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current position

Research Assistant, Development Impact Evaluation, The World Bank, 2019–.

education

M.A., Development Policy, 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.A., Best Overall Performance, Universidad Centroamericana, 2015.
Concentrations: Economic & Territorial Development

publications & talks

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 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.”

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.

Academic seminars & conference presentations

American Economics Association/Allied Social Sciences Association; Universidad Centroamericana. 2019.
31st International Initiative for Impact Evaluation–KDI School joint Impact Evaluation Conference (Poster); 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, So-gang University–Republic of Korea. 2018.
 20th Annivesary of KDI School, Poster Session–Republic of Korea; The Ronald Coase Workshop, Xiamen University–China. 2017.
 Central American Congress of Sociology–Nicaragua. 2016.
 VI Ethics Conference, Universidad Centroamericana–Nicaragua; Interdisciplinary Research Congress, Inaugural Conference–Nicaragua. 2015.
 Central American Congress of Sociology–Panamá; Interdisciplinary Research Congress–Nicaragua. 2014.

**professional
experience** *Teaching experience*

The World Bank. *Instructor*. 2020–.
 R training.
 Lambda, Perú. *Instructor*. 2020.
 Advanced Stata.
 Universidad Centroamericana. *Adjunct Lecturer*. 2019.
 Social and Human Economy.
 KDI School of Public Policy and Management. *Teaching Assistant*. 2018.
 Impact Evaluation Methods.
 Foundations of Sustainable Development.

Research assistantship

Development Impact Evaluation Unit – The World Bank.
 Project: Resolving Land Frictions to Increase Irrigation Use and On-Farm Productivity.
 Country: Rwanda.
 Professor Mauricio Romero. ITAM – IPA.
 Project: Beyond Short-term Learning Gains: The Impact of Outsourcing Schools in Liberia after Three Years.
 Country: Liberia.
 Professor Nathaniel Lane, University of Oxford.
 Project: The Value of Names - Civil Society, Information, and Governing Multinationals on the Global Periphery.
 Country: Cross-countries.
 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**

KDI School of Public Policy and Management. 2018.
 Academic Excellence Award. Outstanding Thesis Award. Student Community Service Award.
 KDI School of Public Policy and Management. 2016-2018.
 Dean's list with distinction.
 Universidad Centroamericana. 2015.

Best Student Performance Award, Awarded by the Applied Economics Department for the highest GPA.

Universidad Centroamericana. 2014.

Young Researchers 1st place. Research: “Gender wage gap in Nicaragua” with Sebastián Hernández.

Universidad Centroamericana. 2013.

Young Researchers 1st place. Research: “Determinants of access to credit in the urban sector” with Sebastián Hernández.

software resources

R packages

`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.

Stata packages

`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.

Intermediate: ODK (SurveyCTO), Python.

Beginner: SQL, ArcGis.

Languages

Spanish (native), English (TOEFL: 104), French (A2), Korean (TOPIK: 4).

references

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