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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

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]