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Publications

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Academic Appointments	Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University of Michigan 2024- Postdoctoral Research Associate, Industrial Relations Section, Princeton University 2023-2024	
Affiliations	Research Affiliate, IZA Institute of Labor Economics 2023-	
EDUCATION	Ph.D. in Economics, UC Berkeley Committee: Danny Yagan (chair), Patrick Kline, Emmanuel Saez M.A. in Economics, Universidad de Chile Committee: Eduardo Engel (chair), Andrea Repetto, Claudio Agostini B.A. in Business and Economics, Universidad de Chile 2013	
Working Papers	Minimum Wages and Optimal Redistribution: The Role of Firm Profits	
	Place-Based Redistribution (with Cecile Gaubert, Patrick Kline, and Danny Yagan) $R \& R$ at the American Economic Review	
	Directed Search, Wages, and Non-Wage Amenities: Evidence from an Online Job Board (with Verónica Escudero and Hannah Liepmann)	
	Workplace Litigiousness and Labor Market Outcomes: Evidence from a Workers' Compensation Reform (with Maximiliano Lauletta)	
	An Observational Implementation of the Outcome Test with an Application to Ethnic Prejudice in Pretrial Detentions (with Nicolás Grau)	
	Discrimination Against Immigrants in the Criminal Justice System: Evidence from Pretrial Detentions (with Patricio Domínguez and Nicolás Grau)	
SELECTED WORK IN PROGRESS	Minimum Wages and the Distribution of Firm Wage Premia (with Marcelo Bergolo, Rodrigo Ceni, and Mathias Fondo)	
Refereed Publications	Do Policies and Institutions Matter for Pre-Tax Income Inequality? Cross-Country Evidence. International Tax and Public Finance, vol. 29(1), 20-52, 2022	
	Combining Discrimination Diagnostics to Identify Sources of Statistical Discrimination (with Patricio Domínguez and Nicolás Grau). <i>Economics Letters, vol. 212, 110294, 2022</i>	
	Ambiguity and Long-Run Cooperation in Strategic Games (with Marco Rojas). Oxford Economic Papers, vol. $73(3)$, $1077-1098$, 2021	
	Using Small Businesses for Individual Tax Planning: Evidence from Special Tax Regimes in Chile (with Claudio Agostini, Eduardo Engel, and Andrea Repetto). International Tax and Public Finance, vol. 25(6), 1449-1489, 2018	
M. D.		

Trends in US Spatial Inequality: Concentrating Affluence and a Democratization of Poverty (with Cecile Gaubert, Patrick Kline, and Danny Yagan). AEA Papers and Proceedings, vol. 111, 520-525, 2021

A Simple Model of Corporate Tax Incidence (with Dustin Swonder). AEA Papers and Proceedings 114,

Pre-Doctoral Research and Policy Papers

Diagnóstico Distributivo de Ingreso y Patrimonio, y Análisis de la Propuesta de Reforma Tributaria en Materia de Renta y Riqueza (in Spanish, with Nicolás Bohme, Ignacio Flores, Pablo Gutiérrez, Raimundo Smith, and Patricio Valenzuela). Ministry of Finance, Policy Report, Chile, 2022

Natural Resources and Educational Attainment: Evidence from Chile (with Roberto Álvarez). Resources Policy, vol. 76, 102573, 2022

Análisis de la Implementación de las Nuevas Reglas de Financiamiento a la Política y Campañas Electorales (in Spanish, with Eduardo Engel, María Jaraquemada, and Nicolás Campos). Informe de Políticas Públicas, Espacio Público, 2018

Principios para una Reforma al Sistema de Pensiones (in Spanish, with Eduardo Engel, Eduardo Fajnzylber, Patricio Fernández, Sebastián Gray, and Andrea Repetto). Informe de Políticas Públicas, Espacio Público, 2017

Sistema de Pensiones: Opiniones y Demandas Ciudadanas (in Spanish). Documento de Referencia, Espacio Público, 2017

