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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),
SSRC-Arnold Ventures Criminal Justice Innovation Fellow**

from Fall 2024

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

“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)

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

with Bryan McCannon (Revisions Requested at *Economica*)

“Bride Kidnapping and Informal Governance Institutions” (GLO Discussion Paper No. 1391)

(Revisions Requested at *Contemporary Economic Policy*)

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; Workshop on the Econ of Crime for Junior Scholars; IBEO: Urban and Regional Economics; Workshop on the Economics of Organized Crime; Texas Economics of Crime Workshop; Bocconi Summer 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; Association of Private Enterprise Education; Texas Economics of Crime Workshop
- 2021** 24Hr Conference on Global Organized Crime; North American Association of Fisheries Economists

INVITED SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

- 2024** Virtual Crime Economics Seminar Series; University of Sassari; University of Bolzano; Young Irish Economists Seminar Series (Trinity College); University of Bari Aldo Moro
- 2023** Johannes Kepler University Linz; Masaryk University

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

West Virginia University

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

TEACHING EXPERIENCE- GUEST LECTURES

Bocconi University

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

Practical Guide to Difference-in-Differences Designs (Masters level)	Spring 2024
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Masaryk University

Labor Economics- Wage Distribution (Undergraduate level)	Spring 2023
Staggered Difference-in-Differences Designs (Masters level)	Spring 2023

TEACHING EXPERIENCE- WORKSHOP

Center for Free Enterprise Summer Empirical Workshop

Text Analysis and Data Basics in R

Summer 2022

University of Sassari and University of Cagliari

Text Analysis with Economic Applications Workshop

Spring 2022

HONORS, AWARDS, AND GRANTS

Arnold Ventures Grant (2024)	\$24,670; For organizing a small workshop
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 North Dakota	Summer 2024
Dondenna- Cornell Gathering	Summer 2024
Institute for Humane Studies: Economic and Human Costs of Incarceration Research 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	Fall 2023
Institute for Humane Studies Summer Seminar Series	Summer 2022
American Institute for Economic Research <i>Harwood Graduate Colloquium</i>	Spring 2022

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Journal Referee	<i>Applied Economics; Advances in Applied Sociology; Contemporary Economic Policy; Crime & Delinquency Economic Inquiry; Journal of Regional Analysis and Policy; Management Science; Marine Resource Economics; Public Choice; Southern Economic Journal</i>
R Package Contributor	In bacondecomp package, implementation of fixest::feols processes
R Package Author	“staggeredSynthDid”, Staggered treatment timing for Synthetic DiD “lpdid”, Local Projections DiD Estimator, w/ Alex Cardazzi
Conference Session Organizer	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, L^AT_EX, Textual Analysis, Spatial Analysis, Causal Inference, High Performance Computing

REFERENCES

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