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# current position

education

Research Consultant, Development Research Group, The World Bank, 2021–Present

M.A., Development Policy (Summa Cum Laude), KDI School of Public Policy and Management, 2018.

Thesis: *Does the Small Business Program Benefit Self-Employed Workers? Evidence from Nicaragua.* Winner: Outstanding Thesis Award

Concentrations: Sustainable Development & Global Governance and Political Economy.

B.S., Economics (Best Overall Performance), Universidad Centroamericana, 2015. Concentrations: Economic & Territorial Development.

## publications Books

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

#### WORKING PAPERS

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

#### JOURNAL ARTICLES

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

## talks Academic 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 conrfence 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, Inaugural Conference.

2014 Central American Congress of Sociology; Interdisciplinary Research Congress.

# professional experience

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2020–2021 The World Bank. *Instructor*. R training.

2020–2021 Lambda Institute, Perú. Instructor. Avdanced Stata for economists.

2018 Universidad Centroamericana. *Adjunct Lecturer*. Social and Human Economy. Evaluation: 4.9/5.

2018 KDI School of Public Policy and Managements. *Teaching Assistant*. Impact Evaluation Methods; Foundations of Sustainable Development.

#### RESEARCH ASSISTANSHIP

2021 – Development Research Group, Poverty and Inequality – The World Bank.

Project: A sequential and adaptive experiment to increase the uptake of long-acting reversible contraceptives.

Country: Cameroon.

2020-2021 Development Impact Evaluation Unit – The World Bank.

Project: Resolving land frictions to increase irrigation use and on-farm productivity.

Country: Rwanda.

2019-2020 Professor Mauricio Romero. ITAM – IPA.

Project: The impact of outsourcing schools in Liberia.

Country: Liberia.

2019-2020 Professor Nathaniel Lane, University of Oxford.

Project: The value of names - civil society, information, and governing multinationals on the global periphery.

Country: Cross-countries.

2018-2019 Professor Hee-Seung Yang, KDI School of Public Policy and Management.

Project: The long-term effects of the civil war in Nicaragua.

Country: Nicaragua.

# honors & awards

2016–2018 KDI School of Public Policy and Management.

Dean's list with distinction; Academic Excellence Award; Outstanding Thesis Award; Student Community Service Award.

2015 Best Student Performance Award. Universidad Centroamericana.

Awarded by the Applied Economics Department for the highest GPA.

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.

# sofware

R

## resources

eleccionesNic. An R package of tidy datasets related to the elections in Nicaragua from 1990 to 2006.

constitucionesNic. An R package of 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

tvsc. A Stata package that generates balance tables.

#### SELECTED GITHUB REPOSITORIES

National crime rate in Nicaragua.

Nicaraguan rulers.

Nicaraguan population: 18th and 19th century.

### skills Softwares

Advanced: Stata, R, LATEX, Git(Hub). Intermediate: ODK (SurveyCTO), Python.

Beginner: SQL. ArcGis.

Languages

Spanish (native), English (TOEFL: 114), French (A2), Korean (TOPIK: 4).

### references

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