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WORK EXPERIENCE

Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL), Madrid, Spain
Senior Policy and Research Associate (09/2024-Present)

08/2023-
Present

- Co-led literature reviews on impact evaluations of social inclusion programmes across Europe.
- Supported the synthesis and dissemination of findings from randomised evaluations conducted by the Inclusion Policy Lab in the field of labour market inclusion.
- Participated in impact evaluation training programmes aimed at strengthening the internal capacity of governments and organisations.
- Contributed to project development in Spain to produce rigorous research on pressing social needs and to promote evidence-informed policymaking.
- Co-designed and coordinated a one-day event on randomised evaluations for policy design, attended by around 90 participants, including policymakers and researchers from Catalonia

Policy and Research Associate (08/2023-08/2024)

Based at the Centre for Monetary and Financial Studies (CEMFI), supported the Inclusion Policy Lab, launched by the Spanish Ministry of Inclusion, Social Security and Migration.

- Provided technical support to the Spanish Ministry of Inclusion, Social Security and Migration in over 30 randomised evaluations of social inclusion programmes.
- Produced research resources to standardise rigorous randomised evaluations.
- Co-led the research team for five randomised evaluations of programmes focusing on education, labour market, take-up of social benefits, and social inclusion.
- Coordinated and provided technical support to a group of approximately 20 researchers conducting randomised evaluations of social inclusion programmes.
- Summarised and synthesised results from randomised evaluations in social inclusion for a general audience, and supported dissemination strategies, including social media campaigns and events.
- Participated as a teaching assistant in a project incubator hosted by J-PAL, the French Development Agency (AFD), the Fund for Innovation in Development (FID), Mohammed VI Polytechnic University, and the Morocco Employment Lab (MEL), aimed at providing a non-specialist audience with a solid understanding of impact evaluations

<i>Independent Authority of Fiscal Responsibility in Spain (AIReF)</i>	09/2021–
Research Intern, Public Spending Evaluation Division	08/2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conducted data analysis on public spending related to health policies in Spain. • Reviewed public health policies assessed in autonomous communities in Spain, focusing on pharmacy, health insurance, human resources, high technology, facilities, and procurement and contracting. • Provided autonomous Spanish governments with estimated economic impacts of public policies. • Drafted framework reports for five regional governments, briefly describing the current situation of the assessed public policies. 	

EDUCATION

Barcelona School of Economics, Barcelona, Spain	09/2022–
Master's Degree in Specialized Economic Analysis, Economics of Public Policy	07/2023
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thesis: <i>The impact of a minimum wage increase on labour market outcomes: evidence from the northern Mexican border.</i> 	
Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Madrid, Spain	09/2016–
Double Bachelor's Degree in Economics - Mathematics and Statistics	03/2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specialized in Economic Analysis. • Thesis in Economics: <i>The demand for fixed broadband access by Spanish households: determinants and the digital divide in 2020.</i> • Thesis in Mathematics and Statistics: <i>ROC curve inference in cure models (with honours).</i> 	

RESEARCH

Working Papers

Non-Take-Up of Social Benefits: Experimental Evidence from In-Person and Digital Outreach (with Yanina Domenella, Ana Guzmán, Monica Martinez-Bravo, Carlos Sanz)

How Does Early Parenting Support Improve Family Outcomes? Experimental Evidence from Spain (with Ana García-Hernández and Guillermo Martínez-Martínez)

The impact of a minimum wage increase on labour market outcomes: evidence from the northern Mexican border (with Jimena Contreras Contreras, Joe Easterling, Silvia Ríos Juaristi)

Work in Progress

Educational support for Roma families: experimental evidence from Spain (with Maria Calle, Ana García-Hernández, and Paola Giannattasio)

HONORS AND AWARDS

Bachelor Extraordinary Award by Complutense University of Madrid (2023).

Four times granted the *Scholarship for university excellence* by Community of Madrid, Spain (academic years: 2018-2019, 2019-2020, 2020-2021 and 2021-2022).

Three times granted the *Scholarship for university studies* by Fundación Botín (academic years: 2016-2017, 2019- 2020 and 2021-2022).

LANGUAGE AND COMPUTER SKILLS

Technical skills: Stata, R, Python, MATLAB, SAS, LATEX, Microsoft Office.

Languages: Spanish (native speaker), English (fluent), Portuguese (Intermediate).

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND QUALIFICATIONS

Basic Course on Human Research for Social and Behavioral Research Investigators (2024). A CITI Program course under the requirements of Massachusetts Institute of Technology Affiliates.

Course *Introduction to Big Data* (2021). An 18-hours online non-credit course authorized by University of California San Diego. Score: 95.9%