# JUAN CARLOS URCIA BAREA

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#### **EDUCATION**

Princeton University Princeton, NJ

Master in Public Affairs | School of Public and International Affairs August 2020 to May 2022

Brown University Providence, RI

Bachelor of Arts | History August 2013 to May 2017

### **EMPLOYMENT**

# Moody's Investors Service

New York, NY

Associate Analyst | Sovereign Risk Group

July 2022 to Present

- Portfolio of sovereign credits: Argentina, Costa Rica, Guatemala, Honduras, Panama; Kenya; Bahamas; and MDBs: Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), IDB Invest, Fondo Latinoamericano de Reservas (FLAR).
- Conduct research and analysis of macroeconomic, financial, and political developments for credit rating evaluation committees and regular publications and reports for investors and clients.
- Interface and maintain relationships with issuer representatives from finance ministries as well as investors and international financial institutions such as the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

# U.S. Department of Commerce

Princeton, NJ

Graduate Consultant | Office of the U.S. Secretary of Commerce

August 2021 to January 2022

- Graduate capstone project to advise the Office of the Secretary on implementation of the CHIPS Act.
- Developed recommendations for the creation of the National Semiconductor Technology Center (NSTC) by researching and analyzing industry trends, interviewing leading firms, academics, and defense analysts.
- Independently created and designed the team's report in Adobe InDesign.

## U.S. Department of the Treasury

Washington, DC

Graduate Intern | Office of International Financial Markets

May to August 2021

- Created and managed a heatmap dashboard tracking 46 macroeconomic and financial risk indicators across 24 Advanced Economies and Emerging Markets, pulling data from Haver Analytics.
- Drafted internal memos reviewing trends such as sovereign-bank debt nexus, housing market activity, credit and asset prices as indicators of bubbles, and sovereign dollar debt crises.

#### U.S. Senator Benjamin L. Cardin

Washington, DC

Legislative Correspondent

July 2018 to July 2020

Staff Assistant

September 2017 to June 2018

- Assisted in writing and managing legislation, including the Government Employee Fair Treatment Act (P.L.116-1), which became law guaranteeing back-pay for furloughed workers during government shutdowns.
- Led office research and recommendations regarding the effects of the 2018-2019 35-day federal government shutdown and COVID-19 unemployment insurance and state fiscal relief legislative efforts.
- Researched and wrote recommendation 200+ memos for bills, resolutions, nominations, Dear Colleague letters, constituent issues, breaking developments, and other action items for the Senator with tight deadlines.
- Prepared and staffed the Senator with background information and talking points for 20+ hearings before the U.S. Senate Committee on Finance and the U.S. Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works.
- Advised the press team on the details of policy issues and helped draft and edit press releases and statements.
- Represented the Senator in meetings with stakeholders and political nominees.
- Wrote speeches, floor statements, and constituent responses on legislative efforts and political issues.

# U.S. Senate Committee on Foreign Relations

Washington, DC July to August 2016

Intern | Ranking Member, Democratic Staff

- Researched and circulated press clips on Southeast Asia security and foreign aid issues.
- Helped prepare staff and members for committee hearings, meetings, and external events.

#### U.S. Representative David N. Cicilline

Intern | Pawtucket District Office

Pawtucket, RI May to July 2016

- Managed busy front office, supervised 10 events in the district, and logged constituent correspondence.
- Created an Excel database for major government and elected officials in Rhode Island for internal office use.

# The Walt Disney Company

Burbank, CA

Intern | Corporate Strategy and Business Development

June to August 2015

- Conducted a financial analysis of a merger between two telecommunications firms.
- Collaborated on group research and slide deck on the "smart" ad tech industry landscape.

### **VOLUNTEERING AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

Instituto Cervantes | Member and Student (2023-Present)

• Study the Spanish language and participate in Spanish and Latin American cultural events and activities.

**Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)** | SPIA Chapter Co-Lead and Volunteer (2021-2022)

• Provided weekly tax filing services to low-income and disadvantaged residents of Mercer County, New Jersey.

SPIA First Generation and Low-Income (FLI) Students | Co-Lead and Co-Founder (2020-2022)

• Hosted FLI alumni for career talks and collaborate with university on programming for FLI students.

The Julis-Rabinowitz Center for Public Policy and Finance | Graduate Associate (2020-2022)

• Engaged in seminars on financial policy and economic history led by faculty and visiting experts.

Congressional Hispanic Staff Association (CHSA) | Alumnus (2016-2020)

Participated in career development, networking, and volunteering activities.

### LANGUAGES AND NATIONALITIES

- English: Native/Fluent | Spanish: Advanced | Japanese: Novice
- United States of America (citizen) | Spain (citizen)

#### RELEVANT GRADUATE COURSEWORK

#### **Economics and Finance Statistics** Microeconomics - Professor Amy Craft Quantitative Analysis – Professor David Lee Macroeconomics - Professor Gregor Jarosch Econometrics I – Professor Jordan Matsudaira Public Economics - Professor Henrik Kleven *Econometrics II* – Professor Alexandre Mas International Economics – Professor Silvia Weyerbrock Program & Policy Evaluation - Professor Jean Grossman Financial Management - Professor Adam Shrager Growth, Finance, Crises - Professor Ashoka Mody **Politics** Politics of Public Policy- Professor Andrew Moravcsik Macroeconomic Ideas – Professor Ashoka Mody Central Banking - Professor Alan Blinder Domestic Politics - Professor Frances Lee Global Supply Chains - Professor Doyle Hodges The State - Professor Philip Pettit

#### **SKILLS AND INTERESTS**

**Professional:** politics, economics, financial analysis, fiscal and debt metrics, statistical analysis, data visualization, graphic design, writing, editing, public speaking, event planning, customer service

**Software:** Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook); Adobe Creative Suite (Photoshop, InDesign); Econometric Analysis (Stata, R); Financial Research (Bloomberg Terminal, Haver Analytics, FactSet, Reuters); Programming (Python, Java, HTML/CSS); Communications (Slack, Signal, Zoom, Webex, Teams)

**Policy:** macroeconomics, fiscal and monetary policy, financial markets, banking, international affairs, globalization, poverty alleviation and social safety net, labor and unions, wealth and income inequality

Interests: photography, drawing, sudoku, computers, political and economic history, hiking, tennis, soccer