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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Economics, <i>European University Institute</i> , Florence, Italy	2022 – Present
Advisors: <i>Andrea Ichino and Fabrizia Mealli</i>	
M.Res. in Economics, <i>European University Institute</i> , Florence, Italy	2022 – 2023
M.Sc. in Economic Analysis, <i>Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona</i> , Spain	2020 – 2022
B.Sc. in Economics, <i>Universidad de Granada</i> , Spain	2015 – 2019
Visiting Undergraduate Student at the <i>HEC Liège</i> , Belgium	2018 – 2019

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Primary: Theoretical and Applied Econometrics

Secondary: Labor Economics

WORKING PAPERS

Differences-in-Differences and Changes-in-Changes with Sample Selection, [ArXiv](#)

Difference-in-Differences in the Presence of Unknown Interference *with Fabrizia Mealli*, [ArXiv](#)

Do Test Scores Help Teachers Give Better Track Advice to Students? A Principal Stratification Analysis *with Andrea Ichino and Fabrizia Mealli*, [ArXiv](#)

WORK IN PROGRESS

The drawbacks of free college

EXTERNAL PRESENTATIONS

2026: European Commission (Ispra, scheduled)

2025: European Causal Inference Meeting* (EuroCIM, Ghent); American Causal Inference Conference* (ACIC, Detroit); International Conference on Econometrics and Big Data Analysis (iCEBDA, Istanbul); Simposio de Análisis Económico (SAEe, Barcelona)

*poster presentation

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

As Teaching Assistant at the EUI:

Econometrics I (Ph.D.)

Falls 2024, 2025

Econometrics II (Ph.D.)

Fall 2023

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Associate, *European University Institute*, Florence, Italy

2025–2026

Academic Collaborator, *European University Institute*, Florence, Italy

2024

Research Assistant to Prof. Andrea Ichino, *European University Institute*, Florence, Italy

2023

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Referee

Annals of Applied Statistics, Journal of the Royal Statistical Society: Series A

Data Replicator

Journal of the European Economic Association

2024 – Present

Researchers' representative, European University Institute

2023

AWARDS AND GRANTS

Early Stage Research Grant (PI), <i>European University Institute</i>	2024
Early Stage Research Grant (co-PI), <i>European University Institute</i>	2024
Salvador de Madariaga Ph.D. Grant, <i>Spanish Ministry of Universities</i>	2022–2026
Severo Ochoa BSE-UAB PhD track Fellowship, <i>Barcelona School of Economics</i>	2021–2022
Runner-up Prize in the II Bachelor Thesis Awards, <i>Spanish Economic Association</i>	2019

OTHER INFORMATION

Programming: R, Stata

Languages: Spanish (native); English (fluent); Catalan, French, Italian (conversational); Basque (beginner)