

Luis Maldonado

Pontificia Universidad Catolica of Chile
 Department of Sociology
 Av. Vicuña Mackenna 4860
 Macul, Santiago of Chile

lmaldona@uc.cl
<https://lmaldona.github.io>
[Google Scholar](#)
 Phone: (56-2) 23544651

EMPLOYMENT

Associate Professor, 2020-present
 Department of Sociology
 Pontificia Universidad Catolica of Chile

Head of the Doctoral Program in Sociology, 2020-2022
 Pontificia Universidad Catolica of Chile

Assistant Professor, 2012-2019
 Department of Sociology
 Pontificia Universidad Catolica of Chile

Lecturer, 2009-2012
 Department of Sociology
 Pontificia Universidad Catolica of Chile

Lecturer, 2004-2005
 Department of Sociology
 Pontificia Universidad Catolica of Chile

EDUCATION

Doctor in Economics and Social Sciences (Dr.rer.pol), University of Cologne, Germany, 2012.
 M.A. Sociology, Pontificia Universidad Catolica of Chile, 2003.
 Exchange Program, University of Mannheim, Germany, 2003.
 B.A. Sociology, Pontificia Universidad Catolica of Chile, 2001.

ADDITIONAL POSTGRADUATE EDUCATION

ICPSR, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, 2014
 Essex/Nuffield CESS Summer School about Experiments, University of Oxford, 2013

RESEARCH AREAS

Economic inequality
 Quantitative methodology
 Disasters

PUBLICATIONS

PEER REVIEWED ARTICLES

Breznau, N., Rinke, E. M., Wuttke, A., Adem, M., Adriaans, J., Akdeniz, E., ...**Maldonado, L.**,...& Slegers, W. (2025). The reliability of replications: a study in computational reproductions. *Royal Society Open Science*, 12(3), 241038.

Ayala, M. C., Webb, A., **Maldonado, L.**, Canales, A., and Cascallar, E. (2024). "Teacher's social desirability bias and Migrant students: A study on explicit and implicit prejudices with a list experiment". *Social Science Research*, 119, 102990.

Rivas, R., **Maldonado, L.**, Campos, K., and Ojeda, L. (2024). "Capacidad Estatal y Vulnerabilidad ante el Riesgo de Desastres: El caso del Megaincendio de 2014 en Valparaíso, Chile". *Revista de Estudios Latinoamericanos sobre Reducción del Riesgo de Desastres*, Vol. 8, number 2.

Castillo, J.C., Iturra, J., **Maldonado, L.**, Meneses, F., and Atria, J. (2023). "A multi-dimensional approach for measuring meritocratic beliefs: Advantages, limitations and alternatives to the ISSP social inequality survey". *International Journal of Sociology*. doi: 10.1080/00207659.2023.2274712. Published online.

Canales, A. and **Maldonado, L.** (2023) "Do teachers compensate for or compound disparities in academic achievement?". *International Journal of Educational Research*, Vol. 117, 102138.

Iturra, J., Castillo, J. C., **Maldonado, L.**, and Rufs, C. (2023) "Percepción de Desigualdad Económica y su Influencia sobre la Justificación de las Diferencias de Ingreso Legítimas". *Estudios Sociológicos*, Vol. 41, 122, 309-352.

Maldonado, L., Molinos-Senante, M., Quiero-Bastias, M. and Atal, G. (2023) "Willingness to pay for improving water supply continuity in case of climatic extreme natural events: an empirical approach for Chile", *Urban Water Journal*, 20(1), 74-88.

Breznau, N., Rinke, E. M., Wuttke, A., (185 authors), **Maldonado, L.** (2022). "Observing many researchers using the same data and hypothesis reveals a hidden universe of uncertainty." *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 119(44), e2203150119.

Maldonado, L. and Canales, A.(2022) "La Paradoja de la Redistribución en el Chile Actual". *Revista de Sociología*. Vol.37, 1, 74-88.

Atria, J., Castillo, J. C., **Maldonado, L.**, and Ramirez, S. (2020) "Economic Elites' Attitudes Toward Meritocracy in Chile: A Moral Economy Perspective". *American Behavioral Scientist*. Vol.64, 9, 1219-1241.

Santana, M., Cabezas, V., Nussbaum, M., Claro, M., Cabello, T., and **Maldonado, L.** (2020) "How Prioritizing Number Skills Can Act as a Mediator for Socioeconomic Inequality within a National Math Compulsory Curriculum." *Elementary School Journal*. 120:4, 580-610.

