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Education

2008 Ph.D. in Economics, University of New South Wales
2003 BA (Sociology and Social Policy) University of Sydney
1998 BMathEcon (Hons 1) University of Wollongong

Positions

Current Roles

Associate Professor, Economics Discipline Group, University of Technology, Sydney (UTS), 2017-
Honorary Professor, School of Economics, University of Wollongong (UOW), 2017-
Australian Research Council DECRA Fellow, 2012-2017
Adjunct Associate Professor (Research), Monash University, 2015-present
IZA Research Fellow, 2012-present

Former Roles

Associate Professor (2011-2017), Senior Lecturer (2010-2011), Lecturer (2008-09), Director, Centre
for Human and Social Capital Research (2008-2017), School of Economics, UOW
Honorary Principal Fellow, Melbourne Institute of Applied Economic and Social Research, University
of Melbourne, 2012-2014
Research Fellow, Centre for Health Service Development, UOW, 2004-2007
Senior Research Officer/ Research Officer, Social Policy Research Centre, UNSW, 2001-2005
Associate Lecturer, Department of Econometrics, USyd, 1999
Actuarial Consultant, PricewaterhouseCoopers, 1998-1999

Research

Journal Articles (32 in total, journal tiers shown are ERA unless noted)

Mendolia S, Siminski P (forthcoming) 'Is Education the Mechanism Through Which Family Background Affects Economic Outcomes? A Generalised Approach to Mediation Analysis' *Economics of Education Review* (accepted 30 May 2017) **Tier A**

Cousley A, Siminski P, Ville S (forthcoming) 'The Causal Effects of World War II Military Service' *Journal of Economic History* (accepted 19 Feb 2017) **Tier A***

Lindo J, Siminski P, Swensen I (forthcoming) 'College Party Culture and Sexual Assault: Evidence from Big-time Sporting Events' *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics* (accepted 22 Jan 2017) **Tier A***

Johnston D, Shields M, Siminski P (2016) 'Long-Term Health Effects of Vietnam-Era Military Service: A Quasi-Experiment using Australian Conscript Lotteries' *Journal of Health Economics* 45: 12-26 **Tier A***

Lindo J, Siminski P, Yerokhin O (2016) 'Breaking the Link Between Legal Access to Alcohol and Motor Vehicle Accidents: Evidence from New South Wales' *Health Economics* 25: 908-928 **Tier A* (ABDC)**

Paloyo A, Rogan S, Siminski P (2016) 'The Effect of Supplemental Instruction on University Student Outcomes: An Encouragement Design Experiment' *Economics of Education Review* 55: 57-69. **Tier A**

Mendolia S, Siminski P (2016) 'New Estimates of Intergenerational Mobility in Australia' *Economic Record* 92 (298): 361-373 **Tier A**

