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### CURRENT POSITION

March 2012 - Present

**Lecturer in Economics** – University of Wollongong – School of Accounting, Economics and Finance  
Areas of Research: Health Economics, Labour Economics, Applied Microeconometrics and Panel Data

### PAST POSITION

2010 (January) – 2011 (June)

**Lecturer in Economics** - University of Aberdeen – Scottish Institute for Research in Economics – Work and Well-Being program  
**Department of Economics and Health Economics Research Unit**

2008 - 2011

**University of New South Wales , Social Policy Research Centre  
Research Associate (part-time)**  
Supervisor: Dr. Bruce Bradbury  
Performed microeconomic analysis using Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) and HILDA data set.  
Research topics: Household expenditure and equivalences scales for single and couple age pensioners in Australia

### EDUCATION

July 2006 – August 2011  
(including two periods of absence for maternity leave)

**University of New South Wales (UNSW), Sydney, Australia  
PhD in Economics**  
Thesis title: *An Economic Analysis of the Impact of the Labour Market on Family Well-Being*  
**Supervisors: Prof. Denise Doiron, Prof. Ian Walker**  
Research fields: Labour Economics, Health Economics, Applied Microeconometrics  
Coursework: Economics of Health and Medical Care; Evaluation Methods  
Scholarships: University Postgraduate Award (UNSW) and Einaudi Foundation Scholarship

02/2008 – 05/2008

Visiting appointment:  
Visiting Academic at the **University of Warwick** (Department of Economics)

2004 – 2005

**University College of London (UCL), UK  
MSc in Economics  
Overall mark: Distinction**

Dissertation: "The impact of job loss on family dissolution"  
Supervisor: Dr. Samuel Berlinsky  
Coursework: Microeconomics (Distinction), Macroeconomics (Distinction), Econometric Theory and Methods (Distinction), Time Series Econometrics, Microeconometrics, Topics in Industrial Organization, Topics in Labour Economics  
Scholarship: Donato Menichella scholarship, awarded by the National Bank of Italy  
Courses: "BHPS (British Household Panel Survey) using STATA" organized by ISER (Institute for Social and Economic Research- University of Essex) - Instructor: Professor Stephen Jenkins

1997 - 2002

**University of Turin (Italy)**  
Laurea (BA Hons) in Economics  
First Class Honours (110/110, lode e menzione)

### REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES

The Impact of Job Loss on Family Dissolution, (with Denise Doiron), *Journal of Population Economics*, 2011, 25(1): 367-398.

The Impact of Pre-school on Adolescents' Outcomes: Evidence from a Recent English Cohort (with Patricia Apps and Ian Walker), *Economics of Education Review*, 2013, 37: 183-199.

The Impact of Husbands' Job Loss on Partners' Mental Health, *Review of Economics of the Household*, 2014, 12: 277-294.

The Effect of Non-Cognitive Traits on Health Behaviours in Adolescence (with Ian Walker), *Health Economics*, 2014, DOI: 10.1002/hec.3043

The Front Line of Social Capital Creation - a Natural Experiment in Symbolic Interaction (with Roger Patulny and Peter Siminski), *Social Science and Medicine*, forthcoming 2014.

### OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Job loss and family dissolution, in Michalos AC (Ed.). *Encyclopedia of Quality of Life and Well-Being Research*. Springer, Dordrecht, Netherlands: Springer, pp. 3445-3448.

Living Standards after Retirement: Perceptions and Expenditure Patterns, *Social Policy Research Centre Report Series*, 2/12 (with Bruce Bradbury).

Unemployment and Mental WellBeing, *Annali della Fondazione Einaudi* XLI 2007.

### WORKING PAPERS

Maternal Working Hours and the Well-Being of Adolescent Children (Submitted to *European Journal of Population*)

The Effect of Chronic Pain on Life Satisfaction: Evidence from Australian Data (with Paul McNamee) (Revise and Re-submit at *Social Science and Medicine*)

The impact of personality traits on high school performance and subjects' choice (with Ian Walker) (Revise and Re-submit at *Economics of Education Review*)

Maternal Work-History and Children well-being (with Denise Doiron) (working paper)

The impact of public information on school enrolments: evidence from MySchool data in Australia (with Oleg Yerokin) (working paper)

#### CONFERENCE/SEMINARS PRESENTATIONS

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| 2014 (January)  | <b>Health Economics Study Group (University of Sheffield)</b><br>Paper presented: The Effect of Chronic Pain on Life Satisfaction: Evidence from Australian Data  |
| 2014 (January)  | <b>Lancaster University - Economics Research Seminar</b><br>Paper presented "The impact of non-cognitive traits on health behaviours in adolescence"  |
| 2013 (July)     | <b>International Health Economics Association Congress, Sydney</b><br>Paper presented "The impact of non-cognitive traits on health behaviours in adolescence"  |
| 2013 (April)    | <b>Health Econometrics Workshop (Launceston)</b><br>Paper presented "The impact of non-cognitive traits on health behaviours in adolescence"  |
| 2012 (December) | <b>Catholic University (Milan) - Seminar in Economics</b><br>Paper presented: "The Impact of Pre-school on Adolescents' Outcomes: Evidence from a Recent English Cohort"                                      |
| 2012 (July)     | <b>European Conference for Health Economics, Zurich</b><br>Paper presented: "Maternal working hours and the well-being of adolescent children"  |
| 2011 (March)    | <b>Invited presentation at the SIRE Forum for Young Researchers in Economics - Herriot Watt University - Edinburgh</b><br>Paper presented: "Maternal working hours and the well-being of adolescent children" |
| 2010 (October)  | <b>Australian Conference of Health Economists, Sydney</b><br>Paper presented: "Maternal working hours and the well-being of   |

