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#### Current Position

#### Universitat de Girona

PhD candidate

## Education

Ph.D. candidate in Economics, Universitat de Girona, Spain.

Sept 2020-Jul 2024

- Thesis: "Essays on Political Economy"
- Advisors: Dr. Dolors Berga & Dr. Gemma Ubasart

M.Sc. in Political Analysis, Universitat Oberta de Catalunya, Barcelona, Spain.

2016 - 2018

- Thesis: "Institutional and economic determinants of corruption"
- Advisor: Dr. Marc Guinjoan

**B.Sc. in Economics**, Universitat de Girona, Girona, Spain.

2012-2016

- Thesis: "Educational outcomes in Germany: Another way to divide Berlin?"
- Advisor: Dr. Javier Valbuena

#### Research

- 1. Urzay-Gómez, S. (2023). "Wage patterns in West Berlin: A Synthetic Control approach after the fall of the Wall" *Mimeo UdG. Revise and resubmit.*
- 2. Mauerer I; Puy, M.; Urzay-Gómez, S. (2024). "Explaining Preferences for EU Integration: Theory and Empirical Evidence". Available at SSRN: https://ssrn.com/abstract=4812690.
- 3. Urzay-Gómez, S. (2024a). "PIGS in Crisis: Euro Preference, Age, and Education" Mimeo UdG.
- 4. Urzay-Gómez, S. (2024b). "Wages at the Edge: Analysing EU 2004 Enlargement in Germany's Border"  $Mimeo\ UdG$ .

# Teaching Experience

# Part-Time Teaching, Master level, Universitat Oberta de Catalunya

- Economic areas: EU and the USA
  - 2021-22: Taught in Catalan (2 ECTS) and Spanish (2 ECTS)
  - 2022-23: Taught in Catalan (2 ECTS) and Spanish (2 ECTS)
  - 2023-24: Taught in Catalan (2 ECTS) and Spanish (2 ECTS)
- Economic areas: Asia and Latin America
  - 2021-22: Taught in Catalan (2 ECTS) and Spanish (2 ECTS)
  - 2022-23: Taught in Catalan (2 ECTS) and Spanish (2 ECTS)
  - 2023-24: Taught in Catalan (2 ECTS) and Spanish (2 ECTS)

## Part-Time Teaching, Bachelor level, Universitat de Girona

- Intermediate Microeconomics
  - 2020-21: Taught in Catalan (6 ECTS)
  - 2021-22: Taught in Catalan (6 ECTS)
  - 2022-23: Taught in Catalan (6 ECTS)
  - 2023-24: Taught in Catalan (9 ECTS)
- Spanish and World Economy
  - 2020-21: Taught in Spanish (6 ECTS)
  - 2021-22: Taught in Spanish (6 ECTS)
  - 2022-23: Taught in English (6 ECTS)
  - 2023-24: Taught in English (6 ECTS)
- Introduction to Economics
  - 2017-18: Taught in Catalan (1 ECTS)
  - 2020-21: Taught in Catalan (3 ECTS)
  - 2023-24: Taught in Catalan (1 ECTS)
- Applied Economic Tools
  - 2020-21: Taught in Catalan (2 ECTS)

## Teaching Assistant, Master level, IBEI - Universitat Pompeu Fabra

- Growth Models and Development Strategies
  - 2023-24: Assisted in English (4 ECTS)

## Teaching Publications

1. Urzay-Gómez, S. (2023). El procés d'integració a Europa: la Unió Europea (1a. ed.) [recurs d'aprenentatge textual]. Fundació Universitat Oberta de Catalunya (FUOC). *In Catalan*.

# Participation in Research Projects

- 1. "Welfare, allocation mechanisms and public policies", Research project "PID2019-106642GB-I00" from the Spanish Ministry of Science, Innovation and Universities. Feb 2022–Feb 2024. Teamwork member. PI: Dolors Berga. Total budget: 21,417€.
- 2. Participant of the research group "Economic Analysis of Public Policies" (Reference: 2021 SGR 00570), recognized and financed by the Catalan Government, from 01/01/2022-12/31/2024 (40,000€). Responsible researcher: Àngels Xabadia; Number of participants: 10.

## Research Stays

1. Universidad de Málaga, Málaga, Spain. March and May 2022. Research stay with Socorro Puy in the process of writing the joint paper.

## Conferences and Workshops

## **Presentations**

- 1. "Individual determinants towards European Integration". Third CESC (Catalan Economic Society Congress): Barcelona, 2–3 Jun 2023.
- 2. REES (*Red Española de Elección Social*): "Clustering the EU through Euroscepticism", Online (2021); "Individual determinants towards European Integration", UAB (2022).

# Only Attendances

- 1. 3rd Winter Workshop of the CES: Barcelona, Dec 2023
- 2. XIII Workshop in Public Policy Design: Girona, Jul 2023
- 3. 13th Conference on Economic Design: Girona, Jun 2023.
- 4. Workshop on Collective Decisions: Granada, May 2023.
- 5. Workshop on Mechanism Design and Welfare Economics: Málaga, Oct 2022.

#### Research Transfer

Government policy analysis through the project entitled "Arrelament" from the Generalitat de Catalunya. In collaboration with Jordi Rosell. 2023–2024

• Conducted in-depth analysis of the Arrelament policy, focusing on its economic impact on small towns through socioeconomic variables.

#### Academic Service

# Research Groups

Member of the Economic Analysis Research Group - (GRAE). Universitat de Girona Affiliated to the Catalan Economic Society

#### Conference Organisation

Member of the Organizing Committee of the 13th Conference on Economic Design, Girona, June 2023.

# Advising and Mentoring

BS.c. thesis of Júlia Linares; Marina Juncà. (2023-2024 Academic Year)

# Skills and Techniques

Programming: R, Stata, LaTeX

Programs: Matlab, QGIS

Languages: Catalan (native), Spanish (native), English (B2), German (B2), French (B1)

## References

#### Prof. Dr. Dolors Berga

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## Prof. Dr. Javier Valbuena

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#### Prof. Dr. Socorro Puy

Full Professor

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