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CURRENT AND PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

2025-present: Hong Kong Jockey Club Professor of Economics (Chair), University of Hong Kong
July 2023-present: Professor of Economics, University of Hong Kong
2014- July 2025: Professor, Department of Economics, University College London (on leave from July 2023 - July 2025)
2008-present: Research Associate at the Institut für Arbeitsmarkts- und Berufsforschung (IAB)
2011-2014: Reader, Department of Economics, University College London
2008-2011: Lecturer, Department of Economics, University College London
2003-2008: Assistant Professor, University of Rochester

FIELDS OF INTEREST Labor Economics, Applied Microeconomics

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Economics, University College London, U.K., 2004
Diploma in Economics, University of Hanover, September 1998

OTHER APPOINTMENTS AND AFFILIATIONS

- 2025-present: Co-Director, James M. and Cathleen D. Stone Center on Socio-Economic Inequality in Asia, HKU.
- 2009-present: Research Fellow, IZA.
- 2019-present: Research Fellow, CEPR.
- 2020-present: Research Fellow, CESifo Network.
- 2014-2023: Deputy Director, Centre for Research and Analysis of Migration (CReAM).

PUBLICATIONS

- “Knowledge Spillovers, Competition, and Individual Careers,” 2026, with Thomas Cornelissen and Christian Dustmann. Forthcoming, *American Economic Review*.
- “Gender Norms and the Labor Market”, 2026, with Patricia Cortes, Jisoo Hwang, and Jessica Pan. Accepted, *Econometric Society Monographs*. [NBER Working Paper #34716]

- “The Effects of Immigration on Places and Individuals - Identification and Interpretation,” 2026, with Christian Dustmann, Sebastian Otten, and Jan Stuhler. Forthcoming, *Journal of Labor Economics*.
- “Linking Empirical Evidence to Theory: A Framework for Understanding Immigration’s Labor Market Effects,” 2025, with Christian Dustmann. In: Christian Dustmann and Thomas Lemieux (eds.), *Handbook of Labor Economics*, Vol. 6, Elsevier.
- “Wind of Change? Cultural Determinants of Maternal Labor Supply,” 2025, with Barbara Boelmann and Anna Raute. *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, 17(2), 41-74.
- “The Effects of Sun Intensity During Pregnancy and in the First 12 Months of Life on Childhood Obesity,” 2024, with Christian Dustmann and Malte Sandner. *Journal of Human Resources*, 59(6), 1683-1713.
- “Technological and Organisational Change and the Careers of Workers,” 2023, with Michele Battisti and Christian Dustmann. *Journal of the European Economic Association*, 21(4), 1551-1594.
- “The Role of Schools in Transmission of SARS-CoV2 Virus: Quasi-Experimental Evidence from Germany,” 2022, with Clara von Bismarck-Osten and Kirill Borusyak. *Economic Policy*, 37(109), 87-130.
- “Reallocation Effects of the Minimum Wage,” 2022, with Christian Dustmann, Attila Lindner, Matthias Umkehrer, and Philipp vom Berge. *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 137(1), 267-328.
- “Do Place-Based Tax Incentives Create Jobs?”, 2020, with Hyejin Ku and Ragnhild Schreiner. *Journal of Public Economics*, 191(2), 104105.
- “Spillover Effects of Mass Layoffs,” 2020, with Christina Gathmann and Ines Helm. *Journal of the European Economic Association*, 18(1), 427-468.
- “Who Benefits from Universal Child Care? Estimating Marginal Returns to Early Child Care Attendance,” 2018, with Thomas Cornelissen, Christian Dustmann, and Anna Raute. *Journal of Political Economy*, 126(6), 2356-2409.
- “Productivity Growth, Wage Growth, and Unions,” 2018, with Alice Kügler and Ragnhild Schreiner. In: "Price and Wage-Setting in Advanced Economies," European Central Bank Conference Proceedings, 2018.
- “The Long-Term Effects of Early Track Choice,” 2017, with Christian Dustmann and Patrick Puhani. *Economic Journal*, 127(603), 1348-1380.
- “On the Economics and Politics of Refugee Migration,” 2017, with Christian Dustmann, Francesco Fasani, Tomamaso Frattini, and Luigi Minale. *Economic Policy*, 32(91), 497-550.
- “Peer Effects in the Workplace,” 2017, with Thomas Cornelissen and Christian Dustmann. *American Economic Review*, 107(2), 425-456.
- “Labor Supply Shocks, Native Wages, and the Adjustment of Local Employment,” 2017, with Christian Dustmann and Jan Stuhler. *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 132(1), 435- 483.
- “The Impact of Immigration: Why Do Studies Reach Such Different Results?” 2016, with Christian Dustmann and Jan Stuhler. *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, 30(4), 31-56.

