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## Education

HEC Montréal, Québec, Canada 2020–2026 (expected)

Ph.D. Candidate in Economics

*Job Market Paper*: “Stop That Train, I’m Starving: Impact of Closing Rural Rail Stations”

*Main supervisor*: Decio Coviello

École Nationale Supérieure de la Statistique et de l’Économie Appliquée (ENSEA),  
Abidjan, Côte d’Ivoire 2013–2016

M.Sc. in Statistics and Economics

## Research Fields

**Primary**: Applied Microeconomics, Labor Economics

**Secondary**: Applied Econometrics (Causal Inference and Program Evaluation), Development Economics

## Research

### Working Papers

- *Stop That Train, I’m Starving: Impact of Closing Rural Rail Stations*. ([Job Market Paper](#))
- *A Sharp Test for the Judge Leniency Design* (with Yu-Chin Hsu, Ismael Mourifié, and Yuanyuan Wan).  
[NBER Working Paper No. 32456](#)

### Work in Progress

- *The Child Penalty among Immigrants in Canada: The Role of Country of Origin, Age at Arrival, and Parental Leave Policy* (with Decio Coviello and Benoit Dostie)
- *When the Law Doesn’t Pay: Minimum Wage Non-Compliance and Income Inequality* (with Féraud Tchuisseu Seuyong)

## Conferences and Seminars

SCSE Annual Congress (2025), Africa Meeting of the Econometric Society (2024),  
HEC Montréal Brown Bag Seminars (2024), CIREQ Ph.D. Student Workshops (2022–2025),  
McGill Applied Micro Breakfast (2022), CSAE Conference, Oxford (2019).

## Fellowships and Awards

- Excellence Scholarship for Foreign Students (PBEEE), 2023–2026.

- Doctoral Training Scholarship – FRQSC, 2023–2026.
- BOUCARO Foundation Scholarship, HEC Montréal, 2021.
- Doctoral Admission Funding, HEC Montréal, 2020–2025.
- Tuition Fee Waiver, HEC Montréal, 2020–2025.
- Finalist, Best Paper – INFER Conference, 2019.
- World Bank Vice President’s Program for African Statistical Schools, 2018–2020.
- Scholarship of Excellence (M.Sc.), Government of Côte d’Ivoire, 2013–2016.

## Teaching Experience

### Teaching Assistant, HEC Montréal

- MATH80816 – Applied Econometrics and Statistical Learning for Economics (Graduate Level), Summer 2023.
- Conducted tutorials, graded assignments, and supported student learning in applied econometrics.

## Professional and Policy Research Experience

### Economist Consultant, The World Bank

2018–2020

- Harmonized large household and enterprise microdata for several countries in Europe, Central Asia, and Sub-Saharan Africa.
- Coauthored two World Bank Policy Research Papers:
  - Hounsa, T., Coulibaly, M., & Sanoh, A. (2019). *The Redistributive Effects of Fiscal Policy in Mali and Niger*. WPS 8887.
  - Coulibaly, M., & Sanoh, A. (2019). *Measuring the Full Extent of Fiscal Losses and Gains*. WPS 8886.

## Skills

**Data and Programming:** Stata, R, Python, Matlab, QGIS.

**Text Editing:** L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Microsoft Word, PowerPoint.

**Languages:** French (native), English (fluent).

**Refereeing:** Review of World Economics.

## References

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