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EMPLOYMENT

Professor of Economics, University College London	October 2009
Associate Professor (Reader) of Economics, University College London	October 2007
Assistant Professor (Lecturer) of Economics, University College London	July 2005
Assistant Professor, University of Chicago Graduate School of Business	September 2002
Tutorial Fellow, London School of Economics	September 2000

Director, ESRC Institute for the Microeconomic Analysis of Public Policy [[Link](#)].

Research Director, Institute for Fiscal Studies [[Link](#)].

Co-director, James M. and Cathleen D. Stone Centre on Wealth Concentration, Inequality and the Economy, at UCL Economics [[Link](#)].

EDUCATION

PhD Economics, London School of Economics (2003)
Thesis title: Non-contractabilities in the Household - Theory and Evidence
Principal Advisor: Professor Timothy Besley

M.Phil. Economics, Oxford University (1997)
B.Sc. Economics, London School of Economics (1995)

FIELDS OF INTEREST

Labor economics
Development economics
Public economics

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PUBLICATIONS

Race-related Research in Economics, joint with Arun Advani (Warwick), Elliott Ash (ETH Zurich), Anton Boltachka (ETH Zurich) and David Cai (LSE), accepted, *Economica*.

Safe Spaces for Teenage Girls in a Time of Crisis, joint with Oriana Bandiera (LSE), Niklas Buehren (World Bank), Markus Goldstein (World Bank) and Andrea Smurra (UCL), forthcoming, *Journal of the European Economic Association*.

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Measuring the Market Size for Cannabis: A New Approach Using Forensic Economics, joint with Matthias Parey (Essex), *Economica*, Vol. 88, 297-338, April 2021.

Tackling Youth Unemployment: Evidence from a Labor Market Experiment in Uganda, joint with Livia Alfonsi (BRAC), Oriana Bandiera (LSE), Vittorio Bassi (USC), Robin Burgess (LSE), Munshi Sulaiman (BRAC and StC) and Anna Vitali (UCL), *Econometrica*, Vol. 88, 2369-414, November 2020.

The Economics of Viral Outbreaks, *American Economic Association, Papers and Proceedings*, May 2020, 110: 265-68.

Women's Empowerment in Action: Evidence from a Randomized Control Trial in Africa, joint with Oriana Bandiera (LSE), Niklas Buehren (World Bank), Robin Burgess (LSE), Markus Goldstein (World Bank), Selim Gulesci (Bocconi) and Munshi Sulaiman (Save the Children), *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics* Vol. 12: 210-59, January 2020.

Nation-Building Through Compulsory Schooling During the Age of Mass Migration, joint with Oriana Bandiera (LSE), Myra Mohnen (UCL) and Martina Viarengo (Geneva), *Economic Journal*, January 2019, Vol. 129, 62-109.

Consumption and Investment in Resource Pooling Family Networks, joint with Manuela Angelucci (Michigan) and Giacomo De Giorgi (FRBNY), *Economic Journal*, November 2018, Vol. 128, 2613-51.

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Persuasion: A Case Study of Papal Influences on Fertility-Related Beliefs and Behavior, joint with Vittorio Bassi (UCL and IFS), *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, October 2017, Vol. 9: 250-302.

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Extrinsic and Intrinsic Motivations for Tax Compliance: Evidence from a Field Experiment in Germany, joint with Nadja Dwenger (Max Planck Institute for Tax Law and Public Finance), Henrik Kleven (LSE) and Johannes Rincke (University of Erlangen-Nuremberg), *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*, August 2016, Vol 8: 1–31.

Paper awarded the *Schmölders Prize, Verein für Socialpolitik* (Association of economists in Austria, Germany, and Switzerland).

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Comparing Charitable Fundraising Schemes: Evidence from a Natural Field Experiment and a Structural Model, joint with Steffen Huck (UCL) and Andrew Shephard (UPenn), *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*, May 2015, Vol. 7: 326-69.

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Policing Cannabis and Drug Related Hospital Admissions: Evidence from Administrative Records, joint with Elaine Kelly (IFS), *Journal of Public Economics*, April 2014, Vol. 112: 89-114.

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Incentives for Managers and Inequality Among Workers: Evidence From a Firm Level Experiment, joint with Oriana Bandiera (LSE) and Iwan Barankay (Essex), *Quarterly Journal of Economics*. May 2007, Vol. 122: 729-75.

Marriage Markets and Divorce Laws, *Journal of Law, Economics and Organization*, November 2006, Vol. 22: 30-69.

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The Economics of Child Custody, *Economica*, February 2006, 73, pp 1-25. [Lead article]

The Evolution of Cooperative Norms: Evidence From a Natural Field Experiment, joint with Oriana Bandiera (LSE), Iwan Barankay (Essex), *Berkeley Electronic Journal of Economic Policy and Analysis: Advances*, 2006, 6, pp 1-28, (special issue on field experiments edited by John List). [Lead article]

Social Preferences and the Response to Incentives: Evidence From Personnel Data, joint with Oriana Bandiera (LSE) and Iwan Barankay (Essex), *Quarterly Journal of Economics* August 2005, 120, pp 917-62.

Cooperation in Collective Action, joint with Oriana Bandiera (LSE) and Iwan Barankay (Essex), *Economics of Transition*, July 2005, 13, pp 473-98, (special issue on institutions and economic performance)

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Impacts of Pro-poor Transfers on Perceptions, Mindsets, Political Views and Participation of the Rich and Poor, joint with Adnan.Q.Khan (LSE), Nicolas Cerkez (UCL) and Anam Schoaib (CERP).

Firm Responses to Uncertainty and Implications for Workers: Experimental Evidence from Uganda During the Pandemic, joint with Livia Alfonsi (Harvard Business School), Vittorio Bassi (USC) and Elena Spadini (UCL).

Ideas Generation in Hierarchical Bureaucracies: Evidence from a Field Experiment and Qualitative Data, joint with Margherita Fornasari (World Bank), Daniel Rogger (World Bank) and Martin J.Williams (Michigan).

