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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Associate Professor, Dept. Economics, University of Oregon (2017-)
Assistant Professor, Dept. Economics, University of Oregon (2010-2017)
Visiting Professor, Dept. Economics, Bocconi University, Italy (2019-2020)

Affiliate, J-PAL and Center for Effective Global Action
Associate Editor, *Oxford Open Economics*

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Economics, Boston University, Boston, MA (May 2010)
M.A., Economics, University of California, Davis, CA (2003)
B.A., Economics (*summa cum laude*), University of California, Davis, CA (2003)

FIELDS OF INTEREST

Development Economics: Access to Finance, Digital Finance, Health and Fertility.

PUBLICATIONS

Burlando, A, Chintagunta, P., Goldberg, J., Graboyes, M, Hangoma, P., Karlan, D., Macis, M., and Prina, S. (2022). Passing the Message: Peer Outreach about COVID-19 Precautions in Zambia. NBER Working Paper #30414, conditional acceptance at *Journal of Development Economics*

Burlando, A., Prina, S. and Kuhn, M. (2023). The Role of Credit Reports in Digital Lending: A Case Study from Mexico, Forthcoming to *Oxford Review of Economic Policy*

Burlando, A. (2023). The Intra-household Allocation of Schooling: Evidence from Uganda's Universal Primary Education Reform, *Economics of Education Review*, 97, 102466.

Burlando, A., Bbaale, E. (2022). Fertility Responses to Schooling Costs: Evidence from Uganda's Universal Primary Education Policy, *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, 70 (3) 1017-1039.

- Burlando, A., Canidio, A., and Selby, R. (2021). The Economics of Savings Groups, *International Economic Review*, 62(4) 1569-1598.
- Burlando, A., & Canidio, A. (2017). Does Group Inclusion Hurt Financial Inclusion? Evidence from Ultra-Poor Members of Ugandan Savings Groups, *Journal of Development Economics*, 128, 24-48.
- Burlando, A., & Canidio, A. (2016). The Allocation of Capital in Rural Credit Markets, *Journal of International Development*, 28, 1381-1395.
- Burlando, A. & Motta, A. (2016). Legalize, Tax, and Deter: Optimal Enforcement Policies for Corruptible Officials, *Journal of Development Economics*, 118, 207-215.
- Burlando, A. (2015). The Disease Environment, Schooling, and Development Outcomes: Evidence from Ethiopia, *Journal of Development Studies*, 51(12), 1563-1584 (lead article).
- Burlando, A., Cristea, A., Lee, L. (2015). The Trade Consequences of Maritime Insecurity: Evidence from Somali Piracy, *Review of International Economics*, 23(3), 525-557.
- Burlando, A. & Motta, A. (2015). Collusion and the Organization of the Firm. *American Economic Journal: Microeconomics* 7(3), 1-33.
- Burlando, A. (2014). Transitory Shocks and Birth Weights: Evidence from a Blackout in Zanzibar. *Journal of Development Economics* 108, p. 154-168.
- Burlando, A. (2014). Power Outages, Power Externalities, and Baby Booms. *Demography* 51(4), p. 1477-1500.

WORKING PAPERS

Burlando, A., Prina, S. and Kuhn, M. (2022). Too Fast, Too Furious? Digital Credit, Repayments and Default Rates. CEGA Working Paper #151, *under review*.

Featured in VoxDev: Is faster always better? Evidence from Mexico's digital credit market. Available at <https://voxdev.org/topic/finance/faster-always-better-evidence-mexico-s-digital-credit-market>.

Boso, R., Burlando, A., and Abdul-Ramadhan, A. (2022). State-sponsored Microcredit and Enterprise Outcomes in Ghana, *under review*.

Boso, R., and Burlando, A. (2022). Microcredit and the Political Cycle: Evidence from Ghana.

Burlando, A., Goldberg, J., and Etcheverry, L. (2022). Banking the Group: The Impact of Credit and Banking Linkages.

Burlando, A., and Motta, A. (2012). Can Self-Reporting Reduce Corruption in Law Enforcement? Permanent Working Paper.

