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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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<b>Teaching and Research Fellow (ATER)</b>	2024–2025
Saint-Etienne School of Economics, Jean Monnet University & GATE Lyon-St-Étienne (UMR 5824), CNRS Economics Research Unit.	2025–Present
<b>Ph.D. Candidate (funded academic contract)</b>	2021–2024
Université Jean Monnet & Université de Lyon GATE Lyon-St-Étienne (UMR 5824, CNRS) Funding: French Ministry of Higher Education and Research.	

## EDUCATION

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<b>Ph.D. in Economics</b>	2021–2025
UNIVERSITÉ JEAN MONNET & UNIVERSITÉ DE LYON (France) Based at GATE Lyon–Saint-Étienne (UMR 5824), CNRS Economics Research Unit. Thesis: “ <i>Essays on the measurement of income inequality: A methodological, historical, and empirical study</i> ” (Defended on October 6, 2025). Supervisors: Prof. Antoinette Baujard (Université Jean Monnet & GATE Lyon-St-Étienne) and Prof. Isabelle Lebon (Université de Caen Normandie & CREM). Examiners: Ariane Dupont-Kieffer (Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne), Mark Fransham (University of Oxford), Maxime Desmarais-Tremblay (Université de Lorraine), Stéphane Mussard (Université de Nîmes), Steven G. Medema (Duke University), and Thérèse Rebière (Conservatoire National des Arts et Métiers, Paris).	
<b>Visiting Ph.D. Student</b>	March–June, 2024 (four months)
UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD (United Kingdom) INET Oxford & Department of Social Policy and Intervention. Sponsor: Prof. Brian Nolan	
<b>M.Res. in Economics and Social Sciences</b>	2020–2021
UNIVERSITÉ LUMIÈRE LYON 2 (France)	
<b>M.A. in Economics and Social Sciences</b>	2019–2020
UNIVERSITÉ LUMIÈRE LYON 2 (France)	
<b>Fellowship “Amartya Sen Program” for Education &amp; Research</b>	2017–2018
UNIVERSIDAD DE BUENOS AIRES (Argentina)	
<b>B.A. in Economics (5-Year Degree)</b>	2012–2018
UNIVERSIDAD NACIONAL DE CUYO (Argentina)	

## OTHER TRAINING

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**Paris School of Economics Summer School:** “*Inequality and Institutions: Economic, Social, and Political Frictions.*” Course & Research Lab Program (3 ECTS). Paris, June 19–23, 2023.  
**Instructors:** François Bourguignon, Clara Martínez-Toledano, Oliver Vanden Eynde, Thierry Verdier, and Ekaterina Zhuravskaya.

**ESHET Summer School** – UNIVERSITY OF STRASBOURG: “*Inequality and Social Justice in Economics and Beyond.*” Course & Research Tutorials Program, August 29–September 2, 2022.

Instructors: Alain Trannoy, Marc Fleurbaey, Malka Guillot, Alice Debauche, Philippe Gillig, Virginie Gouverneur, and Faustine Perrin.

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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**Primary Fields:** Economic inequality (measurement, determinants, and implications); public policy; income distribution and redistribution.

**Methods:** Applied economics, economic methodology, history of economic thought.

## RESEARCH

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### Publications in Academic Journals:

1. Hauser, Ignacio (2024). “Review of ‘Welfare for Markets: A Global History of Basic Income’, by Anton Jäger and Daniel Zamora Vargas.” *European Journal of the History of Economic Thought* 31 (2): 362–365. doi:10.1080/09672567.2024.2363144
2. Hauser, Ignacio (2023). “Welfare, state, and values: the winding road of the normative approach to inequality measurement (1912–1970).” *European Journal of the History of Economic Thought* 30 (5): 832–859. doi:10.1080/09672567.2023.2248309

