

Cian O'Shea: Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

- University of Limerick, PhD. in Economics** Defended Nov 2023
Public Finance, Governance, and Transaction Cost Economics | Supervised by Dr Dónal Palcic, and Prof. Eoin Reeves
- University of Limerick, M.Sc. in Economic Analysis** Jan 2018
First Class Honours | Dissertation: Public Finance and Infrastructure Policy | Northern Trust Outstanding Scholar Award
- University of Limerick, B.A. in International Business** Aug 2016
First Class Honours | Majoring in Economics and Marketing | Ireland-US Council Scholarship Award

SELECTED RESEARCH

Does practice make perfect? Examining long-term contractual governance of Ireland's first PPP contract (Submitted to journal)

- Methods: Longitudinal Case Study (Long-term contracting), Semi-structured interviews and surveys (NVIVO Coding)
 - Findings: A previously unstudied perspective on PPP governance, PPPs bed in and mature in line with TCE theory.
- Comparing PPP with traditional procurement: The case of schools procurement in Ireland (Journal Publication).*
- Methods: Case Comparison, Semi-structured interviews, measurement of VFM (Time & Cost Performance).
 - Findings: PPP model does not appear to drive superior VFM as theorised; significant governance issues were highlighted.
- Using PPP to procure social infrastructure: Lessons from 20 years of experience in Ireland (Journal Publication)*
- Methods: Semi-structured interviews, thematic document analysis. Utilised newly acquired FOI data.
 - Findings: Identifies policy learning lessons for developing countries embarking on private infrastructure investment.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Teaching Fellow – Department of Economics Aug 2023 - Present

Trinity College Dublin, Dublin, Ireland

- Module Leader on five modules including mathematical economics, quantitative methods, and research methods.
- Helped to coordinate the MSc in Economics dissertation, including guidelines and supervisor allocation.
- Developed and delivered econometrics and data analysis tutorials/labs through STATA and R.
- Developed CPD module material, creating instructional videos and interactive VLE content.

Teaching Assistant/Module Leader – Department of Economics Sept 2016 – Jul 2023

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- Served as Lead TA twice, coordinating logistics of up to 8 TAs across 1200 students.
- Taught and led modules at undergraduate and postgraduate levels (avg. evaluation score 4.83/5 across 11 modules)
- Developed and delivered econometrics and data analysis tutorials/labs through STATA, R, and Excel.
- Delivered blended delivery module for students, creating instructional videos and interactive VLE content.

Research Assistant & Doctoral Researcher – Dr Palcic and Prof. Reeves. Sept 2017 - Present

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- Adapted theoretical Transaction Cost Economics (TCE) model to compare the performance of public procurement
- Conducted qualitative fieldwork through in-person semi-structured interviews, meetings, and online survey methods.
- Presented work at national and international workshops and conferences.
- Projects published in the *Annals of Public and Cooperative Economics, and Public Works Management and Policy*

Research Assistant – Dr. Flannery

Mar 2017- Sep 2017

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- Documented existing and emerging literature on school performance
- Acquired school data through FOI and email requests from relevant state agencies.
- Performed basic data cleaning and econometric analysis through STATA, consolidated and coded.do files.

PROFESSIONAL AND PUBLIC SERVICE

Journal Referee *Annals of Public and Co-operative Economics, Public Works Management & Policy, Heliyon*

External Volunteering Civil Defence Clare ('11 – present), Rank: Leader, Qualified Emergency Medical Technician, Drone Search Pilot, Search & Rescue/Recovery Team Leader (present), Rescue3 Swiftwater and Flood First Responder ('16 - present), First Aid Instructor/Tutor, Technical/Rope Rescue ('17-'18).

University of Limerick Invigilator, Reader & Scribe ('17-'18), Faculty TA rep on KBS EDI Committee ('21 – '24t), IEA Conference Volunteer (2022), Student Support Tutor (Disability Support Services, '18 – 20).

HONOURS AND AWARDS

Ireland-US Council Scholarship Award (2014), Kemmy Business School Postgraduate Study Award (2016), Kemmy Business School Dean's PhD Research Scholarship (2017), KBS/Northern Trust Outstanding Scholar Award (finishing top of M.Sc. Class, 2018), Gold President's Volunteer Award (2020), Irish Civil Defence: Long Service Medal 10 Years (2021).

SKILLS AND PERSONAL

- *Technical Skills:* VLE (Sakia, Blackboard, D2L), Photo, Video and Audio Production (Adobe Suite, Final Cut Pro)
- *Programming languages:* Experience Instructing and Teaching: Stata, R, Experience in Python (MTA-98-381)
- *Hobbies:* Drone pilot/photographer/videographer, graphic design, orienteering, distance hiking, walking & running.