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EDUCATION

- 2021. Ph.D. in Public Administration. New York University.
Dissertation “*Bans, Taxes and Vouchers: Essays on the Effectiveness and Spillovers of Policy Instruments*”
- 2011. M.A. in Economics. ILADES Chile/Georgetown University.
- 2009. Public Policy Impact Evaluation Postgraduate Certificate. School of Economics and Business, University of Chile.
- 2006. B.A. in Economics. School of Economics and Business, University of Chile.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- Aug 2023- Assistant Professor. Department of Economics. University of Chile.
- 2021-2023. Postdoctoral Fellow. Department of Economics and Murphy Institute, School of Liberal Arts. Tulane University.

PUBLICATIONS

- “[Skipping the Bag: Intended and Unintended Consequences of Disposable Bag Regulation](#)” with Tatiana Homonoff, Lee-Sien Kao, Christina Seybolt. *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*, vol 41(1), 2022.
- “[A multidimensional employment quality index for Brazil, 2002–11](#)” with Federico Huneus, Oscar Lan-derretche and Esteban Puentes. *Journal of International Labor Review*, Volume 154, Issue 2, June 2015.
- “[Wage differentials between the public and private sectors in Chile: Evidence from longitudinal data](#)” with Lucas Navarro. *Journal CEPAL Review*, Volume 112, April 2014.
- “[An Earned Income Tax Credit Proposal for Chile](#)” with Claudio Agostini and Marcela Perticará. *Journal Estudios Publicos*. N° 129. Summer 2013.

WORKING PAPERS

- “Rental Voucher Programs in Middle Income Countries: Quasi-experimental Evaluation of the Chilean Rental Subsidy”
- “Neighborhood Spillovers in Rental Voucher Program Participation” with Bárbara Flores.

WORK IN PROGRESS

- “Sexual orientation discrimination in mortgage lending: an audit field experiment” with Patrick Button, David Schwegman, Cathy Balfe and Tran Nguyen-Phuong.
- “Administrative Barriers in Rental Voucher Programs: Experimental Evidence From Chile” with Pablo Celhay
- “Information frictions in rental voucher programs: Experimental evidence from Chile” with Pablo Celhay and Hugo Silva.
- “Smart Social Safety Nets: Reducing Incomplete Take-Up Through Digital Innovation in Latin America”

GRANTS

External Funding

2023-2025. Impact Evaluation Fund, Chilean Budget Office. Co-Principal Investigator.

2020-2022. Impact Evaluation Fund, Chilean Budget Office. Co-Principal Investigator.

Internal Funding

2022. Seed Grant. Murphy Institute. Tulane University.

2018. Supplemental Research Grant for Doctoral Students, NYU-Wagner.

2020-2021. Mini COES, Center for Social Conflict and Cohesion Studies with Bárbara Flores and Felipe Link.

ACADEMIC HONORS

2021. New York University University-Wide Outstanding Dissertation Award finalist.

2014. Scholarship for Doctoral Studies Abroad, Becas Chile, CONICYT.

2011. Summa Cum Laude, Highest GPA. MA in Economics. ILADES/Georgetown University.

2009. Merit-Based Scholarship. MA in Economics. ILADES/ Georgetown University.

2006. Graduated with honors. BA in Economics. Universidad de Chile.

CONFERENCES AND SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

2025. (Scheduled) RIDGE Public Economics (May); AREUEA National Conference (May); Lunch Seminar, Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez (June)

2024. AREUEA National Conference; Chilean Economic Society (SECHI) Annual Meeting; 18th North American Meeting of the Urban Economics Association; Furman Center for Real Estate and Urban Policy, NYU; Economics Department Lunch Seminar, Diego Portales University; 3rd LACEA's Latin American Urban Economics Network LAUrban Annual Meeting at Banco de Mexico.

2023. 2023 AREUEA International Conference; ASSA 2023 Annual Meeting; Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez; 28th Annual LACEA Meeting 2023.

2022. 1st Annual LAUrban Meeting. LACEA; NBER Summer Institute. Urban Economics; Economics Department Lunch Seminar, Tulane University; 2021 APPAM.

2021. 10th European Meeting of the Urban Economic Association (UEA); Economics Department, Tulane University; Furman Center for Real Estate and Urban Policy, NYU.

2020. Furman Center for Real Estate and Urban Policy, NYU

2019. Robert F. Wagner Graduate School of Public Service, NYU; Furman Center for Real Estate and Urban Policy, NYU.

2013. Chilean Economic Society.

TEACHING

Instructor

- Spr.2025. Introduction to Microeconomics. University of Chile.
- Fall2025. Econometrics I. University of Chile.
- Spr.2024. Introduction to Microeconomics. University of Chile.
- Fall2024. Econometrics I. University of Chile.
- Fall2022. Data Analysis using Stata, Undergraduate. Economics Department Tulane University.
- Spr.2022. Urban Economics, Undergraduate. Economics Department Tulane University.
Data Analysis using Stata, Undergraduate. Economics Department Tulane University.
- 2012-2013. Poverty and Inequality, Master Applied Economics, ILADES-Georgetown University.
- 2010. Advanced Techniques for Data Analysis, Master in Sociology, Alberto Hurtado University.

Teaching Assistant

- 2018. Behavioral Economics, Tatiana Homonoff. New York University.
Economics for Public Policy, Sewin Chan. New York University.
- 2011-2012. Econometrics, Master in Applied Economics, Angela Denis, ILADES Chile-Georgetown.
Micro-Econometrics. Master in Economics and Public Policy, Claudio Agostini,
Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez.
- 2010. Microeconomics I. Master in Economics, Lucas Navarro, ILADES-Georgetown.
Policy Evaluation. Master in Applied Economics, Pablo Celhay, ILADES-Georgetown.
Labor Economics. Master in Applied Economics, Lucas Navarro, ILADES-Georgetown.

PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

- 2021. Consultant. Rental policies to eradicate slums in Chile. Inter-American Development Bank.
- 2020-2021. Consultant. First National Survey to Landlords of the Chilean
Rental Voucher Program: How to increase take-up? Inter-American Development Bank.
- 2019. Research Assistant. Leveraging Landlords to Enhance Choice and Take-Up in the Housing
Choice Voucher Program. Ingrid Gould Ellen and Katherine O'Regan (NYU).
- 2015-2016. Research Assistant. STEM Training and Employment. Julia Lane (NYU).
- 2012-2014. Research Associate. Centre for New Development Thinking, Department of Economics,
University of Chile.
- 2010-2012. Research Associate. Observatorio Social and Department of Economics, Alberto Hurtado
University.

LANGUAGES

Spanish (native) and English (fluid speaking and writing).