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Academic appointments

Williams College

Williamstown, MA

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

Visiting Assistant Professor
Visiting Lecturer

2024-26
2023

Education

Cornell University · Brooks School of Public Policy

Ithaca, NY

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY · PHD · PUBLIC POLICY

2024

Thesis Three Essays on the Economics of Cannabis Policy

Committee John Cawley (chair) · Colleen Carey · Nicholas Sanders · Nicolas Ziebarth

MASTER OF SCIENCE · MS · POLICY ANALYSIS AND MANAGEMENT

2022

Indiana University · School of Public Health

Bloomington, IN

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN PUBLIC HEALTH · BSPH · EPIDEMIOLOGY

2020

Fields of interest

Health economics · urban economics · risky behaviors · social policy · inequality

Research

WORKING PAPERS

Shyam Raman, Paul Lushenko, and Sarah Kreps
Targeting standards reduce civilian casualties.
Under Review · [arXiv Working Paper](#)

Shyam Raman, Ben Harrell, Alex Hollingsworth, Samuel Mann, and Katherine Wen
Public health insurance and the spread of infectious disease.
Under Review

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Patrick Carlin, Shyam Raman, Ryan Sullivan, Kosali Simon, and Coady Wing
Mask mandate costs.
Journal of Benefit-Cost Analysis · 2024 · Forthcoming

Shyam Raman, Catherine Maclean, David Bradford, and Coleman Drake
Recreational cannabis and opioid distribution.
Health Economics · 2023 · [10.1002/hec.4652](https://doi.org/10.1002/hec.4652)

- Shyam Raman, Douglas Kriner, Nicolas Ziebarth, Kosali Simon, and Sarah Kreps
COVID-19 booster uptake among US adults: Assessing the impact of vaccine attributes, incentives, and context in a choice-based experiment.
Social Science & Medicine · 2022 · [10.1016/j.socscimed.2022.115277](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.socscimed.2022.115277)
- Shyam Raman and Ashley C. Bradford
Recreational cannabis legalization associated with reductions in R_x drug utilization among Medicaid enrollees.
Health Economics · 2022 · [10.1002/hec.4519](https://doi.org/10.1002/hec.4519)
- Paul Lushenko, Shyam Raman, and Sarah Kreps
Multilateralism and public support for drone strikes.
Research & Politics · 2022 · [10.1177/1093433](https://doi.org/10.1177/1093433)
- David C. Wheeler, Joseph Boyle, Shyam Raman, and Erik J. Nelson
Modeling elevated blood lead level risk across the United States.
Science of the Total Environment · 2021 · [10.1016/j.scitotenv.2021.145237](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.scitotenv.2021.145237)
- Sumedha Gupta, Thuy Nguyen, Shyam Raman, BK Lee, Felipe Lozano-Rojas, Ana Bento, Kosali Simon, and Coady Wing
Tracking public and private response to the COVID-19 epidemic: Evidence from state and local government actions.
American Journal of Health Economics · 2021 · [10.1086/716197](https://doi.org/10.1086/716197)
- David C. Wheeler, Shyam Raman, Resa M. Jones, Mario Schootman, and Erik J. Nelson
Bayesian deprivation index models for explaining variation in elevated blood lead levels among children in Maryland.
Journal of Spatial and Spatio-temporal Epidemiology · 2019 · [10.1016/j.sste.2019.100286](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.sste.2019.100286)

BOOKS

- Paul Lushenko and Shyam Raman
The Legitimacy of Drone Warfare: Evaluating Public Perceptions
2024 · New York · Routledge

EDITOR REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- Paul Lushenko, Sarah Kreps, and Shyam Raman
How to Avoid Civilian Casualties During Drone Strikes – At No Cost to National Security.
Modern War Institute, West Point · 2022 · [Stable Link](#)
- Sarah Kreps, Paul Lushenko, and Shyam Raman
Biden can reduce civilian casualties during US drone strikes. Here's how.
Brookings Foreign Policy · 2022 · [Stable Link](#)
- Paul Lushenko, Sarah Kreps, and Shyam Raman
A More Just Drone War Is Within Reach.
Foreign Affairs · 2022 · [Stable Link](#)

