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ACADEMIC POSITIONS	University of Oxford Lecturer in Development Economics since 2024 Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne Teaching and Research Fellow in Economics, 2022–24 Sciences Po Adjunct Professor, 2021-22
OTHER POSITIONS	World Bank Consultant for Social Protection and Labor since 2023
OTHER AFFILIATIONS	St Antony's College, University of Oxford Centre for the Study of African Economies (CSAE) Brazilian Center of Analysis and Planning (CEBRAP)
EDUCATION	Paris School of Economics & Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne PhD in Economics under the supervision of David N. Margolis, 2024 Paris School of Economics & École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales MA in Economics, 2019 University of São Paulo BA in Economics, 2014 University of São Paulo BA in Journalism, 2007
OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES	University of Vienna Summer School in the History and Epistemology of Econometrics, 2025 University of Chicago, Department of Economics Visiting researcher under the supervision of John List, 2023 Institute of Labor Economics (IZA) Summer School in Labor Economics, 2023

PUBLICATIONS	<p>Scarelli, Thiago, and David N. Margolis. 2025. “When You Can’t Afford to Wait for a Job: The Role of Time Discounting for Own-Account Workers in Developing Countries.” <i>Economic Development and Cultural Change</i> 73 (4): 1605–1657. https://doi.org/10.1086/732162</p> <p>Scarelli, Thiago. 2022. “Occupations and Wealth in Developing Countries.” <i>Revue d’économie du développement</i> 30 (2): 127–135. http://doi.org/10.3917/edd.362.0127</p>
WORKING PAPERS	<p>Scarelli, Thiago. 2025. “Worker’s Preferences over Payment Schedules.”</p>
ONGOING RESEARCH PROJECTS	<p>Financial Inclusion for Gig Workers</p> <p>The Demand for Social Protection Among Platform Workers (with Josefina Posadas and Matteo Morgandi)</p> <p>Evaluating a Training Program in the Subnational Public Administration (with Marcela Alonso Ferreira)</p>
RESEARCH GRANTS	<p>International mobility grant, Paris School of Economics, 2023</p> <p>Research grant, Paris School of Economics, 2022</p> <p>Full PhD scholarship, French Minister of Higher Education and Research, 2019–22</p>
AWARDS	<p>Young Economist Award (2nd Prize), Inter-American Development Bank, 2024</p>
SCIENTIFIC COMMUNICATION	<p>Scarelli, Thiago, and David N. Margolis. 2025. “Understanding Self-Employment in Brazil: Can People Afford to Search for Jobs?” <i>VoxDev</i>. [link]</p> <p>“The next generation of research: Thiago Scarelli, Carmen Villa, and Duncan Webb interviewed by Tim Phillips.” 2023. <i>VoxEU Podcast</i>. [link]</p>
CONFERENCES AND INVITED SEMINARS	<p>2025</p> <p>RIDGE-LACEA Workshop on Labor, Peru</p> <p>Catalan Economic Society Congress, Spain</p> <p>IFS-UCL-IOE Human Capital and Labor Markets Seminar, UK</p> <p>FEA Applied Economics Seminar, University of São Paulo, Brazil</p> <p>EESP Applied Economics Seminar, Faculdade Getúlio Vargas, Brazil</p> <p>2024</p> <p>Meeting of the European Association of Labor Economists (EALE), Norway</p> <p>Congress of the European Economic Association (EEA-ESEM), Netherlands</p> <p>International Conference on Development Economics (ICDE), France</p> <p>Applied Economics Seminar, University of Valencia, Spain</p> <p>Meeting of the Society of Labor Economists (SOLE), US</p> <p>Télécom Paris Applied Economics Seminar, CREST, France</p>

CONFERENCES AND INVITED SEMINARS (CONT.)	2023 PSE-CEPR Policy Forum, France Applied Economics Seminar, IÉSEG School of Management, France
	2022 Meeting of the European Association of Labor Economists (EALE), Italy International Conference on Development Economics (ICDE), France Journées de Microéconomie Appliquée (JMA), France Meeting of the Society of Labor Economists (SOLE), US
	2020 IZA and World Bank Conference on Jobs and Development, Poland
TEACHING	<p>University of Oxford</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Economics of Developing Countries (undergraduate), 2025 – Quantitative Methods (graduate), 2025 – Development Economics (graduate), 2025 – Microeconomic Theory (graduate), 2024, 25 <p>Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Introduction to Econometrics (undergraduate), 2020, 21, 24 – Statistics (undergraduate), 2019, 22, 23 – Applied Econometrics (graduate), 2020, 21 – Descriptive Statistics (undergraduate), 2020, 21 <p>Sciences Po</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Statistics Applied to Social Sciences (undergraduate), 2020, 21
GRADUATE DISSERTATION SUPERVISION	<p>Irakoze, Chelysea. 2025. “Shadows of Power: An Updated Spatial Perspective of Regional Favouritism.” MSc in Economics for Development. University of Oxford.</p> <p>Kisielevska, Virginia Ballesteros (co-supervised with Sanjay Jain). 2025. “Tax flight or tax flop? Evaluating the Mobility Effects of Decentralised Taxation and Fiscal Competition in Spain.” MPhil in Economics. University of Oxford.</p> <p>Lowe, Alexia. 2025. “Targeting for Success? Assessing the Impact of Gender-targeted Education Interventions on Girls’ School Enrolment in Low-income Countries.” MSc in Economics for Development. University of Oxford.</p> <p>Michael, Jed. 2025. “Good Intentions, Bad Incentives: A Theoretical Framework for Aid and Corruption.” MSc in Economics for Development. University of Oxford.</p> <p>Miranthi, Emily (co-supervised with Sanjay Jain). 2025. “Exploring the Relationship Between Social Norms and the Law: NGO Proximity, TV Exposure, and the Effects of the Domestic Violence Act in Ghana.” MPhil in Economics. University of Oxford.</p> <p>Rothenfusser, Melchor De La Cruz (co-supervised with Sanjay Jain). 2025. “Kids and Cartels: The Effect of Drug Trafficking Organisations on Educational Outcomes in Ecuador.” MPhil in Economics. University of Oxford.</p>

REFeree SERVICE | Journal of International Development; Revue d'économie politique

CONFERENCE SERVICE | CSAE Conference, University of Oxford
Submissions reviewer, 2026

European Association of Young Economists' Meeting, King's College London
Submissions reviewer, 2025

Doctorissimes Conference, Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne
Conference organizer, 2020, 22

LANGUAGES | Full working proficiency in English, French, Spanish, and Portuguese
Intermediate working proficiency in Italian and German

REFERENCES | David N. Margolis
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