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EDUCATION

 ${\bf Princeton~University},\,{\rm Princeton},\,{\rm NJ}$

Ph.D. in Economics

Specialization: Labor and Development Economics, Industrial Organization

Princeton University, Princeton, NJ

2020

Expected: Feb 2024

M.A. in Economics

University of Chile, Santiago, Chile

2013

B.A. in Business & Economics

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Ph.D. Researcher, Princeton University Research Affiliate, ConsiliumBots Princeton, NJ New York, NY 2018 – Ongoing 2020 – Ongoing

- Conducted independent research on educational & financial decisions using empirical and structural methods
- Designed and implemented large-scale field experiments to measure biased beliefs and the effect of information on choices using Instrumental Variables methods

Pre-Doctoral Fellow, National Bureau of Economic Research

Cambridge, MA

2017 - 2018

- Estimated the effect of major & institution choice on labor market outcomes using Regression Discontinuity methods
- Published a peer-reviewed paper on covariate balance with a large number of clusters in random treatment assignments

Research Associate, Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab

Chile & Dominican Republic

2016 - 201

- Estimated the effect of changes in international taxation on firm-level investment using Difference-in-Differences methods
- Led 8 research assistants and developed software to automatize digitization and processing of historical data at scale

SELECTED PROJECTS

IcfesBot (link ♂)

Colombia

2021 - Ongoing

- Designed a chatbot that informs students about higher education degrees and financing options
- Annually deployed chatbot to ≈100,000 high school seniors in coordination with the Ministry of Education
- Developed multiple back-end services using AWS Lambda, API Gateway, DynamoDB and Aurora (MySQL)

OsoBot (link &) Bogotá, Colombia 2023 – Ongoing

Designed and developed a chatbot to help students explore occupations and corresponding career paths
Deployed chatbot to 50,000 students in Bogotá in coordination with local city government'

Timetable Designer (link ♂)

USA, Chile

2022

- Led the design of an API to generate school timetables using Gurobi
- Service to be offered in centralized management platform for all public schools in Chile

COMMUNICATION & TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Princeton University

Princeton, NJ

2014 - 2016

• Organized and taught precepts in Microeconomics, Fintech and Econometrics at the graduate and undergraduate levels

Associate Lecturer, Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab

Chile, Salvador, USA

2014 - 2016

• Organized and taught workshops (theory & R) on impact evaluation methods to policy-makers and graduate students

High School Teacher, Teach For All

Chile

2014 - 2016

• Taught mathematics, physics and Python programming in a low-income school

SELECTED HONORS & AWARDS

Social Data Science Graduate Fellow Overdeck Education Innovation Fund The Agency Fund Grant Princeton University Graduate Fellow

2023 2021, 2022

2021 2018 - 2023

SKILLS

- Programming: Python, R, Julia, Stata (highly proficient); SQL, JavaScript (working knowledge)
- AWS: Lambda, API Gateway, EC2, DynamoDB, Aurora
- Statistics & Methods: Causal Inference (RCT, IV, DiD, RDD), Structural Modeling (Demand Estimation)