

## Professor Colm Harmon

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<b>BORN</b>	20 <sup>th</sup> March 1971
<b>NATIONALITY</b>	Irish
<b>EDUCATION</b>	1997 <i>PhD in Economics – University of Keele, Staffordshire, UK</i> 1992 <i>MA in Economics – University College Dublin, Dublin, Ireland</i> 1991 <i>BA (Hons.) in Economics – University College Dublin, Dublin, Ireland</i>

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### **EMPLOYMENT**

#### **CURRENT ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT:**

School of Economics, University of Sydney: *July 2012 to present. Professor and School Chair in Economics.*  
School of Economics, University College Dublin: *October 2004 to present. Professor of Economics (on leave).*

#### **DIRECTORSHIPS:**

Director and co-founder, Bedlington Research Ltd

#### **CURRENT ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS:**

Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA), Bonn: *2001-present. Research Fellow.*

#### **PREVIOUS ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT:**

UCD Geary Institute, University College Dublin: *July 2003 to June 2012. Director.*  
UCD Geary Institute, University College Dublin: *Oct 2000 to June 2003. Deputy Director.*  
Department of Economics, University College Dublin: *September 1996 to September 2004. College/Senior Lecturer.*  
Department of Economics, NUI Maynooth: *1993-1996. College Lecturer in Economics (tenured from 1994)*  
Economics Division, Staffordshire University: *1992-1993. Lecturer in Economics (with tenure)*

#### **VISITING ACADEMIC POSITIONS:**

School of Economics, University of Sydney: *December 2011 to June 2012. Visiting Professor of Economics.*  
Research School of Economics, Australian National University: *March-December 2011. Professor of Economics*  
Harris School of Public Policy, University of Chicago: *Feb 2009, May 2009. Visiting Professor.*  
Department of Economics, University College London: *2001 to 2003. Nuffield New Career Development Fellow.*  
Economic and Social Research Institute, Dublin: *April 2001 – September 2001. Visiting Researcher.*  
Department of Economics, University of Warwick: *Feb 2000 – Feb 2001. Marie Curie Research Fellow.*  
Industrial Relations Section, Princeton University: *Visiting Mar-May 1998, Apr 1999, Oct 2000, and April 2001.*

#### **EDITORIAL APPOINTMENTS/DUTIES:**

Associate Editor, *Economics of Education Review* – 2011 to present.  
Associate Editor, [E-conomics](#) – 2007 to present.  
Member, Board of Editors, *Effective Education* – 2008 to present.  
Member, Board of Editors, *Economics of Education Review* – 2003 to 2011.  
Guest Editor, *Irish Medical Journal Special Issue*, September 2007.  
Associate Editor, [Economic and Social Review](#) – 2004 to 2007.

#### **HONOURS & AWARDS:**

Marie Curie Excellence Award – Grand Jury Shortlist candidate (one of nine) – October 2003, October 2004  
Barrington Medal, Statistical and Social Inquiry Society of Ireland - 116<sup>th</sup> recipient of the prize - 2001.  
Nuffield Foundation New Career Development Fellow - 2001  
Marie Curie Research Fellow – European Commission - 2000

## **PUBLISHED RESEARCH**

### **CURRENTLY ACTIVE RESEARCH PAPERS/BOOKS:**

“Automatic for the People – Behavioural Economics and Retirement Income Savings.” (with Liam Delaney, John McHale and Keith O’Hara).

“Micro-Level Determinants of Lecture Attendance and Additional Study Hours.” (with Liam Delaney and Martin Ryan), August 2010. [IZA Discussion Paper 5144](#). Under submission.

“School Capital Spending and Educational Outcomes: New Evidence from Administrative Records.” (with Vincent Hogan and Lori Timmins), September 2008, revised May 2010. Under submission.

“The Impact of Parental Income and Education on the Schooling of their Children.” (with A.Chevalier, V. O’Sullivan and I.Walker). February 2005, revised April 2010, [IZA Discussion Paper 1496](#). Under submission.

“Skills Matching: Enhancing the Comparability of Self-Assessments Using Anchoring Vignettes.” (with Liam Delaney and Martin Ryan), January 2010.

“Price Elasticity of Demand for Private Health Insurance in the UK: Evidence from a Natural Experiment.” (with Peter Carney). January 2010.

