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Personal Background

Born: October 2, 1984.

Citizenship: Italian.

Education

Ph.D. Economics, Columbia University, 2014.

M.Phil. Economics, Columbia University, 2011.

M.A. Economics, Columbia University, 2010.

Major Field: Economic Development.

M.Sc. Economics, Warwick University, 2007.

Honors: Distinction.

B.A. Statistics, University of Rome - La Sapienza, 2006.

Major Field: Statistics.

Minor Field: Economics.

Honors: Summa Cum Laude.

Languages

English, fluent.

French, Columbia University Proficiency in French.

Spanish, intermediate.

Italian, native.

Employment

Columbia University, Department of Economics

Instructor, Game Theory S4415, Summer 2011.

Research Assistant, Prof. Eric Verhoogen, Summer 2011.

Teaching Assistant, Intermediate Microeconomics, Prof. Susan Elmes, Fall 2010, Fall 2011, Spring 2012, Fall 2012, Spring 2013.

Teaching Assistant, PhD Microeconomics (Game Theory and Contract Theory), Prof. Prajit K. Dutta and Prof. Bernard Salanie', Spring 2011.

Teaching Assistant, Principles of Economics, Prof. Anna C. Musatti, Fall 2009 - Spring 2010.

New York University, Glimcher Lab - Center for Neural Science

Visiting Scholar, 2013.

Research

Interests

Behavioral Economics: framing and anchoring effects in consumer choice; default effects; cheating.

Neuroeconomics.

Development Economics, Applied Microeconomics, Microeconomic Theory.

Articles

Default Tips, with K. Haggag. *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*.
Press: Bloomberg, NPR, Yahoo!Finance.

Learning by Driving: Productivity Improvement of New York City Taxi Drivers, with K. Haggag and B. McManus. Working Paper available on SSRN.

Working Papers

Reference Dependent Fraud. With K. Haggag.

Consumption costs of Income Inequality

Summer Schools

24th Jerusalem School in Economic Theory: Decision Making - Institute for Advanced Studies at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, 2013.

Summer Institute in Behavioral Economics - Russell Sage Foundation, 2012.

Volunteer - field work

Research Assistant to Catherine Craig, Common Grounds, NY (Fall 2010).

Assistant to Seniores Italia Onlus delegation in Buea, Cameroon (Summer 2010).

Volunteer for UAC Cameroon (Summer 2010).

Past working papers and Dissertations

Evaluating the effectiveness of an investment incentive program with a regression discontinuity approach. Columbia University, second year paper, 2010. (Supervisor: Professor E. Verhoogen).

Internal Labor Mobility in Vietnam: rainfall shocks and local labor markets, 2010. (Supervisor: Professor D. O'Flaherty).

Evaluating services to vulnerable people in NYC. The consequences of better housing on health costs: a randomized trial research proposal (2010).

A note on the role of Credit Rating Agencies and regulations in the subprime market meltdown. Columbia University, mimeo, 2009. (Version presented for the class Contracts, Incentives, and Crisis, Professor P. Bolton).

Two OLG-based arguments on education (2007), M.Sc. dissertation. (Supervisor: Professor H. Polemarchakis).

Testing for unit-root: a survey (2006). B.A. first dissertation. (Supervisor: Professor S. Fachin).

The role of expectations in Keynes' General Theory (2006). B.A. second dissertation. (Supervisor: Professor A. Roncaglia).

Fellowships and Awards

Russell Sage Foundation Small Grant in Behavioral Economics, 2013.

Wueller Teaching Award (2009-2010), Columbia University.

Einaudi Institute for Economics and Finance (Eief), Fellowship, 2008-2009.

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