Dubinsky, M. E. Newmark, C. Leibson, E.L. So, and W. A. Rocca, "The Cost of Epilepsy in the United States: An Estimate from Population-Based Clinical and Survey Data" *Epilepsia*, 41(3), 2000, p.342-351.

Bronars, S. G. and Famulari, M. "Employer Provided Training, Wages, and Capital Investment" in *Labor Statistics Measurement Issues*, edited by John Haltiwanger, Marilyn Manser, and Robert Topel. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1998, p.431-461.

Bronars, S. G. and Famulari, M. "Wage, Tenure, and Wage Growth Variation Within and Across Establishments." *Journal of Labor Economics*, April 1997, Vol. 15, No. 2, p. 285-317.

Famulari, M.: "A Household-Based Nonparametric Test of Demand Theory", *Review of Economics and Statistics*, May 1995, Vol. 2, No. 2, p. 371-382.

Famulari, M.: "The Effects of a Disability on Labor Market Performance: The Case of Epilepsy." *Southern Economic Journal*, April 1992, Vol. 58, No. 4, p. 1072-1087.

Famulari, M. and M. E. Manser: "Employer Provided Benefits: Employer Cost VS. Employee Value." *Monthly Labor Review*, December 1989, Vol. 112, No. 12, p. 24-32.

Working Papers:

Famulari, M. and Z. Goodman, "[The Effect of Supplementary Videos on Learning in Intermediate Microeconomics.](#)"

Famulari, M. "[Identifying the Causal Effects of Remedial Writing on Collegiate Performance Using Placement Exam Grader Toughness.](#)"

Famulari, M., K. Hsu, X. Xing, L. Verfaillie, "What Makes a College Course Expensive and What Faculty Can Do to Help."

Famulari, M.: "[Household Labor Supply and Taxes: A Nonparametric, Revealed Preference Approach.](#)"

[Technical Appendix I : Stata Tax Programs.](#)

[Technical Appendix II : Comparison of CE and CPS Labor Market Data.](#)

Famulari, M.: "[What is in a Name? Title Inflation in the US Federal Government](#)"

Awards:

UC San Diego Distinguished Teaching Award for Academic Senate Members, 2016. Up to five awards given annually by the UC San Diego Academic Senate.

UC San Diego Chancellors Associate's Faculty Excellence Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching, 2015. One award given annually to a UC San Diego faculty member by the Chancellor.

UC San Diego Marshall College Outstanding Faculty Award, 2015. One award given annually to a UC San Diego faculty member by the Marshall College graduating class.

Certificate of Appreciation, UC San Diego's Office for Students with Disabilities, 2014. Recognition of outstanding service in providing accommodations to students with disabilities.

UC San Diego Department of Economics Faculty Teaching Award: Undergraduate Teaching, 2011. One award given annually to an Economics faculty member by Economics selection committee.

UC San Diego Service:

Committee on Educational Policy : Member (2022-23)

Committee on Preparatory Education: Member (2006-07), Chair (2007-08), Chair (2017-18)

Search Committees : Economics LSOE (Chair, 2017 and 2019), Economics Lecturers (Chair, 2013, 2016, 2018, 2019), Educational Technology Services Director (member, 2017), AVC Enrollment Management (member, 2016), Philosophy LPSOE (member, 2012).

Review Committees : Provost Carver's 5 year review (member, 2021)

Committee on Admissions: Member (2012-17), Vice-Chair (2014-15), Chair (2015-16).

Office for Students with Disabilities Faculty Advisory Committee Member (2014-present)

Academic Integrity Review Board: Member (2011-12)

Summer Session Advisory Committee: Member (2005-06, 2006-07, 2007-08, 2008-09)

Committee on Educational Policy (CEP): Member (2005-06, 2008-09, 2009-10, 2010-11)
Chair, CEP Subject A Appeals Committee (2005-06)
Chair, CEP Subcommittee on Grade Appeals (2009-10, 2010-11)
Chair, CEP Undergraduate Review, Chinese Studies Program
Chair, CEP Undergraduate Review, Literature Department

University of California Service:

Member, UCLA Joint Mathematics-Economics Program Review, 2019.

Vice-Chair BOARS (2018-19)

UCOPE San Diego Representative (2017-18)

BOARS San Diego Representative (2015-16, 2016-17)

Chair, UC Riverside Department of Economics Undergraduate Program Review, 2016.

BOARS Content Expert for Social Sciences, (2014-15, 2015-16)

UC Transfer Admission Pathways Project for Economics (with Marc Muendler), 2014.

UCOPE San Diego Representative (2008-09)

Other Professional Activities:

Referee for the *American Economic Review*, *Journal of Labor Economics*, *Review of Economics and Statistics*, *Journal of Human Resources*, *Industrial and Labor Relations Review*, *Economic Inquiry*, *Economics Letters*, *Research in Labor Economics* and *American Journal of Agricultural Economics*.

Center for Advancing Multidisciplinary Scholarship for Excellence in Education (CAMSEE) planning committee (2016 to 2020)

Participated in the Social Science Research Council's Measuring College Learning project, 2014-2015.

Invited Speaker on Health Care, Aaron Price Fellows Program, October 2012

Panelist for UC San Diego Alumni Event on Health Care Reform, April 2012

Discussed three papers at the Immigration and Race Conference at the University of Texas-Austin, November 1997.

Organized the 1995 Lonestars Conference, the joint University of Texas and Texas A&M economic research conference (with Stephen Bronars).

Discussant for "Promotions and Job Tenure" at the Western Economic Association Meetings in Vancouver, BC, July 1994.

Discussant for "New Evidence on Workplace Education" at the Murray Johnson Conference at University of Texas-Austin, April 1994.

