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## Education

Ph.D. Economics, Department of Economics, Boston University, 2011

Dissertation Title: *Essays on Education and Labor Supply*

Main Advisors: Kevin Lang, Daniele Paserman, and Dilip Mookherjee

Graduate Certificate in University Learning and Teaching, University of New South Wales, 2014

M.Sc. Economics, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, 2005

B.A. Economics, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, 2004

German and Spanish High School Diplomas, Deutsche Schule Barcelona, 1999

## Academic Experience and Affiliations

Senior Lecturer, The University of Sydney July 2015-present

Lecturer, University of New South Wales (UNSW), August 2010-July 2015

ARC Life Course Centre Research Fellow, April 2015-present

IZA Fellow, January 2013-present (Research Affiliate, May 2010- January 2013)

Lecturer Accreditation (Agència per a la Qualitat del Sistema Universitari), 2014

Research Assistant for Professor Bernardo Kugler, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Summer 2004

Research Assistant for Marta Calero, León City Council, Nicaragua, Summer 2003

## Teaching Experience

ECOS3023 Personnel Economics, The University of Sydney, 1st half of S2, 2015

ECOS3020 Economics of the Family, The University of Sydney, 2nd half of S2, 2015

EC2107 Modern Labour Markets: Theory and Policy (proposed and developed new course and materials), School of Economics, UNSW, Semester 1, 2013

BES1203 Business and Economic Statistics, School of Economics, UNSW, S1: 2015, 2013, 2012, 2011

Intermediate Macroeconomics, Department of Economics, Boston University, Summer 2007

Teaching Assistant of International Economics, Business Economics (case management), and Development Economics, Department of Economics and Business, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Fall 2004 - Spring 2005

## Publications

### *Refereed journals*

“Do Personality Traits affect Productivity? Evidence from the Lab,” 2016. (with Maria Cubel, Ana Nuevo-Chiquero and Santiago Sanchez-Pages). *Forthcoming at the Economic Journal*

“No Pass No Drive: Education and Allocation of Time,” (2014) *The Journal of Human Capital*, 8 (4): 399-431. (with Rashmi Barua)

“Grandparents’ Child Care and Female Labor Force Participation,” (2013) *IZA Journal of Labor Policy* 2 (14), 1-20. (with Josefina Posadas)

“The Effect of Minimum Academic Requirements to Participate in Sports on High School Graduation,” (2011) *The B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis & Policy*, 11 (1), Article 51, 1-21

“Activity-based Payments and Reforms of the English Hospital Payment System” (2007) *Health Economics, Policy and Law*, 2 (4), 435-444, (with Randall P. Ellis)

### *Book chapters*

“Using Poll Software as a Learner-based Experience Tool in Statistics,” in *Disciplines: The Lenses of Learning*. Edited by Kathryn Coleman and Adele Flood. Common Ground Publishing LLC. The Learner book series. Champaign, Illinois, USA, 2013

### *Conferences proceedings*

“Working Women and Fertility: The Role of Grandmothers’ Labor Force Participation,” (2015) *CESifo Economic Studies* 61 (1) (with Ainhoa Aparicio)

## Working Papers

“The Early Origins of Birth Order Differences in Children’s Outcomes and Parental Behavior,” 2015. (with Jee K. Lehmann and Ana Nuevo-Chiquero). *R&R at the Journal of Human Resources*

“Dynamic and Heterogeneous Effects of Sibling Death on Children’s Outcomes,” 2015. (with Jason Fletcher and Barbara Wolfe). *Submitted*

“Do Stricter Teen Driving Laws Reduce Crime and Substance Abuse?,” 2014. (with Rashmi Barua)

“Intertemporal Substitution or Reference-Dependent Preferences: Evidence from Daily Labor Supply of Southern Indian Boat-owners,” 2010. (with Xavier Giné and Monica Martínez-Bravo)

## In the Media

[SBS \(in Spanish\)](#) on Australian IT literacy skills, [Daily Mail](#), [The Conversation](#), and [Nada es Gratis Blog \(in Spanish\)](#) (Personality and Productivity), [Forbes](#) and [Senate’s Committee](#) of Education of Nevada (No Pass, No Drive); [Huffington Post](#) (Grandparents); [La Vanguardia](#), Spanish Newspaper (On the effect of maternal employment on children). [Nada es Gratis Blog \(in Spanish\)](#) (Birth Order Effect),

## Fellowships, Grants and Awards

Special Research Grant, University of New South Wales Business School, 2013 and 2011-2012  
 Small Project Grant, University of New South Wales Business School, Experimental Lab Grant, 2013  
 Research Grant, University of New South Wales Business School, 2012  
 Early Career Researcher Award, Australian Health Economics Society, 2012  
 Contestable Funding for International Strategic Projects, University of New South Wales, 2012  
 Ramón Areces Foundation Scholarship, Fall 2007-Spring 2010  
 Rosenstein-Rodan Prize for the Best PhD Student Paper in Development Economics, May 2009  
 Summer Research Award, Department of Economics, Boston University, June 2008  
 Caja de Madrid Foundation Scholarship, 2007 (awarded)  
 La Caixa Foundation Scholarship, Fall 2005-Spring 2007  
 M.Sc. in Economics Tuition Fellowship, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Fall 2004-Spring 2005

