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EDUCATION

2012 – 17	Ph.D.	Economics	University of California – Berkeley
2004 – 10	B.A., M.A.	Economics	Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

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.

PUBLICATIONS

1. [Lost in transition? The persistence of dictatorship mayors](#)
Journal of Development Economics, forthcoming, with P. Muñoz and M. Prem.
2. [The geography of repression and opposition to autocracy](#)
American Journal of Political Science, forthcoming, with M.A. Bautista, L. Martínez, P. Muñoz M. Prem.
3. [Railroads, specialization, and population growth: Evidence from the first globalization](#)
Journal of Population Economics, forthcoming, with A. Forero and F. Gallego.
4. [Collective action and policy implementation: Evidence from Salvador Allende's expropriations](#)
Journal of Economic History, 81(2), 2021, with F. Vial.
5. [Distorted quality signals in school markets](#)
Journal of Development Economics, 147:102532, 2020, with J.I. Cuesta, and C. L. Philippi.
Nominated to the Juan Luis Londoño Prize.
6. [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.
7. [Collective action in networks: Evidence from the Chilean student movement](#)
Journal of Public Economics, 188:104220, 2020.
8. [Losing your dictator: Firms during political transition](#)
Journal of Economic Growth, 25(2):227-257, 2020, with M. Prem.

9. [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.
Winner of the Arthur H. Cole Prize.
10. [Immigration and human capital: Consequences of a nineteenth century settlement policy](#)
Cliometrica, 14(3):443-477, 2020.
11. [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.
12. [Can television bring down a dictator? Evidence from Chile's 'No' campaign](#)
Journal of Comparative Economics, 46(1):349-361, 2018, with M. Prem.
13. [The value of political capital: Dictatorship collaborators as business elites](#)
Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization, 155:217-230, 2018, with M. Prem.
14. [Higher temperatures increase suicide rates in the United States and Mexico](#)
Nature Climate Change, 8(8):723-729, 2018, with M. Burke et al.
15. [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.
16. [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.
17. [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, 2013.

OTHER ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

18. [“The economic legacy of the Pinochet regime”](#)
Chapter prepared for the book “Roots of underdevelopment”, Ed. Felipe Valencia, with M. Prem.
19. [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.
20. [¿Candidatas o espectadoras? Un análisis del impacto de la ley de cuotas](#)
Estudios Públicos, 154:7-41, 2019, with J. Galeno and F. Gallego.
21. [Políticas de inclusión universitaria y comportamiento estratégico en educación secundaria](#)
Estudios Públicos, 149:41-73, 2018, with E. Johnson.
22. [La reforma agraria chilena](#)
Estudios Públicos, 146:7-48, 2017, with J.I. Cuesta, J. Díaz, F. Gallego, and G. Marshall.
23. [Drug trafficking organizations and local economic activity in Mexico](#)
PLoS ONE, 10(9):e0137319, 2015.
24. [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.

CONFERENCES

- 2021 AEA*, RES, Essen Health*.
- 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 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, CEP.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Editorial Board: *Explorations in Economic History* (2021-2024).
- Referee for the *AEJ Applied*, *Journal of Public Economics*, *Journal of Economic History*, *Journal of Economic Growth*, *Economic Journal*, *Journal of Development Economics*, *Journal of Politics*, *PLOS ONE*, *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, *Journal of Environmental Economics and Management*.
- Member of the Hiring Committee (2020, 2021), Organizer of the Alumni Conference (2019-2020), Organizer of the EH Clio Lab Conference (2019), Organizer of the Applied Micro Seminar (2018-2019).

TEACHING

- Applied Microeconometrics (2018-), Econometrics (2019-2020), Political Economics (2018, 2021), Spatial and Network Analysis (2018-2020).

HONORS, GRANTS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2021 – 24 Fondecyt Regular (Government of Chile). Project: “The economy of Salvador Allende.”
- 2020 Biannual outstanding teaching award (Instituto de Economía).
- 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 Economics.
- 2017 Nominated to the Juan Luis Londoño Prize for “Distorted quality signals”.
- 2017 – 20 Fondecyt Inicio (Government of Chile). Project: “The economics of the Pinochet regime.”
- 2017 – 20 Programa de Inserción Académica (PUC).
- 2016 – 17 Doctoral Completion Fellowship (UC Berkeley)
- 2016 Development Economics Challenge Grant (CEGA)
- 2016 Graduate Division Summer Grant (UC Berkeley)
- 2015 – 16 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)
- 2012 – 15 Conicyt Chile Ph.D. Fellowship (Government of Chile)
- 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?”

REFERENCES

Ted Miguel (Berkeley), *Fred Finan* (Berkeley), *Sol Hsiang* (Berkeley), and *Suresh Naidu* (Columbia).

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