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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2020 – Assistant Professor of Economics, Universitat de Barcelona  
2020 Senior Lecturer, Department of Economics, National University of Singapore  
2019 Research Fellow, Institutions and Political Economy Research Group (IPERG) – Universitat de Barcelona  
2012 – 2019 Assistant Professor of Economics, Yale-NUS College

## ACADEMIC VISITS

- (Spring 2023) National University of Singapore  
(Spring 2019) London School of Economics and Political Science  
(Spring 2017) University of British Columbia  
(Spring 2017) IPERG – Universitat de Barcelona  
(Fall 2014) University of British Columbia

## EDUCATION

- Ph.D., Economics, Boston University, June 2012. *Essays on Strategic Voting Behavior in Proportional Representation Systems*.  
B.S., Economics, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Spain, 2005.  
B.A., Political Science, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Spain, 2001.

## FIELDS OF INTEREST

- Political Economy, Social Welfare Analysis, Development Economics.  
Electoral Systems, Comparative Politics, Voting Behavior.

## PUBLICATIONS

 (\*: co-authored with undergraduate students)

- (2022) “[Lying Behavior When the Payoffs are Shared: Evidence from an Experiment in Singapore](#)” (with Scott Chua and Jessica Hao Hang), *Journal of Economic Psychology*.\*
- (2021) “[Māori in New Zealand: Voting With their Feet?](#)”, *Political Science*.
- (2020) “[Legal Origins, Religion and Health Outcomes: A Cross-Country Comparison of Organ Donation Laws](#)” (with Jean Liu, Boyu Lu Zhao, and Clin Lai), *Journal of Institutional Economics*.\*
- (2020) “[Placebo Statements in List Experiments](#)” (with Kai Ostwald), *Political Science Research and Methods*.
- (2020) “[What Determines Preferences for an Electoral System? Evidence from a Binding Referendum](#)” (with Steven Stillman and Geua Boe-Gibson), *Public Choice*.
- (2017) “[The Effects of District Magnitude on Voting Behavior](#)” (with Simon Hix and Rafael Hortalà-Vallvé), *The Journal of Politics*.
- (2016) “[Do Citizens Vote for Parties, Policies or Expected Winner in Proportional Representation Systems?](#)”, *Party Politics*.

(2015) “Bandwagon or Strategic Behavior? Note on Bargsted and Kedar (2009)”, *Electoral Studies*.

#### **WORKING PAPERS**

[Submitted] “Voting Behavior under Doubts of Ballot Secrecy” (with Kai Ostwald)  
“Do Grades Enhance Learning and Effort? Evidence from a Natural Experiment in Singapore”  
(with Tim Wertz and Scott Chua)  
“The Importance of Being Private: How the Presence of Others Can Bias Survey Responses.”  
(with Michelle Dion)  
“Strategic Abstention in Proportional Representation Systems (Evidence from Multiple Countries)”

#### **BOOK CHAPTERS**

(2022) “Attitudes towards Women and Political Leadership” (with Khin Myo Wai, Paul Minoletti and Michelle Dion), in *Putting Women Up: Promoting Gender Equality in Myanmar Politics* (book proposal submitted to ISEAS, January 2021), edited by Netina Tan and Meredith Weiss (Final revisions requested)

#### **POLICY ARTICLES AND REPORTS**

(2020) “Coping with COVID-19 Protecting lives, employment, and incomes in Myanmar”  
(with Emanuele Brancati, Paul Minoletti, Nilar Win and Aung Hein), edited by the International Growth Centre (link [here](#)).

#### **WORK IN PROGRESS**

“Social Mobility: Perceptions and Attitudes” (with Risa Toha)  
“Altruism in a multiethnic society: Evidence from Singapore” (with Risa Toha)  
“The effect presumed consent laws on organ donations”  
“Gender Politics and Violence in Myanmar” (with Paul Minoletti)  
“Fair-Weather Friends? Household Political Networks and Disaster Relief Aid” (with Cesi Cruz and Scott Chua)  
“The Effects of Urban Spaces on Community Relations” (with Kai Ostwald)  
“How Economic Conditions Can Change Cultural Institutions: Eating Habits pre- and post-Civil War in Spain”

#### **GRANTS (ALL IN USD)**

(2021 – 2023) (\$65,000)  
Ministry for Science and Innovation (Spain), “Geography, polarization and the rural-urban divide in the XXI century”. Principal Investigator: Toni Rodon. Co-Investigators: Sofia Breitenstein and Álvaro Sánchez.

(2018 – 2021) (\$300,000)  
International Development Research Centre, Canada ([IDRC](#)) grant to promote Gender Equality and Decentralization in Myanmar and build research capacity of

an NGO, *Enlightened Myanmar Research Foundation (EMRef)* for a three year period, 2018-2020. Principle Investigator and Lead Academic Advisor: Netina Tan. Co-Investigators: Paul Minoletti, Elin Bjarnegard, Michelle Dion, and Meredith Weiss.

- (2018 – 2022) (\$85,000)  
 Ministry of Education Tier 1 Fund & Yale-NUS College, “Can a Shared National Identity Trump Ethnic Identity? Evidence from a Field Experiment in Singapore”.  
 Principal Investigator. Co-Investigator: Risa Toha.
- (2018) (\$13,000)  
 Conference Workshop Grant, Yale-NUS College, to host the [annual meeting of the Southeast Asia Research Group \(SEAREG\)](#) from December 11-13, 2018. (With Risa Toha and Steven Oliver).
- (2017 – 2019) (\$4,500)  
 Internal Grant, Yale-NUS College, “Do exams improve learning?”.
- (2013) (\$2,000)  
 Teaching Enhancement Grant, National University of Singapore, for the study of the impact of the haze on Singapore.
- (2012 – 2017) (\$15,000)  
 Start-Up Research Grant, Yale-NUS College.

