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CURRENT POSITION

Professor of Economics, Stanford University
Editor, *Journal of Labor Economics*
Senior Fellow, Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Economics, Stanford University, June 2011
M.A. in Economics, Stanford University, June 2011
B.A. in Economics and Commerce, University of Torino (Italy), April 2005 (*Summa cum laude*)
Undergraduate studies in Economics, Université Lyon III (France), 2003 (Exchange student)

OTHER AFFILIATIONS

Foreign Editor, *Review of Economic Studies* (2024-)
Faculty Research Fellow, NBER (2013-)
Research Associate, CHILD-Collegio Carlo Alberto (2015-)
Research Affiliate, CEPR (2016-)
Affiliate, BREAD (2017-)
Affiliate, LEAP Bocconi (2019-)

PAST POSITIONS

Professor, Kenneth C. Griffin Department of Economics, The University of Chicago, 2019-2020
Associate Professor, Kenneth C. Griffin Department of Economics, The University of Chicago, 2016-2019
Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, The University of Chicago, 2012-2016
Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Economics and Cowles Foundation, Yale University, 2015-2016
Ruffolo Post-Doctoral Fellow, Harvard Kennedy School, 2011-2012
Researcher on Innovation Policy, Centro Studi e Documentazione Luigi Einaudi, 2004-2005

PUBLICATIONS

Handbook of the Economics of the Family, Editor (with Shelly Lundberg), NorthHolland Elsevier (2023)

- "Child marriage as informal insurance: Empirical evidence and policy simulations" (with Lucia Corno), *Journal of Development Economics* (2023): 103047
- "Women's Well-Being During a Pandemic and its Containment" (with N. Bau, G. Khanna, C. Low, M. Shah, S. Sharmin), *Journal of Development Economics* 156 (2022): 102839
- "Age of Marriage, weather shocks and the direction of marriage payments" (with Lucia Corno and Nicole Hildebrandt), *Econometrica* 88, no. 3 (2020): 879-915
- "Bride Price and the Returns to Education" (with Nava Ashraf, Natalie Bau and Nathan Nunn), *Journal of Political Economy* 128, no. 2 (2020): 591-641
- "Widows' land rights and agricultural investment" (with Brian Dillon), *Journal of Development Economics* 135 (2018): 449-46
- "Traditional Beliefs and Learning about Maternal Risk in Zambia" (with Nava Ashraf, Erica Field, Giuditta Rusconi and Roberta Ziparo) *American Economic Review: Papers & Proceedings*, 107.5 (2017): 511-515
- "Yours, Mine and Ours: Do Divorce Laws Affect the Intertemporal Behavior of Married Couples?" *The American Economic Review*, 105.8 (2015): 2295-2332 (lead article)
- "German-Jewish Émigrés and U.S. Invention" (with Petra Moser and Fabian Waldinger), *The American Economic Review*, 104.10 (2014): 3222-3255
- "The Economics and Politics of Women's Rights" (with Matthias Doepke and Michèle Tertilt), *Annual Review of Economics*, 4.1 (2012): 339-372
- "Compulsory Licensing: Evidence from the Trading-with-the Enemy Act" (with Petra Moser), *The American Economic Review*, 102.1 (2012): 396-427

WORKING PAPERS UNDER REVISION

- "Marriage, Labor Supply and the Dynamics of the Social Safety Net" (with Hamish Low, Costas Meghir and Luigi Pistaferri), R&R, 2nd round, *Journal of Political Economy*
- "How Are Gender Norm Perceived?" (with Leonardo Bursztyn, Alexander Cappelen, Bertil Tungodden and David Yanagizawa-Drott), R&R, *Econometrica*
- "Traditional Institutions in Modern Times: Dowries as Pensions When Sons Migrate" (with Natalie Bau, Gaurav Khanna and Corinne Low), R&R, *Quarterly Journal of Economics*
- "Gendered Spheres of Learning and Household Decision Making over Fertility" (with Nava Ashraf, Erica Field and Roberta Ziparo), R&R, *Review of Economic Studies*

TEACHING

- Instructor, *Gender*, PhD class, Stanford University (since 2021)
- Instructor, *Labor Economics*, PhD class, Stanford University (since 2020)
- Instructor, *Third Year Seminar*, PhD class, Stanford University (since 2020)
- Instructor, *Development Economics: Microeconomic Issues*, PhD class, The University of Chicago, 2019
- Instructor, *Labor Economics: Household Decisions and Labor Markets*, PhD class, The University of Chicago, 2015-2020
- Instructor, *Economics of the family*, PhD class, The University of Chicago, 2014-2015