- “From LATE to MTE: Alternative Methods for the Evaluation of Policy Interventions,” 2016, with Thomas Cornelissen, Christian Dustmann, and Anna Raute. *Labour Economics*, 41, 47-60.
- “Referral-Based Job Search Networks,” 2016, with Christian Dustmann, Albrecht Glitz, and Herbert Brücker. *Review of Economic Studies*, 83, 514-546.
- “From the ‘Sick Man of Europe’ to the ‘Economic Superstar’: Germany’s Resurgent Economy,” 2014, with Christian Dustmann, Bernd Fitzenberger, and Alexandra Spitz-Oener. *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, 28(1), 167-188.
- “Expansions in Maternity Leave Coverage and Mothers' Labor Market Outcomes after Childbirth,” 2014, with Johannes Ludsteck. *Journal of Labor Economics*, 32(3), 469-505.
- “Expansions in Maternity Leave Coverage and Children's Long-Term Outcomes,” 2012, with Christian Dustmann. *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, 4(3), 190- 224.
- “What Makes Firm-Based Vocational Training Schemes Successful? The Role of Commitment,” 2012, with Christian Dustmann. *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, 4(2), 36-61.
- “Educational Achievement and Ethnicity in Compulsory Schooling,” 2010, with Christian Dustmann and Steve Machin. *Economic Journal Features*, 120, F272-F292.
- “How General is Human Capital? A Task-Based Approach,” 2010, with Christina Gathmann. *Journal of Labor Economics*, 28(1), 1-49. (Lead article).
- “Revisiting the German Wage Structure,” 2009, with Christian Dustmann and Johannes. *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 124(2), 843-881.
- “Training and Union Wages,” 2009, with Christian Dustmann. *Review of Economics and Statistics*, 91(2), 363-376.
- “Does the IABS Reliably Identify Leave Taking? A Data Report,” 2009, *Journal for Labor Market Research*, 42, 49-70.
- “Testing for Asymmetric Employer Learning,” 2007, *Journal of Labor Economics*, 25(4), 651-692.
- “Wage Growth Due to Human Capital Accumulation and Job Search: A Comparison Between the United States and Germany,” 2007, *Industrial and Labor Relations Review*, 60(4), 562-586.

SELECTED WORKING PAPERS

- “Displacement Effects in Manufacturing and Structural Change,” 2026, with Ines Helm and Alice Kügler.
- “Technological Change, Firm Heterogeneity, and Wage Inequality,” 2025, with Matias Cortes, Adrian Lerche, and Jeanne Tschoopp.
- “Labor Market Tightness and the Reversal of Inequality Trends in Germany,” 2026, with Christian Dustmann, Martin Friedrich, and Carl Gergs. Conditionally accepted, *Quarterly Journal of Economics*.
- “The Effects of Business Taxation on Firms, Workers, and Labor Markets”, 2026, with Thomas Cornelissen, Mimosa DiStefano, and Christian Dustmann.

- “Family-Friendly Work Practices”, 2026, with Julian Costas-Fernandez, Sebastian Findeisen, and Anna Raute.
- “Taxing Labor: Firm R&D, Automation, and the Labor Share”, 2026, with Hyejin Ku and Ragnhild Schreiner.

SELECTED EDITORIAL ACTIVITIES AND BOARD MEMBERSHIPS

- September 2023-August 2026: Co-Editor, *American Economic Review*.
- Scientific Programme Chair, 2022 European Winter Meeting and 2025 AMES Meeting of the Econometric Society.
- November 2016-January 2021: Joint Managing Editor, *Review of Economic Studies*.
- October 2011-October 2016: Co-Editor, *Journal of Labor Economics*.
- April 2014-August 2023: Editorial Board Member, *Review of Economic Studies*.
- 2018-2022: Council Member, *European Economic Association*.
- January 2020-May 2022: Executive Board, *Society of Labor Economics and Journal of Labor Economics*.

