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EDUCATION

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

Ph.D. in Economics

August 2015 – May 2022 Urbana, IL

STEM, Quantitative Economics and Econometrics after 2016

Research: "Essays on the Design of Criminal Justice Institutions"
Fields: Labor Economics, Applied Microeconomics, Political Economy

University of Chile M.S. in Economics

August 2013 - May 2015

Santiago, Chile

Master's Thesis: "Costly Information Acquisition and Voluntary Voting"

Major GPA: 6.5/7.0 (equiv 4.0/4.0), Maximum Distinction

B.S. in Industrial Engineering | Major GPA: 6.1/7.0 (equiv 4.0/4.0), Maximum Distinction

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Banco de Crédito e Inversiones (BCI)

January 2015 – July 2015

Santiago, Chile

Process Engineer, Risk Management Team

• Development of procedures for Volcker Rule compliance.

August 2012 – July 2013

Analyst, Strategy Department

IM Trust

Santiago, Chile

• Asset allocation using multi-factor asset pricing models and Black-Litterman approach.

Portfolio risk exposure using VaR.

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

Teaching Assistant of "Big Data Analytics", Gies College of Business

January 2020 - present

• Topics covered: data visualization, machine learning, A/B testing, R programming within AWS.

Urbana, IL

Teaching Assistant of "Principles of Microeconomics", Department of Economics

August 2016 - December 2019

Urbana, IL

Research Assistant, Department of Economics

May 2016 – Jul 2016, May 2019 – Jul 2019, May 2020 – Dec 2020 Urbana, IL

- Health production modeling using constrained optimization methods in Matlab and R.
- Built and geocoded panel dataset of Federal Firearms Licenses and (web-scraped) gun-related accidents.
- Data analysis and spatial visualization using R, Python, and QGIS.
- Causal inference with few clusters (wild and score bootstrap).

SKILLS

- R (Advanced), Stata (Advanced), Python, Matlab, Java, SQL, GIS
- Econometrics, Causal Inference, Machine Learning
- Data Mining, Web Scraping, Data Visualization
- Advanced Presentation and Reporting Skills with LATEX and Microsoft Office

RESEARCH

- Crime and (Monetary) Punishment
- Time to Trial: Plea Bargaining with a Deadline
- Value-Added in the Criminal Justice System (with Rebecca Thornton)
- Quorum Rules in a Multiple-Issue Referendum (with Ricardo Piqué)

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

- Graduate Fellowship, Department of Economics, UIUC
- Summer Research Award, Department of Economics, UIUC
- List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent, UIUC

LANGUAGES

• English (fluent), Catalan (intermediate), Spanish (native)

REFERENCES

Professor Rebecca Thornton UIUC, Department of Economics rebeccat@illinois.edu

Professor Alexander Bartik UIUC, Department of Economics abartik@illinois.edu Professor Benjamin Marx UIUC, Department of Economics benmarx@illinois.edu