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EDUCATION

PhD in Economic History

September 2023 - Present

Centre for Economics, Policy and History - Queen's University Belfast (UK) Dissertation title: "Urban Labour and Human Capital in the Making: Apprenticeship and Wage Structures in Pre-Industrial Italy, c. 1400–1800"

Visiting PhD Student

April 2025 - June 2025

Department of Economics and Statistics, University of Siena (Italy)

MSc. in Economic and Social Sciences, Summa cum laude

September 2020 - October 2022

Bocconi University (Italy)

BSc. in Economic and Social Sciences

September 2017 - October 2020

Bocconi University (Italy)

Visiting Student

January 2020 - May 2020

ILR School, Cornell University (USA)

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

"The Determinants of the Skill Premium in Late Medieval and Early Modern Europe" (with Mattia Fochesato). Forthcoming - European Review of Economic History.

WORKING PAPERS AND WORKS IN PROGRESS

"Networks Paving the Way: Apprenticeship and Occupational Mobility in Early Modern Genoa".

"Asymmetric Shocks in Preindustrial Labour Markets: Evidence from the 1630-1631 Plague in Venice".

"Four centuries of pandemics and wealth inequality: Evidence from Northern Italy" (with Guido Alfani).

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Dondena Centre for Social Dynamics and Public Policy, Bocconi University (Italy) 2022 - 2023

Project Title: "The Long Shadow of Educational, Skills, and Professional Inequities"

Research Assistant for Prof. Guido Alfani

University of California, Los Angeles (USA)

2022 - 2023

Project Title: "The Economics of Civilian Victimization: Evidence from World War II Italy"

Research Assistant for Prof. Michela Giorcelli.

Harvard Business School (USA)/Monash University (Australia)

2022 - 2023

Project Title: "Developing Down Under: The Case of Italian Prisoners of War in Australia"

Research Assistant for Prof. Michela Giorcelli and Prof. Claudio Labanca

Dondena Centre for Social Dynamics and Public Policy, Bocconi University (Italy) 2020 - 2022

Project Title: "Plagues and labor legislation in late medieval Europe"

Research Assistant for Prof. Mattia Fochesato

Dondena Centre for Social Dynamics and Public Policy, Bocconi University (Italy) 2019 - 2019

Project Title: "SMITE - Social Mobility and Inequality across Italy and Europe, 1300-1800"

Research Assistant for Prof. Guido Alfani

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Queen's University Belfast

2025

ECO1003 - Statistical Methods (Teaching Assistant)

CONFERENCE AND SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

2025: TRACIN-PRIN2022 Workshop, University of Siena

10th ASE Annual Meeting, Ca' Foscari University of Venice

European Historical Economics Society Conference, University of Hohenheim

CEPH PhD Workshop in Quantitative Economic History, Queen's University Belfast

LSE Economic History Graduate Seminar, London School of Economics

Siena Economic History Brainstorming, University of Siena

Economic History Society Conference, University of Strathclyde

QUCEH PhD/ECR Discussion Group, Queen's University Belfast

2024: Inaugural ARiSE Conference, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore - Brescia

TCD-CEPH Research Meeting, Trinity College Dublin

9th ASE Annual Meeting, University of Turin

Datini-ESTER Advanced Seminar, Prato

QBS PGR Conference, Queen's University Belfast

QUCEH Seminar Series, Queen's University Belfast

QUCEH PhD/ECR Discussion Group, Queen's University Belfast

RESEARCH GRANTS/FUNDING

EHES Young Scholar Grant, EHES Conference, Travel and Accommodation Grant, September 2025

Young Scholar Grant, ARiSe Conference, Travel and Accommodation Grant, December 2024

ESTER Graduate School and 'F. Datini" Institute, Conference and Doctoral School bursary, May 2024

CEPH Scholarship (Queen's University Belfast), full funding for PhD study, October 2023

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Economic History Society (EHS); European Historical Economics Society (EHES); Associazione per la storia economica (ASE); Associazione Italiana per la Ricerca in Storia Economica (ARiSE)

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages Italian (Native), English (Excellent), French (Good)

Software & Tools R, STATA, Python, LATEX, QGIS

OTHER RELEVANT EXPERIENCES

The Economics Network Graduate Teaching Assistant workshops	2025
Italian Society of Historical Demography (SIDeS) Summer School "Exploring Large-Scale Historical Demographic Databases"	2023
Italian Society of Historical Demography (SIDeS) Summer School "Sources for population studies in the past"	2022

REFERENCES

Prof. John Turner (PhD Supervisor)

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