Miguel Ortiz

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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Princeton University

Postdoctoral Research Associate, Research Program in Development Economics

2024 - 2025

University of British Columbia

Assistant Professor, Vancouver School of Economics

2025 -

EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley

Ph.D., Business and Public Policy group at the Haas School of Business Committee: Ernesto Dal Bó, Francesco Trebbi, Frederico Finan, Edward Miguel 2018 - 2024

Universidad de los Andes (Bogotá, Colombia)

B.A. in Economics with minor in Philosophy, summa cum laude (ranked 1st)

2012 - 2017

Job Market Paper

"Hate, Fear and Intergroup Conflict: Experimental Evidence from Nigeria"

- Winner of the Weiss Family Distinguished Paper at NEUDC 2023

Publications

"Monopoly of Taxation Without a Monopoly of Violence: The Weak State's Trade-Offs from Taxation"

Review of Economic Studies, 2024

with Soeren Henn, Mastaki Mugaruka, Raúl Sánchez de la Sierra and David Q. Wu

WORK IN PROGRESS

"Local Markets as Intergroup Contact Platforms: Evidence from an RCT in Nigeria" with Eunice B. Atajiri

"Ethiopian Factory: The Effect of Managerial Practices of Chinese Firms on Ethiopian Workers" with David Q. Wu

AWARDS & GRANTS

IGC Exploratory Grant, The International Growth Center, £20,000 GBP, 2024 (co-PI)

ACES Dissertation Fellowship, Assoc. for Comparative Econ Studies, \$40,000 USD, 2023

N2PE Research Grant, Network for a New Political Economy, \$5,000 USD, 2023 (co-PI)

IGC Full Research Grant, The International Growth Center, £52,000 GBP, 2023 (PI)

Weiss Pilot Grant, The Weiss Fund, \$8,000 USD, 2023 (PI)

CEGA Development Economics Challenge, Center for Effective Global Action, \$15,000 USD, 2022 (PI)

ACES Research Award, Association for Comparative Economic Studies, \$20,000 USD, 2022 (PI)

EGAL Research Grant, Center for Equity, Gender, and Leadership, \$5,000 USD, 2022 (PI)

Peter Jones Memorial Fund Grant, Institute for Business Innovation, \$4,500 USD, 2021 (PI)

Portafolio Prize, Best Student in Economics or Business in Colombia, Honorable Mention, 2017

Academic Excellence Prize (×2), Universidad de los Andes, Fall 2015 and Spring 2016

OTHER

Languages: Spanish (native), English (fluent), French (intermediate)

Programming: Stata, Matlab, Python, SurveyCTO

Referee: Econometrica, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Health Economics