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Professional Positions

2024-present, Assistant Professor of Economics, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona and BSE.

Education

2019-24 PhD in Political Science, London School of Economics.

2017-18 MSc Political Science and Political Economy, London School of Economics.

2014-17 BSc Economics and Statistics, University College London.

Research Interests

Political Economy, Information Economics.

Working Papers

“Segment-and-Rule: Modern Censorship in Authoritarian Regimes” with Kun Heo.

“Censorship in Large Societies” with Kun Heo.

“From Elite to Mass: Repression and Purges in Authoritarian Regimes” with Stephane Wolton.

“The Case for Lobbying Transparency”. Conditionally Accepted at *GEB*.

Publications

“The Taxing Challenges of the State: Unveiling the Role of Fiscal & Administrative Capacity in Development” with Federica Braccioli, Esteban Muñoz-Sobrado and Amedeo Piolatto. *Cesifo Economic Studies*, 2024.

Fellowships and Awards

Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models Fellowship NSF (2023)

Formal Theory and Comparative Politics Attendance Scholarship (Harvard 2022, Rochester 2023)

LSE Overseas Institutional Visit Award (2021)

Harold Laski Prize for the best overall performance in the MRes in Political Science (2020)

ESRC Doctoral Training Partnership Studentship (2019-2024)

Teaching

Graduate

2025, Microeconomics I (UAB Economics MRes, Instructor)

Undergraduate

2024, 2025, Mathematics 1 (UAB, Instructor)

2020-21, 2023-24 GV225 Public Choice (LSE, TA for Torun Dewan)

Summer School

2022 EC260 Political Economy (LSE, TA for Torun Dewan and Valentino Larcinese)

Presentations

2025 Escuela Politécnica Nacional (Quito), Universidad de los Andes (Bogota), SWET Paris.

2024 Università di Bologna, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Economics of Media Bias (Cologne), BSE Summer Forum (Public Economics), IEB Universitat de Barcelona.

2023 LSE PSPE WiP, NYU Political Economy, NYU PIPER, EEPGW, VFTW, EITM, Columbia Political Economy Colloquium, MPSA, LSE-NYU Conference, Formal Models of Comparative Politics, EPSA, EEA, PSE Economic Theory, Oxford DPIR, Università Cattolica PE, Bruneck PE.

2022 NYU Political Economy, NYU Comparative Politics, NYU PIPER, VFTW, MPSA, Formal Models of Comparative Politics, EPSA.

2021 LSE PSPE WiP, NYU Political Economy, University of Nottingham Picturing Politics.

Academic Activity

Disciplinary Service

2023 LSE Young Theorists Conference: Organizer

2020 LSE PSPE WiP : Organizer

2018 LSE PSPE MSc Summer Seminar: Organizer

Research Assistant

2020, 2021 for Torun Dewan (LSE)

2018 for Dominik Hangartner (ETH) & Stephane Wolton (LSE)

Reviewer

Scandinavian Journal of Economics, European Economic Review, Quarterly Journal of Political Science, Comparative Political Studies, Political Science Research and Methods, Journal of Theoretical Politics.

Skills

Languages: French (native), English (fluent), Spanish (intermediate).

Software: R, L^AT_EX, Stata.

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