- Siminski P, Ville S, Paull, A (2016) 'Does the Military Train Men to be Criminals? New Evidence from Australia's Conscription Lotteries' *Journal of Population Economics* 29: 197-218 **Tier A**
- Patulny R, Siminski P, Mendolia S (2015) 'The Front Line of Social Capital Creation – a Natural Experiment in Symbolic Interaction' *Social Science & Medicine* 125: 8-18 **Tier A***
- Siminski P (2013) 'Employment Effects of Army Service and Veterans' Compensation: Evidence from the Australian Vietnam-Era Conscription Lotteries' *Review of Economics and Statistics* 95(1): 87-97 **Tier A***
- Siminski P (2013) 'Are Low Skill Public Sector Workers Really Overpaid? A Quasi-Differenced Panel Data Analysis' *Applied Economics* 45(14): 1915-1929 **Tier A**
- Siminski P, Yerokhin O (2012) 'Is The Age Gradient In Self-Reported Material Hardship Explained By Resources, Needs, Behaviours Or Reporting Bias?' *Review of Income & Wealth* 58(4): 715-741 **Tier A**
- Siminski P, Ville S (2012) 'I Was Only Nineteen, 45 Years Ago: What Can we Learn from Australia's Conscription Lotteries?' *Economic Record* 88(282): 351-371 **Tier A**
- Siminski P, Ville S (2011) 'Long-Run Mortality Effects of Vietnam-Era Army Service: Evidence from Australia's Conscription Lotteries' *American Economic Review (Papers & Proceedings)* 101(3): 357-361 **Tier A***
- Siminski, P (2011) 'The Price Elasticity of Demand for Pharmaceuticals amongst High Income Older Australians: A Natural Experiment' *Applied Economics*, 43(3): 4835-4846 **Tier A**
- Livermore T, Rodgers J, Siminski P (2011) 'The Effect of Motherhood on Wages and Wage Growth: Evidence for Australia' *The Economic Record* 87 (Special Issue): 80-91 **Tier A**
- Ville S, Siminski P (2011) 'A Fair and Equitable Method of Recruitment? Conscription by Ballot into the Australian Army during the Vietnam War' *Australian Economic History Review* 51(3): 277-296 **Tier A**
- Craig, L, Siminski, P (2011) 'If Men do More Housework, Do Their Wives Have More Babies?' *Social Indicators Research* 101: 255-258 **Tier A**
- Craig, L, Siminski, P (2010) 'Men's Housework, Women's Housework and Second Births in Australia' *Social Politics* 17(2): 235-266 **Tier C**
- Siminski, P (2009) 'A Welfare Analysis of the Commonwealth Seniors Health Card' *Economic Record* 85(269): 164-180 **Tier A Awarded Best Paper in Economic Record in 2009.**
- Siminski, P (2009) 'Do Government Benefits for High Income Retirees Encourage Saving?' *Australian Journal of Labour Economics*, 12(3): 247-261. **Tier B**
- Rodgers R, Siminski P, Bishop J (2009) 'Changes in Poverty Rates During the Howard Era' *Australian Economic Review* 42(3): 300-320 **Tier B**
- Siminski, P (2008) 'Order Effects in Batteries of Questions' *Quality and Quantity* 42(4): 477-490 **Tier B**
- Siminski P, Bezzina A, Lago L, Eagar K (2008) 'Primary Care' Presentations at Emergency Departments - Rates and Reasons by Age and Sex' *Australian Health Review* 32(4): 700-709 **Tier C**
- Siminski P, Bezzina A, Lago L, Eagar K (2008) 'Trends in Primary Care Presentations at Emergency Departments in New South Wales (1999-2006)' *Australian Journal of Primary Health* 14(3): 45-52 **Tier B**
- Masso M, Bezzina A, Siminski P, Middleton R, Smith P, Eagar K (2007) 'Why patients attend emergency departments for conditions potentially appropriate for primary care: Reasons given by patients and clinicians differ' *Emergency Medicine Australia* 19(4):333-340. **Tier C**
- Saunders P, Siminski P (2005) 'Home Ownership and Inequality: Imputed Rent and Income Distribution in Australia' *Economic Papers*, 24(4): 346-367. **Tier B**
- Siminski P, Chalmers J, McHugh M (2005) 'Foster Carers in New South Wales: profile and projections based on ABS Census data' *Children Australia* 30(3): 17-24. **Tier C**
- Siminski P, Cragg S, Middleton R, Masso M, Lago L, Green J, Eagar K (2005) 'Primary care patients' views on why they present to Emergency Departments – inappropriate attendances or inappropriate policy?' *Australian Journal of Primary Health* 11(2): 87-95. **Tier B**
- Siminski P, Saunders P (2004) 'Accounting for Housing Costs in Regional Income Comparisons' *Australasian Journal of Regional Studies* 10(2): 139-156. **Tier B**

Siminski P, Saunders P, Bradbury B (2003) 'Reviewing the Inter-temporal Consistency of ABS Household Income Data through Comparisons with External Aggregates' *Australian Economic Review* 36(3): 333-349.

Tier B

Siminski P (2003) 'Patterns of Disability and Norms of Participation through the Life Course: Empirical Support for a Social Model of Disability' *Disability and Society* 18(6): 707-718. **Tier A**

Other Contributions to Journals

Lindo J, Siminski P (2014) 'Comment: Should the Legal Age for Buying Alcohol Be Raised to 21 Years?' *Medical Journal of Australia* 201 (10): 571.

Siminski P (2012) 'Review of *Changing Fortunes: Income Mobility and Poverty Dynamics in Britain* by Stephen Jenkins' *Economic Record* 88 (281): 299-300.

