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EDUCATION

- PhD Public Administration** July 2022
Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, Syracuse University
Fields: Urban Policy, Public Finance
Primary Advisor and Dissertation Committee Chair: Amy Ellen Schwartz
Dissertation Committee: John Yinger, Michah Rothbart, Ying Shi, Robert Bifulco
Dissertation: "Three Essays on Pupil Transportation"
- MA Economics** January 2017
City College of New York
- BA Economics** May 2009
University of Maryland

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Environmental Health, Transportation Policy, Urban Policy, Environmental Justice

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

- Fall 2023–current** Assistant Professor of Public Policy, *Gettysburg College*
2022–2023 Postdoctoral Fellow, *Boston University School of Public Health*
Department of Environmental Health
- 2017–2022** Graduate Research Associate, *Syracuse University, Center for Policy Research*
2015–2017 Instructor and Teaching Assistant, *City College of New York*
2014 City Planning Technician, *New York City Department of Transportation*
2011–2013 Transportation Researcher, *Visual Risk Technologies*
2009–2011 Transportation Research Associate, *Battelle Memorial Institute*

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles

Cordes, Sarah A, **Christopher Rick**, and Amy Ellen Schwartz (2023). "Do Long Bus Rides Drive Down Academic Outcomes?" *Educational Evaluation and Policy Analysis*.

Christopher Rick, Jeehee Han, Brian Elbel, and Amy Ellen Schwartz (2022). "The Link between Gentrification, Children's Egocentric Food Environment, and Obesity." *Housing Policy Debate*.

Weinstein, Meryle, Sarah A Cordes, **Christopher Rick**, and Amy Ellen Schwartz (2022). "Riding the Yellow School Bus: Equity in Bus Transportation Across Districts, Schools, and Students." *Urban Education*

Bengoa, Marta and **Christopher Rick** (2020). "Chinese Hukou Policy and Rural-to-Urban Migrants' Health: Evidence from Matching Methods." *Eastern Economic Journal*, 46, 224–259.

Book Chapters

Cordes, Sarah A, Meryle Weinstein, **Christopher Rick**, and Amy Ellen Schwartz (2020). "Why Doesn't Everyone Get a Bus? Understanding Inequities in School Bus Transportation Across Schools and Students in New York City." *Green Schools Catalyst Quarterly*, 7.3, 40–49.

Cordes, Sarah A, Michele Leardo, **Christopher Rick**, and Amy Ellen Schwartz (2019). "Can School Buses Drive Down (Chronic) Absenteeism?" in M.A. Gottfried and E.L. Hutt (Eds.), *Absent from School: Understanding and Addressing Student Absenteeism*. Harvard Education Press. Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Working Papers

Modeling Air Pollution-Related Health Benefits of Transportation Policies: A Collaboration Between Academic Researchers and Environmental Justice Organizations – under review at *Community Science*

Can Public School Buses Help Solve the Urban Congestion Problem? – under review at *Regional Science and Urban Economics*

Did the End of Desegregation Drive Down Bus Spending?

Using Pupil Transportation Data to Explore Educational Inequities and Outcomes: A Case Study from New York City. with Sarah A Cordes, Samantha Trajkovski, Meryle Weinstein, and Amy Ellen Schwartz. Center for Policy Research Working Paper Series, WP-243, December 2021.

Popular Press

Schwartz, Amy Ellen, Sarah Cordes, Jeffrey Zabel and **Christopher Rick** (2020). "Should New York City Cut School Bus Service?" in *Gotham Gazette*. August 26, 2020.

PRESENTATIONS

Evaluating Health Benefits of Transportation Policies Designed in Collaboration with Environmental Justice Organizations

American Geophysical Union – 2022 (submitted)

Can Public School Buses Help Solve the Urban Congestion Problem?

Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM) – 2022 (accepted)

North American Regional Science Conference (NARSC) – 2021

Urban Economics Association – 2021

Education and Social Policy Workshop, Syracuse University (EDSP) – 2021

Examining the Nexus of Distance, School Transportation, and Student and Parent Engagement

APPAM – 2022 (accepted); NARSC – 2020; EDSP – 2020

Riding the Yellow School Bus: Equity in Bus Transportation Across Districts, Schools, and Students

Association for Education Finance and Policy (AEFP) – 2019; EDSP – 2019

Too Long on the Bus? The Link between Long Bus Rides and Student Outcomes.

AEFP – 2019; EDSP – 2019

Did the End of Desegregation Drive Down Bus Spending?

NARSC – 2019; EDSP – 2019

Chinese Hukou Policy and Rural-to-Urban Migrants' Health: Evidence from Matching Methods

Eastern Economic Association – 2019

AWARDS AND HONORS

Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award, Syracuse University – 2022

Roe L. Johns Student Grant Award, AEFP (\$190) – 2022

Yimin and Xiao Zhuang Graduate Student Travel Award, NARSC (\$500) – 2021

Research Excellence Doctoral Funding Fellowship (\$22,000) – 2021

Birkhead-Burkhead Summer Research Award (\$1,400) – 2021

Departmental Research/Data Funding (\$800) – 2021

Spencer D. Parratt Summer Research Award (\$1,600) – 2020

Spencer D. Parratt Summer Research Award (\$750) – 2019

Workshop on Formal Demography, UC Berkeley (full funding) – 2016

Colin Powell Graduate Fellowship (\$15,000) – 2015

TEACHING

Cornell Prison Education Program – Auburn Correctional Facility

Instructor of Record Contemporary Mathematics (Math 112) – Spring 2020
Pre-Algebra Math Workshop – Fall 2019

Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, Syracuse University

Teaching Assistant Public Administration and Democracy (PAI 755) – Summer 18, 19, 20
Economics for Public Decisions (PAI 723) – Fall 18, 19, 20

City College of New York

Instructor of Record Principles of Microeconomics (ECO 10250) – Summer 16; Fall 16
Operations and Production (ECO 30350) – Fall 15

Teaching Assistant Principles of Microeconomics (ECO 10250) – Fall 15, 16; Spring 15, 16, 17

GRANTS

Early Career Catalyst Grant, BU School of Public Health \$20,000 – *Rejected*

PROFESSIONAL AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE AND ACTIVITIES

Reviewer *Education Finance and Policy; Review of Regional Studies*
Journal of Benefit-Cost Analysis; Journal of Environmental Studies and Sciences
Urban Education

Inclusive STEM Teaching Project, Boston University 2022
University Academic Integrity Board, Syracuse University 2019 – 2022
Bard Prison Initiative Summer Residency 2021
General Education Writing Workshop, City College of New York 2016 – 2017