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## CAREER PROFILE

Ph.D. candidate in Economics with experience as a Research Consultant. Solid foundation in economics and econometric techniques. Research spans Financial Economics, Public Economics, Conflict, and Development. Skilled in data analysis, econometric modeling, and statistical inference. Proficient in Stata, R, Matlab, and Python. Fluent in multiple languages with excellent communication and teamwork abilities.

## EXPERIENCE

### Reserach Consultant - Data Scientist

EconAI - Fundació d'Economia Analítica

**Aug 2023 - Sep 2024**

Barcelona, Spain

Directed the economic fragility dimension for the German Federal Foreign Office.

- i. Conducted literature review on economic Early Warning Systems.
- ii. Defined economic fragility.
- iii. Updated data pipeline and machine learning models.
- iv. Applied advanced machine learning techniques to predict economic failures.

### Reserach Consultant - Data Analyst

Open Philanthropy

**Apr 2022 - Aug 2022**

Barcelona, Spain

Quantified economic and health costs of civil wars considering the “conflict trap” phenomenon.

- i. Designed empirical strategy and performed data management tasks.
- ii. Estimated a Markov process model with economic, health, and conflict panel data.
- iii. Performed simulations to obtain statistics on the costs of conflict.
- iv. Conducted literature review, prepared documents, and delivered presentations.

### Lecturer

Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona

**Sep 2020 - Aug 2021**

Barcelona, Spain

Taught content and designed exams and problem sets to evaluate +100 students.

Courses (Undergrad.): Introduction to Economics, and Applied Statistics.

## EDUCATION

### **Ph.D. in Economic Analysis (IDEA Program)**

**Sep 2020 - Present**

Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona - Barcelona School of Economics   Barcelona, Spain

Combine applied and theoretical models to address real-world economic challenges: developing methods to assess disaster risks using financial data, measuring the long-term economic impact of conflict, and understanding international tax evasion.

### **MRes in Economic Analysis (IDEA Program)**

**Sep 2018 - Jul 2020**

Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona - Barcelona School of Economics   Barcelona, Spain

### **BEng in Industrial Organization**

**Sep 2012 - Jul 2017**

Escola Universitària Salesiana de Sarrià

Barcelona, Spain

## LANGUAGES

Spanish (Native), English (Fluent), Italian (Advanced), French (Basic), and Catalan (Native).

## SOFTWARE SKILLS

Stata (Advanced), Matlab (Advanced), R (Advanced), Python (Intermediate, Tensorflow for Deep Learning), Microsoft Office (Advanced), and  $\text{\LaTeX}$  (Advanced).

## FURTHER INFORMATION

Model UN participant, volunteer work in the Red Cross, member of the European Youth Parliament, national rowing team, awarded scriptwriter, and guitar player.