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Education

PhD, Economics, University of Michigan, 2007

M.A., Economics, University of Michigan, 2004

M.A., Economics, University of Chile, 2000

BA Economics, University of Chile, 1999

Academic Position

Associate Professor, Department of Economics, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile

Other Positions

2009- present: Research Affiliate, Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL)
2014: Associate Professor, Department of Economics, University of Chile.
2007- 2014: Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University of Chile.
2005-2006: Research Fellow Inter-American Development Bank
2004-2005: Research Assistant Dean Yang (Ford School of Public Policy, University of Michigan)
Research Assistant James R. Hines and Joel Slemrod (Office of Tax Policy Research, University of Michigan)
2000-2002: Coordination of Economic Policies, Ministry of Finance, Chile
1999: Instructor Professor, Department of Economics, University of Chile
1997-1999: Research Assistant, Department of Economics, University of Chile

Publications

(1) The effects of micro entrepreneurship programs on labor market performance: Experimental evidence from Chile, with Esteban Puentes and Jaime Ruiz-Tagle. *AEJ Applied* (forthcoming)

- (2) Childcare Effects on Maternal Employment: Evidence from Chile, with Marcela Perticar. *Journal of Development Economics*. Volume 126-May 2017, pp. 127-137.
- (3) Micro-Entrepreneurship Debt Level and Access to Credit: Short Term Impacts of a Financial Literacy Program, with Esteban Puentes. *The European Journal of Development Research*. April 2017.
- (4) The effects of financial aid and returns information in selective and less selective schools: Experimental evidence from Chile, with Matias Busso, Taryn Dinkelman and Dario Romero. *Labour Economics*. Volume 45, April 2017, Pages 79–91
- (5) Savings in Transnational Households: A Field Experiment among Migrants from El Salvador, with Nava Ashraf, Dean Yang and Diego Aycinena. *Review of Economics and Statistics*. Volume 97, Issue 2- May 2015 pp. 332-351.
- (6) Investing in Schooling in Chile: The Role of Information about Financial Aid for Higher Education, with Taryn Dinkelman. *Review of Economics and Statistics*. Volume 96, Issue 2 - May 2014, pp.244-257.
- (7) Response of Tax Credit Claims to Tax Enforcement: Evidence from a Quasi-Experiment in Chile, with Claudio Agostini. *Fiscal Studies*. Vol. 35, no. 1, pp. 41–65. 2014
- (8) Intrahousehold Allocation and Bargaining Power: Evidence from Chile, *Economic Development and Cultural Change*. Vol. 61, No. 3, pp. 577-605. April 2013
- (9) Voluntary Savings, Financial Behavior and Pension Finance Literacy: Evidence from Chile, with Oscar Landerretche M. *Journal of Pension Economics and Finance*, 12 (3) : 251–297, July 2013.
- (10) Equidad Tributaria Horizontal en el Impuesto al Ingreso en Chile, with Claudio Agostini and Barbara Flores. *Cepal Review*, No. 108, December, 2012.
- (11) The Effect of an IRS Enforcement Letter on Diesel Tax Credits Claimed, with Claudio Agostini, Proceedings of the 104rd Annual Conference on Taxation, New Orleans, November 2011
- (12) Tax Exemptions in Chile’s Income Tax , with Claudio Agostini and Brbara Flores, Proceedings of the 103rd Annual Conference on Taxation, Chicago, November 2010.

(13) Corporate Tax Minimization and the Effectiveness of Investment Incentives, with Estelle Dauchy. *State Tax Notes*, Vol. 47, No. 13, March 31, 2008.

(14) Remittances and Poverty in Migrant's Home Areas: Evidence from the Philippines, with Dean Yang, in Caglar Ozden and Maurice Schiff, eds, *International Migration, Remittances and the Brain Drain*, World Bank, 2005, pp 81-121.

