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## EMPLOYMENT

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2024 - PRESENT POST-DOCTORAL RESEARCHER · Center for Economic Research,  
University of Cologne, Germany

## EDUCATION

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2024 PH.D. IN ECONOMICS · **Trinity College Dublin**, Ireland  
*Advisor* Ronan LYONS

2023 VISITING GRADUATE SCHOLAR · **University of Michigan**, United States

2019 MSc IN ECONOMIC HISTORY · **London School of Economics**, United Kingdom  
*Advisor* Joan ROSÉS

2018 BA IN ECONOMICS · **University of St. Gallen**, Switzerland

2015 BA IN HISTORY AND PHILOSOPHY · **Humboldt University Berlin**, Germany

## REFERENCES

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### Ronan Lyons

Associate Professor  
Department of Economics  
Trinity College Dublin  
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Department of Economics  
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Department of Economics  
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Department of Economics  
Trinity College Dublin  
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## FIELDS

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PRIMARY Urban Economics, Economic Geography  
SECONDARY Economic History, Public Economics

## JOB MARKET PAPER

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### Public housing design, racial sorting and welfare: Evidence from New York City public housing 1930-2010

This paper investigates the long-run effect of public housing project design on neighborhood composition and rental prices in New York City from 1930 to 2010. Using a newly assembled dataset on the US census tract level and leveraging the staggered rollout of public housing, I document sizeable effects on racial composition. White population declined in tracts with public housing projects with significant spillover effects to adjacent tracts, while black population increased but only in public housing tracts. There is no significant impact on rent prices of public housing projects. The effects on white and black population are driven by a specific project type called the “Tower in the park” - slim brick high-rises and vast green spaces in between. Moreover, rent prices fall by 26% within a 250m radius around “Towers,” indicating negative demand effects. Urban activist Jane Jacobs has famously argued that these buildings attract crime and destroy the fabric of neighborhoods. In a cross-sectional analysis, I find that “Towers in the Park” are more associated with crime than non-Towers, though crime cannot entirely explain spillover effects on white population. Finally, I evaluate the welfare consequences of these externalities using a static neighborhood choice model. The model demonstrates that removing public housing or altering area ratios can increase amenity values and improve welfare, especially for white households.

## PUBLICATIONS

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### **Housing prices, costs and policy: the housing supply equation in Ireland since 1970**

joint with Ronan C. Lyons. 2024. *Real Estate Economics*, **52**(4), 1075-1102.

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

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### **Enhancing Rural Innovation in the United States**

OECD. 2023. *OECD Rural Studies*.

## WORK IN PROGRESS

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### **Judge for Yourself? The Impact of Controls on Rents in Interwar New York**

joint with Ronan C. Lyons

### **Female Labour Force Participation and Urban Transit: Evidence from the Washington Metro**

joint with Vincent Thorne

## CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

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- 2024 Eastern Economic Association · UEA Copenhagen · AERUEA national conference
- 2023 EEA-ESEM · World Congress of Cliometrics · AERUEA international conference · Centre for Economics, Policy and History (CEPH) · Irish Economic Association Annual Conference · NYU Furman Center
- 2022 Economic History Society Annual Conference · Trinity College PhD Working Group
- 2021 DIW Workshop on Rent Control · Oxford Economic and Social History Graduate Seminar

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### UNIVERSITY OF COLOGNE - **Lecturer**

FALL 2024 Public Economics (B.Sc)

### TRINITY COLLEGE DUBLIN - **Teaching Assistant**

FALL 2022 Econometrics (B.Sc)

SPRING 2021 Macroeconomics I (B.Sc)

FALL 2020 Microeconomics I (B.Sc)

## SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

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- 2024 Travel Grand · TRINITY RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCES €750
- 2023 Travel Grand · IRISH ECONOMIC ASSOCIATION €500
- 2021 Academic Research Grand · TRINITY RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCES €1'500
- 2019–2023 Provost Graduate Fellowship · TRINITY COLLEGE DUBLIN €78'500

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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- 2019–2023 Research Assistant to Prof. Ronan Lyons · TRINITY COLLEGE DUBLIN
- 2019–2023 Research Assistant to Prof. Jason Barr · RUTGERS UNIVERSITY

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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- 2022–2023 Consultant at the Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities · OECD

## LANGUAGES

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German (Native), English (Advanced), French (Intermediate)

## COMPUTER SKILLS

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Fluent in R, Python, Stata  
Stata  
QGIS, ArcGIS  
L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, MS Office  
Familiar with Git, HTML, Matlab