

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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### EMPLOYMENT

2018 - present	Director-general for Economic Analysis and Foresight, Generalitat de Catalunya
2017 - 2018	Marie Curie Fellow, Universitat de Barcelona
2017	Postdoctoral researcher, Institutions and Political Economy Research Group, Universitat de Barcelona
2013 - 2016	Postdoctoral researcher, Research Centre for Distributional Conflict and Globalisation, Heidelberg University
2013	Internship (7 months), United Nations Industrial Development Organization. Regional Programme for Latin America and the Caribbean, Programme Development and Technical Cooperation Division
2012	Consultant (3 months), OECD, Directorate for Public Governance and Territorial Development
2011 - 2012	Research assistant, IESE Business School, Universidad de Navarra, Chair of Corporate Social Responsibility
2008 - 2011	Research assistant, Institut d'Economia de Barcelona, Universitat de Barcelona

### EDUCATION

2009 - 2013	Ph.D. in Economics ( <i>cum laude</i> ), Universitat de Barcelona
2007 - 2009	M.A. in Economics, Universitat de Barcelona
2000 - 2004	B.A. in Economics, Universitat Pompeu Fabra

### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Political Economy, Public Economics

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

- 2018                   World Economic History, Undergraduate, Universitat de Barcelona  
2015                   Fiscal Federalism seminar, Undergraduate, Heidelberg University

## **FELLOWSHIPS**

- 2017                   Marie Skłodowska-Curie (Individual Fellowship, H2020), European Commission; to develop the project “Politicians’ traits and public policies: learning how personal features influence fiscal outcomes.” (POLITRAITS)
- 2015                   Heidelberg University. Project “Enhancing International Exchange” (Excellence Initiative). Short-term scholarship.
- 2011                   Generalitat de Catalunya. Scholarship for research stays out of Catalonia (BEDGR-2010).
- 2008 - 2011           Universitat de Barcelona Fellowship (for collaboration in research projects).

## **RESEARCH STAYS**

- 2015                   Visiting researcher (3 months), Harvard University, Government Department.
- 2011                   Research stay (4 months), Stanford University, Department of Political Science

## **PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS**

- Curto-Grau, M., Zudenkova, G. 2018. Party Discipline and Government Spending: Theory and Evidence, *Journal of Public Economics*, 164: 139-152.
- Curto-Grau, M., Solé-Ollé, A., Sorribas-Navarro. P. 2018. Does Electoral Competition Curb Party Favoritism?, *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, 10 (4): 378-407, premi José Manuel Blecua.
- Curto-Grau, M. 2017. Voters’ Responsiveness to Public Employment Policies, *Public Choice*, 170(1): 143-169.
- Curto-Grau, M., Herranz-Loncán, A. & Solé-Ollé, A. 2012. Pork-Barrel Politics in Semi-Democracies: The Spanish “Parliamentary Roads,” 1880-1914, *The Journal of Economic History*, 72 (3): 771-796.

## **OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

- Ahrend, R., Curto-Grau, M. and Vammalle, C. 2013. "Passing the Buck? Central and Sub-national Governments in Times of Fiscal Stress", OECD Regional Development WP 2013/05.
- Curto-Grau, M. 2012. Los emprendedores sociales: innovación al servicio del cambio social, Cuaderno N°13 de la Cátedra "La Caixa" de Responsabilidad Social de la Empresa y Gobierno Corporativo, IESE Business School.
- Curto-Grau, M. 2012. El emprendimiento social: estructura organizativa, retos y perspectivas de futuro, Cuaderno N°14 de la Cátedra "La Caixa" de Responsabilidad Social de la Empresa y Gobierno Corporativo, IESE Business School.
- Curto-Grau, M. 2012. La filantropía: ¿un acto de responsabilidad social?, Cuaderno N°15 de la Cátedra "La Caixa" de Responsabilidad Social de la Empresa y Gobierno Corporativo, IESE Business School.
- Curto-Grau, M. 2012. La responsabilidad social interna de las empresas, Cuaderno N°16 de la Cátedra "La Caixa" de Responsabilidad Social de la Empresa y Gobierno Corporativo, IESE Business School.

