

Curriculum Vitae — Davide Cantoni

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Academic Positions

CURRENT POSITION

- 2015– Professor of Economics, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, Munich
- 2012– Research Affiliate, CEPR, London
- 2012– Member, CESifo Research Network, Munich

EDITORIAL APPOINTMENTS

- 2017– Editorial Board member, *Review of Economic Studies*
- 2017– Associate Editor, *Journal of the European Economic Association*
- 2017– Associate Editor, *Explorations in Economic History*

PAST APPOINTMENTS

- 2011–2015 Professor of Economics (W3 tenure-track), Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, Munich
- 2010–2011 Assistant Professor, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona
- 2010–2011 Affiliated professor, Barcelona Graduate School of Economics

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS

- 2014 Visiting Professor, BEHL, Department of Economics, UC Berkeley
- 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)

Publications and working papers

JOURNAL ARTICLES

- 2019 Davide Cantoni, David Y. Yang, Noam Yuchtman, Y. Jane Zhang
Protests as Strategic Games: Experimental Evidence from Hong Kong's Democracy Movement
forthcoming, **Quarterly Journal of Economics**, Vol. 134, N. 2 (May): pp. 1021–1077

- 2018 Davide Cantoni, Jeremiah Dittmar, Noam Yuchtman
Religious Competition and Reallocation: The Political Economy of Secularization in the Protestant Reformation
Quarterly Journal of Economics, Vol. 133, N. 4 (November): pp. 2037–2096
- 2017 Davide Cantoni, Yuyu Chen, David Y. Yang, Noam Yuchtman, Y. Jane Zhang
Curriculum and Ideology
Journal of Political Economy, Vol. 125, N. 2 (April): pp. 338–392.
- 2016 Leonardo Bursztyn, Davide Cantoni
A Tear in the Iron Curtain: The Impact of Western Television on Consumption Behavior
Review of Economics and Statistics, Vol. 98, N. 1 (March): pp. 25–41.
- 2015 Davide Cantoni
The Economic Effects of the Protestant Reformation: Testing the Weber Hypothesis in the German Lands
Journal of the European Economic Association, Vol. 13, N. 4 (August): pp. 561–598.
- 2014 Davide Cantoni, Noam Yuchtman
Medieval Universities, Legal Institutions, and the Commercial Revolution
Quarterly Journal of Economics, Vol. 129, N. 2 (May): pp. 823–887
- 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

- 2018 Davide Cantoni, Felix Hagemeister, Mark Westcott
“Voting for the far right in Germany”
in: Dalia Marin (ed.), *Explaining Germany’s Exceptional Recovery*, London.: CEPR Press (VoxEU.org Books).
- 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

- 2020 Davide Cantoni, Felix Hagemeister, Mark Westcott
Persistence and Activation of Right-Wing Political Ideology
- 2020 Leonardo Bursztyn, Davide Cantoni, David Y. Yang, Noam Yuchtman, and Y. Jane Zhang
Persistent Political Engagement: Social Interactions and the Dynamics of Protest Movements
- 2019 Davide Cantoni, Cathrin Mohr, Matthias Weigand
The Rise of Fiscal Capacity

CRC TRR 190 Working Paper N. 172

- 2017 Leonardo Bursztyn, Davide Cantoni, Patricia Funk, Noam Yuchtman
Polls, the Press, and Political Participation: The Effects of Anticipated Election Closeness on Voter Turnout
NBER Working Paper N. 23490, CEPR Discussion Paper N. 12088
- 2016 Davide Cantoni, David Y. Yang, Noam Yuchtman, and Y. Jane Zhang
The Fundamental Determinants of Anti-Authoritarianism

WORK IN PROGRESS

- Measuring Redistributive Preferences in East Asia (joint with Vinci Y.C. Chow, David Y. Yang, Noam Yuchtman, and Y. Jane Zhang)
- Beliefs, Attitudes and Preferences of the Chinese Political Elites (joint with Yuyu Chen, David Y. Yang, Noam Yuchtman, Y. Jane Zhang, David Zweig)
- Territorial Roots of National Identity (joint with Cathrin Mohr and Matthias Weigand)
- Urbanization in Europe: Regional Variations, 1700–1900

POLICY AND OTHER ARTICLES

- 2017 “The religious roots of the secular West: The Protestant Reformation and the allocation of resources in Europe” (joint with Jeremiah Dittmar, Noam Yuchtman), on *voxeu.org*
- 2017 “Power to the people? China’s policy trilemma in Hong Kong” (joint with David Y. Yang, Noam Yuchtman), LSE Department of Management Blog
- 2017 “Explaining the Alternative for Deutschland party’s electoral success: The shadow of Nazi voting” (joint with Felix Hagemester, Mark Westcott), on *voxeu.org*
- 2014 “Curriculum and Ideology” (joint with Yuyu Chen, David Y. Yang, Noam Yuchtman, Y. Jane Zhang), on *voxeu.org*
- 2012 “How universities helped transform the medieval world” (joint with Noam Yuchtman), on *voxeu.org*
- 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 *voxeu.com*

