

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

University of Minnesota, Department of Applied Economics Saint Paul, MN
Ph.D., October 2008
Dissertation: "Health and Economic Development: A Macroeconomic and
Microeconomic Perspective"
Committee members: Terry Roe (co-advisor), Paul Glewwe (co-advisor), Timothy
Kehoe, Rodney Smith

University of Minnesota, Department of Applied Economics Saint Paul, MN
M.S., March 1999
Thesis: "Returns to Scale in Family Farms: A Case Study of the Senegal Peanut Basin"

St. Olaf College Northfield, MN
B. A. Economics, May 1995, *cum laude*
Semesters Abroad: Term in the Middle East (Turkey, Morocco, Egypt, Israel) Fall 1994
and Economic Reform in China, January 1994

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Health and Education Economics in Developing Countries
Economic Growth, Economic Development and Technical Change
International Trade Policy

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of St. Thomas, Department of Economics Saint Paul, MN
Assistant Professor September 2009-present
Econ 262, Principles of Microeconomics
Econ 348, International Economics

St. Olaf College, Department of Economics Northfield, MN
Visiting Assistant Professor September 2008-Spring 2009
Visiting Instructor January 2007-August 2008
Econ 115, Globalization and Poverty
Econ 121, Principals of Economics
Stat 263, Statistics for Business and Economics
Econ 385, Introduction to Econometrics

Carleton College, Department of Economics

Visiting Instructor

Econ 111, Principals of Microeconomics
Econ 280, International Trade
Econ 240, Economics of Developing Countries

Northfield, MN
Fall 2005-Spring 2006

University of Minnesota, Department of Applied Economics

Teaching Assistant

ApEc 3001, Applied Microeconomics: Consumers, Producers and
Markets

Saint Paul, MN
Fall 2004

University of Wisconsin, Department of Agricultural Economics

Visiting Instructor

AgEc 230, Principals of Microeconomics

River Falls, WI
Fall 2002

PUBLICATIONS

Wisniewski, Suzanne L. W. and Terry Roe. "Health Expenditures and Externalities: Their Contribution to Economic Growth" in review at the *Journal of Policy Modeling*.

Aturupane, Harsha, Paul Glewwe and Suzanne Wisniewski (2010) "The Impact of School Quality and Child Health on Academic Performance in Sri Lanka Primary Schools." Forthcoming *Education Economics*.

Wisniewski, Suzanne L. W. (March 2010) "Child Nutrition, Health Problems and School Achievement in Sri Lanka" *World Development*, Vol. 3, No. 2, pp. 315-332

Aturupane, Harsha, Paul Glewwe, Renato Ravina, Upul Sonnadara, Suzanne Wisniewski (2009) "An Assessment of the Impacts of Sri Lanka's Programme for School Improvement and School Report Card Programme on Students' Academic Progress." Paper prepared for The World Bank, South Asia Human Development Sector.

Wisniewski, Suzanne L. W. (2008) *Health and Economic Development: A Macroeconomic and Microeconomic Perspective*. Ph.D. Thesis, Department of Applied Economics, University of Minnesota.

Wisniewski, Suzanne L. W. (2005) "Effects of Foreign Intellectual Property Rights on U.S. Bilateral Exports of Biotechnology Related Agricultural Inputs" *Journal of World Intellectual Property*, 8(2):193-210.

Corselius, Kristen and Suzanne L.W. Wisniewski. *Sustainable Agriculture: Making Money, Making Sense, Twenty Years of Research and Results Literature Review*. Minneapolis: Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy, 2001.

Wisniewski, Suzanne L. W. *The North American Market for Organic Agricultural Products*. Montreal: North American Commission for Environmental Cooperation, 2000.

Wood, Suzanne L. (1999) *Returns to Scale in Family Farms: A Case Study of the Senegal Peanut Basin*. M.S. Thesis, Department of Applied Economics, University of Minnesota.

PRESENTATIONS

Invited and Selected Papers

Wisniewski, Suzanne L. W. and Terry Roe. "Health Expenditures and Externalities: Their Contribution to Economic Growth" presented at The Midwest Economic Association meetings, Evanston, Illinois (March 18-20, 2010)

Wisniewski, Suzanne L. W. "Linking Early Childhood Nutrition and Health Problems to School Achievement: A Cross-section Analysis of Grade 4 Students in Sri Lanka." presented at the St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN (November, 2006).

Wisniewski, Suzanne L. W. "Linking Early Childhood Nutrition and Health Problems to School Achievement: A Cross-section Analysis of Grade 4 Students in Sri Lanka." presented at the 3rd Minnesota International Economic Development Conference, St. Paul, MN (May, 2006).

Wisniewski, Suzanne L. W. "Linking Early Childhood Nutrition and Health Problems to School Achievement: A Cross-section Analysis of Grade 4 Students in Sri Lanka." presented at the Annual Meeting for the American Agricultural Economics Association, Denver (August 2004).

Wisniewski, Suzanne L. W. "Effects of Foreign Intellectual Property Rights on U.S. Bilateral Exports of Biotechnology Related Agricultural Inputs," presented at the Annual Meeting for the American Agricultural Economics Association, Montreal (August 2003).

Wisniewski, Suzanne L. W. "Intellectual Property Rights and U.S. Bilateral Exports of Biotechnology Related Agricultural Inputs," presented at ICABR International Conference on Public Goods and Public Policy for Agricultural Biotechnology, Ravello Italy (July 2003).