Papers Currently Under Review

Mendolia S, Siminski P 'Does Family Background affect Earnings through Education? A Generalised Approach to Mediation Analysis' revision requested at *Economics of Education Review* **Tier A**

Selected Research Grants

2016 ARC Discovery Grant *Microeconomic Impacts of Australian Natural Disasters* (with David Johnston, Benno Torgler, Silvia Mendolia, David Savage) (\$403,500)

2014 Australian Government Higher Education Participation and Partnership Programme (HEPPP) (\$62,500) *The Causal Effects of the Peer Assisted Study Sessions (PASS) on Educational Outcomes* (with Sally Rogan and Alfredo Paloyo)

2012 UOW Faculty Research Grant *Legal Alcohol Availability and Youth Outcomes in Australia: A Regression Discontinuity Analysis* (with Oleg Yerokhin) (\$10,000)

2011 ARC Discovery Early Career Researcher Award (DECRA) *Army Service, Employment Incentives and Veterans' Life Outcomes: A Natural Experiment* (\$375,000)

2009 Australian Research Council Linkage Grant *The Long Term Causal Effects of Vietnam War Era Conscript on Economic and Social Outcomes for Australian Conscripts* (with Simon Ville) (Partner organisation: DVA) (\$117,453 + \$26,962 in kind)

2008 UOW Faculty Mentoring Grant *The Causal Effects of Vietnam Era Conscript on Australian Conscripts* (with Simon Ville) (\$5,000)

Selected Research Contracts Awarded

2014 The Effect of Education on Income Mobility (with Silvia Mendolia, Ian Walker and Chris Ryan) - commissioned by NSW Government Centre for Education Statistics and Evaluation (CESE) (\$70,300)

2013 *DVA Clients as Receivers and Providers of Care in the Community* - commissioned by Department of Veterans' Affairs (\$59,520)

2010 *Financial Stress / Hardship amongst DVA Pensioners* - commissioned by Department of Veterans' Affairs (\$62,755)

2006 *Review of Veterans' Home Care Program* (with others), commissioned by Department of Veterans' Affairs (\$427,926)

2004 *Poverty, Hardship and Utilities-Related Financial Stress in Victoria* (with Bruce Bradbury), commissioned by the Committee for Melbourne (\$16,357)

Conference Presentations (* keynote)

2017 8th Workshop on the Economics of Health and Wellbeing, Werribee Feb 23-24 (discussant)

2016 ACOSS National Conference, Sydney Nov 17-18; 3rd Australasian Cliometrics Workshop, Sydney Nov 4 (discussant); Australian Military Medicine Association Conference, Melbourne, Oct 14-16; Labour Econometrics Workshop, ANU Aug 12-13 (discussant)

2015 Joint 2015 Annual Health Econometrics Workshop and 7th Australasian Workshop on Econometrics and Health, Honolulu, USA Dec 11-14; Workshop on Emerging Economies, UNSW, Australia Nov 23-24; 6th Workshop on the Economics of Health and Wellbeing, Yarra Glen, Australia, Feb 2-4.

- 2014 Labour Econometrics Workshop, Dunedin, New Zealand Oct 3-4 (discussant); Bankwest Curtin Economics Research Workshop*, Perth, Australia Aug 13-14; 6th Annual Meeting on the Economics of Risky Behaviors (AMERB), Medellin, Colombia, May 8-10; 5th Workshop on the Economics of Health and Wellbeing, Hepburn Springs, Australia, Feb 17-19.
- 2013 PhD Conference in Economics and Business (discussant), Canberra, Nov 7-9; HILDA Survey Research Conference, Melbourne, Oct 3-4; 9th World Congress on Health Economics (iHEA), Sydney, Jul 7-10; 4th Australasian Workshop on Econometrics & Health Economics, Launceston, Apr 3-5 (discussant).
- 2012 European Society of Population Economics Annual Conference, Jun 20-23, Bern, Switzerland; 3rd Australasian Workshop on Econometrics & Health Economics, Sydney, Apr 12-13 (discussant); 3rd Workshop on the Economics of Health and Wellbeing, Feb 17-18; CAER Health Economics Workshop, Feb 3-4. Child Care, Work, and Family: Issues for Australian Policy, Canberra, Jan 19 (discussant).
- 2011 Australian Military Medicine Association Conference, Melbourne, Oct 21-23; Australasian Meeting of the Econometric Society, Adelaide, Jul 5-7; American Economic Association Annual Meeting, Denver, Jan 6-9.
- 2010 Australian Health Economics Society Conference, Sydney, Oct 1; Australian Conference of Economists, Sydney, Sep 29; XXV Italian National Conference on Labour Economics, Pescara, Sep 9; Labour Econometrics Workshop, Melbourne, Aug 14; Frontiers in Human Capital Research, Wollongong, Apr 20; Asia-Pacific Economic and Business History Conference, Wellington, Feb 19.
- 2009 SINET conference, Wollongong, 28 Sep.
- 2008 Australian Conference of Economists, Gold Coast, Sep 30 - Oct 2; International Association of Time Use Research Conference, Sydney, Dec 1-3; Modelling Selection Workshop, University of South Australia, Jul 28-29; CAER Summer Workshop in Health Economics, University of New South Wales Jan 31 – Feb 1.
- 2007 PhD Conference in Economics and Business, Perth, Oct 31 – Nov 2; 4th Summer Workshop in Health Economics, CAER UNSW, Sydney, Feb 1-2.
- 2006 ACSPRI Social Science Methodology Conference, Sydney, Dec 10-13; National Emerging Researchers in Ageing Conference, Sydney, Nov 21; Health Outcomes 2006, Canberra, August 9-10.
- 2005 Statistics '05 Workshop, University of Wollongong, Nov 30.
- 2004 Economics Teachers' Conference, James Ruse High School, Sydney.
- 2003 Australian Social Policy Conference, Sydney, Jul 9-11; Australian Institute of Family Studies Conference, Melbourne Feb 12-14.
- 2002 FaCS Social Policy Conference, Canberra Nov 13-14.

