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**Education:**

Ph.D.: Economics Department, Princeton University, 1988

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Princeton University, 1983 (Qualified with Distinction)

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**Present Position:**

**Alexander Stewart 1886 Professor of Economics and Public Affairs Emeritus**  
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**Research Interests:**

Microeconomic Foundations of Development

Health Economics

Labor Economics

## **Publications:**

“Life expectancy in adulthood is falling for those without a BA degree but, as educational gaps have widened, racial gaps have narrowed.” 2021. Joint with Angus Deaton. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*. March 8, 2021.

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“Decoding the Mystery of American Pain Reveals a Warning for the Future.” 2020. Joint with Angus Deaton and Arthur A. Stone. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*. October 6, 2020 117 (40) 24785-24789. <https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.2012350117>

*Deaths of Despair and the Future of Capitalism*. Joint with Angus Deaton. 2020. Princeton University Press. <https://press.princeton.edu/books/hardcover/9780691190785/deaths-of-despair-and-the-future-of-capitalism>

“Rebottling the Gini: Why This Headline Measure of Inequality Misses Everything That Matters.” 2020. Joint with Angus Deaton. *Prospect*, January 27.

“The Epidemic of Despair: Will America’s Mortality Crisis Spread to the Rest of the World?” 2020. Joint with Angus Deaton, *Foreign Affairs*.

“Mortality and Morbidity in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.” 2017. Joint with Angus Deaton. *Spring 2017 Brookings Papers on Economic Activity*. <https://www.brookings.edu/bpea-articles/mortality-and-morbidity-in-the-21st-century/>

“Suicide, Age and Wellbeing: An Empirical Analysis.” 2017. Joint with Angus Deaton. NBER Working Paper 21279, Chapter 10 (pages 307-34) in *Insights in the Economics of Aging*, David A. Wise (ed.), University of Chicago Press.

“Social Protection and Labor Market Outcomes of Youth in South Africa.” 2016. Joint with Cally Ardington, Till Barnighausen, and Alicia Menendez. *ILR Review*, 69(2): 455–470.

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“Health Challenges Past and Future.” 2014. Joint with Cally Ardington. *The Oxford Companion to the Economics of South Africa*, Oxford University Press, Haroon Borat, Alan Hirsch, Ravi Kanbur and Mthuli Ncube (editors).

“Paying the Piper: The High Cost of Funerals in South Africa.” 2013. Joint with Anu Garrib, Alicia Menendez and Analia Olgiati. *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, 62(1): 1-20.

“HIV Risk and Adolescent Behaviors in Africa.” 2013. Joint with Christina Paxson. *American Economic Review Papers and Proceedings* 103(3):433-38.

- “The Long Reach of Childhood Health and Circumstance: Evidence from the Whitehall II Study,” 2011. Joint with Christina Paxson. *Economic Journal* 121: F183-204.
- “The impact of the AIDS Pandemic on Health Services and Outcomes in Africa: Evidence from Demographic and Health Surveys.” 2011. Joint with Christina Paxson. *Demography* 48(2): 675-97.
- “Requiescat in Pace? The Consequences of High Priced Funerals in South Africa.” 2011. Joint with Alicia Menendez. Chapter 11 (pages 351-73) in *Explorations in the Economics of Aging*, David Wise (ed.) University of Chicago Press.
- “Causes and Consequences of Early Life Health.” 2010. Joint with Christina Paxson. *Demography*, Vol. 47, Supplement: S65-S85.
- “The Impact of AIDS on Intergenerational Support in South Africa: Evidence from the Cape Area Panel Study” 2010. (principal author) Joint with Cally Ardington, Mahnaz Islam, David Lam, Murray Leibbrandt, Alicia Menendez, and Analia Olgiati. *Research on Aging* 32(1): 97-121.
- “What’s Past is Prologue: The Impact of Early Life Health and Circumstance on Health in Old Age” 2010. Chapter 8 (pages 211-228) in *Research Findings in the Economics of Aging*, David Wise (ed.) University of Chicago Press.
- “Interactions Between Mental Health and Socioeconomic Status in the South African National Income Dynamics Study.” 2010. Joint with Cally Ardington. *Studies in Economics and Econometrics* 34(3): 69-85.
- “Sex Differences in Obesity Rates in Poor Countries: Evidence from South Africa.” 2009. Joint with Alicia Menendez. *Economics and Human Biology* 7(3): 271-82.
- “Early Life Health and Cognitive Function in Old Age.” 2009. Joint with Christina Paxson. *American Economic Review Papers and Proceedings* 99(2): 104-9.
- “Labor Supply Responses to Large Social Transfers: Longitudinal Evidence from South Africa.” 2009. Joint with Cally Ardington and Victoria Hosegood. *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics* 1(1): 22-48.
- “Health and Wellbeing in Udaipur and South Africa.” 2009. Joint with Angus Deaton. Chapter 9 in *Developments in the Economics of Aging*, David Wise (ed.), University of Chicago Press.
- “Making Sense of the Labor Market Height Premium: Evidence from the British Household Panel Survey.” 2008. Joint with Christina Paxson and Mahnaz Islam. *Economic Letters* 102(3):174-6.
- “Stature and Status: Height, Ability and Labor Market Outcomes.” 2008. Joint with Christina Paxson. *Journal of Political Economy* 116(3): 499-532.
- “Height, Health and Cognitive Function at Older Ages.” 2008. Joint with Christina Paxson. *American Economic Review Papers and Proceedings* 98(2): 463-467.
- “The Income Gradient in Children’s Health: A Comment on Currie, Shields and Wheatley Price.” 2008. Joint with Diana Lee and Christina Paxson. *Journal of Health Economics* 27(3): 801-807.

