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## Current Employment

Development Research Group, The World Bank  
*Research Assistant*

Aug 2021-Present

Project: A sequential and adaptive experiment to increase the uptake of long-acting reversible contraceptives.  
PI: Berk Özler; Co-PIs: Susan Athey, Julian C. Jamison, Katy Bergstrom. AEA RCT registry: [AEARCTR-0003514](#)  
Project: Tech-enabled tutoring for learning re-engagement and recovery for adolescents in Ukraine.  
PI: Lelys Dinarte; Co-PIs: Renata Freitas Lemos. AEA RCT registry: [AEARCTR-0009328](#)

## Education

M.Sc. KDI School of Public Policy and Management  
*Development Policy* (Summa Cum Laude)

2018

Thesis: Does the Small Business Program Benefit Self-Employed Workers? Evidence from Nicaragua.  
Awards: Outstanding Thesis Award  
Concentrations: *Sustainable Development & Global Governance and Political Economy*

B.Sc. Universidad Centroamericana

2015

*Applied Economics* (Best Student Overall Performance, Top 1%)  
Concentrations: Economic & Territorial Development

## Research Work

### WORKING PAPERS

with Booyuel Kim & Hee-Seung Yang. "Does the small business program benefit self-employed workers? Evidence from Nicaragua." 2nd revision requested from *Journal of Development Effectiveness*.  
with Booyuel Kim & Hee-Seung Yang. "In utero exposure to civil conflict: Nicaraguan war and its long-term effects on socio-economic outcomes."

### BOOK

2016. with Mario Sánchez & Douglas Castro. "*Citizenship and violence: Deciphering their multiple expressions in Nicaragua*," (in Spanish). Managua: Centro de Análisis Socio-Cultural.

### NON-ECON JOURNAL ARTICLES

2020. with Hloreley Osorio. "*Criticism and Crisis in Nicaragua: The tension between Democracy and Capitalism*," (in Spanish). *Anuario de Estudios Centroamericanos*, 46, 1-38.  
2016. with Mario Sánchez, Douglas Castro, & Jorge Guerra. "*Social movements and collective action in Nicaragua: between identity, autonomy and subordination*," (in Spanish). *Amnis*, (15).  
2015. with Carol Siero & Sebastián Hernández. "*Has the international cooperation been important for development and economic growth? Panel Evidence on Nicaragua and Central America*," (in Spanish). *Encuentro*, (102), 52-74.

### WORK IN PROGRESS

with Berk Özler, Katy Bergstrom, & Luca Parisotto. "Shared decision-making: Does quality of care affect contraceptive use? "  
"Abortion Ban and Socioeconomic Outcomes: Evidence from Nicaragua."

## REPORTS

2022. The World Bank. "Improving the well-being of adolescent girls in developing countries." Washington, D.C.

## Professional Experience

### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- Research Consultant–Development Research Group, Poverty and Inequality, The World Bank 2021–Present  
Project: A sequential and adaptive experiment to increase the uptake of long-acting reversible contraceptives.  
Country: Cameroon  
Project: Tech-enabled tutoring for learning re-engagement and recovery for adolescents in Ukraine.  
Country: Ukraine
- Research Consultant–Development Impact Evaluation Unit, The World Bank 2020–2021  
Project: Resolving land frictions to increase irrigation use and on-farm productivity.  
Country: Rwanda.
- RA to Professor Mauricio Romero. ITAM – IPA. 2019–2020  
Project: The impact of outsourcing schools in Liberia.  
Country: Liberia.
- RA to Professor Nathaniel Lane, University of Oxford. 2019–2020  
Project: The value of names - civil society, information, and governing multinationals on the global periphery.  
Country: Cross-countries.
- RA to Professor Hee-Seung Yang, KDI School of Public Policy and Management. 2018-2019  
Project: The long-term effects of the civil war in Nicaragua.  
Country: Nicaragua.

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- The World Bank 2021–Present  
*Instructor. R for Stata Users*
- Lambda Institute, Perú. 2020-Present  
*Instructor. Advanced Stata for economists; Advanced Methods in Econometrics: Impact Evaluation*
- Universidad Centroamericana. 2018  
*Adjunct Lecturer. Social and Human Economy. Evaluation: 4.9/5*
- KDI School of Public Policy and Management. 2017-2018  
*Teaching Assistant. Impact Evaluation Methods; Foundations of Sustainable Development*

## Seminars & Conference Presentations

**2021.** The World Bank DIME–KDI School joint conference on Impact Evaluation in Sustainable and Inclusive Development. **2019.** Allied Social Science Association (ASSA) meetings; Universidad Centroamericana. **2018.** 3ie International Initiative for Impact Evaluation–KDI School joint conference on Impact Evaluation; KAEA-KEA joint International Conference, Sungkyunkwan University; Korea and The World Economy, Jeju National; Asian Meeting of the Econometric Society, Sogang University. **2017.** 20th Anniversary of KDI School (poster session); The Ronald Coase Workshop, Xiamen University. **2016.** Central American Congress of Sociology. **2015.** VI Ethics Conference, Universidad Centroamericana; Interdisciplinary Research Congress, Universidad Centroamericana. **2014.** Central American Congress of Sociology; Interdisciplinary Research Congress.

## Honors & Awards

- KDI School of Public Policy and Management. 2016–2018  
Dean's list with distinction; Academic Excellence Award; Outstanding Thesis Award; Student Community Service Award.

Korean Government Scholarship Program (KGSP), Government of Korea Scholarship to pursue Master's studies. First Nicaraguan to be granted the scholarship.	2015-2018
Universidad Centroamericana. Best Student Performance Award. Awarded by the Applied Economics Department for the highest GPA.	2015
Universidad Centroamericana Young Researchers 1 <sup>st</sup> place. Research: "Gender wage gap in Nicaragua" with Sebastián Hernández.	2014
Universidad Centroamericana Young Researchers 3 <sup>rd</sup> place. Research: "Determinants of access to credit in the urban sector" with Sebastián Hernández.	2013

## Software Development

### Replication Packages.

with Mauricio Romero and Justin Sandefur. "Beyond Short-term Learning Gains: The Impact of Outsourcing Schools in Liberia after Three Years." Published at the *Economic Journal*. DOI:[10.5281/zenodo.5579799](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.5579799)

### R Packages.

[eleccionesNic](#). Tidy datasets related to the elections in Nicaragua from 1990 to 2020.

[constitucionesNic](#). Tidy datasets related to the political constitutions of Nicaragua for text mining.

[COVID-19 en Nicaragua](#). Shiny app with tidy datasets of the COVID-19 pandemic in Nicaragua.

### Stata Packages.

[stata\\_linter](#). Opinionated detector that attempts to improve readability of Stata do files.

[send\\_est](#). Sends estimates to  $\LaTeX$ .

[tvsc](#). Generates balance tables.

## Skills

### Software.

Adv.: Stata, R,  $\LaTeX$ , Git(Hub); Int.: ODK (SurveyCTO), Python; Beg.: SQL, ArcGis, C, Java.

### Language.

Spanish (native), English (TOEFL: 110), French (B2), Korean (TOPIK 4), Nicaraguan Sign Language (LSN, Int.)

## References

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