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## EDUCATION

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**University of Miami** 2019-present  
Ph.D., Environmental Science and Policy

Coursework: Ph.D. Econometrics sequence; Environmental Economics; Environmental Science; Science of Actionable Knowledge.

Advisors: Dr. Renato Molina (advisor) and Dr. Katharine Mach (co-advisor).

**UC San Diego, School of Global Policy & Strategy** 2017  
Master of International Affairs

Coursework: Advanced Energy Systems; Applied Econometrics; Chinese Economy; Environmental Economics; International Economics; Mandarin Chinese (two years intensive); Policymaking Processes.

Thesis: "Evaluating Risk Discounts After Hurricane Sandy: Evidence from Property Transactions in New York City."

Full merit scholarship.

**Penn State — University Park, Schreyer Honors College** 2012  
B.S., Sociology; B.A., History; Minor, International Relations

Coursework: Biology; Calculus I & II; Demography; History of Economics; Microeconomics; Macroeconomics; Race and Public Policy; Sociological Theory; Statistics.

Distinguished Graduating Senior in Sociology.

Phi Beta Kappa

Thesis: "Home of the Brave: The Evolution of Asian and Latin American Immigration to the United States Since 1850."

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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**Environmental Defense Fund, New York, NY** 2017-2019  
Economics and Policy Analyst

**UC San Diego, San Diego, CA** 2016-2017  
Graduate Research Assistant; Teaching Assistant

**United Nations Development Programme, Singapore**  
Intern

Summer 2016

**Gunderson, Dettmer LLP, New York, NY**  
Corporate and Securities Paralegal

2013-2015

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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**UC San Diego**  
Teaching Assistant

2017

“INTL 101—Global Environmental Problems, Environmentalisms, and the Age of the Anthropocene” with Prof. Matthew Vitz, Winter 2017. Led two weekly discussion sessions. 26/27 positive recommendations in course evaluation.

“INTL 102—Economics, Politics, and International Change: Analyzing Current Security Problems” with Prof. Barbara Walter, Spring 2017. Led two weekly discussion sessions. 27/27 positive recommendations in course evaluation.

**EPIK Program, Jukrim Elementary School, Republic of Korea**  
Native English Teacher

2012-2013

## PUBLICATIONS

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Lackner, Maureen, Koller, Steven, and Camuzeaux, Jonathan R. “Policy Brief—Using Lessons from Reverse Auctions for Renewables to Deliver Energy Storage Capacity: Guidance for Policymakers.” *Review of Environmental Economics and Policy* Vol. 13, No. 1, Winter 2019. pp. 140-148. [Link](#).

## PROFESSIONAL REPORTS

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Proville, Jeremy, Parkhurst, Robert, Koller, Steven, Kroopf, Sara, Baker, Justin S., and Salas, William A. “Agricultural Offset Potential in the United States: Economic and Geospatial Insights.” *EDF Economics Discussion Paper Series*. EDP 20-01. September 2020. [Link](#).

## OTHER WRITING

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“Corps should include nature-based and equitable solutions to flooding in Miami— Op-Ed.” *The Miami Herald*. August 14, 2020 with Nadia Seeteram.

Nature-based solutions can help New York and New Jersey adapt to rising seas and intensifying storms. August 19, 2019.

## PRESS

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“Enabling storage integration through market-driven procurements” *Utility Dive*. Herman K. Tra-bish, February 25, 2019.

Explore the Gowanus Canal’s Hidden Environmental History and Future at Weekend Walking Tour. Kevin Duggan, September 9, 2020.

## ONGOING WORK

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*Compounding Climate Risks and Climate Adaptation Infrastructure in Coastal Communities* (dis-sertation chapter)

*The Economic Costs of Frequent Tidal Flooding on Household Wealth* (dissertation chapter).

## AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

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U-LINK Pre-doctoral Fellow, “Next Generation of Coastal Structures: Feasibility, Quantification, and Optimization.” Two years graduate stipend. University of Miami, 2020-2021.

Gowanus Neighborhood Design Fellow, Van Alen Institute, Brooklyn, NY. May-October 2021.

## LANGUAGES AND SKILLS

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English (native)

R, Stata,  $\text{\LaTeX}$ , ArcGIS PRO, QGIS, Python (intermediate)