Gustavo Tovar Albuquerque

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Education

2017-2023 (expected) Ph.D in Economics - University of British Columbia (UBC), Vancouver

2014-2016 M.A. in Economics - Pontificia Universidade Católica (PUC-Rio), Rio De Janeiro Thesis Legalize it? The Effects of California's Medical Marijuana Law on Violent Crime

2009-2013 B.A. in Economics (Honors) - Univeridade Federal Fluminense (UFF)

Thesis: Economic Perfomance and Happiness (Desempenho Econômico e Felicidade)

Work Experience

Teaching

UFF(2010-2012), PUC-Rio (2015), UBC (2017-2022) and Corpus Christi College(2022)

I am currently an instructor at Corpus Christi College, Vancouver, where I teach Introductory Microeconomics. In the past, I have worked as teaching assistant in 20 courses, including econometrics, microeconomics and other math/statistics-intensive subjects.

Research Assistant

Climate Policy Initiative (2016-2017) and UBC (2018-2022)

I have been a research assistant for multiple projects. Some studied topics: the impact of hydroelectric dams in deforestation, the impact of civil war in ethnic identification, the effects of intra-family marriage in social capital, among others.

Responsibilities typically included: gathering data (data scraping, search for partnerships, etc), cleaning data, evaluating and adapting methods to identify causal effects, and multiple presentations to internal and external partners.

Economist

Petrobras(2013)

I worked in the International HR sector. Projects revolved around the remuneration and work policy for Petrobras' subsidiaries outside of Brazil. My tasks included, for example, carrying out international price level comparisons, the study of Libyan labor law, planning the process of shutting down Petrobras' subsidiary in the country, and reconciling competing interests.

Awards, Fellowships and Grants

2022 Centre for Innovative Data in Economics Research (CIDER) Small Grants in Innovative Data

2017-2021 Graduate Support Initiative (GSI) Fellowship

2020-2022 President's Academic Excellence Initiative PhD Award

2018 Best PhD Student in 1st Year: Macroeconomics

2014-2016 National Council for Scientific and Technological Development (CNPq) Fellowship

2013 Best Student (*Láurea Acadêmica*) at UFF's Economics Major

2005 Brazilian Public Schools' Math Olympiad (OBMEP) Honorable Mention (13th place)

Conference Presentations

2021 55th Annual Canadian Economics Association Meetings

Paper From Violence to Violence? Present Homicides and the Guatemalan Conflict

2016 America Latina Crime and Policy Network (AL CAPONE)

Paper Legalize it? The Effects of California's Medical Marijuana Law on Violent Crime

2016 LACEA-LAMES Annual Meetings

Paper Legalize it? The Effects of California's Medical Marijuana Law on Violent Crime

Work in Progress

Paper Civil-Police Relations in an Authoritarian Context: An Exploration of the Guatemalan

National Police Historical Archive

Paper From Violence to Violence? The Long Term Effect of Conflict in Homicide Rates

Paper Indigenous Communities and the Containment of Drug-War Violence

Skills

Software

Stata
Portuguese
ArcMap
Spanish
Python (numpy, pandas and others)
English

MS Office

Referees

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