

# KATHERINA THOMAS

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## PHD CANDIDATE

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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

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

*Applied Micro, Development economics, Labor economics*

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## RESEARCH

### Job Market Paper

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*

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## SEMINARS & CONFERENCES

2022	NEUDC Conference (Yale University, scheduled, presenter and discussant), Macro Micro Workshop (University of Minnesota), Essex-Barcelona Labor Workshop, Inequality Workshop (University of Minnesota), ENTER jamboree, Applied Seminar (UAB), Internal Seminar (IAE (CSIC), PhD-Economics VirtualSeminar(PhD-EVS)) (presenter)
2021	BSE PhD jamboree (presenter and discussant), Applied Seminar (UAB) (presenter), ENTER jamboree (discussant), PhD school SAEe (attendee)
2020	Applied Seminar (UAB) (presenter)

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## TEACHING

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

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## 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

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## 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

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## SKILLS

SOFTWARE    STATA, Python, Latex, Github

LANGUAGES   German (native), English (proficient), French, Spanish (intermediate), Polish (beginner)

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## 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