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## Current position

Profesor titular de universidad, Universitat de València, Facultad de Economía.

Nov. 2022 – present

## Fields of interest

Economics – History – Geography

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## Books

- [2] Capital humano y desigualdad territorial. El proceso de alfabetización en los municipios españoles desde la ley Moyano hasta la Guerra Civil. Madrid: Estudios de Historia Económica nº 74. Banco de España (con Francisco J. Beltrán Tapia, Julio Martínez-Galarraga y Daniel A. Tirado, 2019)
- [1] Regional inequality in Spain 1860-2015. Cham: Palgrave Macmillan (with Julio Martínez-Galarraga and Daniel A. Tirado, 2018)

## Articles [peer-reviewed]

- [18] Developing a population grid in a historical context: The Valencia region in late 19<sup>th</sup> century. *Historical Methods: A Journal of Quantitative and Interdisciplinary History* 55(2), 99-110 (with Francisco J. Goerlich and Daniel A. Tirado-Fabregat, 2025)
- [17] Local institutions and human capital formation in pre-industrial societies: evidence from Valencia. *European Review of Economic History* 28(2), 135-162 (with Francisco J. Beltrán-Tapia, Alicia Gómez-Tello, Julio Martínez-Galarraga and Daniel A. Tirado-Fabregat, 2024)
- [16] Do universities matter for the location of foreign R&D? *Business Research Quarterly* 27, 104-120 (with Dolores Añón Higón, 2024)
- [15] The Spanish municipal population database (ESPOP) 1860-1930. *Revista de Demografía Histórica* 41(1), 133-174 (with Francisco J. Beltrán-Tapia, Julio Martínez-Galarraga and Daniel A. Tirado-Fabregat, 2023)
- [14] Starting high school? On the origins of secondary education in Spain, 1857-1901. *Cliometrica* 17, 233-259 (with Pau Insa Sánchez, 2023)
- [13] Two stories, one fate: age-heaping and literacy in Spain, 1877-1930. *Revista de Historia Económica-Journal of Iberian and Latin American Economic History* 40(3), 405-438 (with Francisco J. Beltrán Tapia, Julio Martínez-Galarraga and Daniel A. Tirado, 2022)
- [12] The uneven transition towards universal literacy in Spain, 1860-1930. *History of Education* 50(5), 605-627 (with Francisco J. Beltrán Tapia, Julio Martínez-Galarraga and Daniel A. Tirado, 2021)

- [11] Railroad integration and uneven development in the European periphery, 1870-1910. *Social Science History* 45 Special Issue 2, 261-289 (with Eduard J. Álvarez-Palau and Jordi Martí-Henneberg, 2021)
- [10] The shadow of cities: Size, location, and the spatial distribution of population in Spain. *Annals of Regional Science* 66 (3), 729-753 (with Francisco J. Beltrán-Tapia and Julio Martínez-Galarraga, 2021)
- [9] Old wine in new wineskins? Understanding the cooperative movement: Catalonia, 1860-1939. *European Review of Economic History* 25 (2), 328-354 (with Francisco J. Medina Albaladejo, Dolores Añón Higón and José Miguel Lana-Berasain, 2021)
- [8] The long-term relationship between economic development and regional inequality: South-West Europe 1860-2010. *Papers in Regional Science* 99 (3), 479-508 (with Rafael González-Val, Julio Martínez-Galarraga, M. Teresa Sanchis and Daniel A. Tirado, 2020)
- [7] Regional prices in early twentieth-century Spain: A country-product-dummy approach. *Cliometrica* 13, 245-276 (with Alicia Gómez-Tello, Julio Martínez-Galarraga and Daniel A. Tirado, 2019)
- [6] Regional income inequality in France 1860-1954: methods and findings. *Historical Methods: A Journal of Quantitative and Interdisciplinary History* 52 (1), 1-14 (with M. Teresa Sanchis, 2019)
- [5] The origins of economic growth and regional income inequality in Latin Europe 1870-1950, *Journal of Interdisciplinary History* 49 (1), 93-116 (with Julio Martínez-Galarraga, M. Teresa Sanchis and Daniel A. Tirado, 2018)
- [4] Tracing the evolution of agglomeration economies: Spain, 1860-1991, *Journal of Economic History* 78 (1), 81-117 (with Francisco J. Beltrán Tapia and Julio Martínez-Galarraga, 2018)
- [3] Regional inequality and economic development in Spain, 1860-2010, *Journal of Historical Geography* 54, 87-98 (with Julio Martínez-Galarraga and Daniel A. Tirado, 2016)
- [2] Why did Spanish regions not converge before the Civil War? Agglomeration economies and (regional) growth revisited, *Revista de Historia Económica-Journal of Iberian and Latin American Economic History* 34 (3), 417-448 (with Julio Martínez-Galarraga and Daniel A. Tirado, 2016)
- [1] Mating (marriage) patterns and economic development, *The History of the Family* 16 (4), 312-330 (2011)

