

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EMPLOYMENT

Senior Lecturer in Economics, University of Glasgow, since 2018; *Lecturer*, 2017–18; *Research Fellow*, 2014–17.
Lecturer in Economics, School of Economics and Finance, University of St Andrews, 2013–14.
Royal Economic Society Junior Fellow, Department of Economics, University of Warwick, 2012–13.

OTHER POSITIONS

Visiting Scholar, Columbia University, New York, USA, Spring 2016.
Research Coordinator, “Behaviour, Structure & Interventions” Interdisciplinary Research Network, 2014–20.
Elected Member, Royal Society of Edinburgh’s Young Academy, 2014–20.

EDUCATION

PhD in Economics, University of Warwick, *Onassis Scholar*, 2013. Awarded without corrections. 1st Prize, European Science Days Award; Sir Alec Cairncross Prize.
Committee: Oded Galor and Omer Moav. *Advisors*: Sascha O. Becker and Paulo Santos Monteiro.
MSc in Economics, University of Warwick, *Onassis Scholar*, 2008.
BA in Economics, University of Macedonia, 2007.

RESEARCH

“The Changing Returns to Crime: Do Criminals Respond to Prices?” (with M. Draca and S. Machin). *Review of Economic Studies*, 86(3), May 2019, pp. 1228–1257.
“Brexit and the Scottish Economy: Risks, Opportunities and the Revenge of the Disadvantaged.” In *Brexit: The Impact on Scotland*, Royal Society of Edinburgh Young Academy of Scotland, pp. 16–17.
“Increasing Financial Recoveries Using Insights from Behavioural Economics: A Co-designed Intervention with NHS Scotland” (with S. Ghosal). REF 2021 Impact Case Study.
“Learning to Parent: Isolation and the Diffusion of Parenting Practices” (with P. Dalton, S. Ghosal, S. Ghosh, and S. Roy). *AEA RCT Registry AEARCTR-0016175*; fieldwork completed.
“Unemployment Insurance after Incarceration” (with Y. W. L. Chu and E. Gałecka-Burdziak). *Submitted*.
“Cream-Skimming and the Wage Structure.” *Submitted*.
“Shaking Criminal Incentives” (with Y. Aoki). *Submitted*.

RESEARCH GRANTS

ESRC–DFID, *Disadvantage and Participation Accountability Processes: Theory and Evidence from SDMCs in India*, Co-I with S. Ghosal (PI), £700,000, 2018–23.
British Academy, *Early Career Network on “Inequality, Conflict and Violence”*, PI, £15,000, 2018–20.
ESRC Impact Acceleration Account, *Copyright in the Digital Economy*, PI, £10,000, 2016–17.
BSI Research Network, *Research Strategy & Innovation Office*, with S. Ghosal, £40,000, 2014–20.

AWARDS & HONORS

Visiting Fellowship, Dekaban Liddle Fellowship, Warsaw School of Economics (SGH), 2025.

Visiting Professorship, Prague University of Economics and Business, 2023–25.

Royal Society of Edinburgh Henry Duncan Medal, 2018–19.

Awarded by the Royal Society of Edinburgh for “*outstanding work in the field of economics where he combines a clear mastery of the microeconomic methodology, a keen instinct for its empirical applications and a deep commitment to engagement activities.*”

British Academy Rising Star Engagement Award, 2018.

Research Fellow, Institute of Labor Economics (IZA), since 2018.

Visiting Research Fellowship, Institute for Advanced Studies (IASH), University of Edinburgh, 2017–18.

Principal’s Early Career Mobility Award, research visit at Columbia University, 2016.

Elected Membership, Royal Society of Edinburgh’s Young Academy, 2014.

Sir Alec Cairncross Prize in Economics, Scottish Economic Society, £1,000, 2014.

Royal Economic Society Junior Fellowship, £8,000, 2012–13.

1st Prize, Interdisciplinary European Science Days Award for the Best Paper, €3,000, 2011.

Award for Teaching Excellence, University of Warwick, 2010–11.

