

SILVIA HELENA BARCELLOS

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EMPLOYMENT and POSITIONS

Assistant Professor (Research) of Economics USC Department of Economics	2019-Present
Economist Dornsife Center for Economic and Social Research (CESR) University of Southern California (USC)	2013-Present
International Research Associate, Institute for Fiscal Studies (IFS)	2016-Present
Faculty Research Fellow, NBER	2019-Present

PAST EMPLOYMENT and POSITIONS

Visiting Scholar, Dept. Economics, University College London	2016-2017
RCMAR Scholar, USC Minority Aging Health Economics Research Center	2012-2014
Faculty in Economics, Pardee RAND Graduate School	2012-2014
Associate Economist RAND Corporation, Santa Monica Office	2009-2013

EDUCATION

Princeton University, Ph.D. in Economics, 2010
Princeton University, M.A. in Economics, 2006
Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro (PUC-Rio, Brazil), M.A in Economics, 2004
Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro (PUC-Rio, Brazil), B.A. in Economics, 2002
University of California, Berkeley, Visiting Student, 2000-2001

FIELDS OF INTEREST

Health and Labor Economics

HONORS AND AWARDS

National Institute on Aging Career Development Award (K Award), 2016-2022.
Albert Rees Prize for the Most Outstanding Dissertation in Labor Economics from Princeton University in Previous Six Years, 2015.
Fellowship of Woodrow Wilson Scholars (Princeton University), Graduate Fellow, 2007-2009.
Princeton University Graduate School Fellowship, 2004-2007.
Industrial Relations Graduate Summer Research Fellowship, 2005-2006.
Prize Fellowship from the Research Foundation of Rio de Janeiro State (FAPERJ), 2003-2004.
Brazilian Ministry of Education Fellowship (CAPES), 2002-2003.
Brazilian National Research Council Scholarship (PIBIC program, CNPq), 1998-1999.

PUBLICATIONS

“Distributional Effects of Education on Health.” Joint with Leandro Carvalho and Patrick Turley. Forthcoming at the *Journal of Human Resources*

“Varied and Unexpected Changes in the Well-being of Seniors in the United States amid the COVID-19 Pandemic.” Joint with Mireille Jacobson and Arthur Stone. Forthcoming at *PLOS ONE* 2021 16(6): e0252962.

“Unbanked Status and Use of Alternative Financial Services among Minority Populations.” Joint with Gema Zamarró. *Journal of Pension Economics and Finance* 2019: 1-14.

"Education can Reduce Health Differences Related to Genetic Risk of Obesity." Joint with Leandro Carvalho and Patrick Turley. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Science (PNAS)* 2018, 115(42): E9765-E9772.

“Knowledge as Predictor of Insurance Coverage under the Affordable Care Act.” Joint with Maximiliane Hoerl, Amelie Wuppermann, Katherine Grace Carman, Sebastian Bauhoff, and Joachim Winter. *Medical Care* 2017, 55(4): 428-435.

“Financial Education Interventions Targeting Immigrants and Children of Immigrants: Results from a Randomized Control Trial.” Joint with James P. Smith, Leandro Carvalho and Joanne Yoong. *Journal of Consumer Affairs* 2016, 50(2): 263-285.

“The Effects of Medicare on Medical Expenditure Risk and Financial Strain” Joint with Mireille Jacobson. *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy* 2015, 7(4): 41-70.

“Preparedness of Americans for the Affordable Care Act.” (Lead author) Joint with Amelie Wuppermann, Katherine Grace Carman, Sebastian Bauhoff, Daniel McFadden, Arie Kapteyn, Joachim Winter, and Dana P. Goldman. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Science (PNAS)* 2014, 111(15): 5497-5502.

“Child Gender and Parental Investments in India: Are Boys and Girls Treated Differently?” Joint with Leandro Carvalho and Adriana Lleras-Muney. *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics* 2014, 6(1): 157–189

“Undiagnosed Disease, Especially Diabetes, Casts Doubt on Some of Reported Health ‘Advantage’ of Recent Mexican Immigrants.” Joint with Dana P. Goldman and James P. Smith. *Health Affairs*, 31, no. 12 (2012): 2727-2737.

