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EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor , Department of Economics, Boston College	2025 -
Postdoctoral Fellow , Economics Division, Columbia University Business School	2024/2025

OTHER AFFILIATIONS

Affiliated Research Fellow , Janeway Institute, University of Cambridge	2024/2025
Affiliate , CESifo Research Network	2025-

EDUCATION

PhD Economics , University of Cambridge Advisor: Vasco Carvalho	2018 - 2024
MPhil Economics , University of Oxford Distinction and prize for best thesis	2016 - 2018
BA Philosophy, Politics, and Economics , University of Oxford (Balliol College) Double first-class honours	2012 - 2015

WORKING PAPERS

Superstar Teams
Econ JM Best Paper Award, European Economic Association/Unicredit Foundation

Job Transformation, Specialization, and the Labor Market Effects of AI (with L. Mann)

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

The Risk-Premium Channel of Uncertainty (with H. Lee & P. Rendahl)
Review of Economic Dynamics, Vol. 51, pp. 117-137, 2023

Volatile Hiring: Uncertainty in Search and Matching Models (with W. Den Haan & P. Rendahl)
Journal of Monetary Economics, Vol. 123, pp. 1-18, 2021

Workers, Capitalists, and the Government: Fiscal Policy and Income (Re)Distribution (with C. Cantore)
Journal of Monetary Economics, Vol. 119, pp. 58-74, 2021

WORK IN PROGRESS

Firms as Foragers (with V. Carvalho)

VISITING POSITIONS

Minneapolis Federal Reserve Bank , Visiting Scholar	Mar. 2026
UC Berkeley , Economics Department	Apr. 2025
Princeton University , Procter Visiting Fellow/PhD student	2022/2023
London School of Economics and Political Science , Visiting PhD student	2021/2022
OECD , Research intern & external consultant	Jul. 2021-Dec.2023
Bank of England , Academic visitor	2020

PRESENTATIONS

*Including scheduled, * denotes select coauthor presentations*

AY 2025/2026. *Seminars:* Boston U, Harvard, HEC Paris, Monash, UNSW. *Conferences:* Stanford Institute for Theoretical Economics (SITE) Conference, Philadelphia Junior Macro (PJM) Workshop, St. Louis Fed Macro-Labor Conference

AY 2024/2025. *Seminars:* Columbia (2×), Western, UNC Chapel Hill, Uppsala, Copenhagen U, BI Norwegian Business School, McGill Macro Lunch, Stony Brook, NYU Macro Lunch, UC Davis Macro Lunch. *Conferences:* NBER Organizational Economics Fall Meeting, German Economists Abroad Meeting, Philadelphia Workshop on Macroeconomics and Economic Policy, BSE Summer Forum, SED*

AY 2023/2024. *Job market:* LMU, Bocconi, UCL, IIES, CREi, UPE, Toronto, Michigan, Boston College, Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, ASU. *Seminars:* Bonn, Leuven, Edinburgh. *Conferences:* CEPR Annual Meeting of the Macroeconomics and Growth programme, Minneapolis Fed Junior Scholar Conference, Bristol Macro Workshop, EES Workshop on 'New Developments in the Macroeconomics of Labor Markets', BSE Summer Forum, SED, NBER Summer Institute (Macro Perspectives)

Up to 2023. *Seminars:* Harvard Growth Lab, University of Aarhus, Institut für Makroökonomie und Konjunkturforschung, OECD, Bank of England. *Conferences:* CRC TR 224 Workshop on Labor Markets III, Stanford Institute for Theoretical Economics (SITE) Conference 2022, 17th Swiss Economists Abroad Conference, 2021 Meetings of the Royal Economic Society, Nuffield Centre for Applied Macro Policy 3rd Annual Conference, Nordic Summer Symposium in Macroeconomics (discussant), Int. Association for Applied Econometrics Conference

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Refereeing

Econometrica, Journal of Political Economy, Review of Economic Studies, AEJ: Macro, Economica, European Economic Review, International Economic Review, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of the European Economic Association, Macroeconomic Dynamics, Review of Economic Dynamics, Review of Economics and Statistics

Other service activities

Co-coordinator, Applicant Mentoring Programme (Cambridge)	2021-2023
PhD student representative, Cambridge Faculty of Economics	2021
Co-convenor, Cambridge Macro Reading Group	2020 & 2021
Co-organizer, Heterogeneity and Monetary Policy after COVID-19 Mini Conference	Nov. 2020

GRANTS, AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

Keynes Fund Research Grant , University of Cambridge ~ £38,000 research grant for "Firms as Foragers" (co-PI)	2024
Keynes Fund Research Grant , University of Cambridge ~ £9,000 research grant for "Superstar Teams" (PI)	2021
Procter Fellowship to Princeton University , Procter Fund Awarded in 2021; visit delayed to AY 2022/2023 due to COVID-19 pandemic	2021
Gates Scholarship , Gates Cambridge Trust	2018
Short-listed for Examination Fellowship , All Souls College Oxford	2018
George Webb Medley Prize (best MPhil Economics thesis), University of Oxford	2018
Klaus Murmann Scholarship , Stiftung der Deutschen Wirtschaft	2013 - 2015 & 2016-2020
James Hall Scholarship , Balliol College Oxford	2013

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Teaching

- Teaching Assistant, Computational Tools for Macroeconomists Summer School 2020, 2022
TA for Professors Den Haan, Rendahl, and Sedlacek
The Essentials & Advanced Tools; course content available online
- Undergraduate Supervisor, University of Cambridge 2018 - 2020
Intermediate macroeconomics (2nd year undergraduate); teaching evaluations available online

Research assistance

- Research Assistant to Prof. Wouter Den Haan Mar. 2020 - Sept. 2020
Research Assistant to Prof. Sophocles Mavroeidis Summer 2018

PUBLIC WRITING & NON-REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

Wait and See: The Labour Market Implications of Economic Uncertainty (with W. Den Haan and P. Rendahl)
VoxEU Column, September 2021

COVID-Induced Uncertainty: Implications for Unemployment, Inflation, and Policy (with P. Rendahl)
Cambridget INET Special Issue, May 2020

Banks do not Create Money out of Thin Air (with P. Rendahl)
VoxEU Column, December 2019

The Productivity Paradox - A Survey
Dezernat Zukunft, October 2018

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Languages: German (native), English (native proficiency), French (basic)
Citizenship: British, German, Swiss

REFERENCES

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