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RESEARCH FIELDS

Political Economy, Economic History, Gender Economics, Public Economics

EMPLOYMENT

University of Bologna Postdoctoral Fellow at the Department of Economics · <i>ERC Project: HARSH</i> - Understanding the origins of harsh parenting (PI: Elisabetta De Cao)	October 2025 -
University of Milan Postdoctoral Fellow at the Department of Economics, Management and Quantitative Methods	2023-2025
UCLA Anderson School of Management Visiting Scholar, SNSF Postdoctoral Fellow · <i>Host: Paola Giuliano</i>	2022 - 2023

EDUCATION

University of Zurich PhD in Economics · Final Grade: 6 (<i>Summa cum Laude</i>)	2016 - 2022
Harvard University Visiting Student, Department of Economics	2019
Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi MSc in Economic and Social Sciences · Final Grade: 110/110 <i>cum Laude</i>	2012 - 2015
Université Catholique de Louvain MA in Economics, Research focus · Joint Degree Program with Bocconi University. Mention: <i>Grande Distinction</i>	2013 - 2015
LUISS Guido Carli BA in Economics and Management · Final Grade: 110/110 <i>cum Laude</i>	2009 - 2012

WORKING PAPERS

“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*)

“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

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

“The effects of FHA Lending and Insuring Practices during the New Deal”, with Paola Giuliano, Gaia Spolverini and Nico Voigtländer.

“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 Participation”, 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

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

2025 University of Milan-Bicocca; WU Wien; Central European University; Università della Svizzera Italiana; University of Modena and Reggio Emilia (*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; Sabancı 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

INVITED LECTURES

2024 Guest Lecture "Long Run Determinants of Gender Norms", University of Milan
2021 Guest Lecture "Developing a Research Project", European School of Economics

TEACHING

University of Milan Adjunct Professor	2024-2025 <i>Milan, Italy</i>
· <i>Courses as Adjunct Professor</i> : Statistics (Bachelor)	
· <i>Courses as Teaching Assistant</i> : Microeconomics (Bachelor)	
University of Zurich Teaching Assistant	2018 - 2020 <i>Zurich, Switzerland</i>
· <i>Courses</i> : Global Policy Analysis: Poverty, Development, Growth (Bachelor); Program Evaluation and Causal Inference (Master)	
· <i>Thesis Supervision</i> : Bachelor (10); Master (2)	
Bocconi University Teaching Assistant	2015 - 2016 <i>Milan, Italy</i>
· <i>Courses</i> : Public Finance (Bachelor); Public Economics (Master)	

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Referee	Economic Journal (2), Review of International Organizations, Journal of Institutional Economics
Conference Reviewer Organisation	2024 Annual Meeting of the European Association of Young Economists Luca d'Agliano Global Challenges Seminar Series; 3rd Junior Economists Meeting of the University of Milan (<i>Scientific Committee</i>); 2020 Swiss Workshop on "Political Economy and Development"

SELECTED RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Bank of Italy - Structural Economic Analysis Directorate Intern in the Labour Market Division	2016, 2017
Dondena Centre for Research on Social Dynamics and Public Policy Research Assistant	2015 - 2016
EIEF - Einaudi Institute for Economics and Finance Research Assistant	2012

LANGUAGES

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

COMPUTER SKILLS

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

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Associations	Member of ECQE - European Committee for LGBTQ* Economists Member of EEA - European Economic Association Member of EHS - Economic History Society Member of ASE - Italian Association for Economic History
Interests	Former blogger and radio speaker at <i>Radio Luiss</i> ; journalism; cinema; politics

REFERENCES

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