

# HECTOR BLANCO

Curriculum Vitae

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## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2023–present Assistant Professor, Rutgers University-New Brunswick, Department of Economics  
2023–present Research Affiliate, NYU Furman Center for Real Estate and Urban Policy  
2022–2023 Postdoctoral Research Fellow, NYU Furman Center for Real Estate and Urban Policy

## EDUCATION

2022 PhD Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
Dissertation title: *The Economic Effects of Public Housing Programs*  
Advisors: Amy Finkelstein, James Poterba, Rebecca Diamond  
2016 MS Economics, Barcelona Graduate School of Economics  
2015 BA Economics, Universitat Pompeu Fabra  
2013 BA Laws, Universitat Pompeu Fabra

## RESEARCH ARTICLES

### Publications

Pecuniary Effects of Public Housing Demolitions: Evidence from Chicago, *Regional Science and Urban Economics* 98, 2023

### Working papers

Knocking it Down and Mixing it Up: The Impact of Public Housing Regenerations (with Lorenzo Neri), *IZA Discussion Paper No. 15855* January 2023, *R&R, Review of Economics and Statistics*

Local Effects of Bypassing Zoning Regulations in High-Income Areas (with Noémie Sportiche)

### Research in Progress

Neighborhood Change and Local Economic Activity (with Lorenzo Neri)

Redistribution through Housing Assistance (with Juliette Fournier)

Segregated Welfare: The Effects of Federal Public Housing (with Luca Perdoni)

Spillover Effects from Mandatory Inclusionary Zoning (with Lorenzo Neri)

## **CONFERENCES AND INVITED PRESENTATIONS** (\*scheduled)

- 2023 AREUEA National Conference, ASSA Annual Meetings-NTA, Lincoln Institute, NBER Summer Institute (Real Estate/Urban Economics), Opportunity Insights Conference on Economic Mobility, Rutgers-Newark
- 2022 APPAM, AREUEA National Conference, Cornell University (SC Johnson College of Business), Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, IEB 6th Workshop on Urban Economics, MIT-Center for Real Estate, National Bank of Ukraine, NBER Summer Institute (Urban Economics), Nova School of Business and Economics, NYU Furman Center, Ratio Institute, Rutgers University, Syracuse University, UEA 11th European Meeting, UEA 16th North American Meeting
- 2021 MIT PF/Labor Workshop, UEA 15th North American Meeting, UEA PhD Workshop

## **HONORS AND AWARDS**

- 2023 Excellence in Refereeing Award, *AER: Insights*
- 2023 Lincoln Institute Scholars Program
- 2022 National Tax Association Dissertation Prize, Finalist
- 2022 APPAM Best Dissertation Award, Honorable Mention
- 2022 IV Nada es Gratis Job Market Paper Award

## **GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS**

- 2020-2021 Jerry A. Hausman Dissertation Fellowship, MIT
- 2019-2021 George and Obie Shultz Fund, Research grant, MIT
- 2016-2018 MIT Fellowship
- 2016-2018 La Caixa Foundation Graduate Fellowship
- 2015 Catalunya-La Pedrera Foundation Graduate Fellowship
- 2013 Collaboration Fellowship, Spanish Ministry of Education

## **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

### **Journal Referee**

*American Economic Review: Insights, Journal of Public Economics, Regional Science and Urban Economics, Journal of Housing Economics, Housing Policy Debate, Health Affairs, Cities*

### **Seminar/Workshop Organization**

- 2023 RUSH (Regional/Urban/Spatial/Housing) Graduate Brownbag, co-organizer
- 2019-2020 MIT Public Finance Lunch, organizer

### **Departmental Service**

- 2024 Empirical Micro Seminar, co-coordinator
- 2024 Economics Department Recruiting Committee

### **Dissertation Committee, third reader**

- 2023 Hsi-Ling Liao (NYU Wagner), *Essays on Migration, Urban, and Housing Economics*

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Rutgers University

2024 Public Economics, 624 (graduate)  
2023 Econometrics, 322 (undergraduate)

MIT, Teaching Assistant (undergraduate)

2022 Psychology and Economics, 14.13 (Prof. Frank Schilbach)  
2020 Introduction to Microeconomics, 14.01 (Prof. Sara Ellison)  
2019 The Challenge of World Poverty, 14.73 (Profs. David Atkin, Esther Duflo, Frank Schilbach)  
2018 Introduction to Microeconomics, 14.01 (Prof. Jon Gruber)

Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Teaching Assistant (undergraduate)

2016 Advanced Macroeconomics II (Prof. Jordi Galí)  
2016 International Economics I (Prof. Alessandra Bonfiglioli)