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## Education

- 2012 – 17 [University of California – Berkeley](#)  
Ph.D. Economics, *Dissertation: Essays in Political Economy and Institutions*
- 2004 – 10 [Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile](#)  
M.A. Economics – B.A. Business and Economics

## Current Position

- 2022 – [Queen Mary University of London](#)  
Senior Lecturer – School of Economics and Finance

## Journal Articles

1. [The economics of the public option: Evidence from local pharmaceutical markets](#)  
*American Economic Review*, forthcoming, with J.P. Atal, J.I. Cuesta, and C. Otero.
2. [Higher education and mortality: Legacies of an authoritarian college contraction](#)  
*Journal of the European Economic Association*, forthcoming, with L. Martínez, P. Muñoz, and M. Prem.
3. [Police violence, student protests, and educational performance](#)  
*Review of Economics and Statistics*, 2024, with M. Prem.
4. [The limits of hegemony: U.S. banks and Chilean firms in the Cold War](#)  
*Journal of Development Economics*, 166:103212, 2024, with F. Aldunate and M. Prem.
5. [The intergenerational transmission of higher education: Evidence from the 1973 coup in Chile](#)  
*Explorations in Economic History*, 90:101540, 2023, with M.A. Bautista, L. Martínez, P. Muñoz, and M. Prem.
6. [The geography of repression and opposition to autocracy](#)  
*American Journal of Political Science*, 67(1):101-118, 2023, with M.A. Bautista, L. Martínez, P. Muñoz, and M. Prem.
7. [Lost in transition? The persistence of dictatorship mayors](#)  
*Journal of Development Economics*, 151:102669, 2021, with P. Muñoz and M. Prem.
8. [Collective action and policy implementation: Evidence from Salvador Allende's expropriations](#)  
*Journal of Economic History*, 81(2):405-440, 2021, with F. Vial.
9. [Distorted quality signals in school markets](#)  
*Journal of Development Economics*, 147:102532, 2020, with J.I. Cuesta, and C. L. Philippi.
10. [Collective action in networks: Evidence from the Chilean student movement](#)  
*Journal of Public Economics*, 188:104220, 2020.
11. [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.
12. [Losing your dictator: Firms during political transition](#)  
*Journal of Economic Growth*, 25(2):227-257, 2020, with M. Prem.
13. [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.
14. [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.

15. [Can television bring down a dictator? Evidence from Chile's 'No' campaign](#)  
*Journal of Comparative Economics*, 46(1):349-361, 2018, with M. Prem.
16. [The value of political capital: Dictatorship collaborators as business elites](#)  
*Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, 155:217-230, 2018, with M. Prem.
17. [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.
18. [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.
19. [Railroads, specialization, and population growth: Evidence from the first globalization](#)  
*Journal of Population Economics*, 34:1027-1072, with A. Forero and F. Gallego. (Pre-doctoral work)
20. [Immigration and human capital: Consequences of a nineteenth century settlement policy](#)  
*Clometrica*, 14(3):443-477. (Pre-doctoral work)
21. [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. (Pre-doctoral work)

## Work in Progress

1. [The Pinochet Shock: Radical Change and Life Under Dictatorship](#)  
*Palgrave Macmillan*. Book project. Edited with Mounu Prem.
2. [Government support in times of crisis: Evidence from Chile's road to socialism](#)  
with M. Prem.
3. [Empowerment or indoctrination? Women centers under dictatorship](#)  
with M. Prem and C. von Dessauer.
4. [The dark side of infrastructure: Roads, repression, and land in authoritarian Paraguay](#)  
with J. Miquel-Florensa, M. Prem, and S. Straub.
5. [The political consequences of vaccines: Quasi-experimental evidence from eligibility rules](#)  
with E. Depetris-Chauvin.
6. [Dictatorship, higher education and social mobility: The case of technocratic fiscal austerity in Chile](#)  
with M.A. Bautista, L. Martínez, P. Muñoz, and M. Prem.
7. [The impact of the Women's March on the U.S. House Election](#)  
with M. Larreboure.
8. [Spreading \*La Revolución\*: Cuba and the transformation of Latin America](#)  
with M. Prem and A. Tesei.

## Interdisciplinary and Policy Articles

1. [Pinochet's shadow: Privatisation in Chile](#)  
*History Today*, 73(9), September 2023.
2. [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.
3. [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).
4. [Higher temperatures increase suicide rates in the United States and Mexico](#)  
*Nature Climate Change*, 8(8):723-729, 2018, with M. Burke et al.

5. [University inclusion policies and strategic behaviour in secondary education](#)  
*Estudios Públicos*, 149:41-73, 2018, with E. Johnson (in spanish).
6. [Chile's agrarian reform](#)  
*Estudios Públicos*, 146:7-48, 2017, with J.I. Cuesta, J. Díaz, F. Gallego, and G. Marshall (in spanish).
7. [Drug trafficking organizations and local economic activity in Mexico](#)  
*PLoS ONE*, 10(9):e0137319, 2015.

