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<b>Current Appointment</b>	<b>Northwestern University</b> Lead Economist and Lecturer, School of Education and Social Policy	2023-
<b>Previous Employment</b>	<b>Boston University</b> Postdoctoral Associate, Wheelock College of Education and Human Development	2021-23
	<b>Fiscalía Nacional Económica (Chilean Antitrust Agency)</b> Economist, Cartels Unit and Regulated Markets Unit	2013-15
	<b>Universidad de Chile</b> Lecturer, Department of Industrial Engineering	2014-15
<b>Education</b>	<b>University of Rochester</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ph.D. in Economics</li><li>• M.A. in Economics</li></ul>	2021 2017
	<b>Universidad de Chile</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• M.Sc. in Applied Economics</li><li>• B.Sc. in Electrical Engineering</li></ul>	2013 2010
<b>Research Interests</b>	Labor Economics, Economics of Education	
<b>Publications</b>	“Two Years Later: How COVID-19 Has Shaped the Teacher Workforce” (2023) (with Andrew Bacher-Hicks and Olivia Chi) - <i>Educational Researcher</i> , 52(4): 219-229	
<b>Working Papers</b>	“College Majors and Earnings Growth” (with Woosuk Choi, Joshua Kinsler, and Ronni Pavan) - <i>R&amp;R at Journal of Labor Economics</i> “Licensure Tests and Teacher Supply” (with Marcus Winters) - <i>R&amp;R at Journal of Human Resources</i> “Neighbors’ Effects on High School Choice” (with Juan Matta) - <i>R&amp;R at Journal of Human Resources</i> “Aspirations, Education, and Occupations” (with Kegan Tan) “Teacher Mis-assessments and High School Outcomes: Heterogeneous Effects by Race and Gender”	

<b>Work in Progress</b>	<p>“Coworker Networks, College Majors, and Earnings Growth”</p> <p>“College Major Choice and Labor Market Matching” (with Choi, Kinsler, and Pavan)</p>	
<b>Seminars and Conferences</b>	<p>2025: Universidad Andrés Bello (Economics), AEFP (scheduled)</p> <p>2023: Universidad Alberto Hurtado (Economics), Northwestern University (School of Education and Social Policy), Boston College (School of Education and Human Development), Eastern Economic Association, AEFP, SOLE</p> <p>2022: AEFP, SOLE, Boston University (Wheelock), Boston University (Applied Micro Workshop)</p>	
<b>Teaching</b>	<p>Economics of Public Policy (Northwestern University, master’s)</p> <p>Economics of Education (Northwestern University, master’s)</p> <p>Econometrics (University of Rochester, undergraduate)</p> <p>Mathematics for Economists (Universidad de Chile, master’s)</p>	
<b>Policy Briefs</b>	<p>Orellana, A. and Winters, M. (2023) “Licensure Tests and Teacher Quality in Connecticut” <i>WEPC Policy Brief</i></p> <p>Bacher-Hicks, A., Chi, O., and Orellana, A. (2021) “COVID-19 and the Composition of the Massachusetts Teacher Workforce” <i>WEPC Policy Brief</i></p>	
<b>Fellowships, Scholarships, and Honors</b>	<p><b>Thomas B. Fordham Institute and American Enterprise Institute</b></p> <p>Emerging Education Policy Scholar</p>	2023
	<p><b>W.E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research</b></p> <p>Early Career Research Award</p>	2022
	<p><b>University of Rochester</b></p> <p>Program in Empirical Policy Research (PEPR) Grant</p> <p>W. Allen Wallis Institute of Political Economy</p>	2020
	<p><b>University of Rochester</b></p> <p>Summer research grant. Department of Economics.</p>	2016-17
	<p><b>University of Rochester</b></p> <p>Fellowship and tuition scholarship. Department of Economics.</p>	2015-20
	<p><b>Conicyt (Scientific Chilean Council)</b></p> <p>Scholarship for master’s degree studies in Chile</p>	2012-13
	<p><b>Universidad de Chile</b></p> <p>Honor List. Electrical Engineering Department, Faculty of Physical and Mathematical Sciences</p>	2009
	<p><b>Universidad de Chile</b></p> <p>Scholarship for undergraduate studies based on academic excellence</p>	2004-09

and socioeconomic background.

**Professional  
Activities**

Referee for *Journal of Human Resources*, *Educational Evaluation and Policy Analysis*,  
*Education Finance and Policy*

Conference Proposal Reviewer for *AERA Conference* (x2), *AEFP* (x2)

**Advising**

**Northwestern University**

2024-25

Academic advisor for Master's in Social and Economic Policy students

**Other**

Languages: English (fluent), Spanish (native)

Computer Skills: Stata, Matlab, C, Fortran

**Personal  
Information**

Date of birth: June 1986

Nationality: Chilean

**References**

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