

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EMPLOYMENT

2014- Principal Economist. Research Department, Inter-American Development Bank
2010-2014 Lead Economist. Research Department, Inter-American Development Bank
2003-2012 Lecturer (Assistant Professor). Department of Economics, University College London (on unpaid leave 2010-2012)
2001-2003 Invited Professor. Department of Business and Department of Economics, Universidad de San Andrés
2000-2001 Temporary Lecturer. Department of Economics, London School of Economics

EDUCATION

2001 D.Phil. in Economics. University of Oxford, Nuffield College
1998 M.Phil. in Economics. University of Oxford, Keble College
George Webb Medley Prize for the best thesis and proxime accesserunt (runner-up) for the best performance in examinations
1994 Master in Economics. Centro de Estudios Macroeconómicos de Argentina (CEMA)
1993 Licenciado en Economía. Universidad de Buenos Aires

EXPERTISE AND INTERESTS

Public Policy, Economics of Education, Labor Economics, Development Economics, and Political Economy

AFFILIATIONS

2010- Member. Human Capital and Economic Opportunity Global Working Group (HCEO)
2008- Research Fellow. Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA)
2011-2015 International Research Fellow. Institute for Fiscal Studies (IFS)
2006-2012 Research Fellow. Centre for Research and Analysis of Migration (CReAM)
2005-2011 Research Fellow. Institute for Fiscal Studies (IFS)
2003-2005 Research Associate. Institute for Fiscal Studies (IFS)
2001-2003 Research Associate. Centre for the Study of Institutional Development (CEDI)

PUBLICATIONS

Unpublished articles (under submission or in preparation for re-submission)

“Child Care Markets, Parental Labor Supply and Child Development” (with Maria Marta Ferreyra, Luca Flabbi and Juan David Martin). IZA Discussion Paper 12904. Revise and resubmit (2nd round) *Journal of Political Economy*

“Helping Struggling Students and Benefitting All: Peer Effects in Primary Education” (with Matias Busso and Michele Giannola). IFS Working Paper W22/02. Revise and resubmit *Journal of Public Economics*

“Improving Early Literacy through Teacher Professional Development: Experimental Evidence from Colombia” (with Horacio Alvarez Marinelli, Matias Busso and Julian Martinez Correa). IDB Working Paper 1388. Revise and resubmit *Journal of Public Economics Plus*

Articles in refereed journals

“Reducing Parent-School Information Gaps and Improving Education Outcomes: Evidence from High Frequency Text Messaging in Chile” (with Matias Busso, Taryn Dinkelman and Claudia Martinez). *Journal of Human Resources*, forthcoming