## Book Chapters

1. [Cuba: An inter-disciplinary view](#)  
In: *Roots of Underdevelopment*, in progress, with M. Prem and A. Tesei.
2. [Privatization and market-based policies](#)  
In: *The Pinochet Shock*, in progress, with M. Prem.
3. [The legacy of the Pinochet regime in Chile](#)  
In: *Roots of Underdevelopment*, 2023, with M. Prem.
4. [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.

## Previous Positions

- 2017 – 22    [Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile](#)  
Assistant Professor – Department of Economics
- 2014 – 17    [Global Policy Lab at UC Berkeley](#)  
Doctoral Fellow – Goldman School of Public Policy

## Conferences

- 2023        Royal Economic Society, Madrid Political Economy.
- 2022        RIDGE Historical Development
- 2021        Royal Economic Society
- 2020        North East Universities Development Consortium
- 2019        Conference on Corruption (Oxford-USACH), SECHI.
- 2018        Long-run Development (LSE), RIDGE Political Economy, LACEA.
- 2017        Western Economic Association International, LACEA, LAMES.
- 2016        PacDev, DEVPEC, Bay Area Labor Conference, SECHI, LACEA.

## Invited Talks

- 2024        Université Paris-Dauphine, London School of Economics, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Universitat de Barcelona.
- 2023        Collegio Carlo Alberto, London School of Economics, University of Pennsylvania, Universidad Adolfo Ibañez, CUNEF, University of Saint Andrews, Brunel, Universidad de Chile.
- 2022        Royal Holloway, York University, George Washington University, King's College, Illinois Urbana-Champaign, HEC Montreal, Warwick, Queen Mary, University of Houston, Collegio Carlo Alberto, UC San Diego, Toulouse School of Economics, Paris School of Economics, Northwestern.
- 2021        UC Berkeley, UC Merced, U. Florida, UC Santa Cruz, UC Davis, EH of Dev. Regions.
- 2020        U. Chile, U. Adolfo Ibañez, U. Diego Portales, U. Mayor, Historia Económica de América Latina.
- 2019        Sao Paulo School of Economics, Insper.
- 2018        U. Alberto Hurtado, U. República, Warwick, U. Chile, U. Adolfo Ibañez, U. Rosario.
- 2017        UC Berkeley, Warwick, FGV/EPGE, U. Santiago, PUC, Gothenburg, IESE Business, Center Global Development, U. Chile, U. Los Andes, U. Diego Portales, U. Talca.

## Visits and Invited Lectures

- 2023 “The Economics of the Military Dictatorship,” Universidad de Chile.  
2023 “The Economics of Latin American Cold War,” The Penn Initiative for the Study of Markets.  
2022 Becker Friedman Institute, University of Chicago.  
2019 “The Political Economy of the Pinochet Dictatorship,” CEPAL Summer School.  
2018 “World Wars, Great Depression, and Protectionism,” Fundación Para el Progreso.

## Professional Service

### A. Editorial Boards

- 2021 – 24 *Explorations in Economic History*

### B. Committees and Councils

- 2024 ESEM Conference Scientific Committee  
2023 Organizer Applied Micro seminars QMUL  
2022 Organizer Applied Micro seminars QMUL  
2022 Co-organizer workshop on the Political Economy of Conflict  
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 PUC  
2018 Organizer Applied Micro Seminar PUC

### C. Referee Service

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| Economics         | <i>AEJ Applied Economics, AEJ Economic Policy, Econometrica, Economia, Economic Development and Cultural Change, Economic Inquiry, Economic Journal, European Economic Review, Explorations in Economic History, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of Economic Growth, Journal of Economic History, Journal of Public Economics, Review of Economic Studies, Quarterly Journal of Economics.</i> |
| Political Science | <i>American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, Journal of Politics, Political Science Research and Methods.</i>   |
| Other Journals    | <i>Nature, PLoS ONE, Science.</i>   |

## Teaching

- 2022 – 24 Applied Econometrics  
2019 – 22 Applied Econometrics, Political Economy  
2017 – 19 Applied Econometrics, Econometrics

## Honors and Awards

- 2023 Keynote speaker at the Madrid Political Economy Workshop.
- 2020 Arthur H. Cole Prize for [The privatization origins of political corporations](#).
- 2020 Biannual teaching award.
- 2019 Outstanding teaching award. Undergraduate course: Econometrics.
- 2018 Outstanding teaching award. Graduate course: Applied Microeconomics.
- 2017 Outstanding teaching award. Undergraduate course: Political Economy.
- 2017 Nominated to the Juan Luis Londoño Prize for [Distorted quality signals in school markets](#).
- 2012 Outstanding teaching award. Undergraduate course: Introduction to Economics.
- 2010 Highest honors in M.A. thesis published as [Can land reform avoid a left turn?](#)

## Grants and Fellowships

- 2023 IHSS Large Grant Seed Corn Funding Scheme. Project: “Spreading *La Revolución*.”
- 2021 Fondecyt Regular. Project: “The economy of Salvador Allende.”
- 2017 Fondecyt Inicio. Project: “The economics of the Pinochet regime.”
- 2016 Development Economics Challenge Grant (CEGA). Project: “The economics of the public option.”
- 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)

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