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## Contact Information

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## Academic Employment

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2015 – present Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Lund University

## Academic Affiliations

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2017 – present Research Fellow, DIW Berlin  
2017 – present Research Fellow (Affiliate since 2015), IZA Institute of Labor Economics  
2017 – present Member of the Standing Field Committee for Economics of Education, German Economic Association (Bildungsökonomischer Ausschuss, Verein für Socialpolitik)

## Education

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2011 – 2015 Ph.D. in Economics, CEMFI, Madrid, Spain  
Visiting Ph.D. student at MIT during the spring of 2013  
2009 – 2011 M.Sc. in Economics and Finance, CEMFI, Madrid, Spain  
2008 – 2009 M.Sc. in Economics, University of Edinburgh, United Kingdom  
2004 – 2007 B.A. in European Studies, Maastricht University, The Netherlands  
Visiting student at the University of Bologna during the fall of 2006

## Publications

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“Africa's Skill Tragedy: Does Teachers' Lack of Knowledge Lead to Low Student Performance?”  
*Journal of Human Resources*, forthcoming (with Marc Piopiunik and Simon Wiederhold)  
“Teaching Practices and Cognitive Skills”  
*Labour Economics*, 30, 143-153, October 2014.

## Working Papers

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“The Long-Term Impacts of Low-Achieving Childhood Peers: Evidence from Project STAR”  
September 2016, *R&R Journal of the European Economic Association*  
“The Effect of Working Hours on Health”  
February 2018 (with Inés Berniell)  
“Preschool Attendance, School Progression, and Cognitive Skills in East Africa”  
November 2017 (with Sanna Ericsson and Fredrick M. Wamalwa)

## Awards and Honors

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2017 Prize for the Best Dissertation in Economics of Education 2015/16, German Economic Association (Bildungsökonomischer Ausschuss, Verein für Socialpolitik)  
2012 IEA Bruce H. Choppin Memorial Award (best master's thesis category)  
2011 UAM-Accenture Award in Economics and Management of Innovation

## **Grants and Scholarships**

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2016	Travel stipend, Stiftelsen Partnerskap, Lund
2016	Research grant, Stiftelsen för främjande av ekonomisk forskning, Lund
2015 – 2018	Tore Browaldh Stipend, Handelsbankens forskningsstiftelse, Stockholm
2012	Research and travel grant, Geld und Währung Foundation, Frankfurt
2011 – 2015	Predocctoral Research Grant, Spanish Ministry of Science and Innovation
2009 – 2011	Scholarship for the Master in Economics and Finance program, CEMFI, Madrid

## **Presentations**

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### ***Invited Seminar Talks (after Job Market)***

2017	University of Copenhagen, DIW Berlin, Fundación Europea Sociedad y Educación Madrid, University of Glasgow
2016	University of Duisburg-Essen, RWI Essen
2015	LMU Munich, Uppsala University

### ***Conferences and Workshops***

2018	Standing Field Committee for Economics of Education (Bern), CSAE conference
2017	RES (Bristol), KORA Workshop on Public Policies and Health (Copenhagen), Essen Health Conference, Copenhagen Education Network, SAEe (Barcelona)
2016	RES (Sussex), Copenhagen Education Network, SOLE (Seattle), Lund-Copenhagen Workshop in Applied Economics, ESPE (Berlin)
2014	IZA Summer School (Buch am Ammersee), SOLE (Arlington), EALE (Ljubljana), SAEe (Palma de Mallorca), Econometric Society EWM (Madrid)
2013	SOLE (Boston), EALE (Turin)

### ***Policy Talks***

2017	“Evaluating Teacher Quality” Fundación Europea Sociedad y Educación and Fundación Ramón Areces, Madrid
2013	“Teaching Practices and Cognitive Skills” Spanish Ministry of Education (part of the Congreso PIRLS-TIMSS), Madrid

## **Teaching Experience**

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2016 – present	Advanced Health Economics (graduate course), Lund University
2015 – present	Intermediate Health Economics (undergraduate course), Lund University
2011 – 2013	TA for Labor Economics (graduate course; instructor: David Dorn), CEMFI

## **Refereeing of Journal Articles**

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Economic Development and Cultural Change, Health Economics, Journal of Development Studies, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Labour Economics, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Review of Economic Studies, Scandinavian Journal of Economics

## **Media coverage**

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Germany: Tagesspiegel, Magazin SCHULE; Spain: El Mundo, ABC, Nada es Gratis

## **Language Skills**

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German (native); English, Italian, Spanish (fluent); Swedish (intermediate); Dutch, French (some)