## **CONSULTING PROJECTS**

- 2012                   Analysis of the determinants of regional government debt in Europe.  
Institution: OECD.
- 2010 - 2011         "Prioritats i determinants de la despesa de capital vinculada a plans de cooperació local," in Catalan language. Institution: Diputació de Barcelona.
- 2008                   "Metodologia i càlcul de la balança fiscal de Catalunya amb l'Administració central 2002-2005," in Catalan language Institution: Generalitat de Catalunya.

## **ACADEMIC CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS**

- 2018                   Historical Political Economy and Gender Politics Workshop, Universitat de Barcelona (Spain); 1st Workshop for Women in Political Economy, Falset (Spain); Regional Economics and Local Political Economy Workshop, University of Siegen (Germany); SFB 884 Seminar Series, University of Mannheim (Germany), Invited seminar.
- 2017                   1st Catalan Economic Society Conference, Barcelona; internal seminar, Institut d'Economia de Barcelona; IPERG workshop on historical political economy and gender politics, Barcelona.
- 2016                   XXIII Encuentros de Economía Pública, Ourense; internal seminar, Heidelberg University.

2015	52nd Annual Meetings of the Public Choice Society, San Antonio; 2015 Meeting of the European Public Choice Society, Groningen; invited seminar, University of Konstanz; Annual Conference of the European Economic Association, Mannheim; Simposio de la Asociación Española de Economía-Spanish Economic Association, Girona.
2014	Meeting of the European Public Choice Society, Cambridge; Spring Meeting for Young Economists, Vienna; ZEW Public Finance Conference, Mannheim; Political Economy Workshop, Milan; 23rd SilvaplanaWorkshop on Political Economy, Pontresina.
2013	Annual Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago; internal seminar, University of Heidelberg; 7thWorkshop on Political Economy, CESifo, Munich.
2012	XXXVII Simposio de la Asociación Española de Economía-Spanish Economic Association, Vigo; 3rd Annual General Conference of the European Political Science Association, Berlin.
2011	Invited seminar, Research Group on Democracy, Elections and Citizenship, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona; The Lisbon Meeting on Institutions and Political Economy, Nova School of Business and Economics, Lisbon; Xè Anniversaire des Journées Louis-André Gérard-Varet, Idep, Marseille.
2010	PhDWorkshop, Institut d'Economia de Barcelona; XVII Encuentro de Economía Pública, Universidad de Murcia.
2009	PhDWorkshop, Institut d'Economia de Barcelona.

## ADDITIONAL EDUCATION

2024	Policies for tackling climate change.
2023	Introduction to the economics of climate change.
2022	Introduction to energy economics.
2021	Introduction to machine learning for economic policy problems.
2020	Input-output tables: from theory to practice.
2019	Intermediate R course.
2017	Barcelona Summer School in Survey Methodology: Survey experiments and Social media research/Big data course (BGSE).
2014	Professional Presentations at Conferences and in the AcademicWorld, Heidelberg University.
2012	1st E-JPE/ifo AcademicWritingWorkshop.
2011	IV Summer School in Public Economics: "Immigration and Public Policy", Universitat de Barcelona.

2010	III Summer School in Public Economics: "Economics of Education and Fiscal Federalism", Universitat de Barcelona.
2009	II Summer School in Public Economics "Economics of Corporate and Personal Income Taxation & Political Economy", Universitat de Barcelona.
2008	I Summer School in Public Economics "Evaluation of the Effectiveness and Efficiency of Public Policies", Universitat de Barcelona.

## COMPUTER SKILLS

- Advanced knowledge: MSWord, Excel, Access, PowerPoint, LATEX, and Stata
- Intermediate knowledge: R
- Basic knowledge: Python, PowerBI

## LANGUAGES

- Native: Catalan and Spanish
- Fluent: English
- Basic: French and German

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Referee for: European Economic Review; Public Choice; Hacienda Pública Española/Review of Public Economics; Revista de Estudios Regionales; Journal of Law, Economics and Organization.

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