“Does Money Empower the Elderly? Evidence from the Agincourt Demographic Surveillance Area.” 2007. Joint with Alicia Menendez. *Scandinavian Journal of Public Health*. 35(3): 157-164.

“Socioeconomic Status and Health in Childhood: A Comment on Chen, Martin and Matthews (2006).” 2007. Joint with Christina Paxson and Tom Vogl. *Social Science & Medicine* 64(4): 757-761.

“The Impact of Parental Death on School Outcomes: Longitudinal Evidence from South Africa.” 2006. Joint with Cally Ardington. *Demography* 43(3): 401-420.

“Children’s Health and Social Mobility.” 2006. Joint with Christina Paxson. *Future of Children* 16(2): 151-173.

“Sex Differences in Morbidity and Mortality.” 2005. Joint with Christina Paxson, *Demography* 42(2): 189-214.

“The Lasting Impact of Childhood Health and Circumstance.” 2005. Joint with Angela Fertig and Christina Paxson, *Journal of Health Economics* 24: 365-389.

“The Reach and Impact of Child Support Grants: Evidence from KwaZulu-Natal.” 2005. Joint with Victoria Hosegood and Frances Lund, *Development Southern Africa* 22(4): 467-82.

“Health and Wealth Among the Poor: India and South Africa compared.” 2005. Joint with Angus Deaton. *American Economic Review Papers and Proceedings* 95(2): 229-233.

“Broken Down by Work and Sex: How Our Health Declines.” 2005. Joint with Angus Deaton, Chapter 6 in *Analyses in the Economics of Aging*, David Wise (ed.), University of Chicago Press: 185-205.

“The Primacy of Education,” 2005. Chapter 18 in *Understanding Poverty*, Abhijit Banerjee, Roland Benabou and Dilip Mookherjee (eds.), Oxford University Press.

“Orphans in Africa: Parental Death, Poverty and School Enrollment.” 2004. Joint with Christina Paxson and Joseph Ableidinger, *Demography* 41(3): 483-508.

“Medical Compliance and Income-Health Gradients.” 2004. Joint with Ingrid le Roux and Alicia Menendez, *American Economic Review Papers and Proceedings* 94(2): 331-335.

“Does Money Protect Health Status? Evidence from South African Pensions.” 2004. NBER Working Paper 8495, Chapter 7 in *Perspectives on the Economics of Aging*, David Wise (ed.), University of Chicago Press: 287-311.

“Political Institutions and Policy Choices: Evidence from the United States.” 2003. Joint with Timothy Besley, *Journal of Economic Literature* 41(1): 7-73.

“Explaining Trends in Child Support: Economic, Demographic, and Policy Effects.” 2003. Joint with I-Fen Lin and Sara McLanahan, *Demography* 40(1): 171-189.

