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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Economics, Queen Mary University of London, UK (expected) June 2020
Thesis: Essays on the Economics of Education and Health
Advisors: Prof. Erich Battistin & Dr. Francesco Fasani
Visiting PhD Student, Stockholm University (SU), Sweden 2018-2019
MRes, Economics, University College London (UCL), UK 2015
M.A., Economics, Universidad de La Plata, Argentina 2012
B.A., Economics (*cum laude*), Universidad de Buenos Aires, Argentina 2005

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Primary: Labor Economics, Economics of Education, Health Economics
Secondary: Public Economics, Development Economics

JOB MARKET PAPER

Single-Sex Primary Schools and Student Achievement: Evidence from Admission Lotteries

In the last decade, single-sex education has experienced a major revival. However, whether same-gender schooling is an appropriate strategy to boost academic achievement remains an open question. I leverage randomized assignment of 4- and 5-year-old children to schools in Malta to estimate the causal effect of single-sex education on short- and medium-run outcomes. To alleviate concerns of endogenous school inputs, I compare students within the same school sector, for which coeducational and single-sex schools are alike in all dimensions except for the gender composition of the student population. I find that attending a single-sex primary school produces large and significant test score gains for both boys and girls at the end of primary school. Furthermore, single-sex schooling in childhood has lasting effects on the choice of curriculum track in secondary school. Students make less gendered subject choices and are less likely to enroll in vocational subjects. Survey evidence suggests that the single-sex school effect is mediated through higher student satisfaction with school, lower levels of classroom disruption and teachers' use of guided instruction.

PUBLICATIONS

“Evaluation of a Social Franchising and Telemedicine Programme and the Care Provided for Childhood Diarrhoea and Pneumonia, Bihar, India” (with M. Mohanan, V. Das, T. L. Rabin, S. S. Raj, J. I. Schwartz, A. Seth, J. D. Goldhaber-Fiebert, G. Miller, and M. Vera-Hernández), *Bulletin World Health Organization*, 2017. [\[link\]](#)

“Providers’ Knowledge of Diagnosis and Treatment of Tuberculosis using Vignettes: Evidence from Rural Bihar, India” (with M. Mohanan, J. D. Goldhaber-Fiebert and M. Vera-Hernández), *BMJ Global Health*, 2016. [\[link\]](#)

“The Know-do Gap in Quality of Health Care for Childhood Diarrhea and Pneumonia in Rural India” (with M. Mohanan, M. Vera-Hernández, V. Das, J. D. Goldhaber-Fiebert, T. L. Rabin, S. S. Raj, J. I. Schwartz and A. Seth), *JAMA Pediatrics*, 2015. [\[link\]](#)

WORK IN PROGRESS

Post-Childbirth Transition to Work (with K. Ramdas, S. Jain and A. Mani)

University Quotas and Peers’ Achievement

The Teacher Labor Market: Allocation Rules, Sorting and Incentives (with D. Battiston)

The Price of Borrowing and Microfinance: Evidence from an Interest Rate Cap Policy in Argentina

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Chief Examiner

Economics of Labour (undergraduate), University of London	2018-2019
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Teaching Assistant

Statistical Research Methods II (graduate), London Business School	2015-2018
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Game and Strategies (undergraduate), Queen Mary University of London	2015-2017
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Development Economics (undergraduate), Queen Mary University of London	2015-2017
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Managerial Microeconomics (undergraduate), Queen Mary University of London	2012
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Economics for Business (undergraduate), Queen Mary University of London	2011
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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AND SERVICE

Consultant, Social Protection and Labor Global Practice, World Bank	2015-2017
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Research Assistant for Professor Marcos Vera-Hernández	2011-2015
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Consultant, Europe and Central Asia Human Development, World Bank	2012-2013
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Researcher, Ministry of Economy of Buenos Aires Province	2009-2011
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AFFILIATIONS

COHESIVE-India: The Collaboration for Health Systems Improvement and Impact Evaluation in India [\[link\]](#)

REFEREEING EXPERIENCE

Bulletin of the World Health Organization

GRANTS AND AWARDS

SAEe 2019 PhD Student Grant	2019
Small Academic Expenses Grant, Royal Economic Society (RES)	2017
SLAS Postgraduate Travel Grant	2017
Queen Mary Postgraduate Research Fund (QMPGRF)	2017
Doctoral Scholarship, Queen Mary University of London	2015-2018
Tuition Waiver Fellowship, University College London	2013-2014

CONFERENCE AND SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

2019: Simposio de la Asociación Española de Economía (scheduled); Stockholm-Uppsala Education Economics Workshop; Annual Conference of the European Association of Labour Economists (EALE); Credible Identification and Structural Modeling; COSME Gender Economics Workshop; Ridge Forum in Public Economics; RES Mentoring Retreat; LEER Conference on Education Economics; I Southern Spain Workshop on Economics of Education.

2018: Stockholm University; Queen Mary University of London; Maastricht University Workshop in Economics

COMPUTER SKILLS

Python, Stata, Matlab, R, HTML, L^AT_EX

LANGUAGES

Spanish (native), English (fluent), Italian (basic)

REFERENCES

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