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CURRENT POSITION

Postdoctoral Researcher

Sept 2024 - present

University of St. Gallen, Switzerland

Project: Child Disability, Parental Employment, and Inclusive Childcare

PI: Prof. Dr. Beatrix Eugster

RESEARCH FIELDS

Economics of Education, Family Economics, Household Economics, Labor Economics

EDUCATION

PhD in Economics

2020 - 2024

European University Institute, Italy

Thesis title: Teachers, home environment, and human capital formation

Supervisors: Thomas F. Crossley and Sule Alan

External examiners: Caterina Calsamiglia and Camille Terrier

M.Res in Economics

2020 - 2021

European University Institute, Italy

M.Sc. in Economics and Finance

2017 - 2018

Barcelona School of Economics, Spain

BA in Economics

2013 - 2017

Universitat de Barcelona, Spain

WORKING PAPERS [\[See all abstracts\]](#)

"Recruiting better teachers? Evidence from a higher education reform in Chile" [\[Working Paper\]](#)

joint with Adriano De Falco & Benjamin Hattemer

"What would you do with £500? (...in your own words)" [\[Working Paper\]](#)

joint with Thomas F. Crossley & Peter Levell

WORK IN PROGRESS [\[See all abstracts\]](#)

"The spillovers of child disability on peers' education and university choice"

joint with Massimo Anelli, Nicoletta Balbo & Alice Dominici

"Child disability, parental labor market outcomes, and inclusive childcare"

joint with Beatrix Eugster, Caroline Chuard & Samuel Kang

"Income and home environment: Evidence from U.S. tax credits"

"Inclusive childcare and school trajectories of children with disabilities"

joint with Beatrix Eugster & Joel Frischknecht

"Earned Income Tax Credit generosity and Food Stamp program participation"

joint with Noura Insolera

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Previous positions

- 2023 Senior Research Associate for Profs. M. Carlana, E. Miglino & M. Tincani, J-PAL LAC (Chile)
- 2022 Research Assistant for Prof. Thomas F. Crossley, European University Institute (Florence)
- 2018-2020 Research Assistant for Prof. Libertad González, Universidad Pompeu Fabra (Barcelona)
- 2019 Research Assistant for Prof. Maria Petrova, Universitat Pompeu Fabra (Barcelona)

Presentations [Past and Scheduled]

- 2026 29th SOLE Meeting (Denver)
- 2025 50th SAEe (Barcelona), Contemporary Challenges for Parents and Children (Berlin), 4th PhD and Post-Docs Workshop (Naples), 3rd CESifo/ifo Junior Workshop on the Economics of Education (Munich), BÆM Meeting on Gender, Diversity and Human Capital (Bristol), Economics Brown Bag Seminar (St. Gallen), SKILS (Laax)
- 2024 SEW Quantitative Seminar (St. Gallen), XVI Labour Economics Meeting (Barcelona), BSE Summer Forum - Children's Health, Well-being, and Human Capital Formation (Barcelona), University of St. Gallen
- 2023 PSID Annual User Conference (Michigan), 1st CESifo/ifo Junior Workshop on the Economics of Education (Munich)

ACADEMIC SERVICES

- 2025-present *Mittelbau* representative, School of Economics and Political Science, University of St. Gallen
- 2021-2022 Co-organizer, Micro econometrics Working Group, EUI
- Referee:** Economics of Education Review, European Societies

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2022 Statistics & Econometrics II (Econometric Models for Micro Data) - EUI PhD core courses
TA for Thomas Crossley & Sule Alan
- 2018 Economics & Analytical Instruments - UPF Undergraduate in Law
TA for Caterina Alacevich (taught in Spanish)
- 2017 Introduction to Microeconomics - UPF Undergraduate in Economics
TA for Gianmarco León-Ciliotta

AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

- 2024 Luis Toharia Grant for Young Researchers, Spanish Association of Labour Economists
- 2020-2024 Salvador Madariaga Scholarship, Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades (Spain)
- 2017-2018 Teaching Assistant Scholarship, Universitat Pompeu Fabra
- 2017 Half tuition waiver, Barcelona School of Economics
- 2017 Award for the Best BA student in Economics in Catalonia, Col·legi d'Economistes de Catalunya
- 2017 Award for Outstanding Academic Performance, Universitat de Barcelona
- 2013-2017 Partial tuition waiver for academic excellence, Universitat de Barcelona

SKILLS

- Computational** Stata, Qualtrics, R, Matlab, Latex
- Communication** English (fluent), Spanish (native), Italian (basic), German (beginner)

REFERENCES

Thomas F. Crossley (tfcross@umich.edu)

Institute for Social Research - University of Michigan

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