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## EDUCATION

- 2012 – 17 Ph.D. Economics, University of California – Berkeley  
*Dissertation:* “[Essays in Political Economy and Institutions](#)”  
*Committee:* Edward Miguel (chair), Federico Finan, Solomon Hsiang.
- 2008 – 10 M.A. Economics, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile
- 2007 Visiting Student, Business and Economics, University of St. Gallen, Switzerland
- 2004 – 08 B.A. Business and Economics, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile

## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

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|-----------|---------------------|-------------------|--|
| 2017 –    | Assistant Professor | Dept. Economics   | Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile |
| 2014 – 17 | Doctoral Fellow     | Global Policy Lab | University of California – Berkeley      |
| 2010 – 12 | Research Associate  | Dept. Economics   | Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile |

## RESEARCH AREAS

Political Economy, Economic History, and Public Policy.

## MAIN PUBLICATIONS

1. [Lost in transition? The persistence of dictatorship mayors](#)  
*Journal of Development Economics*, 151:102669, 2021, with P. Muñoz and M. Prem.
2. [Collective action and policy implementation: Evidence from Salvador Allende’s expropriations](#)  
*Journal of Economic History*, 81(2):405-440, 2021, with F. Vial.
3. [The geography of repression and opposition to autocracy](#)  
*American Journal of Political Science*, 2021, with M.A. Bautista, L. Martínez, P. Muñoz M. Prem.
4. [Distorted quality signals in school markets](#)  
*Journal of Development Economics*, 147:102532, 2020, with J.I. Cuesta, and C. L. Philippi.
5. [Privatization and business groups: Evidence from the Chicago Boys in Chile](#)  
*Explorations in Economic History*, 78:101355, 2020, with F. Aldunate, M. Prem, F. Urzúa.
6. [Collective action in networks: Evidence from the Chilean student movement](#)  
*Journal of Public Economics*, 188:104220, 2020.
7. [Losing your dictator: Firms during political transition](#)  
*Journal of Economic Growth*, 25(2):227-257, 2020, with M. Prem.
8. [The privatization origins of political corporations: Evidence from the Pinochet regime](#)  
*Journal of Economic History*, 80(2):417-456, 2020, with M. Prem and F. Urzúa.

9. [Non-economic factors in violence: Evidence from organized crime, suicides and climate in Mexico](#)  
*Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, 168:434-452, 2019, with C. Baysan et al.
10. [Can television bring down a dictator? Evidence from Chile's 'No' campaign](#)  
*Journal of Comparative Economics*, 46(1):349-361, 2018, with M. Prem.
11. [The value of political capital: Dictatorship collaborators as business elites](#)  
*Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, 155:217-230, 2018, with M. Prem.
12. [Start-up nation? Slave wealth and entrepreneurship in Civil War Maryland](#)  
*Journal of Economic History*, 77(2):373-405, 2017, with G. Marshall and S. Naidu.
13. [War and local collective action in Sierra Leone: A comment on coefficient stability approaches](#)  
*Journal of Public Economics*, 128:30-33, 2015, with E. Miguel.

## WORKING PAPERS

1. [The economics of the public option: Evidence from local pharmaceutical markets](#)  
with J.P. Atal, J.I. Cuesta, and C. Otero. Revision requested, *American Economic Review*.
2. [Fear of the police: Evidence from student protests](#)  
with M. Prem. Revision requested, *Review of Economics and Statistics*.
3. [The impact of the Women's March on the 2018 U.S. House Election](#)  
with M. Larreboure. November 2021.
4. [Making the economy scream? U.S. banks and foreign firms during the Cold War](#)  
with F. Aldunate and M. Prem. October 2021.
5. [The political consequences of vaccines: Quasi-experimental evidence from eligibility rules](#)  
with E. Depetris-Chauvin. October 2021.
6. [Dictatorship, higher education and social mobility](#)  
with M.A. Bautista, L. Martínez, P. Muñoz M. Prem. August 2021.
7. [Does higher education reduce mortality? Evidence from a natural experiment in Chile](#)  
with M.A. Bautista, L. Martínez, P. Muñoz M. Prem. May 2021.

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

### A. Book Chapters

- [The legacy of the Pinochet regime](#)  
In: *Roots of Underdevelopment* (Ed. Felipe Valencia), forthcoming, with M. Prem.
- [Local impacts of trade liberalization: Evidence from the Chilean agricultural sector](#)  
In: *Economic Policy in Emerging-Market Economies*, 2015, with J.I. Cuesta and F. Gallego.

## B. Interdisciplinary

- Reply to: Temporal displacement, adaptation and the effect of climate on suicide rates  
*Nature Climate Change*, 10:502-504, 2020, with M. Burke et al.
- Higher temperatures increase suicide rates in the United States and Mexico  
*Nature Climate Change*, 8(8):723-729, 2018, with M. Burke et al.
- Drug trafficking organizations and local economic activity in Mexico  
*PLoS ONE*, 10(9):e0137319, 2015.

## C. Pre-Doctoral

- Railroads, specialization, and population growth: Evidence from the first globalization  
*Journal of Population Economics*, 34:1027-1072, with A. Forero and F. Gallego.
- Immigration and human capital: Consequences of a nineteenth century settlement policy  
*Cliometrica*, 14(3):443-477.
- Can land reform avoid a left turn? Evidence from Chile after the Cuban revolution  
*The B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis & Policy*, 14(1):31-72.