Maldonado, L., Kronmueller, E., and Gutierrez, I. (2020) "Apego de Lugar en Areas Post-Desastres: El Caso de la Reocupación de la Ciudad de Chaitén, Chile." *Psykhé*, Vol. 29, 1, 1-18.

Atria, J., Ramirez, S., Castillo, J.C. and **Maldonado, L.** (2019) "Studying Meritocracy in an Unequal Context: Perspectives from Chilean Scholars." *Universum*, 34(2), pp. 127-145.

Maldonado, L., Olivos, F., Castillo, J. C, Atria, J. and Azar, A. (2019) "Risk Exposure, Humanitarianism and Willingness to Pay for Universal Healthcare: A Cross-National Analysis of 28 Countries." *Social Justice Research*, Vol. 32, 3, 349-383.

Castillo, J. C., Torres, A., Atria, J. and **Maldonado, L.** (2019) "Meritocracia y Desigualdad Economica: Percepciones, preferencias e implicancias." *Revista Internacional de Sociologia*, Vol. 77, 1, 1-15.

Bargsted, M. and **Maldonado, L.** (2018) "Party Identification in an Encapsulated Party System: The Case of Post Authoritarian Chile." *Journal of Politics in Latin America*, 10, 1, 29-68.

Azar, A., **Maldonado, L.**, Castillo, J. C. and Atria, J. (2018) "Income, Egalitarianism, and Attitudes Towards Healthcare Policy: A Study on Public Attitudes in 29 Countries." *Public Health*, Vol.154, January: 59-69.

Canales, A. and **Maldonado, L.** (2018) "Teacher Quality and Student Achievement in Chile: Linking Teachers' Contribution and Observable Characteristics." *International Journal of Educational Development*, Vol.60, May: 33-50.

Madariaga, L., Nussbaum, M., Burq, I., Marañon, F., Salazar, D., **Maldonado, L.**, Alarcon, C., and Naranjo, M. (2017) "Online Survey: A National Study with School Principals." *Computer in Human Behavior*, Vol.74: 35-44.

Maldonado, L., Kronmueller, E., and Gutierrez, I. (2016) "Estrategia para la Inferencia Causal y Planificacion de Estudios Observacionales en las Ciencias Sociales: el Caso de Chaiten Post Erupcion del 2008." *Revista de Ciencia Politica (RCP)*, Vol.36, 3: 797-827.

Maldonado, L., Prieto, J., and Lay, S. (2016) "Las Dinamicas de Pobreza en Chile durante el Periodo 2006-2009." *Serie Temas de la Agenda*, N° 87, Centro UC de Politicas Publicas.

Maldonado, L. and Prieto, J. (2015) "Determinantes de la Dinamica de la Pobreza en Chile y el Rol de la Persistencia Temporal: Analisis de la Encuesta Panel Casen 2006-2009 con Metodos de Historia de Eventos." *Economia y Politica*, 2(2), 5-39.

Huneus, C. and **Maldonado, L.** (2003) "Democratas y Nostalgicos del Antiguo Regimen. Los Apoyos a la Democracia en Chile." *Revista Española de Investigaciones Sociologicas*, 103(3): 9-49.

BOOK CHAPTERS

Maldonado, L. and Ayala, M. C. (2020) "Redistributive Preferences in Contemporary Brazil." en S. Lopez-Cariboni et al. (Eds). *Political Economy of BRIC Countries. Volume 3: Political Economy of Informality in BRIC Countries.* World Scientific Publishing. Singapore.

Maldonado, L., Prieto, J. and Feres, J. C. (2018) "The Working Poor in Chile during the Period 1990-2013" en H. Lohmann and I. Marx (Eds). Edward Elgar *Handbook of Research on In-Work Poverty*. Cheltenham, UK.

Maldonado, L. and Geraldo, P. (2017) "Fixed Effects Regression and Effect Heterogeneity: An Illustration Using a Causal Inference Perspective" en M. Giesselmann, K. Golsh, H. Lohmann, and A. Schmidt-Catran (Eds). *Lebensbedingungen in Deutschland in der Längsschnittperspektive*. Springer VS.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Maldonado, L. (2012) *Helping the Poor in Latin America: Three Studies on Public Transfers, Social Services, and Poverty in Different Institutional Contexts*. PhD thesis. University of Cologne, Cologne, Germany.

