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### Bio

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#### BIO

I am a PhD student in Economics at Stanford and a Visiting Fellow at STICERD at the London School of Economics. My research interests lie in public, health and labor economics, with a particular focus on inequality.

Prior to joining Stanford, I worked as a Pre-Doctoral Research Assistant at the LSE's Hub for Equal Representation in the Economy. I completed a Master of Public Administration at the LSE (Distinction) and a BA in Philosophy, Politics and Economics at the University of Oxford (First-Class).

You can find out more about my latest research on my website: [maryreader.com](https://maryreader.com)

#### LINKS

- Personal website: <https://maryreader.com>

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