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EMPLOYMENT AND AFFILIATIONS

Senior Lecturer (Associate Professor): Queen Mary University of London, 2024-
Reader (Associate Professor): King's College London, 2023-24
Senior Lecturer (Associate Professor, Permanent 2021): King's College London, 2018-2023
Lecturer (Assistant Professor), Birkbeck University of London, 2017-2018.
Lecturer (Assistant Professor), University of Essex, 2014-16.
Research Economist, Centre for Economic Performance, LSE, 2011-14.
Assistant Professor, Kent State University, 2010-11.

AFFILIATIONS

Affiliate: Economic Statistics Centre of Excellence, 2024-
Affiliate: Centre for Economic Policy Research, 2017-
Affiliate: Centre for Economic Performance, 2014-

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Development Economics, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2010.
M.S. Economics, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2006.
M.S. Mathematics, University of Iowa, 2004.
B.S. (Honors) Mathematics, B.S. Economics, University of Iowa, 2003.

RESEARCH

“The Comparative Advantage of Firms.” (w/S. Dhingra, J. Boehm)
CEP Discussion Paper No. 1407 *Journal of Political Economy* (Lead Article)
“Monopolistic Competition and Optimum Product Diversity Under Firm Heterogeneity.” (with Swati Dhingra)
Winner, Chair Jacquemin Prize (ETSG) *Journal of Political Economy*
“Productivity As If Space Mattered: An Application to Factor Markets Across China.” (w/W. Cheng)
CESifo Working Paper No. 4494 *Journal of Industrial Economics*
“Learning About the Prospects for Mobility: Economic and Political Dynamics Following Fundamental
Policy Reform.” (with Michael Carter) *NBER Working Paper No. 19498* *Journal of Public Economics*
“Efficiency in Large Markets with Firm Heterogeneity.” (with Swati Dhingra)
CEP Discussion Paper No. 1502 *Research in Economics*

Current Research

“Firms in Product Space: Adoption, Growth, and Competition” (w/L. Macedoni, V. Tyazhelnikov)
“Can Firm Subsidies Spread Growth?” (w/Elodie Andrieu)
“Industry Entry and Choice in Indonesia: The Role of Trade Policy” (w/ A. Brucal, R. Shrestha)

“Resting” Projects

“Benford’s Law, Families of Distributions, and a Test Basis”

CEP Discussion Paper No. 1291

“The Political Economy of Inclusive Agricultural Growth”

(with Michael Carter)

CEP Discussion Paper No. 1259

“Is Skill Dispersion a Source of Productivity and Exports in Developing Countries?”

FREIT Working Paper No. 134

BOOK CHAPTERS

Carter, MR and J Morrow. “The Politics of Economic Polarization in Peru,” in J. Igunez (ed.). *Poverty, Exclusion and Income Distribution: Essays in Honor of Adolfo Figueroa* (Catholic University Press).

Boehm, J., Dhingra, S. and J Morrow. “Product Diversification in Indian Manufacturing,” in *New Developments in Global Sourcing* (MIT Press).

REFEREE SERVICE

Econometrica, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Review of Economic Studies, Journal of Political Economy, American Economic Review, Journal of the European Economic Association, Economic Journal, AEJ: Micro, Review of Economics and Stats, AEJ: Insights, Journal of Econ Theory, Journal of International Economics, JPE: Micro, Rev of Econ Dynamics, Journal of Industrial Econ, International Econ Rev, Journal of Dev Econ, Rand Journal, International Econ Review, Journal of Math Econ, Can Journal of Econ, Euro Econ Review, Mgmt Science, Journal of Reg Sci, Scand Journal, R of Int’l Econ, R of Ind Org, Econ Theory, World Dev, J of EB&O, Econ Letters, Journal of Econ, Economica, Computat Econ, Scottish J of Pol Ec, Econ Bulletin, World Bank Econ Review, Manchester School, Journal of Socioeconomics, Journal of Demo Econ, Oxford Econ Papers, Asian Dev Review, Review of Social Econ, Journal of Bus Research.

PHD STUDENTS

Elodie Andrieu (placed 3 year post-doc PSE).

Current Advisees: Meng Yu Ngov, Nick Khaw, Gürcan Gülersoy, Sergio Infrerra, Kieran Byrne.

External Examiner: Nida Jamil, Paula Belen Cesana.