Majority Perceptions of Minority Groups: Economic Inequalities, Their Causes, and Policy Solutions, joint with Lucinda Platt (LSE) and Pratyush Tiwari (UCL and IFS).

Accelerating Birth Timing to Access Cash Transfers? Evidence from Households in Extreme Poverty, joint with Pedro Carneiro (UCL), Lucy Kraftman (IoE), Francesca Salvati (Essex) and Molly Scott (Cabinet Office), revisions requested, *Journal of Health Economics*.

Legacies of Conflict: Self-efficacy and the Formation of Conditional Trust, joint with Niklas Buehren (World Bank), Markus Goldstein (World Bank) and Andrea Smurra (UCL), revised and resubmitted (second round), *Journal of Political Economy: Micro*.

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Field Experiments in Labor Economics, joint with John A.List, Chapter 2 in *Handbook of Labor Economics* Volume 4a, O. Ashenfelter and D. Card (editors), Elsevier, 2011, pp104-228.

Extended Family Networks in Rural Mexico: A Descriptive Analysis, joint with Manuela Angelucci (Arizona), Giacomo De Giorgi (Stanford), and Marcos Rangel (Chicago), *Institutional Microeconomics of Development*, edited by Timothy Besley and Raji Jayaraman, Cambridge: MIT Press, 2010, pp175-210.

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Your Choice: A Cluster Randomised Controlled Trial of a CBT-Informed Violence Reduction Programme Pilot Trial (Interim Findings), joint with Sarah Cattan, Monica Costa-Dias, Julian Edbrooke-Childs, Jenna Jacob, Angelika Labno, Yann Lopez, Tasnim Nodee, Harriet Olorenshaw, Emily Orchard and Emily Stapley, October 2023. [[Link](#)] [[LIIA Summary](#)]

The Geographic Impact of the Pandemic on Household Spending, joint with Alex Davenport, Robert Joyce, Kate Ogden, David Phillips Tom Waters, *IFS Briefing Note*, December 2020. [[Link](#)]

Spending and Saving During the COVID-19 Crisis: Evidence from Bank Account Data, joint with Alex Davenport, Robert Joyce and Tom Waters, *IFS Briefing Note*, October 2020. [[Link](#)] [[Coverage](#)]

Income Protection Policy During COVID-19: Evidence from Bank Account Data, joint with Isaac Delestre, Robert Joyce and Tom Waters, *IFS Briefing Note*, September 2020. [[Link](#)]

The Effects of Coronavirus on Household Finances and Financial Distress, joint with Pascale Bourquin, Isaac Delestre, Robert Joyce and Tom Waters, *IFS Briefing Note*, June 2020. [[Link](#)] [[Coverage](#)]

The Geography of the COVID-19 Crisis in England, joint with Alexander Davenport, Christine Farquharson, Luke Sibieta and George Stoye, *Deaton Inequalities Review Paper*, June 2020. [[Link](#)] [[Podcast](#)] [[Coverage](#)] [[Reprinted Version on Royal Geographic Society Blog](#)]

Differences Between Key Workers, joint with Christine Farquharson and Luke Sibieta, *IFS Briefing Note*, April 2020. [[Link](#)]

Keeping Key Workers Working: The Role of Pre-School Childcare, joint with Christine Farquharson and Luke Sibieta, *IFS Observation*, April 2020. [[Link](#)]

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Cognitive and Non-cognitive Impacts of High Ability Peers in Early Years, joint with Christopher Belfield (IFS), *Fiscal Studies*, Special Issue: 50th Anniversary of IFS Part 2, May 2020, Vol. 41: 65-100. [[Link](#)]

Reducing Risky Behaviours Through the Provision of Information, joint with Haroon Chowdry (IFS) and Elaine Kelly (IFS), CUBeC report for Department of Education, March 2013

Tax and Benefit Policy: Insights from Behavioural Economics, joint with Andrew Leicester and Peter Levell, IFS Commentary C125, July 2012. [[Link](#)]

Behavioural Economics and Tax Reform, joint with Andrew Leicester and Peter Levell, IFS Observation, July 2012. [[Link](#)]

Understanding School Financial Decisions, joint with Rebecca Allen (IoE), Simon Burgess (Bristol) and Leigh McKenna (Bristol), Department for Education Research Report DFE-RR183, April 2012.

IGC POLICY PAPERS AND OUTPUTS

Vocational Training, On-the-job training, and Resilience to the COVID-19 Shock, joint with Livia Alfonsi (Berkeley), Oriana Bandiera (LSE), Vittorio Bassi (USC), Robin Burgess (LSE) and Anna Vitali (UCL), IGC Working Paper F-20272-UGA-1, March 2021. [[Link](#)]

What Happens After the Lockdown Ends? Lessons from the 2015 Ebola Epidemic in Sierra Leone, IGC Blog Post, May 2020. [[Link](#)]

From Zika to COVID-19: Can we Learn Lessons Across Pandemics?, IGC Blog Post, April 2020. [[Link](#)]

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Hitting Beyond the Target: How Early Childhood Interventions Benefit Siblings, VoxDev, joint with Pedro Carneiro (UCL) and Francesca Salvati (Essex), July 2023. [[Link](#)]

Looking for Work: Evidence from the Ugandan Labour Market, VoxDev Podcast, joint with Anna Vitali (UCL), November 2021. [[Link](#)]

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Tackling Youth Unemployment: Vocational Training versus Apprenticeships, VoxDev Article, joint with Oriana Bandiera (LSE), Vittorio Bassi (USC), Robin Burgess (LSE), Munshu Sulaiman (BRAC and StC) and Anna Vitali (UCL), February 2018. [[Link](#)]

Autonomy, Incentives, and the Effectiveness of Bureaucrats, VoxDev Article, joint with Daniel Rogger (World Bank) and Martin.J.Williams (BSG, Oxford), September 2017. [[Link](#)]

Labor Markets and Poverty in Village Economies, VoxDev Article, joint with Oriana Bandiera (LSE) and Robin Burgess (LSE), July 2017. [[Link](#)]

