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EDUCATION

PhD in Economic History	09/2023 - 07/2026 (expected)
Centre for Economics, Policy and History - Queen's University Belfast	
Dissertation title: " <i>Urban Labour and Human Capital in the Making: Apprenticeship and Wage Structures in Pre-Industrial Italy and Europe</i> "	
Visiting PhD Student	04/2025 - 06/2025
Department of Economics and Statistics, University of Siena	
MSc Economics, Summa cum laude	09/2020 - 10/2022
Bocconi University	
BSc Economics	09/2017 - 09/2020
Bocconi University	
Visiting Student	01/2020 - 05/2020
ILR School, Cornell University	

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

“The Determinants of the Skill Premium in Late Medieval and Early Modern Europe, 1400-1800” (with Mattia Fochesato), *European Review of Economic History*, 29.4 (2025): 534-557.

WORKING PAPERS AND WORKS IN PROGRESS

“Networks Paving the Way: Apprenticeship and Occupational Mobility in Early Modern Genoa”, QUCEH Working Paper Series”, Paper No. 25-08 (November 2025). *R&R Economic History Review*.

“Asymmetric Shocks in Preindustrial Labour Markets: Evidence from the 1629-1631 Plague in Venice”.

“By the Roll of a Die: Public Functions and Private Wealth in Pre-Modern Europe” (with Erich Battistin and Mattia Fochesato).

“Four Centuries of Pandemics and Wealth Inequality: Evidence From Northern Italy” (with Guido Alfani).

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Queen's University Belfast	2025 - Present
ECO1003 - Statistical Methods, Teaching Assistant	

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Dondena Centre for Social Dynamics and Public Policy, Bocconi University	2022 - 2023
Research Assistant for Prof. Guido Alfani	

University of California, Los Angeles	2022 - 2023
Research Assistant for Prof. Michela Giorcelli	

Harvard Business School/Monash University	2022 - 2023
Research Assistant for Prof. Michela Giorcelli and Prof. Claudio Labanca	
Dondena Centre for Social Dynamics and Public Policy, Bocconi University	2020 - 2022
Research Assistant for Prof. Mattia Fochesato	
Dondena Centre for Social Dynamics and Public Policy, Bocconi University (Italy)	2019 - 2019
Research Assistant for Prof. Guido Alfani	

CONFERENCE AND SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

- 2026:** **Economic History Society Conference**, London School of Economics (scheduled)
Datini-ESTER Avdanced Seminar, Prato (scheduled)
Queen's Business School Economics Seminar, Queen's University Belfast (scheduled)
- 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 AND FUNDING

Economic History Society New Researcher Bursary, EHS Annual Conference	01/2026
EHES Young Scholar Grant, EHES Conference, Travel and Accomodation Grant	09/2025
Young Scholar Grant, ARiSe Conference, Travel and Accomodation Grant	12/2024
ESTER Graduate School and 'F. Datini" Institute, Conference and Doctoral School bursary	05/2024
CEPH Scholarship (Queen's University Belfast), full funding for PhD study	10/2023

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)

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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

TECHNICAL SKILLS

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

Software & Tools R, STATA, Python, L^AT_EX, QGIS

REFERENCES

John Turner (PhD Supervisor)

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