## Book chapters

- [4] Living standards in Iberia, 1800-2010, in Alfonso Herranz-Loncán and Vicente Pinilla (eds.) *An economic history of the Iberian peninsula 700-2000. Part III. Industrialization and Catching Up, 1800-2000*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press (with Jordi Guilera and Julio Martinez-Galarraga, 2024)
- [3] La educación en el Estado Liberal (1857-1901): Entre la universalización y la gestión privada, en Salvador Calatayud, Jesús Millán y María Cruz Romeo (eds.) *Reformas antes del Reformismo: Estado y sociedad de élites en la España contemporánea*. Granada: Comares (con Francisco J. Beltrán Tapia, Pau Insa-Sánchez, Julio Martinez-Galarraga y Daniel A. Tirado Fabregat, 2022)
- [2] La alfabetización en el mundo urbano español, en Luis Enrique Otero Carvajal y Santiago de Miguel Salanova (eds.) *La educación en España: el salto adelante 1900-1936*. Madrid: Los Libros de la Catarata (con Francisco J. Beltrán Tapia, Julio Martinez-Galarraga y Daniel A. Tirado Fabregat, 2022)
- [1] Comparing different estimation methodologies of regional GDPs in Latin American Countries, in Daniel A. Tirado-Fabregat, Marc Badia-Miró and Henry Willebald (eds.) *Time and Space: Latin America Regional Development in Historical Perspective*. Cham: Palgrave Macmillan (with María Teresa Sanchis-Llopis, 2020)

## Other publications

- [3] Catalunya dins l'economia espanyola: del vapor a la intel·ligència artificial, de màquina a vagó. *Revista Econòmica de Catalunya* 89, 91-98 (amb Julio Martínez-Galarraga i Daniel A. Tirado, 2024)
- [2] Les arrels de la industrialització catalana: del segle XVIII a la Guerra Civil. *Revista Econòmica de Catalunya* 89, 67-75 (amb Julio Martínez-Galarraga i Daniel A. Tirado, 2024)
- [1] Tendencias de largo plazo de la desigualdad territorial en España (1860-2015). *Presupuesto y Gasto Público* 102(1), 9-30 (con Julio Martínez-Galarraga y Daniel A. Tirado, 2021)

## Working papers

- [2] Economía social en tiempos de inflación: España 1910-1920. Documentos de Trabajo EH-Valencia DT-EHV 2024/03 (with Francisco J. Medina Albaladejo, 2024)
- [1] State capacity and the uneven cost of nation-building: language mismatch and literacy levels in Valencia. UB Economics Working Paper No. 414 (with Francisco J. Beltrán-Tapia, Alicia Gómez-Tello, Julio Martínez-Galarraga and Daniel A. Tirado-Fabregat, 2021)

