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EDUCATION

PhD Economics (ongoing)

Sep 2019 - May 2025 (expected)

Princeton University.

- Areas of focus: Macroeconomics and International Trade
- Advisor: Prof. Gianluca Violante

Master's Degree in Economics and Finance

2017 - 2019

Einaudi Institute for Economics and Finance and LUISS Guido Carli. 110/110 cum laude.

BA Philosophy, Politics and Economics

2014 - 2017

Hertford College, University of Oxford. First Class Honours.

WORKING PAPERS

Aggregate Consumption and Transaction Taxes

- Policy evaluation of housing transaction taxes which combines econometric analysis of transaction-level housing data and numerical analysis of a heterogeneous-agents macroeconomic model.

The Network Origins of Firm Dynamics (with J. Boehm, E. Oberfield and M. Waseem)

- We study the effect of contracting frictions on business dynamics and aggregate productivity. We calibrate a heterogeneous-firms model of firm-to-firm relationships using firm-level data from India and Pakistan.

Rising House Prices and Falling MPCs

- Structural econometric analysis of local employment and spending data and quantitative analysis of a macroeconomic model to investigate the relationship between long-run trends in housing costs and macroeconomic volatility.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Bank of England, Postgraduate Intern

Summer 2018

- Developed an internal software package (using R) to streamline analysis of regulatory data.

UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Economics Intern

Summer 2016

- Provided economic analysis for a £30m development program to improve the business environment in middle-income countries.

TEACHING

Introduction to Macroeconomics

Fall 2021, Fall 2022, Fall 2023

Microeconomic Theory: A Mathematical Approach

Fall 2022

FURTHER INFORMATION

Languages English (native), French

Software Python, Julia, R, C++

Citizenship British