Instructor, *Economics of the family*, PhD class, The University of Chicago, 2014-2015

Instructor, *Elements of Economic Analysis I*, The University of Chicago, 2013-2020

Teaching Assistant, *Intermediate Econometrics*, Stanford University, 2008

Teaching Assistant, *Macroeconomics*, University of Torino, 2004

GRANTS, HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2022: Elected Fellow of the Econometric Society
- 2020: IZA-UKAid GLM-LIC grant "Migration, Changing Residence Patterns, and Covid-19 in India" (with N. Bau, G. Khanna, C. Low, M. Shah)
- 2019: IGC Grant "The Indian Health Insurance Experiment: What is the Long-Term Impact of Expanding RSBY as Envisioned in NHPS" (with Anup Malani and Cynthia Kinnan)
- 2017: Alfred P. Sloan Fellowship; Carlo Alberto Medal, awarded biennially to an outstanding Italian economist under the age of 40
- 2016: IGC Grant "Maternal mortality risk and gender gap in desired fertility" (with Nava Ashraf and Erica Field); Prize in Memory of Maria Concetta Chiuri for "Selling Daughters: Age of Marriage, Income Shocks and the Bride Price Tradition" (coauthored with Lucia Corno); Excellence in Refereeing Award, *American Economic Review*
- 2015: IGC Grant "Impact Evaluation of a Public Health Insurance Plan in India" (with Anup Malani, Cynthia Kinnan, Gabriella Conti, and Ramanan Laxmariyan); Andrew J. Walters Research Award; Excellence in Refereeing Award, *American Economic Review*
- 2014: John Templeton Foundation Research Grant "Understanding the Family in Family Planning" (with Nava Ashraf and Erica Field); Social Sciences Divisional Research Grant; BERI grant "Maternal Mortality Risk and the Gender Gap in Desired Fertility" (with Nava Ashraf and Erica Field)
- 2013: Neubauer Family Collegium for Culture and Society grant "Unpacking the Value of Health Insurance in India" (with Anup Malani and Anuj Shah); UniCredit Best Paper Award in Gender Economics
- 2012: Finalist in Social Sciences, Council of Graduate School's Dissertation Award; NBER Household Finance research grant
- 2011: Claire and Ralph Landau Prize for a SIEPR Discussion paper; Invited Speaker, Review of Economic Studies European Tour
- 2010: Leonard W. Ely and Shirley R. Ely Graduate Student Fund Fellowship (stipend and tuition); Michelle R. Clayman Institute for Gender Studies Graduate Dissertation Fellowship
- 2008-09: Stanford University Dept. of Economics Fellowship (stipend and tuition)
- 2006-08: Unicredit Fellowship "Giovanna Crivelli" (stipend and tuition)
- 2005-06: Stanford University Dept. of Economics Fellowship (stipend and tuition)
- 2002-05: *Optime* Prize awarded to outstanding graduates of University of Torino; European Union fellowship for *Socrates* exchange students

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND SEMINARS (INCLUDING SCHEDULED)

