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Date of Birth    1 January 1990

### ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

- Early Career Provost Fellowship, University of Texas at Austin, Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs, August 2023 – present
- Assistant Professor of Economics, University of Nottingham, School of Economics, August 2020 – August 2023
- Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Columbia University, Columbia Business School, July 2018 – July 2020

### OTHER PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Research Affiliate, IZA (April 2024 – present)
- Associate Editor, Journal of Economics, Management and Religion (January 2024 – present)
- NICEP (Nottingham Interdisciplinary Centre for Economic and Political Research) (August 2020 – August 2023)
  - Director for “Discrimination and Identity” program (June 2021 – August 2023)
  - Editor for the NICEP working paper series (November 2020 – August 2023)
- INET (Institute for New Economic Thinking) (August 2018 – July 2020)
- AALIMS (Association for Analytical Learning about Islam and Muslim Societies) (April 2016 – July 2020)
- CCPR (California Center for Population Research) (December 2014 – June 2018)

### EDUCATION

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| 2013-2018 | <b>University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)</b> , Anderson School of Management<br><i>Ph.D. in Management</i><br><i>Global Economics and Management</i><br>Dissertation: “Essays on the Economic Effects of Convict Labor in Modern U.S. History”<br>Dissertation committee: Paola Giuliano (co-chair), Romain T. Wacziarg (co-chair),<br>Christian Dippel, Daniel N. Posner, Peter E. Rossi, and Nico Voigtländer. |
| 2010-2012 | <b>New Economic School (NES)</b> , Economics Department<br><i>MA in Economics</i>   |
| 2010-2012 | <b>Moscow State University (MSU)</b> , Institute of Asia and Africa Studies<br><i>MA in Oriental and African Studies</i>  |
| 2006-2010 | <b>Moscow State University (MSU)</b> , Institute of Asia and Africa Studies<br><i>BA in Oriental and African Studies</i>  |

### PUBLICATIONS AND WORKING PAPERS

#### Publications:

- “The Economics of Gender-Specific Minimum Wage Legislation” (with Riccardo Marchingiglio), *Journal of Labor Economics*, forthcoming

- “Conservative News Media and Criminal Justice: Evidence from Exposure to Fox News Channel” (with Elliott Ash), *Economic Journal*, 134(660), pp. 1331-1355, 2024
- “Regime Stability and the Persistence of Traditional Practices,” *Review of Economics and Statistics*, 2021, 105(5), pp. 1175-1190, 2023
- “Do Private Prisons Affect Criminal Sentencing?” (with Christian Dippel), *Journal of Law & Economics*, 2022, 66(3), pp. 511-534, 2023
- “Identity and Conflict: Evidence from Tuareg Rebellion in Mali” (with Maxim Ananyev), *World Development*, 161, 106108, 2023
- “Do Dictators Signal Strength with Electoral Fraud?” (with Maxim Ananyev), *European Journal of Political Economy*, 71, 102075, 2022
- “The Safest Time to Fly: Pandemic Response in the Era of Fox News” (with Maxim Ananyev and Yuan Tian), *Journal of Population Economics*, 34(3), pp. 775-802, 2021 [Lead article]
- “Rules Versus Norms: How Formal and Informal Institutions Shape Judicial Sentencing Cycles” (with Christian Dippel), *Journal of Comparative Economics*, 49(3), pp. 645-659, 2021
- “Christian Missions and Anti-Gay Attitudes in Africa” (with Maxim Ananyev), *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, 184, pp. 359-374, 2021

#### **Book Chapters:**

- “COVID-19 and the Media” (with Maxim Ananyev and Yuan Tian), book chapter, in Klaus F. Zimmermann ed., “Handbook of Labor, Human Resources and Population Economics,” Springer, Cham, 2022
- “Media in Russia: Between Modernization and Monopoly” (with Maria Lipman and Anna Kachkaeva), book chapter, in Daniel Treisman ed., “The New Autocracy: Information, Politics, and Policy in Putin’s Russia,” Brookings Institution Press, 2018

#### **Non-Peer Reviewed Publications:**

- “Essays on the Economic Effects of Convict Labor in Modern U.S. History” (Dissertation Summary), *Journal of Economic History*, 80(2), pp. 564-592, 2020

