Marijuana Legalization’s Effects on Prices, Behaviors, and Health

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Proposal Description:

Efforts to legalize marijuana use have picked up in the U.S. over the past decade, with initiatives taking a variety of different forms. This project will consider how different policies (decriminalization, medical marijuana legalization, recreational marijuana legalization) and specific policy attributes (e.g., dispensary requirements) shape marijuana prices, and the consequent impact on prices, individual behaviors, and health outcomes. Research assistance is sought to merge price, policy, and individual-level data using Stata, generate tables and figures, and conduct difference-in-differences analyses under Dr. Friedman’s guidance, along with other tasks that may come up related to this project.

Requisite Skills and Qualifications:

Coursework in econometrics and intermediate microeconomics, a basic knowledge of Stata, attention to detail, ability to work independently. Web-scraping skills would be beneficial but are not necessary.

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