



CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION & QUALIFICATIONS

Currently	PhD student – Health Sciences Swiss Learning Health System – inaugural PhD cohort <i>Certificate: International Doctoral Courses in Health Economics and Health Policy, 2020</i> Department of Health Sciences & Medicine University of Lucerne, Lucerne, Switzerland
June 2016	University of Lucerne, Lucerne, Switzerland Master of Arts in Health Sciences Program Major: Health Service Research: 5.42/6.00 grade
June 1996	University of Dayton, Dayton, Ohio, USA Master of Business Administration
August 1991	The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA College of Engineering Bachelor of Science in Engineering (Industrial & Operations)

CURRENT WORK EXPERIENCE

July 2015 – present	Center for Health, Policy & Economics, University of Lucerne <i>Research Assistant</i> Conduct/support research projects, edit papers, supervise master-level students on research tasks.
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TEACHING EXPERIENCE (University of Lucerne, Master in Health Science program)

Spring 2020	Quantitative Methods (Tutorial)
Fall 2019	Statistics & Epidemiology (Tutorial)
Spring 2019	Health Economics (Tutorial)
Fall 2018	Quantitative Methods II (Tutorial)
Spring 2018	Quantitative Methods I (Tutorial)
Fall 2017	Quantitative Methods II (Tutorial)
Spring 2017	Health Economics (Tutorial)
Fall 2016	Statistical Programming (Tutorial)

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Health Economics, Applied Econometrics, Policy Evaluation

Older adults, social capital and health & well-being outcomes, informal care

CONFERENCES & WORKSHOPS

- July 2020 (original date) Invited for oral presentation at European Health Economic Association (EuHEA) conference in Oslo, Norway
- September 2019 Poster presentation: Italian Health Economics Conference, Pisa, Italy
- May 2019 Poster presentation: International Association of Geriatrics & Gerontology, World Congress in Gothenburg, Sweden

PUBLICATIONS

Dawson-Townsend K, Boes S, Mantwill S (2017). Strengthening social participation of socially disadvantaged older people in Switzerland. Swiss Learning Health System Policy Brief No. 1. <https://www.slhs.ch/en/learning-cycles/topics-cat/strengthening-social-participation-of-socially-disadvantaged-older-adults-in-switzerland>

Dawson-Townsend, K. (2019). Social participation patterns and their associations with health and well-being for older adults. *SSM-Population Health*, 100424.

WORK IN PROGRESS

Long-term care financing and the provision of informal help: evidence from a recent policy change in Switzerland (with Stefan Boes)

Information seeking and knowledge on in-home care services in a representative sample in Switzerland (with Sarah Mantwill)

Does social support moderate changes in social participation during non-spousal bereavement for older adults and does it matter for health and well-being outcomes?

REVIEW EXPERIENCE

- September 2019 Reviewed grant applications for ZonMW, the Netherland Organization for Health Research and Development

PRIOR WORK EXPERIENCE

- Nov. 1998 – Nov. 2012 Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts, Boston, Mass, USA
Variety of leadership roles from team leader to Vice President, Member & Provider Service (2009 – 2012)
- Sept. 1997 – June 1998 Technische Universität Braunschweig, Braunschweig, Germany
Graduate Assistant
- Nov. 1992 – Jan. 1996 Production Modeling Corporation, Dearborn, Michigan, USA
Applications Engineer promoted to Systems Consultant
- July 1991 – Oct. 1992 University of California – San Diego Medical Center, San Diego, USA
Management Engineer

ADDITIONAL SKILLS & EXPERIENCE

- Languages English (native speaker), German (intermediate level)
- Software Stata, LaTeX, Microsoft Office software