- “Remedial Education: Evidence from a Sequence of Experiments in Colombia” (with Horacio Alvarez Marinelli and Matias Busso). *Journal of Human Resources*, forthcoming
- “Prevalence and Correlates of Disability in Latin America and the Caribbean: Evidence from 8 National Censuses” (with Suzanne Duryea and Santiago Perez-Vincent). *PLoS ONE* 16 (2021), e0258825
- “Peer Effects in the Decision to Apply for a Professional Excellence Award” (with Alejandra Ramos). *Labour Economics* 67 (2020), 101934
- “Teacher Mobility and Merit Pay: Evidence from a Voluntary Public Award Program” (with Alejandra Ramos). *Journal of Public Economics* 186 (2020), 104186
- “Progress and Challenges for an Evidence-based Gender Equality Policy: A focus in Latin America and the Caribbean” (with Rosangela Bando and Jose Martinez Carrasco). *Journal of Economics, Race, and Policy* 2 (2019), 187-201
- “Motivation, Resources and the Organization of the School System” (with Facundo Albornoz and Antonio Cabrales). *Journal of the European Economic Association* 16 (2018), 199-231
- “Cultural Adaptation of a Neurobiologically-informed Intervention in Local and International Contexts” (with Eric Pakulak, Amanda Hampton Wray, Zayra Longoria, Alejandra Garcia Isaza, Courtney Stevens, Theodore Bell, Sarah Burlingame, Scott Klein, Orazio Attanasio, and Helen Neville). *New Directions for Child and Adolescent Development* 158 (2017), 81-92
- “Challenges in Educational Reform: An Experiment on Active Learning in Mathematics” (with Matias Busso). *Economics Letters* 156 (2017), 172-175
- “How Much Are We Willing to Contribute for Better Educational Outcomes? Evidence from a Survey Experiment” (with Matias Busso). *Economic Inquiry* 54 (2016), 63-75
- “Franchise Extension and the British Aristocracy” (with Torun Dewan and Brenda van Coppenolle). *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 39 (2014), 531-558
- “Market Regulation and Firm Performance: The Case of Smoking Bans in the United Kingdom” (with Jérôme Adda and Stephen Machin). *Journal of Law and Economics* 55 (2012), 365-391
- “Preschool and Maternal Labor Outcomes: Evidence from a Regression Discontinuity Design” (with Sebastian Galiani and Patrick McEwan). *Economic Development and Cultural Change* 59 (2011), 313-344
- “The Political Consequences of Franchise Extension: Evidence from the Second Reform Act” (with Torun Dewan). *Quarterly Journal of Political Science* 6 (2011), 329-376
- “The Impact of Individual and Collective Performance on Ministerial Tenure” (with Torun Dewan and Keith Dowding). *Journal of Politics* 72 (2010), 559-571
- “The Effect of Pre-primary Education on Primary School Performance” (with Sebastian Galiani and Paul Gertler). *Journal of Public Economics* 93 (2009), 219-234
- “Wages and Contracting Out: Does the Law of One Price Hold?” *British Journal of Industrial Relations* 46 (2008), 59-75
- “Giving Children a Better Start: Preschool Attendance and School-Age Profiles” (with Sebastian Galiani and Marco Manacorda). *Journal of Public Economics* 92 (2008), 1416-1440
- “The Length of Ministerial Tenure in the United Kingdom, 1945-1997” (with Torun Dewan and Keith Dowding). *British Journal of Political Science* 37 (2007), 245-262

“The Effect of a Large Expansion of Pre-primary School Facilities on Preschool Attendance and Maternal Employment” (with Sebastian Galiani). *Labour Economics* 14 (2007), 665-680

“Short Run Economic Effects of the Scottish Smoking Ban” (with Jérôme Adda and Stephen Machin). *International Journal of Epidemiology* 36 (2007), 149-154

Books

The Early Years: Child Wellbeing and the Role of Public Policy, Editor (with Norbert Schady). New York: Palgrave Macmillan (2015)

Accounting for Ministers: Scandal and Survival in the British Government 1945-2007 (with Torun Dewan and Keith Dowding). Cambridge: Cambridge University Press (2012)

Chapters in edited volumes

“A Primer on Trust: Measures and Determinants” (with Matias Busso, Phillip Keefer and Carlos Scartascini). In *Trust: The Key to Social Cohesion and Growth in Latin America and the Caribbean*, Phillip Keefer and Carlos Scartascini (eds). Washington DC: Inter-American Development Bank, (2021)

“Health Inequality: A Tale of Expansion and Fragmentation” (with Jessica Gagete-Miranda and Marcos Vera-Hernandez). In *The Inequality Crisis: Latin America and the Caribbean at a Crossroads*, Matias Busso and Julian Messina (eds). Washington DC: Inter-American Development Bank, (2020)

“The Rationale for Interventions to Foster Child Development” (with Marcos Vera-Hernandez). *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Economics and Finance*, Jonathan Hamilton (ed). Oxford: Oxford University Press, (2019)

“The Economics of Early Interventions Aimed at Child Development” (with Marcos Vera-Hernandez). *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Economics and Finance*, Jonathan Hamilton (ed). Oxford: Oxford University Press, (2019)

“Early Childhood: How Can We Support Parents?” (with Ricardo Espinoza). In *Learning Better: Public Policy for Skill Development*, Matias Busso et al. (eds). Washington DC: Inter-American Development Bank, (2017)

“Computers in Schools: Why Governments Should Do their Homework” (with Matias Busso, Julian Cristia, and Eugenio Severin). In *Development Connections: Unveiling the Impact of New Information Technologies*, Alberto Chong (ed). New York: Palgrave Macmillan, (2011)

“Choosing, Moving and Resigning at Westminster” (with Torun Dewan, Keith Dowding and Gita Subrahmanyam). In *The Selection of Ministers in Europe: Hiring and Firing*, Keith Dowding and Patrick Dumont (eds). London: Routledge, (2008)