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

A second chance at financial inclusion (with Silvia Prina and Mike Kuhn)

Digital Savings Groups: a large-scale evaluation in Egypt (with Jason Kerwin, Reham Rizk and Sarah Wahby)

FIT for financial inclusion (with Peter Hangoma, Jessica Goldberg, Dean Karlan, Bilal Zia)

How does Mobile Money Affect Adopter's Social Networks? (with Cynthia Kinnan and Silvia Prina)

NON-REFEREED ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

Burlando, A. (2010). Trends and Projections: Africa's Challenges, Past and Future. In Barrakatt, C., Burlando, A., Kariuki, J.G., Najam, A. & Sereke-Brhan, H. (eds) *Africa 2060: Good News from Africa*. Boston, MA: Frederick S. Pardee Center for the Study of the Longer-Range Future.

Barrakatt, C., Burlando, A., Kariuki, J.G., Najam, A. & Sereke-Brhan, H. (2010) *Africa 2060: Good News from Africa*. Boston, MA: Frederick S. Pardee Center for the Study of the Longer-Range Future.

EXTERNAL GRANTS

2023 National Science Foundation ER2 (Ethical and Responsible Research)
Title: The Ethics of Sharing Results with Research Participants
Role: Co-PI (with Melissa Graboyes and Edward Miguel)
Dates: July 2023-June 2026
Amount: \$400,000

2023 J-PAL/Egypt Impact Lab
Title: Empowering Women through Digital Savings Groups
Role: Co-PI (with Jason Kerwin, Sarah Wahby, Reham Rizk)
Dates: June 2023-June 2024
Amount: \$75,000

2021 Digital Credit Observatory/IPA Consumer Protection Initiative
Title: A Second Change at Financial Inclusion
Role: PI (with Silvia Prina, Mike Kuhn)
Dates: January-December 2022
Amount: \$156,000

2018 Center for Financial Education and Capability (BBVA)
Title: Milking it for All its' Worth: Digital Credit in the Dairy Sector
Role: PI (with Jessica Goldberg and Silvia Prina)

Dates: 2018-2019
Amount: €10,000

- 2017 Center for Effective Global Action
Title: Slowing Down Digital Credit
Role: Co-Principal Investigator (with Mike Kuhn and Silvia Prina)
Dates: 2017-2019
Amount: \$260,320
- Center for Effective Global Action
Title: Milking it for All its' Worth: Digital Credit in the Dairy Sector
Role: Co-Principal Investigator (with Jessica Goldberg and Silvia Prina)
Dates: 2017-2019
Amount: \$60,000 for a pilot study
- Strømme Foundation
Title: Borrowing constraints in savings and lending groups
Role: Co-Principal Investigator (with Jessica Goldberg)
Dates: 2017-2018
Amount: \$180,000
- 2015 Central European University, Academic Cooperation and Research Support
Title: Financial inclusion and business development of marginalized households: the case of Village Savings and Loan Associations in Uganda
Role: Co-Principal Investigator (With Andrea Canidio)
Dates: 2015
Amount: € 7,000
- 2014 Danish Forum for Microfinance
Title: Borrowing constraints in savings and lending groups
Role: Co-Principal Investigator (with Jessica Goldberg)
Dates: 2014-2017
Amount: \$39,920
- Strømme Foundation Development Fund:
Title: Borrowing constraints in savings and lending groups
Role: Co-Principal Investigator (with Jessica Goldberg)
Dates: 2014
Amount: \$65,285
- 2013 CERGE-EI/Global Development Network Regional Research Competition:
Title: Financial inclusion and business development of marginalized households: the case of Village Savings and Loan Associations in Uganda
Role: Co-Principal Investigator (with Andrea Canidio)
Dates: 2013-2014

Amount: \$10,000

Equality Development and Globalization Studies

Title: How does mobile money affect adopter's social networks?

Role: Co-Principal Investigator (with Cynthia Kinnan and Silvia Prina)

Dates: 2013-2014

Amount: \$24,959

Institute for Money, Technology, and Financial Inclusion (IMTFI)

Title: How does mobile money affect adopter's social networks?

