# ZACHARY PORRECA

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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

**Bocconi University** 

Post-Doctoral Research Fellow

Spring 2023-present

**Affiliation:** Researcher at CLEAN Research Unit

OTHER AFFILIATIONS

Social Sciences Research Council (SSRC),

from Fall 2024

SSRC-Arnold Ventures Criminal Justice Innovation Fellow

Global Labor Organization (GLO), Fellow

Spring 2024-present

Institute for European Policymaking (IEP@BU), Fellow

Fall 2023-present

**EDUCATION** 

West Virginia University

Doctor of Philosophy, Economics

Spring 2023

Fields: (Public and Urban/Regional Economics)

Master of Arts, Economics

Summer 2022

**Bloomsburg University** 

Bachelor of Arts, Economics

Spring 2020

# **PUBLICATIONS**

"The Right to Counsel: Criminal Prosecution in 19th Century London"

with Bryan McCannon (forthcoming in *Economica*, 2024)

"Bride Kidnapping and Informal Governance Institutions"

(forthcoming in Contemporary Economic Policy, 2024)

"Economics of Criminal Governance"

with Henry Thompson (in Handbook of Labor, Human Resources and Population Economics, 2024)

"Gentrification, Gun Violence, and Drug Markets"

(Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, 2023)

"Synthetic Difference-In-Differences Estimation With Staggered Treatment Timing"

(Economics Letters, 2022)

"Assessing Ocean Temperature's Role in Fishery Production"

(Journal of Bioeconomics, 2021)

## WORKING PAPERS

"Identifying the General Equilibrium Effects of Narcotics Enforcement"

(GLO Discussion Paper No. 1455; BAFFI CAREFIN Centre Research Paper No. 227)

#### OTHER WRITING

"Policy Brief - Inelastic Demand, Rational Consumers, and Drug Policy"

(IEP@BU Policy Brief)

## CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

- 2024 Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management; Southern Economic Association; IBEO: Urban and Regional Economics; Workshop on the Econ of Crime for Junior Scholars; Workshop on the Economics of Organized Crime; Bocconi Summer Crime Workshop; Texas Economics of Crime Workshop
- 2023 Brucchi Luchino Workshop: Southern Economic Association: Bocconi University Summer Crime Workshop; Society of Labor Economists
- 2022 Bocconi University Crime Before Christmas Workshop; Southern Economic Association; Ethics, Law, and Social Science of Self-Defense and Firearms Workshop at Saint Anselm College; Slovak Economic Association; Eastern Economic Association; Institute for Humane Studies GradCon; Association of Private Enterprise Education; Texas Economics of Crime Workshop
- 24Hr Conference on Global Organized Crime; North American Association of Fish-2021 eries Economists

# INVITED SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS (INCLUDING SCHEDULED)

- 2025 City, University of London; University of Southampton
- 2024 Brown University; University of Pavia; Applied Young Economists Webinar; Virtual Crime Economics Seminar Series (ViCE); University of Bari Aldo Moro; University of Bolzano; Young Irish Economists Seminar Series (Trinity College); University of
- 2023 Johannes Kepler University Linz; Masaryk University

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

## West Virginia University

ECON 201: Introductory Microeconomics (Instructor of Record/ Lecturer)	Spring 2023
(Online and asynchronous, 45 hours)	
ECON 225- Elementary Business and Economics Statistics	Fall 2022
(Instructor of Record/ Lecturer, 45 hours)	
ECON 711- Advanced Microeconomic Theory II (Teaching Assistant)	Spring 2022
ECON 701- Advanced Microeconomic Theory I (Teaching Assistant)	Fall 2021
Undergraduate Research Mentor	Summer 2021
Advancing Diversity in Geriatric Research program	
ARE 187- Energy Economics (Teaching Assistant)	Fall 2020

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE- GUEST LECTURES

#### **Brown University**

Crime, Punishment, and Politics- Narcotics Enforcement (Undergraduate level) Fall 2024