#### **Working papers:**

- “Economic Consequences of the U.S. Convict Labor System”
- “Prison Norms and Society Beyond Bars” (with Maxim Ananyev)
- “Impact of Prison Experience on Anti-Gay Sentiments: Longitudinal Analysis of Inmates and Their Families” (with Maxim Ananyev)
- “From City Hall to the Courtroom: The Impact of Black Mayor Elections on Racial Sentencing Disparities” (with Michele Rosenberg)
- “Personal Jesus: Economic Effects of Evangelical Christianity” (with Maxim Ananyev and Alexander Yarkin)
- “Why Aren’t People Leaving “Janesville”? : Industry Persistence, Trade Shocks, and Mobility” (with Sebastian Ottinger)
- “Mothers” (with Maxim Ananyev)
- “Slanted Media Does not Increase Police Killings” (with Charles Crabtree)
- “U.S. Convict Labor System and its Effects on Incarceration and Racial Discrimination”

## **TEACHING**

### **UT Austin, LBJ School of Public Affairs**

- “Advanced Policy Economics: Economic Analysis of Policy-Driven Social Progress in the U.S.” (PA393L/ECO395K) (MSs course), Fall 2024
- “Advanced Policy Economics: Culture and Economic Development” (PA388K/ECO395K) (MSs course), Spring 2024

## University of Nottingham

- “Economic Policy Analysis II” (ECON3080) (UGs course), Spring 2023
- “Public Sector Economics” (ECON2014) (UGs course), Spring 2023
- “Economic Policy Analysis” (ECON4002) (MSs course), Fall 2022
- “Macroeconomics: Economic Cycles, Frictions, and Policy” (ECON4018) (MSs course), Fall 2020, Fall 2021

## REFEREEING

*American Economic Journal: Applied Economics; American Economic Review; American Journal of Political Science; British Journal of Political Science; Cross-Cultural Research; Economic Development and Cultural Change; Economic History Review; Economica; Economics of Transition and Institutional Change; European Economic Review; Journal of Applied Econometrics; Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economics; Journal of Comparative Economics; Journal of Demographic Economics; Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization; Journal of Economic History; Journal of Happiness Studies; Journal of Law, Economics and Organization; Journal of Politics; Journal of Population Economics; Journal of the European Economic Association; Industrial and Labor Relations Review; International Review of Law & Economics; Oxford Economic Papers; Review of Economics and Statistics; Quarterly Journal of Economics.*

## HONORS AND AWARDS

- Faculty of Social Sciences commendation for high student satisfaction, 2022
- Hayek Fund for Scholars Research Grant, 2020
- Upjohn Institute Early Career Research Award, 2020
- Hayek Fund for Scholars Research Grant, 2019
- The Institute for New Economic Thinking Research Grant, 2018-2020
- Hayek Fund for Scholars Research Grant, 2018
- UCLA Harold and Pauline Price Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation Research Grant, 2017-2018
- Center for Global Management PhD Global Research Award, 2017
- UCLA Ziman Center for Real Estate Research Grant, 2017-2018
- Dissertation Year Fellowship, 2017-2018
- EHA Exploratory Travel and Data Grant, 2017
- Marvin Hoffenberg Research Fellow, CAPPP UCLA, 2016-2017
- Searle Freedom Trust Scholar, IHS PhD Scholarship, 2016-2017
- UCLA Anderson Dean’s Award, 2016
- APSA Travel Grants, 2016
- RES Conference Grant, 2016
- Center for Global Management PhD Global Research Award, 2015
- UCLA Anderson Dean’s Award, 2015
- Russell Sage Foundation’s Small Grant in Behavioral Economics, 2015
- IHS Conference & Research Grant, 2015
- Center for Global Management PhD Global Research Award, 2014
- Anderson Fellowship, UCLA, 2013-2017
- Best student on Economic Policy specialization at NES, 2012
- BP Scholarship for excellence in studies, 2011-2012

## SEMINARS

2024–25: University of Houston, Hobby School of Public Affairs (upcoming).

2023–24: Tsinghua University.

2022–23: University of Manchester; University of Nevada, Reno; University of Warwick; Cardiff Business School; Paris Dauphine University.