SCHOLARSHIPS & OTHER DISTINCTIONS

Onassis Foundation Scholarships: MSc, £6,500, 2007–08; PhD, £35,000, 2008–12.

Financial Support for PhD Studies, University of Warwick, 2008–12.

IZA@DC Young Scholar Program, selected after nomination by IZA Fellows, 2012.

Nomination, Warwick Award for Teaching Excellence, university-wide, 2012.

Lindau Nobel Meetings in Economics, selected scholar, 2011.

Falling Walls Lab, Berlin, invited among 100 young scientists to present their work, 2011.

Travel Grants: SIRE (2015: SOLE, ISNIE, RES; 2014: NBER, EEA); EEA 2012; RES 2012–14; SAEe 2012.

Greek State Scholarships Foundation (IKY), passed competitive examinations; award not taken up, 2007.

INVITED LECTURES

Keynote Address, 7th International PhD Meeting in Economics, University of Macedonia, July 2019.

Public Lecture, Shifting Paradigms, Aberdeen Political Economy Group, November 2018.

Keynote Address, 6th International PhD Meeting in Economics, University of Macedonia, July 2018.

TEDx Talk, “*The Underground Economy*”, TEDx University of Glasgow, March 2016.

Public Lecture, Lancaster University Economics Society, October 2015.

Invited Special Session, Royal Economic Society Annual Conference, University of Manchester, April 2014.

Lindau Nobel Meetings in Economics, panel on *Sustainability in International Economics*; panelists included Nobel Laureates Daniel McFadden, Roger Myerson, and Joseph Stiglitz, and PhD students Theodore Koutmeridis and Stefanie Stantcheva, August 2011.

SEMINAR, WORKSHOP & CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2024–25: UC Berkeley (IRLE); Škoda Auto University.

2023–24: Venice (ERC, Cultural Inequality); Leiden (Lorentz Centre, Criminology); Prague (Economics).

2022–23: AASLE (Tokyo); Prague University of Economics and Business.

2019–20: Tilburg Law and Economics Center; Tinbergen Institute (Amsterdam); SIOE (MIT).

2018–19: LSE; Aberdeen; Newcastle; AASLE (Seoul); AMEF (Thessaloniki); IAAE (Nicosia); CRETE (Tinos).

2017–18: Edinburgh (IASH); Glasgow; University of Macedonia; AASLE (Canberra); AMEF (Thessaloniki).

2016–17: King’s College London; Queen Mary (London); Queen’s (Belfast); AMEF (Thessaloniki); CRETE (Milos).

2015–16: NYU Stern; Crime Lab New York; Lancaster; TEDx (University of Glasgow); CRETE (Tinos); EEA (Geneva); EPIP (Oxford).

2014–15: ISNIE (Harvard); SOLE (Montréal); RES (Manchester); CRETE (Chania); CCP (UEA); EPIP (Glasgow).

2013–14: Aberdeen; St Andrews; Cyprus; NBER Summer Institute (Boston); EEA (Toulouse); RES Special Session (Manchester); CAGE (Warwick); SITE (Stockholm); SES (Perth); QUCEH (Belfast); GEDIM (Aix).

2012–13: Warwick; Oxford; Edinburgh; St Andrews; Goethe; New Economic School (Moscow); Barcelona; Alicante; RES (Royal Holloway); SAEe (Vigo); RES (QMUL); Open Economics (Cambridge); IZA@DC (Georgetown); CRETE (Milos); CAGE Warwick (Growth SS); Onassis Conference (Athens).

2011–12: EEA (Málaga); RES (University of Cambridge); Falling Walls (Berlin).

2010–11: AUEB (Athens); EALE (Paphos); EEA (Oslo); 14th IZA Summer School (Ammersee); ESD Signaling Theory Summer School (Steyr); CRETE (Tinos).

