

DIOGO BAERLOCHER

(UPDATED: SEPTEMBER 22, 2025)

CONTACT INFORMATION	Department of Economics 4202 E. Fowler Avenue, CMC342 Tampa, FL, 33620	E-Mail: baerlocher@usf.edu Website: diogobaerlocher.github.io
ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS	University of South Florida · Department of Economics, <i>Assistant Professor</i>	2019 - present
EDUCATION	University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign · Ph.D. in Economics	2012 - 2019
	Universidade Federal de Pernambuco · M.Sc. in Economics · B.Sc. in Economics	2010 - 2012 2005 - 2009
RESEARCH INTERESTS	Economic Growth and Development, Public Economics, Demographic Economics	
WORKING PAPERS UNDER REVIEW	Racial Self-Classification, Group Consciousness, and Representation (with Rodrigo Schneider) Skills and the Regulation of Labor Finding Home When Disaster Strikes: Dust Bowl Migration and Housing in Los Angeles (with Gustavo Cortes and Vinicios Sant'Anna) ↳ <i>Selected Presentations</i> : AREUEA/ASSA Meeting · World Bank Land Conference · UEA Conference · NEUDC · Midwest International Economic Development Conference Old but Gold: Historical Pathways and Path Dependence (with Diego Firmino, Guilherme Lambais, Eustaquio Reis and Henrique Veras) ↳ <i>Selected Presentations</i> : LACEA · 2 nd LAUrban Meeting · European Winter Meeting of Econometric Society · UEA Conference	
PEER-REVIEWED PAPERS	Natural Disasters and Voting Behavior under Authoritarian Regimes: Evidence from the Brazilian Shrimp Vote <i>Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization</i> , 234, 106998, (2025) (with Renata Caldas, Francisco Cavalcanti and Rodrigo Schneider) Financial Exclusion and Inflation Costs <i>Economic Theory Bulletin</i> , 12, 87-105 (2024) Public Employment and Economic Growth <i>Economic Theory</i> , 73, 211–236 (2022) Cold Bacon: Co-Partisan Politics in Brazil <i>Public Choice</i> , 189, 161–182 (2021) (with Rodrigo Schneider) Female Labor Force Participation and Economic Growth: Accounting for the Gender Bonus <i>Economics Letters</i> , 200, 109740 (2021) (with Stephen Parente and Eduardo Rios-Neto)	

Aggregate Shocks and the Brazilian Housing Market Dynamics
EconomiA, 20, 2 (2019)
(with Cassio N. Bessaria and Marcelo E. A. Silva)

Economic Effects of Demographic Dividend in Brazilian Regions
The Journal of Economics of Ageing, 14, 100198 (2019)
(with Stephen Parente and Eduardo Rios-Neto)

Fiscal Shocks, the Real Exchange Rate and the Trade Balance: Some Evidence for Emerging Economies
The B.E. Journal of Macroeconomics, 15, 2 (2015)
(with Henrique Veras and Marcelo E. A. Silva)

PEER-REVIEWED
PAPERS
(PORTUGUESE)

Distributional Characteristics and the Impact of Tax Reform on Households' Welfare in Brazil
Revista Brasileira de Economia, 67, 3 (2013)
(with José Ricardo Nogueira and Rozane Siqueira)

Effects of Fiscal Shocks on Brazilian Labor Market
Revista Brasileira de Economia, 67, 2 (2013)
(with Igor E. M. Silva and Marcelo E. A. Silva)

Trade Potential and Effectiveness between the Brazilian Northeast and MERCOSUR
Revista Econômica do Nordeste, 44, 2 (2013)
(with Renata Caldas and Joao Policarpo R. Lima)

The Marginal Social Cost of Indirect Taxation in Brazil: Identifying Tax Reform Directions
Brazilian Journal of Applied Economics, 16, 3 (2012)
(with José Ricardo Nogueira, Rozane Siqueira, and Evaldo Souza)

WORKING
PAPERS

Early-Life Exposure to Malaria and Adult Mortality: Evidence from the Brazilian Eradication Campaign
(with Henrique Veras)

WORK IN
PROGRESS

Beyond Appearance: The Socioeconomic and Historical Roots of Racial Identity in Brazil
(with Renata Caldas and Francisco Cavalcanti)