“Dynamics of Demand for Private Health Insurance in Ireland.” (with C.Finn). November 2006. [IZA Discussion Paper 2472](#).

“The Impact of Parental Income and Education on the Health of their Children.” (with O. Doyle, I. Walker). November 2005, [IZA Discussion Paper 1832](#).

### **PAPERS PUBLISHED IN MAINSTREAM REFEREED JOURNALS:**

“Economic Returns to Education: What We Know, What We Don’t Know, and Where We Are Going – Some Brief Pointers” (with Matt Dickson). [Economics of Education Review](#), Vol. 30 (6), pp. 1118-1122, 2011.

“Parental Education, Grade Attainment and Earning Expectations – Evidence from University Students.” (with Liam Delaney and Cathy Redmond). [Economics of Education Review](#), Vol. 30 (6), pp. 1136-1152, 2011.

“Validating the Use of Vignettes for Subjective Threshold Scales.” (with Arthur Van Soest, Liam Delaney, Arie Kapteyn, James P Smith). [Journal of the Royal Statistical Society - Series A](#), Vol. 174 (3), pp. 575-595, 2011.

“Naturalistic Monitoring of the Affect-Heart Rate Relationship: A Day Reconstruction Study.” (with Michael Daly, Liam Delaney, Peter Doran and Malcolm MacLachlan). [Health Psychology](#), Vol 29 (2), pp. 186-195, April 2010.

“Experimental Tests of Survey Responses to Expenditure Questions.” (with David Comerford and Liam Delaney). [Fiscal Studies](#), Vol 30 (3-4), 419-433, December 2009.

“Psychological and Biological Foundations of Time Preference: Evidence from a Day Reconstruction Study with Biological Tracking.” (with Michael Daly and Liam Delaney). [Journal of the European Economic Association](#), Vol. 7, No. 2-3: 659–669, April 2009.

“Early Childhood Intervention: Rationale, Timing and Efficacy.” (with O.Doyle, J. Heckman, R. Tremblay). [Economics and Human Biology](#), 7(1), pp. 1-6, March 2009.

“Behavioural Economics and Drinking Behaviour: Preliminary Results from an Irish College Study.” (with L. Delaney, P. Wall). Economic Inquiry, 46 (1), pp. 29-36, January 2008.

“The microeconomics of early child investment.” (with Chevalier, A., Finn, C., Heckman, J.). Journal of Childrens Services, 1(2), pp. 18-31, October 2006

“Does Education Raise Productivity or Just Reflect It?” (with A Chevalier, I. Walker and Yu Zhu). Economic Journal, November 2004.

“Dispersion in the Return to Education.” (with V. Hogan and I. Walker). Labour Economics, April 2003.

“The Returns to Education – A Review of Evidence, Issues and Deficiencies in the Literature.” (with H. Oosterbeek and I. Walker). Journal of Economic Surveys, March 2003.

“Testing for Sheepskin Effects in Earnings Functions.” (with K. Denny). Applied Economics Letters, Volume 8 (9), pp. 635-637, September 2001.

“Health Insurance and Health Service Utilization in Ireland.” (with B. Nolan). Health Economics, Volume 10, pp. 135-145, February 2001.

“Returns to the Quantity and Quality of Education: Evidence for Men in England and Wales.” (with I. Walker). Economica, Vol. 67(265), February 2000.

“Literacy and Education in the Ireland.” (with K. Denny, D. McMahon and S. Redmond). Economic and Social Review, Vol. 30 (3), July 1999, pp. 215-224.

“A Review of Estimates of the Schooling/Earnings Relationship, with Tests for Publication Bias.” (with O. Ashenfelter and H. Oosterbeek). Labour Economics, Vol. 6 (4), November 1999, pp. 453-470.

“The Economic Return to Schooling in Ireland.” (with T. Callan). Labour Economics, Vol. 6 (4), November 1999, pp. 543-550.

“The Marginal and Average Return to Schooling.” (with I. Walker). European Economic Review, Vol. 43 (4-6), April 1999, pp. 879-887.

“Estimates of the Economic Return to Schooling for the UK.” (with I. Walker). American Economic Review, Vol. 85(5), December 1995, pp. 1278-1296.

