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EDUCATION

Ph.D., University of Michigan, Department of Economics, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 2005
M.A., University of Michigan, Department of Economics, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 2004
M.P.A., Syracuse University, Maxwell School, Syracuse, New York, 1995
B.S., Cornell University, Department of Consumer Economics and Housing, 1993

CURRENT STATUS AT MCMASTER

Tenure-Track Assistant Professor of Economics

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

American Economics Association
American Society of Health Economists
Canadian Economics Association
Canadian Health Economics Study Group
International Health Economics Association

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, McMaster University, 2005-Present

OTHER AFFILIATIONS

Member, Centre for Health Economics and Policy Analysis, McMaster University, 2006-Present

Faculty Research Fellow, National Bureau of Economic Research, Program in Health Economics, 2009-Present

SCHOLARLY AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Journal Refereeing: Berkeley Electronic Press, Canadian Journal of Economics, Economic Inquiry, Health Economics, Journal of Health Policy, Politics and Law,

International Journal of Health Care Finance and Economics, Journal of Health Economics, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Public Economics, Review of Economics of the Household, Social Science and Medicine

AREAS OF INTEREST

Health Economics, Labour Economics, Public Economics

HONOURS

John Charles Polanyi Prize in Economics, 2008
Rackham Pre-Doctoral Fellowship, University of Michigan, 2004-2005
Rackham One-Term Fellowship, University of Michigan, Spring term 2004
Regents' Fellowship, University of Michigan, 2000-2002
Student Research Award (2nd place), Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, May 2003
Best Paper, American Council on Consumer Interests, 2001

COURSES TAUGHT

i) Undergraduate

ECON 2A03/LABRST 3A03—Labour Economics
Winter 2006, Fall 2006, Fall 2007, Fall 2008

ECON 3F03—Inquiry in Economics
Fall 2006, Fall 2007, Fall 2008

ii) Graduate

ECON 773—Economic Policy Analysis
Fall 2006, Fall 2007, Fall 2008

ECON 793—Health Economic Policy
Winter 2006, Winter 2007, Winter 2008, Winter 2009

SUPERVISION OF PHD STUDENTS

Nazish Ahmad, Ph.D., Thesis Committee Member, Completed December 2006
Justin Smith, Ph.D., Thesis Committee Member, Completed July 2008
Deirdre DeJean, Thesis Committee Member, 2008-Present
Asmaa Elbadaway, Ph.D., Thesis Committee Member, 2007-Present
Cong Li, Ph.D., Chair of Thesis Committee, 2008-Present
Logan McLeod, Thesis Committee Member, 2008-Present
Jiong Tu, Ph.D., Thesis Committee Member, 2005-Present

SUPERVISION OF MASTERS DEGREE STUDENTS

Tammy Anstey, MA in Economic Policy, Supervisor, Completed 2007
Dan Burnett, MA in Economic Policy, Co-Supervisor, Completed 2008
Mike Cotton, MA in Economic Policy, Supervisor, Scheduled to Complete 2009
Aleksandra Gajic, MA in Economic Policy, Supervisor, Completed 2007
Earl Nichol, MA in Economic Policy, Co-Supervisor, Completed 2008
Shamim Todai, MA in Economic Policy, Supervisor, Scheduled to Complete 2009
Razi Virani, MA in Economic Policy, Supervisor, Scheduled to Complete 2009
Ken Wang, MA in Economic Policy, Supervisor, Scheduled to Complete 2009

RESEARCH FUNDING

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, “Behavioural Effects of Full-Day Kindergarten on Children and their Parents”, Standard Grant, 2007, Amount: \$45,000.

W.E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research, “Health Insurance Availability and Entrepreneurship”, Mini-Grant, 2007, Amount: \$5,000.

Arts Research Board Research Grant, “Economic Analysis of Health and Education Outcomes”, 2007, Amount: \$3,701.

Social Science and Humanities Research Council, 4A Decision Grant, 2006, Amount: \$5,000.

LIFETIME PUBLICATIONS

i) Peer Reviewed

Chernew, Michael, DeCicca, Philip and Robert Town (2008). “Managed care and Medicare expenditures”, *Journal of Health Economics*, 27(6): 1451-1461.