- “Economic Status and Health in Childhood: The Origins of the Gradient.” 2002. Joint with Darren Lubotsky and Christina Paxson, *American Economic Review* 92(5): 1308-1334.
- “Health, Income, and Economic Development.” 2002. In *Annual World Bank Conference on Development Economics 2001-2002*, The World Bank, 221-241.
- “Parental Behaviors and Child Health.” 2002. Joint with Christina Paxson, *Health Affairs* 21(2), 164-178.
- “Causes and Consequences of Schooling Outcomes in South Africa: Evidence from Survey Data.” 2001. Joint with Kermyt Anderson and David Lam, *Social Dynamics* 27(1), 37-59.
- “Educational Attainment of Siblings in Stepfamilies.” 2001. Joint with Sara McLanahan and I-Fen Lin, *Evolution and Human Behavior* 22(4), 269-289.
- “Mothers and Others: Who Invests in Children’s Health?” 2001. Joint with Christina Paxson, *Journal of Health Economics* 20, 301-328.
- “Election Goals and Income Redistribution: Recent Evidence from Albania.” 2001. *European Economic Review* 45, 405-423.
- “Unnatural Experiments? Estimating the Incidence of Endogenous Policies.” 2000. Joint with Timothy Besley, *Economic Journal* 110(467), F672-F694.
- “How Hungry is the Selfish Gene?” 2000. Joint with I-Fen Lin and Sara McLanahan, *Economic Journal* 110(466), 781-804.
- “School Inputs and Educational Outcomes in South Africa.” 1999. Joint with Angus Deaton, *Quarterly Journal of Economics* 114(3), 1047-1084.
- “Household Resource Allocation in Stepfamilies: Darwin Reflects on the Plight of Cinderella.” 1999. Joint with I-Fen Lin and Sara McLanahan, *American Economic Review Papers and Proceedings* 89(2), 234-238.
- “Large Cash Transfers to the Elderly in South Africa.” 1998. Joint with Angus Deaton, *Economic Journal* 180(450), 1330-1361.
- “The Effects of Stronger Child Support Enforcement of Non-marital Fertility.” 1998. In *Fathers Under Fire: The Revolution in Child Support Enforcement*, Irwin Garfinkel, Sara McLanahan, Daniel Meyer and Judith Seltzer (eds.), Russell Sage Foundation, 191-215.
- “Does Electoral Accountability Affect Economic Policy Choices? Evidence from Gubernatorial Term Limits.” 1995. Joint with Timothy Besley, *Quarterly Journal of Economics* 110(3), 769-798.
- “Incumbent Behavior: Vote Seeking, Tax Setting and Yardstick Competition.” 1995. Joint with Timothy Besley, *American Economic Review* 85(1), 25-45.
- “Symposium on Consumption Smoothing in Developing Countries.” 1995. *The Journal of Economic Perspectives* 9(3), 81-82.

“The Effect of Sibling Composition on Women’s Education and Earnings.” 1994. Joint with Kristin F. Butcher, *Quarterly Journal of Economics* 109(3), 531-563.

“Taxes and the Electoral Cycle: How Sensitive Are Governors to Coming Elections.” 1994. *Business Review*, Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, 17-26.

“Modeling Technology Adoption in Developing Countries.” 1993. Joint with Timothy Besley. *American Economic Review, Papers and Proceedings* 83(2), 396-402.

“Budget Spillovers and Fiscal Policy Interdependence: Evidence From the States.” 1993. Joint with J. R. Hines, Jr. and H. S. Rosen, *Journal of Public Economics* 52(3), 285-307.

“Interstate Tax Competition After TRA 86.” 1993. *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management* 12(1), 136-148.

“Neighborhood Influence and Technology Change.” 1992. *Regional Science and Urban Economics* 22, 491-508.

“Spatial Patterns in Household Demand.” 1991. *Econometrica* 59(4), 953-965.

“Analysis of Household Expenditures.” 1987. Joint with Angus Deaton. Living Standards Measurement Study Working Paper No. 28, The World Bank, Washington, DC 20433.

### **Selected Working Papers:**

“Mortality rates by college degree before and during COVID-19.” 2021. Joint with Angus Deaton. NBER Working Paper No. 29328.

“The great divide: Education, despair and death.” 2021. Joint with Angus Deaton. NBER Working Paper No. 29241. Prepared for *Annual Review of Economics*.

“No increase in relative mortality rates for those without a college degree during COVID-19: An anomaly.” 2021. Joint with Angus Deaton.  
<https://medrxiv.org/cgi/content/short/2021.07.20.21260875v1>

“Consumption, Health, Gender and Poverty.” 2002. Joint with Angus Deaton. Mimeo.

“Health and Wellbeing in South Africa: Evidence from the Langeberg Survey.” 2000. Joint with Francis Wilson. Mimeo.

“Does School Quality Matter? Returns to Education and the Characteristics of Schools in South Africa.” 1999. Joint with Motohiro Yogo. NBER Working Paper No. 7399.

“Diffusion as a Learning Process: Evidence from HYV Cotton.” 1994. Joint with Timothy Besley. Woodrow Wilson School, RPDS Discussion Paper No. 174.

“The Company You Keep: The Effects of Family and Neighborhood on Disadvantaged Youths.” 1991. Joint with Lawrence Katz. NBER Working Paper No. 3705.

“A Comparison of General and Partial Equilibrium Modeling Approaches.” 1984. Joint with Lyn Squire. Country Policy Department Discussion Paper, The World Bank, Washington, DC 20433.