Grants, awards, stipends

GRANTS

- 2017–2021 ERC Starting Grant 716837 “Demand for Democracy” (EUR 1,494,000)
- 2016–2017 Nachwuchsförderungs fonds LMUexcellent, LMU Munich (EUR 50,000)
- 2013–2015 Nachwuchsförderungs fonds LMUexcellent, LMU Munich (EUR 56,788)
- 2012–2016 Marie Curie Career Integration Grant (EUR 100,000)
- 2010 Programa Comença, UPF (EUR 3,000)
- 2009 Paul Warburg Fund, Harvard University (US\$ 4,500)
- 2008 Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies, Opportunity Grant (US\$ 500)
- 2007 Paul Warburg Fund, Harvard University (US\$ 2,500)
- 2007 Economic History Association, Exploratory Data and Travel Award (US\$ 2,500)

2007 Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies, Summer Travel Grant (US\$ 3,000)

AWARDS

- 2019 Gossen Prize (best economist under 45 in German-speaking countries)
- 2016 *Preis für gute Lehre des Freistaats Bayern* (State of Bavaria, best teaching award)
- 2015 Excellence in Refereeing Award, *Journal of the European Economic Association*
- 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)

Seminar and conference presentations

- 2020 Graduate Institute Geneva, ~~UCL, Bocconi, SMYE Bologna (keynote address), CEPR Populism Workshop, IIES Stockholm~~, (scheduled:) WZB Berlin, Wuppertal, EIEF
- 2019 Nuremberg, CEU, CERGE-EI, Hebrew, Herzliya, Heidelberg, EUI
- 2018 UC Berkeley-Haas, Stockholm (SU), Fribourg, Harvard, Uppsala, Passau, PSE-Sciences Po, Luxembourg (keynote address)
- 2017 MPI for Collective Goods Bonn, Milan (Catholic U), Queen Mary, Milan (U Statale, Sociology/Polisci), Frankfurt, Conference on The Long Shadow of History (Tel Aviv), Düsseldorf, Trinity College Dublin, Copenhagen, Lund, Zurich
- 2016 Bonn, NYU Stern, Innsbruck, Bozen-Bolzano, Pompeu Fabra, CESifo Area Conference Behavioural Economics, Utrecht, UC Berkeley
- 2015 Cologne, Bayreuth, TU Munich, Mannheim, Becker-Friedman Institute Media and Communications Conference
- 2014 UC Berkeley, UCLA Anderson, Northwestern, Stanford, UC Davis, CESifo Area Conference Economics of Education, CEPR Economic History Symposium, Zurich
- 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, Mannheim, Colgate-Hamilton
- 2008 Harvard, Yale, Heidelberg, EHA annual meeting (New Haven)

Teaching

CURRENT

- Culture and Institutions in Economic History (undergraduate), lecture
- Geography and Technology in Economic History (undergraduate), lecture (in German)
- Economic History (graduate), lecture/seminar

PAST

- 2016 Natural Experiments in German History (undergraduate), LMU Munich, junior seminar
- 2013 Media Economics (undergraduate), LMU Munich, junior seminar
- 2012 Empirical Economics I (undergraduate), LMU Munich, lecture (in German)
- 2012, 2015 Country Studies in Historical Development (undergraduate), LMU Munich, junior seminar
- 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

- 2018– *Leonie Oberländer, LMU Munich
- 2018– *Emilio Esguerra, LMU Munich
- 2017– *Leonhard Vollmer, LMU Munich
- 2017– *Johannes Wimmer, LMU Munich
- 2016–2020 *Felix Hagemeister, LMU Munich
- 2015–2019 *Navid Sabet, LMU Munich (*first placement: Frankfurt*)
- 2015–2020 *Daniela Miebling, LMU Munich
- 2014–2019 *Cathrin Mohr, LMU Munich (*first placement: Bonn*)
- 2013–2017 Daniel Wissmann, LMU Munich (*public sector placement*)
- 2013–2017 *Mark Westcott, LMU Munich (*private sector placement*)
- 2013–2017 Anastasia Driva, LMU Munich (*private sector placement*)
- 2011–2015 Rhea Molato, Max-Planck-Institute, Munich (*private sector placement*)
- 2011–2015 *Daphne Alvarez Villa, LMU Munich (*first placement: Oxford, postdoc*)
- 2011–2015 *Alexandra Semrad, LMU Munich (*private sector placement*)
- 2010–2015 Andrea Matranga, UPF (*first placement: New Economic School, Moscow*)
- 2010–2015 Vicky Fouka, UPF (*first placement: Stanford*)

*: main advisor

PH.D. STUDENTS: EXTERNAL EXAMINER

- 2019 Andreas Stegmann, CEMFI
- 2017 Erik Prawitz, IIES Stockholm
- 2017 Bálint Ményhert, CEU Budapest
- 2016 Christian Skovsgaard, U Southern Denmark

REFEREEING

American Economic Journal: Applied Economics • American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics • American Economic Review • American Economic Review : Insights • American Journal of Political Science • American Political Science Review • China Journal • Constitutional Political Economy • Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (German Research Foundation) • Econometrica • Economic History Review • Economic Journal • Economics of Transition • European Economic Review • European Research Council • European Review of Economic History • Explorations in Economic History • International Economic Review • Journal of Applied Econometrics • Journal of Comparative Economics • Journal of Development Economics • Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization • Journal of Economic Growth • Journal of Economic History • Journal of International Economics • Journal of Political Economy • Journal of Public Economics • Journal of the European Economic Association • Nature Human Behaviour • National Science Foundation • Princeton University Press • Public Choice • Quarterly Journal of Economics • Quarterly Journal of Political Science • Review of Economics and Statistics • Review of Economic Studies • Scandinavian Economic History Review • Science