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EDUCATION

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|---|---|
| Harvard University <i>PhD in Public Policy - Economics Track</i> | Cambridge, MA Sept. 2016 – May 2022 |
| Harvard University <i>Master in Public Administration - International Development</i> | Cambridge, MA Sept. 2010 – May 2012 |
| Universidad Católica Andrés Bello <i>“Licenciado” in Economics</i> | Caracas, Venezuela Sept. 2003 – March 2009 |

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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| Tecnologico de Monterrey <i>Research Professor at the Graduate School of Government and Public Transformation</i> | June 2024– Mexico City, Mexico |
| Texas A&M University <i>Assistant Professor at the Bush School of Government and Public Service</i> | Aug. 2023 – May 2024 College Station, TX |
| Princeton University <i>Postdoctoral Research Associate at the Department of Politics</i> | Aug. 2022 – Aug. 2023 Princeton, NJ |
| Harvard University <i>Research Fellow at Harvard's Growth Lab</i> | June 2022 – Aug. 2023 Cambridge, MA |
| The Brookings Institution <i>Visiting Researcher at the Global Economy and Development Program</i> | Jan. 2021 – Jan. 2022 Washington, DC |
| Harvard University <i>Doctoral Fellow at Harvard's Growth Lab</i> | June 2020 – Aug. 2021 Cambridge, MA |
| Harvard University <i>Research Fellow at Harvard's Growth Lab</i> | Sept. 2013 – May 2016 Cambridge, MA |

TEACHING

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| Tecnologico de Monterrey <i>Professor of EO502.5: Métodos Cuantitativos II</i> | Winter 2025 |
| Tecnologico de Monterrey <i>Professor of RE4020.1: Economía del Desarrollo</i> | Summer 2024 |
| Texas A&M University <i>Professor of INTA670: Capstone Seminar on International Affairs</i> | Spring 2024 |
| Texas A&M University <i>Professor of BUSH635: Quantitative Methods II</i> | Spring 2024 |
| Texas A&M University <i>Professor of BUSH631: Quantitative Methods I</i> | Fall 2023 |
| Universidad Católica Andrés Bello <i>Professor of Introduction to Causal Inference (Remote)</i> | Spring 2022 |
| Harvard University <i>Teaching Fellow for Big Data for Economic and Social Problems</i> | Spring 2020 |
| Harvard University <i>Teaching Fellow for Advanced Quantitative Methods</i> | Fall 2019 |
| Harvard University <i>Teaching Fellow for Development Policy Strategy</i> | Fall 2018 |
| Harvard University <i>Co-authored HBS Case “Improving Worker Safety in the Era of Machine Learning”</i> | 2017 |
| Universidad Católica Andrés Bello <i>Professor of Political Economy</i> | Fall 2012 |
| Universidad Católica Andrés Bello <i>Lecturer of Macroeconomics</i> | 2009 – 2010 |

SERVICE

Referee: Quarterly Journal of Economics, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Economic Geography, Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization, Scientific Data, Review of World Economics, Growth & Change.

Seminar organizer: ITESM EGTP's Doctoral Research Seminar, TAMU Bush School's Quant Research Seminar.

JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS, CONFERENCE PAPERS AND BOOK CHAPTERS

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| Glocal: A global development dataset of local administrative areas Scientific Data | 2024 |
| Opponent campaign visits in dominant party regimes Journal of Politics | 2024 |
| Transparent corruption: Illicit connections, trusted references and the demand for bureaucratic intermediaries Journal of Experimental Political Science | 2024 |
| Export side effects of wars on organized crime: The case of Mexico Journal of International Economics | 2023 |
| Economic Development in Historical Political Economy The Oxford Handbook of Historical Political Economy | 2022 |
| Gains from globalization and protectionism: AMLO v. NAFTA in the 2006 Mexican election Economics & Politics | 2022 |
| Is remote work in high demand? Evidence from job postings during COVID-19 COMPASS '21: ACM SIGCAS Conference on Computing and Sustainable Societies | 2021 |

SUBMITTED WORKING PAPERS

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| Escaping from hardship, searching for comfort: Climate matching in refugees' destination choices. Revise and Resubmit, Journal of Development Economics |
| Captured participatory institutions in non-democracies: Theory and evidence from the Consejos Comunales. Revise and Resubmit, American Journal of Political Science |
| Autocrats in crisis mode: Strategic favoritism during economic shocks. |
| Vulnerability, fear of discrimination and clientelism: Organizer identity and the backfire of solidarity. |
| Direct flights, trade and specialization |
| Coalition trimming in spiraling economies: The case of Venezuela's Oil Czar. |

ONGOING RESEARCH PROJECTS

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| Remoteness and transformation: Why isolated economies can't develop complex productive capabilities |
| Defend the palace: Autocratic favors for and within capital cities. |
| The political economy of disaster relief: Theory and evidence on favoritism during national calamities. |
| Elite redistribution and regime resilience: Appointments and contracts during Venezuela's economic collapse. |
| Captured participatory institutions as usurpation devices: The case of Venezuela's Consejos Comunales. |
| The individual effects of political discrimination: Evidence from 2003's <i>Maisanta</i> List in Venezuela. |
| Do ICC investigations prevent human rights violations? Evidence from Venezuela's political crisis. |
| Return migration across generations: Evidence from Venezuela's refugee shock. |

