

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

Sep 2014 - Aug 2018 **PhD in Economics**, Utrecht University, the Netherlands.
Dissertation: "Local labour markets, job displacement and agglomeration economies" (manuscript accepted, PhD defense scheduled for February 2019)
Advisor: Prof. Wolter H.J. Hassink
Sep 2012 - Aug 2014 Research Master's in Multidisciplinary Economics (MSc), Utrecht University.
Sep 2009 - Aug 2012 Bachelor's in Economics and Business Economics (BSc), Utrecht University.

Academic Positions

Sep 2018 - Present **Research Fellow** (Assistant Professor), Melbourne Institute of Applied Economic and Social Research, The University of Melbourne, Melbourne, Australia.
Nov 2016 - Dec 2016 **Short-Stay Visiting Fellow**, MIT Sloan School of Management, Cambridge, the United States.
Host: Prof. Roberto M. Fernandez

Affiliations

Sep 2018 - Present **Research Fellow**, LCC - The ARC Centre of Excellence for Children and Families over the Life Course, Australia.
Jul 2018 - Present **Research Affiliate**, IZA - Institute of Labor Economics, Bonn, Germany.

Research Interests

Applied Microeconomics; Labour Economics; Urban Economics; Housing Economics

Publications

Research article

Title: The role of the housing market in workers' resilience to job displacement after firm bankruptcy (January 2019)

Joint work with Wolter H.J. Hassink

Published in the *Journal of Urban Economics* 109 pp. 41–65 (AI percentile: 95).

Abstract: We examine the role of the housing market in workers' adjustment to job displacement. Dutch administrative monthly data were used and analysed with a quasi-experimental design involving job displacement. The estimates show that displaced workers, relative to comparable non-displaced workers, experience besides substantial losses in employment and wages also large increases in the commuting distance. Remarkably, we find that the displacement effect on the probability of changing home is negative. Thus for displaced workers commuting seems to be a more relevant margin of labour adjustment than changing home. The patterns in displacement effects change over the worker's post-displacement period – the negative effect on wages becomes more pronounced, whereas the increase in the commuting distance diminishes. The results suggest that displaced workers who are longer unemployed prefer working closer to home over higher wages. Also, we examine the role of workers' housing state in the displacement effects. We find that leveraged displaced owners, compared with displaced tenants and outright owners, are more rapidly re-employed and experience a smaller increase in the commuting distance but also a higher loss in wage.

Research article

Title: flowbca: A flow-based cluster algorithm in Stata (September 2018)

Joint work with Wolter H.J. Hassink

Published in the *Stata Journal* 18:3 pp. 564–584 (AI percentile: 91).

Abstract: In this article, we introduce the Stata implementation of a flow-based cluster algorithm, `flowbca`, written in Mata. The main purpose of `flowbca` is to identify clusters based on relational data of flows. We illustrate the command by providing multiple examples of applications from the research fields of economic geography, industrial input–output analysis, and social network analysis.

Comment Article

Title: Early career researchers want Open Science (November 2017)

Joint work with participants of the 2016 League of European Research Universities Doctoral Summer School

Published in *Genome Biology* 18:221 (AI percentile: 99).

Abstract: Open Science is encouraged by the European Union and many other political and scientific institutions. However, scientific practice is proving slow to change. We propose, as early career researchers, that it is our task to change scientific research into open scientific research, and commit to Open Science principles.

Research Papers

Discussion Paper I

Title: Endogenous local labour markets, regional aggregation and agglomeration economies (January 2019). Joint work with Wolter H.J. Hassink

Abstract: Using Dutch administrative data, we investigate the spatial scale of workers' local labour market (LLM) and its economic consequences. We show that the effect of agglomeration externalities on wages increases in the level of regional aggregation, caused by stronger aggregate agglomeration spillovers instead of by the modifiable areal unit problem. We quantify subgroup differentials and find that high-educated workers and male workers are characterised by larger LLMs and higher agglomeration externalities than low-educated workers and female workers, respectively. We show that workers who lose their job in denser LLMs experience more modest losses in wages and comparable losses in employment.

