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RESEARCH INTERESTS

► Development Economics ► Public Economics ► Labor Markets ► Rural Development

EDUCATION

Master in Applied Economics May 2019
University of Massachusetts Boston

Bachelor in Economics and Finances January 2016
Universidad Thomas More, Nicaragua
Cum Laude

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant, World Bank June 2019 - Present
Supervisor: Dr. Anne Brockmeyer
Researching the effect of withholding mechanisms and third-party reporting on tax compliance in Latin America using quasi experimental methods on administrative tax return data

Research Assistant, University of Massachusetts Boston Fall 2018
Supervisor: Dr. Susan Crandall - Center for Social Policy
Analyzed household resources changes by a drop in public support as earning goes up (cliff effects) in Massachusetts. Researched the availability of social assistance benefits and their eligibility requirements to later simulate at different wage levels and different benefit bundles the available resources to families.

Supervisor: Dr. Keren Horn - Economics Department Spring 2018
Conducted preliminary descriptive research on the effects of racial diversity on education outcomes of students in the US using the Common Core of Data (CCD) from U.S. Department of Education and school level test score data from *Great Schools*.

Economic Analyst September 2015 - August 2017
Fundación Nicaragüense para el Desarrollo Económico y Social (FUNIDES)
Provided research assistance in a variety of topics, mostly focused on labor markets, gender, and impact evaluation. Performed econometric analysis using large household surveys including DHS, LSMS and others. Additionally, I was involved in two agricultural RCTs where I contributed to the evaluation and survey design, trained enumerators, supervised data collection, and performed data analysis.

COURSES AND CERTIFICATIONS

Ridge Summer School in Economics - Puebla, Mexico November 2019
International Economic Association

Micromaster in Data, Economics and Development Policy May 2019
MITx ([Credential](#))

Evaluating Social Programs June 2018

The Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (JPAL-MIT)

HONORS AND AWARDS

Fulbright Scholarship 2017 - 2019

Honors Graduation Thesis - Universidad Thomas More 2016

PUBLICATIONS

► Sáenz Somarriba, Magaly V. (2019) [Off the Farm: An Evaluation of Non-Farm Employment on Poverty Alleviation in Rural Nicaragua](#). University of Massachusetts Boston.

► Altamirano Montoya, Álvaro J.; Sáenz Somarriba, Magaly; Pacheco Medina, Eduardo C.; Toruño Paniagua, Carlos. (forthcoming). Caracterización y Dinámicas de la Informalidad Laboral en Nicaragua. Managua: BID, Nota Técnica.

► Altamirano Montoya, Álvaro. J.; Pacheco Medina, Eduardo C.; Sáenz Somarriba, Magaly; Aníbal López, Álvaro. (2016). [Causas y consecuencias del embarazo adolescente en Nicaragua](#). Managua: FUNIDES .

► Sáenz Somarriba, Magaly V. (2016) [Determinantes de la dinámica laboral intersectorial en Nicaragua. Aplicación a la informalidad](#). Managua: UTM. Bachelor's dissertation (Licenciatura)

SKILLS

Statistic and Econometric Analysis	Stata (Teaching Experience), R, Eviews
Survey Design	CSPRO, SurveyCTO
Geo-spatial Analysis	ArcGIS
Software and Tools	L ^A T _E X, Git, Tableau, MS Office
Language	Spanish (Native), English (Fluent)

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

Consulting

FUNIDES: Evaluation of a sorghum productivity intervention June - August 2018

Internships

Fundación Internacional para el Desafío Económico Global (FIDEG) July - August 2015

Central Bank of Nicaragua April - June 2015

FUNIDES January - March 2015

Ministry of Energy and Mines January - February 2014

Red de Empresarias de Nicaragua August - December 2013

Teaching Assistant (Undergraduate Level)

Intro to Microeconomics and Macroeconomics March 2013 - December 2015

Intermediate Microeconomics August 2014 - December 2015

Econometrics March 2015 - December 2015

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