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Personal Data

Place of birth: Hanover, Germany
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Education

Ph.D.: 09/2008 New York University, Economics.

M.A.: 09/2005 New York University, Economics.

B.A.: 07/2002 Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona, Spain (Licenciado en Economía).

Employment

Since 06/19: Associate Professor of Economics, Florida International University.

08/15-06/19: Assistant Professor of Economics, Florida International University.

07/09-06/15: Assistant Professor of Economics, Oberlin College.

08/12-05/13: Visiting Assistant Professor of Economics, American University.

05/08-07/09: Visiting Assistant Professor of Public Policy, Georgetown University.

Peer Reviewed Publications

“Can a Small Social Pension Promote Labor Force Participation? Evidence from the Colombia Mayor Program” (with Carlos Rodríguez Castelán), *Economía*, forthcoming.

“Can Non-Contributory Pensions Improve Food Security? The Case of Mexico” (with Laura Juárez), *Empirical Economics*, forthcoming.

“Should Program Graduation be Better Targeted? The Other Schooling Outcomes of Mexico’s Oportunidades”, *World Development*, Vol. 123, November 2019.

“Social Pension Income Associated with Small Improvements In Self-Reported Health of Poor Older Men in Colombia” (with Mauricio Avendano, Phillipp Hessel, and Carlos Rodríguez-Castelán), *Health Affairs*, Vol. 37, No. 3, March 2018.

“Does Access to Health Insurance Reduce the Risk of Miscarriages? Evidence from Mexico’s Seguro Popular”, *Latin American Economic Review*, Vol. 24, December 2015.

“The Effects of a Non-Contributory Pension Program on Labor Force Participation: The Case of 70 y Más in Mexico” (with Laura Juárez), *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, Vol. 63, No.4, July 2015.

“Vote Suppression and Insecure Property Rights” (with Paul Castañeda Dower), *Journal of Development Economics*, Vol. 114, pages 1-19, May 2015.

“The Effect of Mexico’s Seguro Popular Health Insurance on Child Mortality”, *World Development*, Vol. 59, pages 475-86, July 2014.

“Clientelism vs. Social Learning: The Electoral Effects of International Migration”, *International Studies Quarterly*, Vol. 58, Issue 2, pages 295-307, June 2014.

“Specificity of Control: The Case of Mexico’s Ejido Reform” (with Paul Castañeda Dower), *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, Vol. 91, pages 13-33, July 2013.
“Does Migration Promote Democratization? Evidence from the Mexican Transition”, *Journal of Comparative Economics*, Vol. 40, No. 2, pages 159-75, May 2012.
“Where Does the Money Go? Best and Worst Practices in Foreign Aid.” (with William Easterly), *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, Vol.22, No.2, pages 29-52, Spring 2008.

Other Publications

“Who Benefits from Investments in Bus Rapid Transit Systems? Evidence from Colombia” (with Carlos Rodríguez-Castelán and Daniel Valderrama-González), *World Bank Research Digest*, April 2019
“Los efectos del programa de pensiones Colombia Mayor sobre la salud y la participación laboral en Colombia” (with Mauricio Avendano, Phillipp Hessel, and Carlos Rodríguez-Castelán), *Notas de Política*, Universidad de los Andes, No.31, Marzo de 2018
“Foreign Aid”, in: *The Oxford Companion to International Relations*, Oxford University Press, 2014.
“The Political Consequences of International Migration on Sending Countries”, *International Affairs Forum*, Fall 2010
“The Importance of Aid Fragmentation in Sub-Saharan Africa”, *International Affairs Forum*, Spring 2010
“Riddell R.C: Does Foreign Aid Really Work?” (A book review), *Journal of Economics*, Vol. 97, Issue 3 (2009).
“Does Access to Water and Sanitation Affect Child Survival? A Five Country Analysis.” (with Ricardo Fuentes and Papa Seck), Background paper for *Human Development Report 2006*. New York.
“A Logistic Analysis of Diarrhea Incidence and Access to Water and Sanitation.” (with Ricardo Fuentes and Papa Seck), Background paper for *Human Development Report 2006*. New York.