OTHER POLICY PAPERS AND OUTPUTS

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Economics and the Study of Race, joint with Arun Advani (Warwick), Elliott Ash (ETH Zurich) and David Cai (ETH Zurich), VoxEU, May 2021. [[Link](#)]

The Gender Composition of Submissions to JEEA 2019-2020, Report Prepared for the EEA Executive Committee, March 2021. [[Link](#)]

CERP Podcast on the Impacts of School Closures on Young Girls During an Epidemic, August 2020. [[Podcast](#)]

Who Complies with Social Distancing Measures in the Pandemic? joint with Paola Giuliano, *Economics Observatory Article*, August 2020. [[Link](#)]

How Did 9/11 Affect Sentencing Outcomes Across Groups in the US Criminal Justice System?, joint with Brendon McConnell, *British Academy Turning Points Blog*, July 2020. [[Link](#)]

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Compliance with Social Distancing During the Covid-19 Crisis, joint with Paola Giuliano (UCLA), *VoxEU*, June 2020 [[Link](#)]

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Lessons from Sierra Leone's Ebola Pandemic on the Impact of School Closures on Girls, *The Conversation*, May 2020 [[Link](#)]

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Sustainable Impact on Girls' Lives : Skills Development Programs for Adolescent Girls, World Bank, Africa Gender Policy Briefs, May 2017. [[Link](#)]

Evaluation of the Child Development Grant Programme, Baseline Report, joint with Pedro Carneiro, Giacomo Mason and Lucie Moore, Prepared for DfID, August 2015.

Managing Bureaucrats, joint with Daniel Rogger (UCL and IFS), VoxEU, November 2013.

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Decriminalizing Cannabis: The Impact on Crime, VoxEU, October 2010. [[Video](#)] [[Link](#)]

The Impact of Class Size on the Performance of University Students with Oriana Bandiera (LSE), and Valentino Larcinese (LSE), VoxEU, January 2010. [[Link](#)]

Benchmarking Government Social Safety Nets Spending, joint with Timothy Besley and Robin Burgess, framework paper for Social Protection Division, World Bank, August 2003.

REFEREEING ACTIVITIES AND JOURNAL INVOLVEMENT

American Economic Journal: Applied Economics; American Economic Journal: Economic Policy; American Economic Review; American Economic Review: Insights; Berkeley Electronic Journals; Econometrica; Economica; Economic Journal; Economics Letters; Economics of Transition; Experimental Economics; Fiscal Studies; Industrial Relations; International Economic Review; Journal of African Economies; Journal of Applied Econometrics; Journal of Development Economics; Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization; Journal of Economic Literature; Journal of Economic Theory; Journal of the European Economic Association; Journal of Finance; Journal of Health Economics; Journal of Labor Economics; Journal of Law and Economics; Journal of Law, Economics and Organization; Journal of Political Economy; Journal of Public Economics; Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics; Oxford Economic Papers; Quarterly Journal of Economics; Review of Economics and Statistics; Review of Economic Studies; Review of Labour Economics and Industrial Relations; Science; Social Science and Medicine; World Development.

Agricultural Technology Adoption Initiative (ATAI) Grants; British Academy Grants (various); ERC Starting Grants Evaluation Panel SH1: Individuals and Organizations (European Union); Economic and Social Research Council; J-PAL PPE Review Board; J-PAL Crime and Violence Initiative Review Board; J-PAL Jobs and Opportunity Initiative Review Board; Leverhulme; Medical Research Council; National Science Foundation; Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO); Nuffield Foundation; PEDL Major Grants; Royal Swedish Academy of Letters, History and Antiquities; Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada; Templeton Foundation; US-Israel Binational Science Foundation; Panel Member, National Academies Resilient Futures Challenge-led Grants of the Royal Society; Royal Anniversary Trust, Queen Elizabeth Prizes for Education.

Lead Editor, Economics Observatory, 2020-1 [[Website](#)]
Managing Editor, Journal of the European Economic Association, 2019-22
Co-Editor, Journal of the European Economic Association, 2016-18
Co-Editor, Review of Economic Studies, 2009-13

Associate Editor, Journal of Economic Perspectives, 2024-7
Director, Review of Economic Studies, 2014-2018
Editorial Board, Review of Economic Studies, 2006-17
Editorial Board, American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, 2007-9

DEPARTMENTAL PUBLIC SERVICE

Co-organizer, IFS/UCL/IoE Human Capital and Labour Markets WIP Seminar, 2023-
Co-organizer, IFS/UCL/LSE/STICERD Development Economics WIP Seminar, 2020-
Co-organizer CREAM Applications of Economics Seminar Series, 2017-24
Graduate Tutor, UCL Department of Economics, 2008-16
ENTER Director, UCL Department of Economics, 2010-16
M.Sc. Environmental and Resource Economics Program Director, 2008
Co-organizer STICERD/UCL Development and Growth Seminar Series, 2006-14

OTHER PUBLIC SERVICE

President 2025/6, [Royal Economic Society](#)

[EEA](#) President-Elect in 2025, and President in 2026

Co-President, Bureau for Research and Economic Analysis of Development ([BREAD](#)), July 2023-27

IFS Deaton Review on Inequality, Panel Member 2019-24. [\[Link\]](#)

Programme Co-Chair, European Meeting of the Econometric Society, 2017

Programme Chair, Royal Economic Society Conference, 2013

Programme Committee, THRIVE Conference, 2025; Programme Chair, CEPR/BREAD/TCD/UCL/IFS Workshop in Development Economics 2022; Scientific Committee Member, 6th, 7th, 9th, 10th and 11th Migration and Development Conferences, 2013-18; Scientific Program Committee, Annual European Meeting of the Econometrics Society, Geneva 2016; Scientific Program Committee, Annual Meeting of the European Economic Association, Geneva 2016; JPAL Field Trials in Labor Economics Conference, Paris 2015; Programme Committee for the Annual Meeting of the European Economic Association (EEA) 2015; Program Committee for the Econometric Society European Meeting 2014, 2016, 2017; Scientific Committee Member, Norface Conference on Migration: Global Development, New Frontiers, 2013; Royal Economic Society Conference, Special Session Organized on the Economics of Illegal Markets, 2012; EEA Congress Programme Committee, 2012-13; Econometrics and Empirical Economics (EEE) Programme Committee of the Econometric Society European Meetings (ESEM), 2011; UCL Leverhulme Symposium on Population Footprints, Programme Committee, 2011; SOLE Programme Committee, 2010; RES Job Market Conference Committee Member, 2007; RES Conference Committee Member 2006-2007.

