

MARÍA NATALIA CANTET

CURRENT POSITION

Assistant Professor, School of Economics and Finance, Universidad EAFIT

July 2020 -

EDUCATION

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

Primary: Development Economics, Health, Education

Secondary: Applied Econometrics, Microeconomics

WORKING PAPERS

“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

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

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

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

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

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Citizenship: American, Argentine.

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

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