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EDUCATION

University College London – UK

Doctor of Philosophy in Economics, 2014

The University of Southampton – UK

Master of Science in Economics (*Distinction*), 2004

Bachelor of Science in Economics (*Hons*), 2003

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Primary Affiliations

- 2014-Present: Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, The University of Texas at Austin
- 2012-2015: Research Officer, London School of Economics, Centre for Economic Performance
- 2006-2012: Research Assistant, London School of Economics, Centre for Economic Performance
- 2005-2006: Research Fellow, University of Westminster

Secondary Affiliations

- 2017-Present: *NBER Faculty Research Fellow*
- 2016-Present: *Faculty Research Associate*, Population Research Center, The University of Texas at Austin
- 2015-Present: *Research Affiliate*, London School of Economics, Centre for Economic Performance
- 2014-Present: *Associate Member*, Department for Education (UK) Analytical Pool
- 2013-Present: *Co-chair*, Economics of Higher Education
- 2013-Present: *Advisory Board Member*, Education Endowment Foundation (EEF)
- 2013-Present: *Research Affiliate*, Center for Economic Studies and the Ifo Institute (CESifo)
- 2010-2012: *Visiting Researcher*, University of California at Berkeley

Fellowships, Honors and Awards

- 2017: Semi Finalist Friar Centennial Teaching Fellowship for outstanding teaching
- 2016: UniCredit & Universities Best Paper Award on Gender Economics
- 2013: Outstanding Early Career Impact, Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC)
- 2013: CESifo Young Affiliate Award Candidate

- 2009-2012: Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC), Scholarship
 2008: WM Gorman Scholarship, University College London
 2001: Economic Review Prize, University of Southampton

PUBLICATIONS

Articles in Peer Reviewed Journals

- 1 Machin, S. and R. Murphy (Accepted) “Paying Out and Crowding Out? The Globalisation of Higher Education”, *Journal of Economic Geography*
- 2 Beland, L and Murphy, R. (2016) “Ill Communication: Technology, distraction & student performance” *Labour Economics*, Vol.41, pp.61-76
- 3 Green, F., S. Machin, R. Murphy, and Y. Zhu, (2012) “The Changing Economic Advantage from Private Schools” *Economica*, Vol.79, No.316, pp.658 – 679
- 4 Green, F., S. Machin, R. Murphy, and Y. Zhu , (2008) “Competition for private and state school teachers” *Journal of Education and Work*, Vol. 21, No.5, pp.383-404
- 5 Murphy, R., E. Michielsens, and P. Urwin, (2007) “Employee Voice Regimes and the Characteristics of Conflict: An Analysis of the 2003 Survey of Employment Tribunal Applications”, *Human Resource Management Journal*, Vol. 17 No. 2 (2007) pp.178-197
- 6 Murphy, R., A. Palanivel, and P. Urwin, (2006) “A Comparison of Business Graduates’ Labour Force Destinations following Post-Secondary Vocational Education and Training in Three Indian States”, *Journal of Vocational Education and Training*, Vol. 58, No. 3 (2006) pp. 271–282.

Non Peer-Reviewed / Policy Reports

- 7 Murphy, R., Scott-Clayton, J. and Wyness G. (2017) “Lessons from the end of free college in England”, *Brookings Evidence Speaks Report*, April 27 2017
- 7 Murphy, R. (2013) “Testing Teachers: What works best for teacher evaluation and appraisal”, *The Sutton Trust*
- 8 Murphy, R. (2011) “Improving the impact of teachers on pupil achievement in the UK”, *The Sutton Trust*
- 9 Machin, S. and R. Murphy (2010) “The social composition and future earnings of postgraduates”, *Postgraduate Review*
- 10 Machin, S., R. Murphy, and Z. Soobedar (2010) “Differences in the labour market gains from qualifications” *National Equality Panel Report*
- 11 Machin, S., R. Murphy, and Z. Soobedar (2010) “Differences in labour market gains from higher education participation” *National Equality Panel Report*

Non Peer-Reviewed Chapters in Books

- 12 Murphy, R. (2014) “The Causes and Consequences of the Growth in International Students in Higher Education” *The Mobility of Students and the Highly Skilled*, Editors: Marcel Gérard and Silke Uebelmesser. Series: CESifo Seminar Series, MIT Press

Working Papers

Revise and Resubmit.