RESEARCH GRANTS

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| 2015 | Spencer Foundation. Project: “Leveraging School-Generated Data to Improve Parent-School Communication and Schooling Outcomes”. Co-principal Investigator |
| 2010-2013 | Inter-American Development Bank. Project: “Evaluating the Benefits and Cost of Alternative ICT Uses in Education.” Co-team Leader |
| 2009-2010 | Inter-American Development Bank. Project: “Information and Communication Technology and Student Absenteeism.” Principal Investigator |
| 2009-2010 | Lincoln Institute of Land Policy, Program on Latin America and Caribbean. Project: “The Impact of Railway Expansion on Urban Spatial Patterns.” Co-applicant |
| 2006-2009 | Department for International Development (DFID) - Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC). Project: “Human Development and Poverty Reduction in Developing Countries.” Co-applicant |
| 2006 | Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC). Project: “Measuring the Short Term Economic Impact of the Smoking Ban in Scotland.” Principal Investigator |

2005-2006 Nuffield Foundation. Project: “Measuring the Economic Impact of the Smoking Ban in Scotland.”
Principal Investigator

HONORS AND AWARDS

2002-2003 Fundación Antorchas. Research subsidy for returning doctoral researchers
2000-2001 ESRC New Scholar. CEPR, Industrial Organization and Labor Economics programs
2000-2001 Royal Economic Society. Junior Fellowship (declined)
1998-2000 Nuffield College. Fully funded studentship for the D.Phil. in Economics
1998-2000 Fundación Antorchas. Scholarship for completing doctoral studies
1998-1999 Department for Education and Employment (*DfEE*-UK). Overseas Research Studentship (ORS) Award
1996-1998 University of Oxford/Foreign Common Office/Citibank. Fully funded scholarship for the M.Phil. in Economics
1996 Instituto de Matemática Pura e Aplicada (IMPA). Full scholarship for summer visiting students
1992-1995 Universidad de Buenos Aires. Research scholarship

DEPARTAMENTAL SERVICE

2015- Chair. Junior hiring committee. Research Department, Inter-American Development Bank
2021- Co-Coordinator. Development in the Americas (DIA) 2023, Inter-American Development Bank
2012-2015 Co-Coordinator. Development in the Americas (DIA) 2015, Inter-American Development Bank
2010-2014 Organizer. Development Challenges Event. Research Department, Inter-American Development Bank
2010-2013 Member. Hiring committee. Research Department, Inter-American Development Bank
2006-2010 Co-organizer. STICERD-UCL Development and Growth Seminar
2004-2010 Affiliate (Junior Year Abroad) Tutor. Department of Economics, University College London
2002-2003 Academic Coordinator. Specialization in Human Resources Management, Department of Business, Universidad de San Andrés

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Fundación BBVA Workshop: Evaluating the Impact of Public Policies in Health Economics
London School of Economics: Econometrics (graduate)
University College London: Economics of Industrial Relations (undergraduate), Issues in Economic Development (undergraduate), and Topics in Labor Economic (graduate)
Universidad de San Andrés: Labor Economics (undergraduate), and Human Resources Management (undergraduate)
Universidad Torcuato Di Tella: Topics in Development Economics (graduate)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Presentations (since 2003)

Invited seminars (including scheduled): Brown University (2010); Centre for Economic Performance, LSE (2013); Centre for Economics of Education, LSE (2003); Centre for the Evaluation of Development Policies, IFS (2010); Centre for Microdata Methods and Practice, IFS (2008); Centre for the Study of African Economies, University of Oxford (2008); City University (2008); Columbia University (2010); George Washington University (2014); Haas Business School, UC Berkeley (2010); Institute for Fiscal Studies (2005, 2003); Inter-American Development Bank (2009); PUC, Rio de Janeiro (2017); Queen Mary, University of London (2013, 2009); Royal Holloway College (2018); Seoul National University (2011); STICERD, LSE (2007); Tinbergen Institute (2017, 2004); Trinity College Dublin (2019); Universidad Católica de Chile (2015); Universidad Carlos III (2010); Universidad de Montevideo (2016); Universidad del Rosario (2017); Universidad de San Andrés (2011, 2006); Università Bocconi (2017, 2008); Università di Padova (2006); Université de Paris 1 – Sorbonne (2005); University of Birmingham (2008); University of Cambridge (2010); University of Edinburgh (2011); University of Essex (2003); University of Sussex (2008); Universidad Torcuato Di Tella (2017); World Bank (2011)