“Parental Investment in India: Are Boys and Girls Treated Differently?” Joint with Leandro Carvalho and Adriana Lleras-Muney. *CMPO Research in Public Policy*, issue 12, Summer 2011. (Short Paper)

“Taxation and the Organizational Form of Professional Services in Brazil.” Joint with Juliano Assunção and Rogério Werneck (in Portuguese). (“Tributação e Organização dos Prestadores de Serviços no Brasil.”). *Pesquisa e Planejamento Econômico* 36 (2), pp. 343-364, August 2006.

WORKING PAPERS

“The Effect of Education on the Relationship between Genetics, Early-Life Disadvantages and Later-life SES.” Joint with Leandro Carvalho and Patrick Turley. *Under Review*.

“Public or Private? The Impact of Eligibility for Medicaid versus Subsidized Private Health Insurance.” Joint with Mireille Jacobson and Helen Levy. *Under Review*.

“The Unexpected Way Household Income Moderated Subjective Well-Being among Seniors During the Pandemic.” Joint with Mireille Jacobson and Arthur A. Stone. *Under Review*.

“Complexity, Defaults and Health Insurance Choice Quality.” Joint with Erin Trish. *Under Review*.

“Medicare and the Psychological Well-Being of Seniors during the COVID-19 Pandemic.” Joint with Mireille Jacobson and Arthur A. Stone.

“Legalization and the Economic Status of Immigrants”

“Information about Self-Control and Intertemporal Choices.” Joint with Leandro Carvalho.

WORK IN PROGRESS

“Can Policy Alleviate the Impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic on Well-Being? The Effects of CARES Act Transfers among Seniors.” Joint with Mireille Jacobson and Arthur Stone.

“Gene-Environment Interactions on Education and Psychological Well-Being.” Joint with Leandro Carvalho, Emilie Courtin and Patrick Turley.

“Psychological Well-Being and Cognitive Functioning Among Older Populations.” Joint with Mireille Jacobson and Arthur Stone.

“Education Improves Biomarkers Related to Diabetes.” Joint with Leandro Carvalho and Patrick Turley.

GRANTS (Since 2015)

Principal Investigator “Gene-Education Interactions and Psychological Health,” 2019-2022, National Institute on Aging R21 grant. R21AG060447, \$453,750.

Principal Investigator “Pathways from Health Insurance to Subjective Well-Being and Psychological Health at Older Ages,” 2016-2022, National Institute on Aging K award. K01AG050811, \$638,955.

Co-Investigator “Medicaid versus Private Insurance Coverage for Low-Income Families: What are the Tradeoffs between Cost-sharing and Access to Care?,” 2019-2023, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality R01, PI: Mireille Jacobson. R01 HS026488, \$846,523.

Co-Principal Investigator “Nature-Nurture Interaction and Socioeconomic Status,” 2016-2017, Russell Sage Foundation Grant, PIs: Barcellos and Carvalho. \$74,980.

Co-Investigator “The Effect of Education on Health Disparities,” 2015-2016, NIA Administrative Supplement, PI: Arie Kapteyn. 3P30AG024962-12S1, \$74,849.

Co-Principal Investigator “Health Insurance, Non-Deferrable Health Events and Financial Risk,” 2013-2016, NIA R21 grant, PIs: Barcellos and Jacobson. R21-AG044737 \$449,019.

Principal Investigator “Genes and the Environment: Understanding the Impact of Education on SES” 2015. USC Population Research Center Seed Grant. \$25,000.

CONFERENCE AND SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS (since 2012)