Working Papers

“Land Titles and Violent Conflict in Rural Mexico” (with Paul Castañeda Dower), **Status: Revise & Resubmit at the Journal of Development Economics.**
“Public Transportation and Household Relocation: The Case of Transmetro in Barranquilla, Colombia” (with Carlos Rodríguez Castelan and Daniel Valderrama González), **Status: Submitted.**
“The Effect of Basic Health Insurance for the Poor on Adult Mortality Risks: Mexico’s Seguro Popular”

Work in Progress

“Why Do Cash-Transfer Programs Work Poorly in Urban Areas? An Analysis of the Determinants of Program Graduation in Urban Mexico” (with Carlos Rodríguez Castelan)
“Do Foreign Aid Agencies Care About Bad Publicity?” (with Moussa Blimpo, Paul Castañeda Dower and Prabal De)
“Can Pensions Reduce Mortality Risks? An Evaluation of Mexico’s 70 y Más Program” (with Laura Juárez)

Refereeing for Journals

African Journal of Political Science and International Relations; American Journal of Economics & Sociology; American Journal of Political Science; American Political Science Review(2); British Journal of Political Science(2); Canadian Journal of Development Studies; Economía Institucional; Economic Development and Cultural Change; Economic Journal; Economics Bulletin; European Journal of Development Research; European Political Science Review; Health Affairs; Health Economics; Heliyon; International Interactions; International Migration Review(2); International Political Science Review; International Studies Quarterly(3); IZA Journal of Development and Migration; Journal of Business & Economic Statistics; Journal of Comparative Economics(4); Journal of Conflict Resolution; Journal of Development Economics(3); Journal of Development Studies; Journal of Economic Growth; Journal of Health Economics; Journal of Institutional Economics; Journal of International Relations and Development; Journal of Labor Research; Journal of Peace Research; Journal of Politics; Latin American Economic Review(2); Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics; Scottish Journal of Political Economy(2); Studies in Comparative International Development; Trimestre Económico; World Development(6); World Politics

Refereeing Book Proposals

Palgrave Macmillan

Review of Grant Applications

The Leverhulme Trust

Consulting

Since 09/14: Short-term Consultant, Poverty Global Practice, World Bank, Washington, DC

01/14-06/14: Research Scientist (part-time), NORC, Bethesda, MD.

02/08: Consultant at the UNDP Country Office in Brasilia, Brazil.

01/06-03/06: Consultant at the Human Development Report Office (HDRO) of the United Nations Development Program (UNDP).

Teaching Experience

Florida International University:

Fall 18: PhD-level Econometrics II (Eco 7425)

Spring 18: Topics in Theory (Eco 4932)

Fall 17: PhD-level Econometrics II (Eco 7425), PhD-level Development Economic Theory (Eco 7015)

Spring 17: Topics in Theory (Eco 4932), Intermediate Microeconomics (Eco 3101)

Fall 16: Undergraduate Seminar (Eco 4903)

Fall 15: Intermediate Microeconomics (Eco 3101)

Oberlin College:

Spring 15: Development Economics (Econ 209), Advanced Econometrics (Econ 355)

Fall 14: Principles of Economics with Calculus (Econ 102), Seminar: Institutions & Development (Econ 408), Honors Program in Economics (Econ 491)

Spring 14: Development Economics (Econ 209), Introduction to Econometrics (Econ 255)

Fall 13: Principles of Economics with Calculus (Econ 102), Advanced Econometrics (Econ 355)

Spring 12: Development Economics (Econ 209), Introduction to Econometrics (Econ 255), Seminar: Economic Development (Econ 409)

Fall 11: Principles of Economics with Calculus (Econ 102), Advanced Econometrics (Econ 355)

Spring 11: Development Economics (Econ 209), Introduction to Econometrics (Econ 255)

Fall 10: Principles of Economics with Calculus (Econ 102), Advanced Development Economics (Econ 309) (First half), Advanced Microeconometrics (Econ 356)

Spring 10: Development Economics (Econ 209), Principles of Economics with Calculus (Econ 102)

Fall 09: Principles of Economics with Calculus (Econ 102), Introduction to Econometrics (Econ 255)

American University:

Spring 13: Survey of Economic Development (Econ 661)

Fall 12: Macroeconomics of Development (Econ 363), Survey of Economic Development (Econ 661)

Georgetown Public Policy Institute:

Summer 09: Quantitative Methods III (PPOL 512)

Spring 09: International Economic Development Policy (two courses) (PPOL 684)

Fall 09: Economic Impact of Remittances

Summer 08: Quantitative Methods III (PPOL 512)

New York University:

Summer 05: Instructor for undergraduate course in Money and Banking at NYU.

