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### Academic positions

2017-	Collegio Carlo Alberto	Assistant Professor
2019-	University of Turin (ESOMAS Department)	Research Fellow

### Education

2012-2017	University of Toronto	Ph.D. Economics <i>Committee: Gustavo J. Bobonis, Marco Gonzalez-Navarro, Albert Berry, Michel Serafinelli</i>
2008-2009	University of Toronto	M.A. Economics (doctoral stream)
2004-2008	University of Waterloo	B. Computer Science (honours)

**Research Interests** Political Economy, Development, Violence and Conflict, Media

### Publications and Forthcoming

Legislating During War: Conflict and Politics in Colombia  
*Journal of Public Economics, Accepted*

Perceived Popularity and Online Political Dissent: Evidence from Twitter in Venezuela  
*International Journal of Press/Politics, 2020, 25(1): 5-27*

The Impact of Internal Displacement on Destination Communities: Evidence from the Colombian Conflict  
*Journal of Development Economics, 2018, 131: 132-150*

### Working Papers

Jam-barrel Politics (with Leonardo Bonilla-Mejía)  
*Revise and resubmit, Review of Economics and Statistics*

Legal Reforms, Conditional Cash Transfer Programs, and Intimate Partner Violence: Evidence from Mexico (with Gustavo J. Bobonis and Roberto Castro)

Violence Against Journalists and Freedom of the Press: Evidence from Mexico (with José A. Jurado)

Violence Against Politicians, Negative Campaigning, and Public Opinion: Evidence from Poland (with Krzysztof Krakowski and Dani Sandu)

### Work in Progress

Political Interaction and Influence through Social Media (with Pierluigi Conzo, Andrea Gallice, Margaret Samahita and Laura K. Taylor)

Understanding the Determinants of Civil Protest: Evidence from Twelve Million Mobile Surveys (with Rishav R. Agarwal, Joel Blit, Horatiu Rus and Anindya Sen)

Can Online Dissent Be (Effectively) Censored? (with Arvind Magesan and Arieda Muço)

### Professional Experience

#### Instructor:

2018- Development Economics, Collegio Carlo Alberto

#### Research Assistant:

2015 Arthur Blouin, Department of Economics, University of Toronto

2009, 2012-2014 Gustavo J. Bobonis, Department of Economics, University of Toronto

2008 Anindya Sen, Department of Economics, University of Waterloo

#### Teaching Assistant:

2008-2009, 2012-2017 Quantitative Methods in Economics, Development Economics, Topics in Development Economics and Policy, Economics of Conflict, Political Economy, American Economic History; University of Toronto

#### Other:

2011-2013 Data Analyst, Program on Globalization and Regional Innovation Systems (David Wolfe), Munk School of Global Affairs, University of Toronto

2010-2011 Research Analyst, Toronto Region Research Alliance (Toronto, Canada)

2009-2010 Software QA Analyst, ComputerTalk Technology (Richmond Hill, Canada)

### Seminars and conferences (\*scheduled, + discussant, †virtual presentation)

2020 *University of Waterloo, Princeton (ESOC Lab)†, EIEF\*†*

2019 Workshop on Political Economy (IEB, Universitat de Barcelona), Workshop on the Economics of Organized Crime + (Bocconi University, Milan), Development Economics and Policy (DIW Berlin), Nordic Conference on Development Economics (University of Copenhagen), XXXI SIEP Conference (University of Turin), *University College Dublin*, HiCN 15th Annual Workshop (Paris School of Economics), *University of Fribourg*

2018 Banff Empirical Microeconomics Workshop (University of Calgary), Nordic Conference on Development Economics (UNU-Wider / Aalto University School of Business, Helsinki), Galatina Summer Meetings +, Workshop on Political Economy (Free University of Bozen-Bolzano), *University of Stirling*

2017 *Brock University, York University, University of Melbourne, Collegio Carlo Alberto, PacDev (UC Riverside), Interdisciplinary Political Studies Conference (UMass-Amherst), MWIEDC (University of Wisconsin-Madison), ESOC Meeting (USIP, Washington, D.C.), LACEA-RIDGE Political Economy Workshop (PUC-Rio), Workshop on Occupational Regulation + (Collegio Carlo Alberto), HiCN 13th Annual Workshop (Solvay Brussels School), Migration Observatory 2nd Annual Conference (Collegio Carlo Alberto)*

2016 *University of Toronto, CDESG-CEA Annual Conference (University of Ottawa), 41 SAEE (University of the Basque Country, Bilbao)*

2015 CEA Annual Conference (Ryerson University, Toronto), HiCN 11th Annual Workshop (University of Toronto), LACEA Labor Network conference: Are labor markets in Latin America prepared for the new challenges? (PUC-Santiago)

**Awards and Grants**

2020	Collegio Carlo Alberto, Mini-Seed Project Grant (€7,500); Einaudi Institute for Economics and Finance, Research Grant (€10,000); University College Dublin, College of Social Sciences and Law Research Funding Scheme (€1,500) (with P. Conzo, A. Gallice, M. Samahita and L. K. Taylor)
2019	Italian Society of Public Economics, 2019 SIEP Prize (for the paper “Jam-barrel Politics: Road Building and Legislative Voting in Colombia”, with L. Bonilla-Mejía)
2016-2017	University of Toronto, Doctoral Completion Award
2016-2017	University of Toronto, Lawrence and Tracey Smith Bursary in Economics
2015-2016	University of Toronto, Tom Easterbrook Scholarship in Communications and the Mass Media
2008-2009, 2012-2016	University of Toronto, Graduate Fellowship
2014	Inter-American Development Bank, Research Grant (with G.J. Bobonis and R. Castro)
2008	University of Waterloo, Graduation with Distinction

**Other**

2019-2020	ESOC Mentorship Program for Early-career Investigators ( <i>Mentor</i> : James D. Fearon, Stanford University)
2016	Barcelona GSE, Summer School in Political Economy

**Service**

2017-	Junior Hiring Review Committee, Collegio Carlo Alberto
2020	Applied Economics Webinar Series (co-organizer), Collegio Carlo Alberto
2019	Summer School in Economics (Introduction to Development Economics), Associazione Allievi Collegio Carlo Alberto
2017-2018	Monday Lunch Seminar (co-organizer), Collegio Carlo Alberto

PhD Student Supervision, University of Turin

2019-	Giulia Briselli (co-supervisor) [ongoing]
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**Languages**

Spanish (native), English (fluent), Italian (intermediate), French (basic)

**Citizenship**

Canadian, Colombian

**Refereeing**

*Review of Economics and Statistics, Economic Development and Cultural Change, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Politics, International Journal of Press/Politics, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Review of Economic Design, Economic Systems, Journal of Peacebuilding & Development*