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EDUCATION

American University

PhD in Economics

August 2020 – Present

Washington DC, US

Dissertation: “Three Essays in Economic Development in Latin America”.

Committee: Robert A. Blecker (co-chair), Gabriel Mathy (co-chair), Juan Antonio Montecino.

Université Paris 13 Nord & Université Paris VII Diderot

Master in Economic Policy and Analysis

September 2015 – July 2016

Paris, France

Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) of the United Nations

Summer School on Latin American Economies

July – Sep. 2015

Santiago, Chile

University of the Basque Country

Master in Development Studies

September 2014 – September 2015

Bilbao, Spain

Autonomous University of Madrid

Bachelor of Economics

September 2009 – July 2013

Madrid, Spain

National Distance Education University (UNED)

Bachelor of Psychology

September 2011 – June 2021

Internship: Research Assistant at the Dept. of Social and Organizational Psychology (Nov. 2019-June 2020)

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Development Macroeconomics, Applied Macroeconomics, Trade, Productive Development, Climate Change, Inequality, Economic History, Latin American economies.

RESEARCH

WORK IN PROGRESS

- Long-term effects of industrial policy on the manufacturing sector in Mexico.
- Productive development strategies in Mexico: An industry-level database of industrial policy measures.
- Demand shocks, income distribution, and importing behavior: evidence from Brazil (with Vinicius Curti Cícero).

WORKING PAPERS

- Heras-Recuero, L. (2024). *The rise of the middle class and the pattern of consumption imports in Latin America*. CLALS Working Paper Series No. 48 (Under Review).
- Balza, Lenin H., Heras-Recuero, L., Matías, D. and R. A. Yépez-García (2024). *Green or growth? Understanding the relationship between economic growth and CO2 emissions*. Technical Note No. IDB-TN-2930.

PRE-DOCTORAL PUBLICATIONS

- Heras Recuero, L. and R. Pascual González (2019). *Economic growth, institutional quality, and financial development in middle-income countries*. Working Papers No. 1937, Banco de España.

- Sastre, T. and L. Heras Recuero (2019). *Domestic and foreign investment in advanced economies. The role of industry integration*. Working Papers No. 1933, Banco de España.
- Heras Recuero, L. and E. Olaberria (2018). *Public spending in education and student performance in Colombia*. OECD Economics Department Working Papers, No. 1460. OECD Publishing, Paris.
- Heras-Recuero, L., L'Hotellerie-Fallois, P. and S. Párraga Rodríguez (2019). *La economía de EEUU, diez años después de la crisis*. Boletín Económico del ICE, No. 3110. Secretaría de Estado de Comercio, Ministerio de Industria, Comercio y Turismo, Madrid.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Osca, A. and L. Heras-Recuero (2024). Actor-partner effects of coping strategies on emotional exhaustion in dual-earner couples. *Family Relations*, 73(2). 1219-1234. <https://doi.org/10.1111/fare.12948>
- Heras Recuero, L. and A. Osca Segovia (2021). Work-family conflict, coping strategies, and burnout: A gender and couple analysis. *Journal of Work and Organizational Psychology*, 37(1). 21-28. <https://doi.org/10.5093/jwop2021a5>

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

American University January 2021 – August 2021; January 2024 – May 2024
Research Assistant Washington DC, US
 Research Assistant for Prof. Ignacio González, Prof. Robert Blecker and Prof. Gabriel Mathy.

Inter-American Development Bank June – August 2023
Research Intern Washington DC, US

Banco de España (Central Bank of Spain) September 2017 – August 2019
Research Assistant Madrid, Spain

École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales April – July 2017
Research Assistant Paris, France

Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) March 2016 – Jan. 2017
Research Consultant/Trainee Paris, France

Autonomous University of Madrid November 2012 – June 2013
Research Assistant Madrid, Spain

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

American University August 2021 – Present
Teaching Assistant Washington DC, US
 Teaching Assistant for PhD Development Macroeconomics (*Spring 2023*), PhD Empirical Macroeconomics (*Fall 2024*), Graduate International Economics: Trade (*Fall 2024*), Graduate Econometrics (*Spring 2023, Fall 2023, Fall 2024*), Undergraduate Econometrics (*Fall 2023*), Undergrad Macroeconomics (*Fall 2021, Fall 2022, Spring 2023*), Undergrad Senior Policy Analysis Seminar (*Spring 2024*), Undergrad Economic History (*Spring 2022*), Undergrad Money, Banking and Finance (*Spring 2022*), Undergrad Economic Inequality (*Spring 2022*).

CONFERENCE AND SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

2025* Eastern Economic Association Conference (February 20-23) – *New York, US*
 Latin American Studies Association Congress (May 23-26) – *San Francisco, US*

*Forthcoming.

2024 Southern Economic Association 94th Annual Meeting (November 23-25) – *Washington, DC*,
 5th International Workshop on Demand-led Growth, UFRJ (July 8-11) – *Rio de Janeiro, Brazil*
 VII Congress of the Spanish Network of Development Studies, UCM (May 30) – *Madrid, Spain*
2022 Gender Dissertation Workshop, American University (September 12) – *Washington, DC*
2019 Research Seminars, Banco de España (March 26, June 25) – *Madrid, Spain*
2018 European Investment Bank (November 27) – *Luxembourg*

GRANTS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

Travel and Accommodation Grant , Young Scholars Initiative	2024
Econometrics Prize , Department of Economics, American University	2024
Field Research Grant , Department of Economics, American University	2024
Frank M. Tamagna Prize (\$3800), American University	2023
Merit-based Graduate Fellowship , American University	2020 – 2024
Research Assistant Fellowship , Spanish Ministry of Education	Nov. 2012 – June 2013

SKILLS

Programming and software	Stata, Eviews, SPSS, R, Matlab, Python, LaTeX
Languages	Spanish (Native), English (Fluent), French (Intermediate)

COMPLEMENTARY TRAINING

Summer School on Panel Data Econometrics (*CEMFI*) (15 hours), Advanced Stata Course (*Banco de España*) (12 hours), Macroeconometric Forecasting Course (*IMF*) (90 hours).

REFERENCES

Robert A. Blecker
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