

Papers On Volunteering

The volume is a collection of articles from scholars who pay particular attention to children and/or adolescents' voices, interpretations, perspectives, and experiences within specific social and cultural contexts. Contributions include research stemming from a broad spectrum of methodological and theoretical orientations.

This thesis consists of three essays on the determinants of and returns to volunteering. The first essay, 'volunteer opportunities and volunteering' examines the relationship between physical access to charitable organizations and volunteering. Formal volunteer activities usually take place within a charitable or non-profit organization. While the physical presence of these organizations is required for citizens who want to contribute to their communities, the availability of charitable organizations (number and type) varies from neighbourhood to neighbourhood. Until now, no one has examined the role played by charity proximity on volunteer decisions. In this paper I use information on the location of registered charities in Canada (from the CRA T3010 registered charity returns) merged with survey information on volunteering (from General Social Surveys conducted by Statistics Canada) to examine how physical access affects

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volunteer behaviour. Careful attention is paid to the possibility that the measure of access might be endogenous: organizations and individuals may respond to the same unobservable factors when deciding where to locate. Various strategies including an instrumental variables procedure are undertaken to deal with this possibility. My results suggest that access does matter for the decision to volunteer as well as for the amount of time devoted to volunteering. My estimates imply that increasing the number of charitable organizations within a one-kilometre buffer around an individual's place of residence by 6% (the growth rate of the number charities in Canada (between 2003 to 2009), increases the predicted probability of volunteering by 5%. The second essay, 'the returns to working for free' examines the relationship between volunteering and income. Previous studies have shown volunteering to be associated with an earnings premium, but many of these studies fail to take into account the possible endogeneity between volunteering and income. Using data from the General Social Surveys (2003, 2005, 2008, 2010 and 2013), I investigate the causal relationship between volunteering and income. I employ a novel instrument, a measure of access to charitable organizations around an individual's place of residence, along with more conventional ones, like membership or participation in different groups or organizations, to examine this relationship and try to

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understand how volunteering might affect earned income. Identifying the effect of volunteering of the different subgroups affected by the different instruments provides a (surprisingly) large range of estimates. For example estimates in the upper range found in the literature (53%) are found for individuals who are induced to volunteer because of their membership or participation in sport or recreational organizations, no returns are found for those induced to volunteer because of their membership or participation in school or civic groups, negative returns (22%) are found for those induced to volunteer because of their membership or participation in religious affiliated groups and very large (47%), but imprecise estimates are found for those induced to volunteer because of proximity to charitable organizations. The third essay, 'doing good, feeling good: causal evidence from Canadian volunteers' examines the relationships between volunteering and health, and volunteering and life satisfaction. A literature suggests that volunteers are healthier and happier than their non-volunteering counterparts. But this 'observation' is fraught with problems of endogeneity. Some papers have addressed the endogeneity problem with an instrumental variable technique; mostly relying on measures of 'religiosity' as instruments. However, no studies of such nature have been conducted in Canada. Using data from the General Social Surveys, I again employ the measure of physical access

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to charitable organizations within a three-kilometer radius of an individual's place of residence as the main identifying instrument to examine the causal relationship between volunteering, health and life satisfaction for individuals aged 15 years old and over. Employing a conditional mixed process (CMP) to estimate the model, I conclude that volunteering is a significant predictor of health, and it has a statistically significant effect on life satisfaction for female and middle-aged individuals.

Includes annual List of doctoral dissertations in political economy in progress in American universities and colleges; and the Hand book of the American Economic Association.

An authoritative survey of different contexts, methodologies, and theories of applied communication The field of Applied Communication Research (ACR) has made substantial progress over the past five decades in studying communication problems, and in making contributions to help solve them. Changes in society, human relationships, climate and the environment, and digital media have presented myriad contexts in which to apply communication theory. The Handbook of Applied Communication Research addresses a wide array of contemporary communication issues, their research implications in various contexts, and the challenges and opportunities for using communication to manage problems. This innovative work

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?This volume overlooks the distinct expressions and awareness of volunteering in the

