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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Economics, New York University

2020 - 2026 (expected)

- Fields: Applied Microeconomics, Development, Labor, Education
- Advisors: Debraj Ray, Martin Rotemberg, Petra Moser, Jacob French

B.Sc. Applied Mathematics, Pantheon Sorbonne University

2017 - 2020

Highest Honors (Mention Très Bien)

B.A. Social Sciences and Economics, Sciences Po Paris

2017 - 2020

Cum Laude (top 10% of graduates)

RESEARCH PROJECTS

"Breaking Barriers: Evidence from Sciences Po's Affirmative Action Policy" (with Nagui Bechichi).

- Identification via judge IV design; linked national administrative data to detailed Sciences Po records.
- CEP admission reallocates students toward more selective master's programs without increasing master's completion; no evidence of mismatch.
- "Aspirations and Upward Reallocation: Indirect Effects of an Affirmative Action Partnership".
- Heterogeneity-robust staggered-adoption event study with matched-student comparisons.
- Increase in applications, admissions, and enrollment; reallocation of students up the selectivity ladder.
- "Peer Effects and Social Diversity at Elite Institutions".
- Estimates peer-exposure effect using DiD with survey-outcome linkage and network exposure metrics.
- "Chlordecone Poisoning, Health Behavior, and Mistrust". "Conformity and Homophily in Networks".

WORK EXPERIENCE

Sciences Po's Office of Academic Affairs - Short-term Consultant

02/2025 - 08/2025

- Conducted applied data analysis and produced accessible reports tailored for non-academic decision-makers.

New York University - Graduate Teaching Assistant

01/2022 - 12/2024

- Strategic Decision Theory (Spring 2022 and Fall 2022) and Econometrics (Fall 2024).

University of California, Berkeley - Research Assistant (URAP)

09/2019 - 04/2020

- Evaluated "brain gain" tax policies in Italy and consequences for scientific productivity.
- Worked on a system of equations for a multi-sector economy; defined special cases for uniqueness of solution.

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- Dean's Dissertation Fellowship (NYU, 2025)
- NAEd/Spencer Dissertation Fellowship (2024)
- Chateaubriand Fellowship (French Embassy, 2023)
- GRI Fellowship (NYU Paris, 2023 & 2025)
- MacCracken Fellowship (NYU, 2020)
- Excellence–Major Scholarship (French Gov., 2017)
- First Prize, Mathematics Olympiad (Morocco, 2016)

SKILLS AND LANGUAGES

Coding and Data Analysis

Python, R, Stata, C++, SQL

Languages

Moroccan Arabic (native), French (native/bilingual), English (fluent), Modern Standard Arabic (full proficiency), Spanish (advanced)