

# 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

### 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

### EDITORIAL APPOINTMENTS

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

## 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

- n.d. Davide Cantoni, Yuyu Chen, David Y. Yang, Noam Yuchtman, Y. Jane Zhang  
*Curriculum and Ideology*  
forthcoming, **Journal of Political Economy**
- 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

- 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.

#### WORK IN PROGRESS

- The Fundamental Determinants of Anti-Authoritarianism (joint with David Y. Yang, Noam Yuchtman, and Y. Jane Zhang)
- Are Protests Games of Strategic Complements or Substitutes? Experimental Evidence from Hong Kong’s Democracy Movement (joint with David Y. Yang, Noam Yuchtman, and Y. Jane Zhang)
- Measuring Redistributive Preferences in East Asia (joint with Vinci Y.C. Chow, David Y. Yang, Noam Yuchtman, and Y. Jane Zhang)
- Reformation and Reallocation: Religious and Secular Economic Activity in Early Modern Germany (joint with Jeremiah Dittmar and Noam Yuchtman)
- Urbanization in Europe: Regional Variations, 1700–1900
- Construction Activity in the Holy Roman Empire, 1000–1800

#### POLICY AND OTHER ARTICLES

- 2014 “Curriculum and Ideology” (joint with Yuyu Chen, David Y. Yang, Noam Yuchtman, Y. Jane Zhang), on *vox.eu.com*
- 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*

## Grants, awards, stipends

### GRANTS

- 2017–2021 ERC Starting Grant 716837 “Demand for Democracy” (EUR 1,494,000)
- 2016–2017 Nachwuchsförderungsfonds LMUexcellent, LMU Munich (EUR 50,000)
- 2013–2015 Nachwuchsförderungsfonds 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

- 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

- 2016 Bonn, NYU Stern, Innsbruck, Bozen-Bolzano, Pompeu Fabra, CESifo Area Conference Behavioural Economics, (scheduled:) 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, Colgate-Hamilton
- 2008 Harvard, Yale, Heidelberg, EHA annual meeting (New Haven)

# Teaching

## CURRENT

- Empirical Economics I (undergraduate), lecture (in German)
- 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 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

- 2014– \*Cathrin Mohr, LMU Munich
- 2013– Daniel Wissmann, LMU Munich
- 2013– \*Mark Westcott, LMU Munich
- 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

## REFEREEING

American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics, American Economic Review, American Political Science Review, Constitutional Political Economy, Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (German Research Foundation), Econometrica, Economic History Review, 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 International Economics, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of the European Economic Association, Princeton University Press, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Quarterly Journal of Political Science, Review of Economics and Statistics, Review of Economic Studies, Scandinavian Economic History Review

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