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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Economics, University of California, Irvine, 2015

M.A. Economics, University of Toronto, 2010

B.A. Honours Economics, University of Regina, 2008

EMPLOYMENT AND APPOINTMENTS

2016 - Present	Affiliated Researcher, Michigan Retirement Research Center
2016 - Present	Affiliated Researcher, NBER Disability Research Center
2015 - Present	Assistant Professor of Economics, Tulane University
2010	Economist, Industry Canada

ARTICLES

Neumark, David, Ian Burn, and **Patrick Button**. “Is it Harder for Older Workers to Find Jobs? New and Improved Evidence from a Field Experiment.” Forthcoming in *Journal of Political Economy*.

Button, Patrick. “Expanding Employment Discrimination Protections for Individuals with Disabilities: Evidence from California.” Forthcoming in *Industrial and Labor Relations Review*.

Button, Patrick, Philip Armour, and Simon Hollands*. 2018. “Detecting Disability: Condition Saliency and Disability Discrimination (*tentative title*).” Forthcoming in *American Economic Association Papers and Proceedings*.

Button, Patrick. “A Replication of ‘Do Voters Affect or Elect Policies? Evidence from the U.S. House’ (The Quarterly Journal of Economics, 2004).” Forthcoming in *Public Finance Review*.

Neumark, David, Joanne Song, and **Patrick Button**. 2017. “Does Protecting Older Workers from Discrimination Make It Harder to Get Hired? Evidence from Disability Discrimination Laws.” *Research on Aging*, 39(1): 29-63.

Neumark, David, Ian Burn, and **Patrick Button**. 2016. “Experimental Age Discrimination Evidence and the Heckman Critique.” *American Economic Review (Papers and Proceedings)*, 106(5): 303-08.

Button, Patrick. 2016. “Model Uncertainty and Model Averaging in Regression Discontinuity Designs.” *Journal of Econometric Methods*, 5(1): 103-16.

Neumark, David and **Patrick Button**. 2014. “Did Age Discrimination Protections Help Older Workers Weather the Great Recession?” *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*, 33(3): 566-601.

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LETTERS

Neumark, David, Ian Burn, and **Patrick Button**. 2017. “Age Discrimination and Hiring of Older Workers” *Federal Reserve Board of San Francisco Economic Letter # 2017-06*

Neumark, David and **Patrick Button**. 2014. “Age Discrimination and the Great Recession” *Federal Reserve Board of San Francisco Economic Letter # 2014-10*

MANUSCRIPTS, UNDER REVIEW

Button, Patrick. “Can Tax Incentives Create a Local Film Industry? Evidence from Louisiana and New Mexico.” Revise and Resubmit at *Journal of Urban Affairs*.

Neumark, David, Ian Burn, **Patrick Button**, and Nanneh Chehras. “Do State Laws Protecting Older Workers from Discrimination Reduce Age Discrimination in Hiring? Evidence from a Field Experiment.”

Button, Patrick. “Do Tax Incentives Affect Business Location? Evidence from State Film Incentives.”

Spanbauer, Michael*, Lindsay Johnson*, and **Patrick Button**. “How Valuable are National Parks? Evidence from a Proposed National Park Expansion in Alaska.”

MANUSCRIPTS, COMPLETED

Button, Patrick. “Seniors for Hire? Age Discrimination, ‘Sex-Plus-Age’ Discrimination, and the Effectiveness of Age Discrimination Laws.”

MANUSCRIPTS, IN PROGRESS

Button, Patrick, Philip Armour, and Simon Hollands*. “A Comprehensive Analysis of the Effects of U.S. Disability Discrimination Laws on the Employment, Earnings, and Social Security Use of the Disabled Population.”

Button, Patrick, and Brigham Walker*. “Employment Discrimination Against Indigenous Peoples in the United States: Evidence from a Field Experiment.”

Burn, Ian, **Patrick Button**, and David Neumark. “Ageist Language in Job Ads and Age Discrimination in Hiring: Evidence from Two Field Experiments.”

Button, Patrick, Joanna Lahey, and several students*. “Hiring Discrimination Against Arabs and Muslims: Evidence from a Field Experiment.”