Grants and Prizes

Dec 2018	Research Talent Prize awarded by Utrecht University School of Economics for the paper "flowbca: A flow-based cluster algorithm in Stata" (500 EUR)
Dec 2018	Faculty Research Grant awarded by the Faculty of Business and Economics, The University of Melbourne, for the proposal "Gender differences in the labour and spatial response to displacement" (20,000 AUD, 2019)
Dec 2018	Visiting Research Scholar Grant awarded by the Faculty of Business and Economics, The University of Melbourne, to host Wolter Hassink (7,500 AUD, 2019)
Nov 2018	Successful tender for the Department of Family and Community Services in New South Wales, Permanency Support Program evaluation (150,000 AUD, 2019 – 2021)
Dec 2017	Runner-up Research Talent Prize Utrecht University School of Economics
Oct 2016	Visiting Fellowship Support Grant awarded by the Faculty of Law, Economics and Governance, Utrecht University, for a short stay at MIT Sloan School of Management (2,500 EUR, 2016)
Apr 2014	PhD-funding awarded by Utrecht University School of Economics for the proposal "Declining transaction prices in the Dutch housing market. Implications for housing and labour turnover." (150,000 EUR, 2014 – 2018)

External Research Project

Oct 2017 - Mar 2018	Data scientist at the temporary work and human resource consulting services company Randstad Holding (18 hours a week). The research project involves an analysis of temporary workers' labour market outcomes and local labour markets.
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Press Coverage of Research

Sep 2017	"Mensen met huis onder water sneller weer aan de slag na baanverlies" nu.nl, In English: "Underwater homeowners sooner re-employed after job displacement" Notes: A press article on the findings of my job market paper. nu.nl is the most popular online news website in the Netherlands.
Aug 2017	"How home ownership affects displaced workers' future labor market outcomes" IZA News

Summer Schools

May 2018	21st IZA Summer School in Labor Economics (Buch/Ammersee)
August 2017	Kraks Fond Institute for Urban Economic Research Summer School in Hedonic Price Analysis and the Residential Location Choice (Copenhagen)
Jul 2016	League of European Research Universities Doctoral Summer School (Leiden)
Jun 2016	Urban Economics Association Doctoral Summer School (Barcelona)

Seminars and Presentations

Dec 2018	Presentation at the 2018 SMU Conference on Urban and Regional Economics (Singapore)
Oct 2018	Presentation at the Applied Micro Workshop of the Department of Economics, The University of Melbourne (Melbourne)
Oct 2018	Presentation at the 13th Meeting of the Urban Economics Association (New York)
Oct 2018	Brown Bag Academic Seminar at the Microeconomic Studies Function of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York (New York)
Sep 2018	Brown Bag Academic Seminar at the Melbourne Institute of Applied Economic and Social Research, The University of Melbourne (Melbourne)
Jun 2018	Presentation at the 32nd Annual Conference of the European Society for Population Economics (Antwerp)
Jun 2018	Applied Economics Academic Seminar at Utrecht University School of Economics (Utrecht)
May 2018	Poster presentation at the 21st IZA Summer School in Labor Economics (Buch/Ammersee)
Feb 2018	Brown Bag Academic Seminar at the Melbourne Institute of Applied Economic and Social Research, The University of Melbourne (Melbourne)
Jan 2018	Policy Seminar at the Dutch Ministry of Interior and Kingdom Relations (The Hague)
Oct 2017	Presentation at Randstad Holding NV headquarters (Diemen)
Jun 2017	EUREKA Academic Seminar at Free University Amsterdam Department of Spatial Economics (Amsterdam)
Apr 2017	Presentation at the IAAEU Workshop on Labour Economics 2017 (Trier)
Apr 2017	Academic Seminar at Utrecht University School of Economics (Utrecht)
Jan 2017	Presentation at the RES PhD Meetings 2017 (London)
Nov 2016	ESWG Academic Seminar at MIT Sloan (Cambridge)
Nov 2016	Presentation at the 11th Meeting of the Urban Economics Association (Minneapolis)
Sep 2016	Presentation at the 28th European Association of Labour Economists Conference (Ghent)
Jul 2016	Presentation at the League of European Research Universities Doctoral Summer School 2016 (Leiden)
Jun 2016	Presentation at the Urban Economics Association Doctoral Summer School (Barcelona)
Jan 2016	Academic Seminar at CPB Netherlands Bureau for Economic Policy Analysis (The Hague)
Jan 2016	Policy Seminar at the Dutch Ministry of Interior and Kingdom Relations (The Hague)
Oct 2015	Academic Seminar at Utrecht University School of Economics (Utrecht)

Teaching Experience

	Teaching Assistant , Utrecht University. Courses and responsibilities:
2014 - 2017	Empirical Economics (MSc), Tutoring and paper supervision
2015 - 2017	Summerschool in Introductory Econometrics (BSc, MSc and PhD), Organisation and tutoring
2015 - 2017	Applied Economics Research (BSc), Stata tutoring and thesis supervision
2013 - 2014	Mathematics (BSc), Tutoring
2012 - 2013	Statistics (BSc), Tutoring

Skills

Languages:	Dutch (native speaker), English (fluent)
Statistical software:	Stata, Mata, R
Writing software:	L ^A T _E X
Data visualisation:	Tableau

References

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