## In progress

- [1] Understanding wages and labour markets: Evidence from industrial establishments in late 19<sup>th</sup> century France, presented at the XIII Congress of the European Historical Economics, August 29-31, Paris, France; XLV International Conference on Regional Science, November 20-22, Universitat Jaume I, Spain (with Teresa Sanchis-Llopis, 2019)

## Further research

- [5] A tale worth telling: prices and regional development, presented at the 42<sup>nd</sup> SAEe, Barcelona, Spain, December 14-16 (with Mariam Camarero, Julio Martínez Galarraga and Daniel A. Tirado, 2018)
- [4] Regional Inequality in France, 1860-2010: Structural Change Dynamics, presented at the 64<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the French Economic Association (AFSE), Rennes, June 22-24; XVII<sup>th</sup> World Economic History Congress (WEHC), Kyoto, August 3-7; 11<sup>th</sup> European Historical Economics Society Conference, Pisa, September 4-5; International Conference on Regional Science, Reus, November 18-19; European Social Science History Conference (ESSHC), Valencia, March 30-April 2 (with Teresa Sanchis-Llopis and Joan R. Rosés, 2015)
- [3] Why History Matters? Global Distribution of Cash-Export Crops, presented at the Warwick Summer Workshop in Economic Growth, July 6-10; 2<sup>nd</sup> Quantitative Agricultural and Natural Resources History Conference, Zaragoza, June 4-5 (with Dolores Añón-Higón, 2015)
- [2] Women's Suffrage and Political Representation, 1893-2010: Economic Development and Women Empowerment, presented at the Centre for Global and Economic History (CGEH) Workshop ("The Deep Causes of Economic Development"), December 18-20, 2014, Utrecht, Netherlands (with Dolores Añón-Higón, 2014)
- [1] Why Polygyny? Women and Economic Development, mimeo (2011)