Balfe, Cathy* and **Patrick Button**. “Testing for Sexual Orientation Discrimination in the Mortgage Market: an Email Correspondence Study.”

Button, Patrick, Philip Armour, and Simon Hollands*. “Do State Disability Discrimination Laws Increase Employment for Individuals with Disabilities?”

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RESEARCH SUPPORT, EXTERNAL

Received:

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| 2016-2017 | NBER Disability Research Consortium “The Long-Run Effects of US Disability Discrimination Laws on the Earnings and Social Security Disability Insurance Participation of the Disabled Population” (Co-PI with Philip Armour) (\$75,000) |
| 2015-2016 | NBER Disability Research Consortium “A Comprehensive Analysis of the Effects of U.S. Disability Discrimination Laws on the Employment of the Disabled Population” (Co-PI with Philip Armour) (\$75,000) |
| 2014-2015 | Haynes Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship (\$22,000) |
| 2008-2009 | Joseph-Armand Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarship (\$17,500) |

In Progress or Under Review:

- 2017-2018 Awards to Louisiana Artists and Scholars (ATLAS) ‘Ageist Language in Job Ads and Age Discrimination in Hiring: Evidence from Field Experiments’ (\$50,000)
 2017-2018 Social Science and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC) “Hiring Discrimination Against Aboriginal Peoples in Canada” (Co-PI with Donna Feir) (\$75,000 CAD)

RESEARCH SUPPORT, INTERNAL

- 2017-2018 Department of Economics Research Grant (\$2,000)
 2017-2018 Newcomb College Institute Faculty Grant (\$2,395)
 2017-2018 COR Research Fellowship (\$7,973)
 2017 Lurcy Award (\$400)
 2016-2017 Newcomb College Institute Faculty Grant (\$2,813)
 2016-2017 CELT Student Engagement Grant (\$1,857)
 2016-2017 Duren Professorship (\$4,000)
 2016 Murphy Institute Research Seed Grant (\$2,800)
 2015-2016 Newcomb College Institute Faculty Grant (\$2,000)
 2015-2017 Kurzius Family Early Career Professorship in Economics (\$8,000)
 2015-2016 Murphy Institute New Faculty Research Grant (\$3,000)
 2014 UCI AGS Travel Grants
 2012-2014 UCI Department of Economics Summer Research Fellowship

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2016-Present Affiliated Faculty, Tulane Center for Aging
 2015-Present Newcomb College Institute Faculty Fellow
 2015 National Tax Association Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation in Government Finance and Taxation, Runner up (\$1,000)
 2014 UCI School of Social Sciences’ Kathy Alberti Prize for Graduate Student Excellence
 2013-2014 UCI Center for Economics & Public Policy Fellow
 2012-2013 UCI Pedagogical Fellow
 2012 UCLA Labor and Employment Research Fund Mini-Grant
 2010-2015 UCI School of Social Sciences Tuition Fellowship
 2008-2009 University of Toronto Fellowship
 2008-2009 Mary H. Beatty Fellowship, U. of Toronto
 2008 Graduation with High Honours, U. of Regina
 2006-2007 Academic Gold Scholarships, U. of Regina
 2007 David L. Beattie Scholarship in Economics, U. of Regina
 2006 Dean’s Honours List, U. of Regina
 2005 Centennial Merit Scholarship, U. of Regina

CONFERENCE AND SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

- 2018 American Economic Association (x2), Sloan Conference on Aging & Work (1/18), Auburn (3/9), Stockholm (6/14), UVic (6/25)
- 2017 IZA Junior/Senior Symposium (5/1), Lincoln Institute Public and Urban Econ. Conference (5/5), National Press Foundation (10/15), American Tax Policy Institute (11/17)
- 2016 Ohio State (2/19), Michigan Retirement Research Center (4/15), Tulane (4/27), Western Econ. Assoc. (6/30), National Tax Assoc. (11/11)
- 2015 RAND (1/29), UW-Stout (2/3), Huron University College (2/9), Tulane (2/18, 10/7), Boston College Center for Retirement Research (11/18), National Tax Assoc. (11/19), Southern Economic Assoc. (11/22)
- 2014 UC Irvine (4/29, 5/23, 10/7, 12/1), Southern Economic Assoc. (11/22), Assoc. for Public Policy Analysis & Management (11/6), Canadian Economic Assoc. (6/1)
- 2012 UC Irvine (5/30)