Advisory Board of the UBS Center for Economics in Society at the Department of Economics of the University of Zurich 2021- [\[Link\]](#)

Co-organizer, CREAM/IFS workshop on Inequality, Race and Immigration 2020 [\[Link\]](#)

Organizer, Symposium on Covid-19, EEA Congress 2020 [\[Video\]](#)

Co-organizer, IGC/Stanford Firms, Trade and Development Workshop 2020, 2021, 2022 [\[Link\]](#)

Co-organizer, CEPR Labour-IGC Entrepreneurship Joint Workshop 2017

Organizer, PEPA/CEMMAP Masterclass and Workshop on Social Networks 2014

Co-organizer, IFS PhD Scholars Conference 2013

Member, Civil Justice Council, Data Working Group 2024-

Research Programme Director 2009-22, Firms Portfolio, at the International Growth Centre [\[Link\]](#).

Member, European IGM Economic Experts Panel 2020-

Member, Academic Advisory Group (AAG), Data First project, Ministry of Justice and ADR UK, 2020-

Women and Equalities Select Committee Hearing, May 2020 [\[Video\]](#)

Royal Economic Society, Council Member 2018-2023, Council Representative on the Executive Committee 2018-23, Council Representative on the Trustee Board 2021-3, Publications Committee Chair 2018-21.

Commission on the Realignment of Child Health for the SDG Era Planning Meeting, WHO, 2018.

Academic Member, Cross-Government Trial Advice Panel, Cabinet Office, 2015-9

Steering Committee Member, Strengthening Research on the Civil Service, World Bank, 2015-

Academic Panel, Growth Vouchers Scheme, BIS/Cabinet Office, 2013-8

Member, Council of the European Economic Association, 2012-2016

ESRC Peer Review College, 2010-2019

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT/KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER TALKS

Bright Club at Kew Gardens October 2014; UCL Academy, Camden October 2014; Royal Grammar School, High Wycombe January 2015; Cambridge Society for Economic Pluralism February 2015; UCL Lunchtime Research Grants Seminar July 2015; Panels on Journal Publishing for Junior Researchers (BREAD Conference at Stanford, May 2017; ESRC Conference, June 2017, EEA Conference, August 2017); DFID Workshop on Fostering Enterprises in Low-income Countries, September 2017; BRAC USA, March 2018; Economist's Society Event, November 2018; Widening Participation Event at Economics Challenge, March 2019; Explore Economics UC, March 2019; Kings College PhD Student Talk on Empirical Methods, March 2019; LSESU Sen Club, November 2019; University College School (UCS) November 2019; Economist's Society UCL, January 2020; RES Session at EJM Rotterdam on Publishing in Economics, January 2020; Workshop at the Center for Global Development on International Women's Day, March 2020; British Academy Summer Showcase, June 2020; DWP Labour Markets Division August 2020; UCL Health of the Public Launch, September 2020; Publishing Experiments in the Top General Interest Journals Panel, Advances with Field Experiments Conference, September 2020; BRAC USA, October 2020; Bristol Festival of Economics, November 2020; PPAF-PIDE Poverty Graduation Webinar, February 2021; Sen Club Talk, LSE Economics Society, March 2023; UCL CSSD Annual Debate, July 2023; LSE Black History Month Talk, October 2023; Oxford Economics Society, January 2024; Cambridge Marshall Society, February 2024; LSE Economics Society Symposium, February 2024; RES Diversity Conference on Inclusion, Culture and Belonging in Economics, April 2024; British Academy ERC Starting Grant Webinar, September 2024; UCL/Resolution Foundation Workshop on Structural Inequality, November 2024 [[Podcast](#)]; Association of Police and Crime Commissioners and the National Police Chiefs' Council Partnership Summit, November 2024; IFS & UCL Policy Lab Roundtable on Ethnic Inequalities, November 2024; UCL Economic Tribune Society, January 2025; Cambridge Marshall Society, January 2025; LSE Sen Club, January 2025; Surrey Police Conference, April 2025; Data First Showcase, June 2025; Econometric Society World Congress Invited Session on Editorial Advice, August 2025.

Richtopia List, Top 100 Most Influential Economists 2020 (#97) [[Link](#)]

Get to Know Your Professor, UCL Economist's Society 2020 [[Video](#)]

British Academy, Leaders in SHAPE series, 2021 [[Video](#)]

UPSIGN's 2022/23 list of 75 Notable British Pakistani Academics, Trainers and Teachers [[Link](#)]

PHD THESIS EXAMINATION

Bocconi; Cambridge; Ecole Polytechnique (2); EUI; LSE (2); PSE (2); Oxford; UCL (7); Sussex; Warwick.

TEACHING

Graduate Development Economics, UCL

Most Recent Teaching Evaluation Grade (overall students' satisfaction with the course):

Graduate Development Economics 2019/20: 4.60 out of 5

UCL Student Choice Teaching Award 2019: Brilliant Research Based Education (nominated)

IZA/FCDO ONLINE Short Course on Research Skills for Sub-Saharan Africa [[Link](#)]

