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Curriculum Vitæ

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Education

- 2018 – **PhD Candidate in Economics & Statistics**, *Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)*, Cambridge (MA), United States, Advisors: Esther Duflo and Parag Pathak.
- 2015 – 2017 **MSc. in Economics**, *Ranked 1st/7*, University of Chile, Advisor: Eduardo Engel.
- 2012 – 2015 **Business Engineering, BSc. in Economics**, *Ranked 1st/52*, University of Chile.

Publications

- 2021 **Effects of a Large-Scale Social Media Advertising Campaign on Holiday Travel and COVID-19 Infections: A Cluster Randomized Controlled Trial**, *Nature Medicine* (with E. Breza, F. C. Stanford, M. Alsan, B. Alsan, A. Banerjee, A. G. Chandrasekhar, S. Eichmeyer, T. Glushko, P. Goldsmith-Pinkham, K. Holland, E. Hoppe, S. Liegel, T. Loisel, L. Ogbu-Nwobodo, B. Olken, C. Torres, P. Vautrey, E. Warner, S. Wootton, and E. Duflo).
- 2021 **Effect of Physician-Delivered COVID-19 Public Health Messages and Messages Acknowledging Racial Inequity on Black and White Adults' Knowledge, Beliefs, and Practices Related to COVID-19: A Randomized Clinical Trial**, *JAMA Network Open* (with C. Torres, L. Ogbu-Nwobodo, M. Alsan, F. C. Stanford, A. Banerjee, E. Breza, A. G. Chandrasekhar, S. Eichmeyer, T. Loisel, P. Goldsmith-Pinkham, B. Olken, P. Vautrey, E. Warner and E. Duflo).
- 2019 **Sudden Stops of Capital Flows: Do Foreign Assets Behave Differently from Foreign Liabilities?**, *Journal of International Money and Finance* (with M. Agosin and J. Díaz).
- 2017 **Impact Evaluation of a Freshmen Remedial Math Program: A Regression Discontinuity Approach**, *Experiencias de Innovación Docente* (In Spanish).

Working Papers

Aftermarket Frictions and the Cost of Off-Platform Options in Centralized Assignment Mechanisms, (with A. Kapor and C. Neilson), R&R at *Journal of Political Economy*.

Screening and Recruiting Talent At Teacher Colleges Using Pre-College Academic Achievement, (with F. Calle, S. Gallegos and C. Neilson), Submitted.

Expiring Budgets and Dynamic Competition in Year-End Public Auctions: Theory and Evidence from Chile.

Freshmen Teachers and College Major Choice: Evidence from a Decade of Random Assignments.

Labor Shakes: Mid Run Effects of a Large Earthquake on Unemployment.

Work in Progress

Elite Colleges and Long Run Residential Sorting: Evidence from Centralized College Choice.

Foreign Classmates and Student Outcomes: Evidence from Venezuelan Refugee Migration Waves, (with D. Paz).

Noise-Robust Change-in-Changes Estimation.

RCTs meet Market Design: Treatment Effects and Spillovers under Interference in Matching Markets.

Rational and Adaptive Expectations in School Choice: Evidence from Intertemporal College Admission Cutoffs.

Local Cash Transfers, Price Adjustments and Competition: Evidence from a Market-Level Randomized Controlled Trial, (with C. Martínez and J. Tessada).

Presentations (*Denotes coauthor presenting)

- 2016 – 2022 **Talks**, APPAM (Austin, TX, 2022), Jane Street (virtual-NYC, 2022), WEAI $\times 3$ (virtual-Hawaii, 2021), ConsiliumBots (virtual, 2021), NBER Market Design* (virtual-Cambridge, 2020), Econometric Society* (virtual-Milan, 2020), SITE* (virtual-Stanford, 2020), ASSA (San Diego, CA, 2020), U. Chile (Santiago, 2018), LACEA & LAMES $\times 2$ (Puebla, 2019 & Buenos Aires, 2017), FLAUC (Bogotá, 2017), CLADEA (Riverside, CA, 2017), LAWEBESS (Cali, 2017), SECHI (Santa Cruz, 2017), SINERGIA & 3ie (Bogotá, 2016) and RIDGE (Buenos Aires, 2016).
- 2015 – 2016 **Posters**, SECHI $\times 2$ (Viña del Mar, 2016 & Talca, 2015), ENIN (Valparaíso, 2016) and COES & LSE (Santiago, 2016).

Research Experience

- Summer 2020 **Research Assistant**, Professor Esther Duflo - Virtual.
- Summer 2019 **Research Intern**, Facebook Research - Menlo Park, CA.
- Spring 2018 **Research Associate**, Professor Christopher Neilson at National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER) and Microsoft Research - Cambridge, MA.
- 2016 – 2018 **Instructor**, Department of Economics, University of Chile, (Teaching and Research, Full Time Academic Appointment).
- Summer 2015 **Research Intern**, Anti-Cartels Unit at the National Economic Prosecutor's Office.
- 2014 – 2018 **Research Assistant**, Assisted Professors Eduardo Engel, Manuel Agosin and José De Gregorio at University of Chile; Andrea Repetto at Adolfo Ibáñez University (UAI); and Christian Belmar at the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB).