- 2021 Boston University (Business School), RIDGE Forum Workshop on Labor, USC, University of Essex (Economics)*, Frontiers in Economic Analysis with Genetic Data (UW-Madison)* *scheduled*
- 2020 UCLA (CCPR), SBE (Brazilian Econometric Society), UT RGV, Econometric Society World Congress Bocconi, NBER Summer Institute Aging Workshop, University of Rome Tor Vergata (CEIS), USC, Lehigh University (Economics), COVID-19 Conference CESR, Stanford University (CEPA), NBER COVID and Health Outcomes Conference.
- 2019 All-California Labor Economics Conference (UC Santa Cruz), Economic Science Association (Los Angeles), University of Southern California.
- 2018 Winter meeting of NBER Aging group, Population Association of America Meeting (Denver), American Society of Health Economists Meeting (Atlanta), NBER Summer Institute Aging Workshop (2 papers), UCSD (Economics), Integrating Genetics and Social Sciences Conference (UC Bolder).
- 2017 University of Essex (ISER), Institute for Fiscal Studies, University of Manchester (Health), Stockholm University (Swedish Institute for Social Research), Lund University (Economics), European University Institute (Economics), Aarhus University (Economics), University of Copenhagen (Economics), University of Southern Denmark (Economics), Ludwig-Maximilians-University Munich (Economics), CEMMAP/UCL Workshop on RDD (London), European Economic Association Meeting (Lisbon).
- 2016 University of California, Irvine (Economics Department), Roybal Center for Economic Decision-Making Meeting (Los Angeles), NBER Summer Institute Health Economics Workshop (Boston), Charles University (CERGE-EI), Stockholm University (Economics).
- 2014 American Economic Association Meeting (Philadelphia), Health Economics Workshop (UCSB), Society of Labor Economists Annual Meeting (DC), LACEA – Latin American Economic Association Meetings (Sao Paulo).
- 2013 RCMAR Annual Meeting (Los Angeles), USC Immigrant Health Initiative (Los Angeles), PAA Annual Meeting (New Orleans), SOLE Annual Meeting (Boston), Summer Meeting of the American Econometric Society (Los Angeles), NBER Summer Institute Aging Workshop (Boston), All-CA Labor Conference (UCSD, San Diego), European Conference on Household Finance (Rome).
- 2012 13th Occasional California Workshop on Environmental and Resource Economics (UCSB), Michigan Retirement Research Center Workshop, PAA Annual Meeting (San Francisco), TEDxMidAtlantic (Washington DC).

CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION

All-California Labor Economics Conference, 19-20 September 2011, RAND Santa Monica CA.

All-California Labor Economics Conference, 4-5 October 2018, University of Southern California.

Measuring and Improving Health Equity, 7-8 December 2018, University of Southern California.

GRADUATE STUDENT ADVISING

Dissertation Committee Chair, Sarah Kups, Ph.D. in Policy Analysis, Pardee RAND Graduate School, 2014.

Job Placement: OECD, Paris.

TEACHING

Russell Sage Foundation Summer Institute in Social-Science Genomics. Summer 2019.

Econ 472: Health Economics. Spring 2016. Offered by USC Economics Department.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND ACTIVITIES

American Economic Association (AEA)

Society of Labor Economists (SOLE)

American Society of Health Economists (ASHEcon)

Population Association of America (PAA)

Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association (LACEA)

Grant Reviewer: NIH Social Sciences and Population Studies Review Panel (SSPB); National Science Foundation.

Referee: *American Economic Journal; Applied Economics; Quarterly Journal of Economics; Economic Journal; Journal of the European Economic Association; Journal of Health Economics; Review of Economics and Statistics; Journal of Human Resources; Proceeding of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS); The B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy; Journal of Labor Economics; Journal of Population Economics; The Journal of Economics and Human Biology; CESifo Economic Studies; PLoS ONE; BMJ Open; Journal of Development Economics; Economic Letters; American Journal of Agricultural Economics; Journal of Human Capital; Social Science and Medicine; Journal of Policy Analysis and Management.*

INVITED LECTURES

TEDxMidAtlantic, Washington DC, October 26th, 2012.

Website: <http://tedxmidatlantic.com/2012-talks/>

Video Presentation: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=voF8B-Jr0mA>

USC Immigrant Health Initiative, Los Angeles, February 27th, 2013.

Video Presentation:

[http://keck.usc.edu/en/Education/Academic Department and Divisions/Department of Preventive Medicine/Research/Immigrant Health Initiative/Past Events/Silvia Barcellos.aspx](http://keck.usc.edu/en/Education/Academic%20Department%20and%20Divisions/Department%20of%20Preventive%20Medicine/Research/Immigrant%20Health%20Initiative/Past%20Events/Silvia%20Barcellos.aspx)

LANGUAGES

Portuguese (native), *English* (fluent), *Spanish* (intermediate), *French* (intermediate).

PERSONAL

Married, mother of Benjamin (b. 2015) and Thomas (b. 2019).

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