“Schooling and Earnings in the U.K. – the ROSLA Experiment.” (with I. Walker). Economic and Social Review, Vol. 25(1), October 1993, pp. 77-93.

#### **PAPERS PUBLISHED IN POLICY JOURNALS/CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS:**

“SHARE” (with Liam Delaney, Cecily Kelleher, Brona Ni Chobhthaigh, Caroline Kenny). Irish Journal of Medical Science, Vol. 176, Supplement 6, September 2007, pp. 257.

“Private Returns and Access to Education.” (with J. Sheehan). Irish Banking Review, Spring 2004.

“On the Demand for Health Insurance in Ireland.” (with B. Nolan). The Geneva Association Information Newsletter: Health and Ageing, Issue 9, September 2003, International Association for the Study of Insurance Economics – Geneva.

“Schooling Returns, Schooling Decisions and Educational Finance.” Journal of the Statistical and Social Inquiry Society of Ireland, 2003.

“Education and Earnings in Northern Ireland.” (With V. Dukelow and I. Walker). Labour Market Bulletin No 14, November 2000, pp.98-101, Training and Employment Agency – Belfast.

“Employment Effects of the Proposed Minimum Wage.” (with F. Barry and J. Holt). Irish Banking Review, December 1998.

#### **BOOKS:**

[Evidence-based Policy Making: Getting the Evidence, Using the Evidence & Evaluating the Outcomes](#) (with Maureen Gaffney, eds.). Dublin: NESF, February 2007

Education and Earnings in Europe. (With I. Walker and N. Westergaard-Nielson, eds). Cheltenham: Edward Elgar, July 2001.

Investing in People: the Labour Market Impact of Human Resource Interventions Funded Under the 1994-1999 Community Support Framework in Ireland. (With K. Denny and P. O’Connell). Dublin: ESRI, November 2000.

#### **CHAPTERS IN EDITED BOOKS:**

“The Economics of Higher Education – Beyond a Zero-Sum Game.” In Munck, R. and Mohrman, K. (eds) Reinventing the University. Dublin: Dublin City University Press.

“Education.” (with C. Newman). In Newman, C. and O’Hagen, J. (eds) The Economy of Ireland (10<sup>th</sup> Edition). Dublin: Gill and MacMillan, September 2008. Including online update - “Postscript – Education.” October 2009.

“Ireland.” (with K.Denny). In Harmon, C; Walker, I. and Westergaard-Nielson, N. (eds) Education and Earnings in Europe. Cheltenham: Edward Elgar, July 2001.

“Econometric Analysis of the Housing Market.” (with Vincent Hogan). In Bacon, P. The Housing Market in Ireland. Dublin: Department of the Environment, 2000.

“Wages and Human Capital.” (with K. Denny and S. Redmond). In Asplund, R. and Telhado Pereira, P. (eds) Returns to Human Capital in Europe. Helsinki: ETLA, 1999.

“Human Capital and Growth.” (with J. Durkan & D. FitzGerald). In Barry, F. (ed.) Understanding Ireland’s Economic Growth London: Macmillan, 1998.

#### **RESEARCH REPORTS:**

[Issues on the Evaluation of the Revised Employment Action Plan](#). (with Paul Morrin and Sean Murphy). Dublin: Department of Social Protection, April 2012.

Report on Undergraduate and Taught Graduate Students in Irish Universities. (with L. Delaney, S. Gubbins, C.O’Carroll and C.Redmond). Dublin: Irish Universities Association, August 2009.

Report on International Students in Irish Universities. (with L.Delaney, S.Gubbins, C.O’Carroll and C.Redmond). Dublin: Irish Universities Association, August 2009.

Report on PhD Students in Irish Universities. (with L.Delaney, S.Gubbins, C.O'Carroll and C.Redmond). Dublin: Irish Universities Association, August 2009.

Eurostudent 2007 (with A. Bernard, L. Delaney and Martin Ryan). Dublin: Higher Education Authority, Dec 2008.

Report on Undergraduate Research Experience. (with L.Delaney, S.Gubbins, C.O'Carroll and C.Redmond). Dublin: Irish Universities Association, November 2008.

SHARE – Country Report (with L.Delaney, B. Gannon and C.Kelleher). UCD Geary Institute, October 2008.

