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### Academic Appointments

Research Associate Department of Economics, University of New Brunswick	July 2014-
Post-doctoral Fellow Department of Economics, McMaster University	2012-2014

### Education

Ph.D., Economics, McMaster University, Hamilton, Canada Dissertation: <i>Three Essays in the Economics of Education</i> ( <a href="#">link</a> ) Committee: Dr. Abigail Payne, Dr. Stephen Jones, Dr. Martin Dooley	2012
M.A., Economics, University of Ottawa, Canada	2001
B.Comm., Commerce, Queen's University, Kingston, Canada	2000

### Research Interests

Health Economics; Education Economics; Labour Economics; Program Evaluation

### Peer Reviewed Publications

#### Journal Articles

Leonard, Philip, S.J. 2015. "Choice of Ontario High Schools and Student Sorting by Ability," *Applied Economics*, 47 (49), 5282-5302. DOI:10.1080/00036846.2015.1047087 ([link](#))

Leonard, Philip, S.J. 2015. "Choice of Ontario High Schools and its Impact on University Applications" *Education Economics*, 23 (4), 433-454. DOI: 10.1080/09645292.2013.856869 ([link](#))

Leonard, Philip S.J., Arthur Sweetman and Xue (Helen) Zhang. 2014. “Optometry Services in Ontario: Supply- and Demand-side Factors from 2011 to 2036,” *Healthcare Policy*, 10 (1), 60-72. DOI:10.12927/hcpol.2014.23928. ([link](#))

Response in: Bellan, L. 2015. “The geographic distribution of optometrists in Ontario,” *Canadian Journal of Ophthalmology*, 50 (2), DOI: 10.1016/j.jcjo.2015.03.002.

### Book Chapter

Leonard, Phil, and Arthur Sweetman. 2014. “Paying the Health Workforce,” in *Bending the Cost Curve in Health Care: Canada’s Provinces in International Perspective*, Gregory P. Marchildon and Livio Di Matteo (editors). The Johnson-Shoyama Series on Public Policy. Toronto: U of Toronto Press. ([link](#))

### **Working Papers**

“Do Junk Food Bans Improve Student Health? Evidence from Canada”

“What if High School were a Year Longer? Evidence from Newfoundland” with Arthur Sweetman

“Full-day versus Half-day Kindergarten: Long Run Effects on Test Scores,” with Christine Neil and Jean Eid

“Extended Employment Insurance Benefits: A First Look at a Pilot Project,” with Arthur Sweetman and Natasha De Sousa

### **Work in Progress**

“Geographic Variation in Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery and Hip and Knee Replacement Surgeries,” with Ted McDonald and members of the Maritime SPOR Support Unit (MSSU)

“Impacts of Doctor Experience on Surgical Outcomes” with Dan Crouse and Ted McDonald

“Effects of Canadian Public Smoking Bans” with Ted McDonald

“Transitions into and out of Self-Employment – Evidence from Canadian Longitudinal Data” with Ted McDonald

### **Funded Research Projects**

“Literature Review and Economic Simulation Study re: Powered Walking Assistive Device Keeego<sup>TM</sup>”, Co-Primary Investigator with Ted McDonald; Value \$60,200, Research for private firm *B-Temia* funded through NRC-IRAP Project Number 847942, September-December 2015.

“An Examination of the Impacts of Temporary Budgetary Changes on Work-Sharing Claim Duration and Subsequent Employee Layoff: A Technical Report on the Work-Sharing Program,” March 2013, Contract Value \$20,000, Prepared under contract with Human Resources and Skills Development Canada

“Literature Review for the Evaluation of Two Temporary Measures Extending the Duration of Employment Insurance Regular Benefits,” March 2011, Contract value \$22,100, Prepared under contract with Human Resources and Skills Development Canada

## Government Work Experience

Economic Specialist (2.5 month contract) Personal Tax Policy and Design Branch Ontario Ministry of Finance	2014
Evaluation Manager (ES-06) Program Evaluation Directorate, Human Resources and Social Development Canada	2006-2007
Evaluation Officer, (ES-02 to ES-05) Program Evaluation Directorate, Human Resources and Social Development Canada	2002-2006

## Teaching Experience

### Teaching

<i>Course</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Student Evaluation (Overall Effectiveness)</i>	<i>Responding / Class size</i>
Econ 1023 – Principles of Macroeconomics	UNB	Winter 2016	<i>Forthcoming</i>	
Econ 3724 - Econ. of Human Resources	UNB	Winter 2016	<i>Forthcoming</i>	
Econ 3724 - Econ. of Human Resources	UNB	Fall 2014	Mean 4.7/5, Median 5/5	7/8
Econ 3D03 - Labour Econ.	McMaster	Summer 2013	Mean 8.0/10, Median 8.5/10	20/29
Econ 3D03 - Labour Econ.	McMaster	Summer 2009	Mean 8.1/10, Median 9/10	17/35

### Graduate Supervision (Primary Supervisor)

MA Economics Masters Report, UNB; Mr. Saibiao Peng, *In progress: Title TBD.*

MA Economics Masters Report, UNB; Mr. Wudi Yang, *In progress: Title TBD.*

MA Economics Masters Report, UNB; Ms. Hongjin Liu, *The Relationship between Education and Health in Canada: Differences between Men and Women*, Completed Dec. 2015.

MA Economics Masters Report, UNB; Mr. Ruofeng Yi, *The Importance of Education and Language for the Income Gap of Immigrants in Canada: A Comparison of Chinese and Indian Immigrants*,” Completed Jan. 2015.

#### Graduate Supervision (Internal Reader)

MA Economics Masters Report, UNB; Ms. Wenjing Bi, *Working in Self-Employment: The Case of Chinese Men in Canada*, Defence: Sept. 17, 2105.

MA Economics Masters Report, UNB; Ms. Xiaochen Zhou, *Economic Impact of Utilization of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) in the Province of New Brunswick*, Defence: July 7, 2015.

MA Economics Masters Report, UNB; Ms. Yachen Wang, *New Immigrants’ Location Choices among Canadian Provinces: A Comparative Analysis*, Defense: April 7, 2015.

#### Graduate Supervision – Chair of Defense Committee

MA Economics Masters Report, UNB; Mr. Sergiy Kosenchuck, *Evolutionary Dynamics of Precipitation in Atlantic Canada*, Defence: Aug 13, 2015.

### **Journal Refereeing**

Canadian Public Policy (2), Canadian Journal of Nursing Leadership, American Journal of Public Health, Education Economics (2)

### **Conference Presentations**

“Do Junk Food Bans Improve Student Health? Evidence from Canada”

- Canadian Economics Association Conference, May 2015 (Toronto, ON)

“What if High School were a Year Longer? Evidence from Newfoundland”

- Association for Education Finance and Planning Conference, March 2014 (San Antonio, TX)

“What if High School were a Year Longer? Evidence from Newfoundland”

- Canadian Economic Association Conference, June 2013 (Montreal, QC)

“Choice of Ontario High Schools and Student Sorting by Ability”

- Canadian Economic Association Conference, June 2012 (Calgary, AB)

“Choice of Ontario High Schools and Student Sorting by Ability”

- Association for Education Finance and Planning, March 2012 (Boston, MA)

“Choice of Ontario High Schools and its Impact on University Applications”

- Statistics Canada Socio Economic Conference, September 2011 (Ottawa, ON)

“Choice of Ontario High Schools and its Impact on University Applications”

- Association for Education Finance and Planning, March 2011 (Seattle, WA)