- 2024: Carnegie Mellon University
- 2023: Berkeley (departmental seminar), Nebraska, NWU Kellogg, UCSC, University of Washington, University of Zurich, “New Advances in the Economics of the Family” conference in Ravello (Italy), NICEP conference at the University of Nottingham (keynote), University of CEPR-Bank of Italy Labor Economics conference (keynote), Asian-Australasian Society of Labor Economics conference in Taipei, Australasian Labour Econometrics Workshop at University of Technology Sydney (keynote), ULB, National University Singapore, University of Technology Sydney, University of New South Wales, LEW conference Sydney (keynote), Singapore Management University, Simon Fraser University, Harvard/MIT
- 2022: BYU, Minnesota, UBC, BU, ESPE meetings (keynote), Oxford Jamboree (keynote), Padua, LEAP Bocconi conference, World Bank, Bergen
- 2021: AEA meetings (discussion), NYU, Manchester, UCLA (departmental seminar), Monash, Michigan, Essex University conference on “Women and the Labour Market”, Korean Economics Review International Conference, York University conference on the Family and Labour economics (keynote), UCSD, Columbia, Minnesota, Yale
- 2020: AEA meetings, Georgetown, UCLA-CIFAR conference on Culture and Preference Formation, UCSD Development retreat, Princeton, UNC, UPenn, Cornell, Marseille, PSE, CEPR Labor (keynote), Clemson, Stanford, Bristol, Sussex/CambridgeU, UCLA, CEPR-VDev seminar
- 2019: USC, World Bank, UC Irvine, Stanford, WEAI meetings, Washington, Universidad del Pacifico (Lima), Universidad de Los Andes (Santiago del Chile), Dublin, Stockholm, Rochester, UIUC, HKS
- 2018: Rice, Minnesota, LSE, HCEO Conference on Family Economics, NBER SI, UIUC, WashU Olin, Mannheim, Geneva, Toulouse, IFPRI, Penn State, Collegio Carlo Alberto, MSU, SITE Stockholm conference (keynote)
- 2017: Stockholm, Bocconi, Sciences Po, McGill, Columbia, STLAR conference at St. Louis Fed, NBER SI Children, Wisconsin
- 2016: MIT/Harvard, NY Fed, IADB, Stanford SITE, NBER SI EFACR, Bank of Italy, NBER WWL (discussant), Northwestern, UCL, Penn, LSE, Sussex, Warwick, Oxford, Berkeley, Yale (x2), Berkeley Haas, Tufts, AEA meetings
- 2015: Zurich, Michigan H2D2 (keynote), Brown, Stavanger-Bergen Labor Workshop at Berkeley, Yale, Yale Political Economy and Development Conference (discussant), UChicago, BC, NYU, NBER Summer Institute CH, SED meetings, “Families and the Macroeconomy” conference in Mannheim, Barcelona GSE-CEAR-MOVE workshop on “Family Economics”, “Handbook of Macroeconomics” conference (discussant), Harvard, Brown, UIC, Houston, ASU, DePaul, AEA meetings (discussant)
- 2014: Sciences-PO, SED Meetings, Yale Cowles Summer Conference, “Demographic Economics” Conference at UIowa, UChicago, CIREQ Montreal (discussant), Chicago-Area Workshop on “Family Economics”, Maryland, IFPRI, Toronto, AEA meetings

- 2013: Collegio Carlo Alberto, “New Directions in Applied Microeconomics” conference at Caltech, Bologna, Sant’Anna Pisa, UCL, EIEF, EEA meetings, SED meetings, Chicago Fed, UVA, Ohio State, Yale, UChicago Harris
- 2012: CEAR conference on “Households and Risk”, UBC, FINET conference on Family Inequality, Minneapolis Fed, “Development^xChange” conference at Gates Foundation, Yale Cowles Summer Conference, Collegio Carlo Alberto Conference on “Legal, Illegal and Criminal Migration”, WashU/St. Louis Fed, EIEF, CSEF, UCLA, Harvard Kennedy School
- 2011: Torino/Collegio Carlo Alberto, ASU, Michigan, Princeton, Munich Conference on “Cultural Change and Economic Growth”, CEMFI, Stockholm School of Economics, LBS, Cornell, Booth, NYU, Wisconsin-Madison, Columbia GSB, UChicago, Harvard, Harvard Kennedy School, Yale
- 2010: Cambridge, LSE, UCL, St. Louis Fed, Minneapolis Fed, SFSU, SITE, NBER Summer Institute EFACR, SED Meetings, Midwest Macro Meetings
- 2009-8: San Francisco Fed Microeconomics Conference, Mondragone- La Pietra- Collegio Carlo Alberto Doctoral Conference; BREAD-University of Verona Summer School on Development Economics

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- 2023: Program committee member of the Winter Meetings of the Econometric Society
- 2022-: Advisory Board, Marco Fanno Alumni Association
- 2021-: Organizer, SITE conference on Gender, Stanford University
- 2020-: Advisory Board Member, Collegio Carlo Alberto
- 2020-: Advisory Board Member, NBER Gender in the Economy Initiative
- 2020: AEA-CSWEP CeMENT mentor, Sloan Spelman mentor
- 2019-20: Program committee member of the Winter Meetings of the Econometric Society
- 2017-19: Associate Editor, JEEA and JOLE
- 2017-: PhD admission committee, Department of Economics, The University of Chicago
- 2016-17: Co-organizer of the Becker Applied Economics Workshop, The University of Chicago
Co-organizer of the EIEF Junior Conference in Applied Microeconomics
- 2013-: Co-organizer of the Family Economics Workshop, The University of Chicago
- 2016: Program committee member of the Winter Meetings of the Econometric Society
- 2014-16: International Innovation Corps, The University of Chicago, Faculty Advisory Committee Member
- 2012-: Junior faculty recruiting committee, Department of Economics, The University of Chicago
- 2014-15: Society of Economic Dynamics Meetings, Program committee member
- 2014: Social Science Divisional Research Committee member, The University of Chicago