GRADUATE STUDENTS ADVISED AND FIRST PLACEMENT

AS PRIMARY ADVISOR

Expected 2028	Pratyush Tiwari	
Expected 2028	Joost Sijthoff	
Expected 2026	Arthur Laroche	
Expected 2026	Imran Tahir	
Expected 2025	Hikaru Kawarazaki	
Expected 2025	Davide Zufacci	
2024	Nicolas Cerkez	Oxford, Department of International Development
2023	Andrea Smurra	Institute for Fiscal Studies
2023	Anna Vitali	NYU
2022	Laura van der Erve	Oxford Policy Management
2020	Guillermo Uriz-Uharte	Compass Lexecon
2019	Alejandro Estefan	Notre Dame, Keough School
2017	Vittorio Bassi	USC
2017	Arun Advani	Warwick
2016	Laura Litvine	Behavioural Insights Team
2015	Brendon McConnell	Southampton
2014	Daniel Rogger	World Bank
2014	Marieke Schnabel	Private Sector (Geomatic, Denmark)
2014	Joao Montalvao Machado	World Bank
2013	Niklas Buehren	World Bank
2011	Abhishek Chakravarty	Essex
2011	Elaine Kelly	Institute for Fiscal Studies

AS SECONDARY ADVISOR

Expected 2027	Xiaowei Xu	
2024	Ivan Olsak	Department for Education
2023	Livia Alfonsi (Berkeley)	Harvard Business School
2021	Michele Giannola	Naples
2018	Ines Black (IDEA-UAB)	Duke, Fuqua School of Business
2016	Myra Mohnen	Essex
2016	Bansi Malde	Kent
2009	Nithin Umapathi	World Bank Young Professionals Program
2007	Mare Sare	University of Cape Town
2006	Pierre-Emmanuel Ly	Williams College

HONORS, MAJOR GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

2025	ESRC Institute for the Microeconomic Analysis of Public Policy at IFS [£11mn; PI]
2024	Nuffield Foundation: Transforming Justice: The Interplay of Social Change and Policy Reforms [£2.5mn; PI]
2024	Rockwool Grant: Skills Mismatch in the Labor Market [£570,000; PI]
2023	ESRC Large Grant: Economic Opportunities by Race and Ethnicity in the UK [£2.5mn; PI]
2023	Ta-Chung Liu Distinguished Visitor, University of Chicago BFI
2023	Elected Fellow, Academy of Social Sciences
2022	Youth Endowment Fund: Your Choice Evaluation at IFS [£1.17mn; PI]
2020	GCRF: COVID-19, Firm Dynamics and Market Structure in Urban Uganda [£78,000; PI]
2020	ESRC: Machine Learning Methods for Studying the Trajectories of Young Offenders in Administrative Data [£200,000; PI]
2020	Appointed an Officer of the Order of the British Empire, for Services to Social Sciences, Queen's Birthday Honours
2020	Elected Fellow, Econometric Society
2020	PEDL: COVID-19, Firm Dynamics and Market Structure in Urban Uganda [£29,000; PI]
2020	ESRC Institute for the Microeconomic Analysis of Public Policy at IFS [£9.7mn; Co-I]
2020	Standard Life Research Grant: Monitoring Personal Finances through the COVID-19 Crisis Using Real Time Bank Account Data [£90,000; Co-I]
2019	Elected Fellow, British Academy
2019	Yrjö Jahnsson Award in Economics (received jointly with Oriana Bandiera), awarded to a European economist no older than 45 years old who has made a contribution in theoretical and applied research that is significant to economics in Europe [YJ Lecture]
2019	UCL GCRF Grant: Empowering Women in a Time of Crisis: Evidence from a Field Experiment During the Ebola Crisis in Sierra Leone, [£100,000; PI]
2018	IGC Grant: The Long-term Impact of Vocational Training and Job Search Assistance for Unemployed Youth: Evidence from a Field Experiment in Uganda [£10,000; PI]
2017	Fellow, European Economic Association
2017	World Bank i2i Implementation Grant: Civil Service Reform in Ghana [\$100,000; CI]
2017	British Academy Early Childhood Development Programme: Intergenerational Impacts of Asset Transfers in Bangladesh [£330,000; Co-I]
2017	British Academy Mid-Career Fellowship
2017	Economic Development and Institutions (EDI) Grant: Training for Productivity: An Experimental Evaluation of Civil Service Reform in Ghana [£100,000; Co-I]
2017	IGC Grant: Training For Productivity: An Experimental Evaluation of Civil Service Reform in Ghana [£100,000; PI]
2017	British Academy: GCRF Sustainable Development Programme Additional Funding [£18,000; PI]
2017	UCL Laidlaw Scholarship Project Supervisor [£10,000]
2016	IGC Grant: Training for Productivity: Relaxing the Constraints to Management and Productivity in the Civil Service [£9,000; PI]
2016	British Academy: GCRF Sustainable Development Programme [£341,000; PI]
2016	World Bank i2i: Improving Bureaucratic Information in the Civil Service of Pakistan [\$150,000; Co-I]
2016	IGC Grant: Training for Productivity: Relaxing the Constraints to Management and Productivity in the Civil Service [£10,000; PI]
2016	IGC Grant: The Design of Anti-Poverty Transfers to the Ultra-Poor: Asset Transfers or Cash Transfers? [£167,000; PI]
2016	Distinguished Visitor, Boston University
2015	ESRC Grant: Centre for the Microeconomic Analysis of Public Policy at the Institute for Fiscal Studies [£7.4mn; Co-Director]