PROFESSIONAL DUTIES

Referee for journals: *Review of Economic Studies*; *Economic Journal*; *Journal of Labor Economics*; *RAND Journal of Economics*; *Journal of Econometrics*; *Economica*; *Journal of Economic Growth*; *Journal of Empirical Legal Studies*; *Macroeconomic Dynamics*; *Communications of the ACM*; *Regional Science & Urban Economics*; *European Economic Review*; *Empirical Economics*; *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*; *Crime, Law & Social Change*. **Grant referee:** British Academy.

Conference organiser: LSE/Glasgow 2019 workshop on “Youth Crime” (LSE, CEP); LSE/Glasgow 2018 workshop on “Crime and Policing” (LSE, CEP); BSI events on “Health Challenges” (2018, with NHS), “Disadvantage” (2017, with RSE), “Inequality, Conflict & Violence” (2016), Interdisciplinary PhD event (2016), and “Marginalisation, Stigma & Choice” (2015); CREATE Interdisciplinary Seminar Series (2015–16); CREATE Hackathon (2016).

Scientific Committee Member: Royal Economic Society Symposium (2015); European Policy for Intellectual Property Conference (2015); Spring Meeting of Young Economists (2015, 2016, 2017).

Chair, Warwick Economics Staff–Student Committee, 2007–08; student representative for BA studies in Greece and MSc studies in the UK.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Behavioural Economics: Theory and Applications (PG), University of Glasgow, 2017–present.

Understanding Development: A Multidisciplinary Approach (PG), University of Glasgow, 2017–present.

Economics, Psychology and Experiments (UG), Prague University of Economics and Business, 2022–24.

Interdisciplinary Training: PhD Mini-Courses on Research Methods, University of Glasgow, 2015–17.
Identifying Causal Effects; Identifying Gaps in the Literature; Training for the Viva.

Labour (UG), Econometrics (UG), Macro (UG), Research Methods (PG); University of St Andrews, 2013–14.

Development Micro (UG), Development Macro (UG), Macro (UG); Warwick University, 2008–13. *Teaching Award*.

RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

Research fields: Labour Economics; Law & Economics; Political Economy; Development & Growth.

Research focus: Inequality; Crime; Disadvantage; Technology & Innovation; Behavioural Economics.

COMMITTEES & SUPERVISION

Hiring Committees: recruitment for Lecturer and Senior Lecturer positions in Economics and Finance; recruitment for the Cairncross Professorial Chair in Applied Economics, University of Glasgow, 2017–19.

PhD Supervision:

– Anandu Praveen (PhD in Economics, 2025–29), “Socio-economic Impact of Return Migration: A Study of Kerala

with Special Reference to the COVID-19 Pandemic.”

- Anh Ngo (PhD in Economics, 2020–25), “Essays on Poverty Traps.”
- Tao Xinyu (PhD in Economics, 2020–25), “Causal Inference in Policy Evaluation: Methods and Applications.”
- Kaizhao Guo (PhD in Economics, 2019–24, completed), “Automation Technologies and Labour Market Outcomes”; Adam Smith Business School Excellence in Research Award.
- Daniel Siwecki (PhD in Economics, 2019–23, completed; College of Social Sciences PhD Scholarship), “Essays on Universal Basic Income.”
- Erika Leigh Anderson (PhD in Economic and Social History, 2018–22, completed), “Essays on Corporate Social Responsibility.”
- Jinglin Wen (PhD in Economics, 2018–22, completed; PhD Scholarship), “Essays on Gender and Criminal Justice”; Adam Smith Business School Excellence in Research Award.
- Prateek Chandra Bhan (PhD in Economics, 2017–21, completed; College of Social Sciences PhD Scholarship), “Essays in the Economics of Hope”; Adam Smith Business School Excellence in Research.
- Jaakko Miettinen (PhD in Economics, 2014–18, completed; CREATE Microeconomics Scholarship), “Essays on the Economics of Copyright.”

