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## Languages

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*Native:* English

*Fluent:* Spanish, French, Catalan

*Proficient:* Portuguese

*Expert:* R, SAS, Stata, SQL

*Professional:* Python, SPSS, Ruby

*Proficient:* Javascript, HTML, CSS

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## Education

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**PhD:** Economics (in progress)

*Institut de Salut Global (host institution)*

*Vrije Universiteit (secondary institution)*

*Centro de Investigaçao em Saude de Manhica (research site)*

*January 2016-*

BARCELONA, SPAIN

AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND

MANHIÇA, MOZAMBIQUE

- Coursework in economics, epidemiology, evaluation and policy
- Research on the cost effectiveness and efficacy of malaria control and elimination interventions

**Master of Public Health:** Epidemiology

*Kobenhavns Universitet (year 2)*

*Escuela Andaluza de Salud Pública (year 1)*

*September 2011 - July 2013*

COPENHAGEN, DENMARK

GRANADA, SPAIN

- Coursework in epidemiology, economic evaluation, demography, advanced biostatistics, management, health policy, health promotion
- Research focus on immigration and youth health

**Master of Arts:** Diplomacy

*Institut Catholique de Paris*

*September 2009-June 2010*

PARIS, FRANCE

- Coursework in diplomacy, policy, political science and history
- MA in Contemporary Diplomatic History, with fieldwork on the secret diplomacy which ended the Vietnam War through the Paris Peace Accords

**Bachelor of Arts:** Liberal arts

*Sewanee: The University of the South*

*August 2004-May 2008*

SEWANEE, TN, USA

- Triple major in Contemporary Non-Western History, Spanish, French
- Research focus on civil war in Guatemala

## Publications

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### Peer-reviewed papers

García-Basteiro A, **Brew J**, Williams B, Borgdorff M, Cobelens F. *What is the true tuberculosis mortality burden? Differences in estimates by the World Health Organization and the Global Burden of Disease study*. International Journal of Epidemiology  
DOI: 10.1093/ije/dyy144 (2018)

Chaccour C, Alonso S, Zulliger R, Wagman J, Saifodine A, Candrinho B, Macete E, **Brew J**, Fornadel C, Kassim H, Loch L, Sacoer C, Varela K, Carty C, Robertson M, Saute F. *Combination of indoor residual spraying with long-lasting insecticide-treated nets for malaria control in Zambezia, Mozambique: a cluster randomised trial and cost-effectiveness study protocol*. BMJ Global Health  
DOI: 10.1136/bmjgh-2017-000610 (2018)

García-Basteiro A, Mambuque E, Hertog A, Saavedra B, Cuamba I, Oliveras L, Blanco S, Bulo H, **Brew J**, Cuevas L, Cobelens F, Nhabomba A, Anthony R. *IP-10 Kinetics in the First Week of Therapy are Strongly Associated with Bacteriological Confirmation of Tuberculosis Diagnosis in HIV-Infected Patients*. Nature: Scientific Reports  
DOI: 10.1038/s41598-017-13785-3 (2017)

García-Basteiro A, Miranda R, **Brew J**, Sacoer C, Valencia S, Bulo H, Cobelens F, Macete E. *Tuberculosis on the rise in southern Mozambique (1997–2012)*. European Respiratory Journal  
DOI: 10.1183/13993003.01683-2016 (2017)

Tran C, **Brew J**, Johnson N, Ryan K, Martin B, Cornett C, Caron B, Duncan R, Small P, Myers P, Morris J. *Sustainability of School-located Influenza Vaccination Programs in Florida*. Vaccine  
DOI: 10.1016/j.vaccine.2016.04.017 (2016)

Lednicky J, Iovine N, **Brew J**, Loeb J, Sugimoto J, Rand K, Morris J. *Hemagglutinin Gene Clade 3C.2a Influenza A(H3N2) Viruses, Alachua County, Florida, USA*. Emerging Infectious Diseases  
DOI: 10.3201/eid2201.151019 (2016)

Potash E, **Brew J**, Loewi A, Majumdar S, Reece A, Walsh J, Rozier E, Jorgenson E, Mansour R, Ghani R. *Predictive Modeling for Public Health: Preventing Childhood Lead Poisoning*. ACM SIGKDD International Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining  
DOI: 10.1145/2783258.2788629 (2015)

Iovine M, Morris JG, Fedenburg K, Rand K, Alnuaimat H, Lipori G, **Brew J**, Lednicky JA. *Increased severity of H1N1 influenza in the 2013-14 season and emergence of the D225G variant*. Emerging Infectious Diseases  
DOI: 10.3201/eid2104.141375 (2015)