“The Relative Merits of Alternative Approaches to Applied Welfare Economics. 1982. Joint with Lyn Squire. The World Bank, Mimeo.

### **Selected Popular Press:**

“America’s Killer Capitalism.” 2021. Prepared for *Project Syndicate*.

“Living and Dying in the America in 2021.” *Project Syndicate*, December 2020.

“United States of Despair.” *Project Syndicate*, June 2020.

“Trump’s pet theory about the fatal dangers of quarantine is very wrong.” *Washington Post*, June 2020.

“Deaths of Despair and a Nation in Crisis.” *The American Interest*, June 2020.

“America Can Afford a World-Class Health System. Why Don’t We Have One?” *New York Times*, April 2020.

“When Can America Reopen From Its Coronavirus Shutdown?” *Politico*, April 2020.

“How Healthcare Costs Hurt American Workers and Benefit the Wealthy.” *Time*, February 2020.

“The media gets the opioid crisis wrong. Here is the truth.” *Washington Post*, September 12, 2017

“‘Deaths of Despair’ are Killing America’s White Working Class.” *Quartz*, December 2015.

“Suicide and Happiness.” *Voxeu*, July 2015.

### **Awards and Fellowships:**

2021- Distinguished Fellow, American Economic Association

2021- Matilda White Riley Award, National Institutes of Health

2020- Elected Member, National Academy of Sciences

2018 Honorary Doctorate in Public Policy, Pardee RAND Graduate School

2017- Elected Member, National Academy of Medicine

2017- Elected Member, American Philosophical Society

2017- Elected Member, American Academy of Arts and Sciences

2017	Franklin Founder Award
2016	2016 POLITICO 50
2015	Cozzarelli Prize, Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences
2011	President's Award for Distinguished Teaching, Princeton University
2009-	Fellow of the Econometric Society
2009	Distinguished Alumni Award, The University at Albany
2007-	Affiliate, Southern Africa Labour and Development Research Unit, University of Cape Town
2003-2012	Visiting Scientist, Africa Centre for Health and Population Studies, University of KwaZulu-Natal
2003	Kenneth J. Arrow Award in Health Economics, International Health Economics Association
1997-	Research Associate, National Bureau of Economic Research
1995	Alfred P. Sloan Research Fellowship
1993-1994	Russell Sage Foundation Visiting Scholar
1992-1993	Visiting Scholar, Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia
1991-1992	Junior Research Fellow, Institute for Policy Reform, Washington, D.C.
1989-1997	Faculty Research Fellow, National Bureau of Economic Research
1979	Phi Beta Kappa (junior year)

**Current Professional Service:**

2022-2025	National Advisory Council on Aging, National Institutes of Health
2022-	Commissioner, <i>Commission on Health and Prosperity</i> (UK), Institute for Public Policy Research
2021-	National Academy of Sciences, Class Membership Committee (Class V – Member-at-Large)
2020-	American Philosophical Society, Committee on Meetings, and Class 3 Committee (Chair)

- 2020-2024 Committee to Visit the Harvard Kennedy School of Government
- 2017- Committee on National Statistics

**Past Professional Service:**

- 2021 Editorial Board, *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* (through 8/21)
- 2017-2019 President's Committee on the National Medal of Science
- 2015-2017 iHEA Kenneth J. Arrow Award Committee
- 2014-2018 National Research Advisory Council, Child Health and Human Development, National Institutes of Health
- 2012 External Review Committee, Department of Economics, Boston University
- 2011 Program Committee, 2011 Meetings of the Population Association of America
- 2009-2016 Board Member, United Nations University World Institute for Development Economics Research (UNU-WIDER)
- 2007-2012 External Member, World Bank Research Committee
- 2007-2012 UNAIDS/World Bank Economic Reference Group
- 2007-2009 Executive Committee, American Economic Association (3 year appointment)
- 2006 Program Committee, 2008 Meetings of the American Economic Association
- 2006-2008 Editor, *Journal of Development Economics*
- 2002-2006 Founding Board Member, Bureau for Research and Economic Analysis of Development
- 2001-2006 Board of Editors, *American Economic Review*
- 2001-2005 Board of Editors, *World Bank Economic Review*
- 2001 Program Committee, Econometric Society Summer Meetings 2002
- 2000 Program Committee, Econometric Society World Congress 2000
- 1998-2000 National Science Foundation Advisory Panel, Economics Program
- 1996-2000 Associate Editor, *Economic Journal*
- 1995-1998 Board of Editors, *Journal of Economic Literature*

- 1994-2000 Associate Editor, *Journal of Economic Perspectives*
- 1993 Program Committee, 1993 Winter Meetings, Econometric Society