AWARDS

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| Mercatus Center <i>James Buchanan Fellowship</i> | 2022 – 2023 |
| Mercatus Center <i>Oskar Morgenstern Fellowship</i> | 2020 – 2021 |
| Mercatus Center <i>Adam Smith Fellowship</i> | 2019 – 2020 |
| Harvard University <i>HKS Distinction in Student Teaching</i> | 2019 |
| Harvard University <i>HKS Distinction in Student Teaching</i> | 2018 |
| Harvard University <i>PhD Program Financial Package Award</i> | 2016 |
| Harvard - MIT <i>Winner of the II Annual Energy Case Competition</i> | 2012 |
| Harvard Kennedy School <i>Frederick Fisher Memorial Prize for Second-Year Policy Analysis</i> | 2012 |
| Harvard Kennedy School <i>MPAID Honorable Mention for Second-Year Policy Analysis</i> | 2012 |
| Harvard Kennedy School <i>HIID Full Tuition Scholarship</i> | 2010 |
| Universidad Católica Andrés Bello <i>Integral Student Honor</i> | 2008 |
| Universidad Católica Andrés Bello <i>Member of UCAB's 10th Honors' Class</i> | 2006 – 2007 |

CONFERENCE AND SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

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| Southern Economic Association Conference: “Escaping from hardship, searching for comfort.” | Nov. 2024 |
| LACEA-LAMES Annual Meeting: “Direct Flights, Trade and Specialization” | Nov. 2024 |
| ITAM’s Economic Research Seminar: “Escaping from hardship, searching for comfort.” | Sept. 2024 |
| IDB’s Governance and Development Seminar: “Vulnerability, fear of retaliation and clientelism” | Apr. 2024 |
| Southern Economic Association Conference: “Transparent corruption” | Nov. 2023 |
| Southern Economic Association Conference: “Vulnerability, fear of retaliation and clientelism” | Nov. 2023 |
| NEUDC Conference at Yale University: “Autocrats in crisis mode” | Nov 2022 |
| LACEA-LAMES Annual Meeting: “Autocrats in crisis mode” | Nov 2022 |
| FDZ Rhur at RWI - Causal Inference with Spatial Data: “Autocrats in crisis mode” | May 2022 |
| ACM COMPASS - Computing and Sustainable Societies: “Is remote work in high demand?” | June 2021 |
| Pacific Conference for Development Economics (PacDev): “The economic victims of violence” | March 2021 |
| Southern Economic Association Conference: “Gains from globalization and economic nationalism” | Nov. 2019 |
| Southern Economic Association Conference: “The economic victims of violence” | Nov. 2019 |
| Southern Economic Association Conference: “Solidarity against the machine” | Nov. 2019 |

POLICY ANALYSES AND DATA VISUALIZATION TOOLS

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| La Complejidad Económica de El Salvador: Usando proximidades tecnológicas para identificar oportunidades de diversificación productiva | ITESM, 2024 |
| Prosperity over conflict: Leveraging economic interdependence for offshore energy developments in the Levant. | Mosbacher, 2024 |
| Economic Integration of Venezuelan Immigrants in Colombia: A Policy Roadmap. | CGD, 2022 |
| Remote work wanted? Analyzing online job postings during COVID-19. | Brookings, 2021 |
| Impact of the 2017 sanctions on Venezuela: Revisiting the evidence. | Brookings, 2019 |
| Sanctions on Venezuela: Cause or consequence of the crisis? | Prodavinci, 2019 |
| Economic Complexity and Technological Relatedness: Findings for American Cities. | Brookings, 2019 |
| Growing Cities That Work for All: A Capabilities Approach to Regional Competitiveness. | Brookings, 2019 |
| There is a Future After Cars: Economic growth analysis for Hermosillo. | CID-Harvard, 2018 |
| Tabasco: Reporte de Complejidad Económica. | CID-Harvard, 2018 |
| Campeche: Reporte de Complejidad Económica. | CID-Harvard, 2018 |
| Baja California: Reporte de Complejidad Económica. | CID-Harvard, 2018 |
| Diversificación y desarrollo en Venezuela: ¿Qué hacer si el petróleo ya no basta? | Prodavinci, 2018 |
| Panama beyond the Canal: Technological proximity and opportunities for diversification. | CID-Harvard, 2017 |
| Economic Complexity in Panama: Assessing opportunities for productive diversification. | CID-Harvard, 2016 |
| Reforma económica de Venezuela: Pobreza, Misiones y protección social. | CID-Harvard, 2016 |
| Rethinking the Taboo: Gasoline Subsidies in Venezuela. | MPAID-Harvard, 2012 |
| Direct Distribution of Oil Revenues in Venezuela: A Viable Alternative? | CGD, 2012 |
| Data visualization tools: Metroverse, The Atlas of Economic Complexity, and Subnational Atlases of Economic Complexity for Mexico, Colombia and Peru. | CID-Harvard, 2014-2022 |

LEADERSHIP

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| Harvard University <i>Vice-President of the Harvard Venezuelan Student Association</i> | 2020 – 2021 |
| Harvard Kennedy School <i>President of the Venezuelan Caucus</i> | 2010 – 2011 |
| IESA-UCAB <i>Graduate of the 1st “Lidera” Youth Leadership Program</i> | 2009 – 2010 |
| Comunidad de Debate <i>NGO’s Founding President</i> | 2007 – 2010 |
| Universidad Católica Andrés Bello <i>Student Elected Representative</i> | 2007 – 2008 |

MISCELLANEOUS

Nationalities: Venezuelan and Spanish.

Languages: Spanish and English.

Research Software: Stata, R, Python, Matlab, ArcGIS, Gephi, LaTeX.

Opinion: Commentator for Project Syndicate, Caracas Chronicles, Prodavinci and other media outlets.

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