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ACADEMIC POSITIONS AND AFFILIATIONS

2021-present Assistant Professor, Duke University
2021-present Affiliate, CEPR
2024- present Associate Editor, Journal of International Economics

Previous Employment

2020-2021 Assistant Research Professor, Duke University
2019-2020 IES Fellow, Princeton University

RESEARCH FIELDS

Primary Fields: Macroeconomics
Secondary Fields: International Macroeconomics, Monetary Economics

EDUCATION

2013-2019 PhD in Economics, London School of Economics
2012-2013 MSc in Econometrics and Mathematical Economics, London School of Economics
2008-2012 BSc in Economics, University Carlos III of Madrid

HONORS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS:

2021-2024 NSF Award for “The Anatomy of Firm Exit: Theory and Facts” (co-PI with Gideon Bornstein)
2019-2020 International Economics Section Fellowship, Princeton University.
2018-2019 Bank of Spain Fellowship
2017-2018 Advanced Education Trust Scholarship
2013-2017 LSE PhD Studentship
2012-2013 La Caixa Scholarship for Postgraduate Studies

WORKING PAPERS

“How Do Central Banks Control Inflation? A Guide for the Perplexed”, with Ricardo Reis.
Revise and Resubmit at JEL, 3rd round.

“Sudden Stops, Productivity, and the Exchange Rate”.
Reject and Resubmit at AER.

WORK IN PROGRESS

“Firm Exit and Financial Frictions”, with Gideon Bornstein.

“Frictionless Inflation”, with Miguel Bandeira and Shiyuan Wang

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Duke University - Instructor

2022-present	International Finance	Undergrad level
2021-present	International Finance & Macroeconomics	PhD level

London School of Economics – Teaching Assistant

2017-2018	Macroeconomics	MRes/PhD level
2016-2017	Monetary Economics	MSc level,
Sept 2016	Introduction to Statistics	MSc level
2015-2016	Monetary Economics	MSc level
Sept 2015	Introduction to Statistics	MSc level
Summer 2015	Intermediate Macroeconomics	Undergrad level
2014-2015	Macroeconomic Principles	Undergrad level

SEMINARS (including scheduled*):

2025	Cornell University*; FRB San Francisco*.
2024	Columbia University; Carnegie Mellon; Boston University; IDB; Bank of Canada; University of Connecticut; Southern Methodist University; Inesper; FGV-EESP; PUC Rio; FRB Philadelphia*.
2023	FRB New York; University of Maryland; George Washington University; New York University; FRB Richmond; Fed Board.
2022	Virtual International Trade and Macro Seminar; University of Chicago; FRB Minneapolis; Wake Forest University; Ohio State University.
2021	Universidad de los Andes; University of Michigan; UCL/University of Bonn.
2020	Princeton University; University of Pennsylvania; Harvard University; Penn State University; IMF; University of Oxford.
2019	Warwick University; University of Surrey; IIES Stockholm; Paris School of Economics, CREI; UC San Diego; San Francisco Fed; Vancouver School of Economics; Boston Fed; Duke University; Georgetown University; New York Fed; University of Rochester; Toronto Rotman School of Management; CUNEF; Columbia Business School.

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS (including discussions – d):

2024	NBER Summer Institute – IFM (d), Boston. SED Annual Meeting, Barcelona.
2023	European Winter Meeting of the Econometric Society, Manchester. Spanish Economic Association Symposium, Salamanca. Dartmouth Macro Mini-Conference, Hannover. FRB St Louis/WashU Macroeconomics of Inequality Conference, St Louis. CEBRA Annual Meeting, New York. Barcelona GSE Summer Forum, Barcelona. Women in Macroeconomics (d), Santa Barbara. NSCU Spring Workshop on Macroeconomics (d), Raleigh. The Credibility of Policies: Conference in Honor of Guillermo Calvo (d), NY.
2022	Global Research Forum on International Macro & Finance (d), NY. Annual Bank of Canada Economic Conference (d), Ottawa. Women in International Economics, Minneapolis.

- SED Annual Meeting, Wisconsin.
Firm Heterogeneity and Macroeconomics Workshop, Mannheim.
UT Austin Macro/International Conference, Austin.
- 2021 ASSA Meetings - ISIR session (d), virtual.
Spanish Economic Association Symposium, Barcelona.
FRB-UVA-Duke Research Workshop, Richmond.
BdF-BoE-BdI International Macro Workshop (d), virtual.
DallasFed-UH-BdeM Annual Conference on International Econ (d), virtual.
SED Annual Meeting, virtual.
Barcelona GSE Summer Forum (d), virtual.
- 2020 NBER Summer Institute – IFM, virtual.
NBER Summer Institute – Macro Within and Across Borders, virtual.
- 2019 BFI International Macro Finance Conference, Chicago.
EEA Annual Congress, Manchester.
Nordic Summer Symposium in Macroeconomics, Smögen.
CopenhagenMacro Days, Copenhagen.
RES Annual Conference, Coventry.
Spring Meeting of Young Economists, Brussels.
- 2018 Spanish Economic Association Symposium, Madrid.
PhD Candidates Workshop, ECB.
European Winter Meeting of the Econometric Society, Naples.
"International Finance: Do Exchange Rates Still Matter?" Workshop, Lille.
Young Economists Conference, Belgrade.
Spring Meeting of Young Economists, Palma de Mallorca.

REFEREE EXPERIENCE:

American Economic Journal: Macro, American Economic Review, Economica, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of International Economics, Journal of Monetary Economics, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Political Economy: Macro, Review of Economic and Statistics, Review of Economic Studies, World Bank Economic Review.

CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION:

Co-organizer: Women in International Economics Conference (Princeton University - 2024, University of Rochester - 2023).

Program Chair: Women in Macroeconomics Conference (2024), ISIR session at ASSA Meetings (2024, 2023), IEFS Session at SEA Meetings (2022).

Scientific Committee: Annual Congress of the European Economic Association (2024), Simposio de la Asociación Española de Economía (2024), SED Annual Meeting (2023).

COMMITTEE WORK:

2020/21: Mentoring Committee, Duke University
2021/22: PhD Admissions Screening, Duke University
2023/24: Junior Recruitment Committee, Duke University

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