**Brew J**. *(Mis)measurement in the study of food environment: we need better methods to solve the puzzle*. Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health  
DOI:10.1136/jech-2014-205163 (2015)

Tran C, Sugimoto J, Pulliam J, Ryan K, Myers P, Castleman J, Doty R, Johnson J, Stringfellow J, Kovacevich N, **Brew J**, Cheung L, Caron B, Lipori G, Harle C, Alexander C, Yang Y, Longini I, Halloran M, Morris JG, Small P. *School-Located Influenza Vaccination Reduces Community Risk for Influenza and Influenza-Like Illness Emergency Care Visits*. PLOS ONE  
DOI: 10.1371/journal.pone.0114479 (2014)

### Conference presentations

Cirera L, **Brew J**, Valls J, Sicuri E. *Impact of a malaria elimination initiative on school outcomes in Southern Mozambique* American Society of Tropical Medicine Hygiene  
Baltimore, USA (2017)

**Brew J**, Gondo K, Dorkin E, Thomas R, Sicuri E. *Effectiveness of private sector malaria control: the case of sugarcane workers in Southern Mozambique* Malaria transmission: current challenges and new tools in the elimination context  
Lisbon, Portugal (2017)

**Brew J**, Broerse J, Pradhan M, Sicuri E. *Silent pessimists: researchers' perceptions of malaria eradication and implications for health spending* European Conference of Tropical Medicine and International Health  
Antwerp, Belgium (2017)

**Brew J**, Cirera L, Thomas R, Sicuri E. *Short-term effectiveness of a malaria elimination campaign in Southern Mozambique* European Conference of Tropical Medicine and International Health  
Antwerp, Belgium (2017)

Cirera L, **Brew J**, Vall J., Sicuri E. *The educational impact of a malaria elimination campaign* Revolutions in the Economics of Health Systems: Congress of the International Health Economics Association  
Boston, USA (2017)

**Brew J**, Cirera L, Sicuri E. *The economic benefits of a malaria elimination campaign in Southern Mozambique*. African Health Economics Association Conference: The sustainable development goals, the grand convergence, and health in Africa.  
Rabat, Morocco (2016)

### Academic theses

*Youth overweight in Denmark: prevalence, ethnicity and other risk factors*. Kobenhavns Universitet (MPH dissertation) 2013

*Estrés laboral en trabajadoras domésticas en Andalucía*. Escuela Andaluza de Salud Pública 2012

*La Presse comme arme politique: le rôle des journaux américains dans les négociations des accords de Paris*. Institut Catholique de Paris (MA dissertation) 2009

*Religion and Counterrevolution: Fundamentalist Evangelicalism and the Dictatorship of Efraín Ríos Montt.* Sewanee: The University of the South (BA thesis) 2008

## Non-academic papers and projects

*DATABREW: empowering researchers in academia and industry to explore, understand, and communicate their data through teaching and consulting (company)*  
www.databrew.cc 2017 - ongoing

*BCN Data: the numbers behind Europe's most vibrant city (website)*  
www.bcndata.cat 2015 - ongoing

*Control Flu Data Insights: Immunization, consent and vaccine hesitance*  
Florida Department of Health, Alachua County 2015

*Community Health Improvement Plan: Evaluation Reports*  
Florida Department of Health, Alachua County (internal) 2014

*Quantifying capacity at Health Posts in Tigray, Ethiopia*  
Tigray Regional Health Bureau (internal) 2013

*Ciudad Quetzal: A Guatemalan City Grapples with Gang Terrorism*  
Tico Times, Costa Rica 2011

*Heart of the sky, heart of the earth: religious division and its sociopolitical causes and consequences in San Juan Sacatepequez, Guatemala*  
Biehl Fellowship Paper 2007

## Experience

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**Co-founder, consultant, instructor** TORONTO, CANADA  
*DATABREW* January 2017 - present

- Co-founded company which provides statistical consulting and educational services to institutions in industry and academia

**Economist** MANHIÇA, MOZAMBIQUE  
*Centro de Investigação em Saude de Manhica* November 2016 - present

- Field research on economics and malaria
- Supervise and organize data collection teams
- Capacity-building and course instruction on data visualization and statistical software

**Consultant** WASHINGTON, DC, USA  
*World Bank* May 2016 - present

- Design and create researcher tools for large-scale surveys carried out by the World Bank Trade Competitiveness Global Practice
- Build interactive web app for data exploration

**Data scientist**

*Lendable*

OAKLAND, CA, USA

*January 2015 - present*

- Work to expand access to financial products to the developing world (East Africa, India)
- Program machine learning algorithms to predict financial risk
- Develop and implement stochastic simulation methods
- Devise creative means for extracting and generating features in a low-data context
- Create internal and client-facing visualization tools