## Conferences and Seminars

**2016:** 7th Workshop on the Economics of Health and Wellbeing, Melbourne; CEPAR Summer Workshop in the Economics of Health and Ageing. University of Wollongong (planned)

**2015:** Universidad de Rosario, Bogota; Universidad Javeriana, Bogota; Blavatnik School of Government (Oxford); Essen Workshop on Skills, Health, and Education; European Society of Population Economics, Turkey, Melbourne Institute

**2014:** The University of Warwick (CWIP Workshop); Universitat de Barcelona (Teoria Econòmica)

**2013:** Sydney Experimental Brownbag (University of Sydney); International Health Economics Association Conference in Sydney; Australian National University; II Workshop in Emerging Economies, University of New South Wales, Sydney (organizer); Curtin University; University of Western Australia; Collegio Carlo Alberto; Melbourne Institute; XXXVIII Spanish Economic Association Meeting in Santander

**2012:** University of Sydney; 17th meetings of the Society of Labor Economics; I Workshop in Emerging Economies, Sydney (organizer and discussant); Australian Health Economics Association Meetings in Darwin; XXXVII Spanish Economic Association Meeting in Vigo

**2011:** Universidad de Oviedo; Singapore Management University; University of Melbourne; Hong Kong University of Technology; University of Ottawa; Queens University; Advancing Child and Family Policy Through Research Workshop, Canberra; Econometric Society Australasian Meetings; 23rd European Association of Labour Economics conference, Cyprus; 16th Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association Meetings, Chile; XXXVI Spanish Economic Association Meeting in Málaga

**2010:** 5th PhD Meeting of the Royal Economic Society, London; University of New South Wales; Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económica, Mexico; Universitat Rovira i Virgili; Konstanz University; IZA; Monash University; XXXV Spanish Economic Association Meeting in Madrid

**2009:** 12th IZA Summer School in Labor Economics, Buch am Ammersee; 14th Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association Meetings in Buenos Aires; XXXIV Spanish Economic Association Meeting in Valencia; Boston University; Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (Departament d'Economia Aplicada)

**2008:** XXXIII Spanish Economic Association Meeting in Zaragoza; Boston University Empirical Micro

## Research Visits

Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (DEA) (2010), Boston University (2011), Singapore Management University (2010, 2011, 2012), University of Ottawa (2011), Carlo Alberto University (September-October 2013), University of Sheffield (February 2014), Universitat Pompeu Fabra (February-March 2014), Universitat de Barcelona (March-April 2014), University of Warwick (July 2014- July 2015)

## Service

Micro Public Policy seminar coordinator, S1, 2016

Orientation Week Address Debate Winner: What is Love? University of Sydney, 26 February 2016.

Research Fellow Recruitment Committee, School of Economics, Sydney University, September, 2015

Scientific Committee member. Fertility: New economic perspectives on an old topic. Essen, May, 2016

Co-organizer, Workshop in Emerging Economies, University of New South Wales, 2015, 2013 and 2012

External Seminar Coordinator, School of Economics, University of New South Wales, 2013

Internal Seminar Coordinator, School of Economics, University of New South Wales 2012

Scientific Committee member 9th World Congress on Health Economics, Sydney, 2011

Referee: *Applied Economics*, *Australian Journal of Labour Economics*, *Demography*, *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, *Economics of Education Review*, *Economics and Human Biology*, *Economic Record*, *Education*, *Economics*, *Empirical Economics*, *Health Affairs*, *Health Economics*, *Health Policy and Planning*, *IZA World of Labor*, *Journal of Comparative Economics*, *Journal of Health Economics*, *Journal of Human Resources*, *Labour Economics*, *Law and Economics*

## Supervision

In progress: Kevin Pugh (PhD). Honours thesis: Shivana Thiru Moorthy (2011), Husam El-Tarifi (2012)

## Other Activities

New South Wales (NSW) Governor's Forum on the Future of NSW, 2016.

NSW representative at the Australian Judo Nationals in Wollongong, 2012 (7th place)

Council Member of the Economic Society of Australia (NSW Branch), 2011-2012

Graduate Economics Association Co-president, Boston University, 2007-2008

Attached Student to the Chancellor's Office at Universitat Pompeu Fabra, 2003-2004

Member of Educational Quality Commission, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, 2003-2004

Undergraduate Student Representative, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, 2000-2004

## Languages

Native Catalan and Spanish and fluent in English and German

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