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CURRENT POSITION

Assistant Professor, School of Economics and Finance, Universidad EAFIT

July 2020 -

EDUCATION

2020: **University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign**, Urbana, IL. *Ph.D. in Economics*

2014: **Universidad Nacional de la Plata**, La Plata, Buenos Aires. *M.S. in Economics*

2010: **Universidad Torcuato Di Tella**, Buenos Aires, Argentina. *B.S. in Economics*

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Primary: Development Economics, Health, Education

Secondary: Applied Econometrics, Microeconomics

PUBLICATIONS

“Can Community Based Incentives Improve Antenatal Care?” with Maria Laura Alzua, Chitalu Miriam Chama-Chilibaa, and Peter Hangomab *Forthcoming in Studies in Family Planning*

WORKING PAPERS

“Mental Health Effects of an Old Age Grant: Experimental Evidence for Ekiti State in Nigeria”, with Maria Laura Alzua, Ana C. Dammert and Damilola Olajide. *Conditionally accepted at Journal of African Economies*

“Does maternal schooling lead to improvements in child health? Evidence from Ethiopia”. *Revisions requested at Economics of Education Review*

“The Effect of Teenage Pregnancy on Schooling and Labor Force Participation: Evidence From Urban South Africa” *Under review in Economic Development and Cultural Change*

“Is There Discrimination Against Children of Same Sex Households?” with Brian Feld and Monica Hernandez *Under review in Labour Economics*

“Gender and Value of Decision-making Within the Household: Experimental Evidence from Colombia” with Marcela Ibanez, Tatiana Orozco-Garcia and Gerhard Riener

“Do women-led ventures set different target margins? Evidence from emerging markets”, with Brian Feld and Estefany Peña

“Efectos de la Violencia Doméstica en la Toma de Decisiones de las Mujeres en Colombia” with Laura Quintero and Manuela Santella *Under review in Cuadernos de Economía*

“How Can Sports Events Alter Public Opinion on Politics? Evidence from Colombia” with Andres Ochoa and Juan Camilo Mujica

“Financial Incentives for Maternal and Child Care: Impact of a National Program in Bolivia” with Leonardo Orihuela and Susana Mujica

“Premarital Fertility in Liberia: Exploring Predictors of Early Sexual Debut and Pregnancy Among Adolescent Girls in Monrovia”. with Shelley Clark, Tricia Koroknay-Palicz, and Michelle Poulin

WORKS IN PROGRESS

The effects of mining on wellbeing in rural remote communities with Laura Quintero

The Covid vaccine take up in rural remote areas with Juan Carlos Muñoz and Laura Quintero

Schools during the Colombian Social Economic Crisis with Leonardo Orihuela and Daniel Cañizares

Community participation on school management, with Clara Delavallade, Alan Griffith, and Rebecca Thornton

“Shifts and high-school graduation” with Carolina Lopez, Santiago Hermo, and Juan Pedro Ronconi

PRESENTATIONS

2022: Universidad Nacional de La Plata; ANDE Network Seminar; Carolina Region Empirical Economics Day; Brown Bag Seminar at University of South Carolina

2021: Ministerio de Salud, Uruguay; University of Goettingen

2020: 2020 AAEA Virtual Meeting; American Economics Association and CSMGEP session, San Diego CA

2019: Midwest Economics Association Annual Meeting, Mo; University of Illinois, Department of Economics; LACEA's Health Network Workshop, Universidad del Pacífico; Sustainability and Development Conference, University Of Michigan; Washington University Economics Graduate Student Conference, Washington University in St. Louis, MO; Illinois Economics Association Annual Meeting, DePaul University; Southern Economics Association Annual Meeting, Fort Lauderdale FL.

2018: Midwest Economics Association Annual Meeting, Evanston IL; Midwest International Development Conference, University of Minnesota

2017: Missouri Valley Economics Association Annual Conference, Kansas City MO.

EXTERNAL GRANTS

2023: IADB GDLab Gender-based violence against women, children, and adolescents - with Marcela Ibañez and Juan Carlos Muñoz

2023- 2025: FID Strengthening the National Community-Based Health Insurance (CBHI) in Ethiopia - with Maria Laura Alzua, Zewdie Birhanu, Desta Hiko and Morankar Sudhakar

2022: IADB LGBTQ+ Persons in Latin America and the Caribbean: Measuring Population Sizes And Obstacles To Economic and Social Inclusion -with Brian Feld and Monica Hernandez

2021-2022: ANDE-IDRC Experience of women entrepreneurs participating in venture accelerator programs - with Brian Feld

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Professional Memberships

2021 - Present: Mentor, Scientific Support Team, Policy Impact Evaluation Research Initiative (PIERI), Partnership for Economic Policy (PEP)

2021 - Present: Academic advising for EAFIT and the Ministry of Education - Evaluation of technology usage in Colombian primary schools

Department Academic Services

2021- 2022: Evaluation of programs for Fundacion Mi Sangre with Prof. Elenora Davalos

2021: Universidad EAFIT - Internal committee to review and reform the Ph.D. program

Referee Activity

Refereeing: Economics of Education Review, PEP

Other Services

AWARDS

2020: Committee on the Status of Minority Groups in the Economics Profession (CSMGEP) Travel Grant.

2016: Summer research award, University of Illinois.

2014-2020: Merit-based full scholarship for graduate studies, University of Illinois.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Fall 2022: Quantitative Methods (Masters in Applied Economics)

Fall 2022: Development Economics (Economics Ph.D.)

Spring 2022: Quantitative Methods (Masters in Behaviour Science)

Fall 2020 & Spring 2022: Introduction to Microeconomics

Fall 2021: Masters Rural Development Economics (Masters in Applied Economics)

Spring - Fall 2021: Development Economics and Growth

Fall 2020 - Spring 2021: Microeconomics Seminar

Fall 2020: Intermediate Microeconomics

ADVISING

PhD Advising (In Process)

Grey Yuliet Ceballos Garcia (Chair)- In process

Masters Thesis Supervision

Leonardo Orrihuela (Chair) - 2022

Laura Maria Quintero Vazquez (Chair) - In process

Undergraduate Thesis supervisor

Manuel Buitrago - 2022

Isabel Restrepo - 2021

Sindy Piedrhita and Carolina Castellano - 2021

Pablo Moreno Herrera and Maria Antonia Restrepo Vazquez - 2021

Ana Maria Vinasco Ciro and Valentina Lopez Arango - 2021

Maria Camila Laverde Gonzalez and Daniel Gomez Perez - 2021

Catalina Valencia Restrepo - 2020

Carlos Felipe Munera Alzate and Ana Elizabeth Bustamante Serrano - 2020

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Citizenship: American, Argentine.

Languages: Spanish (native), English (fluent).

Programming skills: Stata (Advanced), R (basic)