2020–21: NBER SI DAE; University of Warwick; Loyola Marymount University; Tulane University.

2019–20: University of Bonn; CEMFI; University of Alberta; University of Nottingham; UCLA, Anderson School of Management.

2018–19: The Urban Institute; Carnegie Mellon University, Heinz College; University of Zürich; ETH Zürich.

2017–18: Carnegie Mellon University, Heinz College; CERGE-EI; UNSW; LSE, Department of Economic History; UC Irvine.

## SELECTED CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

ERINN Conference, Venice, Italy, 2024; ASREC Annual Conference, Orange, CA, 2024; Asia-Pacific Economic and Business History Conference, Honolulu, 2024; ASSA Annual Meeting, San Antonio (2024); Harriman’s Institute workshop, "Topics in Political Economy of Development, Istanbul, 2022; EEA-ESEM Congress, Milan, Italy, (2022); SIOE Conference, Toronto, ON, 2022; SOLE Annual Conference, Minneapolis, MN, 2022; ASREC Annual Conference, Orange, CA, 2022; Workshop in the Economic History and Historical Political Economy of Russia, Chicago, 2021; EHA Annual Meeting, Tucson, AZ, 2021; SED Conference, Virtual, 2021; SIOE Conference, Virtual, 2021; MWIEDC, Virtual, 2021; ERINN Conference, Virtual, 2021; EHS Annual Conference, Virtual, 2021; PACDEV Conference, Virtual, 2021; ESWM, Virtual, 2020; NEUDC, Virtual, 2020; IZA Workshop on Labor Market Institutions, Virtual, 2020; Online Economic History Workshop, Virtual, 2020; Econometric Society World Congress, Virtual, 2020; EALE SOLE AASLE World Conference, Virtual, 2020; ESWM, Rotterdam, Netherlands, 2019; Asian and Australasian Society of Labour Economics, Singapore, 2019; Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Claremont, CA, 2019; INET Taskforce Annual Meeting, New York, NY, 2019; Transatlantic Workshop on the Economics of Crime, Amsterdam, Netherlands, 2019; EHA Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, 2019; EEA-ESEM, Manchester, UK, 2019; Society for Economic Dynamics Annual Meeting, St. Louis, MO, 2019; ASREC Annual Conference, Boston, MA, 2019; ASSA Annual Meeting, Atlanta, 2018; UEA Annual Meeting, New York, 2018; APSA Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, 2018; INET Taskforce Annual Meeting, New York, NY, 2018; Cliometric Society Annual Meeting, Tallahassee, FL, 2018; EHS Annual Conference, Keele University, UK, 2018; ASREC Annual Conference, Orange, CA, 2018; All-UC Economic History Group Graduate Student Workshop, Davis, CA, 2017; All-California Labor Economics, Palo Alto, CA, 2017 (poster); SIOE Conference, New York, NY, 2017; ALEA Annual Meeting, New Haven, CT, 2017; UC BPP-GEM Workshop, Monterey, CA, 2017; PACDEV Conference, UC Riverside, 2017; ASREC Annual Conference, Boston, MA, 2017; ASSA Annual Meeting, Chicago, 2017; All-UC Economic History Conference, UC Davis, 2016; APSA Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, 2016; SIOE Conference, Paris, France, 2016; UC BPP-GEM Workshop, Santa Barbara, CA, 2016; AALIMS-Stanford Graduate Student Workshop, Palo Alto, CA, 2016; CSAE Conference, Oxford, UK, 2016; IRES Graduate Student Workshop, Orange, CA, 2015; UC BPP-GEM Workshop, San Luis Obispo, CA, 2015; Workshop on Russia’s Changing Political Order, Los Angeles, CA, 2015; PAA Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, 2015; “Making Sense of Russia’s Politics: Putin, Petroleum, and Propaganda” Conference, UCLA, 2015; APSA Annual Meeting, Washington DC, 2014.

## SKILLS

Language skills: English and Hebrew – fluent; French – intermediate; Arabic, Chinese, and German– basic; Russian – native. Computer skills: Stata, R, MATLAB, ArcGIS, Python, Mathematica, EViews, SPSS, GAUSS, VBA.

## PERSONAL

Citizen of Russia.

## REFERENCES

### Professor Paola Giuliano

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