Murphy, R and F. Weinhardt (2016) "Top of The Class: The Importance of Ordinal Rank" Review of Economic Studies

Under Review

Murphy, R. and Wyness, G. "Testing Means-Tested Aid" Journal of Political Economy

Murphy, R. "Why do unions still exist? The role of insurance" American Economic Review

Work in Progress

Murphy, R. and F. Weinhardt "Can peer to peer mentoring improve teaching? Evidence from a RCT in 182 schools"

Murphy, R. and G. Wyness "Teaching to the Test Teaching to the Test: The Long Run Impacts of Standardized Testing on Student Outcomes"

Murphy, R and S. Telhaj "Atheism and Economic Prosperity: The long term impacts of a national ban on religions"

Burgess, S., E. Greaves and R. Murphy "The impact of performance related pay reform on teachers' pay and progression"

Murphy, R. J. Scott-Clayton, & G. Wyness The End of Free College in England: Implications for Access, Equity, and Institutional Quality

Murphy, R. and G. Wyness "Minority Report: the impact of predicted grades on university admissions of disadvantaged groups"

Data collection complete. Conducting primary analysis.

Dolton, P. and R. Murphy "Teacher Unionisation in the UK" Book Chapter for Comparative Study of Teachers Unions Ed: Terry Moe and Susanne Wiborg

Denning J., R. Murphy, and F. Weinhardt "Am I good enough? The importance of prior class ranking on life outcomes"

Marques da Costa, R., S. Machin, and R. Murphy, "Origins of Criminal Behavior"

RESEARCH GRANTS AND CONTRACTS

Murphy, R. and F. Weinhardt. "Can peer to peer mentoring improve teaching? Evidence from a RCT in 182 schools." The Education Endowment Foundation. 2013. Amount: £543,425.

Murphy, R. "Testing Teachers" The Sutton Trust. 2012. Amount: £12,000.

Murphy, R. Improving the impact of teachers on pupil achievement in the UK." The Sutton Trust. 2011. Amount: £15,000

SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS¹

2016 University of California at Irvine, AEFP Denver, SOLE Seattle, APPAM-International London

2015 AEA-Boston, University of California, Berkeley, CESifo Munich on Economics of Education, NBER-Education Meeting. University of Texas at Austin, Department of Education.

¹ Presentations at universities in the department of economics, unless noted.

- 2014 Oxford University, Queen Mary University of London, Warwick University – Cage Seminar, CESifo Munich on Economics of Education, Royal Economic Society annual meeting, International Workshop on Applied Economics of Education, Sterling University, Gates Foundation - Improving Teacher Practice, Stata TX Empirical Microeconomics Conference, NBER-Education Meeting.
- 2013 CESifo Munich on Economics of Education, University of Bristol, University of Sussex, Royal Holloway University of London, IFS Seminar, Royal Economic Society annual meeting, International Workshop on Applied Economics of Education, Workshop on Educational Governance in Trondheim, London School of Economics-Labour Workshop, Self-control, Self-regulation and Education Workshop Aarhus University
- 2012 CESifo Venice Summer Institute, APPAM Baltimore, EALE Annual Conference Bonn
- 2011 CEPR Economics and Politics of Immigration Torino, Education Research

STUDENT ADVISING

Advising of Doctoral Students (* Primary Advisor)

The University of Texas at Austin

Harry Cheng (TBD)

Ziwei He (TBD)

Jinseok Shin (TBD)

Collin Hansen (TBD)

Matthew Farber* (2016 – Analysis Group)

