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Education

Cornell University, Ithaca, United States

Ph.D., Regional Science, August 2018 - present

Advisors: Ravi Kanbur (Chair), Lawrence Blume, Stephen Coate

Universidad del Rosario, Bogotá, Colombia

M.A., Economics of Public Policy, December 2017, *Magna Cum Laude*

Thesis: "Differentiation or uniformity? The minimum wage debate and the urban-rural income gap in Colombia"

Advisor: Prof. Juan F. Vargas

Universidad del Rosario, Bogotá, Colombia

B.Sc., Economics, July 2016

Universidad del Rosario, Bogotá, Colombia

B.A., Political Science and Government, July 2016

Professional Experience

Fedesarrollo, Bogotá, Colombia

Junior Researcher, January 2018 - July 2018

Fedesarrollo, Bogotá, Colombia

Research Assistant & Economic Analyst, August 2015 - December 2017

Fedesarrollo, Bogotá, Colombia

Intern, Macroeconomic and Sectorial Analysis Department, February to July 2015

Teaching Experience

Universidad del Rosario, Bogotá, Colombia

Adjunct Professor, *Economics and Finance for Lawyers*, Department of Economics, Fall 2016-Spring 2018

Teaching Assistant, *Political Economy*, Department of Economics, Fall 2017 | Professors: Juan F. Vargas & Mounu Prem

Academic Tutor, *Econometrics*, Department of Economics, 2013-2015 | Professor: Jesus Otero

School of Business-CESA, Bogotá, Colombia

Adjunct Professor, *Current Economic Problems*, Fall 2017

Teaching Assistant, *Current Economic Problems*, Spring 2016-2017 | Professor: Maria Guerra

Publications

English

- "The Effect of Minimum Wages on Rural Employment: Theory and Evidence from Colombia", *Coyuntura Económica*, 50(1-2): 169-209.

Spanish

- "Elementos para una política pública frente a la crisis de Venezuela" (with Reina, M. & Ramírez, T.), 2018, *Cuadernos de Fedesarrollo*, No 69, 192p.
- "De la política pública a la política gremial: el Fondo de Estabilización de Precios de la Palma de Aceite en Colombia", 2018, *Revista Palmas*, 39(1), 91-119.

- “Revisión de gasto sector comercio, industria y turismo” (with Salazar, N., Barragán, M. & Sánchez, V.), Fedesarrollo, August 2017, <http://www.repository.fedesarrollo.org.co/handle/11445/3505>
- “La estructura de las tarifas de registro en las Cámaras de Comercio y beneficios de sus servicios: impacto sobre la competitividad y la formalidad empresarial” (with Salazar, N. & Navarrete, N.), Fedesarrollo, June 2017, <http://www.repository.fedesarrollo.org.co/handle/11445/3445>
- “Financiación de la educación superior a través del ICETEX: estimación de necesidades de recursos a futuro y propuestas de mecanismos de fondeo” (with Salazar, N. & Correa, C.), Fedesarrollo, November 2016, <http://www.repository.fedesarrollo.org.co/handle/11445/3303>
- “Transferencias intergubernamentales y descentralización de la educación: revisión de la literatura y lineamientos para una propuesta de esquema de distribución de los recursos del SGP orientados a educación ” (with Salazar, N. & Gracia, O.), Chapter 5, Fedesarrollo, March 2016, <http://www.repository.fedesarrollo.org.co/handle/11445/2919>

Scholarships and Awards

- Colciencias-Fulbright Scholarship, September 2017
- Honor Award, Portafolio Prize: Best University Student, November 2016
- Colegial de Número, Universidad del Rosario, February 2016
- Member, The National Society of High School Scholars, April 2010

Additional Coursework and Seminars

- Advanced Impact Evaluation: Endogeneity and Self-selection in complex economic models, Universidad del Rosario, Bogotá, Colombia. Instructors: Miguel Sarzosa & Sergio Urzúa, Summer 2016

Skills

Technical: Microsoft Office · R · Stata · ArcGIS

Language: Spanish (Native) · English (Proficient) · French (Basic)