PhD Thesis Committee Examiner:

- Antonio Parlavecchio, “Essays on a Frictional Labour Market with Inactive Workers” (PhD Economics, 2017).
- Seemanti Ghosh, “Socioeconomic Adversity and Perseverance: A Role for Locus of Control? Impact, Mitigation and Welfare Analysis” (PhD Economics, Adam Smith Award for Best PhD Thesis, 2018).
- Mo Mosenhauer, “Essays on Counter Strategies against Mistakes in Information Processing with Various Applications” (PhD Economics, 2019).
- Andres Azqueta-Gavaldon, “Text-Mining in Macroeconomics: The Wealth of Words” (PhD Economics, 2020).

Supervisor for: undergraduate and postgraduate dissertations, 10 research assistants, and 2 policy interns (University of St Andrews, 2013–14; University of Glasgow, 2014–20).

RESEARCH PROJECTS

Ghosal, S., Dalton, P., Ghosh, S., Koutmeridis, T., Roy, S., & Schweisfurth, M. (2018–23). *Disadvantage & Participation Accountability Processes: Theory & Evidence from School Management Committees in Karnataka, India*.

Koutmeridis, T., Erickson, K., & Kretschmer, M. (Eds.). (2015). *The Copyright Evidence Wiki: Empirical Evidence for Copyright Policy*. <https://www.copyrightevidence.org>. CREATE Centre, University of Glasgow.

Koutmeridis, T. (2013). *The Market for “Rough Diamonds”: Information, Finance and Wage Inequality in Macroeconomics* (Doctoral dissertation, University of Warwick).

POLICY, IMPACT & OUTREACH

MEDIA COVERAGE & INTERVIEWS

“Dr Theodore Koutmeridis wins RSE Henry Duncan Medal”, Royal Society of Edinburgh Young Academy, 14 June 2019.

“Interview: RSE Henry Duncan Medal”, The Royal Society of Edinburgh, June 2019, pp. 8–9.

“Talking Headlines with Theo Koutmeridis: Media, Brexit and the Scottish Economy”, *Research the Headlines*, 21 September 2017.

“Rising Star – Dr Theodore Koutmeridis”, *ReSource*, Royal Society of Edinburgh, August 2017.

“Increasing HE participation increases wage inequality”, *Times Higher Education*, Issue 2,270, 1–6 September 2016.

TEACHING INNOVATION

“The Democracy Lab: how 20 minutes of debate can revive the lecture”, *Times Higher Education*, 6 July 2026.

“Inside Dr Koutmeridis’s ‘Democracy Lab’: A Classroom Where Every Voice Counts”, Glasgow Social Sciences Hub.

POLICY PAPERS

Brexit and the Scottish Economy: Risks, Opportunities and the Revenge of the Disadvantaged. In Royal Society of Edinburgh Young Academy of Scotland, *Brexit: The Impact on Scotland*, September 2017; author of the section on “The Economy”. Related interview [here](#).

Inequality: Good for the Rich, Bad for the Economy? Royal Society of Edinburgh, Advice Paper 16-23, September 2016. Co-authored as a member of the Royal Society of Edinburgh’s Young Academy.

Public Consultation by the European Commission on the Evaluation and Modernisation of the Legal Framework for the Enforcement of Intellectual Property Rights. CREATE Centre, University of Glasgow, April 2016. Co-authored on behalf of the CREATE Centre.

CONSULTANCY & POLICY ADVISING

National Health Service (NHS Prevention Team, Counter Fraud Services): fieldwork to recover £1–5 million per year. Impact Case Study submitted to REF 2021. Winner of the *NHS Excellence in Innovation and Efficiency Award* and the *University of Glasgow Knowledge Exchange Award for Best Collaboration in Policy and Practice*.

Her Majesty’s Government, Intellectual Property Office.

Royal Society of Edinburgh: working groups on “Inequality”, “Brexit and the Economy”, “Review of Financial Support for Students”, “Brexit and Migration”, “Brexit and International Students”, and “COVID-19, Inequalities and Human Rights”; contribution to the RSE response to the Scottish Government’s Just Transition Commission call for evidence.

IMPACT CASE STUDY

REF 2021 Impact Case Study: “Increasing financial recoveries for NHS using behavioural economics insights”.