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ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

B.A. Economics 2018 - 2022

EAFIT University, Colombia GPA: 4.66/5.00. Rank: 1st.

· Quantitative economics track.

Relevant coursework: Mathematical Economics (applications of real analysis), Advanced Topics in Econometrics I and II, Time Series, and Topics in Modeling.

· Senior thesis (honors research distinction):

Acing the Test: Educational Effects of the SaberEs Test Preparation Program in Colombia. Using secondary and post-secondary education data from 2010 to 2017 in Colombia, I use staggered difference-in-differences methods to explore the effects of a test preparation program on students' high school exit exam scores and access to higher education. This paper was later published in the Economics of Education Review.

Additional Coursework

Yale University Spring 2025

· Coursework: Real Analysis - MATH 255

Grade: A-

RESEARCH

Journal Articles:

· "Acing the Test: Educational Effects of the SaberEs Test Preparation Program in Colombia" (with Christian Posso and Estefania Saravia)

Economics of Education Review, 97 (2023): 102459.

Working papers:

· "Life in the Health Lane: The Professional Trajectories of Healthcare Workers in Colombia" (with Grey Ceballos, Daniel Márquez, and Christian Posso) [latest draft]

Work in progress:

- · "Knockin' on Retirement's Door: Health Effects of a Retirement-Age Increase in Colombia"
- · "Heterogeneity in the Returns to Higher Education in Colombia" (with Christian Posso and Estefania Saravia)
- · "The Effects of Specialties on Physicians' Labor Market and Health" (with Daniel Márquez, Nicolás Mancera, Christian Posso and Juan D. Rengifo)

RESEARCH AND WORK EXPERIENCE

Pre-Doctoral Fellow - Yale University

July, 2024 - Present

Supervisors: John Eric Humphries, Seth D. Zimmerman, and Christopher Neilson

Performed MVPF calculations and additional estimations for research on the effects of universal pre-Kindergarten on parents' earnings. I also built a replication package for the project and created a repository to enable researchers to batch-geocode addresses using APIs (tested with 20M+ addresses).

Research Assistant - World Bank

October, 2023 - June, 2024

Supervisor: Arlen Guarin

Monte Carlo simulations for power calculations of cross-cutting RCT in Yemen. Implemented a web-scraping algorithm to perform high-frequency checks of an RCT registration in South Sudan. Also built nighttime lights datasets using NASA's API for a slum redevelopment project in Kenya.

Research Assistant - HKS/EAFIT

Dec., 2022 - October, 2023

Supervisor: Juan E. Saavedra

Estimated the effects of information-provision RCTs on educational attainment in Colombia. Also performed power calculations and helped design an occupational choice chatbot RCT aimed at public high school students in Colombia's capital.

Consultant - UNDP

August, 2022 - February, 2023

Linked the Colombian educational market from 2001-2008 to the formal labor market between 2008-2012. Estimated the returns to higher education to support the National Human Development Report.

Research Assistant - Colombia's Central Bank

July, 2021 - June, 2022

Supervisor: Christian Posso

Estimated the effects of a tech pop-up RCT on educational attainment in Colombia. Also replicated the national allocation algorithm for bankrupt health insurer affiliate transfers.

Research Assistant - Colombia's Central Bank

May, 2019 - June, 2021

Supervisor: Santiago Tobón

Elaborated a policy report on criminal economies and violence in Latin America, and another one on the cocaine industry. Also digitized the 1872 Brazilian Census using OCR software.

CONFERENCES

IEA 20th World Congress

December, 2023

EAFIT University, Colombia

Annual Economics Researcher Network Congress

December, 2022

ICESI University, Colombia

UNU-WIDER Development Conference

Universidad de Los Andes, Colombia

October, 2022

CERTIFICATIONS

Managing Successful Field Research

May, 2024

Development Impact Group - World Bank

Social-Behavioral-Educational Comprehensive

October, 2023

Human Subjects Research - CITI Program

Real analysis with applications in economics (Audit)

July, 2023

Universidad del Rosario, Colombia

LANGUAGE AND SOFTWARE SKILLS

Languages Spanish (Native), English (Fluent)
Software Stata, R, LATEX, Git, QGIS, MS Office