Elena Ashtari Tafti

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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) |
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| 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

Reference

Prof. Marcos Vera Hernandez (Ph.D. advisor)

Position: Professor of Economics

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Prof. Aureo de Paula (Ph.D. advisor)

Position: Professor of Economics

Institute: University College London

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Prof. David C. Chan

Position: Professor of Health Policy

Institute: Stanford University

Address: 117 Encina Commons, Stanford, CA 94305-6019

Email: david.c.chan@stanford.edu

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)