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FIELDS OF INTEREST

Development economics • Impact evaluations • Labor market • Education • Violence

CURRENT POSITION

2020 Research Assistant, The World Bank – Development Impact Evaluation Unit

EDUCATION

2016–2018 M.D.P., Development Policy, KDI School of Public Policy and Management
Concentrations: Sustainable Development & Global Governance and Political Economy
Summa Cum Laude: GPA 3.92/4
Relevant Courses: Econometrics II (PhD Level), Development Economics I (PhD Level) Development Economics II (PhD Level), Impact Evaluation Methods, Analysis of Market and Public Policy (Intermediate microeconomics)

2011–2015 B.S., Applied Economics, Universidad Centroamericana
Minor: Economic & Territorial Development
Department Honors: Best Student Overall Performance

PUBLICATIONS & TALKS

BOOKS

2016 “Citizenship and violence: Deciphering their multiple expressions in Nicaragua,” (in Spanish) with Mario Sánchez & Douglas Castro. Managua: Centro de Análisis Socio Cultural. [\[PDF\]](#)

PEER REVIEWED ACADEMIC JOURNALS

2016 “Social movements and collective action in Nicaragua: between identity, autonomy and subordination,” (in Spanish) with Mario Sánchez, Douglas Castro & Jorge Guerra. *Amnis*, (15). [\[Online\]](#)

2015 “Has the international cooperation been important for development and economic growth? Panel Evidence on Nicaragua and Central America,” (in Spanish) with Carol Siero & Sebastián Hernández. *Encuentro*, (102), 52–74. [\[PDF\]](#)

WORKS IN PROGRESS

“Does the small business program benefit self-employed workers? Evidence from Nicaragua,” with Booyuel Kim & Hee-Seung Yang

“In utero exposure to civil conflict: Nicaraguan war and its long-term effects on socio-economic outcomes,” with Booyuel Kim & Hee-Seung Yang

“Abortion ban and socioeconomic outcomes in Nicaragua.”

ACADEMIC SEMINARS AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2019 AEA/ASSA Conference, Poster Session; Universidad Centroamericana–Nicaragua.

2018 3ie - KDI School joint Impact Evaluation Conference, Poster Session; KAEA-KEA Joint International Conference, Sungkyunkwan University–Republic of Korea; Korea and The World Economy, Jeju National University–Republic of Korea; Asian Meeting of the Econometric Society, Sogang University–Republic of Korea.

2017	20th Anniversary of KDI School, Poster Session–Republic of Korea; The Ronald Coase Workshop, Xiamen University–China.
2016	Central American Congress of Sociology–Nicaragua.
2015	VI Ethics Conference, Universidad Centroamericana–Nicaragua; Interdisciplinary Research Congress, Inaugural Conference–Nicaragua.
2014	Central American Congress of Sociology–Panamá; Interdisciplinary Research Congress–Nicaragua.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2019	Adjunct Professor (Undergraduate), Universidad Centroamericana Social and Human Economy - Evaluation: 5/5
2018	Teaching Assistant (Graduate), KDI School of Public Policy and Management Impact Evaluation Methods–Prof. Booyuel Kim (Spring) Stata Workshop–Dr. Yoona Chin (Summer) Foundations of Sustainable Development–Prof. Booyuel Kim (Fall)
2013–2015	Teaching Assistant (Undergraduate), Universidad Centroamericana Macroeconomics, Econometrics, Monetary Economics, Development Economics

RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIP

2019	Professor Mauricio Romero, ITAM–IPA
2019	Professor Nathaniel Lane, SoDa Labs–Monash University
2018–2019	Professor Hee-Seung Yang, KDI School of Public Policy and Management

WRITING CENTER EDITOR

2018–2019	KDI School of Public Policy and Management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided one-on-one sessions to students at all stages of the writing process. • Provided feedback and advice aimed at improving students' ability to think critically and communicate successfully through their own work. • Assisted with the writing, consulting, proofreading, and editing of written documents ranging from resumes and cover letters to term papers, supervised research projects, capstone projects, and theses. • Identified problems in grammar, syntax, diction, usage, and logic. • Provided advice and recommendations on the structure, argument, evidence, and logical flow of writing assignments.
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ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

2018–2019	International Cooperation Team, KDI School of Public Policy and Management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worked with staff to draft speeches for key personnel at training events. • Edited and revised technical documents and materials. • Provided administrative and technical support to the Capacity Building Office of the International Cooperation team of KDI School.
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JUNIOR RESEARCHER

2014–2016	Centro de Análisis Socio Cultural, Universidad Centroamericana <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analyzed and managed cross-sectional data from the Violence and Citizenship Survey. • Designed, implemented, analyzed and managed qualitative and quantitative data from focus groups and developed national forums on the current status of violence in Nicaragua. • Supervised survey and data collection on workers' rights in Nicaragua implemented through the program Better Work, joint with the International Labour Organization and Tufts University.
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HONORS & AWARDS

2018	Academic Excellence Award, KDI School of Public Policy and Management Outstanding Thesis Award, KDI School of Public Policy and Management Student Community Service Award, KDI School of Public Policy and Management
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2016–2018	Dean’s List with Distinction, KDI School of Public Policy and Management
2015	Best Student Performance Award, Universidad Centroamericana <i>Awarded by the Applied Economics Department for the highest GPA.</i>
2014	Young Researchers 1 st place, Universidad Centroamericana Research: “Gender wage gap in Nicaragua” with Sebastián Hernández.
2013	Young Researchers 3 rd place, Universidad Centroamericana Research: “Determinants of access to credit in the urban sector” with Sebastián Hernández.

COURSES AND TRAINING

2019	Human Subjects Research (HSR): Under requirements set by Innovations for Poverty Action.
2018–Present	Data, Economics, and Development Policy, Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Completed courses: The challenges of global poverty, Foundations of development policy: Advanced development economics.
2017	Reducing poverty and inequality: Policy forum, KDI School-World Bank-Chinese Academy of Governance. The Ronald Coase Workshop on Institutional Economics, Xiamen–China.
2016	Quantitative Methods, University of Amsterdam.
2014	Producción de desigualdades en América Latina, workshop on Research Methodology, CLACSO. Measuring causal effects in the social sciences, University of Copenhagen. Questionnaire design for social surveys, University of Michigan.

SKILLS

SOFTWARES

Advanced	Stata, R, E-views, MaxQDA, NVivo, L ^A T _E X, Git
Beginner	Python, SQL, ArcGIS

LANGUAGES

Spanish (native), English (TOEFL: 106), French (A2), Korean (TOPIK: 4)

OTHER ACTIVITIES

KDI SCHOOL OF PUBLIC POLICY AND MANAGEMENT

2017–2018	Academic Affairs Coordinator, Latin American and Caribbean Forum
2017–2018	President, Econometrics Club
2016	K-Developedia 5th student ambassador

REFERENCES

Booyuel Kim, PhD.
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