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## EDUCATION

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**University of Southern California**  
Ph.D. in Public Policy and Management  
GPA: 3.90/4

*Aug 2024 -*

**Universidad del Rosario**  
M.Sc. in Economics  
GPA: 4.58/5 - USA scale: 4.00 (Scholaro)  
\*The university does not provide a ranking of its students.

*July 2019 - August 2022*

**Universidad Industrial de Santander**  
B.A. in Economics (*Cum Laude*)  
GPA: 4.46/5 - USA scale: 3.84 (Scholaro)  
Rank: 4 out of 67

*October 2012 - December 2018*

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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**Colombian Tax Institution (DIAN)**  
*Researcher at the Behavioral Economics team*

May 2023 - Jul 2024

**Hertie School**  
*Research assistant for Prof. Egon Tripodi and Jared Gars*

Jul 2023 - Sep 2023

**Universidad del Rosario**  
*Consultant*

Mar 2023 - Jul 2023

**World Bank - Poverty and Equity Global Practice**  
*Consultant*

Feb 2022 - Jun 2023

**Universidad del Rosario**  
*Research Assistant for Prof. Darwin Cortés and César Mantilla*

Jul 2019 - Jul 2022

**Central Bank of Colombia**  
*Research Assistant at the Impact Evaluation Research Group*

Jan 2018 - Dec 2018

**Universidad Industrial de Santander**  
*Research Assistant at the Applied Economics and Regulation Research Group*

Jun 2016 – Dec 2017

## PUBLICATIONS

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[“Renewable Resource Dynamics: A Web-Based Classroom Experiment”](#) with César Mantilla and Darwin Cortés.

*Journal of Economic Education*, 2023.

[“Are non-fungible payments attractive when they reduce risk exposure? Evidence from Colombia”](#) with César Mantilla, Darwin Cortés, Alexander Cano and Medardo Restrepo.

*PLOS One*, 2024

## WORKING PAPERS

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“Procedural preferences for autonomy: an experimental study with Colombian workers”  
*Master thesis (unpublished).*

## SCHOLARSHIPS

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### Graduate School Fellowship

University of Southern California

### Young Researcher Fellowship

Universidad del Rosario

### Tuition Reduction Scholarship (due to high GPA)

Universidad Industrial de Santander

Awarded twice

## SKILLS

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<b>Software &amp; tools</b>	Stata (advanced), Python (intermediate), R (intermediate), SQL(intermediate) LaTeX (advanced), oTree (advanced), z-Tree (intermediate), HTML (basic)
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<b>Languages</b>	English (C1. TOEFL IBT: 101/120), Spanish (native)
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## REFERENCES

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