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Academic Positions

Aug 2023 – present Lecturer (Assistant Professor), School of Economics, University of Edinburgh
Sep 2022 – Jul 2023 Early Career Researcher in Economics, School of Economics, University of Edinburgh
Jan 2022 – Dec 2022 Scientific Advisor, Ragnar Frisch Centre for Economic Research
Sep 2021 – Aug 2024 Researcher in Health Economics, University of Gothenburg

Education

2017 – 2020 PhD in Econometrics, Monash University (Awarded in December 2020)
Thesis: “Essays on Causal Inference in Intra-Household Health Spillovers”
Advisors: Brett Inder, Jun Sung Kim
Examiners: Claire de Oliveira, Daniel D. Schnitzlein
2015 – 2016 Master of Applied Econometrics, Monash University
2011 – 2013 Bachelor of Commerce in Accounting, Deakin University

Fields

Health Economics, Labour Economics, Education Economics

Publications

Ellegård, L. M., Kjellsson, G., Kovacs, R., and Zhao, Y. (2025). Patient choice and socioeconomic disparities in the quality of healthcare: Evidence from Swedish registry data. *Social Science & Medicine*, 383, 118351. doi:10.1016/j.socscimed.2025.118351

Zhao, Y., Markussen, S., and Røed, K. (2025). School starting age and the social gradient in educational outcomes. *Education Economics*, 1-21. doi:10.1080/09645292.2025.2489002

Lillebø, O.S., Markussen, S., Røed, K., and Zhao, Y. (2024). Not a flying start after all? A comment. *Journal of Political Economy*, 132(12), 4205–4212. doi:10.1086/732218

Zhao, Y. (2023). Job displacement and the mental health of households: Burden sharing counteracts spillover. *Labour Economics*, 81, 102340. doi:10.1016/j.labeco.2023.102340

Zhao, Y., Inder, B., & Kim, J. S. (2021). Spousal bereavement and the cognitive health of older adults in the US: New insights on channels, single items, and subjective evidence. *Economics & Human Biology*, 43, 101055. doi:10.1016/j.ehb.2021.101055

Working Papers

A firm link: Overall, between- and within-firm inequality through the lens of a sorting model (with Paweł Gola) | Revision requested by the *Review of Economic Studies*

Teaching Experience

2024 – present *Financial Econometrics* (lecturer, postgraduate), University of Edinburgh
2022 – present *Applied Financial Econometrics* (lecturer, undergraduate), University of Edinburgh
2022 – 2024 *Applications of Econometrics* (lecturer, undergraduate), University of Edinburgh
2022 – 2023 *Essentials of Econometrics* (tutor), University of Edinburgh
2017 – 2018 *Introductory Econometrics* (tutor), Monash University
2015 – 2017 *Business and Economic Statistics* (tutor), Monash University

Services

2024 – present Junior hiring committees, University of Edinburgh
2022 Scientific & organising committee, 41st Nordic Health Economists Study Group Conference
2022 Seminar organiser, University of Gothenburg

External Presentations

2024 Institute for Advanced Economic Research (Dalian)
Asian Meeting of the Econometric Society (Hangzhou)
International Association for Applied Econometrics (Xiamen)
2023 Luxembourg Institute of Socio-Economic Research (Luxembourg)
CERGE-EI (Prague)
University of Vienna (online)
2021 Oslo Metropolitan University (online)
Essen - Gothenburg Workshop in Health Economics (online)
International Association for Applied Econometrics (Rotterdam, online)
2020 National PhD Conference in Economics and Business (Melbourne, online)
2019 Asian Meeting of the Econometric Society (Xiamen)
China Meeting of the Econometric Society (Guangzhou)
International Association for Applied Econometrics (Nicosia)

Honours and Awards

2020 Dean's Postgraduate Research Excellence Award, Monash University
2020 Best Presenter Award at the National PhD Conference in Economics and Business
2016 Highest Achieving Graduate in Master of Applied Econometrics, Dean's Honour and Commendation List, Monash University

2013 Dean's Merit List, Best Graduating Student in Accounting, Faculty of Business and Law,
Deakin University

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References

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