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Research Interests

Health Inequality, Experimental Economics, Prosocial Behaviour, Revealed Preferences, Experimentics, Applied Econometrics, Multidimensional Poverty, Distributive Justice.

Education

- 2014-18 PhD Experimental Economics, University of York - Pass with No Corrections
Thesis: “Inequality Aversion and Self-Interest: An Experimental Approach”
Supervisors: John Bone, John Hey & Richard Cookson
Viva: Erik Sørensen (NHH) & Andrew Jones (York)
- 2013-14 MSc Health Economics, University of York - Merit
- 2010-13 BA Hons History and Economics, Bangor University - First Class

Employment

- 2022- Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Erasmus University Rotterdam
Erasmus School of Economics
- 2022-25 Visiting Research Fellow, University of York
Department of Health Sciences
- 2018-22 Postdoctoral Research Fellow, University of York
Department of Health Sciences and Centre for Health Economics
- 2014-22 Research Assistant, University of Oxford
Oxford Poverty and Human Development Initiative

Publications

- 2021 **Robson, M.**, ‘Inequality aversion, self-interest and social connectedness’, *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, 183(1), 744-772
- 2021 **Robson, M.**, J. Lord and T. Doran, ‘Estimating the equity impacts of the smoking ban in England on cotinine levels: a regression discontinuity design’, *BMJ: Open*, 11(9)
- 2017 **Robson, M.**, M. Asaria, R. Cookson, A. Tsuchiya and S. Ali, ‘Eliciting the level of health inequality aversion in England’, *Health Economics*, 26(10), 1328-1334

Policy Papers

- 2022 Alkire, S. and **M. Robson**, ‘On international household survey data availability for assessing pre-pandemic monetary and multidimensional poverty in developing countries’, *Development Studies Research*, 9(1), 277-295
- 2021 Cookson, R., **M. Robson**, I. Skarda and T. Doran, ‘Equity-informative methods of health services research’, *Journal of Health Organization and Management*, 35(6), 665-681

Working Papers

- 2023 **Robson M.**, O. O'Donnell and T. Van Ourti, 'Aversion to Health Inequality – Pure, Income-Related and Income-Caused', *EsCHER Working Paper 2023003*.
- 2022 **Robson, M.**, F. Vollmer, et al., 'Distributional Impacts of Cash Transfers on the Multidimensional Poverty of Refugees: The ESSN Programme in Turkey', *OPHI WP 142*
- 2021 Evans, M., R. Nogales and **M. Robson**, 'Monetary and Multidimensional Poverty: Correlations, Mismatches and Joint Distributions', *OPHI WP 133*
- 2021 Parra-Mujica, F., **M. Robson** and R. Cookson, 'Socioeconomic Health Inequalities: Differences Between and Within Individuals', HEDG Working Papers, 21(15)
- 2019 **Robson, M.**, T. Doran and R. Cookson, 'Estimating and Decomposing Conditional Average Treatment Effects: The Smoking Ban in England', HEDG Working Papers, 19(20)
- 2018 **Robson, M.** and J. Bone, 'Giving to Varying Numbers of Others', DERS DP, 18(11)

Research Visits

- 2021 Oxfam GB, Oxford, UK
- 2020 The Arctic University of Norway, Tromsø, Norway
- 2019 Erasmus University, Rotterdam, Netherlands
- 2017 The Choice Lab, Norwegian School of Economics, Bergen, Norway
- 2016 The Field Lab, University of East Anglia, Mbale, Uganda

Teaching

Erasmus School of Economics, Erasmus University Rotterdam

- 2022- Economics of Health and Health Care - MSc

Department of Economics, University of York

- 2017-21 Experimental Economics - Undergraduate (Year 3)
- 2017/18 Economics 2: Microeconomics - Undergraduate (Year 2)
- 2016/17 Econometrics 2 - Undergraduate (Year 2)
- 2016/17 Microeconomics 2 - Undergraduate (Year 2)
- 2015/16 Microeconomics 1 - Undergraduate (Year 1)

Centre for Health Economics, University of York

- 2021/22 Supervisor: Rory Allanson (Distinction) - MSc Thesis
- 2019/20 Supervisor: Fiorella Parra-Mujica (Distinction) - MSc Thesis
- 2018/19 Supervisor: Joseph Lord (Distinction) - MSc Thesis

Department of Health Sciences, University of York

- 2020- Thesis Advisory Panel Member: Samia Abreu Oliveira - PhD
- 2019/20 Health and Social Behaviour - MSc
- 2018/19 Further Regression Analysis - MSc

