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Current Position

- 2014-present Professor of Economics, Institute for Social & Economic Research, University of Essex and (since 2020) Director of the ESRC Centre for Micro-Social Change (MiSoC)
- 2018-2020 Director of Research, Institute for Social & Economic Research, University of Essex

Previous employment

- 2012-2014 Reader, Institute for Social & Economic Research (ISER), University of Essex
- 2011-2012 Senior Research Fellow, Institute for Social & Economic Research, University of Essex
- 2008-2011 Research Fellow, Institute for Social & Economic Research, University of Essex
- 2005-2008 Senior Research Officer, Institute for Social & Economic Research, University of Essex
- 2004-2005 Visiting Scholar, Centre for Labor Economics, University of California, Berkeley
- 2002-2004 Junior Research Fellow in Economics, The Queen's College, University of Oxford

Other appointments

- 2014-2017 Associate Editor of the Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Series A
- 2014-2015 Visiting Professor at University College London, Department of Economics

Education

- 1999-2004 D.Phil. in Economics, The Queen's College, University of Oxford
- 1997-1999 M.Phil. in Economics, Pembroke College, University of Oxford
- 1997-2000 B.A. in Economics and Banking, University of Siena (*first class*)

Affiliations & Membership

- 2018-present Royal Economic Society Council, Education & Training Committee
- 2012-2018 Member of the European Association of Labour Economists Executive Committee
- 2014-2017 Adjunct Associate Professor, University of Bergen
- Since 2005 Institute for the Study of Labour (IZA) Research Fellow

Funded projects

- 2020 Co-I: "Mind the Gap: Educational Inequalities during Covid-19", with Birgitta Rabe (PI), funded by the UKRI, duration 18 months starting October 2020 (£139,365.6)
- 2019 PI: "The Research Centre on Micro-Social Change", funded by the ESRC, duration 5 years starting on October 2019 (£7,796,711).
- 2018 PI: "Reducing socio-economic inequalities in HE participation: the role of information, peers and mindset", funded by the Office for Students via NCOP, duration 2 years (£278,291).

- 2017 Co-I: “Estimating the Technology of Child Development and Maternal Well-being”, with Ronni Pavan (PI, University of Rochester), funded by the National Science Foundation, duration 3 years (\$195,291).
- 2015 Co-I and PI (since 2019): “Inequality in Higher Education Outcomes in the UK: Subjective Expectations, Preferences and Access to Information”, with Adeline Delavande (PI), funded by the ESRC, starting date April 1st 2015 (£900,211).
- 2014 Co-I: “The Research Centre on Micro-Social Change (MiSoC): Understanding individual and family behaviours in a new era of uncertainty and change”, with Mike Brewer (PI), funded by the ESRC, duration 5 years starting on October 2014 (£5,765,579).
- 2012 Co-I: “The Effect of Free Childcare on Maternal Labour Supply and Child Development”, with Mike Brewer, Claire Crawford and Birgitta Rabe (PI), funded by the ESRC-SDAI (£184,102).
- 2011 PI: “Maternal Smoking and Low Birth Weight. Comparative Evidence from the Smoking Bans in Italy and the UK” with Cheti Nicoletti and Daniela Vuri, funded by the British Academy Small Grant Scheme (£6,638).
- 2009 PI: “The Effects of Breastfeeding on Children, Mothers and Employers”, with Maria Iacovou, Birgitta Rabe and Almudena Sevilla-Sanz, ESRC grant RES-062-23-1693 (£194,600).
- 2006 PI: “The Impacts of Parental Behaviour on Birth Weight”, with John Ermisch and Marco Francesconi, ESRC grant RES-000-22-2044 (£65,213).

Publications

- For some Luck Matters More. The impact of the Great Recession on Early Careers of Graduates from Different Socio-Economic Backgrounds, with Greta Morando, in press at *Oxford Economic Papers*, <https://doi.org/10.1093/oep/gpab053>
- Academic and non-academic investments at university: The role of expectations, preferences and constraints, with Adeline Delavande and Angus Holford, forthcoming at the *Journal of Econometrics*, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jeconom.2020.03.019>
- Quantity and quality of childcare and children’s educational outcomes, with Jo Blanden, Kristine Hansen and Birgitta Rabe, *Journal of Population Economics*, 2022, vol. 35: 785–828. <https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s00148-021-00835-4>
- Smoking behaviour and individual well-being: a fresh look at the effects of the 2005 public smoking ban in Italy, with Daniela Vuri, *Oxford Economics Papers*, 2018, vol. 70(3): 741–762 <https://doi.org/10.1093/oep/gpx039>
- Universal Pre-school Education: the Case of Public Funding with Private Provision, with Jo Blanden, Sandra McNally and Birgitta Rabe, *Economic Journal*, 2016, vol. 126(592): 682-723.
- Early Maternal Time Investment and Early Child Outcomes, with Marco Francesconi, Yvonne Kelly and Amanda Sacker, *Economic Journal*, 2016, vol. 126(October): F96-F135.
- The Long-Run Effects of Attending an Elite Secondary School: Evidence from the UK, with Damon Clark, ISER Working Paper 2014-05, *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, 2016, vol. 8(1): 1–28.
- Fertility and Economic Instability: the Role of Unemployment and Job Displacement, with Rudolf Winter-Ebmer and Andrea Weber, *Journal of Population Economics*, 2015, vol. 28(2): 463-478.
- Intra-family Resources Allocations: A Dynamic Model of Birth Weight, with John Ermisch and Marco Francesconi, *Journal of Labor Economics*, 2012, vol. 30(3): 657-706.

