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HIGHER EDUCATION

PhD Economics	2000-2005	University of Warwick
MA Econometrics	1999-2000	University of Manchester
BSocSc Economics and Statistics	1996-1999	University of Birmingham

CURRENT APPOINTMENT

Senior Lecturer at the University of Otago since January 2009

IZA Research Fellow since July 2006

University of Otago Legal Issues Centre since August 2011

PREVIOUS APPOINTMENTS

Lecturer	Department of Economics, University of Sheffield, 2005/07-2008/12
Research Fellow	Labor Market and Welfare State Unit, CPB, The Hague, 2005/01-2005/06
Research Fellow	Department of Public Economics, DIW Berlin, 2004/01-2004/12
Research Officer	Institute for the Study of Social Change, University College Dublin, Dublin, 2002/07-2003/12
Research Assistant	Department of Economics, University of Keele, Stoke-on-Trent, 2003/01-2003/05
Senior Tutor	Economics Department, University College Dublin, Dublin, 2002/09-2003/04
Research Assistant	London School of Economics, Centre for Economic Performance, London, 2000/06-2001/12

REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES

"The divorce revolution and generalized trust: Evidence from the United States 1973-2010", *International Review of Law and Economics*, forthcoming.

"Parental divorce and other determinants of interpersonal trust: Evidence from Hilda panel data", *Australian Journal of Labour Economics*, forthcoming.

"The motherhood wage gap in the U.K. over the life cycle", *Review of Economics of the Household*, forthcoming.

"Childcare voucher and labour market behaviour", *Applied Economics*, 43(23): 3203-3212, 2011.

"The Effect of Divorce Laws on Divorce Rates in Europe" (with L.Gonzalez), *European Economic Review*, 53(2): 127-138, 2009.

"Cost of Childcare and Female Employment in Britain", *Labour*, 19 (Special Issue): 149-170, 2005

"The Long-Run Labour Market Consequences of Teenage Motherhood in Britain" (with A. Chevalier), *Journal of Population Economics*, 16(2), 323-343, 2003

"The Causality Between Female Labour Force Participation and the Supply of Childcare" (with A. Chevalier), *Applied Economics Letters*, 9, 915-918, 2002

BOOK CHAPTERS, REPORTS AND JOURNALISTIC ARTICLES

"Informal Elderly Care and Women's Labour Force Participation across Europe", ENEPRI Research Report, No. 13, July, 2005

"The Economics of Early Childhood Care and Education" (with A. Chevalier, C.Finn, C. Harmon) in Early Childhood Care and Education, National Economic and Social Forum, 2005

"Basic Skills, Soft Skills and Labour Market Outcomes: Secondary Analysis of the National Child Development Study" (with S. Machin, S. McIntosh, A. Vignoles), Department for Education and Skills, Research Report, No. 250, 2001

The Guardian, "Childcare still failing", 16th April, 2003

The Guardian, "Teenage moms suffer at school", 20th February, 2002

Centre Piece, "By Choice or by Chance?", Vol. 7, Issue 1, pp. 2-9, 2002

RESEARCH GRANTS

Confidence and utilization in the health care industry during the information age, co-investigator, 2014-2015, UORG, \$4,608

The Effect of the Income Tax Structure on Tax Evasion, principal investigator, 2012-2013, UORG, \$8,634.

The Long-Term Consequences of Divorce Legislation on Child Outcomes, principal investigator, 2007/02 - 2008/8, ESRC, £74,784.05

Informal Care and Female Labour Force Participation across Europe, principal investigator, 2006/01-2006/12, Nuffield Foundation, £6,800

The Impact of Divorce Laws on Divorce Rates in Europe (with L. Gonzalez), principal investigator, 2006/01-2006/12, British Academy, £1,181

SCHOLARSHIPS, HONOURS AND AWARDS

British Foreign Office, The British Chevening Scholarship, 2002 - 2003

Yrjö Jahnsson Foundation Scholarship, 2001-2003

European Commission, Marie Curie Research Fellowship, 2001 – 2002

Almon Prize in Statistics for outstanding performance in the MA (Econ) in Econometrics programme at the University of Manchester, 2000

Manchester School scholarship, 1999 - 2000

CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS

Royal Economic Society (2001, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2008); Scottish Economic Society Annual Conference (2007); IZA Workshop on Long-term Care in Europe (2007); St. Andrews Applied Microeconomics Workshop (2007); IZA Conference on Women and the Labour Market in Europe (2004); University of Kent at Canterbury (2005); Verein für Socialpolitik Annual Conference (2004); Annual Congress of the European Economic Association (2004); 14th EEA Summer School in Microeconometrics (2003); 6th IZA Summer School (2003); University College Dublin (2002, 2003); University of Copenhagen (2001, 2002); Society of Labor Economics Annual Meeting (2002); Department of Economics, University of Warwick (2000, 2001); Centre for Economic Performance, London School of Economics (2000, 2001); Spring Meeting of Young Economists Annual Meeting (2001, 2004); European Society for Population Economics Annual Conference (2001, 2003); European Association of Labour Economists Annual Conference (2001, 2007, 2012); Economics of Education and Employment Group Annual Meeting (2000); Hilda Survey Research Conference (2011)

REFEREEING

Journal of Applied Econometrics, Demography, Journal of Population Economics, Labour Economics, Economica, Applied Economics, Manchester School, Journal of Income Distribution, Journal of Health Economics, Health Economics, European Journal of Health Economics, Economic Modelling, British Journal of Industrial Relations, Economic Inquiry, Review of Economics of the Household, International Review of Law and Economics