- 2015** IGC Grant: Researching the Impact of Manager Characteristics in Bureaucracies [£20,000; PI]
- 2015** IGC Grant: How did Ebola Impact the Economic Lives of Adolescent Girls in Sierra Leone? [£50,000; PI]
- 2015** IGC Grant: The Effectiveness of Government Bureaucracy: A Study of the Ghanaian Civil Service [£150,000; PI]
- 2015** World Bank Grant: PPAF-CERP Project on In Kind versus Asset Transfers, Pakistan [\$250,000; PI]
- 2015** J-PAL Post Primary Education and Youth Initiatives Grant: Empowering Adolescent Girls: Evidence from a Randomized Control Trial in Sierra Leone [£150,000; PI]
- 2014** GLM/LIC Grant: Asymmetric Information on the Skills of Workers and Matching in the Labor Market: Evidence from Uganda [£157,000; PI]
- 2013** Deutsche Bahn Prize for Outstanding Research in Organisation and Management (joint with Daniel Rogger), Prize Committee: A.Banerjee, G.Friebel and R.Gibbons.
- 2013** DfID Child Development Grants: Cash Transfers Pilot in Northern Nigeria, 2013-17, [£1.3mn, Impact Evaluation Team Leader]
- 2012** PEDL-IZA-DFID Grant: Easing Constraints for Small Firm Expansion in Uganda [£348,600; PI]
- 2012** ERC Starting Grant: The Economics of Mass Migration [€1.1mn; PI]
- 2012** International Growth Center: Mapping Informal and Formal Providers on the Supply Side of the Livestock Market: Evidence from the Punjab Economic Opportunities Programme (PEOP), Pakistan [£38,500; Co-PI]
- 2012** Ministry of Justice, Payment by Results Pilot Programme [£58,951; Co-PI].
- 2012** ATAI: Women Farmers and Barriers to Technology Adoption: A Randomized Evaluation of BRAC's Extension Program in Rural Uganda: [\$233,858; Co-I]
- 2012** BRAC, Mastercard Foundation and anonymous donors: Expansion of Small Firms and Job Creation for the Youth in Uganda, Uganda [\$1mn; Co-PI]
- 2011** Schoeller Senior Fellow 2011 [€50,000]: Understanding Illicit Behavior
- 2011** Briefing Paper for Nuffield Foundation on Behavioural Economics and Public Policy [£32,054, Co-applicant, PI: Andrew Leicester]
- 2011** Fund for Evaluation in Youth Employment, ILO: Grant for follow-up survey in Tanzania of adolescent girls for the evaluation of an entrepreneurship program [\$58,099, PI]
- 2010** UCL IMPACT Award [3-year PhD award]
- 2009** Centre for Understanding Behaviour Change, funded by the Department for Children, Schools and Families [£2.5mn; Co-I]
- 2008** Gender Action Plan (GAP), World Bank: Human Capital, Financial Capital, and the Economic Empowerment of Female Adolescents: Evidence from a Randomized Intervention [\$300,000; Co-PI]
- 2008** British Academy Research Development Award: The Making of Modern America - Characteristics and Outcomes of Migrants to the United States 1892-1924 [£149,437; Co-I]
- 2008** CESifo Distinguished Affiliate Award
- 2008** Excellence in Refereeing Award, American Economic Review
- 2007** ESRC RES-000-22-1859: Social Connections, Sorting and the Productivity of Teams: Evidence from Combined Personnel and Survey Data [£80,305; Co-I]
- 2007** ESRC RES-000-22-2182: Estimating the Social Consequences of the Decriminalization of Drugs on Crime, Accidents, and Educational Achievements [£75,000; PI]
- 2007** IZA Young Labor Economist Award (joint with Oriana Bandiera and Iwan Barankay)
- 2005** ESRC RES-000-22-0785: Incentives, Social Preferences and Workers Productivity: New Empirical Evidence [£45,628; Co-I]

SEMINAR AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (INCL. PLANNED)

- 2025/6** Durham; LMU, Queens; Rockwool; Sciences Po; TSE, Zurich; Monash-Paris-Warwick-Zurich-CEPR Text-As-Data Workshop.
- 2024/5** Collegio Carlo Alberto; CUNEF; EDGE; IFS/UCL/IoE Human Capital and Labor Workshop; IFS/UCL/LSE Development Workshop; LSE; RHUL; SMU; Southampton; Sussex; Warwick; EEA Congress Invited Session on the Economics of Crime and Justice; CEPR Development Economics Annual Symposium; CEPR Workshop on People's Understanding of and Support for Economic Policies; NBER Organizational Economics Working Group Meeting; Stanford Development SITE Conference; CEPR Public Economics Annual Symposium.
- 2023/4** AEA Meetings; Chicago; Columbia; Duke; e61 Institute Sydney; Erasmus; Georgetown; IFS/UCL/IoE Human Capital Workshop; IFS/UCL/LSE Development Workshop; Tilburg; World Bank; PPAF SDPI Conference; AERC Biannual Workshop; Nuffield Conference on Intergenerational Wellbeing in an Insecure Society; BSE SF (Development, Political Economy).
- 2022/3** Chicago; Columbia; Duke; Houston; IFS/UCL/LSE Development Workshop; KCL; LSE; Northwestern; Nova Lisbon; Pittsburgh; QMUL; Tel Aviv; UEA; UNC; US Department of Labor, Zurich; Pathways to Development Workshop at LUMS, Pakistan; CEPR Workshop on Organising Development and the Development of Organisations; CEPR-QMUL Annual Symposium in Labour Economics; Cowles Labor/Public Finance Workshop, Yale; UCL Social Data Spring Conference.
- 2021/2** AEA Meetings; Aarhus; Bocconi; CREST; EUI; IIES; IFS/UCL/LSE Development Workshop; NUS; State Bank of Pakistan; SSE; UCL; VDEV/CEPR/BREAD Virtual Development Seminar; STEG Workshop on Political Economy and Public Investment; TCD/CEPR Workshop in Development Economics; Workshop on the Economics of Family and Gender, Bologna; Workshop on Networks and Development, Naples; IGC Workshop on Inclusive Growth & Competitiveness in Punjab; Turin Festival of Economics; JPAL-EPoD Morocco Employment Lab; Econometric Society NA Meeting, Semi Plenary: Jobs and Development.
- 2020/1** AEA Meetings; CEMFI; GWU; Hebrew University; IADB; IIES; IFS-LSE-UCL; Mannheim; Maryland; QUB; Stockholm; UPF; UVA; Yale; Zurich; Inequality, Technology and Labour Markets Conference with Gorman Lectures, UCL; Economica Centenary Conference, LSE; Psychology and Economics of Poverty Convening, CEPA; CEPR/LSE Symposium in Labour Economics; BGSE Summer Forum (Advances in Micro Development); Paris-London Public Economics Conference (LSE-UCL-IFS-SciencesPo).
- 2019/0** FGV/SPSE/INSPIRE; Virtual Advances with Field Experiments (VAFE) [[Video](#)]; Lahore School of Economics; TCD/LSE/CEPR Workshop in Development; AEA Meetings (2); Interactions: Bringing Together Econometrics and Applied Microeconomics Workshop, Chicago; NBER Children's Program Meeting; Econometric Society World Congress Panel: What Can Economics Do for Racial Justice? [[Video](#)]
- 2018/9** Berkeley/Haas; Bonn MPI; Bristol; CEMFI; Collegio Carlo Alberto; DfID; Heidelberg; LSE; Maryland; NHH (Bergen); UCLA; UCSD; USC; World Bank; iGovern Inside Government Conference, World Bank; CEPR/IZA Annual Symposium in Labour Economics, Paris; LBS Conference on Development in Fragile States; PEDL/IGC Conference on Firms and the Private Sector in Low-Income Countries, LSE; CESifo Venice SI Workshop on Gender in the Developed and Developing World; Behavioral Economics and Public Policy Workshop, Copenhagen; Firms, Markets and Development Workshop, Ortygia Business School, Sicily; Advances in Micro Development Economics Workshop, Barcelona GSE Summer Forum; NBER Summer Institute (Children).
- 2017/8** Bonn (2); CUHK; Columbia; Cornell; Georgetown; HKUST; IFS; NYU; Toronto; Trinity College Dublin; UCL (Political Science); Uppsala; World Bank; Yale; AEA Meetings (2); DfID-ODI Workshop on Fostering Enterprises in Low-income Countries, London; Development Workshop, Mannheim; BREAD/NBER Development Economics Meeting; Trento Festival of Economics; Environmental and Development Economics Conf., LSE; NBER Summer Institute (Political Economy).