(15) Structural Change in Labor Demand, con Gustavo Morales and Rodrigo Valdés, *Economía Chilena*, 2001

Working Papers

Worker, Seller, Manager, Driver: Experimental Evidence on What Training Can Do for Small Entrepreneurs, with Claudio Bravo-Ortega and Tomas Rau

The Impact of Remittance Fees on Remittance Flows: Evidence from a Field Experiment Among Salvadoran Migrants, with Diego Aycinena and Dean Yang

Work in Progress

Evaluating the impact of delivering CCTs through bank accounts, with Abhijit Banerjee and Esteban Puentes

Incentives to save, with Abhijit Banerjee and Esteban Puentes

Improving parent-school communication in Chile, with Samuel Berlinski, Matias Busso and Taryn Dinkelman

Business Training Plus for women-led SME growth: Evidence from a field experiment in Peru, with Martin Valdivia

Permanent Working Papers

Teenage Pregnancy and Educational Expectations, with Taryn Dinkelman and Paula Repetto

Micro-Entrepreneurship Training and Assets Transfers: Short Term Impacts on the Poor, with Esteban Puentes and Jaime Ruiz-Tagle. Documentos de Trabajo, Departamento de Economía, Universidad de Chile Vol. 380, pp.1-54, March 2013

Conocimiento del sistema de pensiones en Chile, with Claudia Sahn. Documento de Trabajo n°296, Departamento de Economía, Universidad de Chile. July, 2009

Efecto de una mayor cobertura de salas cuna en la participación laboral femenina: evidencia de Chile, with Jenny Encina. Documento de Trabajo n°303. Departamento de Economía, Universidad de Chile. November 2009.

Trabajadores por Cuenta Propia ¿Quiénes son? ¿De dónde vienen? ¿Para dónde van?, with Esteban Puentes, Sebastián Cea and María Ignacia Contreras. Documento de Trabajo n°308. Departamento de Economía, Universidad de Chile. December 2009.

Major Grants

Fondecyt, 2017-2018 “The effects of longer school days and childcare on student and mother outcomes” (with Marcerla Peticará)

Spencer Foundation 2015-2016 “Leveraging school-generating data to improve parent-school communication and schooling outcomes” (with Samuel Berlinski, Matias Busso and Taryn Dinkelman)

Fondecyt, 2014-2016 “Financial Inclusion: Experimental Evidence in Chile”

Post-Primary Education Initiative, J-PAL, 2013-2015 (with Matias Busso and Taryn Dinkelman)

Microsavings and Payments Innovation Initiative (MPII) at Yale University, 2012-2014 (with Abhijit Banerjee and Esteban Puentes)

IDRC, 2011-2015 “Multi-donor Research Platform on Social Protection, Financial Inclusion and Information and Communication Technologies“

3ie, 2010-2013 “Micro Entrepreneurship Support Program in Chile: Impact Evaluation” (with Esteban Puentes and Jaime Ruiz-Tagle)

Inter-American Development Bank, 2009-2010 “Investing in Secondary Education in Chile” (with Taryn Dinkelman and Claudia Peirano)

Inter-American Development Bank, 2009-2010 “Financial Innovations to Stimulate Remittances and Savings: Follow-up Survey” (with Nava Ashraf, Diego Aycinena, and Dean Yang)

John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, 2007-2008 “Financial Innovations to Stimulate Remittances and Savings” (with Nava Ashraf, Diego Aycinena, and Dean Yang)

Inter-American Development Bank, 2007-2008 “Financial Innovations to Stimulate Remittances and Savings” (with Nava Ashraf, Diego Aycinena, and

Dean Yang)

Multilateral Investment Fund, 2007-2008 “Financial Innovations to Stimulate Remittances and Savings” (with Nava Ashraf, Diego Aycinena, and Dean Yang)

Small Grants

IEP, 2011 “Promoting Formal Saving Among the Poorest: Impact Evaluation” (with Abhijit Banerjee and Esteban Puentes)

PIERI, 2009-2010 “Teenage Pregnancy and educational Expectations”, (with Taryn Dinkelman and Paula Repetto)

Vicerrectoría de Investigación y Desarrollo, University of Chile, 2010 “Daycare Availability and Female Labor Participation” (with Patricia Medrano)

Fellowships and Distinctions

Best Economics Paper Award, School of Business and Economics, Universidad de Chile, 2014

Best Undergraduate teacher from the Department of Economics, University of Chile. Spring 2013, Spring 2008.

