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EDUCATION

Universidad de los Andes

Bogota, Colombia

Master of Science in Economics.

April 2025

Thesis: Living with the enemy: Foreign occupation and human capital in the long run.

Committee: Francisco Gallego, Juan Sebastián Galán, Sandra Aguilar-Gómez (advisor).

Relevant Coursework: Advanced Econometrics, Advanced Game Theory, Advanced Microeconomics – General Equilibrium Theory, Advanced Long-Term Macroeconomics – Growth Theory, Machine Learning, Real Analysis.

Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú

Lima, Peru

Bachelor of Social Science, Major in Economics.

September 2020

Thesis: The determinants of socio-environmental and mining conflicts in Peru.

Relevant coursework: Political Economy of Development, Development Economics, Institutional Economics, Intermediate Microeconomics, Intermediate Macroeconomics, Econometrics, Mathematics for Economists.

WORK EXPERIENCE

The World Bank Remote

Short-Term Consultant

October 2024 - December 2024

• Replicated and expanded IV regression analysis on international trade and industrial policy in Africa.

IE University Remote

Survey Consultant

December 2023 – September 2024

• Designed, supervised data collection, and analyzed a survey for law firms using Qualtrics.

Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile

Remote

Consultant

January 2024 - March 2024

• Led data cleaning, applied Optical Character Recognition, and conducted text analysis using Python.

Center for Studies on Economic Development (CEDE), Universidad de los Andes

Bogota, Colombia

Research Assistant

July 2022 - June 2023

• Conducted literature review, created data visualization, and systematically reported econometric results from a Randomized Controlled Trial (RCT) in LaTeX.

Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile

Remote

Research Assistant

August 2021 – January 2022

• Conducted literature review, built instrumental variables using paleoclimate data, and systematically reported results in LaTeX.

Ministry of Labor

Lima, Peru

Data Analyst

September 2021 – December 2021

• Led data cleaning and data organization for the National Program for Employability and contributed to report preparation.

Inter-American Development Bank / University of Connecticut

Remote

Research Assistant

November 2020 – March 2021

• Conducted literature review, designed a Randomized Controlled Trial in education, and led data cleaning of large datasets.

Innova PUCP

Lima, Peru

Economic Consultant

April 2020 – September 2020

• Conducted literature review, designed a Randomized Controlled Trial in health, applied text mining and web scraping, and led data cleaning.

Department of Economics, PUCP

Lima, Peru

Research Assistant

December 2018 - March 2020

- Built, managed, and analyzed a database of social conflicts based on 180 reports from the Ombudsman Office over 15 years
- Conducted literature review, delivered presentations, and researched historical physical archives.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Department of Economics, Universidad de los Andes

Bogota, Colombia

Teaching Assistant for the following graduate courses:

- Environmental Justice
- Economic Development of Latin America

August 2024 - December 2024

July 2024

OTHER COURSEWORK

Universidad de los Andes

Doing Open Science: Design of Experiments, Software and Data Use in Research (2022).

Massachusetts Institute of Technology Online (MITx)

MicroMasters Program in Data, Economics, and Development Policy (2022).

University of Michigan (Coursera)

Introduction to Data Science in Python (2020). Applied Plotting, Charting & Data Representation in Python (2020).

Universidad del Pacífico / Nova School of Business and Economics

Summer School: Spatial Analysis, Land-Use, and the Environment (2020).

Master of Science in Economics - PUCP

Design and Evaluation of Social Policy (2019). Advanced Econometrics: Cross-Sectional and Panel Data (2018).

ACADEMIC PRESENTATION

The XXI Research Institute for Development, Growth, and Economics (RIDGE) forum.

Workshop on Historical Development – Speaker

May 2025

Organized by the Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association (LACEA) and the Economic History Network (EHN). The event took place at Universidad del Pacífico, in Lima, Peru. Presented: Living with the enemy: Foreign occupation and human capital in the long run.

AWARDS

Full scholarship to attend the RIDGE Summer School and the LACEA-LAMES Congress 2024 in Montevideo, Uruguay. Full scholarship to attend the RIDGE Summer School and the IEA World Congress 2023 in Medellín, Colombia.

SKILLS

Programming: Stata (Advanced), R (Intermediate), Python (Intermediate), Visual Basic (for Excel).

Software: ArcGIS (Intermediate), QGIS (Basic), GeoDa (Basic), Qualtrics (Basic), SurveyCTO (Basic), MS Office, LATEX,

 Git .

Languages: Spanish (Native), English (Advanced).

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Peruvian citizen. Based in Bogota, Colombia, with availability to relocate.

ACADEMIC REFERENCES

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