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EDUCATION

University of Wisconsin - Madison

Ph.D. Economics

Exp. 2025

M.S. Economics

2021

Barcelona School of Economics

M.S. Specialized Economic Analysis

2015

University of Costa Rica

Lic. Economics *with honors*

2014

B.S. Economics

2011

FIELDS OF INTEREST

Public Economics, Development Economics, Health Economics, Labor Economics

WORK IN PROGRESS

“The Value of Social Security Benefits”. *Job Market Paper*

“Reforming Social Security Systems: Implications for Labor Market Outcomes”.

“The Effect of Maternity Leave Policies on Local Labor Market Outcomes”, with Elizabeth Jaramillo.

WORKING PAPERS

“The Promises of Digital Bank Accounts for Low-Income Individuals”, with Bridget Hoffmann, Camilo Pecha and Diego Vera-Cossío. (*Submitted*).

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

“Climate change’s impact on real estate prices in Chile”, with Carlos Madeira and Facundo Luna. *PLOS Sustainability and Transformation*, 2022, 1(11): e0000035.

“The impact of climate change on economic output across industries in Chile”, with Carlos Madeira. *PLOS One*, 2022, 17(4): e0266811.

“Association Between Assistance With Medicaid Enrollment and Use of Health Care After Incarceration Among Adults With a History of Substance Use”, with Marguerite Burns, Steve Cook, et al. *JAMA Network Open*, 2022, vol. 5.

“Impact evaluation of the conditional cash transfer program for secondary school in Costa Rica (Avance-mos)”, with Catherine Mata. *Revista de Ciencias Económicas*, 2015 vol. 33, no. 1.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

“The Cost-Effectiveness of Air Pollution Information Provision Programs”, with Bridget Hoffmann, Cristóbal Ruiz-Tagle and Alejandra Schueftan. Inter-American Development Bank, Technical Note N^oIDB-TN-2236, 2021.

“Evidencias del Impacto de la Factura Electrónica de Impuestos en América Latina”, with Juan Robalino. In *Electronic Invoicing in Latin America*, edited by Alberto Barreix and Raul Zambrano. Inter-American Development Bank, 2017.

“How does Avancemos work? Best practices on the implementation of Conditional Cash Transfer Programs in Latin America and the Caribbean”. Inter-American Development Bank, 2016.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Analytical Public Finance	Fall 2023, Spring 2024
TA for Prof. Rebecca Glawtschew	
Introduction to Microeconomics	Fall 2022, Spring 2023
Head TA for Prof. Steve Trost	
Intermediate Microeconomics	Spring 2022
TA for Prof. Rebecca Glawtschew	
Introduction to Microeconomics	Fall 2019, Spring 2020
TA for Prof. Rebecca Glawtschew	

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Institute for Research on Poverty - UW-Madison, Research Assistant	2020-21
Inter-American Development Bank - Research Department, Research Fellow	2017-19
Inter-American Development Bank - Fiscal Sector, Research Assistant	2016-17
Innovations for Poverty Action, Research Associate	2015-16
Economic Research Institute - University of Costa Rica, Research Assistant	2012-13
Center of Economic and Environmental Studies, Research Assistant	2011-12

CONFERENCES

SEA 94 th Annual Meeting	Washington, DC, 2024
XIX RIDGE Forum	Chile, 2024
Society of Labor Economics (SOLE)	Portland, OR, 2024
Midwest Economics Association (MEA) Annual Meeting	Chicago, IL, 2024
Inter-American Development Bank, Research Department	Washington, DC, 2023
Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM)	Atlanta, GA, 2023
IPA-GPRL Annual Research Gathering (Northwestern)	Evanston, IL, 2022
Midwest Economics Association (MEA) Annual Meeting	Minneapolis, MN, 2022

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Richard A. Meese Dissertation Fellowship, UW-Madison Economics	2024
Juli Plant Grainger Outstanding TA Award, UW-Madison Economics	2023, 2024
Juli Plant Grainger Summer Fellowship, UW-Madison Economics	2022
Summer Fellowship, Central Bank of Chile	2021
Excellence Scholarship, University of Costa Rica	2012-14

Workshops

Behavioral Public Economics Bootcamp, NBER	2023
Health Economics Mentoring Workshop	2021

Travel Awards

Institute for Research on Poverty, University of Wisconsin - Madison	2024
Department of Economics, University of Wisconsin - Madison	2022, 2024
SRGC Conference Presentation Award, University of Wisconsin - Madison	2023

SERVICE

Leadership team, Wisconsinites for Inclusion & Diversity in Economics (WIDE)	2022-23
Faculty Liaison, Wisconsin Economics Graduate Organization (WEGO)	2021-23

AFFILIATIONS

Graduate Research Fellow
Institute for Research on Poverty, University of Wisconsin - Madison

2020-Present