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EDUCATION	**Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile**	Santiago, Chile
	M.A. in Economics	2022 - 2023

- Thesis: "The Heterogeneous Effects of Monetary Policy Under Downward Nominal Wage Rigidity". Advisor: Prof. Alejandro Vicondoa.
- Recipient of ANID Fondecyt Regular Grant for thesis research.
- Graduated with two votes of distinction.

	Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile	Santiago, Chile
	B.A. in Economics	2016 - 2022

INTERESTS

Macroeconomics; Monetary and International Economics.

RESEARCH

Universidad de los Andes, Chile	Santiago, Chile
Research Assistant — Prof. Álvaro García-Marín	2023 - Present

- R&R at QJE: "Cities, Heterogeneous Firms, and Trade"

Research Assistant — Prof. Andrés Barrios-Fernández

- Work in progress: "Effects of Dual Vocational Education on Educational and Labor Market Trajectories"

Central Bank of Chile	Santiago, Chile
Research Assistant (Internship)	2022

- Working paper: "Business Formation, Labor Market Frictions, and Business Cycles"
- Working paper: "News Shocks Across Countries"

TEACHING

Universidad de los Andes, Chile	Santiago, Chile
Instructor	2023 - Present

- Macroeconomics I, Industrial Organization, Linear Algebra.

Teaching Assistant

- Macroeconomic Theory, Topics in Applied Microeconomics.

Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile	Santiago, Chile
Teaching Assistant	2020-2023

- Graduate-level courses: Applied Macroeconometrics, Applied Microeconometrics, Financial Crises.
- Undergraduate-level courses: Macroeconomics I, Economics and Data Science, Optimization Methods, Introduction to Economics, Accounting I

SEMINARS AND PRESENTATIONS

Poster presentation at the Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, 2024

Poster presentation at the Annual Meeting of the Chilean Economic Society, 2024

Seminar at the Universidad de los Andes, 2023

VOLUNTEERING

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints	Córdoba, Argentina
Released with honors as a full-time missionary	2017 - 2018

- Two years as a volunteer in Argentina along with other full-time missionaries
- Planned and worked teaching with other volunteers and local church leaders

SKILLS

Programming: Stata, Matlab, and Python (Advanced); R and SQL (Intermediate).

Softwares: LaTeX and Dynare (Advanced); Bloomberg (Beginner).