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Graduate Studies

Princeton University

2019-present

PhD Candidate in Economics

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References

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Prior Education

Paris School of Economics • M.A. in Economics	2015–2018
HEC Paris • M.A. in Management	2016–2018
Sciences Po Paris • M.A. in Public Policy	2014-2017
Ecole Normale Supérieure (ENS) Paris-Saclay · B.A. in Economics	2014-2015

Fields

Primary Macroeconomics, Public Finance

Secondary Labor

Job Market Paper

"Micro vs. Macro Corporate Tax Incidence" • 2024

Abstract: This paper studies the unequal incidence of corporate taxes across firms and its implications for macroeconomic outcomes. I develop a dynamic general equilibrium Harberger model with heterogeneous firms. I show that corporate tax cuts lead to stronger wage increases at capital-intensive firms, and that this heterogeneous effect, combined with general equilibrium dynamics, creates a discrepancy between micro and macro estimates of their impact on workers' income and welfare. I validate the core firm-level mechanisms using French administrative employer-employee data and multiple tax reforms. I use the reduced-form estimates to discipline the model, and quantify the short vs. long run, and micro vs. macro consequences of corporate tax reforms. When firm heterogeneity and general equilibrium dynamics are taken into account, workers bear a relatively small share of the aggregate corporate tax burden.

Working Papers

"Unemployment Insurance and the Quality of Job Seekers" • 2024

Work in Progress

- 1. "Firm-specific Human Capital and Labor Market Power" with Gianluca Violante and John Grigsby 2024
- 2. "Corporate Bankruptcy as Worker Insurance" with Maxime Gravoueille and Thomas Zuber 2024

Research Experience

2020	Research Assistant to Prof. Owen Zidar
2018	Research Assistant to Prof. Philippe Aghion
2017	Research Assistant to Prof. Réka Juhász, Prof. Mara Squicciarini and Prof. Nico Voigtländer
2016	Research Assistant to Prof. Sara Lowes, Prof. Eduardo Montero, Prof. Nathan Nunn and Prof. James Robinson

Teaching

Princeton ECO 311: Intermediate Macroeconomics: A Mathematical Approach (TA, Spring 2022, Spring 2023)

ECO 301: Intermediate Macroeconomics (TA, Spring 2022, Spring 2024)

Professional Activities

Presentations and Seminars (including scheduled)

London School of Economics Tax Seminar Series, Oxford University Centre for Business Taxation, IIPF conference, European University Institute, Leuven Summer Events, LISIT Conference, King's College, Collège de France

Refereeing

American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, Journal of Public Economics

Honors, Scholarships, Fellowships, and Grants

Griswold Center Graduate Student Fellowship, Princeton University	2023
Program for Research on Inequality Graduate Research Funding, Princeton University	2023
Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies Graduate Research Grant	2023
Princeton Graduate Economics Fellowship	2019–2025
Normalien Fellowship, Ecole Normale Supérieure (Paris-Saclay)	2014-2018

Languages

French (native), English

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