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

Work in Progress	<p>“Coworker Networks, College Majors, and Earnings Growth”</p> <p>“College Major Choice and Labor Market Matching” (with Choi, Kinsler, and Pavan)</p>	
Seminars and Conferences	<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>	
Teaching	<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>	
Policy Briefs	<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>	
Fellowships, Scholarships, and Honors	<p>Thomas B. Fordham Institute and American Enterprise Institute</p> <p>Emerging Education Policy Scholar</p>	2023
	<p>W.E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research</p> <p>Early Career Research Award</p>	2022
	<p>University of Rochester</p> <p>Program in Empirical Policy Research (PEPR) Grant</p> <p>W. Allen Wallis Institute of Political Economy</p>	2020
	<p>University of Rochester</p> <p>Summer research grant. Department of Economics.</p>	2016-17
	<p>University of Rochester</p> <p>Fellowship and tuition scholarship. Department of Economics.</p>	2015-20
	<p>Conicyt (Scientific Chilean Council)</p> <p>Scholarship for master’s degree studies in Chile</p>	2012-13
	<p>Universidad de Chile</p> <p>Honor List. Electrical Engineering Department, Faculty of Physical and Mathematical Sciences</p>	2009
	<p>Universidad de Chile</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

Last Updated: February 2025