Charles, Kerwin and Philip DeCicca (2008). “Local labour market fluctuations and health: Is there a connection and for whom?”, *Journal of Health Economics*, 27(6): 1332-1350.

DeCicca, Philip and Logan McLeod (2008). “Cigarette taxes and older adult smoking: Evidence from recent large tax increases”, *Journal of Health Economics*, 27(4): 918-929.

DeCicca, Philip, Kenkel, Donald S., and Alan D. Mathios (2008). “Cigarette taxes and the transition from youth to adult smoking: Smoking initiation, cessation and participation”, *Journal of Health Economics*, 27(4): 904-917.

DeCicca, Philip, Kenkel, Donald S., Mathios, Alan D. and Justine Shin (2008) “Youth smoking, cigarette prices and anti-smoking sentiment”, *Health Economics*, 17(6): 733-749.

Charles, Kerwin K. and Philip DeCicca (2007). “Hours flexibility and retirement”, *Economic Inquiry*, 45(2): 251-267.

DeCicca, Philip (2007). “Does full-day kindergarten matter? Evidence from the first two years of schooling”, *Economics of Education Review*, 26(1): 67-82.

DeCicca, Philip, Kenkel, Donald S. and Alan Mathios (2005). “The fires aren’t out yet: Higher taxes and young adult smoking”, In *Advances in Health Economics and Health Services Research*, B. Lindgren and M. Grossman, eds., Volume 16, 293-312.

DeCicca, Philip, Kenkel, Donald S. and Alan Mathios (2002). “Putting out the fires: Will higher taxes reduce the onset of youth smoking?”, *Journal of Political Economy*, 110(1): 144-169. (Reprinted in “Economics of Health Behaviors”, *International Library of Critical Writings in Economics*, Edward Elgar Ltd., 2007).

Lillard, Dean R. and Philip DeCicca (2001). “Higher standards, more dropouts? Evidence within and across time”, *Economics of Education Review*, 20(5): 459-473.

DeCicca, Philip, Kenkel, Donald S. and Alan D. Mathios (2000). “Racial differences in the determinants of smoking onset”, *Journal of Risk and Uncertainty*, 21(2-3): 311-340.

ii) Not Peer Reviewed

None

iii) Accepted for Publication

None

iv) Submitted for Publication

DeCicca, Philip, Kenkel, Donald S. and Feng Liu (2008). “Excise tax avoidance: The case of state cigarette taxes”, under review.

DeCicca, Philip (2008). “Health insurance availability and entrepreneurship”, under review.

DeCicca, Philip (2008). “Are obese smokers an unintended consequence of higher cigarette taxes?”, under review.

v) Unpublished Documents

DeCicca, Philip and Justin Smith (2009). “Can higher cigarette taxes still improve birth outcomes?”, Working paper.

DeCicca, Philip, Kenkel, Donald S., and Alan D. Mathios (2008). “Cigarette taxes and the transition from youth to adult smoking: Smoking initiation, cessation and participation, National Bureau of Economic Research, Working Paper #14042.

Chernew, Michael, DeCicca, Philip and Robert Town (2008). “Managed care and Medicare expenditures”, National Bureau of Economic Research, Working Paper #13747.

DeCicca, Philip, Kenkel, Donald S., Mathios, Alan D. and Justine Shin (2006) “Youth smoking, cigarette prices and anti-smoking sentiment”, National Bureau of Economic Research, Working Paper #12458.

PRESENTATIONS AT MEETINGS

Peer Reviewed Conferences

i) Contributed

Philip DeCicca, “Health insurance availability and entrepreneurship: Evidence from New Jersey”, American Society of Health Economists, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, June 2008.

Philip DeCicca, “Can higher cigarette taxes still improve birth outcomes?”, American Society of Health Economists, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, June 2008.

Philip DeCicca, “Cigarette taxes and older adult smoking: Evidence from recent large tax increases”, International Health Economics Association, Copenhagen, July 2007.

Philip DeCicca, “Health insurance availability and entrepreneurship: Evidence from New Jersey”, Economic Research Initiative on the Uninsured, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, June 2007.