## D. Policy Articles

- Candidates or onlookers? An analysis of the impact of the quota law  
*Estudios Públicos*, 154:7-41, 2019, with J. Galeno and F. Gallego (in spanish).
- University inclusion policies and strategic behaviour in secondary education  
*Estudios Públicos*, 149:41-73, 2018, with E. Johnson (in spanish).
- Chile's agrarian reform  
*Estudios Públicos*, 146:7-48, 2017, with J.I. Cuesta, J. Díaz, F. Gallego, and G. Marshall (in spanish).

## CONFERENCES

- |      |  |
|------|--|
| 2021 | AEA*, RES, Essen Health*, ASHE*, ABCDE*, APSA*, RIDGE*, LACEA* (x3).   |
| 2020 | NEUDC* (x3), RIDGE Public Economics*, RIDGE Political Economy*, BCDE, EEA*.  |
| 2019 | PECO*, CSAE* (Oxford), RIDGE Impact Evaluation*, WEAI*, ESOC*, CEPAL, Conference on Corruption (Oxford-USACH), EH Clio Lab, SECHI, HiCN* (PSE), LACEA*.  |
| 2018 | Long-run Development in Latin America (LSE, Stanford, U Andes), RIDGE Political Economy, CEPAL, Luksburg (PUC, Notre Dame), EH Clio Lab, SECHI, LACEA, Political Economy Workshop (PEPS, UChile), Workshop Economic Development (PUC). |
| 2017 | WEAI, Political Economy of Finance* (U of Chicago), EH Clio Lab, LACEA, LAMES.   |
| 2016 | PacDev, EMCON*, DEVPEC, Bay Area Labor Conference, SECHI, LACEA.   |

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## INVITED TALKS

- 2021 UC Berkeley, UC Merced, U. Florida, UC Santa Cruz, UC Davis, EH of Dev. Regions.  
2020 U. Chile, UAI, UDP, U. Mayor, Historia Económica de América Latina.  
2019 Sao Paulo School of Economics, Insper.  
2018 UAH, U. República (Montevideo), Warwick, U. Chile, UAI, U. Rosario, PUC, CEA.  
2017 UC Berkeley, Warwick, FGV/EPGE, U. Santiago, PUC, Gothenburg, IESE Business, CGD, U. Chile, Los Andes, UDP, U. Talca.

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

### A. Editorial Boards

- 2021 – 24 *Explorations in Economic History*

### B. Committees and Councils

- 2021 Economic Council of Presidential Candidate  
2021 LACEA Scientific Committee  
2021 Junior Hiring Committee  
2020 Junior Hiring Committee  
2020 Organizer Second Alumni Conference  
2019 Organizer First Alumni Conference  
2019 Organizer Economic History and Clio Lab Conference  
2019 Organizer Applied Micro Seminar  
2018 Organizer Applied Micro Seminar

### C. Referee Service

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|---|---|
| <i>America Economic Journal: Applied</i>        | <i>Journal of Development Economics</i> |
| <i>American Political Science Review</i>        | <i>Journal of Economic Growth</i>       |
| <i>Economic Development and Cultural Change</i> | <i>Journal of Economic History</i>      |
| <i>Economic Journal</i>                         | <i>Journal of Politics</i>              |
| <i>Explorations in Economic History</i>         | <i>Journal of Public Economics</i>      |

## TEACHING

- 2022 Applied Microeconometrics, Political Economy  
2021 Applied Microeconometrics, Political Economy  
2020 Applied Microeconometrics, Econometrics  
2019 Applied Microeconometrics, Econometrics, Spatial and Network Analysis  
2018 Applied Microeconometrics, Spatial and Network Analysis  
2017 Political Economy  
2016 Spatial and Network Analysis

## RESEARCH AND TEACHING AWARDS

- 2020 Biannual teaching award (Department of Economics).
- 2020 Arthur H. Cole Prize for “The privatization origins of political corporations.”
- 2019 Outstanding teaching award (PUC). Undergraduate course: Econometrics.
- 2018 Outstanding teaching award (PUC). Graduate course: Applied Microeconomics.
- 2017 Outstanding teaching award (PUC). Undergraduate course: Political Economy.
- 2017 Nominated to the Juan Luis Londoño Prize for “Distorted quality signals”.
- 2012 Outstanding teaching award (PUC). Undergraduate course: Introduction to Economics.
- 2010 Highest honors in M.A. thesis published as “Can land reform avoid a left turn?”

## GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2021 Fondecyt Regular. Project: “The economy of Salvador Allende.”
- 2017 Fondecyt Inicio. Project: “The economics of the Pinochet regime.”
- 2017 Programa de Inserción Académica (PUC).
- 2016 Doctoral Completion Fellowship (UC Berkeley)
- 2016 Development Economics Challenge Grant (CEGA)
- 2016 Graduate Division Summer Grant (UC Berkeley)
- 2015 Weiss Family Fund for Research in Development (with S. Hsiang and J. Magruder)
- 2015 Exploratory Travel and Data Grant (Economic History Association)
- 2014 SCID Graduate Student Fellowship in International Development (Stanford)
- 2014 Levin Family Seed Grant (CEGA)

## REFERENCES

- Edward Miguel*, Oxfam Professor in Environmental and Resource Economics, UC Berkeley.
- Frederico Finan*, Professor of Economics and Business Administration, UC Berkeley.
- Gerard Roland*, E. Morris Cox Professor of Economics and Professor of Political Science, UC Berkeley.
- Solomon Hsiang*, Chancellor’s Professor of Public Policy, UC Berkeley.

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