Evaluation of Building Schools for the Future – Technical Report (with Vincent Hogan, Lori Timmins and PriceWaterhouse Coopers). London: Department for Children, Schools and Families, January 2008.

Evaluation of Building Schools for the Future – 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Report and Literature Review (with Vincent Hogan, Lori Timmins, and PriceWaterhouse Coopers). London: Department for Children, Schools and Families, October 2007.

The Economic and Social Impact of Higher Education (with L.Farrell, C.Laffan, C.O'Carroll). Dublin: Irish Universities Association, December 2006.

The Economics of Early Childhood Care and Education (with A.Chevalier, C. Finn, T.Viitanen). Dublin: National Economic and Social Forum, January 2006.

The Returns to Education (with I. Walker). Dublin: Higher Education Authority, January 2004, 34 pages.

An Econometric Analysis of Burglary in Ireland. (with K. Denny, R. Lydon and I.Walker). Dublin: Government Publications, February 2002, 62 pages.

The Returns to Education - A Review of Evidence, Issues and Deficiencies in the Literature (with Ian Walker). London: Department for Education and Employment Research Report 254, February 2001, 93 pages.

Features of the Irish Educational System (with Peter Archer, Kevin Denny and Damien Hannon). London: Department for Education and Employment, May 2000, 84 pages.

Analysis of the International Adult Literacy Survey for Ireland (with K. Denny, D. McMahon and S.Redmond). Dublin: Department of Education and Science, December 1999, 28 pages.

Pricing and Demand for Drink Product. (with Anthony Murphy). Competition Authority of Ireland, October 1998.

Demographic Trends and the Impact on Growth in Ireland. (with J.Durkan). National City Brokers, May 1997.

#### **OTHER OUTPUTS:**

Discussion of Vignettes and Health Systems Responsiveness in Cross-Country Comparative Analyses by Rice et al. Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Spring 2012.

SHARE – the Survey of Health, Ageing and Retirement in Europe (with L. Delaney). Irish Gerontological Society Newsletter, Vol.2 (i), Spring 2008.

“Education, Earnings and Skills – A Multi-Country Comparison.” (with K. Denny and V. O'Sullivan). IFS Working Paper, Geary Institute Working Paper, 2004.

“Education Policy Reform and the Return to Schooling from Instrumental Variables.” (with K. Denny). [IFS Working Paper No. 00/06](#), January 2000. [CEPR Discussion Paper 2518](#). Revised 2003

## **RECENT AND NOTABLE PRESENTATIONS:**

### *Major Conferences*

Australian Conference of Economics, ANU, Canberra (12th July, 2011)  
Youth Inequality Conference, Dublin (14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> November 2009)  
Research Methods Festival, University of Oxford (2<sup>nd</sup> July 2008)  
SOLE Conference, San Francisco (5<sup>th</sup> June 2005)  
Microeconometrics Conference, Madrid (20<sup>th</sup> November 2003)  
International Health Economics Association World Congress, San Francisco (14<sup>th</sup> June 2003)  
Summer School in Labour Economics, University of Warwick (21<sup>st</sup> July 2000)  
ECUITY Health Economics Symposium (8<sup>th</sup> May 2000)  
European Meeting, Econometric Society – UCL (14<sup>th</sup> January 2000)  
European Economic Association - Humboldt University, Berlin (September 1998)

### *Notable Academic Seminars/Presentations*

Centre for Excellence in Health Research, Queen’s University of Belfast (1<sup>st</sup> April, 2011)  
Research School of Economics, Australian National University (9<sup>th</sup> February, 2011)  
Department of Economics, Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology – RMIT (12<sup>th</sup> May 2010)  
Department of Economics, Trinity College Dublin (15<sup>th</sup> November 2009)  
School of Public Health, Center for Population and Health, Harvard University (16<sup>th</sup> November 2009)  
Melbourne Institute of Applied Economics, University of Melbourne (29<sup>th</sup> January 2009)  
Department of Economics, University of Glasgow (8<sup>th</sup> June 2004)  
Queen’s University Belfast (15<sup>th</sup> May 2002)  
Department of Economics, Queen’s University Belfast (15<sup>th</sup> May 2002)  
Centre for the Economics of Education, London School of Economics (4<sup>th</sup> May 2001)  
Department of Economics, University of Warwick (7<sup>th</sup> December 2000)  
Department of Education Northern Ireland (9<sup>th</sup> June 2000)  
Department of Economics, University of Warwick (3<sup>rd</sup> February 2000)  
Department of Economics, MIT, Massachusetts, USA (30<sup>th</sup> March 1999)  
Industrial Relations Group, Princeton University, Princeton, USA (23<sup>rd</sup> March 1999, 11<sup>th</sup> March 1998)