## Presentations

- 2025** 50<sup>th</sup> SAEe, December 17-19, Barcelona, Spain; XLIV APHES Conference, Universidade de Évora, November 14-15, Évora, Portugal; Seminar, CUNEF Universidad, November 12, Madrid, Spain; 7<sup>th</sup> BEAT Trobada, October 24, Barcelona, Spain; Seminar, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, October 6, Barcelona, Spain; XI Iberometrics, May 29-30, Sevilla, Spain; Seminar, Lisbon School of Economics and Management (ISEG), March 5, Lisbon, Portugal; XIV Congreso Internacional de la Asociación Española de Historia Económica (AEHE), Universidad de las Palmas de Gran Canaria, January 21-24, Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Spain.
- 2024** XLIII APHES Conference, Lisbon School of Economics and Management (ISEG), November 15-16, Lisbon, Portugal; International Research Workshop "Reconciling the irreconcilable: Methods and techniques towards a European historical local population database", Universitat de València, October 24-25, València, Spain; Workshop "Depopulation, demographic transition and the path to sustainability in European regions", Universtat Jaume I, September 19, Castelló de la Plana, Spain; XV Encuentro de Didáctica AEHE, June 20-21, Plasencia, Spain; Seminar, Department of Modern History and Society, April 14, Trondheim, Norway.
- 2023** Seminario, Universidad de Zaragoza, November 21, Zaragoza, Spain; ESSHC Conference, April 12-15, Gothenburg, Sweden; II Workshop Instituto Figuerola, Universidad Carlos III, June 8-9, Madrid, Spain; Workshop "New perspectives on inequality and human capital in southern Europe in the long term", July 3-4, Zaragoza, Spain.
- 2021** Seminar "The rise of education in historical perspective", May 11, online; Workshop "Depopulation and Agglomeration in turbulent times: Threat or opportunity?" September 29-30, Castellón, Spain; Joint 9<sup>th</sup> CEPR Economic History Symposium & 7<sup>th</sup> Banco de España Economic History Seminar, October 8, Madrid, Spain.
- 2020** Seminario-online "De Aranda al Big Data" October 21-23, Barcelona, Spain.
- 2019** Seminario, Departament d'Història Econòmica, Institucions, Política i Economia Mundial, November 27, Barcelona, Spain; XLV International Conference on Regional Science, November 20-22, Universitat Jaume I, Spain; XIII Congress of the European Historical Economics, August 29-31, Paris, France; Joint 7<sup>th</sup> CEPR Economic History Symposium & 5<sup>th</sup> Banco de España Economic History Seminar, May 30-31, Roda de Barà, Spain.
- 2018** XLIV International Conference on Regional Science, November 21-23, Universitat de València, Spain; III Workshop d'Economia Valenciana, 18-19 October, Universtat de València, Spain; Jornada sobre escolarización y alfabetización en España 1787-1930, 19 January, Universitat de València, Spain; Jornadas científicas: Desigualdad, pobreza y bienestar en España, 18-19 January, Universidad de Murcia, Spain.
- 2017** 42<sup>nd</sup> SAEe, December 14-16, Barcelona, Spain; 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Congress of the EEA, August 21-25, Lisbon, Portugal; 3<sup>rd</sup> Jornada de Historia Económica – Banco de España, October 5, Madrid, Spain; 20<sup>th</sup> Encuentro Economía Aplicada, June 8-9, Valencia, Spain; III Agriciometrics, April 3-4, University of Cambridge, UK.
- 2016** Taller de Capital Humano en España: Pasado y Presente, December 20, Facultat d'Economia, Valencia, Spain; Jean Monnet Action International Conference: "Studying GDP regional imbalances for a better long-term analysis of European integration", October 6, Universitat de Barcelona, Barcelona, Spain; II Workshop ANAECO, July 6-8, Departament d'Anàlisi Econòmica, Valencia, Spain; Jean Monnet Action International Conference: "Studying GDP regional imbalances for a better long-term analysis of European integration", March 31, Fundación Universidad-Empresa ADEIT, Valencia, Spain; ESSHC Conference, March 30-April 2, Valencia, Spain.
- 2015** Summer Workshop in Economic Growth, July 6-10, University of Warwick, United Kingdom; II Workshop "Desigualdad Económica Regional en Perspectiva Histórica: Europa y Latinoamérica", June 12, Universitat de València, Spain; XLI International Conference on Regional Studies, November 18-20, Universitat Roviri i Virgili, Spain; 1<sup>st</sup> HEAd Conference, June 24-26, Universitat Politècnica de València, Spain; II Agriciometrics, June 4-5, Universidad de Zaragoza, Spain; VII Iberometrics, May 8-9, Porto, Portugal.

- 2014** Conference "The Deep Causes of Economic Development", December 18-20, 2014, Utrecht, The Netherlands; FRESH meeting, November 7, 2014, Dublin, Ireland; XI Encuentro de Didáctica AEHE, June 26-27, Santiago de Compostela, Spain; VI Jornadas de Docencia en Economía, June 12-13, Bilbao, Spain; Taller "Pensando en el futuro" (Presentación: La importancia de las Instituciones para el desarrollo económico), January 23, Universitat de València, Spain.
- 2013** FRESH meeting, June 13-14, 2013, Valencia, Spain; EHS Annual Conference, April 5-7, 2013, University of York, UK.
- 2012** 37<sup>th</sup> SAEe, December 13-15, 2012, Vigo, Spain; Seminario, Universitat de València, November 19, 2012, Valencia, Spain; FRESH meeting, October 12-13, 2012, Lisbon, Portugal; III Encuentro AEHE, 2012, September 7, Barcelona, Spain; X Encuentro de Didáctica AEHE, June 21-22, Salamanca, Spain.
- 2011** 36<sup>th</sup> SAEe, December 15-17, 2011, Málaga, Spain; CAGE Summer School, July 26, 2011, University of Warwick, UK.
- 2010** Conference "Marriage Patterns, Household Formation and Economic Development", October 6-10, 2010, Utrecht, The Netherlands; 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual COSME-FEDEA Workshop on Gender Economics, May 27-28, 2010, Madrid, Spain; Seminar, Universitat de València, May 24, 2010, Valencia, Spain.
- 2009** 34<sup>th</sup> SAEe, December 10-12, 2009, Valencia, Spain.

