

# Curriculum Vitae — Davide Cantoni

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## Academic Positions

### CURRENT POSITION

- 2011– Professor of Economics (W3 tenure-track), Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, Munich
- 2012– Research Affiliate, CEPR, London
- 2012– Member, CESifo Research Network, Munich

### PAST APPOINTMENTS

- 2010–2011 Assistant Professor, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona
- 2010–2011 Affiliated professor, Barcelona Graduate School of Economics

### TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS

- 2010 Visitor, Institute for Applied Economic Research, Albert-Ludwigs-Univ. Freiburg
- 2007–2010 Graduate Student Affiliate, Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies
- 2007, 2008 Visitor, Alfred-Weber-Institute, Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg
- 2005, 2006 *Wissenschaftlicher Mitarbeiter*, Department of Economics, Universität Mannheim

## Education

- 2005–2010 Ph.D. in Economics, Harvard University
- 2003–2004 Visiting graduate student in Economics, University of California, Berkeley
- 2000–2005 *Diplom-Volkswirt* in Economics, Universität Mannheim (with distinction)

## Grants, awards, stipends

### GRANTS

- 2013 Nachwuchsförderungsfonds LMUexcellent, LMU Munich
- 2012 Marie Curie Career Integration Grant
- 2010 Programa Comença, UPF
- 2009 Paul Warburg Fund, Harvard University
- 2008 Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies, Opportunity Grant
- 2007 Paul Warburg Fund, Harvard University
- 2007 Economic History Association, Exploratory Data and Travel Award
- 2007 Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies, Summer Travel Grant

### AWARDS

- 2009 Certificate of Distinction in Teaching, Harvard University

## STIPENDS

- 2009–2010 Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies, Dissertation Completion Fellowship  
2007–2009 Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes, Dissertation Fellowship  
2005–2007 Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes, ERP Grant  
2005–2007 Harvard Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Fellowship  
2000–2005 Fellow, Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes (German Merit Foundation)

## Publications and working papers

### JOURNAL ARTICLES

- n.d. Davide Cantoni, Noam Yuchtman  
*Medieval Universities, Legal Institutions, and the Commercial Revolution*  
**Quarterly Journal of Economics**, forthcoming  
2013 Davide Cantoni, Noam Yuchtman  
*The Political Economy of Educational Content and Development: Lessons from History*  
**Journal of Development Economics**, Vol. 104 (September): pp. 233–244  
2012 Davide Cantoni  
*Adopting a New Religion: The Case of Protestantism in 16th Century Germany*  
**Economic Journal**, Vol. 122, N. 560 (May): pp. 502–531  
2011 Daron Acemoglu, Davide Cantoni, Simon Johnson, James A. Robinson  
*The Consequences of Radical Reform: The French Revolution*  
**American Economic Review**, Vol. 101, N. 7 (December): pp. 3286–3307

### BOOK CHAPTERS

- 2010 Daron Acemoglu, Davide Cantoni, Simon Johnson, James A. Robinson  
“From Ancien Regime to Capitalism: The Spread of the French Revolution as a Natural Experiment”  
in: Jared Diamond and James A. Robinson (eds.), *Natural Experiments of History*, Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard University Press.

### WORKING PAPERS

- 2013 Davide Cantoni  
*The Economic Effects of the Protestant Reformation: Testing the Weber Hypothesis in the German Lands*  
University of Munich Discussion Papers in Economics N. 14811  
2012 Leonardo Bursztyn, Davide Cantoni  
*A Tear in the Iron Curtain: The Impact of Western Television on Consumption Behavior*  
CEPR Discussion Paper N. 9101

### POLICY AND OTHER ARTICLES

- 2012 “How universities helped transform the medieval world” (joint with Noam Yuchtman), on *vox.eu.com*  
2010 “Godly Business: The end of the Protestant work ethic,” **Foreign Policy** 178 (March/April)  
2009 “The consequences of external reform: Lessons from the French Revolution” (joint with Daron Acemoglu, Simon Johnson, and James A. Robinson), on *vox.eu.com*

## Seminar presentations

- 2013 Hohenheim, Warwick, IIES Stockholm, Bocconi, U Southern Denmark
- 2012 Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Regensburg, Linz, Workshop on Natural Experiments and Controlled Field Studies (Holzhausen), NBER Summer Institute (POL), FU Berlin, Mannheim
- 2011 U Barcelona, Royal Economic Society (Royal Holloway), Oxford, Paris School of Economics, Asian Development Bank Workshop on Human Capital and Economic Development (Boston), LSE
- 2010 Pompeu Fabra, Bocconi, Brown, LMU Munich, IIES Stockholm, Harvard, VfS annual meeting (Kiel), CREI, U Autònoma Barcelona, Cologne
- 2009 Canadian Institute for Advanced Research, LMU Munich, MPI for Collective Goods Bonn, HU Berlin, NBER Summer Institute (POL), EEA annual meeting (Barcelona), Harvard, Yale, Colgate-Hamilton
- 2008 Harvard, Yale, Heidelberg, EHA annual meeting (New Haven)

## Teaching

- 2013 Media Economics (undergraduate), LMU Munich, junior seminar
- 2012– Culture and Institutions in Economic History (undergraduate), LMU Munich, lecture
- 2012 Empirical Economics I (undergraduate), LMU Munich, lecture (in German)
- 2012 Country Studies in Historical Development (undergraduate), LMU Munich, junior seminar
- 2011– International Economic History (graduate), LMU Munich, lecture
- 2011– Geography and Technology in Economic History (undergraduate), LMU Munich, lecture (in German)
- 2011 International Economic History (graduate), UPF, lecture
- 2011 International Economic History (undergraduate), UPF, lecture
- 2006–2009 Macroeconomic Theory (graduate), Harvard, teaching fellow
- 2008 Econometrics (undergraduate), Harvard, teaching fellow
- 2005–2006 Macroeconomics III (adv. undergraduate), Mannheim, teaching assistant

## Service to the profession

### SUPERVISION OF PH.D. STUDENTS

- 2013– Mark Westcott, LMU Munich
- 2011– Daphne Alvarez Villa, LMU Munich
- 2011– Alexandra Semrad, LMU Munich

### REFEREEING

American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics, American Economic Review, Constitutional Political Economy, Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (German Research Foundation), Econometrica, Economic Journal, Economics of Transition, European Economic Review, European Review of Economic History, Explorations in Economic History, Journal of Comparative Economics, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Economic Growth, Journal of Economic History, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of the European Economic Association, Princeton University Press, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Review of Economic Studies, Scandinavian Economic History Review

## References

Professor Elhanan Helpman, Department of Economics, Harvard University  
Professor James A. Robinson, Department of Government, Harvard University  
Professor Robert Barro, Department of Economics, Harvard University  
Professor Claudia Goldin, Department of Economics, Harvard University