

# LUCA BAGNATO

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## RESEARCH FIELDS

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Economic History, Political Economics, Gender Economics, Public Economics

## EMPLOYMENT

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**University of Milan** October 2023 -  
Postdoctoral Fellow at the Department of Economics, Management and Quantitative Methods  
· *Supervisor*: Giovanna d'Adda

**UCLA Anderson School of Management** 2022 - 2023  
Visiting Scholar, SNSF Postdoctoral Fellow  
· *Host*: Paola Giuliano

## EDUCATION

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**University of Zurich** 2016 - 2022  
PhD in Economics  
· Final Grade: 6 (*Summa cum Laude*)

**Harvard University** 2019  
Visiting Student, Department of Economics

**Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi** 2012 - 2015  
MSc in Economic and Social Sciences  
· Final Grade: 110/110 *cum Laude*

**Université Catholique de Louvain** 2013 - 2015  
MA in Economics, Research focus  
· Joint Degree Program with Bocconi University. Mention: *Grande Distinction*

**LUISS Guido Carli** 2009 - 2012  
BA in Economics and Management  
· Exchange semester at HEC Montréal  
· Final Grade: 110/110 *cum Laude*

## WORKING PAPERS

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“From Taxation to Fighting for the Nation: Historical Fiscal Capacity and Military Draft Evasion during WWI”. (*Revise & Resubmit at the Journal of the European Economic Association*) [\[DOI\]](#)

“Does Historical Fiscal Capacity Leave a Long-Lasting Legacy? Evidence from TV Tax Evasion”.  
(*Draft available upon request*)

“Agricultural Practices, Organized Workers and Female Political Empowerment: Evidence from Italian *Mondine*”, with Yu Pan and Miriam Venturini. (*Draft available upon request*)

## WORK IN PROGRESS

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“Public Investment, Agricultural Productivity, and Structural Transformation: Evidence from the Cavour Canal”, with Vito Mariella.

“The Impact of Women’s Enfranchisement on Economic Policy Preferences: Evidence from Switzerland”, with Francesca Salvati and Giuseppe Sorrenti.

“World War II and Female Political Empowerment”, with Miriam Venturini.

“The Societal Effects of Entertainment TV: Evidence from Will&Grace”, with Gloria Gennaro.

“Witch Hunts and Persecution of Heretics in Medieval and Modern Italy”, with Graziella Bertocchi and Monica Bozzano.

“Building the Nation through Schools: Mandatory Schooling and National Identity in XIX Century Italy”.

## RESEARCH GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

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HEC Research Fund 2024-2025, HEC Lausanne (Co-PI, November 2024)

Postdoc.Mobility Fellowship, Swiss National Science Foundation (PI, December 2021)

GRC Travel Grant, University of Zurich (April 2020)

Best Teaching Assistant Award, University of Zurich (Spring 2020)

Doc.Mobility Fellowship, Swiss National Science Foundation ( June 2019)

Research Starting Grant (*Borsa di Avviamento alla Ricerca*), Bank of Italy (May 2016)

Bonaldo Stringher Scholarship - Special Mention (*Particolarmente Meritevole*), Bank of Italy (November 2015)

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND SEMINARS

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**2025** Central European University (*scheduled*)

**2024** Winter School "Exploring Gender, Human Capital and Labour Intersections in Economic History"; QUB Workshop on Cultural Persistence and Transmission; 2024 EHS Annual Conference

**2023** 2023 EHS Annual Conference; 15th European Historical Economics Society Conference; EEA-ESEM 2023; ASREC Europe 2023

**2022** Econometric Society European Winter Meeting; UCLA Economics; UCLA Anderson; UC-Irvine; 14th European Historical Economics Society Conference; Sabanci University; University of Milan

**2021** 2021 Swiss Workshop on Political Economy and Development; Zurich Political Economy Seminar Series

**2020** 2020 Swiss Workshop on Political Economy and Development (poster)

## INVITED LECTURES

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**2024** Guest Lecture "Long Run Determinants of Gender Norms", University of Milan

**2021** Guest Lecture "Developing a Research Project", European School of Economics

## TEACHING

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### University of Milan

Adjunct Professor and Teaching Assistant

March 2024-  
*Milan, Italy*

- *Courses as Adjunct Professor*: Statistics (Bachelor)
- *Courses as Teaching Assistant*: Microeconomics (Bachelor)

### University of Zurich

Teaching Assistant

2018 - 2020

*Zurich, Switzerland*

- *Courses*: Global Policy Analysis: Poverty, Development, Growth (Bachelor); Program Evaluation and Causal Inference (Master)
- *Thesis Supervision*: Bachelor (10); Master (2)

### Bocconi University

Teaching Assistant

2015 - 2016

*Milan, Italy*

- *Courses*: Public Finance (Bachelor); Public Economics (Master)

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

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### Referee

Economic Journal (2), Review of International Organizations

### Conference Reviewer

2024 Annual Meeting of the European Association of Young Economists

### Organisation

Luca d'Agliano Global Challenges Seminar Series; [3rd Junior Economists Meeting](#) of the University of Milan (*Scientific Committee*); 2020 Swiss Workshop on "Political Economy and Development"

## SELECTED RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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### Bank of Italy - Structural Economic Analysis Directorate

2016, 2017

Intern in the Labour Market Division

### Dondena Centre for Research on Social Dynamics and Public Policy

2015 - 2016

Research Assistant

### EIEF - Einaudi Institute for Economics and Finance

2012

Research Assistant

## LANGUAGES

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Italian (*native*); English (*fluent, TOEFL iBT 114*); French (*working knowledge, DELF B2, DFP Affaires B2*); Spanish (*basic*)

## COMPUTER SKILLS

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OS X, Office, LyX, LaTeX, Stata, ArcGIS, Python

## OTHER ACTIVITIES

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<b>Associations</b>	Member of EHS - Economic History Society Member of ASE - Italian Association for Economic History
<b>Interests</b>	Former blogger and radio speaker at <i>Radio Luiss</i> ; journalism; cinema; politics

## REFERENCES

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### David Yanagizawa-Drott

Professor of Development and Emerging Markets  
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