**Surveillance Epidemiologist**

*Florida Department of Health, Alachua County*

GAINESVILLE, FL, USA

*July 2013 - December 2015*

- Write programs to detect clusters/abnormalities for ER data stream
- Analyze mosquito trap data to prevent arbovirus transmission
- Coordinate flu surveillance operations through school system
- Oversee program evaluation, billing, revenue modeling activities

**Analyst**

*Analyst Institute*

WASHINGTON, DC, USA

*April 2014 - April 2015*

- Analyzed voter data from controlled experiments
- Created tools for statistical analysis
- Designed interactive dashboards for data visualization

**”Data Science for Social Good” Fellow**

*University of Chicago*

CHICAGO, IL, USA

*June 2014 - August 2014*

- Analyzed large datasets to predict pediatric lead poisoning
- Worked in close collaboration with the Chicago Dept. of Public Health
- Used tools like R, Python and D3
- Worked closely with industry experts like Rayid Ghani and Ben Yuhas
- Designed tools for data exploration

**Erasmus Mundus Researcher**

*Skolesundhed*

COPENHAGEN, DENMARK

*February 2012-June 2013*

- Redesigned school health screening system to bring to digital platform
- Analyzed 3 years of youth health data on immigration and overweight

**Health Systems Researcher**

*Agència de Salut Pública de Barcelona*

BARCELONA, SPAIN

*November 2012-February 2013*

- Worked on SOPHIE project on immigration and health disparities

**Maternal Health Epidemiologist**

*Tigray Regional Health Bureau*

MEKELLE, ETHIOPIA

*May 2012-August 2012*

- Collected, analyzed and reported on data from rural regional Health Posts near the Eritrean border

**Teacher**

*St. Andrew’s-Sewanee School*

SEWANEE, TN, USA

*January 2010-June 2011*

- Taught middle and high school Spanish and Technology

**Assistant Coach**

*The University of the South*

SEWANEE, TN, USA

*August 2009-December 2010*

- Coached men and women's cross country and track and field

### **Health Educator**

*Promotion et Développement Humain*

AVEDJI CITÉ, TOGO  
May 2009-August 2009

- Lead sexual health education workshops for teens
- Assessed medication adherence among HIV/AIDS patients through visits/interviews
- Assisted in accounting, data organization, process improvement

### **Recreation Coordinator / Teacher**

*Instituto Experimental de Ciudad Quetzal*

CIUDAD QUETZAL, GUATEMALA  
2006-2008 (summers)

- Organized youth recreation clinics for the *Cases Interculturales* program
- Taught English and Spanish in impoverished and violence-stricken area

## **Honors and Awards**

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### **Transdisciplinary Global Health Fellowship**

2015

Funded by the European Commission to carry out research on economics and malaria

### **Data Science for Social Good Fellowship**

2014

Funded by the University of Chicago to spend 3 months tackling big problems with big data

### **Erasmus Mundus Fellowship**

2011

European Commission award for full MPH funding

### **Highest honors ("mention très bien") on MA thesis**

2009

*La Presse comme arme politique: le role des journaux américains dans les négociations des accords de Paris*

### **Highest honors ("summa cum laude") and Phi Beta Kappa**

2008

Top 5% of graduating class at Sewanee

### **Linda Wheat Fellowship**

2008

Full funding for graduate studies at the Institut Catholique de Paris

### **Fulbright ETA (Andorra)**

2008

Awarded, but I declined in order to pursue graduate studies

### **Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award**

2008

Granted to one graduate annually, Sewanee's "most prestigious prize"

### **Joseph Cushman Scholarship**

2007

Highest award given to History major at Sewanee

### **Gessell Fellowship**

2007

Funding to carry out research on African-American history at Sewanee

### **Biehl Social Science Fellowship**

2007

Full funding to investigate the religious roots of social division in Guatemala

**Lilly Grant**

Full funding for vocational institute and internship in Guatemala

*2006*

**Wright-Bentley Scholarship**

For strong academic skills and service to the community

*2005*

**Wilkins Scholarship**

Merit and community award

*2004*

## Community Service

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### Translator

*Physicians for Haiti*

PORT-AU-PRINCE, HAITI

*2010-present*

- Translated medical education documents between French and English

### Founder

*Weekend English for Migrants*

SEWANEE, TN, USA

*2009-2011*

- Organized language exchanges between high-schoolers and undocumented immigrants

### Co-founder

*ABRE*

SEWANEE, TN, USA

*2006-2008*

- Co-founded and presided over social awareness and social justice organization

## Personal

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Happily married, father, likes to fix and ride bikes, enjoys travel, doesn't enjoy airplanes, loves running, hates sitting, morning person.