Role: Co-Principal Investigator (with Cynthia Kinnan and Silvia Prina)

Dates: 2013-2014

Amount: \$20,000

INTERNAL GRANTS

- 2022 International Research Travel Grant (\$1,000)
- 2019 Global Oregon Faculty Research Award (\$1,000)
- 2015 Stanley B. Greenfield faculty award: 2 grants for a total of \$6,500 for "Politically motivated development" (with Shankha Chakraborty)
- 2013 Departmental grant: \$16,000 for development and implementation of Undergraduate Research Abroad program in Uganda

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

- 2013-22 Summer Research Award, Department of Economics, University of Oregon
- 2016 Junior Professorship Award, University of Oregon
- 2011 Junior Faculty Award, University of Oregon
- 2009-10 Graduate Fellow, Pardee Center, Boston University
- 2008 Graduate Research Abroad Fellowship, Boston University—\$10,000
- 2006-09 Research Fellow, Economics Department, Boston University
- 2005-07 Summer Grant, Economics Department, Boston University— \$4,000
- 2004-06 Fellow, African Studies Center, Boston University
- 2002 Presidential Undergraduate Fellowship, University of California, Davis
- 2001 Regents Scholar, University of California, Davis

INVITED SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

- 2023 Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva, Switzerland (planned)

CMI, Bergen, Norway
 BITTS Open Research Seminar, UC Berkeley, CA (remote)

2022 Simon Fraser University, Canada
 Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration, Accra, Ghana

2021 Monash University, Australia (remote)

2020 CEGA Faculty Retreat, Berkeley CA (remote)
 Università di Padova, Italy (remote)

2019 Agder University, Norway
 Bocconi University, Milan, Italy
 Università Bicocca, Milan, Italy

2018 University of Washington, Seattle, WA

2016 International Food Policy Research Institute, Washington DC

2015 University of California Merced, Merced, CA
 California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, CA

2013 Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR
 University of Colorado at Denver, CO

2011 Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei, Venice, Italy

2010 Bentley College, South Waltham, MA
 Michigan State University, Lansing, MI
 Notre Dame, South Bend, IN
 Duke University Global Health Institute, Durham, NC
 Center for Global Development, Washington DC

2009 International Food Policy Research Institute, Washington DC
 Centro de Investigación y Docencias Económicas, Mexico City, Mexico

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2023 Pacific Development Conference, Seattle, WA

2022 Northeastern Universities Development Conference, New Haven, CT
 IPA & GPRL Researcher Gathering, Evanston, IL
 European Research Conference on Microfinance, Glasgow, UK

2021 DIWA Research Convening (remote)
 CEGA Webinar Series (remote)
 ASSA Annual Meeting (remote)

2020 Roundtable session, ACT for Agriculture Global Conference (remote)
 CEGA Researcher Gathering (remote)
 Northeastern Universities Development Conference (remote)

- 2019 EASST Summit, Nairobi, Kenya
- 2018 EduFin Summit, Buenos Aires, Argentina
Population Association of America, Denver, CO
- 2017 Northwest Development Workshop, Vancouver, BC
- 2015 SEEP Network's Savings Groups Conference, Lusaka, Zambia
Northeastern Universities Development Conference, Providence, RI
Pacific Development Conference, San Diego, CA
American Economic Association Annual Meeting, Boston, MA
- 2014 Northwest Development Workshop, Portland, OR
- 2013 Institute for Money, Technology, and Financial Inclusion, Irvine, CA
Northeastern Universities Development Conference, Cambridge, MA
Latin American Econometric Society, Mexico City, Mexico
Central European Program in Economic Theory, Udine, Italy
Northwest Development Workshop, Portland, OR
Pacific Development Conference, San Francisco, CA
- 2012 Central European Program on Economic Theory, Udine, Italy
Northwest Development Workshop, Eugene, OR
Midwest Economics Association, Evanston, IL
- 2011 DIAL Conference, Paris, France
Allied Social Sciences Association, Denver, CO
- 2010 Northeastern Universities Development Conference, Cambridge, MA
American Society of Health Economists Conference, Ithaca, NY
Pardee Center for the Study of the Longer Range Future, Boston, MA
- 2009 Midwest Economics Association, Cleveland, OH
Eastern Economic Association, New York City, NY
- 2007 Boston University African Studies Conference, Boston, MA
- 2006 Workshop on Maize & Malaria, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Topics in Global Responses to Poverty and Policy Analysis (HC 231), Clark's Honors College, University of Oregon (2022-)

Intermediate Microeconomics (EC 311), University of Oregon (2010-)