#### **PRESENTATIONS AND CONFERENCES**

- (2023)  
 National University of Singapore (Political Science).
- (2022)  
 Toronto Political Behavior Workshop; Association of Southern European Economic Theorists 2022 Meeting; XI Workshop on Institutions, Individual Behaviour and Economic Outcomes (Alghero); European Political Science Association annual meeting; Midwest Political Science Association annual Conference.
- (2021)  
 13th Maastricht Behavioral and Experimental Economics Symposium (M-BEES); Symposium of the Spanish Economic Association (SAEe 2021); Italian Society of Political Science (SISP Conference 2021)
- (2019)  
 London School of Economics
- (2018)  
 University of York; Université de Montréal.
- (2017)  
 Spanish Economic Association annual meeting; *Mini-conference on Electoral Malpractices*, American Political Science Association annual meeting; Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona; Institutions and Political Economy Research Group – Universitat de Barcelona.
- (2016)  
 Université de Montréal; University of New South Wales-University of Queensland *Political Economy Workshop*.

(2015)

Workshop on Emerging Economies, University of New South Wales.

(2014)

University of British Columbia; American Political Science Association annual meeting; University of New South Wales-University of Queensland *Political Economy Workshop*; European Political Science Association annual meeting.

(2013)

Toronto Political Behavior Workshop; American University; McMaster University; Yale University Midwest Political Science Association annual meeting.

(2012)

Fundação Getúlio Vargas; London School of Economics.

(2011)

Midwest Political Science Association annual meeting; Western Political Science Association annual meeting.

(2010)

Japan Economic Policy Association International Conference.

#### **REFEREE**

*American Journal of Political Science, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Public Economics, Political Analysis, Political Science Research and Methods, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Political Geography, British Journal of Political Science, Electoral Studies, Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics, International Journal of Public Opinion Research, World Politics, PAPERS – Revista de Sociología.*

#### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

##### **(2020 –) Universitat de Barcelona:**

[Master's level] Political Economy of Public Policy, 2022

Culture and Business in Europe and Other Western Countries, Fall 2020, 2021, 2022

[Master's level] Introduction to Economics (MA in Water Management), Fall 2020

[Master's level] Doing Business in Europe, Spring 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023

##### **(2020) National University of Singapore:**

Introduction to Economic Analysis, Spring 2020

##### **(2013 – 2021) Yale-NUS College:**

Political Economy, Spring 2020, 2021

Behavioral Economics, Fall 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018

Quantitative Reasoning, Spring 2014, Fall 2017, 2018

Advanced Behavioral Economics, Fall 2018

Econometrics, Spring 2015, 2016

Principles of Economics, Spring 2014, 2015, 2016, 2018

Comparative Social Inquiry, Fall 2013

##### **(2010 – 2012) Harvard University:**

Principles of Economics, Summer 2010, 2011, 2012 (Teaching Fellow & Guest Lecturer)

**(2009 – 2012) Boston University:**

Intermediate Macroeconomics, Fall 2011, Spring 2012

International Finance, Summer 2010, 2011

Introductory Macroeconomic Analysis, Spring 2010, 2011 (Teaching Fellow)

Introductory Microeconomic Analysis, Fall 2009, 2010 (Teaching Fellow)

**(2005 – 2006) Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona:**

Advanced Macroeconomics (Honors), Spring 2006 (Teaching Fellow)

Intermediate Macroeconomics, Fall 2005 (Teaching Fellow)

**Guest Lecturer:**

Introduction to Policy Analysis and Program Evaluation, University of British Columbia, Fall 2014.

Institutions and Economic Growth, University of British Columbia, Fall 2014

Voting and Elections, New York University, Spring 2013

**CURRICULUM DESIGN (ALL FROM SCRATCH)**

*Major in Economics*, Yale-NUS College.

*Major in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics*, Yale-NUS College.

*Quantitative Reasoning*, Yale-NUS College.

*Comparative Social Inquiry*, Yale-NUS College.

**TEACHING AWARDS**

Special Award for Distinguished Teaching, Universitat de Barcelona, 2021

Special Director of Graduate Studies prize for sustained excellence in teaching services, Boston University, 2011

**OTHER AWARDS**

Extraordinary Degree Prize (Prize awarded to the top three graduates), BS in Economics, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, 2005.

UNESCO Center for Peace and Human Rights Research Grant, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, 2002-2003. (Research focused on the conflict in Northern Ireland).

Extraordinary Degree Prize (Prize awarded to the top three graduates), BS in Political Science, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, 2001.

**FELLOWSHIPS**

Boston University, Teaching Fellowship, Academic Year 2009/10 and 2010/11

Fundacion Ramon Areces (SPAIN) Scholarship, Academic Years 2006/7, 2007/8, 2008/9

Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Teaching Fellowship, Academic Year 2005/6

**LANGUAGES**

Spanish and Catalan (native) English (proficient) French, German (intermediate).

**COMPUTER SKILLS:** STATA, MATLAB, R, LaTeX, ARCGIS, Microsoft Office

**OTHER:**

*Certificat AQU* (April 16, 2018) for “Professor Lector” (Assistant Professor).

NUS Swimming Team Co-Captain (2015 – 2020), Graduate Economics Association president (2008/9).