SEMINARS, PRESENTATIONS & DISCUSSIONS

2025: Oslo, Erasmus (Rotterdam), Tilburg, E1 Macro (Organizer), Firm Dynamics (Organizer). Upcoming: Bank of Portugal, Firm Org and Capabilities (HEC Paris), Athens Trade, 9th InsTED Workshop (Organizer), SEF 2nd Annual Research Symposium, Judge Business School (Cambridge), Birkbeck Alumni Workshop. 2024: Freie University (Berlin), CMA (London), Brunel (London), IWH (Halle), SPRU (Sussex), Lancaster ULB (Brussels), Aston (Birmingham), CITP (Nottingham), Maastricht University, ESCoE (Manchester), Geographical Inequalities (Sheffield), DIEW (Aarhus), Trade Policy (LSE, Disc), 8th InsTED Workshop. Trade, Productivity and Development (Glasgow), CEP/Warwick Junior Trade Day (Disc), Zurich, Int’l Trade Mkt Failures & Development (Munich). Upcoming: Oslo, Erasmus (Rotterdam), Tilburg, Lisbon, Athens Trade, 9th InsTED Workshop.

2023: Lille, UC Louvain, PSE Macro Trade Workshop, LSE Trade Workshop, Nottingham, ETH Zurich, RES (Glasgow), Kent Macro Workshop, KCL Trade and Dev (Host), BCAM Macro (Birkbeck), CEP Retreat (LSE), EBRD/KCL Migration (Disc, Istanbul), KCL Brown Bag, ERWIT (Disc, Turin), EBRD/KCL Pol of Globalization (Disc, London), ESCOE (London), PSE/Sciences Po (Paris), Grad Institute (Geneva), Firms/Workers/Inst (Linz), 2nd SICKCL (Host), Global Interations (Bari), NYU Trade Day, InsTED (Lancaster), Harvard Growth Lab (Boston), Supply Chains in DCs (EUI), CUNY Queens, QMUL (London).

2022: Munich, Cardiff, Kent, Queen Mary (London), US Census, Hungarian Acad of Sci, DIEW (Aarhus), GTIF (Tilburg), Junior Trade Workshop (LSE, Discussant), KCL Trade & Dev (Host), 1st SICKCL (Host), Economics of Global Interactions (Bari), ETSG (Groeningen), CAED (Discussant).

2021: ASSA, ERIA (Jakarta), SED (Barcelona), MIEDC (Northwestern), ERIA (Jakarta), Sheffield.

2020: Comparative Advange of Firms (Birmingham). Cancelled: Australasian Trade (Canberra), Sydney/UNSW, Monash, Perth, Political Economy Workshop (Leicester), SED (Barcelona), IEA (Bali).

2019: EWEPa (London), Applied Dev Economics (Lahore).

2018: QMUL (London), KCL (London), Hungarian Acad of Sci, UK HMT-Cabinet (London), UCD (Dublin), Exeter, KCL-DPE (London), SAET, Bayreuth, Free University (Berlin), SMU, Academia Sinica, Glasgow.

2017: ACED (Manila), Econ & Social Development (Moscow), IO & Spatial Econ (St. Petersburg), TCD/LSE/CEPR Dev Econ (Dublin), Trade and Dev (Delhi), Exeter, IESE (Barcelona).

2016: RES (Sussex), InsTED (Indiana), CUNY-Queens, TIGN (Sao Paulo), Growth Microchannels (Leuven).

2015: Seminar (Alicante), Danish Int'l Workshop (Aarhus), Seminar (Wuerzberg), LAGV Public Economics (Aix-en-Provence), SAET 2015 (Cambridge).

2014: RES PhD (London), Darden (Virginia), Seminar (Indiana), Seminar (Stockholm U), RES (Manchester), Seminar (Sheffield), Seminar (Southampton), Seminar (Leuven), Seminar (Toronto), Seminar (UC Dublin), Rentrée Workshop (Essex), European Public Choice (Cambridge), Spatial Labor Mkts (Nuremberg), 5th GREThA Development (Bordeaux), 2nd InSTED (Eugene), Econometric Society (Madrid), Essex Trade Workshop (Organizer).