### Working papers :

1. “Unequal by which measure? A comparative assessment of U.S. state income inequality”
  - **Abstract:** This paper analyzes the technical and public policy implications of using different measures of income inequality, with a focus on how the choice of measure may shape both interpretation and policy debate. Using data from the American Community Survey (ACS-PUMS), the paper empirically and econometrically assesses eleven distinct measures by comparing inequality levels across U.S. states, and examines how the same set of socioeconomic factors relates to interstate variation in income inequality depending on the measure chosen. The findings show, first, substantial inconsistencies in inequality rankings for both household and wage/salary income, even within a cross-sectional analysis that relies on the same dataset, the same data treatment, and the same definitions of income and population. Second, despite the discrepancies inherent in the view that each measure offers, the results suggest that using multiple measures can reveal valuable information about the factors associated with interstate income inequality, thereby increasing their usefulness in guiding public policy more effectively.
2. “Revisiting rank reversals in inequality measures” (*with Antoinette Baujard*)
  - **Abstract:** Economists evaluate social states and recommend public policies based on quantitative indicators such as inequality measures. Difficulties arise when different indices (e.g., the Gini coefficient, Atkinson indices, or interdecile ratios) generate contradictory rankings of social states for a given dataset, a phenomenon known as *rank reversals*. We examine the challenges this poses both for public policy recommendations and for the reliability of the tools and results of economic science. We argue that such contradictions are inevitable and predictable due to the construction of each index, yet not harmless if ignored. Rather than the competitive rationale that often dominates the choice of an inequality measure, we propose two alternatives. First, we propose that rank reversals can be explained by the fact that each index can be expressed as the explicit statement of a specific value judgment. We show that existing techniques can justify this interpretation, including Atkinson’s specification of values over the income distribution and the axiomatic method for identifying value judgments implicit in a measure. Second, drawing on Sen’s positional objectivity approach, we demonstrate that each index functions as a distinct prism through which inequality is seen. Each measure offers an individual perspective on the phenomenon and, despite their conflicts, the plurality of measures allows for a more comprehensive view of inequality. The paper argues that we can make use of the plurality of existing indices, provided that the reasons for selecting a particular measure or the interpretation of all measures are explained transparently. Finally, we argue that our analysis can be extended more generally to any index of social well-being, quality of life, or assessment of social conditions more broadly.

## HONORS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS

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**Full research grant for doctoral mobility** | UJM (AAPR), EUR 6,300, 2023–2024.

**Research grant for doctoral mobility abroad** | Doctoral School, Université de Lyon, EUR 750, 2023–2024.

**Research grant for overseas conference** | Doctoral School, Université de Lyon, EUR 400, 2023–2024.

**Full doctoral fellowship** | French Ministry of Higher Education and Research, UdL & UJM, 2021–2024.

**Best research thesis of the Bachelor’s degree in economics** | Universidad Nacional de Cuyo, 2018–2019.

**Full scholarship for AIESEC’s “Global Entrepreneur” program** | Curitiba, Brazil, 07–08/2018.

**One-year fellowship “Amartya Sen Program” (with grant)** | Universidad de Buenos Aires, 2017–2018.

## CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, AND INVITED TALKS

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Inequality and Policy Research Group Meeting. Department of Social Policy and Intervention, **University of Oxford**, UK, June 2024. (**Invited**)

London Inequality Network (LIN) Workshop, **University of Oxford**, UK May 2024. (**Invited**)

Annual Symposium for Early Researchers in Social Policy & Intervention (SERSPI). **University of Oxford**, St Hilda’s College, UK, May 2024.

European “Philosophy, Politics, and Economics” Network 2024 Conference. **University of Warwick**, UK, April 2024.

Symposium “Justice and Equality: Theoretical Aspects and Empirical Evidence.” **University of Genoa**, Italy, October 2023. (**Invited**)

10th Meeting of the Society for the Study of Economic Inequality (**ECINEQ**). **Aix-Marseille School of Economics**, France, July 2023.

16th Biennial Conference of the International Network for Economic Method (INEM). **Ca’ Foscari University of Venice**, Italy, May 2023.

Annual Workshop, Doctoral School of Economics & Management. **Jean Moulin Lyon 3 University**, France, April 2023.

Workshop “From Public Finance to Public Economics.” European Journal of the History of Economic Thought. **University of Graz**, Austria, September 2022. (**Invited**)

25th Annual Conference of the European Society for the History of Economic Thought (ESHET). **University of Padua**, Italy, June 2022.

Workshop M.Res. in Economics and Social Sciences (THESE). **Université Lumière Lyon 2**, France, May 2021.

## TEACHING AND SUPERVISION

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More than 300 contact hours of teaching experience in English (108h), French (190h), and Spanish (2h).

### **Lecturer (Lead Instructor):**

MACROECONOMICS III: MONEY, BANKING AND FINANCING OF THE ECONOMY (Undergraduate, 2nd year), 2024–2025/2025–2026, *Saint-Étienne School of Economics, Université Jean Monnet & Sciences Po Lyon*.

MICROECONOMICS: MARKET MECHANISMS, FAILURES, AND PUBLIC INTERVENTION (Graduate Engineering Programme, 1st year), 2024–2025, *École Nationale Supérieure des Mines de Saint-Étienne*.