### Thesis advisor

Clara Sarasa Aznar (Universitat de València, since 2023) (with Pablo Cervera Ferri)

Title: tbd

Pau Insa Sánchez (Universitat de València, 2023) (with Daniel A. Tirado Fabregat)

Title: *"The obstacles to the development of secondary education in Spain, 1857-1900"*

Guillermo Esteban Oliver (Universitat de Lleida, 2021) (with Jordi Martí-Henneberg)

Title: *"El ferrocarril en España: estaciones, acceso a la red y compañías privadas 1848-1941"*

### Thesis committee

Èric Gómez-i-Aznar (Universitat de Barcelona, 2021)

### Other supervision

Lucía Doménech Collado ("Economía y poder: Continuidad y cambio en las élites políticas españolas 1705-1936", Universitat de València; Beca de Colaboración, Ministerio de Educación y Formación Profesional, Nov. 2021 – Jun. 2022)

Pau Insa Sánchez ("La contribución del capital humano en el crecimiento económico regional y la desigualdad en España, 1787-1930"; Beca de Colaboración, Ministerio de Educación, Cultura y Deporte; Universitat de València, Nov. 2017 – Jun. 2018)

### Editorial work

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|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Editor of Investigaciones de Historia Económica-Economic History Research    | Jan. 2023 – Dec. 2025 |
| Secretary of Investigaciones de Historia Económica-Economic History Research | Nov. 2019 – Dec. 2022 |
| Member of the editorial team of Historia Agraria                             | Oct. 2018 – Nov. 2019 |

### Refereeing

**Referee for:** Cuadernos de Estudios del s. XVIII; Cliometrica; Economic History of Developing Regions; Economic History Review; Explorations in Economic History; European Review of Economic History; Historia Agraria; Historia y Memoria de la Educación; History of Education; History of the Family; International Regional Science Review; International Review of Social

History; Indian Growth and Development Review; International Journal of Peace and Development Studies; International Regional Science Review; Investigaciones de Historia Económica; Journal of Economic History; Journal of Maps; Regional Studies; Revista de Historia Económica - Journal of Iberian and Latin American Economic History; Scandinavian Economic History Review; Vegueta.

**Referee for:** Agencia Nacional de Evaluación y Prospectiva (2018, 2019).

## Organizing committees

**Workshop** – Methods and techniques towards a historical local population database (Oct. 24-25, 2024, València, Spain)

**Taller** – Desigualdad en Iberoamérica en el largo plazo (Oct. 3-4, 2023, València, Spain)

**Workshop** – Education and development in history: New Data and Methods (Jun. 6-7, 2023, València, Spain)

**Online seminar** – The rise of education in historical perspective (Jan. – May, 2021, València, Spain)

**Jornada** – Escolarización y alfabetización en España 1787-1930 (Jan. 19, 2018, València, Spain)

**Workshop** – GLOCREd (Nov. 24, 2017, València, Spain)

**Taller** – Desigualdad económica regional en perspectiva histórica (Jun. 17, 2015, València, Spain)

**Workshop** – Frontier Research in Economic and Social History (FRESH) (Jun. 13-14, 2013, València, Spain)

## Teaching – undergraduate courses

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| Incorporación a los estudios de ADE                                            | 2022 – 2026 |
| Grado en Administración y Dirección de Empresas (ADE), Universitat de València |             |

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| Historia Económica I                             | 2025 – 2026 |
| Grado en Economía (ECO), Universitat de València |             |
|                                                  | 2017 – 2024 |

