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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Colby College, 2017 – present

EDUCATION

PhD, Applied Economics, University of Minnesota, 2012 – 2017

MS, International Economics, The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, 2008 – 2010

BS, Applied Mathematics with minors in Statistics and Economics, Texas A&M University, 2004 – 2008

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Development Economics, Health Economics, Consumer Behavior, Household Economics

PUBLICATIONS

Bellemare, Marc, Metin Cakir, Hikaru Peterson, **Lindsey K. Novak**, and Jeta Rudi. (2017) "On the Measurement of Food Waste," *American Journal of Agricultural Economics*, 99(5): 1148-1158.

Bellemare, Marc F., **Lindsey K. Novak**. (2017) "Contract Farming and Food Security," *American Journal of Agricultural Economics*, 99 (2): 357 – 378.

Friedemann-Sanchez, Greta, Benjamin Capistrant, James Ron, **Lindsey K. Novak**, Caroling Zuijdwijk, Graham Ogle, Barbara Anderson, Antoinette Moran, and Sharad Pendsey. (2017) "Caregiving for Children with Type 1 Diabetes and Clinical Outcomes in Central India: The IDREAM Study," *Pediatric Diabetes*, 1(7): 1-7.

Capistrant, Ben, Greta Friedemann-Sanchez, **Lindsey K. Novak**, Caroline Zuijdwijk, Graham Ogle, Sharad Pendsey. (2017) Mental Health and Well-Being Among Type 1 Diabetes Caregivers in India: Evidence from the IDREAM Study. *Diabetes Research and Clinical Practice*. 134: 168-177.

Bellemare, Marc F., **Lindsey K. Novak**, and Tara Steinmetz. (2015). "All in the Family: Explaining the Persistence of Female Genital Cutting in West Africa." *Journal of Development Economics*, 116, p. 252-265.

Novak, Lindsey K. (2014). “The Impact of Access to Water on Child Health in Senegal.” *Review of Development Economics*. 18 (3) 431-444.

WORKING PAPERS

- “Persistent Norms and Tipping Points: Female Genital Cutting in Burkina Faso” *Under Review*.
- “Change of Heart: Explaining Shifting Opinions of Female Genital Cutting” (with Marie Baguet)
- “Mirror Image: How Local Obesity Rates Impact Individual Health Perceptions” (with J Michael Oakes)
- “Buy Locally? Big-Box Stores and Time-Inconsistent Preferences” (with Marc Bellemare)
- “Contract Farming as Partial Insurance” (with Marc Bellemare and Yu Na Lee) *Under Review*.

TEACHING

Colby College

Principles of Microeconomics (EC133): Fall 2017

Global Health Economics (EC318): Spring 2018

Research Methods and Statistics for Economics (EC293): Spring 2018

OTHER PROFESSIONAL RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Evaluation Officer – International Initiative for Impact Evaluation (3ie), New Delhi, India: 2010 – 2012

- Served as Principal Investigator for study of a school vouchers program for girls in primary school in North Delhi, with Dr. Thomas de Hoop. Study was a randomized control trial of a two-year school voucher program implemented by The Centre for Civil Society, a Delhi-based NGO; sample size of 800 girls
- Ensure technical rigor of 24 3ie-funded impact evaluation studies amounting to US\$10.3 million
- Conduct impact evaluation trainings for researchers and NGOs; organizations include the World Bank, DfID, Clinton Health Access Initiative, and the Government of India

External Collaborator – United Nations International Labor Office, Geneva, Switzerland: 2009 – 2010

- Provided statistical assistance to Dr. Nomaan Masjid for a paper titled The Global Recession and Developing Countries; working paper published here:

http://www.ilo.org/empelm/pubs/WCM_041819/lang--en/index.htm

SELECTED GRANTS AND AWARDS

Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship, University of Minnesota (2016-2017): \$25,640

Warren Samuels research award from the Association for Social Economics (2017): \$500

Western Economic Association International's Graduate Student Workshop (2016): \$1,600

Sam Chung Hsieh and Alice Yen-Hee Hsieh Graduate Fellowship (2015): \$17,565

Center for International Food and Agriculture Policy Travel Grant (2015): \$1,000

Institutional and Behavioral Economics Section of the Agricultural and Applied Economic Association,
Best Paper in the Graduate Student Paper Competition (2015): \$300

Applied Economic Department Graduate Fellowship, University of Minnesota (2012-2013): \$34,146

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Referee for *Journal of African Economies*, *Food Policy*, *Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics*,
American Journal of Agricultural Economics, *Review of Development Economics*, *Journal of
Agricultural and Food Economics*, *Journal of Development Effectiveness*, *Journal of Development
Studies*, *SSM – Population Health*, *Agricultural Economics*

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

2017: ASSA Annual Meetings (Chicago, IL)

2016: Northeast Universities Development Consortium (NEUDC), United Nations Expert Group Meeting
on Gender-Biased Harmful Practices in Brussels, Western Economic Association International,
American Association of Agricultural Economics

2015: Guest Lecture in Michael Oakes' course graduate-level course Practical Methods of Secondary
Data Analysis (PubH 6617), Minnesota, Guest Lecture in Ragui Assaad's course graduate-level
course Economics of Development (PA 5503), Minnesota, Midwest Economic Association