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Employment:

Lecturer (Assistant Professor) in Economics, University of Essex, 2023-Present

Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, Research Associate, 2014-2016

Affiliations:

IZA 2024-

Halle Institute for Economic Research 2024-

Education:

University of British Columbia, Ph.D., Economics. 2016-2023

- Fields: Labor Economics, Urban Economics, Public Economics

- Committee: Thomas Lemieux (co-chair), Florian Hoffmann (co-chair), Raffaele Saggio

Middlebury College, B.A., International Politics and Economics. 2010-2014

Published Research:

"Cyclical and Market Determinants of Involuntary Part-Time Employment" (with Robert G. Valletta and Leila Bengali). Journal of Labor Economics, 38 (January 2020), pp. 67–93.

Working Papers:

Reshaping the Economy? Local Reallocation Effects of Place-Based Policies (with Sarah Fritz)

Declining Free Lunch: State Capacity and Foregone Public Spending (with Sarah Fritz and Lorenzo Inconato)

"How do Establishments Choose their Location? Taxes, Monopsony, and Productivity"

Invited Seminars and Presentations (incl. scheduled):

2026: Ashoka University

2025: LSE Economic Geography and Spatial Economics, University of Cologne, Joint Research Centre of the European Commission, RWI Essen

2024: University of Geneva, University of Maryland Baltimore County, Bates College, UK Competition and Markets Authority

2023: University of Essex, University of Glasgow, University of Liverpool, University of Queensland, U.S. Treasury (Office of Tax Analysis), Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, Ivey Business School (Western University), Bank of Canada, NHH (FAIR), University of Cologne (ECONtribute), ROCKWOOL Berlin

2022: Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco

Conference Presentations (incl. scheduled):

2026: UEA European Meeting, CESifo Area Conference on Labor Economics, University of Reading Workshop in Urban Economics and Economic Geography

2025: CRED Workshop on Regional and Urban Economics, UEA European Meeting, CESifo Area Conference on Labor Economics, University of Reading Workshop in Urban Economics and Economic Geography, Nottingham GEP Labour workshop, City/CMA Workshop on the Economics of Competition and Regulation, XXXIII Banca d'Italia Public finance workshop, UEA Annual Meeting, CURE 17th annual conference

2024: SOLE, CAED, IIPF, EALE, Urban Economics Association European Meeting, University of Reading Workshop in Urban Economics and Economic Geography

2023: Urban Economics Association Annual Meeting, IAB workshop “Urban Labor Markets and Local Income Inequality”

2022: Canadian Economic Association Annual Meeting, EEA-ESEM 2022, STEG-CEPR Theme Workshop 3 & 4

Honors, Fellowships, and Awards:

University of British Columbia:

- President's Academic Excellence Initiative PhD Award, 2020-2022
- Academic Achievement Award (Faculty of Arts Graduate Award), 2019
- Albert Whiteley Memorial Fellowship, 2017
- Doctoral Fellowship (Four Year Fellowship), 2016-2020
- International Tuition Award, 2016-2022

Middlebury College:

- Seniors Honors Thesis Award in International Politics and Economics, 2014

Teaching:

2024 - 2025: Quantitative Economics (MSc), Geography of Employment and the Environment (MSc/MA)

2023: Quantitative Economics (MSc)

2022: Government Finance: Expenditures, teaching assistant (Ph.D field course and MA course)

2018: Government Finance: Expenditures, teaching assistant (MA course)

Skills:

Software: Stata, Latex, Matlab, R

Language: English (native), Portuguese (advanced working proficiency), Hindi (basic working proficiency), Spanish (basic working proficiency)

References:**Thomas Lemieux**

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