	adolescent children”
2010 (September)	<b>Australian Conference of Economists, Sydney</b> Paper presented: “Maternal working hours and the well-being of adolescent children”
2010 (March)	<b>Scottish Conference of Economics, Perth</b> Paper presented: “Maternal working hours and the well-being of adolescent children”
2009 (June)	<b>XXIII Annual Conference of the European Society for Population Economics (ESPE), Seville</b> Paper presented: “The impact of job loss on family mental health”
2009 (May)	<b>IZA Summer School in Labor Economics</b> Paper presented: “The impact of job loss on family mental health”
2009 (January)	<b>6<sup>th</sup> CAER Workshop in Health Economics (UNSW)</b> Paper presented: “The impact of job loss on family mental health”
2008 (November)	<b>Conference for PhD students in Economics (Australian National University)</b> Paper presented: “The impact of job loss on family mental health”
2008 (August)	<b>ERSA Seminar Series, UNSW, School of Economics</b> Paper presented: “The impact of job loss on family dissolution”
2008 (June)	<b>Labour Seminar Series, University of Warwick</b> Paper presented: “The impact of job loss on family mental health”
2008 (June)	<b>XXII Annual Conference of the European Society for Population Economics (ESPE), London</b> Poster presented: “The impact of job loss on family dissolution”
2007 (May)	<b>XXII Annual Meeting of the Society of Labour Economists (SOLE), Chicago</b> Paper presented: “The impact of job loss on family mental health”
2007 (February)	<b>Australian Labour Market Research Workshop, Melbourne</b> Paper presented: “The impact of job loss on family dissolution”
2007 (January)	<b>71<sup>st</sup> Health Economists’ Study Group (HESG), Birmingham</b> Paper presented: “The impact of job change on family mental health”
<b>TEACHING AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE</b>	
2013; 2014	<b>University of Wollongong - Lecturer in Gender Economics (2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> year students ) - 1 class 140 students</b>

2012; 2013	<b>University of Wollongong - Lecturer in Economics of Health Care</b> (3 <sup>rd</sup> year students) - 1 class 25 students
2012; 2013; 2014	<b>University of Wollongong - Lecturer in Intermediate Microeconomics</b> (2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> year students) - 1 class 120 students
2011 (March)	<b>University of Aberdeen - Lecturer in Health Economics</b> (3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> year Honours students) - 1 class 50 students
2010-2011	<b>University of Aberdeen - Department of Economics</b> <b>Tutor in Human Resource Economics (for MBA students)</b> - 1 class 18 students - 10 hours
2006 - 2008	<b>University of New South Wales , School of Economics</b> <b>Teaching Assistant</b> for the following subjects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Quantitative Methods for Economics (Statistics) (Undergraduate, B.Sc. Economics) - 3 classes (20 students each)</li> <li>• Applied Econometrics (Introduction to STATA) (BEc Honours) - 2 classes (20 students each)</li> <li>• Microeconomics (Undergraduate, B.Sc Economics) - 3 classes (25 students each)</li> </ul> <p>Provided research software support and individual training for students using STATA in their BEc. Honours' thesis. Prepared and delivered tutorial classes. Marked students' oral presentation and written essays.</p>
2006 - 2011	<b>University of New South Wales , School of Economics</b> <b>Research Assistant</b> Supervisor: Prof. Denise Doiron Performed microeconomic analysis using HILDA data set. Researched the effect of private health insurance on health care utilisation. Also performed construction and maintenance of the dataset. Other topics of research: Nurses labour supply, Health and income inequality in UK and Australia
2005 - 2006	<b>Sanpaolo IMI Bank</b> , Strategic Analysis and Business Planning (CEO Staff), Turin, Italy <b>Junior Economist</b> Reported microeconomic data and macroeconomic trends for top management (especially CEO and Executive Director). Contributed to the development of a mathematical model to forecast the impact of different macroeconomic variables on business plan objectives.
2001 - 2004	Sanpaolo IMI Bank, Client Financial Planning Unit <b>Project Assistant</b> Developed a Risk Calculus Model for customer portfolios, based on Value at Risk methodology

Courses: "Global Asset Allocation" organized by The International Centre for Financial Asset Management and Engineering (FAME) in Geneva - Instructor: Professor Philippe Jorion

**REFERRING**

Labour Economics; Economics Record; Journal of Royal Statistical Society Series A; Social Indicators Research

**SKILLS AND COMPETENCES**

- Very good use of STATA
- Good use of SAS

**REFERENCES**

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