### *Other Presentations*

International Statistical Institute World Congress, Dublin (23rd August, 2011) - [Life and Times of Roy Geary](#)  
Australian Conference of Economists Policy Symposium, Canberra (July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2011)  
Council of Australian Government (COAG) Reform Council, Sydney (11<sup>th</sup> February, 2011)  
Australian Bureau of Statistics, Canberra (9<sup>th</sup> February, 2011)  
Department of Finance, Irish Government, Dublin (13<sup>th</sup> September, 2010)  
Department of Premier and Cabinet, Australian Government, Canberra (18<sup>th</sup> May, 2010)  
Department of Premier and Cabinet, Victoria Government, Melbourne (12<sup>th</sup> May, 2010)  
Grattan Institute Public Debate – Education, Melbourne (11<sup>th</sup> May, 2010)  
Dublin Economics Workshop/UCD Geary Institute ‘Crisis Conference’, Dublin (2<sup>nd</sup> November 2009)  
Foundation for Fiscal Studies, Dublin (15<sup>th</sup> May, 2009)  
Commission on Taxation, Dublin (14<sup>th</sup> February, 2009)  
Irish Business and Employers Confederation Meeting on Early Childhood (2<sup>nd</sup> December, 2008)  
Confederation of Student Services Annual Conference, Dublin (27<sup>th</sup> February 2008)  
National Adult Literacy Association Conference, Dublin (28<sup>th</sup> February 2008)  
US/Ireland Forum, New York (8<sup>th</sup> November 2007)  
IUA Conference, Dublin (23<sup>rd</sup> October 2006)  
DCU Academia/Industry Conference, Dublin (30<sup>th</sup> November 2005)

Royal Irish Academy, Dublin (14th September 2005)

## **RESEARCH FUNDING**

### **RESEARCH GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS (AS LEAD/CO P.I.)**

#### **CURRENT PROGRAMME GRANTS – TOTAL €973,000**

EU Framework Programme Seven – “SHARE-M4.” January 2011. €173,000

Northside Partnership, Department of Health and Children, Atlantic Philanthropies – “Evaluation of the Preparing for Life Randomised Experiment.” (co-applicant with Orla Doyle, Richard Tremblay). June 2007. €800,000

#### **PREVIOUS/ONE-OFF GRANTS – TOTAL €4,074,723**

UCD Seed Funding. “Recovery Conference”. August 2009. €4,300.

IRCHSS Visiting Fellowship, University of Chicago. February 2009. €2,920

EU Framework Programme Seven – “SHARE-LEAP.” (co-applicant with Liam Delaney). November 2008. €98,000.

EU Framework Programme Seven – “SHARE-PREP.” (co-applicant with Liam Delaney). June 2008. €130,000.

Danish Research Council – “Private and Social Returns to Education.” (co-applicant with Paul Bingley (PI) and Ian Walker). November 2008. €45,000.

Higher Education Authority – Strategic Innovation Fund – “Irish University Study Panel.” (co-applicant with L. Delaney). November 2006. €600,000

Higher Education Authority – “Eurostudent Ireland.” (with L. Delaney, P. Wall). June 2006. €50,000.

Atlantic Philanthropies - “Evaluation of Early Childhood Intervention Programme.” (with J.Heckman) – February 2006. €400,000

IRCHSS – “SHARE (Survey on Health, Ageing and Retirement in Europe) - Ireland”. November 2005. €246,103.

Diageo Ireland – “Dynamics of Drinking Behaviour in Ireland.” (with L. Delaney, P. Wall). June 2005. €1.5 million.

President’s Discretionary Travel Grant Award –UCD. Value €800.

Atlantic Philanthropies - “University Education – Social Scientific Evaluations of the Effects on Society.” (with K.Denny – February 2002). €108,000.

