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Information

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RESEARCH INTERESTS Program Evaluation, Applied Microeconomics, Economics of Education, Educational Policy, Gender

and Education

CURRENT APPOINTMENTS Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA

Instructor of Education - Graduate School of Education

2021 -

Name of course: "Educational Policy in Developing Countries: Lessons from Impact Evaluations"

Ph.D. Candidate, Educational Policy and Program Evaluation

2017 - 2022

Dissertation Topic: "Essays on Gender and Education Policies"

Committee: Eric Taylor (Advisor), Michela Carlana, Felipe Barrera-Osorio, Christopher Neilson

Ph.D. Affiliate - Institute for Quantitative Social Science, Harvard University 2021 -

Research Affiliate - ConsiliumBots, New York, New York, USA

2020 -

EDUCATION

Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA

Master in Public Policy, May 2017

Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, Santiago, Chile

M.S. in Engineering Science, Applied Microeconomics, November, 2011 — Maximum distinction

B.S. in Industrial Engineering, November 2010 — Maximum Distinction

Diploma in Transportation Engineering, November 2010 — Maximum Distinction

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE Inter-American Development Bank, Washington DC, USA

Education Division Research Consultant

September, 2019 - December 2020

Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachussets, USA

Research Assistant - Professor Emmerich Davies

June, 2018 - Sept 2018

Harvard Graduate School of Education

Research Assistant - Professor Joshua Goodman

May 2018

Harvard Kennedy School of Government

Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey, USA

Research Assistant - Professor Christopher Nielson

June, 2016 - August 2016

Economics Department

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS "College major choice and beliefs about relative ability: an experimental intervention to understand

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gender gaps in STEM" (http://www.socialscienceregistry.org/trials/4644)

"STEM Gender Peer Effects in Post-Secondary Vocational Education"

"Textbook Gender Bias and Educational Gender Gap"

"Providing Information on Female Higher-Education Enrollment".

"Do Cohort Peer Diversity Matters and For Whom? Evidence from Chile on Students' Academic Outcomes". (With Francisco Lagos)

"School admissions: Allocation Algorithms and Its Effects on school Segregation". (With Gabriel Gutirrez, Isidora Palma, and Francisco Lagos)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachussets, USA

Teaching Fellow, Harvard Graduate School of Education

September, 2018 - Present

- Using Data in Organization (Prof. Carrie Conaway, Spring '21)
- The Politics of Education in Developing Countries (Prof. Emmerich Daviers, Fall '20)
- Applied Data Analysis (Prof. Andrew Ho, Spring '20)
- Microeconomics of Education (Prof. F. Barrera-Osorio, Fall '18 & Fall '19)
- The Consequences of Educational Policy Interventions in Developing Countries (Prof. F. Barrera-Osorio, Spring '19)

Teaching Assistant, Kennedy School of Government September, 2017 - December 2017 Economic Analysis of Public Policy (Prof. Mark Shepard, Spring '17)

Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, Santiago, Chile

Teaching Assistant

2007 - 2010

Optimization (2009-2010, 4 semesters)

Introduction to Economics (2007-2008, 3 semesters) Calculus II (2007, 1 semester)

AWARDS, HONORS AND GRANTS

Independent Experience Stipend - David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies (2021)

Jens Aubrey Westengard Summer Research and Travel Grant, Harvard GSAS (2019)

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Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Ph.D. Fellowship (2017–2019)

Carnesale Fellowship – Harvard Kennedy School (2015-2017)

Luksic Abaroa Fellowship for Chilean Students – Harvard Kennedy School (2015-2017)

CONFERENCE AND PRESENTATIONS

Information provision and STEM enrollment

• (Scheduled) Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management (APPAM), Austin, TX, USA, November 2021.

Gender Bias in Textbooks:

• Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management (APPAM), Online, November 11-13 2020.

Socioeconomic Diversity Peer Effects:

• American Educational Research Association (AERA) Annual Meeting, Online, April 8-12, 2021.

STEM Gender Peer Effects in Post-Secondary Vocational Education:

 Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management (APPAM), Denver, Colorado, USA, November, 2019.

- Association for Education Finance and Policy (AEFP), Fort Worth, Texas, USA, March, 2020.
- (Cancelled due to COVID-19): Society for Research on Educational Effectiveness (SREE), Arlington, Virginia, USA, March, 2020.
- Harvard Graduate School of Education Doctoral Colloquium, Harvard University, October 2019.
- Encuentro Sociedad Chilena de Políticas Públicas, Santiago, Chile, January 2020.
- Ridge LACEA Labor, Online (Covid-19), 9-10 December, 2020.

Professional Experience

Fundación América Solidaria, Port Au Prince, Haiti Chief of Mission March, 2014 - July, 2015

Lead the Haiti Office of the Chilean NGO América Solidaria, coordinating a team of 11 people and 17 volunteers working on education and health projects throughout the country.

Fundación Educación 2020, Santiago, Chile Cofounder and Board Member August, 2012 - Jan, 2014

Lead the formation process of the institution, working in areas like educational policy analysis and fundraising.

Ministry of Education, Santiago, Chile Staff Professional - Plan de Formación de Directores de Excelencia April, 2012 - July, 2012

Managed, collected and presented the information for the selection of principals applying to the programs participating in the plan

OTHER SKILLS

- Programming languages: R, Stata, LATEX.
- Languages: Spanish (Native), English (Fluent), Portuguese (Intermediate), Haitian Creole (Basic), French (Basic).

References

- Eric Taylor, Associate professor, Harvard Graduate School of Education (eric_taylor@gse.harvard.edu)
- Michela Carlana, Assistant Professor of Public Policy, Harvard Kennedy School of Public Policy michela_carlana@hks.harvard.edu
- Felipe Barrera-Osorio, Associate Professor of Public Policy, Education and Economics, Vanderbilt University
 - felipe.barrera.-.osorio@vanderbilt.edu
- Christopher Neilson, Assistant Professor of Economics at Princeton cneilson@princeton.edu