Invited Departmental Seminars

- 2017 Deakin, Mar 29; UTS Feb 10.
- 2016 Melbourne Institute, University of Melbourne Dec 1; Centre for Social Research and Methods, ANU Nov 10.
- 2015 Empirical Micro Group, UNSW Nov 19; Research School of Economics, ANU, Oct 29.
- 2014 Melbourne Institute, University of Melbourne, Nov 13; Department of Economics, UTS, Nov 5. Department of Economics, University of Queensland, Oct 24; Department of Economics, University of Sydney, Sep 25.
- 2013 The George Institute for Global Health, Nov 12; Queensland University of Technology, Oct 17; School of Economics; National Institute of Labour Studies, Flinders University, Apr 30; University of Queensland, Mar 22.
- 2012 Centre for Health Economics, Monash, Nov 7; NATSEM, University of Canberra, Jul 19; University of Tasmania, Jun 8; University of Technology, Sydney, May 21; Melbourne Institute, University of Melbourne, May 17.
- 2010 Social Policy Research Centre, University of New South Wales, Aug 24; Department of Veterans' Affairs, Canberra, Aug 20; School of Maths & Applied Statistics; University of Sydney Health Economics Series, Jul 20; Australian Taxation Office, Canberra, Jun 2; Research School of Economics, Australian National University, May 31.
- 2008 Australian National University, RSSS, Economics Program, Nov 7; University of Melbourne Department of Economics, Oct 29.
- 2007 School of Economics, University of Wollongong, Apr 12.

- 2006 Centre for Health Economics Research and Evaluation, UTS, Nov 16; Centre for Health Service Development, University of Wollongong, Oct 31.
- 2004 Department of Economics and Information Systems, University of Wollongong, Sep 23; Social Policy Research Centre, University of New South Wales, Jun 29.

Selected Contract Research Reports

Mendolia S, Siminski P (2014) The Role of Education in Intergenerational Economic Mobility in Australia, prepared for the NSW Government Office of Education, University of Wollongong.

Siminski P (2014) DVA Clients as Receivers and Providers of Care in the Community, prepared for Department of Veterans' Affairs, University of Wollongong.

Siminski P, Haynes A (2011) Financial Stress / Hardship amongst DVA Pensioners, prepared for Department of Veterans' Affairs, University of Wollongong.

Eagar K, Green J, Owen A, Robinson T, Siminski P, Rostron C, Stevermuer T, Grootemaat P, Marosszky N (2008) Options for the future of Veterans' Home Care, prepared for Department of Veterans' Affairs, Centre for Health Service Development, University of Wollongong.

Siminski P, Bittman M, Thompson D, Smyth C, Chalmers J, Craig, L (2006) Factors Associated with Differences in Fertility Rates across States and Territories and over Time, prepared for the Australian Government Department of Families and Community Services, Social Policy Research Centre, Sydney.

Smyth, C, Rawsthorne, M, Siminski, P (2005) Women's Lifework: Final Report, prepared for the Commonwealth, State, Territories & New Zealand Ministers' Conference on the Status of Women (MINCO), Social Policy Research Centre, Sydney.

Siminski, P. (2004) 'Poverty, Hardship and Utilities-Related Financial Stress in Victoria' in Committee for Melbourne Utility Debt Spiral Project, Committee for Melbourne: 21-82.