POPULAR PRESS

Authored:

“The Case Against the Minimum Wage” *Leader Post* (Regina, SK, Canada) (August 12, 2012)

Press featuring my research:

As of June 28, 2017, my research has been featured in the popular press in at least 42 unique articles (see patrickbutton.com/popular-press) in publications such as [PBS NewsHour](#), [NPR](#), [New York Times](#), [Washington Post](#), [Wall Street Journal](#), [Los Angeles Times](#), [Forbes](#), and [Reuters](#).

SERVICE

Journal Referee:

See my [Publons](#) profile.

- 2017 Journal of Urban Economics (x2), Journal of Human Resources, Labour Economics, Journal of Policy Analysis & Management, Economic Development Quarterly, Economics and Human Biology, Sociological Methods and Research, CA Journal of Public Policy
- 2016 Review of Economics and Statistics, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Labor Economics, Industrial and Labor Relations Review, Contemporary Economic Policy, Journal of Economic Psychology, Sociological Methods and Research
- 2015 Economic Development Quarterly, Public Finance Review, Research on Aging
- 2013 Association for Institutional Research (x2)
- 2012 Economics of Governance

Grant Proposal Referee:

- 2016 National Science Foundation - Economics

Government:

Expert Panelist for EEOC Public Meeting - “[The ADEA @ 50 - More Relevant than Ever](#)” - June 14, 2017

Conferences:

Member, Program Committee (labor sessions) - National Tax Association 2016 Annual Meeting

Tulane University:

- Chair, Applied Microeconomics Hiring Committee (2017-2018)
- Member, Murphy Post-Doc Hiring Committee (2016-2017)
- Member, Newcomb-Tulane College Grant Committee (2016-2017)
- Co-Organizer, Department of Economics Seminar Series (2016-2017)

TEACHING AT TULANE

Fall 2017: ECON 3810 (The Economics of Labor), ECON 3320 (Urban Economics)

Spring 2017: ECON 3810 (The Economics of Labor), ECON 4980/6980 (Experimental Methods in Labor Econ.)

Fall 2016: ECON 3320 (Urban Economics), ECON 3810 (The Economics of Labor)

Spring 2016: ECON 3320 (Urban Economics), ECON 7175 (PhD Econometrics III)

Fall 2015: ECON 3320 (Urban Economics)

DOCTORAL DISSERTATION SUPERVISION

Current: Jacqueline Fiore, Michael Spanbauer, Sanjukta Basu, Brigham Walker, Rujun Zhao, Siyu Quan

DOCTORAL FIELD PAPER SUPERVISION

2017-2018: Sanjukta Basu, Siyu Quan, Brigham Walker, Rujun Zhao

HONORS THESIS SUPERVISION

2017-2018: Cathy Balfe*, Will Shipman*

2015-2016: Juan Fernando Gomez*, Becca Greaney*, Lindsay Johnson*, Adam Yohanan

* = First or Co-First Reader

ACADEMIC PROGRAMMING AT TULANE

Fall 2017 Co-Organizer/Panelist "How to Navigate being Women in Male-Dominant Fields"

2016-Present Seminar Speaker for Interdisciplinary Seminar in Aging (Ph.D. in Aging)

2016-Present CELT Research Roundtables with Students

TEACHING PUBLICATION

Button, Patrick. 2014. "Think-Pair-Share: Where Does the Unemployment Rate Come From?" in The Ultimate Guide to Teaching Macroeconomics by Wayne Geerling, Lee Coppock, Kim Holder, and James Tierney

PEDAGOGICAL DEVELOPMENT

2012-2013 Pedagogical Fellows Program

A selective year-long faculty development program covering course construction, active learning, online courses, classroom technology, diversity, mentoring, and many other topics.