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EDUCATION

University of Washington	Seattle, WA
<i>Ph.D. in Economics</i>	2022–2027 (<i>Expected</i>)
<i>M.A. in Economics</i>	2024
Dissertation title: “Healthy Aging, Insurance Incentives, and Place-Based Determinants of Physical Activity”	
Cornell University	Ithaca, NY
<i>M.S. in Applied Economics and Management</i>	2022
Boston University	Boston, MA
<i>B.A. in Economics, Cum Laude</i>	2020
Sciences Po	Paris, France
<i>Exchange Student, Economics</i>	2018

RESEARCH FIELDS

Health Economics, Applied Microeconomics, Economics of Fitness and Aging

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER)	2026
<i>Research Assistant</i>	
University of Ljubljana	Ljubljana, Slovenia
<i>Visiting Scholar</i>	2026
Seattle University	Seattle, WA
<i>Adjunct Faculty</i>	2026
University of California, Berkeley	Berkeley, CA
<i>Research Consultant</i>	2025–2026

JOB MARKET PAPER

Jung, JM and Li, J. “Get Fit with MA? Estimating the Impact of Medicare Advantage on Physical Activity.” [\[Paper\]](#)

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

1. Ta, R., **Jung, JM**, Lee, K. E., and Li, J. “Associations between Use of Targeted Therapies, Hospitalizations and Emergency Department Visits Among Patients with Atopic Dermatitis: A Retrospective Cohort Study.” *Journal of Managed Care and Specialty Pharmacy*. [\[Paper\]](#)
2. Chaparro, P., **Jung, JM**, Wallace, J., Jones-Smith, J., Baquero, B., and Knox, M. (2026). “Factors associated with discontinued participation in a fruit and vegetable incentive program in Seattle, Washington (United States): The role of community-based organizations in engaging non-English speakers.” *Preventive Medicine Reports*, 103567. [doi:10.1016/j.pmedr.2026.103567](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.pmedr.2026.103567).

WORKING PAPERS

1. **Jung, JM** “Move to Move? Neighborhood Fitness Culture and Exercise Among Older Adults.” [\[PDF\]](#)
2. **Jung, JM**, Starc, G., Jagrič, T., Leskošek, B., Martinko, A., Sorić, M., Došenović Bonča, P., and Jurak, G. “Fitness and Childhood Obesity in Slovenia: Evidence from Municipal Data.” [\[Paper\]](#)
3. Jagrič, T., **Jung, JM**, Došenović Bonča, P., Starc, G., Leskošek, B., Martinko, A., Sorić, M., and Jurak, G. “Fitness as National Capital: A Simulation Model of Fitness and Healthcare Costs” [\[Paper\]](#)
4. **Jung, JM**, Li, J., and Dow, W. ”Cross-National Analysis of the Determinants of Later-Life Cognitive Performance in the United States, the Caribbean, and Mexico” [\[Paper\]](#)
5. **Jung, JM**, Kim, H. M. “Light Physical Activity, Functional Reserve, and Nursing-Home Use among Older Medicare Beneficiaries”.
6. **Jung, JM** and Basu, A. “Do Unionized Firms Have Better Management Practices?” [\[Paper\]](#)

WORK IN PROGRESS

1. **Jung, JM**, Li, J., and Dow, W. “Occupational Characteristics and Rural–Urban Disparities in Later-Life Cognitive Performance”.
2. **Jung, JM**, Rovniak, L., and Rosenberg, D. “Where Seniors Sweat: Geographic Variation in SilverSneakers Uptake.”

SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

APPAM Annual Conference

Boston, MA

Presenting Author

(Session: Food and Fitness) 2026

ASHEcon

Minneapolis, MN

Session Chair, Organizer, Presenting Author

(Session : Incentivizing Healthy Weight-Related Behavior)

Presenting Author

(Session : Medicare Advantage - Differential Enrollment and Payment Patterns)

Discussant

(Session : Genes, Intergenerational Effects, and Long-term Effects) 2026

Southern Economic Association

Houston, TX

Presenting Author

(Session : Health Insurance and Consumer Decision Making) 2026

AcademyHealth

Seattle, WA

Poster presentation 2026

International Society of Behavioral Nutrition and Physical Activity Cádiz, Spain

Second author (presented by first author) 2026

APPAM Annual Conference

Seattle, WA

Presenting Author & Discussant

(Session: Policies to Incentivize Engagement in Healthy Behaviors) 2025

SEMINAR AND WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

UW Healthy Aging Forum 2026

University of Washington School of Nursing

Medicare Advantage Data Lab Seminar 2025

Johns Hopkins University

Program in Health Economics and Outcomes Research Methodology 2025

University of Washington CHOICE Institute

Labor and Development Economics Brownbag 2025

University of Washington

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Seattle University Seattle, WA

Adjunct Faculty Instructor: ECON 2110 (Principles of Microeconomics) [\[Evaluation\]](#) 2026

University of Washington

Seattle, WA

Independent Instructor: ECON 200 (Principles of Microeconomics) [\[Evaluation\]](#) 2024–2026

Graduate Teaching Assistant: ECON 200 (Principles of Microeconomics) [\[Evaluation\]](#) 2023–2024

Cornell University

Ithaca, NY

Graduate Teaching Assistant: AEM 2300 (International Trade and Finance) 2022

Graduate Teaching Assistant: NBA 6540 (Power and Politics in Organizations) 2021

AWARDS & GRANTS

Graduate Student Conference Presentation Award, University of Washington 2026

James O. York Fellowship, University of Washington 2022

REFERENCES

Dr. Jing Li (Co-Chair)

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Languages: Korean (Native), English (Fluent), German (Intermediate), French (Elementary).

Programming: Stata, R, $\text{\LaTeX}$, Python (Elementary), MS Office.