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EDUCATION

European University Institute

Ph.D in Economics

Expected 2027

Supervisors: Thomas Crossley and Alessandro Tarozzi

M.Res in Economics

2022

University Paris-Saclay, Ecole Polytechnique & ENSAE

M.Sc in Economics. *Magna Cum Laude*

2020

University Paris-Sud

B.Sc in Economics and Management, Applied Economics track. *with Honours*

2018

University Degree in German and English Languages and Civilizations. *with Honours*

2018

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Applied Microeconomics, Political Economy, Development Economics, Media Economics

JOB MARKET PAPER

Voting at the Dining Table: How Mail-in Ballots Impact Couples' Political Behavior

Abstract: This paper studies how mail voting reshapes the political behavior of couples in the United States. Leveraging differences in implementation across states, I study its effects throughout the political decision-making process, both across and within election cycles. Partners overwhelmingly adopt mail voting jointly, reshaping the household's political life: exploiting the varying length of mail-voting periods across states, I show that couple members report significantly more political interactions during such periods, while singles do not. I then document three direct downstream consequences. The introduction of mail voting is associated with a leftward shift among married men, in both partisan ideology and policy views. This effect is primarily concentrated among independent and left-leaning men, while no effects are uncovered among Republicans. Using administrative data on the content and origin of actual ballots, I show that mail voting is associated with significant excess pairs of identical ballots within precincts, suggesting important coordination between partners. Finally, mail-voting periods are associated with a 1.8% increase in the daily number of reported violent incidents between partners, highlighting that increased observability can result in higher within-couple conflict.

WORKING PAPERS

Connecting the Unconnected: Facebook Access and Female Political Representation in Sub-Saharan Africa, with Sophie Hatte and Jordan Loper

Revise and Resubmit at the *Journal of Political Economy*

Partisan Media Ownership, News Content, and Policy Preferences

with Mathieu Couttenier, Sophie Hatte and Stephanos Vlachos

WORK IN PROGRESS

Printing Progress? Newspapers and Female Emancipation in Pre-Suffrage Britain
with Andrea Tizzani

Exposure to Informal Markets and Educational Choices: Evidence from Artisanal Mines
with Mathieu Couttenier and Julia H  lie

RESEARCH VISITS

  cole Normale Sup  rieure de Lyon *09/2024 - 06/2025*

TEACHING

Microeconomics 1 *Fall 2024*

TA, Undergraduate 3rd year, ENS de Lyon

Replication project *2024-2025*

Lecturer and project supervision, Undergraduate 3rd year, ENS de Lyon

Introduction to Economics *Spring 2021*

Lecturer, Undergraduate 1st year (CPES), ENS de Lyon

RESEARCH EXPERIENCES AND OTHER EMPLOYMENT

Predoctoral fellow, ENS Lyon *10/2020 - 08/2021*

Research assistant to Mathilde Godard, CNRS *06/2021 - 08/2021*

Research assistant to Vincent Pons, Harvard Business School, part-time *12/2019 - 06/2021*

Research assistant to Sophie Hatte, ENS de Lyon *03/2019 - 07/2019*

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Presentations

21st Doctorissimes (Paris); 9th Economics of Media Bias Workshop (Berlin); *2026*

EEA-ESEM Congress (Dublin); EUI

8th Economics and Politics Workshop (Grenoble), 18th UniTo-CCA PhD Workshop in Eco- *2025*

nomics (Turin), 6th Naples PhD and Post-Doc Workshop; 2nd ENS-Bologna PhD Workshop
(Bologna); ENS de Lyon; EUI

MWP Populism and its Networks Workshop; EUI *2024*

European University Institute *2023*

Workshop and Seminar Organization

GenIES-CERGIC Workshop in Gender Economics, ENS de Lyon *2025*

Microeconometrics Working Group, EUI *2022-2023*

Data Replicator

Journal of the European Economic Association *since 2024*

GRANTS

Job Market Fund, Department of Economics, EUI *2026*

Early Stage Researcher Grant, EUI (1600  ) *2025*

Junior Laboratory Grant, ENS de Lyon, *member* (3000  ) *2024*

EUI Ph.D Scholarship, French Ministry of Higher Education *2021*

SKILLS

Languages French, English (native), German (advanced), Italian (intermediate)

Programming Stata, Python, GIS, L  T  X(advanced), R (intermediate), Julia (beginner)

ACADEMIC REFERENCES

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