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## Education

- **Boston University** Boston, MA  
*PhD (c) in Economics* 2018 - present
- **University of Chile** Santiago, Chile  
*Master in Economics* 2015
  - Summa cum Laude
- **University of Chile** Santiago, Chile  
*Economics and Business Administration* 2013
  - Cum Laude

## Research Interests

- Applied Microeconomics, Public Economics, Political Economy, Empirical Industrial Organization

## Research Projects and Working Papers

- “Governance and Property Rights over Water”
- “Water Governance and Climate Change”, with Jose Manuel Belmar.
- “Political Competition and the Causal Effects of Privatization on Public Goods”.
- “Cultural Distance and the Geography of Social Connections” with Sam Bazzi and Martin Fiszbein.
- Cox, Loreto, Sylvia Eyzaguirre, Francisco Gallego and Maximiliano García (2021) “Does the provision of information on outcomes of local governments improve political accountability?” R&R at the Journal of Development Economics.  
[https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\\_id=4408597](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=4408597).
- Contreras, Dante, Maximiliano Garcia, Nicolas Grau and Daniel Hojman (2015) “Class size effect on student performance: new instrument and impact on a developing country” University of Chile WP.

## Scholarships and Awards

- 2023** Rosenstein-Rodan Prize for the Best Graduate Student Paper on Development Economics - Boston University
- 2021** Abdala Fieldwork Research Grant - Institute for Economic Development, Boston University
- 2018 - 2023** Boston University GRS Student Fellowship
- 2018** Becas Chile - CONICYT. Government scholarship for doctoral studies
- 2014** COES Scholarship for graduate studies (government sponsored research cluster on Social Conflict)
- 2008** Academic Merit Scholarship - University of Chile

## Seminars and presentations

- 2023** Chilean Economic Society, Talca, Chile.
- 2023** Global Priorities Institute OSW, Oxford, UK.

**2019** Fourth Political Behavior of Development Conference at MIT (poster), Cambridge, MA.

**2019** Boston University Economics Department (poster session), Santiago, Chile.

**2015** University of Chile, Economics Seminar, Santiago, Chile

**2015** Chilean Economic Society, Talca, Chile.

## Research Experience

**World Bank Group** Washington DC  
*Short-term consultant* 2023 - Present

- Poverty rate estimates at the Poverty Measurement Unit.

**Department of Economics, Boston University** Boston, MA  
*Research Assistant* 2019 - Present

- RA for Martin Fiszbein (Economic History) and Jihye Jeon (Industrial Organization)

**The Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL)** Santiago, Chile  
*Senior Research Associate* 2017 - 2018

- RA for Dina Pomeranz (Public Economics)

**The Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL)** Santiago, Chile  
*Research Associate* 2015 - 2016

- RA for Francisco Gallego (Public Economics)

**Department of Economics, University of Chile** Santiago, Chile  
*Research Assistant* 2014-2015

- RA for Daniel Hojman and Nicolás Grau

**UN - Economic Commission to Latin America and the Caribbean** Santiago, Chile  
*Intern* 2012

- Internship. Supervisor: Veronica Amarante

**Centro de Microdatos, Economics Department, University of Chile** Santiago, Chile  
*Research Assistant* 2010 - 2011

- Internship. Supervisor: Martha Kluttig
- Research Assistant. Supervisor: Pablo Egaña

## Teaching Experience

**Boston University**  
*Teaching assistant* 2020 - Present

- **College:** Applied Economics, Advanced Macroeconomics, Finance, Statistics, Sports Economics
- **Graduate:** Environmental Economics

**The Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL)**  
*Instructor* 2016

- Stata review in executive course on Policy Evaluation for practitioners.

**Economics Department, Pontifical Catholic University of Chile**  
*Teaching Assistant* 2015

- **Graduate School:** Institutional Economics

**School of Economics and Business, University of Chile**  
*Teaching assistant and chief TA* 2011-2015

- **Graduate School:** Microeconomic Theory I, Econometrics I and Econometrics II
- **College:** International Trade, Industrial Organization, Economic History, Microeconomic Theory , Econometrics and Public Finance

## San Ignacio School

*Teaching Assistant*

*2010-2011*

- Contemporary Social Problems course, with Benito Baranda (Executive Director of America Solidaria Foundation)

## Computational Skills

**Software:** Stata, MATLAB,  $\text{\LaTeX}$ , ArcGIS, QGIS, Python

## Languages

**Language (level):** Spanish (native); English (fluent)

## Volunteering and Other

**2016-2017** Sports commission coordinator, RAMUCH (University of Chile Mountain Club)

**2007-2013** Volunteer works in Pehuenche community of Butalelbún, in Alto Bío Bío (X Region, Chile)  
Leader, communications coordinator and general staff, and volunteer.

**2009-2010** Coordinator and Foreman and guide in Comunidad de Vida Cristiana (CVX) season works.

**2008** Mathematics and Chemistry teacher in Educative NGO El Ayllú.