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POSITION

Postdoctoral Research Associate, Jameel Observatory for Food Security Early Action, **University of Edinburgh**, Edinburgh, UK 2025–present

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Agricultural and Resource Economics, **University of California, Davis**, Davis, CA 2025
M.A. in Economics, **Instituto Desarrollo**, Asunción, Paraguay 2019
B.A. in Economics-Mathematics, **Columbia University**, New York, NY 2016
Concentration in Latin American and Caribbean Studies

WORKING PAPERS

Community Matters: Psychological Well-Being and Spillovers in an Asset-Building Anti-Poverty Program in Paraguay

The Economics of Sovereign Insurance in Low- and Middle-Income Countries (with Michael R. Carter)

The Impact of Natural Disasters on Risk Preferences, Subjective Beliefs, and Related Behavior: Evidence from Typhoon Ketsana (with Sean F. Kiely)

Asset Protection and Disaster Risk Financing to Improve Shock-responsive Social Protection in Latin America and the Caribbean (with Michael R. Carter)

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

Chicago School in Experimental Economics, Bonn, Germany 2025
UNU-WIDER Development Conference, Helsinki, Finland 2025
American Economic Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA 2025
UC Davis Development Seminar, Davis, CA 2024
Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association Meeting, Montevideo, Uruguay 2024
Economics of LGBTQ+ Individuals Virtual Seminar Series 2024
Innovations for Poverty Action & Global Poverty Research Lab at Northwestern University Annual Researcher Gathering, Evanston, IL 2024
London School of Economics, London, UK 2024
Western Agricultural Economics Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA 2024
Giannini Foundation of Agricultural and Resource Economics Student Conference, UC Berkeley, Berkeley, CA 2024
SCC-76 Economics and Management of Risks in Agricultural and Natural Resources Group, Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, Kansas City, MO 2024
Authors' Workshop of the Report on Climate and Poverty in Latin America and the Caribbean, World Bank, Washington, DC 2024

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics, University of California, Davis	Davis, CA
Graduate Student Researcher, Prof. Michael Carter	2021–2025
Poverty and Equity Global Practice, World Bank	Washington, D.C.
Short-Term Consultant	2023
Instituto Desarrollo	Asunción, Paraguay
Research Associate	2018–2019
Secretariat of Planning for Economic and Social Development	Asunción, Paraguay
Policy Analyst	2017–2018
E + E Economía y Estadísticas para el Desarrollo	Asunción, Paraguay
Research Associate	2016–2017
Innovations for Poverty Action	Washington, DC
Research Intern, Prof. Laura Schechter	2015
Department of Economics, Columbia University	New York, NY
Research Assistant, Prof. Suresh Naidu	2014

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics, University of California, Davis	Davis, CA
Facilitator, Applied Economics Research Workshop (undergraduate)	2023
Teaching Assistant, Econometrics (undergraduate)	2023
Associate Instructor, Intermediate Microeconomics (undergraduate)	2022
Teaching Assistant, Intermediate Microeconomics (undergraduate) (online)	2022
Teaching Assistant, Microeconomic Analysis (graduate) (online)	2020
Instituto Desarrollo	Asunción, Paraguay
Lecturer, Computational Methods (undergraduate)	2019
Lecturer, Research Workshop (undergraduate)	2018
Teaching Assistant, Mathematics for Economists (graduate)	2018
Department of Economics, Columbia University	New York, NY
Teaching Assistant, Intermediate Macroeconomics (undergraduate)	2015
Teaching Assistant, Intermediate Microeconomics (undergraduate)	2014
Department of Mathematics, Columbia University	New York, NY
Teaching Assistant, Calculus I-III (undergraduate)	2013–2014

GRANTS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND AWARDS

Henry A. Jastro Research Fellowship (PI, \$3,000 each), University of California, Davis	2022, 2024
Agricultural Economics Summer Fellowship (PI, \$4,000), University of California, Davis	2024
Fundación Capital and Co-Impact (Co-PI, \$100,000), Asunción, Paraguay	2021
Provost's First Year Fellowship, University of California, Davis	2019–2020

SERVICE

Participant at the Graduate Inclusive Education and Mentoring Training Workshop—Diversity and Inclusion in Research, Education, and Career Training Program	2023
Member of the Agricultural and Resource Economics Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee	2021–2022
Student Coordinator of the Development Economics Workshop	2021–2022
Member of the Agricultural and Resource Economics Anti-Racism Graduate Student Group	2020

OTHER

Affiliations: American Economic Association, Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association, Western Agricultural Economics Association, Feed the Future Innovation Lab for Markets, Risk, and Resilience at UC Davis

Languages: Spanish (native), Guaraní (intermediate), Portuguese (intermediate)

Software: R, Stata, Python, Google Earth Engine, GAUSS, SurveyCTO, L^AT_EX

REFERENCES

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