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EDUCATION

PHD IN ECONOMIC ANALYSIS, 2019 - present

Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (UAB) and Barcelona School of Economics (BSE), Spain

Thesis: Essays on Child Development | expected graduation: Summer 2023

VISITING STUDENT, *University of Minnesota, USA*, Spring 2022

JOINT MASTER IN MODELS & METHODS OF QUANTITATIVE ECONOMICS, 2019

*Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, France, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Spain,
Università Ca'Foscari Venezia, Italy, Universität Bielefeld, Germany*

BACHELOR IN ECONOMICS, 2017

Universität Bayreuth, Germany

EXCHANGE SEMESTER, *University of New South Wales, Australia*, Fall 2015

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Applied Micro, Development economics, Labor economics

RESEARCH

Working Papers

How to close the skill gap? Parental background and children's skill development in Indonesia

Work in Progress

Income and the Demand for Food

with Marc F. Bellemare and Eeshani Kandpal

Food Prices, Program Saturation and Cash Transfers

with Jed Friedman, Eeshani Kandpal and Patrick Premand

Parenting Styles and Children's Skill Development

with Jacek Barszczewski

Early life shocks and human capital: skill development among Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children

with Jacek Barszczewski

SEMINARS & CONFERENCES

2023 *Doctorissimes (Paris School of Economics), Scheduled: SEHO conference (University of Copenhagen), Nordic Conference in Development Economics (University of Gothenburg), ESPE Conference (Institute of Economic Sciences, Belgrade), ECINEQ Meeting (Aix-Marseille School of Economics (AMSE))*

2022 *NEUDC Conference (Yale University, presenter and discussant), Macro Micro Workshop (University of Minnesota), Essex-Barcelona Labor Workshop, ENTER jamboree (UAB), Inequality Workshop (University of Minnesota), Applied Seminar (UAB), Internal Seminar*

2021 *(IAE (CSIC), PhD-Economics Virtual Seminar (PhD-EVS)) (presenter)*
BSE PhD jamboree (presenter and discussant), Applied Seminar (UAB) (presenter),
ENTER jamboree (discussant), PhD school SAEe (attendee)
 2020 *Applied Seminar (UAB) (presenter)*

TEACHING

2021, 2020 Master Projects Course (tutorial on thesis writing), Teaching assistant (BSE)
 2021 Structural Empirical Methods for Labor Economics, Teaching assistant (UAB)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE AND OTHER EMPLOYMENT

2021-22 THE WORLD BANK
 Short-term consultant, Development Research Group, remotely
 2019-22 UNIVERSITAT AUTÒNOMA DE BARCELONA, INSTITUT D'ANÀLISI ECONÒMICA (IAE (CSIC))
 Research assistant, Barcelona, Spain
 to Prof. Joan Llull (2022, 2019-20)
 to Prof. Matthew Ellman (2021)
 to Prof. Hannes Mueller (2020)
 2020-21 THE ECONOMIC JOURNAL (ROYAL ECONOMIC SOCIETY)
 Replication checks, remotely
 2018, 2017, BASF SE
 2016 Working student/intern, Trade and Bank Risk Management, Ludwigshafen, Germany
 2017 GERMAN FEDERAL FOREIGN OFFICE
 Intern, Colombo, Sri Lanka
 2016 MISEREOR E.V. (ORGANISATION FOR DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION)
 Intern, Aachen, Germany

HONORS & AWARDS

2020-23 4-year FPI Predoctoral Fellowship, Spanish Ministry of Science and Innovation
 2017-19 QEM Consortium scholarship, Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne

SKILLS

SOFTWARE STATA, Python, Latex, Github
 LANGUAGES German (native), English (proficient), French, Spanish (intermediate), Polish (beginner)

SERVICE

2019-present Volunteer, Fundació Gavina (organization for disadvantaged children), Barcelona, Spain
 2020-22 Co-founder and co-organizer, Econisers (initiative for PhD candidates), Barcelona, Spain
 2017 Volunteer, Ferrando Children's Home, Mysore, India
 2013-17 Mentor and volunteer, VUB e.V. (student organization), Bayreuth, Germany
 2015-16 Student representative for Economics, Universität Bayreuth, Bayreuth, Germany
 2014-15 Volunteer, Bunt statt Braun e.V. (refugee support organization), Bayreuth, Germany