Health Research Board (HRB) Research Grant – “Health Economics and Health Gain.” Co-Applicant with colleagues in the ESRI and UCD. July 2002. €650,000.

Department of Justice, Equality and Law Reform – “An Econometric Model of Burglary in Ireland.” (with K.Denny - lead, R.Lydon and I.Walker – Nov 2000-June 2001). Value €65,000.

President’s Research Fellowship, University College Dublin. (Sept 2000 to Sept 2001). Value €25,000

Department of Education and Employment (DfEE), London. (with Ian Walker – Jan to July 2000). Value €50,000.

Department of Education, Republic of Ireland. “Cognitive Skills and the Labour Market.” (with K. Denny – July 1999 to June 2000). Value €7,600.

EU Commission Targeted Socio-Economic Research Programme - “Public Funding and Returns to Education” (with K. Denny – Nov 1998 to Oct 2000). Value €90,000 (Irish team).

#### **CONTRIBUTION TO MAJOR UNIVERSITY INITIATIVES**

Member of proposal drafting team for UCD submission to Programme for Research in Third Level Institutions (PRTLII) – 1999, 2001, 2002, 2009, 2010. Total funds raised – excess €80 million. UCD Geary Institute - €12 million.

## **MEDIA & OUTREACH**

### **MEDIA & NEWSPAPER ARTICLES:**

#### Recent Television Appearances

On economic decision making – *RTE 'Aftershock'* (May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2010)  
On Irish economic situation – *RTE Six-One News* (March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2009); *YLE Finland News* (Economic News – March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010, Main News – April 3<sup>rd</sup> 2010); *RTE Primetime* (October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2010)  
On health insurance in Ireland - *TV3* (July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2008)  
On demographic change in Ireland – [PBS \(United States\)](#) (November 9<sup>th</sup> 2007)  
On education issues – *RTE Primetime* (August 19<sup>th</sup> 2004); *TV3* (March 23<sup>rd</sup> 2004)

#### Recent Radio

['Morning Ireland, RTE Radio 1, September 24<sup>th</sup> 2010](#) – Interview on general economic issues.  
['Inside Education', Dublin City FM 103.2, July 17<sup>th</sup> 2010](#) – Interview on economics of education.  
['Maaillanpolitiikan', YLE Finland Radio, April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2010](#) – Interview with Nora Kajantie on economic issues.  
['The State We Are In', RTE Radio 1, August 16<sup>th</sup> 2004](#) - Interview with Shane Kenny on education issues.  
On Aging – *East Coast FM* (18<sup>th</sup> November, 2005)  
On econometric analysis of crime - *Newstalk 106* (10<sup>th</sup> June 2002), *Radio Kerry* (11<sup>th</sup> June 2002).  
On education issues – *UCC Campus Radio* (August 17<sup>th</sup> 2004); *East Coast FM 'Morning Show'* (December 3<sup>rd</sup> 2003); *Newstalk 106 'Breakfast with David McWilliams'* (December 2<sup>nd</sup> 2003); *RTE 'Saturday View'* (May 17<sup>th</sup> 2003); *BBC Ulster 'Good Morning Ulster'* (May 11<sup>th</sup> 2000).  
General comment – *YLE Finland* (April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2010); *4FM* (March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2009; March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2009); *Newstalk 106* (31<sup>st</sup> October 2003, May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2009)

#### Selected Op-Ed Articles

[Lessons Europe forgot are the ones Australia will do well to remember](#) – *The Conversation*, 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2011  
[Making Economics Matter](#) – *The Conversation*, 27<sup>th</sup> July, 2011.  
[Boomerang Boom or Brain Drain](#) – *The Conversation*, 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2011.  
[We're Happier than Most – Now Let's Get Smart](#) – *The Conversation*, 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2011  
Points System a Crude Measure – *Irish Times*, 19<sup>th</sup> August, 2011  
Demand-Led Training Can Help People Get Back to Work – *Irish Times*, 29<sup>th</sup> July, 2011  
[We Need to Change the Way We Make Policy Decision](#) - *Irish Times*, Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2010  
Comment/Debate – *Irish Independent*, Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May, 2010  
Figuring Out the Future from the Past – *Sunday Business Post*, Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July, 2009.  
Valuable Lessons to be Learned from British Third Level Funding - *Sunday Business Post*, Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2008.  
What Now for Health Cover? - *Sunday Business Post*, Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2008.  
It's an Investment – *Irish Independent*, Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2008.  
[Insuring a healthy future](#), *Sunday Business Post*, February 4, 2007.  
[BUPA's move is bad news for health and wealth of the nation](#), *Irish Independent*, December 16, 2006  
On Private Education – *Irish Independent*, Monday August 16<sup>th</sup> 2004.  
On House Prices - *Irish Independent*, Friday April 24<sup>th</sup> 1998.  
On Minimum Wages - *Irish Independent*, Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup> 1998 (with K. Denny).

