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Education

London School of Economics, London   **Aug 2023–Present**
PhD in Economics & Management

- **Research Interests:** Personnel/Organizational Economics, Labour Economics

London School of Economics, London   **Aug 2022–Jun 2023**
*MSc Economics | Grade: **Distinction***

- **Thesis:** "The Political Impact of Automation: Evidence from the United States"
  Supervisor: Dr. Guy Michaels

Bocconi University, Milan   **Sep 2018–Sep 2021**
*BSc Economics & Finance | Grade: **110/110 cum laude***

- **Thesis:** "COVID-19 and inactivity: evidence from the Italian Labour Force Survey"
  Supervisor: Prof. Tito Boeri

Teaching

London School of Economics, London   **Sep 2024–Present**
Teaching Fellow and Graduate Teaching Assistant

- Econometrics (BSc Management) - Student evaluations: 4.4/5

Working papers

Branch Closures, Firm Performance and the Evolution of Lending Relationships: Evidence from US Small Businesses

Research Experience

Department of Management, LSE   **Feb 2025–Jun 2025**
RA to Yulu Tang

Department of Management, LSE   **Sep 2024–Dec 2024**
RA to Catherine Thomas

Applied Economics using AI Lab, Department of Economics, LSE   **May 2024–Nov 2024**
Research Associate

Pompeu Fabra University, Barcelona   **May 2022–Aug 2022**
RA to Bjorn Richter and Andrea Caggese

Covid Crisis Lab, Bocconi University, Milan   **Nov 2020–Feb 2021**
RA to Alessia Melegaro

Conferences and Workshops

LSE Dept of Management Organisational Economics Work in Progress   Apr 2025
- Presented *Branch Closures, Firm Performance and the Evolution of Lending Relationships: Evidence from US Small Businesses*

Social Engagement

Organiser   **Present**
Organisational Economics PhD Reading Group - LSE

Programme Representative   **Aug 2024–Present**
PhD Economics & Management - LSE

Programme Representative   **Aug 2022–Jun 2023**
MSc Economics - LSE

Skills

Statistical Analysis: Python, R, Stata, Julia, SQL, Git
Methods & Data: econometric analysis, causal inference; NLP/topic modelling
Languages: Italian [Native], English [Proficient], French [Fluent]