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Susanna specializes in the economics of education policy, studying the relationship between schools and federal, state and local policies. She her research focuses particularly on teacher labor markets, looking at how teachers' preferences and teacher preparation policies affect the quality of teachers and the distribution of teachers across schools.

She also studies school finance and how the structure of state finance systems affects the level and distribution of funds to districts. As part of this research, Susanna has been the project director of the Getting Down to Facts studies.