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| Historia Económica II                                                 |             |
| Doble Grado en Derecho y Economía (Dret+ECO), Universitat de València |             |
| Grado en Economía (ECO), Universitat de València                      | 2025 – 2026 |
|                                                                       | 2021 – 2022 |

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| Historia Económica y de la Empresa                                             | 2011 – 2024 |
| Grado en Administración y Dirección de Empresas (ADE), Universitat de València |             |

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|--------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| The World Economy: History & Theory              | 2006 – 2008 |
| Bachelor of Science (BSc), University of Warwick |             |

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| Microeconomics 1                                 | 2005 – 2008 |
| Bachelor of Science (BSc), University of Warwick |             |

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| Microeconomics 1                                 | 2002 – 2004 |
| Bachelor of Science (BSc), University of Warwick |             |

## Teaching – postgraduate courses

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| Cambio económico en la sociedad digital                           | 2024 – 2026 |
| Máster Universitario en Sociedad Digital, Universitat de València |             |

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|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Introductory Mathematics and Statistics                     | 2008 – 2009 |
| Master in Science (MSc) in Economics, University of Warwick |             |

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| Mathematical methods                                                    | 2008 – 2009 |
| Master in Science (MSc) in Finance and Economics, University of Warwick |             |

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| Economics of Financial Markets                            | 2007 – 2009 |
| Master in Science (MSc) in Finance, University of Warwick |             |

## Teaching – publications

Capítulo 1. La economía mundial en el largo plazo, en Jordi Palafox (ed.) Los tiempos cambian: historia de la economía. València: Tirant Humanidades (con Julio Martinez-Galarraga, 2014)

Capítulo 3. La revolución industrial, en Jordi Palafox (ed.) Los tiempos cambian: historia de la economía. València: Tirant Humanidades (con Julio Martinez-Galarraga, 2014)

Apéndice. Herramientas básicas para el análisis histórico de la economía, en Jordi Palafox (ed.) Los tiempos cambian: historia de la economía. València: Tirant Humanidades (con Julio Martinez-Galarraga, 2014)

## Previous positions

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|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Profesor contratado doctor, Universitat de València, Facultad de Economía.        | Sep. 2019 – Oct. 2022 |
| Profesor ayudante doctor, Universitat de València, Facultad de Economía.          | Oct. 2016 – Sep. 2019 |
| Profesor ayudante, Universitat de València, Facultad de Economía.                 | Jul. 2011 – Mar. 2016 |
| Profesor ayudante interino, Universitat de València, Facultad de Economía.        | Mar. 2011 – Jul. 2011 |
| Teaching Fellow, University of Warwick, Economics Department.                     | Sep. 2006 – Dec. 2008 |
| Teaching Assistant, University of Warwick, History Department.                    | Sep. 2007 – Dec. 2007 |
| Teaching Assistant, University of Warwick, Economics Department.                  | Sep. 2005 – Sep. 2006 |
| Visiting Fellow, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Economics Department.          | Aug. 2004 – Aug. 2005 |
| Internship, United Nations, New York, Department of Economics and Social Affairs. | May – Jul. 2004       |
| Teaching Assistant, University of Warwick, Economics Department.                  | Sep. 2002 – May 2004  |
| Research Assistant, University of Warwick, Economics Department.                  | Sep. 2002 – May 2004  |

## Education

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| Ph.D. in Economics, University of Warwick                        | 2010 |
| MSc. in Economics, University of Warwick                         | 2002 |
| B.A. in Business and Economics, University of Kent at Canterbury | 2001 |

## Other merits

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| Sexenios or 6-year research periods    | 2019 – 2024 |
|                                        | 2011 – 2018 |
| Quinquenios or 5-year teaching periods | 2020 – 2025 |
|                                        | 2015 – 2019 |
|                                        | 2002 – 2014 |