GRANTS AND AWARDS

- Fellow of the Econometric Society, 2023.
- Fellow of the Society of Labor Economists (SOLE), 2023.
- Fellow of the British Academy, 2022.
- Fellow of the European Association of Labour Economists (EALE), 2021.
- British Academy Mid-Career Fellowship, 2021-2022, “Knowledge Spillover and Individual Careers,” PI.
- ERC Consolidator Grant, 2019-2023, “Wage Inequality Within and Across Firms: The Role of Market Forces, the Government, and Firm Policies,” PI.
- ESRC Research Grant, 2018-2023, “The Effects of Business and Payroll Taxes on Firms and Workers: Evidence from Linked Employer-Employee Data,” PI.
- NORFACE DIAL, 2017-2021, “Populism, Inequality, and Institutions (PII)”, Co-Applicant. PI: David Soskice.
- ERC Starter Grant, 2013-2018, “Identifying Spillovers in the Labour Market (SPILL)”, PI.
- NORFACE, 2009-2013, “Migration: Integration, Impact, and Interaction,” Co-PI with Jonathan Wadsworth.
- Philip Leverhulme Prize, The Leverhulme Trust, 2016.

SELECTED KEYNOTES AND INVITED LECTURES

2026: 12th Hong Kong Economic Association Biennial Conference, University of Macau (keynote); 8th Jobs & Development Conference, HKUST (keynote).

2025: Public Lecture, Ashoka University; Lunch Time Session, 2025 World Congress of the Econometric Society, Seoul; IAB Workshop "International Workshop on the Role of Firms in the Labour Market" (keynote).

2024: Asia Meeting of the Econometric Society, Hangzhou (invited speaker).

2023: Frisch-Tinbergen Lecture, EALE; 25th Anniversary IZA Conference, Policy Panel.

2022: Albert Reese Lecture, SOLE; Turin International Festival of Economics (invited speaker).

2021: “Research with German and Norwegian Register Data on Family Economics” (keynote); ADRES Doctoral Conference (keynote); CEPR-AMSE-BDF Conference on Social Mobility (keynote); SPP Conference “The German Labor Market in a Globalized World – Challenges Through Trade, Technology, and Demographics” (keynote); Fourth VisitInps Workshop on Labor Market Dynamics and Public Policies (keynote).

2019: 8th OECD-CEPII Conference on Immigration in OECD Countries (keynote).

2018: ASSLE (invited speaker); 3rd York Workshop on Labour and Family Economics (keynote); International Institute of Public Finance, Tampere (keynote); ESPE (keynote); ECB SINTRA Forum (invited speaker); Barcelona SE Summer Forum, Migration Workshop (keynote); IIES/SNS International Policy Talk, Stockholm.

2016: BENA Lecture, Humboldt University.

2015: SOLE/EALE (invited speaker), EEA (invited speaker), 10th Nordic Summer Institute in Labor Economics (keynote).

2014: TASK Workshop, IAB (keynote).

SELECTED RECENT SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

Princeton, Berkeley, Stanford, Chicago, Yale, Harvard, Harvard Kennedy School, UPenn, John Hopkins, Georgetown, Stockholm, IIES, Cambridge, Oxford, LSE, UPF, UAB Barcelona, Queen Mary University, Zürich, Frankfurt, Mannheim, Bocconi, Essex, and many others.

PhD SUPERVISION (first placement)

Rochester: Rachana Bhatt (Georgia State University), Andriana Bellou (University of Montreal), Sukanya Basu (Vassar College).

UCL: Anna Raute (University of Mannheim), Jan Stuhler (Carlos III), Luigi Minale (Carlos III), Ines Helm (Stockholm University), Myra Mohnen (University of Essex), Barbara Boelmann (University of Cologne), Nikhil Datta (University of Warwick), Mimosa DiStefano (LSE, Postdoc), Lorenzo Incoronato (University of Naples Federico II), Carl Gergs (Cornerstone), Eric Klemm (HKU Management & Strategy), Clara von Bismarck-Osten, Si Xu, Matthew Nibloe, Jan Knuf.

HKU: Zhengang Wang, Ruini Zhu, Qianqian Wan.

POSTDOCS (CReAM)

Thomas Cornelissen (Professor, University of Essex), Marco Alfano (Professor, Southampton University), Ragnhild Schreiner (Associate Professor, University of Oslo), Sebastian Otten (Assistant Professor, University of Essen), Tatiana Surovtseva (Assistant Professor, Universitat de Barcelona), David Zentler-Munro (Assistant Professor, Essex University), Gregor Pfeifer (Assistant Professor, University of Sydney), Alice Kügler (Assistant Professor, Central European University), Julian Costas Fernandez (Assistant Professor, University of Surrey), Linea Hasager (Assistant Professor, University of Copenhagen), Erin Nhat Quynh Huynh (Leeds University Business School).