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## Education

Ph.D. Economics, Department of Economics, Boston University, 2011  
First year coordinators program, The University of Sydney, 2017  
Foundations of Research Supervision, The University of Sydney, 2016  
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

ECOS3027 Economics of the Family, The University of Sydney, 2nd half of S2, 2015 and 2017, S2 2016  
ECOS1001 Introductory Microeconomics, The University of Sydney, S2 2016, 2017  
ECOS3023 Personnel Economics, The University of Sydney, 1st half of S2, 2015, 2017  
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*

“The Early Origins of Birth Order Differences in Children’s Outcomes and Parental Behavior,” (2016). With Jee K. Lehmann and Ana Nuevo-Chiquero. Forthcoming at *the Journal of Human Resources*

“Dynamic and Heterogeneous Effects of Sibling Death on Children’s Outcomes,” 2018. *PNAS*, 115 (1) 115-120. With Jason Fletcher and Barbara Wolfe

“Are Labor Supply Decisions Consistent with Neoclassical Preferences? Evidence from Indian Boat Owners” (2017), previously entitled “Intertemporal Substitution or Reference-Dependent Preferences: Evidence from Daily Labor Supply of Southern Indian Boat-owners,” *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization* 142, 331-347. With Xavier Giné and Monica Martínez-Bravo

“Do Personality Traits affect Productivity? Evidence from the Laboratory,” (2016). . . *The Economic Journal* 126 (592), 654-681. With Maria Cubel, Ana Nuevo-Chiquero and Santiago Sanchez-Pages

“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

“Wheeling into school and out of crime: Evidence from conditioning driving licenses to minimum academic requirements,” 2017. (with Rashmi Barua). *Submitted*

## In the Media

Birth order ([The Conversation](#)): featured in C7 Weekend Sunrise, ABC News, ABC Radio, and Scientific American; Personality and wages on [LSE Business Review](#), [Daily Mail](#), [The Conversation](#); [Forbes](#); [Senate's Committee of Education of Nevada](#) on No Pass, No Drive; [Huffington Post](#) on Grandparents' childcare; [La Vanguardia \(in Spanish\)](#) on the effect of maternal employment on children; Nada es Gratis Blog (in Spanish) on [birth order effect](#), [birth inequality](#), [how to learn from NAPLAN](#), and [personality and productivity](#); [Agenda Publica \(in Spanish\)](#) on the gender gap in Spain; [SBS \(in Spanish\)](#) on Australian IT literacy skills.

## Fellowships, Grants and Awards

Global Development Fund, University of Sydney. Joint with Rashmi Barua, \$10,000.  
 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

**2018:** Planned: Deakin University  
**2017:** ASSA, Chicago, Macquarie University. Monash University, University of Auckland, Queensland University of Technology, RMIT, University of Queensland, ESPE 2017.  
**2016:** 7th Workshop on the Economics of Health and Wellbeing, Melbourne; CEPAR Summer Workshop in the Economics of Health and Ageing. University of Wollongong.  
**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, June-July 2016), ISI and JNU (February 2015), University of Warwick (July 2014- July 2015), University of Edinburgh, June 2016, June 2017, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (Fonaments), June-July 2017.

## Service

Career Day at North Sydney Girls High School, June 2017

Life Course Center Sydney Node Seminar coordinator S1, 2017

Australian Research Council Grant Assessor, 2017

Co-organizer "Life course perspectives on health and vulnerability" workshop, University of Geneva, June 2016.

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 of the GEOK workshop in Health Economics. Essen, 2016, 2017.

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, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of Population Economics, Journal of Public Economics, Labour Economics, Law and Economics, Southern Economic Journal*

## Supervision

In progress: Kevin Pugh (PhD), Yang Meng (Master). Honours: Erik A. Kotopoulos, Samantha L. Markham, and Nicolas Ng.

Nicolas Testa (High school work experience, March 2017)

Yu Han Xu (Charles Perkins Centre Summer Scholar Grant recipient, Fall 2016).

Husam El-Tarifi (Honours, UNSW, 2012). “Compulsory Military Service and Sibling Externalities in Educational Attainment.”

Shivana Thiru Moorthy (Honours, UNSW, 2011). “The Impact of Suspended Sentences on Re-offending Behavior in New South Wales.”

## 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