Teaching Experience

- 3/2016 – **Undergraduate Lecturer**, Taught 10 courses as sole lecturer: Introductory Economics
11/2017 (2), Macroeconomics (3) and Mathematics (5) as an Instructor at University of Chile.
- 7/2016 – **Graduate Lecturer**, Co-Taught 2 courses on Economic Development for the MA in
11/2017 Economic Analysis program as an Instructor at University of Chile.

Teaching Assistant Experience

- 1/2021 – **Undergraduate Teaching Assistant**, Professor Sara Fisher Ellison in Principles of Microeconomics (Head TA $\times 2$) and Professor Parag Pathak in Market Design at MIT.
- 3/2016 – **Graduate Teaching Assistant**, Professors Eduardo Engel, Juan Pablo Torres-Martínez
7/2017 and Fabián Duarte in different courses of Public Private Partnerships and Advanced Microeconomics in the MSc. and PhD. in Economics programs at UChile.
- 3/2013 – **Undergraduate Teaching Assistant**, Professors Dante Contreras, Pablo Tapia, Christian
7/2016 Belmar and Carlos Cáceres in different courses of Mathematics (TA Coordinator), Statistics, Econometrics (TA Coordinator), General Economics, Microeconomics and Labor Economics in the BSc. in Economics program at UChile.

Awards

Fellowships and Grants

- 2022 **Global Priorities Fellowship**, *Forethought Foundation*, Oxford University.
- 2019 – 2021 **George and Obie Shultz Fund**, *Data Collection Grant*, MIT.
- 2018 – 2020 **Castle Krob International Fellowship**, *PHD. IN ECONOMICS*, MIT.
- 2016 **National Master's Scholarship**, *ADVANCED HUMAN CAPITAL FORMATION PROGRAM*, National Commission of Research in Science and Technology (CONICYT).
- 2016 **Academic Excellence Scholarship**, *MSC. IN ECONOMICS*, University of Chile.
- 2012 – 2015 **Merit Scholarship**, *BUSINESS ENGINEERING*, University of Chile.
- 2012 – 2015 **National Score Scholarship**, *MINISTRY OF EDUCATION*, Government of Chile.

Academic Awards

- 2017 **Best Macroeconomics and Mathematics Instructor**, *BUSINESS ENGINEERING*, University of Chile.
- 2017 **Best Graduated Engineer**, *BUSINESS ENGINEERING*, Chilean Engineers Association.
- 2016 **Best First and Second Year Instructor**, *BUSINESS ENGINEERING*, University of Chile.
- 2016 **Highest GPA of Cohort**, *BSC. IN ECONOMICS*, University of Chile.
- 2016 **School Spirit Award**, *BSC. IN ECONOMICS*, Alumni Network, University of Chile.
- 2016 **Best in Business Award**, *BETA GAMMA SIGMA HONOR SOCIETY*, The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB).
- 2014 **Best Teacher Assistant**, *BUSINESS ENGINEERING*, University of Chile.
- 2013–2015 **Honors Board**, *BUSINESS ENGINEERING*, University of Chile.
- 2012 **First Admission**, *BUSINESS ENGINEERING*, University of Chile.

Other Awards and Fellowships

- 2022 IHS Fund for Scholars
- 2020 Santander Data Science Fellowship
- 2018 MIT Graduate Students Leadership Institute (GSLI) Fellowship / Cambridge Fellows
- 2017 Winner of the International Initiative for Impact Evaluation (3ie) Open Data Challenge.
- 2016 Winner of the Chilean Economics Society (SECHI) Academic Poster Contest.
- 2015 Member of the Winning Team of Bank of Chile's Bourse Game.
- 2011 National Champion of the National Mathematics Championship.

Service

Referee, *American Economic Review*, *CLADEA*, *Estudios Nueva Economía*, *Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Finance*, *Journal of Econometric Methods*, *Review of Economics and Statistics*.

- 2018 – **At MIT**, Treasurer for: (i) *Latinx Graduate Students Association* (2021-), (ii) *Graduate Economic Association* ×2 (2019-2021), (iii) *Ashdown House* (2019-2020); *Development Lunch Co-Organizer* (2020-2021); *Presidential Task-force: Beyond MIT* (2020); *Residential Scholar Coordinator* (2019-2022), and several *Graduate Student Council's* committees.
- 2012 – 2017 **At UChile**, *High School Math Teacher* in different social programs (2012-2017), *Volunteer at social entrepreneurship program* (2012-2013).

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