

# 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, Child development (education, nutrition, health)*

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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 Bellemare and Eeshani Kandpal*

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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, 2016	BASF SE 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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## SEMINARS & CONFERENCES

2022 *Macro Micro Workshop (University of Minnesota), Essex-Barcelona Labor Workshop, Inequality Workshop (University of Minnesota), ENTER jamboree (presenter), Applied Seminar (UAB), PhD-Economics Virtual Seminar(PhD-EVS), Internal Seminar (IAE-CSIC),*  
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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## 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