Organized and chaired the session "Training and Wages" and was the discussant for "Returns to Delayed Schooling among Women" at the Western Economic Association Meetings in Lake Tahoe, NV, 1993.

Organized and chaired the CSWEP session "Consumption, Utility, and the Family" at the Western Economic Association Meetings in San Diego, CA, 1990.

Discussant on (1) the effect of language proficiency on earnings and (2) the effect of employer characteristics on the average wages earned in an establishment: Western Economic Association Meetings in Seattle, WA, 1991.

Organized the Bureau of Labor Statistic's Office of Research and Evaluation Seminar Series from 1990-1992.

Presentations:

The Effect of Supplementary Videos on Learning in Intermediate Microeconomics (with Zack Goodman), TeachECONference, University College of London, June 28, 2022

The Effect of Supplementary Videos on Learning in Intermediate Microeconomics (with Zack Goodman), CAMSEE Presentation, April 6, 2022

Innovations in Teaching Intermediate Microeconomics, University of Toronto, May 2019.

CAMSEE Research Round Table Lighting Talks (with Christine Alvarado, James Cooke, Mia Minnes, Andrew Meyertholen, and Sarah Stockwell), April 2019

Perspectives on the Economics in Value-Based Care. Population Health Bootcamp, UC San Diego, March 2019.

Evaluating Teaching (with Diane Ebert-May, Mia Minnes, Carolyn Sandoval). CAMSEE Presentation, UC San Diego, February 2019

What makes our classes expensive and what we can do about it (with Leslie Verfaille), Council on Undergraduate Education, UC San Diego, May 2018.

What makes our classes expensive and what we can do about it (with Leslie Verfaille), CAMSEE, UC San Diego, May 2018.

CAMSEE Annual Research and Innovations Round Table (with Mia Minnes, Christine Alvarado, Adam Burgasser, etc.), CAMSEE, UC San Diego, May 2018

Human Subjects Approval and UC San Diego's 'Blanket' approval for pedagogy research: CAMSEE presentation, UC San Diego, January 2018.

Teaching Innovations: invited by VC Student Affairs to be the guest speaker to parents and families at Family Weekend, UC San Diego, October 2016.

Changing Demographics of UC San Diego Undergraduates and Mathematical Preparedness (with Kimberley Samaniego): CAMSEE presentation, UC San Diego, October 2016.

Intermediate Microeconomics Video Handbook Pedagogy: CAMSEE presentation, UC San Diego, September 2016

A New Development in Content Delivery, the Intermediate Microeconomics Video Handbook (with Joel Watson) UC Office of the President, presentation to UC faculty, June 2016.

A New Development in Content Delivery, the Intermediate Microeconomics Video Handbook (with Joel Watson) UC Office of the President, presentation to Innovative Learning and Technology Initiative group, May 2016.

Successful Transitions to Upper-Division Coursework: UC San Diego's Organization of Department and Program Advisors, November 2014.

Remedial Writing and Collegiate Performance: Using Grader Toughness to Identify Causal Effects; UC Riverside, October 2009.

Economical Course Materials: A Customized Approach: UC San Diego Bookstore's 24th Annual Textbook Coordinators Meeting, May 2008.

Labor Market and Household Production Costs of Epilepsy: Texas A & M University, November 1998.

The Effect of Epilepsy on Educational Attainment, Job Turnover, and the Probability of Marriage: Epilepsy Foundation of America, San Antonio, September 1998.

Indirect Cost of Epilepsy: Epilepsy Foundation of America, Boston, December, 1997.

How the Federal Government Maintains a Labor Force given Occupational Wage Constraints: US Airforce Academy, May 1997.

Wage Growth and Job Duration Differentials: Lonestars, September, 1996

Wage, Tenure, and Wage Growth Variation Within and Across Establishments: Center for Labor Studies, Aarhus, Denmark, June 1996.

Labor Market and Household Production Costs of Epilepsy: Cleveland Clinic Grand Rounds, March 1996.

Labor Market and Household Production Costs of Epilepsy: Rush-Presbyterian Grand Rounds, February 1996.

Labor Market and Household Production Costs of Epilepsy: Minneapolis Comprehensive Epilepsy Care Grand Rounds, February 1996.

Employer Profitability and White Collar Worker Pay: National Bureau of Economic Research, Cambridge MA, July 1995.

Training, Wages, and Capital: National Bureau of Economic Research, Cambridge, MA, August 1994

Federal-Private Sector Pay Differentials: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Washington, DC, June 1994.

Federal-Private Sector Pay Differentials: Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA, April 1994.

Are Federal Government Workers Overpaid?: Lonestars Economic Conference (a joint University of Texas and Texas A & M Economics Conference) College Station, TX, March 1994.

Training, Wages, and Capital: Western Economic Association, Lake Tahoe, NV, June 1993.

Worker Wages and Employer Profitability: Lonestars Economic Conference (a joint University of Texas and Texas A & M Economics Conference) Austin, TX, April 1993.

Household Labor Supply and Taxes: University of Texas, Austin, TX, September 1992.

Employer Effects on Wages and Tenure: Texas A & M, College Station, TX, September 1992.

Household Labor Supply and Taxes:: American Social Sciences Association Meetings, January 1992.

Nonparametric Test for the Existence of a Household Utility Function: Western Economic Association, June 1990.

True Real Wage Indexes: Estimates from Household Data. Conference sponsored by Bellcore and Bell Canada on Telecommunications Demand Analysis with Dynamic Regulation in Hilton Head, SC, 1990.

True Real Wage Indexes: Estimates from Household Data. American Social Sciences Association Meetings, December 1989.

Discrimination vs. Productivity. American Epilepsy Association Meetings, San Francisco, CA, 1988.