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Education

University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

PHD - ECONOMICS

• Advisor: Dr. Teresa Molina

Honolulu, HI

2025

University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

MA - ECONOMICS

Honolulu, HI

2021

Georgia State University

BS - ECONOMICS

Atlanta, GA

2018

Current Positions

2022-current **Research Assistant**, UHERO, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

2021-current **Summer Lecturer**, Department of Economics, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

Working Papers

Amaya, A., Medicaid enrollment responses to wildfire pollution.

Amaya, A., Lynham, J., De Leo, G. A., & Villaseñor-Derbez, J. C., Satellite imagery reveals differing pathways to adaptation to a global shock.

Amaya, A., & Eshun, J., Informal artisanal small-scale mining (Galamsey) and malaria: Impacts on children under-5 in Ghana.

Teaching Experience

Summer 2024 **The Economy of Hawai'i**, Lecturer (in-person), UH Mānoa

I developed the curriculum for this course in cooperation with a local community college aiming to encourage transfer and retention rates among underrepresented students in Economics. The class was a mix of community college and university students.

Summer 2022 **Principles of Microeconomics**, Lecturer (online, asynchronous), UH Mānoa

Summer 2021 **Principles of Microeconomics**, Lecturer (online, asynchronous), UH Mānoa

Teaching Assistant experience (UH Mānoa):

Introduction to Statistics (x5), Principles of Microeconomics (x3), Principles of Macroeconomics (x1), Intermediate Microeconomics (x1), Intermediate Macroeconomics (x1), Introduction to Econometrics (x1)

Presentations

2025. Hawaiian Economic Association Pau Hana (Honolulu); UH Mānoa Applied Microeconomics Workshop (Honolulu).

2024. Western Economic Association International (Seattle); UH Mānoa Applied Microeconomics Workshop (Honolulu)

2023. UH Mānoa Applied Microeconomics Workshop (Honolulu).

Awards

2023 **Seiji Naya Outstanding Third-Year Research Paper**, Department of Economics, UH Mānoa

\$ 800

Volunteer and Community Service

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| | MauiWES Collection Events , Regular participant in Maui Wildfire Exposure Study (MauiWES) collection events. |
| 2024-2025 | Assisted in the collection of health samples from impacted Lahaina community members. Also served as a translator. |
| 2023-2025 | Mālama 'Āina , Repeat volunteer at various community workdays in and around Honolulu. These community workdays are led by localized Native Hawaiian organizations focused on natural and cultural restoration. |