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Education

Georgetown University

Ph.D. in Economics

Master of Arts (MA) in Economics

Washington, DC

Aug. 2015 - May 2022

Aug. 2015 - May 2017

Loyola Marymount University

Bachelor of Science (BSc) in Economics,

Minor in Pure Mathematics, Magna Cum Laude

Los Angeles, CA

Aug. 2011 - Dec. 2014

Professional Experience

Inter-American Development Bank

Economics Consultant in Education

Washington, DC

June 2021 - June 2022

- Advised on major projects relating to learning loss, centralized assignment of students, and efficiency of education spending, from design to implementation phase, and reviewed the quality of projects' outputs. These projects involve both causal analysis using observational methods as well as quasi-experimental methods.

- Worked independently solving complex problems using economic theory and empirical methods while applying creativity and independent judgment to aid the team in developing the economic research agenda in education.

- Aided the team in making budgetary decisions as well as managing multiple employees across several projects.

- Assisted the team in communicating effectively with both public and private key counterparts.

Georgetown University

Ph.D. Researcher

Washington, DC

Aug. 2015 - May 2022

- Investigated the relationship between distance to the polling place and turnout, and how social protection policies affect the poorest of the poor

- Employed econometric analysis in Stata and R to conduct causal estimation

- Performed data-collection projects using Python

- Executed geospatial analysis using PostGIS, ArcGIS and QGIS

- Presented research projects in multiple seminars to broad audiences

- Compiled and analyzed multiple novel datasets in PostgreSQL

Research Assistant to Martin Ravallion

June 2020 - Aug. 2020

- Reviewed and synthesized economic literature on inequality and social protection

- Procured, cleaned, and aggregated several datasets on the topic using Stata and R

Research Assistant to Laurent Bouton, Garance Genicot & Allison Stashko

Sep. 2018 - Dec. 2018

- Replicated papers in the distributive politics literature using Stata

Georgetown University - Université Libre de Bruxelles

Research Assistant to Laurent Bouton, Garance Genicot & Micael Castanheira

Washington, DC

May 2020 - Aug. 2020

- Computed numerical simulations on a novel model of electoral competition under varying electoral systems

- Performed calibration exercise using election data in the U.S. using R

DC Political Economy Center - Georgetown - Johns Hopkins University

Center Coordinator

Washington, DC

May 2019 - May 2020

- Created and maintained the online presence of the initiative

- Organized conferences and workshops for members of local universities

- Aided and monitored webinars of up to 600 participants

Loyola Marymount University

Research Assistant to Andrew Healy

Los Angeles, CA

Aug. 2012 - Dec. 2014

- Created a dataset of expenditure projections for U.S. congressional bills using CBO data

Skills

Technical: R, Python, Stata, ArcGIS/QGIS, MATLAB, PostgreSQL, Qualtrics, L^AT_EX, Github

Languages: English (Fluent) and Spanish (Native)

Selected Publications & Working Papers

“Lifting the Floor? Economic Development, Social Protection and the Developing World’s Poorest”, with Martin Ravallion. (*Journal of Development Economics* 139 (2019): 97–108)

“Polling Place Location and the Costs of Voting” (JMP), with Gaurav Bagwe and Allison Stashko

“Food Stamps and America’s Poorest”, with Dean Jolliffe and Martin Ravallion. *NBER WP 26025* June 2019

Featured in: [Vox](#), [VoxEU.org](#), [WJS Blog](#): [Real Time Economics](#), [Quartz](#), [World Economic Forum](#)

Teaching Experience

Georgetown University

Instructor / Teaching Assistant

Washington, DC

Aug. 2016 - May 2020

- Taught graduate-level instruction in mathematics and statistical software
- Taught undergraduate-level courses in econometrics and microeconomics
- Assisted in teaching undergraduate courses on: game theory, behavioral economics, and economics of sports.
- Led weekly problem-solving and discussion sections
- Supervised students in final projects, graded exams and weekly homework

Centro del Muchacho Trabajador

Volunteer

Quito, Ecuador

Feb. 2015 - July 2015

- Designed and taught multiple courses from kindergarten to adult education

Fellowships, Honors and Awards

Maloof Fellowship Recipient, Georgetown University	2020 - 2021
Research Incentive Seed Grant from David Eccles School of Business	2020
Ph.D. Graduate School Fellowship, Georgetown University	2015 - Present
Outstanding Scholar Award for Economics Department at LMU	2014
Wall Street Journal Award - Economics Department at LMU	2014 - 2015
Global Citizen Award - Office for International Students and Scholars	2013 - 2014
RAINS Research Fellow	2012 - 2014
John and Nelly Llanos Kilroy Foundation International Scholarship	2011 - 2014
Summer Undergraduate Research Fellow at Loyola Marymount University	2014
Father Alfred Kilp S. J. Award for Leadership and Service	2013
Emmons Award for Business Ethics	2013
1st place at 2013 International Business Ethics Case Competition (IBECC)	2013
Omicron Delta Epsilon, Economics Honor Society	2012

Citizenship

Argentina

References

Laurent Bouton

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