- 2016/7** Berlin; Bocconi (2); BU (2); Cambridge; Chicago; Chicago Booth; Columbia; Edinburgh; Essex; Michigan; Munich; NY Fed; Oxford; PSE; QMW; Toulouse; Warwick; Zurich; CEPR/IZA European Summer Symposium in Labour Economics; 8th Transatlantic Workshop on the Economics of Crime, Stockholm; Workshop on Firms in Emerging Markets, Jinan University; PPAF Policy Conference, Islamabad.
- 2015/6** Autonoma; Berkeley; BU; Chicago Harris; Frankfurt; Leuven; Maastricht; MIT/Harvard; Pompeu Fabra; Princeton; Seoul National University, Stanford (2); UCL (2); UIUC; World Bank; Zurich; GLM-LIC Conference on Labor Markets in Low-income Countries (World Bank); Micro-enterprises and SMEs Conference, Michigan; 7th Annual Transatlantic Workshop on the Economics of Crime, LSE; BRAC-IGC Conference on Tackling Extreme Poverty, LSE; Invited Session on Advances in Management and Productivity, EEA Annual Conference, Geneva; PEDL Workshop, London; BRAC-UNICEF Conference, Kampala; CEPR European Workshop on Entrepreneurship Economics, Stockholm; ENTER Jamboree, Madrid; Advances in Micro Development Economics Workshop, Barcelona GSE Summer Forum.
- 2014/5** Birmingham; IIES; INSEAD; LSE/UCL; Notre Dame; Oxford (Blavatnik School of Government); PSE/Sciences Po; Invited Session at LACEA/LAMES (Sao Paulo); INSEAD Center for RCTs Workshop, Abu Dhabi; Improving Productivity in Developing Countries Conference, Edepo IFS; Invited Session at the Royal Economic Society Conference, Manchester; World Bank IEGovern Conference, Istanbul; RIDGE/LACEA-PEG Workshop on Political Economy, Montevideo; Barcelona GSE Summer Forum (Migration, Political Institutions Sessions); CEPR Annual Public Economics Symposium (LSE); Workshop on Incentives, Preferences, and Management in Developing and Developed Countries, Tokyo.
- 2013/4** Berlin (WZB/DIW/ESMT); CEMFI; CREST (Paris); Ecole Polytechnique (Paris); IFS; Lisbon; Manchester; Oxford; Surrey; Toulouse; CEPR Workshop on Incentives, Management and Organisation, LSE; Human Capital and Productivity Workshop at Warwick; BREAD/NBER Fall Meeting in Cambridge, MA; IGC State Capabilities Session at Growth Week; IEA World Congress Invited Session; ZEW Family Economics Workshop; Measuring Management Conference at HBS; Charitable Giving: Theory and Evidence at Duke; Institutions in Historical Perspective Workshop at Cambridge; ILO Evidence Symposium on What Works in Labour Market Programs for Youth, Doha, Qatar.
- 2012/3** Amsterdam; Bergen; Bologna; CEU Budapest; Ente Einaudi, Rome; Essex ISER; IFS (2); Koc; Mannheim; Oslo; UCL Economists' Society; ULB; Uppsala; Vienna; ESRC Network Economics Conference, Oxford; Norwegian Research Council Conference on Labor markets, Families and Children, Austin Texas; CMPO Conference on The Economics of Public Service Reform; CMPO Political Economy Workshop.
- 2011/2** Bocconi; Cambridge; CERGE-EI, Prague; Chicago Booth; DFID; Michigan; Michigan State; Zurich; EEA (Malaga); Workshop on Cognitive and Non-cognitive skills over the Life Cycle, Research Centre for Education and the Labour Market (ROA), Maastricht; SITE Workshop on Institutions and Development; Festival of Economics, Trento.
- 2010/1** Aarhus; Chicago Harris School; Columbia Business School; GREQAM; Innsbruck; Max Planck Institute, Bonn; Milano-Bicocca; Munich; Paris School of Economics; Bank of Italy, Rome; Royal Holloway; UCL (JDI); Wharton; Yale; BRAC-IGC-IIG Conference (Dhaka); EOPP-STICERD Conference on Economic Foundations of Public Policy (LSE); Royal Economic Society Conference.
- 2009/10** Berlin; CEMMAP; Columbia; Duke; Essex; IFS; INSEAD; LSE; MIT/Harvard; Pompeu Fabra; St. Andrews; Sydney; Warwick; Zurich; EEA (Glasgow); CSAE Conference on Economic Development in Africa (Oxford); Natural Experiments and Controlled Field Studies Workshop (Munich); SIRE Conference (Edinburgh).
- 2008/9** Erasmus University; IFS(2); IZA; Middlebury; Oxford; Sabanci; CEPR/ESF Workshop on Micro-Finance and Entrepreneurship (Oxford); Conference on Relativity, Inequality and Public Policy at Edinburgh; EEA (Barcelona).
- 2007/8** Alicante; Bocconi; Collegio Carlo Alberto (Torino); Duke; Edinburgh; EUI (Florence); Lausanne; NY Fed; Oxford; St. Andrews; Sussex; UBC; Washington; Wellcome Trust Centre for Neuroimaging; CESifo Conference on Employment and Social Protection; EWEBE Conference

