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## CURRENT PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

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Sept. 2012 – July 2013 Alliance Visiting Professor at Columbia University, New York  
Sept. 2009 - present **Sciences-Po**, Assistant Professor of Economics  
Sept. 2009 - present **J-PAL**, Lab Affiliate

## PREVIOUS POSITIONS

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2008-2009 **Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL)**  
Post-doctoral fellow  
2006 - 2008 **Ecole Normale Supérieure**  
Lecturer in Economics  
2003 - 2008 **Paris School of Economics / DIAL**  
Doctorate Researcher, Program "Long-term History and Resources' Distribution within Africa"

## PRIMARY RESEARCH FIELDS

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Development Economics, Applied Microeconomics: Education, Health, Entrepreneurship  
Economic History: Colonization

## EDUCATION

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2003 - 2008 **PhD in Economics, Paris School of Economics**  
*Dissertation:* Inequality, development and colonial history in the former French West Africa  
*Jury:* Jean-Marie Baland, Denis Cogneau (supervisor), Esther Duflo, Pierre Jacquet, Thomas Piketty (supervisor), Gilles Postel-Vinay  
2001 - 2002 **Master in Economics "Analyse et Politique Economiques", EHESS-DELTA, Paris**  
1997 - 2001 **Master in Management, Hautes Etudes Commerciales (HEC), Paris**  
1999 - 2000 **Maitrise in Philosophy, University Paris IV (Sorbonne), with honors**  
1998 - 1999 **Licence in Philosophy, University Paris IV (Sorbonne), with honors**  
1995 - 1997 **Classe préparatoire HEC, Lycée Carnot, Paris**

## TEACHING

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### Sciences-Po

- Development Economics (Undergraduate course) [2009]
- Development Economics (Master International Economic Policies) [2012]
- Development Microeconomics (Master Economics and Public Policies) [2010, 2011, 2012]

### Ecole Normale Supérieure Ulm

- General Economics (Undergraduate course) [2006, 2007]
- Social Fairness and Distribution Issues (Undergraduate course) [2007, 2008]
- Applied Econometrics (Undergraduate course) [2007]
- **Jury** for the selection of students [2008, 2009, 2010]

**Institut Supérieur des Techniques d'Outre-Mer**, Cergy-Pontoise (Graduate course) [2005, 2006, 2007, 2008]

**Paris School of Economics**, Teaching Assistant for Esther Duflo [2007]

**Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab**, Teaching Assistant for the J-PAL course in Paris [2008]

**Optimal Prépa - Ipésup**, Teaching Assistant in Mathematics (Classes Préparatoires HEC) [1997-2009]

## ACADEMIC PAPERS

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### Publications:

- "History Matters: the long term impact of colonial public investments In French West Africa", *American Economic Journal - Applied Economics*, 1(2): 176-215, April 2009
- "The long term impact of European settlement within former French West Africa: Did prosperous areas fall behind?", *Journal of African Economies*, 20(2): 263-311, March 2011

### Working Papers:

- "The Black Man's Burden - The cost of the colonization of French West Africa for French and African taxpayers", Revise and Resubmit *Journal of Economic History*
- "Empowering Parents in Schools: What They Can(not) Do" (with Elizabeth Beasley)
- "Le bilan économique de la colonisation française : chronique d'une historiographie manquée", Paris School of Economics Working Paper, 2008

### Papers in progress:

- Can Information Reduce Risky Sexual Behaviour? Evidence from a randomized experiment in Cameroon (with Esther Duflo, Pascaline Dupas and Juliette Seban)
- Should Governments Buy Public Service Quality? Evidence from a Field Experiment on Health in Congo (with Juliette Seban)
- What Prevent Women from Using Contraception? Evidence from Burkina Faso (with Vandana Sharma)
- Can Additional Human Capital Make Microcredit Work? Evidence from a randomized experiment in Morocco (with Bruno Crépon, Dean Karlan and William Pariente)
- Is Entrepreneurship Something We Can Learn? Evidence from disadvantaged neighbourhoods in France (with Bruno Crépon, Esther Duflo and William Pariente)
- Non-Cognitive Skills and Employment: Evidence from a randomized experiment in France (with Yann Algan, Bruno Crépon and William Parienté)
- Educational Choice in Poor Areas: How Much does Poverty Dampen Ambition? (with Nina Guyon)
- The Impact of Violence at School on Educational Performances (with Yann Algan and Nina Guyon)
- Closing the learning gap between Roma and non-Roma children in Romania through pre-school participation: outreach versus conditional food coupons approaches (with Paul Gertler and Joost de Laat)

## ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

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**Refereeing:** *American Political Sciences Review, American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, Econometrica, Economic Journal, Journal of Development and Cultural Change, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Economic History, Perspectives on Politics, Review of Economics and Statistics, World Development*

**Conference organisation:** 5<sup>th</sup> EUDN PhD Seminar in Development Economics, on December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2007, hosted by the Paris School of Economics and Dial in Paris.