Advising of Undergraduate Theses

The University of Texas at Austin

Yanyan Dai (2016)

SERVICE

Professional Service

2004-Present Ad Hoc Referee for Academic Journals

Journals include *Journal of Political Economy*, *Review of Economic Studies*, *Journal of the European Economic Association*, *Journal of Labor Economics*, *Journal of Public Economics*, *Journal of Human Capital*, *The Economic Journal*, *Economica*, *Economics of Education Review*, *European Economic Review*, *Empirical Economics*, *London Review of Education*, *Education Economics*, *Economic Inquiry*

2004-Present Policy Advice

Advisors to the Minister of Education and Advisor to the Deputy Prime Minister, Education Select Committee (2011), National Equality Panel, BIS Postgraduate Review

University Service

2015-Present *Economics of Education, Undergraduate*, University of Texas at Austin

2015-Present *Graduate Labor Economics*, University of Texas at Austin

2016-Present *Co-coordinating Research Projects, with The Arnold Foundation, Texas Education Agency and the University of Texas at Austin.* Supervising graduate students; Jinseok Shin, Meghan Shea, David Oh, and Ziwei He

MEDIA COVERAGE OF ORIGINAL RESEARCH

Ill communication: Mobile Phones and Student Performance (2015)

Interviewed with: [The Guardian](#), The Observer, Wall Street Journal, BBC Radio 5 Live, BBC Radio Ulster Radio, SiriusXM Satellite Radio, CBC News (Canada), Korean Broadcasting System.

Also covered in: [The Atlantic](#), [Edu Week](#), [CNN](#), [New York Magazine](#), [The Onion](#), [MTV](#), [The Conversation](#), [Time Magazine Educ](#), [Time Magazine Tech](#) [CNN](#), [CBS News](#), [Huffington Post](#), [Boston Globe](#), [Deseret News](#), Daily Mail, The Times, The Independent, BBC News, Daily Mail, Christian Science Monitor, Evening Standard, WKBW News 7, Die Welt (German), Berliner Morgenpost (German), Das Spiegel (German), , ABC Online, Adelaide Now, Sky News, Times of India, Malaysian Digest, The Press NZ, Southern Highland News, Nationale Onderwijsgids (Holland), Московский Комсомолец – Лондон (Russia),

TV Clips: [ABC WGNO](#), [BBC News](#), [BBC Breakfast](#), [FoxMemphis](#), [ABCDenverChannel](#), [WSAW - WI](#), [Wink News -FL](#), [FoxBoston](#), [9&10news-MI](#), [Hoy\(Spain\)](#)

Top of the Class: Importance of Ordinal Rank (2013)

Interviewed with: [The Telegraph](#), Sunday Times, BBC Radio 5 Live, BBC London Radio, Berkshire (Radio), ESRC Magazine

Also covered in: [The Guardian](#), Daily Mail , The Independent, BBC News, Marginal Revolution, BBC West Midlands, BBC Newcastle, BBC Shropshire, BBC Tees and UCB Radio. World Bank The Sydney News (Australia), Nyheder.Dr.dk (Denmark), Adevărul (Romania), 中文网 (China), Newsbeast.gr (Greece), merdeka (Indonesia), [Nada es Gratis](#) (Antonio Cabrales)

Increasing university income from home and overseas students: what impact for social mobility (2012)

Interviewed with: [The Guardian](#), BBC News 24 (TV), The Daily Telegraph

Also covered in: [The Independent](#), The Daily Mail, The Financial Times, Times Higher Education , The Sun

Testing Teachers: What works best for teacher evaluation and appraisal (2011)

Interviewed with: [Times Educational Supplement](#)

Competition for private and state school teachers (2009)

Interviewed with: [The Telegraph](#), The Guardian

Differences in labour market gains from higher education participation (2009)

Interviews with: [Daily Mail](#), The Guardian, BBC Online, BBC Kent Radio, Free Press Association

Also Covered in: [The Telegraph](#), Kent News,