BOOK CHAPTERS

Cómo Diseñar Impuestos: Teoría Económica y Evidencia Empírica (in Spanish). In Impuestos Justos para el Chile que Viene, edited by Jorge Atria and Cristóbal Otero, FCE, Chile

AWARDS, HONORS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

2022 O-Lab Initiative on Racial Equity in the Labor Market, Fellowship, UC Berkeley

2021-2022 Law, Economics, and Politics Center (LEAP), Fellowship, UC Berkeley

2021 Center of Equitable Growth (CEG), Fellowship, UC Berkeley

Strandberg Fund for Gender Equity in Economics, Grant, UC Berkeley

2020 Burch Center, Fellowship, UC Berkeley

2019 Institute of International Studies (IIS), Grant, UC Berkeley

2017 Lindau Nobel Laurate Meetings in Economic Sciences (selected participant), Lindau, Germany

2016 Best Student of Class, M.A. in Economics, Universidad de Chile

2015 Chilean Engineers Association Award to the best undergraduate students

2014-2015 Scientific Chilean Council (CONICYT), Fellowship for Master Studies, Chile

2014 Top 1% of Class, B.A. in Economics, Universidad de Chile

SEMINARS AND Conferences (Scheduled *) 2024 ASSA Annual Meetings, Columbia Junior Micro-Macro Labor Conference, Princeton University, APEX Workshop (Australian National University), 7th Junior Applied Micro Conference (EIEF), Princeton Global Minimum Wages Conference*

Bocconi University, OECD (CFE and ELS/JAI), Yale University, Princeton University, University of Chicago (Harris), Northwestern University, University of Chicago (Booth), University of Michigan, UCLA, LEAP Conference (Berkeley), IIPF Annual Congress, GRAPE-IMD Seminar, Brookings Economic Studies, Universidad de Chile

Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez, UC Berkeley (x3), Universidad de la República de Uruguay, OPFS Workshop for Graduate Students, O-Lab Workshop for Graduate Students, LMF Job Market Workshop

UC Berkeley (x3), LACEA Workshop on the Economics of Crime, RIDGE Workshop on Public Economics, NTA 114th Annual Conference on Taxation

UC Berkeley, Universidad de Chile 2020

2017 NTA 110th Annual Conference on Taxation

2016 16th SAET Conference, Universidad de Chile, Chilean Economists Association (SECHI) Annual Meetings, LACEA-LAMES Annual Meetings

Referee Services In alphabetical order: Applied Economic Letters, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of Economic Inequality, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Regional Science, Journal of Urban Economics, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, Structural Change and Economic Dynamics

Conference Organizing 2024 North-East Labor Symposium, NELS (Princeton)

Teaching

At University of Michigan: Graduate Public Economics (ECON 683, Fall 2024)

At UC Berkeley (2018-2022, as Graduate Student Instructor): Mathematical Tools for Economics (Graduate, x4), Intermediate Microeconomics (Undergraduate, x1)

At Universidad de Chile (2009-2015, as Teaching Assistant): Mathematical Methods (Graduate, x1), Macroeconomics I (Graduate, x2), Macroeconomics I (Graduate, x2), Microeconomics I (Graduate, x1), Calculus I (Undergraduate, x2), Development Economics (Undergraduate, x2), Econometrics I (Undergraduate, x1), Introduction to Economics (Undergraduate, x1), Mathematical Methods for Economics (Undergraduate, x1), Microeconomics I (Undergraduate, x2), Microeconomics II (Undergraduate, x3)

Professional and	Tax Policy Advisor, Ministry of Finance, Chile	2022
Research	Research Assistant, Department of Economics, UC Berkeley	2018-2020
Experience	Researcher, Espacio Público, Santiago, Chile	2016-2017
	Research Assistant, Department of Economics, Universidad de Chile, Santiago, Chile	2012-2016
	Research Assistant, Chilean Antitrust Agency, Santiago, Chile	2012-2013
	Research Assistant, ECLAC, Economic Development Department, Santiago, Chile	2010-2011

OTHER Languages: Spanish (native), English (fluent)

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