

# THI MAI TRUC BUI

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## EDUCATION

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### Ph.D. Economics

Expected May 2024

Tulane University, New Orleans, LA

Dissertation: “Did Stronger State Age Discrimination Laws Reduce the Adverse Impacts of Covid-19 on the Labor Outcomes of Older Workers?”

Committee: Patrick Button (Chair), Elliott Isaac, Augustine Denteh, Charles Stoecker.

### M.A. Public Affairs

2018

Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

### B.A. Economics, Honors

2013

Vietnam National University, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

## RESEARCH AND TEACHING FIELDS

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Economics of Aging, Labor Economics, Public Economics, Microeconomics, Econometrics, STATA

## PUBLICATIONS

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**Bui, Truc T.M.**, Patrick Button, and Elyce G. Picciotti. 2020. “Early Evidence on the Impacts of COVID-19 and the Recession on Older Workers.” *Public Policy & Aging Report*, 30(4):154-159.(114 Google Scholar citations as 10/02/2023)

Luong, Tinh, Doan G. Dung, and **Truc T.M. Bui**. 2020. “Personal factors affecting intentions of safe vegetable purchases in Danang City, Vietnam.” *Asian Journal of Agriculture and Rural Development*, 10(1):9-22.

## WORKING PAPERS

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**Bui, Truc T.M.** “Did Stronger State Age Discrimination Laws Reduce the Adverse Impacts of Covid-19 on the Labor Outcomes for Older Workers?” (*Job Market Paper*)

Abstract: Although there is evidence that discrimination laws boost employment, very few papers explore the effectiveness of these laws during economic downturns. The Covid-19 recession disproportionately affected older workers and increased age discrimination. In this context, I employ triple and quadruple-difference approaches to examine whether stronger age discrimination laws at the state level effectively protected older workers during and after the Covid-19 recession. These approaches compare relative labor market outcomes for older and younger workers, at small and large firms, in states with and without stronger laws, before and after Covid-19. I find evidence of positive labor outcomes for older workers in states with stronger laws. For example, stronger laws were associated with increased hiring and employment rates for older men following the onset of Covid-19. My findings suggest that, during and after the Covid-19 recession, stronger laws were effective in protecting older men in the private sector.

Segal, Ilana, **Truc T.M. Bui**, and Kevin Callison. “Facility Acquisition and Care Quality in the Dialysis Industry.” *Under review*.

**Bui, Truc T.M.** “How Severe Was the COVID-19 Recession on Older Workers? An Analysis By Gender, Race, and Compared to Other Recessions?”

## WORKS IN-PROGRESS

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**Bui, Truc T.M.**, Farah Khan, and Zehra Farooq. “The Impacts of Adolescent Mental Health on Educational and Labor Market Outcomes.”

## PROFESSIONAL AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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### Tulane University

New Orleans, Louisiana

Research Assistant for Professor Kevin Callison.

2023

Research Assistant for Professor Patrick Button.

2020

### Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences

Da Nang, Vietnam

Researcher in Economics

2014 - 2019

## REFEREE

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*Research on Aging, European Journal of Aging, Quality in Ageing and Older Adults.*

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### Tulane University

#### *Instructor*

*Fall 2022*

Labor Economics

*Responsibilities:* Developed and delivered two weekly 75-minute lectures to 40 undergraduate students with diverse majors, including non-economics fields. Delivered lectures on Stata labs to students with limited experience in statistical programming. Integrated Problem-Based Learning activities, including group assignments, and improved approaches over the semester.

#### *Teaching Assistant*

*Fall 2020 - Fall 2023*

Advanced Income and Employment Theory, Health Economics & Policies (Graduate courses)

Intro to Microeconomics, Intro to Macroeconomics, Econometrics (Undergraduate courses)

*Responsibilities:* Facilitated weekly one-hour discussion sections for two groups of over 20 students and contributed to developing assignments and exam questions for undergraduate courses. Provided academic support and mentoring to students via office hours.

#### *Guest Speaker*

*Fall 2020, Spring 2021*

Labor Economics

*Responsibilities:* Invited to provide 30-minute presentations on my work to undergraduate students (25-30 students) in two semesters. Developed interactive discussions.

### Indiana University

#### *Teaching Assistant*

*Fall 2017*

Financial Management

*Responsibilities:* Delivered three 75-minute lectures to over 200 students. Developed in-class activities with interactive components, such as think-pair-share and educational games.

## PEDAGOGICAL TRAINING

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### Three-Semester Pedagogical Series

**December 2022**

Tulane University, The Center for Engaged Learning & Teaching

This pedagogy series explored the science of learning, evaluated different course designs, discussed ways to ensure inclusive and diverse classroom environments and service-learning pedagogy, and provided feedback on actual teaching.

## PRESENTATIONS

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### “Did Stronger State Age Discrimination Laws Reduce the Adverse Impacts of Covid-19 on the Labor Outcomes for Older Workers?”

Association for Public Policy and Management Conference (Atlanta, GA, November 2023), The Gerontological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting (Tampa, FL, November 2023), Southern Economic Association Conference (New Orleans, LA, November 2023), People and Organizations Conference (Virtual, September 2023).

### “Covid-19 and Labor Outcomes of Older Workers.”

Association for Public Policy and Management Conference (Washington D.C., November 2022), Labor and Employment Relations Association Conference (Virtual, June 2022).

### “The Impacts of Adolescent Mental Health on Educational and Labor Market Outcomes.”

Tulane ECON lunch Seminar (New Orleans, LA, April 2022.)

## FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

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Tulane University Graduate Fellowships	2019 - present
Vietnam Young Leadership Awards, \$52,000	2016 - 2018
Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences Grants, \$4,000	2015, 2014

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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J.E. Land Fund for Graduate Student Travel, Tulane University, \$1,200	2023
Data Hub Graduate Write-up Awards, Tulane University, \$2,000	2023
Summer Write-up Awards, Tulane University, \$6,000	2023, 2022
American Chamber of Commerce Awards	2012
POSCO Asia Fellowships, \$1,000	2010, 2011
Vietnam National University Honors Scholarships	2009 - 2013

## REFERENCES

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