Clash of Career and Family: Fertility Decisions after Job Displacement, with Rudolf Winter-Ebmer and Andrea Weber, *Journal of the European Economic Association*, 2012, vol 10(4), p. 659-683.

What Role for the Home Learning Environment and Parenting in Reducing the Socioeconomic Gradient in Child Development? Findings from the Millennium Cohort Study, with Yvonne Kelly, Amanda Sacker, Marco Francesconi and Michael Marmot, *Archives of Disease in Childhood*, 2011, vol. 96: 832-837.

Job Mobility and the Gender Wage Gap in Italy, with Daniela Vuri, *Labour Economics*, 2011, vol. 18, 130-142.

Do Wages Compensate for Anticipated Working Time Restrictions? Evidence from Seasonal Employment in Austria, with Andrea Weber, *Journal of Labor Economics*, 2008, vol. 26(1): 181-221.

Work in progress

Expectations about the Productivity of Effort and Academic Outcomes: Evidence from a Randomized Information, with Adeline Delavande, Angus Holford, Sonkurt Sen and Vedran Lesic. [Link](#)

Ambiguity about Covid-related health risks and protective health behaviours among young adults, with Adeline Delavande and Angus Holford. [Link](#)

Skill Formation and the Trouble with Child Non-Cognitive Skill Measures, with Ronni Pavan and Joshua Kinsler, IZA DP 13713. [Link](#)

A Note on the Importance of Normalizations in Dynamic Latent Factor Models of Skill Formation, with Ronni Pavan and Joshua Kinsler, IZA DP No. 13714, R&R at Journal of Applied Econometrics. [Link](#)

Effects of Early Years Childcare on Long Run Health, with Julie Riise and Anne-Lise Breivik. [Link](#)

Impact and dissemination (recent)

Coping with school closures: changes in home-schooling during COVID-19, with Angus Holford, Laura Fumagalli and Birgitta Rabe, download the report [here](#).

University access: the role of background and Covid-19 throughout the application process, https://www.iser.essex.ac.uk/files/misoc/reports/explainers/university_access_background_covid19.pdf

Graduates' labour market and training expectations during COVID-19, <https://www.iser.essex.ac.uk/files/misoc/reports/explainers/graduate-labour-market-expectations.pdf>

What are the prospects for young people joining the labour market now?, the Economic Observatory. [Link](#)

Hard hit: Covid-19 has changed many lives, but ethnic minorities and women, especially lone mothers, have been particularly affected, published in the Economic Observatory Magazine, 2021. [Link](#)

Labour market scarring on young people, video-blog for the Economic Observatory. [Link](#)

Students Preferences over Fees, Loans and Grants, <https://www.iser.essex.ac.uk/files/misoc/reports/explainers/student-fees-preferences-explainer.pdf>

What explains ethnic and SES gaps in degree class and dropout?, <https://www.iser.essex.ac.uk/files/misoc/reports/explainers/ethnic-SES-dropout.pdf>

Academic supervision and teaching

Current PhD students: Sonkurt Sen and Liza Benny. Previous main supervisor for the following PhD students: Tina Rampino (2014), Angus Holford (2015), Laura Fumagalli (2015), Maria Elena Komodromou (2017); Greta Morando (2017); Franco Bonomi-Bezzo (2020); Enrico Rubolino (2020); Josh Fullard (2020) and MSc student Victor Perez (2012-2013). External PhD examiner for: Ervin Prifti (University of Rome "Tor Vergata" 2013), Laura Gibson (University of Sheffield, 2015), Sarah Sander (University of Copenhagen, 2018), Esmee Zwiers (Erasmus University, Rotterdam, 2019), Christian Crespo (LSE, 2019), and Maha Khan (York, 2021).

Teaching: NCRM Modules on (i) Impact Evaluation (November 2021) and Measuring and Analysing data on Subjective Expectations (March 2021) NCRM Module on Measuring and Analysing data on Subjective Expectations (March 2021), Application of Data Analysis, EC959, University of Essex (2015-2018). Prior to joining the University of Essex I was a College Lecturer in Economics at the University of Oxford: The Queen's College (2002-2004), Christ Church College (2001-2002), Pembroke College (1999-2001).

Referee for scientific organizations

Economic and Social Research Council (Peer Review College), Italian Research Council, *Agenzia Nazionale di Valutazione del Sistema Universitario e della Ricerca* for the evaluation of Italian Universities in Economics, National Institute of Health (NIH), National Institute for Social Care and Health Research (NISCHR), National Science Foundation (NSF), Nuffield Foundation, Research Foundation Flanders (FWO), Swiss National Science Foundation, Vienna Science and Technology Fund (WWTF).

Referee for Scientific Journals

American Economic Review, American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, British Journal of Sociology, Demography, Economics of Education Review, Economic Journal, European Economic Review, Journal of Economic Behaviour & Organization, Journal of Economic Inequalities, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Family and Economic Issues, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Population Economics, Journal of the Royal Statistical Society A, Industrial Relations, Labour, Labour Economics, Oxford Economic Papers, Oxford Review of Economic Policy, Review of Economic Studies, Review of the Economics of the Household, Scottish Journal of Political Economy.