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## Education

Ph.D. in Economics, <a href="#">University of Maryland College Park</a>	2018 - Present
M.Sc. in Applied Economics (with honors), <a href="#">Universidad de Concepción</a>	2014 - 2016
B.Sc. in Economics (with honors), <a href="#">Universidad de Concepción</a>	2009 - 2013

## Fields

International Economics

## Past Experience

Macro Modeling Consultant, Interamerican Development Bank (IDB)	2020
Young Researcher, <a href="#">CLAPES UC</a> , <a href="#">PUC Chile</a>	2016 – 2018

## Pre-PhD Publications

“[Price Controls, Hyperinflation, and the Inflation-Relative Price Variability Relationship](#)”  
with Rodrigo Cerda and Rolf Lüders  
Forthcoming at *Empirical Economics*.

“[Impact of Economic Uncertainty in a Small Open Economy: The Case of Chile](#)”  
with Rodrigo Cerda and José Tomás Valente  
*Applied Economics* (2018), 50(26), pp. 2894 - 2908.

## Book Chapters and Other Publications

“[Towards Measuring Economic Policy Uncertainty in Latin America: A First Little Step](#)”  
*Latin American Policy Journal* (2018), Volume 7, Spring: pp. 68-73.

“[El Financiamiento Escolar en Chile \(School Funding in Chile\)](#)”  
with Sergio Urzúa  
In *Ideas en Educación II: Definiciones en Tiempos de Cambio* (2018), Chapter 7 (In Spanish).

## Referee Work

Ecos de Economía: A Latin American Journal of Applied Economics.

## Research Experience

Research Assistant, Professor <a href="#">Şebnem Kalemli-Özcan</a> , <a href="#">University of Maryland</a>	2020 –
Research Assistant, Professor <a href="#">Rodrigo Cerda</a> , <a href="#">PUC Chile</a>	2015 – 2016
Research Assistant, Professor <a href="#">Felipe Vásquez</a> , <a href="#">UdeC</a>	2014 – 2016

## Teaching Experience

Instructor, <a href="#">Universidad de Concepción (UdeC)</a>	2014 - 2018
<i>Graduate</i> : Introduction to Macroeconomic Theory (x2)	
<i>Undergraduate</i> : Topics in Macroeconomics (x3), Economic Policy (x3), International Economics (x3), Time Series Econometrics.	
Teaching Assistant	2011 - 2017
<i>Graduate</i> : International Economics (MBA, <a href="#">PUC Chile</a> ), Global Macroeconomic Environment (MBA, <a href="#">PUC Chile</a> ; x2), Topics in Macroeconomics ( <a href="#">PUC Chile</a> ), Topics in Applied Economics ( <a href="#">PUC Chile</a> ).	
<i>Undergraduate</i> : Macroeconomics I ( <a href="#">UdeC</a> ), Macroeconomics III ( <a href="#">UdeC</a> , x3), Economics II ( <a href="#">UdeC</a> ), International Macroeconomics ( <a href="#">PUC Chile</a> ).	

## Grants and Awards

Princeton Initiative: Macro, Money, and Finance, <i>Selected Student</i> , Princeton University.	2020
Becas Chile Scholarship, CONYCID	2019 - 2022
Graduate Assistantship, University of Maryland College Park	2018 - 2022
Fellowship for <a href="#">RIDGE</a> , Summer School in Economics, <i>Selected Student</i> , Uruguay.	2016
Outstanding Thesis (Highest score), M. Sc. in Applied Economics, UdeC	2016
Graduate Student Fellowship, UdeC	2014 – 2016

## Datasets

“*Chilean Economic Uncertainty Index*”, which tracks economic uncertainty in the Chilean economy. Reported monthly by [CLAPES UC](#).

“*Chilean Economic Policy Uncertainty Index*”, which tracks economic policy uncertainty in the Chilean economy. Reported monthly at the [Economic Policy Uncertainty](#) website managed by Scott Baker (Northwestern-Kellogg), Nicholas Bloom (Stanford) and Steve Davis (Chicago-Booth).

## Presentations (\*: by Coauthor)

2017: Chilean Economists Association (SECHI) Annual Meeting, UdeC, UDD (Concepción)  
2016: UDD\* (Santiago), Universidad de los Andes\* (Chile), SECHI\*  
2015: SECHI

## Others

Languages: Spanish (Native). English (Fluent).

Softwares/Programming Languages: Stata,  $\text{\LaTeX}$ , MATLAB, Python, EViews, Julia, and HTML.

Status: Married; Citizenship: Chilean; Born: 1991