Wisniewski, Suzanne L. W. "Dumping as a Structural Feature of US Agriculture: Can WTO Rules Solve the Problem." presented at Seminar on WTO Negotiations on Agriculture: Setting the Right Agenda, co-sponsored by South Center, Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy, and ActionAid, Geneva, Switzerland (October 2000).

Department Seminars, Department of Applied Economics, University of Minnesota

Wisniewski, Suzanne L. W. (with Terry Roe) "Endogenous Labor Productivity and Health: Their Contributions to Economic Growth" Department of Applied Economics, Trade and Development Seminar (February, 2008)

Wisniewski, Suzanne L. W. "Linking Early Childhood Nutrition and Health Problems to School Achievement: A Cross-sectional Analysis of Grade 4 Students in Sri Lanka," (June 2005).

Wisniewski, Suzanne L. W. "The Impact of Child Health and Nutrition on Education Achievement: On the Road to Linking Early Childhood Health and Economic Growth," (April 2004).

Wisniewski, Suzanne L. W. "Returns to Scale in Rural Senegal: Evidence from the Field," (September 1998).

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

The World Bank, South Asia Human Development Sector

Consultant for Harsha Aturupane (Senior Economist) January 2009-September 2009

Research Topic: Randomized Evaluation of School Based Management System in Sri Lanka

- Collaborated on a draft report using program evaluation to analyze the effect of decentralized school management programs and school report cards on test scores for public primary schools in Sri Lanka. Will test for differences in test scores for treatment and non-treatment schools using 2008 data.
- Collaborated on a final report on the effects of decentralized school management programs in public primary schools in Sri Lanka

The World Bank, South Asia Human Development Sector

Consultant for Harsha Aturupane (Senior Economist) January 2008-June 2008

Research Topic: Randomized Evaluation of School Based Management System in Sri Lanka

- Collaborated on a report of the baseline (2006) data. Future work involves using program evaluation to analyze the effect of decentralized school management programs and school report cards on educational outcomes for public primary schools in Sri Lanka.

Opportunities International, a global microfinance organization

July 2004-October 2004

Consultant

Research Topic: To use microfinance data and the World Bank Living Standards Measurement Survey (LSMS) to develop a tool for poverty assessment.

- Cleaned newly collected datasets from the Philippines and Albania containing socioeconomic, household demographic, microfinance and expenditure data.
- Developed a country specific econometric model predicting poverty status.

The World Bank, South Asia Human Development Sector

Consultant for Harsha Aturupane (Senior Economist) January 2004-August 2004

Research Topic: Understanding the determinants of educational achievement in Sri Lanka.

- Cleaned newly collected datasets from a new, national, cross-sectional survey containing household, child health, school, teacher, and principal characteristics data and test score data for grade four students.
- Conducted econometric analysis to answer questions about how household, child health and school characteristics impact student achievement.

University of Minnesota, Department of Applied Economics
Research Assistant for Terry Roe (Professor)

Saint Paul, MN
Fall 2003

Research Topic: Modeling the impact of health on economic growth.

- Performed a literature review of the impact of health on economic growth in developing countries.
- Worked on developing a model to analyze the impact of nutritional deficiency on economic growth.

Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy
Economic Analyst

Minneapolis, MN
January 2000-September 2000

Research Topics: Agricultural Trade Policy, Sustainable Agriculture, North American Market for Organic Agricultural Products

- Collected and analyzed data, performed literature reviews and prepared papers for conferences and publication.

Tucker Alan Inc.
Staff Consultant, Economic Damages for Litigation

Minneapolis, MN
April 1999-December 1999

- Critically reviewed and analyzed corporate future planning models and historic financial documents to support legal and damage claims for public utility and construction litigation matters.
- Analyzed and summarized industry market data and drafted reports to defend a legal claim for a patent infringement case.

University of Minnesota, Department of Applied Economics
Research Assistant for Willis Peterson (Professor)

Saint Paul, MN
September 1997-April 1999

Research Topics: Farm Size and Scale Efficiency; Agricultural Production

- Performed a literature review of the relationship between farm size and productivity and efficiency for U.S. and developing country agriculture.
- Conducted econometric analysis to examine the returns to scale in agricultural production of peanut farms in Senegal.

HONORS & GRANTS

International Education Center Grant from the University of St. Thomas to attend a Council on International Education and Exchange Faculty Seminar in Botswana and South Africa, 2010

Luann Dummer Center at the University of St. Thomas, Professional Development Award to attend CeMENT Mentoring Workshop for Junior Faculty, 2009

USDA National Needs Fellow, 2000-2003

Best M.S. Thesis Award, Department of Applied Economics, University of Minnesota, 1999
University of Minnesota, Center for International Food and Agricultural Policy Travel Grant: 1998

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND ACTIVITIES

American Association of Agricultural Economics (AAEA), September 1998 to present
Graduate Student Section Board Member, September 2001

American Economic Association (AEA) September 2000 to present

Committee on the Status of Women in the Economics Profession March 2009 to present
(CWEP), subcommittee of AEA
CeMENT Mentoring workshop for junior faculty, November, 2009

Department of Applied Economics Graduate Club September 1997 to Fall 2008
President, April 2002 to April 2003
MS Student Representative, April 1998 to April 1999

Cottonwood Foundation, Board Member August 1998 to June 2006
Board Treasurer, June 1999 to June 2004

LANGUAGES AND STATISTICAL SOFTWARE

Conversant in French

Stata, Mathematica, Minitab, Eviews, Gauss, SAS, SPSS, and Scientific Word