Best Teacher, Master in Public Policy, Department of Economics, University of Chile, 2011.

Rackham One-Term Dissertation Fellowship, University of Michigan, 2007

Summer School Bureau for Research and Economic Analysis of Development Fellowship, 2005

Summer Research Fellowship, Departments of Economics, University of Michigan, 2003-2004

Fulbright Fellowship, 2002-2004

International Center Fellowship, University of Michigan, 2002-2003

Summer School fellowship. University of Göttingen, Germany, 2001

Best Graduate, M.A. Economics, University of Chile, 2000

Best Graduate, B.A. Economics, University of Chile, 2000

Fellowship for M.A. Economics, Department of Economics, University of Chile, 1998-1999

Courses Taught

1. *Economics of Public Policies*, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, graduate, 2015-17
2. *Economics of Social Policies*, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, undergraduate, 2015-16
3. *Microeconomics I*, BA, University of Chile, 1999-2000, 2012; Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, 2015-17
Economic Development, BA, University of Chile, 2007-2008, 2013-2014
4. *Public Finance*, BA, University of Chile, 2008, 2010, 2012-2014
5. *Public Finance*, Master in Economics, University of Chile, 2010-2014
6. *Public Expenditure and Public Revenue* (team), Master in Public Policies, University of Chile, 2007-2013
7. *Evaluation of Social Policies*, J-PAL Executive Education course (Spanish Version) 2009-2011
8. *Impact Evaluation with Experiments* (team), BA, University of Chile, 2011
9. *Economic of Social Policies*, Master in Economics, Universidad Alberto Hurtado, 2002
10. *Introduction to Macroeconomics*, BA, University of Chile, 2001
11. *Economic of Social Policies* (team), BA, University of Chile, 2000

Other Education

Summer School Bureau for Research and Economic Analysis of Development. Banff, Canada, 2005

Diploma in Philosophy, University Alberto Hurtado, 1999

Other Academic Activities

Member of LACEA Executive Committee 2014-2017

Member Consejo Sociedad Civil SBIF 2016-2017

Member: LACEA, Sociedad de Economía de Chile

Referee: American Economic Review, Economic Development and Cultural Change, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, JEEA, World Development, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Human Resources.

Conference Organization: Chilean Development Workshop 2013-2017

Selection Committee Impact Evaluation Network 2017

Invited Presentations

- 2017: University of Chile, UDP
- 2016: IPA Research Gathering on Financial Inclusion (Yale), SECHI, UAH-Chile, IADB
- 2015: Universidad de Montevideo, NIP Uruguay; FGV- Sao Paulo, PUC-Rio, Universidad Nacional de La Plata
- 2014: PUC-Chile, NEUDC, Dartmouth College
- 2013: IPA Conference (Lima), Universidad Alberto Hurtado.
- 2012: USACH, CEA, NEUDC, Universidad Diego Portales, PUC-Chile
- 2011: 3ie Conference (Mexico), SECHI, LACEA, USACH, IADB
- 2010: Catholic University of Chile; University Alberto Hurtado; Universidad Adolfo Ibañez; Universidad Diego Portales; WPEG; SECHI; LACEA Impact Evaluation Network; University of Chile
- 2009: NEUDC; Centro de Microdatos; Department of Economics, University of Chile; Universidad Adolfo Ibañez; Jpal-Latam.
- 2008: Chilean Economic Society
- 2007: NTA Meeting, Columbus, Ohio; LACEA, Bogota; University of Chile, Catholic University of Chile and University Alberto Hurtado
- 2006: Public Finance Seminar, University of Michigan; Research Department, Inter-American Development Bank.
- 2005: LACEA, Paris
- 2000: Chilean Economic Society

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