

# Sarah Robinson

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## APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor, Claremont McKenna College 2023 – present  
Robert Day School of Economics and Finance

Graduate Fellow, National Bureau of Economic Research 2021 – 2022  
Aging & Health Research

## EDUCATION

University of California, Santa Barbara  
Ph.D., Economics 2023  
M.A., Economics 2018

Claremont McKenna College  
B.A., Philosophy, Politics & Economics, *magna cum laude* 2013

## RESEARCH FIELDS

Health Economics, Public Economics, Applied Microeconomics

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

“One Hundred Years of U.S. State Taxation” with Alisa Tazhitdinova. *Journal of Public Economics*, January 2025, Vol. 241, 105273.

“Geographic Variation in Cesarean Sections in the United States: Trends, Correlates, and Other Interesting Facts” with Heather Royer and David Silver. *Journal of Labor Economics*, April 2024, 42:S1, S219-S259. [NBER Working Paper 31871]

“Corporate Political Spending and State Tax Policy: Evidence from Citizens United” with Cailin Slattery and Alisa Tazhitdinova. *Journal of Public Economics*, May 2023, Vol. 221, 104859. [NBER Working Paper 30352]

## WORKING PAPERS

“Do Firms Avoid Health Insurance Mandates? Evidence from the Self-Funding of Employer Plans” (*job market paper*)

“Do Taxes Affect Pre-Tax Income Inequality? Evidence from 100 Years of U.S. State Policies” with Matías Strehl-Pessina and Alisa Tazhitdinova

“Are U.S. State Tax Policies Increasingly Polarized?” with Alisa Tazhitdinova

“What Drives Tax Policy? Political, Institutional, and Economic Determinants of State Tax Policy” with Alisa Tazhitdinova [NBER Working Paper 31268]

## WORK IN PROGRESS

“Employer Choice of Health Insurance Plans and Premium Sharing” (*approved FSRDC project*)

PRESENTATIONS	<p><u>2026</u>: Annual Health Economics Conference, Southern California Conference in Applied Microeconomics</p> <p><u>2025</u>: NBER Fall Economic Analysis of Business Taxation, California Health Economics Conference, CCMS Applied Math Seminar</p> <p><u>2024</u>: CMC Robert Day School Research Workshop, NBER Summer Institute Political Economy (<i>co-author presenting</i>)</p> <p><u>2023</u>: Claremont McKenna College, UT Austin LBJ School, Monash University, University of Melbourne, University of Victoria, National Taipei University, Norwegian School of Economics, U.S. Census Bureau, Congressional Budget Office, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, Federal Trade Commission, Government Accountability Office, Treasury Office of Tax Analysis, ASHEcon Annual Conference, UC Irvine Applied Microeconomics Seminar, National Tax Association Annual Conference (<i>2 papers</i>)</p> <p><u>2022</u>: Online Public Finance Seminar Graduate Student Workshop, NBER Spring Public Economics (<i>co-author presenting</i>)</p> <p><u>2021</u>: Mannheim Taxation</p>	
REFEREEING	<p><i>American Economic Review, American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, Review of Economics and Statistics, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Health Economics, Health Affairs, International Tax and Public Finance, Journal of Accounting Research</i></p>	
SERVICE	<p>Administration Committee, CMC</p> <p>Department Research Seminar Series, CMC</p> <p>Diversity Committee, CMC</p> <p>Faculty Subcommittee of Diversity Committee, CMC</p> <p>Department Hiring Committee, CMC</p> <p>Mentor for First-Year Economics Ph.D. Students, UCSB</p> <p>Professional Development Committee, UCSB (<i>co-founder</i>)</p> <p>Health Reading Group, UCSB (<i>organizer</i>)</p>	<p>2025 – 2026</p> <p>2025 – 2026</p> <p>2024 – 2025</p> <p>2024 – 2025</p> <p>2024 – 2025</p> <p>2018 – 2021</p> <p>2019 – 2020</p> <p>2019 – 2020</p>
HONORS, FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS	<p>Job Market Fellowship, UCSB</p> <p>Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award, UCSB</p> <p>Research Quarter Fellowship, UCSB</p> <p>Gretler Fellowship, UCSB</p> <p>Mortimer Andron Fellowship, UCSB</p> <p>Distinction in Ph.D. Preliminary Exam, Microeconomics, UCSB</p> <p>Regents Fellowship, UCSB</p> <p>Phi Beta Kappa, CMC</p>	<p>2022</p> <p>2019, 2021</p> <p>2019</p> <p>2019</p> <p>2018 – 2022</p> <p>2018</p> <p>2017 – 2018</p> <p>2013</p>
AFFILIATIONS	<p>U.S. Census Bureau, Special Sworn Status Researcher</p>	<p>2022 – present</p>

TEACHING	<u>Claremont McKenna College</u>	
	Public Economics & Welfare Intermediate Microeconomics	Fall 2023, 2024, 2025 Spring 2024, 2025, 2026
	<u>University of California, Santa Barbara</u>	
	Math Camp for Economics Ph.D. Students	Summer 2020
WORKSHOPS	CSWEP CeMENT Mentoring Workshop	2024
	NBER Health Economics Research Bootcamp	2019
	7 <sup>th</sup> Lindau Meeting on Economic Sciences ( <i>accepted &amp; withdrawn</i> )	
OTHER EXPERIENCE	Consultant, Strategy & Operations, Deloitte Consulting LLP	2013 – 2016
CITIZENSHIP	U.S.	