Invited presentations and discussions at conferences: Center for New Institutional and Social Sciences: The St Louis Initiative (2007); China Development Research Fund: International Conference on Child Development and Poverty Reduction (2016, 2018); Collegio Carlo Alberto: Actors in the Child Development Process (2015); Ministry of Education of Chile: Education with Evidence (2018); GES: Early Childhood Forum (2018); J-Pal Conference:

Technology in Education in LAC (2018); LACEA (2022, 2021, 2015, 2009); FEDEA Annual Meeting (2010); GDN Annual Conference (2016); COST Conference: The Evaluation of European Labour Market Programs (2007, 2004); PIER-IGIER International Conference: New Research on Human Capital Investment in Developing Countries (2006); Fundación Ramón Areces Scientific Meetings: Education Quality: Outcomes, Policies and Channels (2006); LACEA: Network on Inequality and Poverty (2005); Latin American Workshop in Econometrics of the Econometric Society (2016); Itaú Social: 13th International Seminar on Economic Evaluation on Social Projects (2016)

Conference presentations: APSA (2014); CEPR's European Summer Symposium in Labour Economics (2005); LACEA/LAMES (2010, 2008); NBER's Children Program Spring Meeting (2006); NEUDC (2013); Royal Economic Society (2014); SOLE (2017); RIDGE Labor Workshop (2020); World Congress of the Econometric Society (2005)

Editorial work, conference organization and refereeing

2022 Co-Editor. Special Issue: "The Economic and Labour Market Position of Sexual Minorities in Developing Countries". *Labour Economics*
2018- Co-Editor. *LABOUR*: Review of Labour Economics and Industrial Relations
2013- Editorial Board. *International Journal of Child Care and Education Policy*
2005-2010 Co-Editor. *Fiscal Studies*

LACEA/LAMES Program Committee (2022, 2017, 2016, 2014, 2009)

SOLE/EALE World Conference Local Organizing Committee, London (2010)

Fundación Ramón Areces Scientific Meetings: Education Quality: Outcomes, Policies and Channels (2006)

American Economic Review; American Journal of Political Science; B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy; British Journal of Industrial Relations; Bulletin of Economic Research; Child: Care, Health and Development; Child Development; Cochrane Reviews; Comparative Education Review; Comparative Political Studies; Computers and Education; Demography; Econometrica; Economic Development and Cultural Change; Economica; Economic Journal; Economic Letters; Economics of Education Review; Economics of Transition; Education Economics; Empirical Economics; European Journal of Political Economy; European Journal of Political Research; European Political Science Review; Government and Opposition; Industrial Relations; International Journal of Social Welfare; International Tax and Public Finance; Labour; Labour Economics; Lancet; Journal of Development Economics; Journal of Development Studies; Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization; Journal of the European Economic Association; Journal of Health Economics; Journal of Housing Economics; Journal of Human Capital; Journal of Human Resources; Journal of Labor Economics; Journal of Politics; Journal of Population Economics; Journal of Public Economics; Nature Human Behaviour; Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics; Oxford Economic Papers; Population Research and Policy Review; Quantitative Economics; Review of Aging; Review of Economics and Statistics; Review of Economic Studies; Review of International Organizations; Scandinavian Journal of Economics; Science; Social Science and Medicine; Southern Economic Journal; Studies in Educational Evaluation; Review of International Organizations; Western European Politics; World Bank Economic Review, and World Development

Agencia Nacional de Promoción Científica y Tecnológica (Argentina); Economic and Social Research Council (UK); Fondo Nacional de Desarrollo Científico y Tecnológico (Chile); Hungarian Scientific Research Fund; Israel Science Foundation; National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine (US); National Science Centre (Poland); Social Sciences and Humanities Research of Canada; Swiss National Science Foundation; and World Bank

PhD theses examined

CEMFI (2010); George Washington University (2013); London School of Economics (2007, 2006); Royal Holloway College (2010, 2007); Università Bocconi (2020); University of Cambridge (2007); University College London (2009)