
BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

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EDUCATION/TRAINING <i>(Begin with baccalaureate or other initial professional education, such as nursing, and include postdoctoral training.)</i>			
INSTITUTION AND LOCATION	DEGREE <i>(if applicable)</i>	YEAR(s)	FIELD OF STUDY
Universidad de la Republica, Montevideo, Uruguay	B.A.	1996	Economics
Boston University, Boston, MA	Ph. D.	2003	Economics

A. Positions and Honors.

Positions and Employment

2008-present: Research Assistant Professor, Health Economics Research Group, Department of Sociology, University of Miami
2006-2008: Health Economist, Health Economics Research Group, Department of Sociology, University of Miami
2006-2007: Visiting Professor, Universidad de Montevideo, Department of Economics, Montevideo, Uruguay.
2004-2005: Research Assistant Professor, Health Economics Research Group, Department of Sociology, University of Miami
2002-2004: Research Associate, Center for Multicultural Mental Health Research, Cambridge Health Alliance and Department of Health Care Policy, Harvard Medical School
1999-2002: Research Assistant to Professor Thomas G. McGuire, Latino Research Program Project
1994-1997: Senior Consultant, Deloitte and Touche, Montevideo, Uruguay
1992-1994: Junior Consultant, Deloitte and Touche, Montevideo, Uruguay
1995-1997: Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, Universidad de la Republica, Montevideo, Uruguay

Honors and fellowships

Graduate Fellowship, Boston University, 2000-2002
Organization of American States Fellowship, 1997-1999
Fulbright Laspau Fellowship, 1997-1999

B. Selected peer-reviewed publications (in chronological order).

Balsa, A.I. and McGuire, T.G. (2001) "Statistical Discrimination in Health Care," *Journal of Health Economics*, 20(6): 881-907.

Balsa A.I. and McGuire, T.G. (2003) "Prejudice, Clinical Uncertainty and Stereotyping as Sources of Health Disparities", *Journal of Health Economics*, 22: 89-116.

Balsa A.I., Seiler, N., McGuire T.G. and Bloche G. (2003) "Clinical Uncertainty and Health Care Disparities", *American Journal of Law and Medicine*, 29: 203-219

Balsa A.I., McGuire, T.G. and Meredith, L.S. (2005) "Testing for Statistical Discrimination in Health Care", *Health Services Research*, 40(1) 227-252.

Balsa, A.I., Cao, Z., T.G. McGuire. (2007). "Does Managed Health Care Reduce Health Care Disparities Between Minorities and Whites?" *Journal of Health Economics*, 26: 101-121.

Balsa, A.I., J. Dubra. (2007). The health care market: failures and institucional arrangements. *Biomedicina (Uruguay)*, 3(1): 54-62.

Balsa, A.I. (2008). "Parental Problem-Drinking and Adult Children's Labor Market Outcomes". *Journal of Human Resources*, 43 (2): 454 - 486.

Balsa, A.I., Homer, J.F., Fleming, M.F., French, M.T. (2008). "Alcohol Consumption and Health Among the Elderly", *The Gerontologist*, 48(5): 622-636

Balsa, A.I., Homer, J.F., French, M.T., Weisner, C.M. (2009). "Substance Use, Education, Employment, and Criminal Activity Outcomes of Adolescents in Outpatient Chemical Dependency Program", *Journal of Behavioral Health Services and Research*, 36(1): 75-95.

Balsa, A.I., Ferrés, D., Triunfo, P., Rossi, M. (2009). "Inequidades socioeconómicas en el uso de servicios de salud del adulto mayor montevideano" (Socioeconomic inequalities in the use of health care services by the elderly in Montevideo). *Estudios Económicos (México)*, forthcoming.

Balsa, A.I., Maclean, J.C., French, M.T., Norton, E. (2009). "From Pubs to Scrubs: Alcohol Misuse and Health Care Utilization". *Health Services Research*, forthcoming.

Balsa, A.I., French, M.T. (2009). "Alcohol use and the labor market in Uruguay". *Health Economics*, forthcoming.

C. Research Support.

Ongoing Research Support

RO3 AA16371 Balsa (PI) 08/01/07 - 07/31/09

NIAAA

Alcohol Use and Popularity

To examine the relationship between alcohol use and popularity among adolescents, identify causal effects and relate findings to theories on peer influence and social multiplier effects.

Role: Principal Investigator

1 RO1 AA015695 French (PI) 06/01/06 - 05/31/09

NIAAA

Economic Consequences of Alcohol Use Disorders

To estimate the effects of alcohol use disorders on labor market performance, criminal activity, and health services utilization; and develop policy, clinical, and research recommendations for addressing the economic impact of alcohol use disorders in the U.S.

Role: Investigator

1 R01 DA018645 French, M.T. (PI) 5/1/05-4/30/10

NIDA

Economic Evaluation Methods: Development and Applications

Examine recently developed methods for estimating the economic costs and benefits of adult substance abuse interventions and make any modifications and/or enhancements to customize earlier methodologies and instruments for use in current studies of adolescent addiction interventions.

Role: Investigator

Completed Research Support

5 RO1 AA013167 French (PI)

06/01/01 - 05/31/08

NIAAA

Costs and Benefits of Alcohol Services and Interventions

To examine whether recently developed methods to estimate economic costs and benefits of drug abuse services and interventions can be utilized in evaluations of alcohol services and interventions.

Role: Investigator

2 P50 DA07705 McLellan (PI)

5/01/00 - 4/30/06

NIDA/University of Pennsylvania

Utilizing Clinical and Financial Instruments for Economic Evaluation

To conduct further reliability and validity tests of the Drug Abuse Treatment Cost Analysis Program (DATCAP) and collaborate with UPenn investigators on revisions to the ASI and TSR.

Role: Investigator

P01 MH59876 Alegria (PI)

08/01/99 - 07/31/04

NIMH/University of Puerto Rico

Latino Research Program Project

This grant was aimed at improving mental health care for Latino populations in the U.S by analyzing health care disparities in mental health care.

Role: Investigator

7 RO1 DA11506 French (PI)

9/01/98 - 8/31/05

NIDA

Economic Evaluation of Methods: Development and Applications

Conduct cost, cost-effectiveness, and benefit-costs evaluations of substance abuse interventions by collaborating with NIDA Investigators who do not have an economic component in their studies.

Role: Investigator