#### Selected Media References to Work/Interviews

*Daily Telegraph – UK* (September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010)  
*Irish Independent* (30<sup>th</sup> April, 2011; March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2011; February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2011; August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2010; 17<sup>th</sup> November 2005, 16<sup>th</sup> August 2004, 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2004)  
*Irish Examiner* (17<sup>th</sup> March 2005)  
*Irish News* (May 11<sup>th</sup> 2000)  
*Irish Star* (22<sup>nd</sup> March 2004, 11<sup>th</sup> June 2002)



*Irish Times* (22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2011; 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2011; 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2011; 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2011; 5<sup>th</sup> November 2010; 24<sup>th</sup> November 2009; 29<sup>th</sup> September 2009; 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2009, 28<sup>th</sup> February 2006, 24<sup>th</sup> March 2004, 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2004)

*Sunday Business Post* (11<sup>th</sup> December, 2011; 4<sup>th</sup> September, 2011, 13<sup>t</sup> March, 2011; 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2010; 17<sup>th</sup> Aug 2008, 30<sup>th</sup> November 2003)

*Sunday Times - UK* (September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2010; August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2010; May 24<sup>th</sup> 2009; May 10<sup>th</sup> 2009; 10<sup>th</sup> June 2002)

*Sunday Independent* – (Jan 9<sup>th</sup>, 2011)

*Times Higher Education Supplement*, (May 26<sup>th</sup> 2000)

## **TEACHING**

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCES - COURSE & LEVEL:**

#### Introductory

Statistics and Quantitative Methods, Microeconomics

#### Intermediate

Statistics, Microeconomics, Quantitative Methods

#### Final/Degree

Econometrics, Labour Economics

#### Postgraduate Masters/PhD

MA - Econometrics, Applied Econometrics, Labour Economics

PhD - Applied Econometrics

### **GRADUATE STUDENT SUPERVISION:**

#### Current PhD Supervision (with year of first registration)

2010 Catriona Logue (microeconometrics) – UCD School of Economics

2008 Peter Carney (health) – UCD School of Economics

#### Previous Students

Thomas Healy (UCD) - “Social Capital in Ireland.” Thesis defended January 2005. *Director of Nevin Institute for Economic Policy, Dublin.*

Claire Finn (UCD) - “Political Economy of Health Service Provision.” Thesis defended July 2007. *Economist, National Economic and Social Council, Dublin.*

Ana Mylena Aguilar Rivera (Harvard University School of Public Health) – “Education Returns in Latin America”. Thesis defended February 2012.

Martin Ryan (UCD) – “Essays in the Economics of Education.” Thesis defended April 2012. *Economist, Dublin Institute of Technology Centre for Higher Education Research.*

#### PhD Examination - External

Giovanni Migali - PhD in Economics, University of Warwick (July, 2008)

Matthew Dickson – PhD in Economics, University of Warwick (Dec, 2008)

#### PhD Examination - Internal

Amaya Vega - PhD in Economics, University College Dublin (May, 2007)

MA/MSc./M.Econ.Sc Supervision (Minor Theses with year of completion)