Conference and Seminar Organisation

- 2022 4th IRNEP Conference, University of Reading: Co-founder and Co-organiser
- 2021-22 EQUIPOL Health Equity Seminar Series (virtual): Co-organiser
- 2019 3rd IRNEP Conference, University of York: Co-founder and Co-organiser
- 2018 Foundations of Utility and Risk (FUR), University of York: Organising Committee
- 2016 2nd IRNEP Conference, University of York: Co-founder and Co-organiser
- 2015 1st IRNEP Conference, University of Reading: Co-founder and Co-organiser

Conference Presentations and Invited Talks

- 2022 Allied Social Science Associations (ASSA) Annual Meeting, Boston, USA (remote)
European Health Economics Association (EUHEA) Annual Conference, Oslo, Norway
Health Economics Study Group (HESG) Meeting, University of Sheffield
Brocher Foundation Summer Academy, Geneva, Switzerland
European Health Economics Association (EUHEA) Seminar Series, Bologna, Italy (remote)
- 2021 Multidimensional Poverty Seminars: OPHI/IIEP/UNDP, University of Oxford
Applied Health Economics and Policy Evaluation Workshop, IRDES, Paris, France
Health Economics Discussion Group seminar (Invited), University of York
- 2020 Measuring Health: Ethical Perspectives, Aarhus University, Denmark
- 2019 European Workshop on Econometrics and Health Economics, Leuven, Belgium
Center for Health Decision Science (Invited), Harvard University, USA
International Health Economics Association (iHEA), Basel, Switzerland
Economics for the Social Good, De Montford University, Leicester
Health Economics and Decision Science (Invited), University of Sheffield
Nordic Conference on Behavioural and Experimental Economics, Denmark
3rd IRNEP Economics and Philosophy Conference, University of York
Centre for Health Economics and Medicines Evaluation (Invited), Bangor University
- 2018 Foundations of Utility and Risk (FUR), University of York, UK
Young Economists' Meeting, Masaryk University, Czech Republic
- 2017 The Choice Lab (Invited), Norwegian School of Economics, Norway
Royal Economic Society (RES) PhD Meeting, Westminster Business School, London
2nd IRNEP Economics and Philosophy Conference, University of York
- 2015 2nd Annual PhD Conference in Economics, University of Leicester
1st IRNEP Economics and Philosophy Conference, University of Reading
Health Economists Study Group (HESG) Conference, University of Leeds

Summer Schools

- 2019 Inequality and Inequity in Health and Healthcare, University of Lausanne, Switzerland
- 2018 Summer School on Socioeconomic Inequality, University of Bonn, Germany
- 2017 Spring School in Behavioural Economics, USCD, San Diego, USA
- 2016 Preferences, Personality and Moral Behaviour: The Choice Lab, NHH, Bergen, Norway
Experimental Development Economics: Lab-in-the-Field, University of East Anglia
- 2015 Experimental PhD Summer School, University of East Anglia
Programming Economic Experiments in Z-Tree, Konstanz University, Germany

Refereeing

Journal of Applied Econometrics, Social Choice and Welfare, Journal of Health Economics, European Journal of Health Economics, Social Science and Medicine, Social Indicators Research, Health Economics.

Awards

- 2016-19 Acknowledgement of Teaching Excellence
- 2016-18 Aronson Teaching Prize, Best Designed 2nd Year Module
- 2013 William and Myfanwy Eames Prize, Economics, Bangor University
- 2013 Charles Mowat Memorial Prize, History, Bangor University

Grants and Funding

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| 2022 | Leverhulme Early Career Fellowship (successful, but turned down) - £126,946 |
| 2021 | Wellcome Secondment Fellowship in Humanities and Social Science - £14,673 |
| 2020 | Research Centre for Social Sciences (ReCSS) Grant, University of York - £2,500 |
| 2018 | Society of Applied Philosophy (SAP) Event Funding - £1,300 |
| 2014-17 | ESRC Advanced Quantitative Methods (+3) Studentship - £65,000 |
| 2014-17 | Ellis-Hunter Teaching Scholarship, Department of Economics, University of York - £4,500 |
| 2017 | ESRC Overseas Institutional Visit, The Choice Lab; Bergen, Norway - £5,300 |
| 2017 | Royal Economic Society (RES): Special Project Grant Scheme - £900 |
| 2016 | ESRC Company Internship, The Field Laboratory; Mbale, Uganda - £5,600 |
| 2013/14 | NIHR Masters Studentship in the Economics of Health - £19,000 |

Data and Code

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| 2021 | Inequality Aversion, Self-Interest and Social Connectedness, Experimental Data and Code in Stata, Matlab, R and z-Tree |
| 2019 | lwcate - Estimation of Conditional Average Treatment Effects using locally-weighted regressions, Stata command |

Languages and Skills

English (native).

Stata, MATLAB, R, Python, z-Tree, Survey Solutions, LaTeX, QGIS, Corel-Draw, Office.

References

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