McHugh, M., McNab, J., Smyth, C., Chalmers, J., Siminski, P. & Saunders, P. (2004) The availability of foster carers, prepared for the NSW Department of Community Services, Social Policy Research Centre, Sydney.

Chalmers, J. and Siminski, P. (2003) Flows onto the Disability Support Pension: An analysis of the ABS Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers and the FaCS Longitudinal Administrative Data, Report prepared for the Department of Family and Community Services.

Teaching

Courses Lectured

Advanced Econometrics (ECON327): 2009, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016

Quantitative Methods 2 (ECON222): 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017

Microeconomic Theory and Policy (ECON215): 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015

Economics of Health and Health Care (ECON317/318/918): 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011

Economics of Health and Human Resources (ECON317/318): 2015

PhD Supervision

2015 - Claire Seaman (jointly supervised with Roger Patulny and Andrew Whelan)

2012 - 2016 Fui (Beatrice) Lim (jointly supervised with Martin O'Brien and Celeste Rossetto)

Honours Research Project Supervision

2017 Nicholas Jovanovski (jointly supervised with Simon Ville)

Phillip Khor (jointly supervised with Silvia Mendolia)

Zixuan Wang (jointly supervised with Oleg Yerokhin)

Jason Bujaroski (jointly supervised with Alfredo Paloyo)

2016 Chelsea Murray (jointly supervised with Robert Clark and Silvia Mendolia)

Stephen Smith (jointly supervised with Alfredo Paloyo)

- 2014 Alexander Cousley 'The Employment, Household and Education Effects of World War Two Service by Australian Men' (jointly supervised with Simon Ville)
- 2013 Melissa Ljubic 'A Cross National Panel Data Analysis of Multidimensional Deprivation' (jointly supervised with Oleg Yerokhin)
Daniel Thomason 'Alcohol and Crime: Effects of the Minimum Legal Drinking Age in Australia' (jointly supervised with Oleg Yerokhin)
- 2012 Gareth Biggs 'Hedonic Modelling for Laptop Computers' (jointly supervised with Yan-Xia Lin)
- 2011 Alexander Paull 'The Nature of Poverty and Altruism and the Implications of Specific Egalitarianism for Social Choice' (jointly supervised with Oleg Yerokhin)
- 2010 Sascha Fraser 'The Effect of Superannuation on Retirement Intentions and Behaviour in Australia'
- 2009 James Bishop 'The Effect of Household Permanent Income and Maternal Employment on Youth Overweight and Obesity in Australia' (jointly supervised with Joan Rodgers)
Tanya Livermore 'The Effect of Motherhood on Wages and Wage Growth: Evidence for Australia' (jointly supervised with Joan Rodgers)

Service

Associate Editor of *Economic Record* (since 2015); Member of Editorial Board of *Australian Journal of Labour Economics* (since 2008)

Referee for: *Applied Economics*, *Australian Economic Review*, *Australian Health Review*, *Australian Journal of Labour Economics*, *Contemporary Economic Policy*, *Economic Inquiry*, *Economic Papers*, *Economic Record*, *Economics of Education Review*, *Health Economics*, *Journal of Housing Economics*, *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*, *Journal of Population Economics*, *Journal of Public Economics*, *Labour Economics*, *Public Choice*, *Public Opinion Quarterly*, *Review of Economics and Statistics*, *Review of Economics of the Household*.

Australian Research Council Grant Assessor (since 2011); Marsden Fund Reviewer (2016); Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Grant Assessor (2014)

Conferences organised: 15th *Labour Econometrics Workshop* (2012); *Frontiers in Human Capital Research* (2010).

Member of HILDA Survey External Reference Group (since 2015)

External PhD Examiner for UNSW, ANU and UQ

External Reviewer for NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research (2011)

Member of Australian Bureau of Statistics Household Income & Expenditure Survey User Advisory Group (2002-2005)

Awards

- 2012 Special Commendation, Outstanding Researcher of the Year, UOW Faculty of Commerce
- 2011 Winner, UOW Faculty of Commerce Teaching and Research All-Round Performance Award
- 2010 Best Paper Prize amongst papers published in *Economic Record* in 2009
- 2010 UOW Faculty of Commerce Research Excellence Award
- 2005-2008 UNSW University Postgraduate Award Scholarship
- 1995-1998 UOW Faculty Scholarship
- 1996 UOW Study Abroad Scholarship (host institution: University of Illinois, Urbana Champaign)