From Stagnation to Growth: The Role of Expropriation Risk on the Fertility Transition
(with Henrique Veras and Stephen Parente)

PRESENTATIONS

SCHEDULED

Invited

2025: MWIEDC · University of Central Florida · LACEA
2024: Mariana Talks · Urban Economic Association · Florida WATE
2023: Sustain-A-Bull Series · Florida WATE
2022: Annual SAET Conference · Florida WATE
2020: BCAM VI: Online Workshop on Public Employment · SEA Annual Meeting
2019: Kenyon College · University of Wisconsin at Whitewater · University of South Florida
· University of Windsor

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

(STUDENTS' EVALUATIONS
IN PARENTHESES)

University of South Florida:

- *Macroeconomics II, graduate level:*
Spring 2021 (Hybrid, 4.83/5) · Spring 2023 (4.5/5) · Spring 2025 (4.75/5)
- *Intermediate Macroeconomics, undergraduate level:*
Fall 2019 (4.1/5) · Spring 2020 (Hybrid, 3.7,3.1/5) ·
Fall 2020 (Online, 4.1,4.25/5) · Fall 2021 (4.19/5) ·
Spring 2022 (3.95/5) · Fall 2022 (4.63/5) · Spring 2023 (3.6/5)
Fall 2023 (3.25/5) · Spring 2024 (4.5, 4.5/5) · Summer 2024 (4.5/5) ·
Fall 2024 (4.29/5) · Summer 2025 (4 / 5)
- *Economic Growth, undergraduate level:*
Fall 2021 (4.25/5) · Spring 2024 (5/5)

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign:

- *Economic Growth, undergraduate level:*
Fall 2014 (4.6/5)* · Spring 2015 (4.1/5) · Summer 2015 (4.2/5) ·
Fall 2015 (4.3/5) · Spring 2016 (5/5) · Fall 2018 (4.6/5)* · Spring 2019 (4.2/5)
- *Teacher Assistant – Macroeconomic Theory, graduate level:*
Fall 2016 (4.9/5)** · Spring 2017 (5/5)** · Fall 2017 (4.6/5)* ·
Spring 2018 (4.4/5)*
- *Teacher Assistant – Microeconomics Principles, undergraduate level:*
Fall 2013 (4.2/5) · Spring 2014 (Head TA, 4.2/5)

* Awarded in the "List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent by their Students"

** Outstanding Rating (Distinction for University-wide Top 10% instructors)

Universidade Federal de Pernambuco:

- *Microeconomics Principles, undergraduate level:* 2011.1
- *Teacher Assistant – Brazilian Economy, undergraduate level:* 2009.1
- *Teacher Assistant – Microeconomics Principles, undergraduate level:*

HONORS, AWARDS AND GRANTS

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign:

Robert E. Demarest Memorial Teaching Award (2016, 2017) · Summer Research Fellowship (2016) · Robert Willis Harberson Memorial Dissertation Fellowship (2014)

Universidade Federal de Pernambuco:

Best Master's Thesis in the Department of Economics (2012)

Conferences:

Encontro Pernambucano de Economia: Second best article (2014) · Brazilian Northeastern Bank: Third best Master's Thesis (2013)

SERVICE

University of South Florida:

- *Economics Department:*
 - Research committee (2019 - 2021)
 - Annual Evaluations Guidelines Committee (2021)
 - WATE organizing committee (2022)
 - Chair of Research Committee (2022 - present)

- *College of Arts and Science:*
 - Graduate committee (2022 - 2024)

Scientific Committee:

Brazilian Econometric Society Conference (2025)

Referee Reports:

Revista Brasileira de Economia · The B.E. Journal of Macroeconomics (×3) · Nova Economia · Public Choice (×2) · World Development (×2) · Population Review · Social Policy and Administration · Applied Economics Letters · Journal of Labor Research · Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization (×2) · Economic Modelling · Economic Analysis and Policy · Economic Theory · Quarterly Review of Economics and Finance

Dissertation Committee:

Brian Hornung (USF, PhD Economics) · Maksat Jumamyradov (USF, PhD Economics) · Karina Gabitova (USF, PhD Economics) · Jefferson Vieira Brito da Hora (UFPE, Masters Economics) · Benedetta Bastianelli (Co-Chair, USF, PhD Economics) · Sheikh Ashekan (Co-Chair, USF, PhD Economics)