### **Invited Lecturer:**

INEQUALITY IN ADVERSE CONTEXTS: WHAT PROSPECTS FOR LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN? (Undergraduate, 1st year). Two lectures for the course “Contemporary Debates” of the Minerve International Program (Invited by Prof. Rebeca Gomez Betancourt), 2022–2023, *Université Lumière Lyon 2*.

### Teaching Assistant:

MACROECONOMICS II: ECONOMIC CYCLES AND STATE INTERVENTION (Undergraduate, 1st year), 2024–2025, *Saint-Étienne School of Economics, Université Jean Monnet*.

MICROECONOMICS III: THE FIRM, PRODUCTION, AND SUPPLY (Undergraduate, 2nd year), 2024–2025/2025–2026, *Saint-Étienne School of Economics, Université Jean Monnet & Sciences Po Lyon*.

MACROECONOMICS III: MONEY, BANKING AND FINANCING OF THE ECONOMY (Undergraduate, 2nd year), 2024–2025/2025–2026, *Saint-Étienne School of Economics, Université Jean Monnet & Sciences Po Lyon*.

INTERNATIONAL ECONOMICS (CdM, 2nd Year, First-Cycle Degree), 2022–2023, *Sciences Po Lyon*.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATION APPLIED TO ECONOMICS (Undergraduate, 1st year), 2021–2022, *IAE Saint-Étienne School of Management, Université Jean Monnet*.

### Supervision:

– Master’s (1st year) and Bachelor’s (3rd year) research and internship-based theses in “ANALYSIS AND POLICY IN ECONOMICS” (APE), 2024–2025 (6 students) and 2025–2026 (6 students), *Saint-Étienne School of Economics, Université Jean Monnet*.

– Undergraduate (2nd year) semester-long Policy Briefs in “ENVIRONMENTAL ECONOMICS”, 2024–2025 (6 groups of 3 students each), *Saint-Étienne School of Economics, Université Jean Monnet*.

– Undergraduate (1st year) semester-long Policy Briefs in “INEQUALITY AND INSTITUTIONS”, 2023–2024 (4 groups of 3 students each), *Saint-Étienne School of Economics, Université Jean Monnet*.

## SKILLS

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**Languages:** Spanish (Native), French (Fluent), English (Fluent), Portuguese (Basic).

**Tools:** R, LaTeX, Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, OneNote).

## UNIVERSITY AND RESEARCH UNIT SERVICE

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**Elected Representative of PhD Students** 2023–2025  
Council of the Doctoral School of Economics and Management,  
University of Lyon.

**Organizer** 2022–2023  
‘GATE-Lyon-St-Étienne PhD Seminars’

## PREVIOUS ENGAGEMENT IN ACADEMIC NETWORKS

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**Employment, Equity and Growth Programme (EEG)**, Institute for New Economic Thinking at the Oxford Martin School, University of Oxford

**London Inequality Network (UCL, ICL, King’s College, LSE & Oxford)**

**Inequality and Policy Research Group**, Department of Social Policy and Intervention, University of Oxford

**Society for the Study of Economic Inequality (ECINEQ)**

**European “Philosophy, Politics, and Economics” Network**

**Symposium for Early Researchers in Social Policy & Intervention (SERSPI)**, University of Oxford

**European Society for the History of Economic Thought (ESHET)**

## International Network for Economic Method (INEM)

## WORK EXPERIENCE (OUTSIDE ACADEMIA)

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<b>Jr. Economist - AIESEC International Internship Program</b> Realize Hub, Curitiba, Brazil.	07–08/2018
<b>Professional Internship - Economic and Business Services</b> PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC), Buenos Aires, Argentina.	01–02/2018
<b>Research Assistant - Economy and Finance</b> Civic Foundation. Honorable Chamber of Deputies & Honorable Legislature of Mendoza, Ciudad de Mendoza, Argentina.	06–11/2014

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

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<b>Coordinator of Social Project “Cadenas de Valor”</b> (“Value Chains”). Advocated for improved working conditions and remuneration for inmates in the Production and Sales Unit of the Mendoza Penitentiary System. Mendoza, Argentina.	05–12/2017
<b>Legislative Volunteer, “Legislatura + VOS 2014”</b> (“Legislature + YOU 2014”). Promoted carbon footprint measurement and reduction among state suppliers. Civic Foundation. Honorable Chamber of Deputies & Honorable Legislature of Mendoza, Ciudad de Mendoza, Argentina.	06–11/2014

## REFERENCES

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