09/03-12/05: Teaching assistant at NYU for recitation classes at undergraduate level.

Student Advising

Doctoral Level

Committee Chair or Co-Chair: Tamanna Kabir(current), Seyed Javad Nostrabadi(2019), Shanawaz Rafi(current)

Committee Member: Thomas Giles(current), Nazmul Islam(2019), Amin Shoja(2018), Amy Ramnarine(2016)

Undergraduate and Master Level

Fall 10-Spring15: Academic advisor for various Oberlin College students.

Fall 09-Spring15: Honors Program at the Department of Economics, Oberlin College.

Fall 08-Spring09: Thesis advisor for nine MPP students at the Georgetown Public Policy Institute.

Conferences and Seminar Presentations

07/19: Department of Quantitative Economics, Escuela Politécnica Nacional, Quito, Ecuador

06/19: Department of Economics, Universidad de Piura, Lima, Peru

03/19: Department of Economics, El Colegio de México, Mexico City; Pacific Conference for Development Economics, Los Angeles, CA

02/19: Department of Economics, Escuela Superior Politécnica del Litoral, Guayaquil, Ecuador; School of Government and Public Transformation, Tecnológico de Monterrey, Mexico City

01/19: Department of Economics, Universidad Externado de Colombia, Bogota, Colombia

11/18: Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association Annual Meeting, Guayaquil, Ecuador

11/17: Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association Annual Meeting, Buenos Aires, Argentina
03/16: Pacific Conference for Development Economics, Stanford, CA
03/15: Department of Economics, Florida International University, Miami, FL
01/15: Department of Economics UC Riverside, Riverside, CA
09/14: LACDEV 2014, Hamilton, NY
05/14: MIEDC 2014, Minneapolis, MN; “Conferencia Sobre México”, Mexico City, Mexico
03/14: Department of Public Policy, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC
03/13: Pacific Conference for Development Economics, San Francisco, CA; Centro de Estudios Monetarios Latinoamericanos, Mexico City
10/12: Department of Economics, American University
05/12: Department of Political Science, Washington University in St. Louis
04/12: School of International and Public Affairs, Columbia University
03/12: Department of Economics, Saint Louis University
11/11: SEA Annual Meeting 2011, Washington, DC
09/11: Workshop on Politics and Migration in Out-Migration Countries, CIDE, Mexico City
05/11: Department of Economics, El Colegio de México, Mexico City
04/11: MWIEDC 2011, Madison, WI
03/11: MEA Annual Meeting 2011, St. Louis, MO
04/10: MPSA Annual Meeting 2010, Chicago, IL
09/09: APSA Annual Meeting 2009, Toronto, Ontario
03/09: Department of Politics, NYU
02/09: Monterey Institute of International Studies; Division de Economía, CIDE; Departamento de Economía, ITAM; Banco de México; Department of Economics, Oberlin College; Center for Global Development, Washington DC;
01/09: School for International Studies, Simon Fraser University.
02/08: Department of Economics, UC Merced.
10/07: International and Development Economics Workshop, NYU.
10/06: Seminar Series on Critical Issues in Poverty Reduction, UNDP, New York.

Honors, Scholarships, and Fellowships

09/06-05/08: Graduate assistant, New York University.
09/02-05/06: Henry MacCracken Fellowship, New York University.
09/01-07/02: Research fellowship, granted by Spanish Ministry of Education.

Service

Since Fall 18: Graduate Program Director, FIU Department of Economics
Since Fall 15: Graduate Studies Committee, FIU Department of Economics
Since Fall 16: International Development Track Committee, FIU Department of Economics
Fall17-Spring18: Recruiting Committee, FIU Department of Economics
Fall 15-Spring18: Seminar Series in Economics Committee, FIU Department of Economics
Fall 11-Spring 15: Latin American Studies Major Committee, Oberlin College
Fall 10-Spring 12: Jerome Davis Student Research Grant Committee, Oberlin College
Fall 10-Spring 15: International Studies Concentration Committee, Oberlin College
Fall 10: Faculty Search Committee, Department of Economics, Oberlin College
Fall 09: Faculty Search Committee, Department of Economics, Oberlin College

Year 08-09: Admissions Committee Georgetown Public Policy Institute

Languages

German: native tongue

Spanish: fluent

French: elementary

English: fluent

Catalan: intermediate

Portuguese: elementary