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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.
3ie 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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