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## EDUCATION

**Lancaster University** | PhD Economics 2020 -

*Advisors: Catherine Porter & Saurabh Singhal*

**University of Oxford, ODID** | Visiting Research Student Trinity term 2023

*Host: Marta Favara*

**University of Edinburgh** | MSc Economics (SGPE) 2019 - 2020

*Advisors: Robert Mochrie & Catherine Porter*

**Heriot Watt University** | MA Economics 2015 - 2019

*Advisors: Robert Mochrie*

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

**Grupo De Análisis para el Desarrollo** | Lima, Peru | Visiting Researcher 2023

**Young Lives** | Oxford, UK | Research Consultant 2021 - 2023

**Queen Mary University London** | London, UK | RA to Simon Franklin 2022

**Young Lives** | Oxford, UK | Research Assistant 2020

**Office for National Statistics** | Newport, UK | Statistical Research Officer 2019

**Health Economics Research Unit** | Aberdeen, UK | Research Intern 2018

## WORKS IN PROGRESS

### Research Papers

Some people feel the rain; others just get wet: Early-life rainfall and personality trait formation in Peru [[link](#)]

Examining sibling spillovers of a school-day extension program using a regression discontinuity design - *with Catherine Porter & Alan Sanchez*

Think of the children: Inter-generational effects of drought exposure on offspring outcomes in Peru

A sound methodology: Measuring experiences of violent conflict through audio self-interviews  
- *with Sophie von Russdorf, Laura Ahlborn, Alessandra Hidalgo & Marta Favara*

## Technical Notes

Identifying climate shocks in Young Lives communities: Estimating weather conditions using a global gridded time series | Young Lives [[link](#)]

Selection and validation of socio-emotional skill measures in round 5 of the Young Lives survey  
| Young Lives | *with Catherine Porter, Marta Favara & Mark Mitchell*

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## PUBLICATIONS

### Statistical bulletins

Deaths related to drug poisoning in England and Wales: 2018 registrations – ONS - *with Emyr John & Asim Butt* [[link](#)]

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## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

### 2023

14th Bolivian Conference on Development Economics; Conferencia Internacional de Desarrollo Económico PUCP; 2nd International Conference on Development Economics; 36th European Society of Population Economics conference; 1st Welfare and Policy conference; Inaugural Essex PhD Conference in Applied Economics; NWSSDTP PhD Conference in Economics; Lancaster Applied Micro Workshop; 12th Summer School in Development Economics Workshop (*invited*)

### 2019 - 2022

Lancaster University PGR conference; NWSSDTP Conference; CLOSER – Preparing for the Future III; SGPE Conference; LUMS PhD Seminar Series; Scottish Economics Conference (*student speaker*)

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## GRANTS AND AWARDS

### Grants

ESRC Student-led Open Competition Masters + PhD Studentship	2019 - 2024
NWSSDTP PhD Internship Grant (6 months)   £14,000	2023
NWSSDTP Overseas Institutional Visit Grant   £6,900	2023

### Awards

Watt Club Medal, MA economics – highest distinction	2019
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Deputy Principal's Award – overall academic excellence

2019

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## TEACHING

### Lancaster University

2021 - 2022

Applied Economics (ECON229) | Seminars

Quantitative Methods for Economics (ECON 103) | Additional Workshops

### Heriot Watt University

2019 - 2020

Intermediate Microeconomics (C28IN) | Workshops

Econometrics Project (C29EJ) | Labs

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## ADDITIONAL TRAINING

**Advanced Applied Econometrics: Recent Methods and Issues** | University of  
Copenhagen

2022

**GTA Economics Network Workshop** | University of Strathclyde

2022

**Virtual PhD course in development economics** | IGC

2022

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## OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION

**Roles** Lancaster University Economics Department PhD seminar organiser

2021-2022

**Proficiencies** Stata, R/Rstudio (including Rmarkdown), QGIS, LaTeX

**Software** sideytab [[Github repository](#)]

**Languages** English (Native), Spanish (CEFR level A2)