2013: ERWIT (Rotterdam), Development Seminar (Davis), Maynooth (Dublin), Seminar (Oxford), CEP-DOM (LSE), RES (Royal Holloway), Midwest Development (Madison), Seminar (Oslo), Int'l Lunch (Yale), Seminar (Middlesex), Seminar (Loughborough), GPEN-CGR (Queen Mary), CORE (Louvain), Seminar (WVa), CEPR IO (Bologna), IAB (Nuremberg), CESifo (Munich), Seminar (Essex), CESI (Hong Kong), Development Workshop (Osaka), Seminar (Waseda), Seminar (GWU), Int'l Seminar (Georgetown), Seminar (Chulalongkorn), Seminar (Sussex), Seminar (Iowa), Institutional Challenges in Emerging Economies (Stockholm), Seminar (CUNY), Dev Seminar (Manchester), EIIT (Virginia), Dev Seminar (Wisconsin), Pop Studies (Chulalongkorn),

2012: GEP (Nottingham), FIW (Vienna), CEP Conference (Brighton), Seminar (Mannheim), Trade Policy in a Globalised World (Venice, Disc), Nordic Development (Gothenburg), Int'l Workshop (LSE), ETSG (Leuven), Warsaw School of Economics, IO & Spatial Econ (St. Petersburg), HSE (St. Petersburg).

2011: RES (RHUL), Int'l Seminar (LSE), AEA (Denver), DSE Winter School (Delhi).

2010: Seminar (Royal Holloway), CAGE (Warwick), Dev Seminar (Cornell), Brown Bag (Ohio State), Midwest Int'l (Northwestern), Midwest Poli Sci (Chicago), Seminar (Syracuse), Seminar (Calgary), Firm Selection & Country Competitiveness (Nice), Macro/Int'l Seminar (UC Davis), Seminar (Kent), Midwest Development (Minnesota), Development Seminar (UC Davis).

2009: CEA (Toronto), Midwest Dev (Minn). 2008: SOEGW (Wilfrid Laurier), Midwest Dev (Wisc).

WORKSHOPS CO-ORGANIZED

9th InsTED Workshop	2025
Workshop on Firm Dynamics, Market Structures and Productivity in the Macroeconomy V	2025
E1 Macro Workshop	2025
8th InsTED Workshop	2024
Super Informal Conference at King's College London	2022, 2023
King's College London Trade and Development Workshop	2022, 2023
Essex Trade Workshop	2014

SERVICE

Hiring Chair, King's College London	2021, 2022, 2023.
Economics PhD Lead, KCL	2019, 2020.

AWARDS

King's College London Teaching Award Nomination	2022
Three King's College London Teaching Award Nominations	2021
HEA Fellowship	2020
Chair Jacquemin Prize, ETSG	2012
Young Economist Award, FIW Austria	2012
Vilas Fellow & Pass with Distinction (Field exam), UW-Madison	2004-2005, 2007
Summer Fellow (Mathematics) & Faculty Appreciation (Teaching Award), University of Iowa	2003, 2003

GRANTS

KBS Teaching Innovation Grant (~£1250)	2019
LSE-TISS-TATA Grant (~£2300)	2013
STICERD Grant (£4000) 'UK Auto Industry: Global Crisis and Adaptation' w/S. Dhingra, G. Wright	2012-5
Santander Travel Research Fund (~£2500)	2012
Royal Economics Society Conference Grant	2012
Portuguese Science and Technology Grant (~€36000) 'Trade Relations: Networks, Learning, Skills and Diversity' with Giordano Mion, Luca Opromolla, Swati Dhingra, Filomena Garcia, Frank Page	2011-14

TEACHING AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Economic Development (QMUL 2nd Year MRes)	Fall 2025
International Trade (QMUL 2nd Year MRes)	Fall 2024, 2025
International Trade (QMUL MSc)	Fall 2024, 2025
International Trade (Graduate, Guest at LSE)	Spring, Fall 2019
Principles of Microeconomics (Guest at LSE)	Summer 2016-2019
Advanced Mathematics II (Undergrad)	Fall 2019-23
Mathematics for Finance (Graduate)	Fall 2017
International Trade (Graduate)	Spring 2016-7, 2021-4
International Money and Finance (Undergrad)	Spring 2015
International Trade (Undergrad)	Fall 2014, Fall 2015, Spring 2018
Growth and Development in the Global Economy (Undergrad/Grad)	Fall 2008-10
Problems of Developing Areas (Grad)	Spring 2011
Principles of Microeconomics (Undergrad)	Fall 2010, Spring 2011, Fall 2018-23

REFERENCES

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