	<p>Maldonado, L. (2012) "Data Analysis Using Regression and Multilevel/Hierarchical Models of Andrew Gelman and Jennifer Hill, 2007." <i>Persona y Sociedad</i>, Vol. XXVI, 1. Book Review.</p> <p>Irarrazaval, I., Lopez de Lerida, J., Maldonado, L., Margotta, O., Ortuzar, D., Torche, A. (2011) "Ingreso Etico Familiar: Reflexiones en torno a la Nueva Politica Social para la Poblacion en Situacion de Extrema Pobreza." <i>Apuntes Legislativos</i>. Vol.(14), 2-11.</p>
IN PROGRESS	<p>Sanchez, F. and Maldonado, L. (2024). "Protest and Elections in Authoritarian Regimes: Evidence from Pinochet's Chile".</p> <p>Maldonado, L., Castillo, J. C., Olivos, F., Iturra, J., and Atria, J. (2024) "Does information about economic inequality affect opportunity beliefs? Results from survey experiments in contemporary Chile".</p>
GRANTS	<p>Fondecyt Regular 2019-2023 (Chile), "Economía Moral de los Desastres Socionaturales y el Estado". Principal Investigator.</p> <p>Fondecyt Regular 2018-2021 (Chile), "Socio-Economic Modeling of Mitigation Strategies for Resilient Critical Infrastructure: Application to Drink Water Systems and Road Networks". Co-investigator.</p> <p>Fondecyt Regular 2015-2020 (Chile), "Economia Moral de la Meritocracia y Preferencias Redistributivas". Co-investigator.</p> <p>The National Research Center for Integrated Natural Disaster Management (CIGIDEN-FONDAP), Chile. Research associate. 2015-Present.</p> <p>Center for Social Conflict and Cohesion Studies (COES-FONDAP), Chile. Researcher. 2020-Present.</p>
AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS	<p>Premio de Reconocimiento de Excelencia Docente. Pontificia Universidad Catolica of Chile. 2018.</p> <p>Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst (DAAD) Scholarship for doctoral studies, Germany. 2005-2009.</p>
SELECTED PRESENTATIONS: 2022-2025	<p>EGAP Learning Days (Evidence in Governance and Politics) Meeting, July, 2025, Montevideo, Uruguay.</p> <p>EGAP (Evidence in Governance and Politics) Meeting, June, 2025, Medellín, Colombia.</p> <p>"Does Information about economic inequality affect opportunity beliefs? Results from survey experiments", Inequality Conference, Konstanz University, March, 2024, Germany.</p> <p>"Does Information about economic inequality affect opportunity beliefs? Results from survey experiments", Social Preferences Symposium, October, 2023, Santiago, Chile.</p>

EGAP (Evidence in Governance and Politics) Meeting, October 5 and 6, 2023, Mexico City, Mexico.

EGAP Learning days (Evidence in Governance and Politics) Meeting, August, 2023, Mexico City, Mexico.

”Does Information about economic inequality affect opportunity beliefs? Results from survey experiments”, Department of Sociology, Lingnan University, November, 2022, Hong Kong, China.

THESIS GUIDANCE

PhD Students: Maria Constanza Ayala (2018-2021), Maximo Quiero (2019-2024), Felipe Estay (2020-2025), Matias Gomez (2022-2026), Guillermo Beck (2023-2027).

COURSES TAUGHT

Datos III (Undergraduate). PUC.
 Metodologia de la Investigacion Social (Undergraduate). PUC.
 Sociologia de la Desigualdad (Undergraduate). PUC.
 Inferencia Causal (Graduate). PUC.
 Diseño y Análisis de Experimentos Aleatorizados en las Ciencias Sociales (Graduate). PUC.
 Sociologia del Estado de Bienestar (Graduate). PUC.
 Diseño de Investigacion Social (Graduate). PUC.

MEMBERSHIP AND SERVICE

The Society for Political Methodology (USA). Member, 2018 - Present.
 Evidence in Governance and Politics (EGAP). Member, 2017 - Present.
 International Sociological Association (ISA), Member, 2018-Present.
 Research Training Group “Social Order and Life Chances in Cross-National Comparison” (SOCLIFE), Member, 2012-2017.

Manuscript referee: American Political Science Review, World Development, Public Opinion Quarterly, Public Health, Current Sociology, Latin American Politics and Society, Learning and Individual Differences, International Journal of Educational Development, Ate-nea, Cuadernos del Instituto de Sociologia, Psykhe, Reflexiones, Perfiles Latinoamericanos, EURE, Revista de Ciencia Politica, Revista INVI.

COMPETENCES AND SKILLS

Software, data analysis and programming: R, Stata (Mata).
 Software, system: Windows, Mac OS X, Linux.
 Software, general: Latex, MS-Excel, MS-Word.
 Languages: Spanish (native), German (fluid), English (fluid).