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

- Shyam Raman
Recreational cannabis and suicide mortality.
- Stephenson Strobel, Shira Brown, and Shyam Raman
Adverse selection in the emergency department: Physician decision making and patient outcomes.
- Ben Harrell and Shyam Raman
Sodomy laws and uptake of post-exposure prophylaxis: Evidence from Lawrence v. Texas.
- Sherajum Monira Farin, Shyam Raman, and Hasan Shahid
State responses to federal funding for the AIDS Drug Assistance Program

Invited seminars and conference presentations

* *presented by co-author*

2024

Williams College · U.S. Naval Postgraduate School

2023

USMA West Point* · Eastern Economic Association Annual Meeting · U.S Army War College · Williams College · ASHEcon Annual Meeting · APPAM Annual Research Conference · Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting

2022

U.S. Naval War College · APPAM Annual Research Conference (Postponed from 2021) · AEA CSQIEP Virtual Seminar · Indiana University · AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting · ASHEcon Annual Meeting · Health Economist' Study Group · NBER Summer Institute (Health Economics) · University of Sydney · Vanderbilt University · Harvard University · University of Oxford · Cornell Undergraduate Research Board · APPAM Annual Research Conference · Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting · Virtual Economics of Risky Behaviours (VERB) Seminar*

2021

The MITRE Corporation · ASHEcon Annual Meeting · Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting

2020

Indiana University · Milliman Consulting · ASHEcon Annual Meeting · Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting · APPAM Annual Research Conference

2019

Valparaiso University · ASHEcon Annual Meeting · Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting · APPAM Annual Research Conference

Teaching experience

WILLIAMS COLLEGE

ECON 255	Econometrics , Undergraduate	<i>FA24, FA23</i>
POEC 253	Empirical Methods in Political Economy , Undergraduate	<i>FA24</i>
POEC 253	The Political Economy of Social Insurance , Undergraduate	<i>SP24</i>
ECON 230	Economics of Health and Healthcare , Undergraduate	<i>SP24</i>

CORNELL PRISON EDUCATION PROGRAM

ECON 110	Principles of Microeconomics , Undergraduate	<i>SP23</i>
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Research experience

- 2022 **Research Assistant to Dr. John Cawley**, Cornell University Brooks School of Public Policy
- 2021-22 **Research Assistant to Dr. Nicolas Botton**, Cornell University Brooks School of Public Policy
- 2019-20 **Research Assistant to Dr. Kosali Simon**, Indiana University O'Neill School
- 2018-20 **Research Assistant to Dr. Erik Nelson**, Indiana University School of Public Health
- 2018-19 **Research Assistant to Dr. Christina Ludema**, Indiana University School of Public Health
- 2017-20 **Research Assistant to Dr. Alex Hollingsworth**, Indiana University O'Neill School

Professional activities

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2023 **Student Activities Council Member**, Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

2022-2023 **Mentor**, Cornell Undergraduate Research Board

2021-22 **President**, Graduate Students in Policy Analysis and Management (GSPAM)

REFEREE SERVICE

Journal of Health Economics · Health Economics · Journal of Risk and Insurance · Journal of Health Economics, Policy, and Law · Sociology Compass · Annals of Internal Medicine · American Journal of Health Economics · Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization

MEMBERSHIPS

American Society of Health Economists · Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management · American Public Health Association · Cornell Population Center · AcademyHealth · Southern Economic Association · International Health Economics Association

UNDERGRADUATE ADVISING

Nandika Nair (2022) · Richard Li (2024) · Ella Corkum (2024) · Josh Kirschner (2024) · Caprice Turchiano (2025)

References

John Cawley

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Nicholas Sanders

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Nicolas Ziebarth

Professor, University of Mannheim
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Alex Hollingsworth

Associate Professor, The Ohio State University
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