# JUAN C. S. HERRERA

I have used econometrics, network science, and machine learning to analyze different topics: scoring demobilized guerrilla and paramilitary success in reintegrating into civil life, consumers credit worthiness, change in food consumption using recipes as an approximation to food consumption, and knowledge spillovers and clustering in the organic dairy industry

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## **EXPERIENCE**

# PhD Candidate, Professor, Teacher Assistant, Grader New York University

Aug 2014 - Ongoing

New York, NY, U.S.A.

- Dissertation: Dynamic and Interconnected: Three Essays on Food Networks with Applications to Food Consumption and Production.
- Published 1 paper on a top academic journal in the field.
- Presented at over 3 network science and over 3 social science conferences in Europe and USA.
- Raised over \$104.000 external and \$120.000 internal (NYU) competitive funding towards my PhD.
- Experience living in different settings: New York, London, Shanghai, Paris.

#### Credit Risk Analyst, Senior Credit Risk Analyst

#### **Bank of Bogota**

# Feb 2011 - Jul 2014

P Bogota, Colombia

- Analyzed over 3 million clients for over 50 prospecting campaigns for single and multi-portfolio credit offers: credit card, car loans, educational credit, home mortgage, etc. This included consulting external databases (Experian/Transunion)
- analyzed databases of over 900million credit card purchases to infer risk based on purchases.
- Programmed automatized reports on Portfolio Quality Index: Weekly, monthly, quarterly, yearly.
- Programmed, tested, and validated internal scoring models (probit / logit) to score clients' credit history

#### Quantitative Researcher

#### High Commissioner for Demobilization and Reintegration of Illegal Armed Forces

m Oct 2008 - Feb 2011

P Bogota, Colombia

- Used Econometric models to study quantitative databases for over 50.000
  ex-combatants from paramilitary and guerrilla forces to determine the
  educational, psychological, and health factors that had an impact on their
  reintegration into civil life
- Worked on reports to support the formulation of policies for the program.
   These reports draw on data analysis and fieldwork with participants to gain a deeper understanding of their conditions and challenges.

#### Research Assistant

#### Universidad de los Andes, Center for Economic Studies

**M** Oct 2008 - May 2009

P Bogota, Colombia

- Researched Colombian legislature on New Industrial Policy
- Researched academic publications on the advantages and disadvantages of New Industrial Policy

## **EDUCATION**

PhD Food Studies and Food Management

#### **New York University**

Aug 2019 (expected)

M.A. Social Anthropology

Universidad de los Andes

May 2008

B. Sc. Economics

Universidad de los Andes

B.A. History

Universidad de los Andes

### **COURSES**

Complex Networks: Theory, Methods, and Applications

**Lake Como School of Advanced Studies** 

May 2018

Social Network Analysis and Advanced Social Network Analysis

University of Michigan, ICPSR Summer School

H June-July 2015

## **SKILLS**

- Quantitative Techniques: Econometrics, Network Science, Machine learning: classifiers, text as data, image recognition, data management. Data visualization. GIS. web scraping
- Programming Languages: R, Python, SQL, SAS, LaTeX
- Software/Tools: Github, Google Colab, Jupyter, AWS, Gephi, Ucinet, Pajek, LaTeX

# **LANGUAGES**

English Spanish French

