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Positions

Post-Doctoral Researcher, Aix-Marseille School of Economics (AMSE), from November 2023

Doctoral Researcher, Nova SBE Economics of Education Knowledge Center, 2021-2023

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Economics of Education, Labour Economics, and Impact Evaluation

EDUCATION

Nova School of Business and Economics

Ph.D. in Economics (2023)

Advisors: Ana Balcão Reis & Luís Catela Nunes

Rockwool Foundation: Copenhagen & Aarhus BSS, Aarhus University: visiting research stay

University of Barcelona

M.Sc. in Economics (2015)

University of Lisbon, ISEG

B.Sc. in Economics (2013)

Instituto de Economia, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro: visiting student

RESEARCH

Working Papers

"Too young to quit school? Increasing the Compulsory Schooling Leaving age and students' educational paths" AMSE Working Papers, 2024

"Pupil Well-being in Danish Primary and Lower Secondary Schools" with A.F. Larsen, and M. Simonsen Aarhus BSS Economics Working Papers, 2020

Publications

"The termination of publicly funded private school contracts: Supply and demand side effects" with J. Firmino, A. Guilherme, and L. Catela Nunes

Journal of School Choice Special Issue: School Choice in Europe, 2023 https://doi.org/10.1080/15582159.2022.2030456

"The effect of a specialized versus a general upper-secondary school curriculum on students' performance and inequality. A difference-in-differences cross-country analysis" with J.O. Escardíbul, L. Catela Nunes, A. Balcão Reis, and C. Seabra

Applied Economics, 2020 https://doi.org/10.1080/00036846.2020.1734183

Selected Work in Progress

"Labour Market Effects of Declining Teen Employment" with F. B. Caires

"The Infrafamily Labour Market Impact of Extended Schooling" with B. Turkum

"The Costs of Limited School Track Supply" with M. Oosterveen

AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

María Jesús San Segundo Second Award for best paper at the AEDE Meeting 2021 for "Too young to quit school? Increasing the Compulsory Schooling Leaving age and educational paths"

Portuguese National Science Foundation (FCT), Ph.D. Scholarship (2016–2020)

Conference and Seminar Presentations

2021-2025: Development & Political Economics AMSE research group, LAGV (Marseille), EDULOG conference on Effectiveness and Equity in Education (Porto), DGEEC - Portuguese Ministry of Education "Forum Estatistico", Lisbon Micro Group, IWAEE (Catanzaro), COMPIE (Mannheim), PEJ (Terceira), LESE (Lisbon), WIPE (Reus), AEDE (Zaragoza)

2017-2019: PhD Workshop in Economics (Minho), AEDE (Murcia), IEB Workshop on Economics of Education (Barcelona), Workshop on Equity in Education (Leuven), PEJ (Lisbon), LEER (Leuven), Research Seminar at Aarhus BSS (Aarhus)

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

Journal Referee Service: Applied Economics, Applied Economics Letters, Asia Pacific Education Review, Economica, Economic Modelling, Education Economics, Humanities and Social Sciences Communications.

Field Experience: Survey collection in Portuguese schools

Participation in other Research Projects: "Insularity Costs of the Educational System in the Autonomous Region of the Azores" with Nova SBE Economics of Education Knowledge Center

TEACHING & THESIS SUPERVISION EXPERIENCE

Thesis Supervision:

Co-Supervision of MSc Thesis "Effects of School Closures in Portugal: The termination of public-funded private school contracts" by André Guilherme (Nova SBE, Fall 2021)

Supervision of MSc Research internship "Teen employment in Portugal" with Lilie Timricht (AMSE, Summer 2024)

Teaching and Grading:

Lecturer for Microeconomics III (Public Economics) at AMSE, MSc (Spring 2024)

Impact Evaluation course for School Inspectors and Teachers at Nova SBE (July 2025, January 2023)

Average of teaching evaluations in 2025: 4.79/5

Teaching Assistant for Stata for Finance at Nova SBE, MSc (Fall 2023)

Grader for Public Policy at Nova SBE, MSc (Spring 2023)

Teaching Assistant for Statistics at Nova SBE, BSc (Fall 2019 to Fall 2022)

Average of teaching evaluations: 5.67/6

Average of teaching evaluations in last two semesters: 5.78/6

Teaching Assistant for Public Economics at Nova SBE, BSc (Fall 2015 to Fall 2018, and Spring 2020)

Average of teaching evaluations: 5.02/6

Average of teaching evaluations in last two semesters: 5.65/6

Grader for Economics of Health and Health Care at Nova SBE, MSc (Fall 2015)

Grader for Business Economics at Nova SBE, MSc Bridging course (Summer 2015)

Others:

Teaching to Include: workshop for instructors with students with special educational needs (Fall 2021)

Teaching Pedagogy for Higher Education course (Spring 2016)

SOFTWARE SKILLS

Stata, R, H₂O Machine Learning Platform, SPSS, MatLab, GeoDa, MS Office, LATEX

LANGUAGES

English: Fluent Portuguese: Native

Italian: Intermediate/Proficient (B2/C1)

Spanish: Intermediate (B2)
French: Intermediate (B2)

REFERENCES

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