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Academic Positions

University of Galway — Galway, Ireland
Research Associate — 2026 –2027

Education

University College Dublin — Dublin, Ireland
PhD in Economics (supervisor: Margaret Samahita) — 2023 –2027 (viva in Jan. 2027)

Universitat de Barcelona — Barcelona, Spain
Visiting PhD student (host: Francesco Capozza) — Spring 2026

University College Dublin — Dublin, Ireland
MLitt in Economics — 2022 –2023

University College Dublin — Dublin, Ireland
MSc in Applied Economics — 2021 –2022

National Chengchi University — Taipei, Taiwan
BBA in International Business — 2013 –2017

Teaching and Research Fields

Primary: Experimental Economics, Behavioral Economics, Game Theory
Secondary: Public Economics, Environmental Economics

Job Market Paper

Discriminated but not Discouraged: Investment Responses to Algorithmic Discrimination
(status: under review)
In a pre-registered online experiment (N = 553), I study how people invest to improve their hiring prospects when an algorithm evaluates identity groups differently. Participants assigned to the disadvantaged group invest 17.7% more than those in the advantaged group. Providing information about same-group predecessors has limited effects, while making investment costs payable only if hired increases disadvantaged participants' investment by 24%. The findings show that algorithmic disadvantage does not discourage investment in this context and that reducing its financial risk can meaningfully change behavior.

Publications

Motivation in All-Pay Contests. *Journal of Public Economic Theory,* 2026

Work in Progress

Does Ambiguity Aversion Stem from Misperceptions of Variance? Some Experimental Evidence
with Margaret Samahita and Karl Whelan

Reproducibility and Robustness of Nature Human Behaviour Articles in 2023–2025
with Lenka Fiala et al. (large-scale collaboration; invited submission to *Nature Human Behaviour*)

Insights into Relative Income and Generosity
with Diogo Geraldes and Enda Hargaden

Local Examples of Cooperation and Harnessing Experimental Insights to Lower Emissions
with Féidhlim McGowan and Shane Timmons

Rejection and Toxic Messaging: Heterogeneous Responses in Online Dating
with Kun Wu

Teaching

Tutor at University College Dublin

- Industrial Economics *(Module Coordinator: Tiziana Brancaccio)* — Fall 2025
- Intermediate Microeconomics II *(Module Coordinators: Sarah Parlane, Marta Talevi)* — Spring 2024, 2025
- Econometrics *(Module Coordinator: Enda Hargaden)* — Fall 2024
- Experiments in Economics *(Module Coordinators: Orla Doyle, Vessela Daskalova)* — Fall 2023, 2024
- Experimental Economics: Lab Experiments *(Module Coordinator: Vessela Daskalova)* — Spring 2024
- Exploring Economics *(Module Coordinator: Aisling Reynolds-Feighan)* — Fall 2023
- Principles of Macroeconomics *(Module Coordinator: Ivan Pastine)* — Spring 2023
- Intro Quantitative Economics *(Module Coordinator: Ciara Whelan)* — Fall 2022

Lecturer at EM Normandie Business School

- Introduction to Economics — Spring 2025, Fall 2025

Lecturer at Dublin City University

- Quantitative Methods for Social Sciences 1 — Spring 2024

Scholarships and Awards

- Travel Grant, Irish Economic Association — 2026
- Research Funding, UCD School of Economics (€5,493.9) — 2024–2026
- Graduate Scholarship, UCD School of Economics — 2022–2026
- Research Culture Initiative, UCD (Co-PI, €9,500) — 2025
- Cormac O Grada Award for best transfer seminar, UCD School of Economics (€500) — 2025

- Graduate Research Innovation Fund, UCD College of Social Sciences and Law (€500) 2024
- International Student Scholarship, UCD (€7,000) 2021

Other Employment

EduCo International Group — Taipei, Taiwan
Regional Recruitment & Marketing Manager, Taiwan — 2019-2021

The Masters Education — Taipei, Taiwan
Research Consultant — 2018-2019

Yahoo! Hong Kong Ltd. — Taipei, Taiwan
Marketing Communications Specialist — 2017-2018

Other

- **Conferences Presentations:**
  2026: Irish Postgraduate and Early Career Economics Workshop (Maynooth University), UCD School of Economics PhD Seminar, Irish Economic Association Conference, 50th International Association for Research in Economic Psychology (IAREP) Conference (Universitat Jaume I), BEE UK Annual Conference (University of Exeter), 1st Minorities in Economics Mentoring Conference (University of Bristol), EEA Annual Congress (UCD), BEE 2026 Workshop (University of Florence)
  2025: Irish Economic Association Conference, BSE Summer Forum Workshop, European Doctoral Group in Economics Jamboree (Cambridge University)
  2024: UCD School of Economics PhD Seminar, 10th Contest: Theory and Evidence Conference (University of Reading), Lisbon Meetings in Game Theory and Applications (ISEG)
  2023: UCD Economics Research & Reading Group Seminar, European Doctoral Group in Economics Jamboree (Aix-Marseille University), Max Planck Summer School on the Political Economy of Conflict and Redistribution
  2022: UCD Behavioural Science and Policy Seminar
- **Academic Service:** Referee, *European Economic Review*; Co-Organizer, Research & Reading Group, UCD School of Economics (2025-2026)
- **Affiliations:** Behavioural Science and Policy Group at UCD (2022-), Irish Society for Women in Economics (2022-)
- **Programming:** R, Stata, LaTeX, Qualtrics, zTree, oTree, Limesurvey, Python, PsychoPy
- **Languages:** Mandarin (native), Taiwanese (native), English (proficient), Japanese (conversational), Spanish (conversational) and Catalan (beginner, CEFR A1 certified)

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