Geoff Tucker (1997) – “Should We Subsidise Third-Level Education? Returns to Education in Ireland”  
Jonathon Holt (1998) – “The Economic Consequences of the Minimum Wages in Ireland.”  
Raemonn Lydon (1998) – “Employment and Earnings Patterns of Graduates 82-96.” (joint with Dr. Frank Barry)  
Don O’Connor (1999) – “Economics of the Housing Market.” (joint with Joseph Durkan)  
Christopher Sibley (1999) – “The Cyclical Nature of the Irish Art Market.”  
Vivienne Black (1999) – “Property Prices in Ireland – Auctions and Private Treaty Sales.”  
Josef Tegyeza (2001) – “The Economic Return to Schooling in Sub-Saharan Africa.” (joint with Dr Vincent Hogan)  
Bridget O’Leary (2003) – “Education Choices and Parental Influences.”  
Izabela Grabowska (2003) – “Migration – the Polish Experience.”  
Inna Contina (2004) – “Push and Pull Factors in Migration Decisions.”  
Emma-Jane O’Connor (2009) – “Education Production Functions.”  
Arvydas Vidziuna (2010) – “Economics of Education.”  
Simon Walsh (2011) – “Behavioural Economics and Pension Choices.”

**ADMINISTRATION & SERVICE**

INTERNATIONAL

Prime Ministerial Appointment, UK Government Strategy Research Unit Review, White Paper on Social Mobility, September 2008.  
Expert Advisor, Albert Ludwigs Universitat Freiburg, Freiburg, Germany – 2008.  
Expert Reviewer, National Science Foundation (US) – 2006, 2007.  
Expert Reviewer, Canadian Research Council – 2004, 2011  
Expert Review, Economics and Social Research Council (UK) – 2000 to present.  
Expert Review, Medical Research Council (UK) – 2008, 2009, 2010

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Member, Health Research Board FP7 Working Group, January 2009 – present.  
Member, Advocacy and Communication Committee, Age Action Ireland, January 2009 – present.  
Chair, Scientific Committee, Nutrition and Health Foundation ([www.nhf.ie](http://www.nhf.ie)), May 2008 – present.  
Taoiseach’s (Prime Minister) appointment and member, Management Committee, National Economic and Social Forum ([www.nesf.ie](http://www.nesf.ie)), 2004-2008, 2008 – 2010.  
Member, Royal Irish Academy Committee on Social Sciences, 2006 – present.  
Member, Management Committee, Irish Longitudinal Study of Ageing, February 2008 – December 2009.  
Referee, Government of Ireland Postgraduate Scholarship Selection Committee – Economics Panel, 2002.  
Member, Government of Ireland Postgraduate Scholarship Selection Committee – Economics Panel, 2001.  
Member, Central Statistics Office Labour Market Statistics Liaison Group, 2000-present.

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Member, Senior Management Team Research Institutes Sub-Committee: February 2009 – present.  
Member, Senior Management Team Academic Plenary: February 2008 – present.  
Member, University Academic Council: 2004 – present.  
Member, University PRTL I Oversight Board: 2007 – present.  
Member, University Research Careers Steering Group: January 2008 – present.  
Member, University Research Strategy Board: 2006-present.  
Member, University Communications Board: September 2006 – present.  
Member, University Research IT Committee: June 2005 – present.  
Member, University Overhead Investment Plan Advisory Group: April 2005- Sept 2006, May 2000 – present.  
Member, School of Public Health Advisory Committee: October 2005 – present.  
Member, College of Life Sciences Executive: January 2010-July 2011.

Member, Executive Committee, Innovation Academy (TCD/UCD): September 2010 – June 2011.  
Member, University Research Policy and Operations Board: 2006 – 2009.  
President's Appointment, Quality Assurance Review, January - April 2004  
President's Nominee – Selection Panel, Dean of Faculty of Law, 2004  
Member, Research and Innovation Board: January 2004 – December 2005  
Member, Science and Research Board: May 2002-December 2003  
Member, President's Board for Funded Research: October 1999-February 2002  
Member, PRTL Internal Review Board, Funding Cycle 2 – September 1999  
Member, Board of Management, Institute for Study of Social Change (ISSC) at UCD: October 1999-August 2002  
Member, Faculty Postgraduate Studies Standing Committee: January 1999-June 2003.  
Graduate Studies Director, Department of Economics, 1998–1999.

DISCIPLINE

Referee – American Economic Review, American Economic Association – Applied Economics, Econometrica, Social Science and Medicine, Manchester School, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Journal of Applied Econometrics, Journal of Population Economics, Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics, Economica, Scottish Journal of Political Economy, Economic Journal, Economic and Social Review, Review of Economics and Statistics, Journal of Labor Economics, Labour, Labour Economics, Health Economics, Journal of Health Economics.