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lived reality of people from different regions of the world. By casting the net widely this book not only expands the geographic reach of experiences, models and case studies but also transcends the conventional focus on formal volunteering. It highlights institutional forms of volunteering specific to developing nations and also describes volunteering that is more loosely institutionalized, informal, and a part of solidarity and collective spirit. As a result this book provides a different look at the values, meaning, acts and expressions of volunteering. The chapters in this book consist of essays and case studies that present recent academic research, thinking and practice on volunteering. Working from the premise that volunteering is universal this collection draws on experiences from Latin America, Africa including Egypt, and Asia. This book focuses on developing countries and countries in transition in order to provide a fresh set of experiences and perspectives on volunteering. While developing countries and countries in transition are in the spotlight for this volume, the developed country experience is not ignored. Rather the essays use it as a critical reference point for comparisons, allowing points of convergence, disconnect and intersection to emerge. The results of these studies have implications for individuals, management, and policy. In considering how different features of the volunteer experience influence the lives of older adults, this dissertation advances a person-centered approach to volunteer management, which moves beyond discussions of recruitment and retention to include best practices for managing transitions in and out of volunteering among older adults.

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This dissertation examines how various individual, task-, and context-related factors influence important volunteering outcomes. Using data sourced from a large international aid and development agency in the United Kingdom, the three studies that follow explore the organizational behaviour of volunteers and highlight several initiatives that nonprofit organizations can introduce in order to motivate and retain their volunteers. In the first chapter, I present a moderated mediation model where I show that prosocially motivated volunteers dedicate more time to volunteering. The study results further show that volunteer engagement fully mediates the relationship between the value motive and volunteer time, and that the strength of the mediated effect varies as a function of volunteers' commitment to beneficiaries. These findings provide a new perspective on the link between volunteers' motivation and active participation in volunteer activities. The second chapter presents a framework for understanding the processes through which volunteers' perceived impact on beneficiaries influences their turnover intentions and time spent volunteering. The results show that volunteers who perceive that their work impacts beneficiaries (1) report lower intentions to leave their volunteer organization due to their commitment to that organization; and (2) dedicate more time to volunteering because they are committed to the beneficiaries of their work. These findings make a significant contribution to volunteering research by uncovering two different mechanisms that explain how the positive consequences of perceived impact on beneficiaries may unfold. Finally, the third chapter presents a mediation model that explains how an organizational support framework promotes organizational commitment in volunteers. Specifically, the results show that training and paid staff support promote higher levels of volunteers' organizational commitment due to increases in volunteers' perceptions of role

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clarity and self-efficacy. Importantly, this study illustrates how volunteer managers can use two management practices that are under their control to maximize the commitment of volunteers. "[E]xamines the former Congressman Melvin Laird's efforts to reconstitute the Department of Defense during the last years of the Vietnam war... Laird acted to mitigate the adverse effects of the Vietnam War on the department and to prepare the nation's armed forces for the future. Foremost was the transition from a conscripted military to an all-volunteer force, a fundamental policy shift that ended an unpopular and inequitable draft system."--from jacket.

This much-needed guide to papers about politics that have appeared in the journals of all social science disciplines categorizes 10,000 of the most theoretically significant articles according to subfields and research themes, allowing scholars easy access to developments outside of their own specialities.

These documents provide a shocking inside account of the activities of one tobacco company, Brown & Williamson, and its multinational parent, British American Tobacco, over more than thirty years.

The author was one of the first volunteers to join the Peace Corps after it was founded in 1961 by John Kennedy. His letters of those experiences provide a memoir of those days. He and forty-four others lived as Chile's campesinos lived. He relates the challenges, drama, romance and danger in the spectacular landscapes of southern Chile.

Intended as a guide for countries in generating systematic and comparable data on volunteer work by means of regular supplements to labour force or other household

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surveys. The objective is to make available comparative cross-national data on a significant form of work which is growing in importance but is often ignored or rarely captured in traditional economic statistics in order to establish the economic value of volunteering.

This book examines volunteering in detail from a civil society perspective, using empirical data garnered from various sources for countries all over the globe. The contributions deal with a broad spectrum of questions, ranging from the diversity, social and cultural determinants and organizational settings of volunteering, to its possible individual, social, and political effects.

The symposium brought together for the first time a group of researchers whose work has profoundly influenced public awareness that volunteering is a vital community activity and an area worthy of serious academic inquiry.

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