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EXPERIENCE

Economist, Revelio Labs

New York, NY

July 2024 - Ongoing

- Conduct analysis on workforce dynamics using high-frequency data for internal and external stakeholders
- Develop and deploy machine learning models to predict salary and labor market transition dynamics

Project Manager & Senior Data Scientist, ConsiliumBots

2020 - 2024

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

Research Analyst & Data Scientist, 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

AI & Policy Consultant, Inter-American Development Bank

Recife, Brazil

• Designed experiments to measure the effect of financial education on retirees' choice of pension in a government chatbot

Research Associate & Data Scientist, J-PAL

Chile & Dominican Republic

2016 - 2017

- 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

OsoBot (link ♂)

Bogotá, Colombia

2023 - Ongoing

- Designed and developed a chatbot to help students explore occupations and corresponding career paths
- Developed and evaluated the effectiveness of custom LLMs in delivering reliable and relevant educational information
- Deployed chatbot to 50,000 students in Bogotá in coordination with local government

IcfesBot (link ♂) Colombia 2021 - 2024

- Designed a chatbot that surveys and informs students about higher education degrees and financing options
- Led data science team that annually deployed chatbot to ≈100,000 users in coordination with the Ministry of Education
- Developed data pipelines (SQL and NoSQL) and multiple back-end services (AWS Lambda & API Gateway)
- Refined cold-start recommendation system by tuning and A/B testing different machine learning models

EDUCATION

Princeton University, Princeton, NJ

June 2024

Ph.D. in Economics

Specialization: Labor Economics, Industrial Organization

Princeton University, Princeton, NJ

2020

M.A. in Economics

University of Chile, Santiago, Chile

2013

B.A. in Business & Economics

COMMUNICATION & TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Princeton University

Princeton, NJ

2020 - 2023

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

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, for research at the technical forefront of quantitative social sciences Overdeck Education Fund, to support creative, interdisciplinary research on important issues in education The Agency Fund Grant, to support projects that leverage AI to enhance human agency

2023 2021, 2022

2021

Princeton University Graduate Fellow, funded stipend and tuition

2018 - 2023

SKILLS

- Languages: Python, R (+ Shiny), Julia, SQL (highly proficient); Typescript, Lua, Bash (working knowledge)
- Frameworks: AWS: Lambda, API Gateway, EC2, DynamoDB, Aurora; ML: TensorFlow, PyTorch, sklearn; Docker
- Statistics & Methods: Causal Inference (RCT, IV, DiD, RDD), Structural / Statistical Modeling