# **Bocconi University**

Economics of Crime- Drug Market Disruptions (Masters level) Spring 2024

# University of Sassari

Practical Guide to Difference-in-Differences Designs (	Masters level) Spri	ng 2024
Masaryk University		
Labor Economics- Wage Distribution (Undergraduate Staggered Difference-in-Differences Designs (Masters 2)		ng 2023 ng 2023
TEACHING EXPERIENCE- WORKSHOP		
Center for Free Enterprise Summer Empirical Wo	rkshop	
Text Analysis and Data Basics in R	Sum	mer 2022
University of Sassari and University of Cagliari		
Text Analysis with Economic Applications Workshop	Sp	ring 2022
HONORS, AWARDS, AND GRANTS	•	G
Arnold Ventures Grant (2024)	\$24,670; For organizing a small	l worksho
Institute for Humane Studies Grant (2024)	Short Term Residency Grant,	\$3600
Institute for Humane Studies Grant (2024)	Hayek Fund, \$1000	
ICLE Law & Economics Fellow (2024)	\$2500	
Institute for Humane Studies Grant (2023)	Hayek Fund, \$750	
Institute for Humane Studies Fellowship (2023)	Summer Research Fellowship, \$6000	
Mercatus Center Fellowship (2022)	Oskar Morgenstern Fellow, \$2500	
Institute for Humane Studies Fellowship (2022)	Publication Accelerator Grant	, \$5000
APEE Young Scholars Program (2022)		
Center for Free Enterprise Grant (2021)	\$800	
Institute for Humane Studies Fellowship (2021)	Daniel Searle Fellow, \$2500	
Phi Kappa Phi Graduate Fellowship (2020)	\$8500	
Adam Smith Award in Economics (2020)	Bloomsburg University award	
Margaret Minner Memorial Scholarship (2019)		
INVITED EVENTS AS A PARTICIPANT		
Partnering to Transform Corrections Culture in N	orth Dakota Sur	nmer 202

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Partnering to Transform Corrections Culture in North Dakota	Summer 2024	
Dondenna- Cornell Gathering	Summer 2024	
Institute for Humane Studies: Economic and Human Costs of Incarcer Discussion	Spring 2024	
Institute for Humane Studies: Policing Reform Research Discussion	Fall 2023	
University of Michigan CJARS Training Workshop	Fall 2023	
International Center for Law and Economics: Big Ideas Workshop on the Economics of Information $ {\rm Fall} \ 2023 $		
Institute for Humane Studies Summer Seminar Series	Summer 2022	
American Institute for Economic Research  Harwood Graduate Colloquium	Spring 2022	

# VISITING PERIODS

Brown University PPE Center in Providence, Rhode Island, USA (Fall 2024); University of Sassari in Sardegna, Italy (Spring 2024); Masaryk University in Brno, Czech Republic (Spring 2023)

## SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Journal Referee Applied Economics; Advances in Applied Sociology; Contemporary Eco-

nomic Policy; Crime & Delinquency; Economic Inquiry; Journal of Regional Analysis and Policy; Management Science; Marine Resource Eco-

nomics; Public Choice; Southern Economic Journal

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R Package Author "staggeredSynthDid", Staggered treatment timing for Synthetic DiD; "lp-

did", Local Projections DiD Estimator, w/ Alex Cardazzi

Conference Session Or-

ganizer

Southern Economic Association Conference 2024 (4 sessions)

Workshop Organizer Workshop on the Impacts of the Opiate Epidemic (Fall 2024)

## MEMBERSHIPS (PAST AND PRESENT)

American Economic Association, Eastern Economic Association, Association of Private Enterprise Education, Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, North American Association of Fisheries Economists, Southern Economics Association, Western Economics Association,

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

R, Julia, LATEX, Textual Analysis, Spatial Analysis, Causal Inference, High Performance Computing

### REFERENCES

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Dr. Analisa Packham	Vanderbilt University	analisa.packham@vanderbilt.edu
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