

# MARÍA NATALIA CANTET

## CURRENT POSITION

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Assistant Professor, School of Economics and Finance, Universidad EAFIT

July 2020 -

## EDUCATION

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**University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign**, Urbana, IL 2020  
*Ph.D. in Economics*

**Universidad Nacional de la Plata**, La Plata, Buenos Aires 2014  
*M.S. in Economics*

**Universidad Torcuato Di Tella**, Buenos Aires, Argentina 2010  
*B.S. in Economics*

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Primary: Development Economics, Health, Education

Secondary: Applied Econometrics, Microeconomics

## WORKING PAPERS

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“The Effect of Teenage Pregnancy on Schooling and Labor Force Participation: Evidence From Urban South Africa”, Job Market Paper.

“Mental Health Effects of an Old Age Grant: Experimental Evidence for Ekiti State in Nigeria”, with Maria Laura Alzua, Ana C. Dammert and Damilola Olajide

“Does maternal schooling lead to improvements in child health? Evidence from Ethiopia”

## PRESENTATIONS

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2020: American Economics Association and CSMGEP session, San Diego CA

2019: Midwest Economics Association Annual Meeting, Mo; University of Illinois, Department of Economics; LACEA's Health Network Workshop, Universidad del Pacífico; Sustainability and Development Conference, University Of Michigan; Washington University Economics Graduate Student Conference, Washington University in St. Louis, MO; Illinois Economics Association Annual Meeting, DePaul University; Southern Economics Association Annual Meeting, Fort Lauderdale FL.

2018: Midwest Economics Association Annual Meeting, Evanston IL; Midwest International Development Conference, University of Minnesota

2017: Missouri Valley Economics Association Annual Conference, Kansas City MO.

## AWARDS

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Committee on the Status of Minority Groups in the Economics Profession (CSMGEP) Travel Grant. 2020

Summer research award, University of Illinois. 2016

Merit-based full scholarship for graduate studies, University of Illinois. 2014-2020

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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### Department of Economics, University of Illinois

Research Assistant for Prof. Rebecca Thornton

*January 2016- December 2017*

### Universidad Nacional de La Plata

Research Assistant for Prof. Maria Laura Alzua

*September 2012 - January 2015*

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### Department of Economics - University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Teaching Assistant

Intermediate Microeconomics, Prof. Isaac DiIanni

*Spring 2019*

Intermediate Microeconomics, Prof. Nolan Miller

*Fall 2018, 2017*

Principles of Economics, Prof. Isaac DiIanni

*Spring 2018*

Topics in Economics: Evaluating what Works in Economic Development, Prof. Rebecca Thornton

*Fall 2018, 2017*

Principles of Economics, Prof. José Vasquez

*Fall 2015*

### World Bank

Course Facilitator

Evaluating the Impact of Education and Health Policy in Guatemala

*April 6-8, 2017*

### School of Economics - Universidad de Buenos Aires

Teaching Assistant

Economic Development, Prof. Maria Laura Alzua

*Fall 2013 - Fall 2014*

## REFEREEING

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Economics of Education Review

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

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Citizenship: American, Argentine.

Languages: Spanish (native), English (fluent).

Programming skills: Stata (Advanced), R (basic)