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EMPLOYMENT

Stockholm University IIES	Starting 2026
Assistant Professor	
UC Berkeley , O'Donnell Center for Behavioral Economics	2025 - 2026
Postdoctoral Scholar	

EDUCATION

LSE	
PhD Economics	2021 - 2025
Advisors: Nava Ashraf, Daniel Reck, Johannes Spinnewijn	
MRes Economics, <i>with Distinction</i>	2019 - 2021
MSc Applicable Mathematics, <i>with Distinction</i>	2017 - 2018
University of Cambridge	
BA Mathematics	2014 - 2017

WORKING PAPERS

Mental Health and the Targeting of Social Assistance	2026
Intrapersonal Utility Comparisons as Interpersonal Utility Comparisons with Daniel Reck	2025
A Welfare Analysis of Public Housing Allocation Mechanisms with Neil Thakral	2022

WORK IN PROGRESS

The Socio-Economic Determinants of Mental Health	
with Jon Kolstad, Will Parker and Johannes Spinnewijn	
Rebuilding Lives, not just Homes: Addressing Trauma in Disaster Recovery	
with Amen Jalal and Pol Simpson	

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Presentations (including scheduled)	
UC Davis, UC Berkeley, NBER Trans-Atlantic Public Economics Symposium	2026
Stockholm University IIES, Institute for Fiscal Studies, Northwestern University, UC Davis, LMU Munich, UC Berkeley, Berlin Applied Micro Seminar, Cornell University, REStud North America Tour (University of Calgary, University of Notre Dame, Duke University), UBC	2025
Dutch Bureau for Economic Policy Analysis (CPB), LSE CEP Wellbeing Seminar, IFS-CAGE Workshop on the Economics of Mental Health, IIPF Annual Congress, UniDistance, NTA Annual Congress	2024

Experience

STICERD Visiting Fellow, LSE	2025 - 2026
Participant, briq Summer School in Behavioral Economics	2023
Research Assistant to Daniel Reck, LSE	Summer 2020
Economist, The Behaviouralist	2019 - 2021

Refereeing

American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, American Economic Review, Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics

AWARDS AND GRANTS

Awards

REStud North America Tour	2025
LSE Class Teacher Award (<i>Highly Commended in 2024</i>)	2023, 2024
Excellence in Education Award, LSE School of Public Policy	2022, 2023, 2024
Haya Freedman Prize for Best MSc Dissertation, LSE	2018
Top Overall Performance MSc Applicable Mathematics, LSE	2018

Grants

LSE-H.E.R. £5,000	2025
For: Rebuilding Lives, not just Homes: Addressing Trauma in Disaster Recovery	
STICERD Grant. £9,677.29	2022
For: Mental Health and the Targeting of Social Assistance	
Race Equity Innovation Fund. £2,000	2022
For: Review of the Economics Curriculum, together with LSE DICE	
ESRC Doctoral Studentship	2019 - 2024

TEACHING AND OUTREACH

Teaching

LSE School of Public Policy (Graduate): <i>Public Economics for Public Policy</i>	2022 - 2024
LSE Economics Dept (Graduate): <i>Intro Probability and Statistics (math camp)</i>	2022 - 2024
LSE Economics Dept (Undergraduate): <i>First-year Micro- and Macroeconomics</i>	2021 - 2023

Outreach

Volunteer Data Scientist, Body & Soul Charity	Ongoing
Organiser, LSE Public Economics Work in Progress Seminar	2022 - 2023
Applicant mentor, LSE Economics PhD AMP	2020 - 2025
Founding member, LSE DICE	2020 - 2025