Topics in Development Economics (EC 490), University of Oregon, (2012-)

Graduate Seminar in Development (EC 607), University of Oregon, (2011-)

Poverty and Inequality (EC399), University of Oregon (2013)

Introduction to Macroeconomics (Teaching assistant), Boston University, (2007, 2009)

DOCTORAL STUDENT ADVISING

(date refers to conferral of doctoral degree, unless stated)

Ongoing	Shihab Siddiqui (Committee co-chair), James Holste, Pramod Dudhe, Edder Martinez Lazo, Puja Parmar
2022	Joe Mitchell
2021	Amna Javed (Committee chair), Luciana Etcheverry (Committee chair), Mary Kopriva, Linda Nakato (External committee, University of Agder, Norway)
2020	Michael Jerman (Committee co-chair), Ayesha Khalid, Ronaldo Manuel Gonzales (External committee, University of Agder, Norway)
2019	Kyle Wilson
2017	Rebekah Selby
2015	Benjamin Fitch-Fleischmann

MASTER'S AND UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT ADVISING

2022	Gabriella Cabrera (CHC)
2021	Henry Hakanson (CHC)
2019	Kabitaji Amatya (economics)
2018	Linmei Ayala (economics)
2017	Tia Mohanan (CHC, first reader)
2016	Shermah Tanuwidjaja (economics)
2015	Benjamin Nussbaumer (CHC), Gordon Mitchell (economics)
2014	Biraj Bisht (CHC), Gian Luca Gamberini (international studies), Eric Coechlin (economics)
2013	Derek Wolfson (CHC), Andrew Howe (M.A. international studies)
2012	Jared Swansen (economics)

DEPARTMENT AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Co-director of M.A. Program, Economics, University of Oregon (2020-)
Hiring Committee, (External), Global Studies, University of Oregon (2022-23)
Diversity Committee (chair), Economics, University of Oregon (2018-19 and 2020-22)
Director of M.A. Program, Economics, University of Oregon (2016-2019)
Ad-hoc Committee for Masters' program, Economics, University of Oregon (2018-19)
Co-Chair, Campus Climate Survey Climate Force, University of Oregon (2018)

Executive Committee, Economics, University of Oregon (2017-2018)
Diversity Committee, Economics, University of Oregon (2017-2018)
Graduate Placement Committee (Chair), Economics, University of Oregon (2015-2016)
Hiring committee, Economics, University of Oregon (2015, 2017)
Graduate awards, Economics, University of Oregon (2016)
Undergraduate Program Committee, Economics, University of Oregon (2010-2015)
Graduate Placement, Economics, University of Oregon (2013-2014)
Seminar Committee, Economics, University of Oregon (2010-2014)
Coordinator, Research Abroad Program in Uganda (2013-2016)
Participating Faculty, International Studies, University of Oregon (2011-2016)
Faculty Affiliate, African Studies Program, University of Oregon (2010-2016)
Faculty Affiliate, Global Health, University of Oregon (2016-2018)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Organizer, Northwest Development Workshop (2023 meeting)
Scientific Committee, PACDEV Conference (2023 meeting)
Invited Researcher Selection Committee, J-PAL (2023-)
Mentor for Prof. Richard Boso, CEGA Global Network (2020-21)
Co-Founder and Organizer, Northwest Development Workshop (2011-2016)
Grant reviewer: National Science Foundation (US), SSHRC Insight (Canada), ESRC (UK), J-PAL DAISI (US)
External tenure review: Dickinson College (2020) University of Oklahoma (2022)
Referee: *Review of Economics and Statistics, AEJ-Applied Economics, Economic Journal, Journal Demog. Economics, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of the European Economic Association, Economic Development and Cultural Change, Demography, Journal of Human Resources, Economics of Education Review, Economic Inquiry, Health Economics, International Regional Science Review, Economic Geography, Review of Economics of the Household, Children and Youth Services, Economics and Human Biology, American Journal of Agricultural Economics, Journal of African Economies, Journal of Economic Surveys, British Medical Journal—Public Health*
Member: American Economic Association, J-PAL, CEGA, LEAP

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Fluent in English, Italian, Spanish; Semi-fluent in Swahili

BIBLIOGRAPHY

Born June 23, 1981 in Merida, Venezuela; Italian and American citizen