Belén Hípola

maria.hipola@phd.unibocconi.it **CONTACT** Via Roentgen, 1 (5th floor) **INFORMATION** Milano, 20136 https://bhipola.github.io/ **EDUCATION** Bocconi University, Milan Ph.D. in Economics August 2023 - Present Columbia University, New York M.A. in Economics, GPA: 3.92/4.00 Sept. 2021 - Dec. 2022 • La Caixa Fellowship 2020 (Full funding) • Thesis: Holding Back Retention: The Effects of Learning Cycles on Enrollment and Student Achievement in Brazil (A+) Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Madrid Feb. 2020 **B.Sc** in Mathematics and Statistics Feb. 2020 B.A in Economics Graduated among top 5% RESEARCH Education, Labor, and Development **INTERESTS** FELLOWSHIPS AND Bocconi University Graduate Fellowship 2023 AWARDS 2023 Master SynThesis Competition First Place (\$1,000) La Caixa Fellowship for Postgraduate Studies (estimated \$150,000) 2020 Best Economics Undergraduate Thesis (School Choice: Theory and Applications) 2020 **Working Papers** RESEARCH Enrique Llopis, Elvira Alonso, Paloma Fontanillo, Belén Hípola, Sara Méndez y Javier Ramos. 2017. Welfare Levels of the Rural Population in Murcia, 1769-1895. Mortality and Demographic and Economic Instability. **Spanish Association of Economic History**. **TEACHING Bocconi University** *Microeconomics* 1 (*PhD*) Fall 2024 EXPERIENCE Fall 2022 Barnard College, Columbia University Introduction to Economic Reasoning (Bachelor) Spring 2023 Working Barnard College, Columbia University, New York **EXPERIENCE** Barnard-Teagle Fellow June 2022 - Aug. 2023 Developed interactive modules in RShiny to make learning economics more accessible. Project led by Rajiv Sethi and resulted in Interactive Economics. Program for Economic Research, Columbia University, New York Graduate Research Fellow June 2022 - Aug. 2022 Assisted Douglas Almond with data analysis and research tasks on environmental economics. LANGUAGES Spanish (native), English (C2), French (B2), Portuguese (A2), Italian (A2)