in Lyon; IFN Stockholm Conference on Family, Children and Work; LACEA Conference in Bogota; Public Economics Conference (Warwick); Tinbergen Institute Conference; DTI.

2006/7 Autònoma; Berkeley; Caltech; Carlos III; CEMFI; Essex; LBS; LSE (2); Northwestern; PSE; Pompeu Fabra; QMW; Stanford; Toulouse; UCL; Warwick; Yale; CEPR/EUDN Development Economics Symposium; NBER SI 2007 Empirical Personnel Economics Workshop.

2005/6 Boston College; Bristol; CEMMAP; Cornell; IIES; IFS; Leicester; MIT/Harvard; NERA; SOAS; Tinbergen; UCL; Zurich; BREAD CESifo Conference in Venice; CEPR Economics of Labour Market Relations, Bergen; CEPR European Summer Symposium in Economic Theory 2006; Conference on the Analysis of Firms and Employees (Cafe 2006) Nuremberg; COST A23 Conference: ELSE Laboratory Experiments and the Field (LEaF) Conference, London; Evaluation of European Labour Market Programmes in Paris; FEMES2006; Marriage and Family: Complexities and Perspectives Conference at Cornell University; SITE Conference at Stanford; Utah Winter Business Economics Conference.

Pre- 2005 Berkeley; Bocconi; Bonn; BU; Brown; Chicago, Chicago GSB (5); Columbia; Essex (2); Haas; IEES Stockholm (2); IFS (2); LSE (2); Mannheim; Maryland; Michigan; Missouri-Columbia; Northwestern; Princeton; Stanford; Stanford GSB; Toronto; Warwick; World Bank (2); UCL; Yale (2); Yale SoM; ELSE Laboratory Experiments and the Field Conference; CEPR Public Policy Symposium, Paris; CEPR Conference on Organizational Behavior, Structure and Change in Toulouse; ESPE Conference, NYU; NEUDC at Cornell.

KEYNOTE/INVITED LECTURES

2026	Development Economics Workshop, Bristol
2026	European Society for Population Economics Conference, Helsinki
2025	EEA Congress, Bordeaux
2025	Policies on Social Safety Nets: Lessons from Developed and Developing Countries, Econometric Society World Congress, Seoul
2025	Path2Dev, Lahore [Video]
2025	German Development Economics Conference, German Economic Association
2025	Essex PhD Conference
2025	Academic Opening Ceremony, Munich Graduate School of Economics
2025	Diversity and Human Capital Workshop, Exeter Business School.
2024	IFS Post-Doctoral Conference
2023	12th Workshop on the Economics of Risky Behavior, LSE
2023	Workshop on Networks and Development, Naples
2023	Latin America and Caribbean Inequality Review Workshop, Cartagena, Colombia.
2022	Small Business and Growth Conference, Lausanne, USC and CB of Morocco
2022	Jacobs Foundation Lecture, CESifo
2022	Association for the Study of Religion, Economics, and Culture, Annual Conference
2021	Experimental Economics Workshop, Universities of Kent, Essex and East Anglia
2021	7th Potsdam PhD Workshop in Empirical Economics
2021	Adam Smith Lecture, European Association of Labour Economists Conference
2021	Behavioral Economics Policy Symposium, Maastricht
2020	Applied Development Economics Plenary, Lahore School of Economics [Video]
2019	Mahbub-ul-Haq Center Distinguished Lecture at LUMS, Lahore
2019	Transatlantic Workshop on the Economics of Crime, Amsterdam
2019	Interventions, Motivation and Behavior Workshop, Lund
2019	Economic Policy Research Network Conference, Copenhagen
2019	InstEAD Annual Lecture, University of Sheffield
2018	Applied Development Economics Conference, Lahore School of Economics
2018	13th Nordic Summer Institute in Labor Economics, Helsinki
2017	TCD/CEPR/LSE Workshop on Development Economics, Dublin

2017 13th IZA Conference on Policy Evaluation, Bonn
2017 Doctoral Conference in Economics, Sussex
2016 Human Capital and Economic Development Conference, Seoul
2015 Winter School at the Delhi School of Economics, New Delhi
2015 Workshop on Incentives, Preferences and Management in Developing and Developed Countries, Tokyo
2015 JPAL Field Trials in Labor Economics Conference, Paris
2014 Field Days: Experiments Outside the Lab Conference, Rotterdam
2014 CESifo Area Conference on Employment and Social Protection (ESP2014), Munich
2014 Royal Economic Society PhD Conference, London
2013 CMPO Conference on Political Economy of Public Service Delivery, Bristol
2013 Norface Migration Conference: Global Development, New Frontiers, UCL
2013 Annual Norwegian National Meeting, Stavanger
2012 Biennial Conference of the Hong Kong Economic Association
2012 CHILD-RECent Economics of the Family Conference, Modena
2012 Migration and Development Conference, Paris
2011 Experimental Labor Economics Workshop, Vienna
2011 Workshop on Prosocial Behavior, Southampton
2011 NORFACE-CEPR Conference on Migration, Vienna
2010 YEN/ILO Evaluation Clinic: Youth Entrepreneurship in Sub-Saharan Africa, Nairobi
2010 Brazilian Meeting of the Econometric Society, Salvador
2009 Revista de Economía Aplicada Lecture, Spanish Economic Association Meeting