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Education

2017 - Present	University College London Ph.D. in Economics
2013 - 2016	Bocconi University M.Sc. Economics and Social Sciences
2010 - 2013	Bocconi University B.Sc. Economics and Management

Research Interests

Applied microeconomics, Health economics, Public Policy

Work in Progress and Published Research

Technology, skills, and performance: the case of robots in surgery (JMP)

Crowding, contact time, and health outcomes

with D.C. Chan, J. Gruber, and S. Strobel

Killer deals: the impact of hospital mergers on hospital quality

with T.P. Hoe

Firms' Gender Composition and Women's Employment

with M. Distefano and T. Surovtseva

Using Real Time Location Data to measure bed-side contact time between nurses and patients

with A.M. Cannaby, V. Carter, T.P. Hoe, and S. Strobel

Submitted

Compliance with a real time location system within a major hospital.

with A.M. Cannaby, V. Carter, T.P. Hoe, and S. Strobel

Submitted

The feasibility and validity of using a real time location system to measure bed side contact time

with A.M. Cannaby, V. Carter, T.P. Hoe, and S. Strobel

Journal of Research in Nursing, November (2021)

Teaching and Work Experience

2018 - present	Teaching Assistant Advance Microeconomics Theory (Graduate level) Microeconomics Theory (Graduate level) Health Economics (Graduate level) Game Theory (Undergraduate level)
2020 - 2022	Research Assistant at the Centre for Research and Analysis of Migration (CReAM)
2017	Research Consultant Europe Economics
2016 - 2017	Graduate Research Internship Competition and Markets Authority - Chief Economist Team

2015 - 2016 **Research Internship** European Central Bank - DG Research
2015 **Internship** European Commission - DG Competition

Honors, Awards & Scholarships

2017 - present Institute of Fiscal Studies Graduate Scholar
2021 - present Department of Economics Scholarship
2017 - 2021 Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) Scholarship

Seminars, Conferences, and Workshops

October 2022 Institute of Fiscal Studies - Seminar
February 2022 Tilburg university - Seminar
April 2021 Royal Economic Society - Easter School
October 2020 Essen Health Conference
April 2020 Judge Business School at Cambridge University Conference - Accepted
June 2020 American Society of Health Economists Conference - Accepted
June 2020 CEEMAP - Econometrics School
December 2018 NBER - Health Economics Bootcamp

Miscellaneous

Citizenship Italy, UK pre-settled status
Languages Italian (native), English (fluent)
Programming languages R, Stata, Python
Exchange Program
Master - Wang Yanan Institute for Studies in Economics (Xiamen, China)
Undergraduate - School of Business and Economics of Maastricht University (Netherlands)

Reference

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Prof. David C. Chan

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