Charles, Kerwin K. and Philip DeCicca, “Local labour market fluctuations and health: Is there a connection and for whom?”, Conference on Health and Health Care, Wilfred Laurier University, Waterloo, Ontario, February 2007.

Charles, Kerwin K. and Philip DeCicca, “Local labour market fluctuations and health: Is there a connection and for whom?”, American Society of Health Economists, Madison, Wisconsin, July 2006.

Chernew, Michael, DeCicca, Philip and Robert Town, “Managed care and Medicare expenditures”, Academy Health’s Health Economics Interest Group, Seattle, Washington, June 2006.

Chernew, Michael, DeCicca, Philip and Robert Town, “Managed care and Medicare expenditures”, 17th Annual Health Economics Conference, Charleston, South Carolina, March 2006.

DeCicca, Philip, Kenkel, Donald S., and Alan D. Mathios, “Cigarette taxes and the transition from youth to adult smoking”, 24th Arne Ryde Symposium, Lund University, Lund, Sweden, August 2004.

DeCicca, Philip, “Does full-day kindergarten matter?”, Midwest Economics Association, March 2004.

ii) Invited

Discussant, Canadian Health Economics Study Group, Waterloo, Ontario, May 2009

Discussant, American Society of Health Economists, Durham, North Carolina, June 2008

Discussant, National Tax Association, Columbus, Ohio, November 2007

Discussant, International Health Economics Association, Copenhagen, July 2007

Discussant, American Society of Health Economists, Madison, Wisconsin, July 2006

Discussant, Canadian Health Economics Study Group, Hamilton, Ontario, May 2006

Discussant, Midwest Economics Association, Chicago, Illinois, March 2004

Seminar Presentations (all invited)

Philip DeCicca, “Health insurance availability and entrepreneurship”, Cornell University, Department of Policy Analysis and Management, Ithaca, New York, February 2009.

Philip DeCicca, “Health insurance availability and entrepreneurship”, University of Michigan, Department of Health Management and Policy, Ann Arbor, Michigan, January 2009.

Philip DeCicca, “Local labour market fluctuations and health: Is there a connection and for whom?”, University of Waterloo, Department of Economics, Waterloo, Ontario, January 2009.

Philip DeCicca, “Health insurance availability and entrepreneurship: Evidence from New Jersey”, Brock University, Department of Economics, St. Catharines, Ontario, November 2007.

Philip DeCicca, "Health insurance availability and entrepreneurship: Evidence from New Jersey", University of Waterloo, Department of Economics, Waterloo, Ontario, September 2007.

Charles, Kerwin K. and Philip DeCicca, "Local labour market fluctuations and health: Is there a connection and for whom?", University of Toronto, Department of Economics, Toronto, Ontario, April 2007.

Philip DeCicca, "Cigarette taxes and older adult smoking: Evidence from recent large tax increases", University of Illinois-Chicago, Department of Economics, March 2007.

Charles, Kerwin K. and Philip DeCicca, "Local labour market fluctuations and health: Is there a connection and for whom?", College of William and Mary, December 2006.

DeCicca, Philip, "Are heavier smokers an unintended consequence of higher cigarette taxes?", Boston College, Department of Economics, February 2005.

DeCicca, Philip, "Are heavier smokers an unintended consequence of higher cigarette taxes?", University of Central Florida, Department of Economics, February 2005.

DeCicca, Philip, "Are heavier smokers an unintended consequence of higher cigarette taxes?", University of Chicago, Harris Graduate School of Public Policy Studies, February 2005.

DeCicca, Philip, "Are heavier smokers an unintended consequence of higher cigarette taxes?", Yale University, School of Public Health, Division of Health Policy and Administration, February 2005.

DeCicca, Philip, "Are heavier smokers an unintended consequence of higher cigarette taxes?", McMaster University, Department of Economics, January 2005.

DeCicca, Philip, "Are heavier smokers an unintended consequence of higher cigarette taxes?", University of Michigan, Department of Economics, September 2004.

ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES

Undergraduate Studies Committee, Member, 2005-Present
Health Economics Prelim Committee, 2007, 2008
Health Policy, Ph.D. program, Admissions Committee, 2008, 2009