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ACADEMIC POSITIONS	Department of Economics, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile Associate Professor and Director of Research, 2015- Assistant Professor, 2010-2015 Visiting Assistant Professor, Summer 2008 and 2009 Department of Economics, University of Maryland-College Park Assistant Professor, 2008-2012
OTHER AFFILIATIONS	Faculty Affiliate, Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab, 2013- Research Fellow, IZA, 2015- Research Affiliate, PUC Economic History and Cliometrics Lab, CONICYT Anillo de Investigación en Ciencias Sociales, 2012-2015
FIELDS	Family economics, labor economics, development economics
EDUCATION	Ph.D., <a href="#">Massachusetts Institute of Technology</a> , Cambridge, MA Economics, June 2008 <i>Essays on Matching, Marriage and Human Capital Accumulation</i> Advisors: Esther Duflo, David Autor, Josh Angrist and Abhijit Banerjee M.A., <a href="#">University of Toronto</a> , Toronto, ON, Canada Economics, June 2003 B.A., <a href="#">McGill University</a> , Montreal, QC, Canada Honors in Economics and Minor in International Development, June 2002
AWARDS AND GRANTS	Fondecyt Regular 2015, “Marriage Timing, Investment, Matching and Divorce” City-IPA Financial Capability Grant, \$US75,000, “Personalizing Information to Improve Retirement Savings” GDN-CAF RRC Project 2013, \$US9,857, “Improving financial literacy and participation of female entrepreneurs in Chile” Winner, Concurso Inicio, Vice-Rectoría de Investigación UC, 2012 MIT Graduate Fellowship 2004-2006 MIT Ida Green Fellowship for most promising female graduate student 2004-2005 Social Sciences and Humanities Council of Canada Doctoral Scholarship 2004-2008 University of Toronto Fellowship 2002-2003 McGill Greville-Smith Scholarship 1999-2002

- PUBLICATIONS
- “Making Yourself Attractive: Pre-Marital Investments and the Returns to Education in the Marriage Market”, *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, April 2013
- “Marry for What? Caste and Mate Selection in Modern India”(joint with Abhijit Banerjee, Esther Duflo and Maitreesh Ghatak), *American Economic Journal: Microeconomics*, May 2013.
- “What Happens the Morning After? The Costs and Benefits of Expanding Access to Emergency Contraception” (joint with Tal Gross and Corinne Low), *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*, Winter 2014-Winner of the best paper in 2014
- “All for One? Family Size and Children’s Educational Distribution Under Credit Constraints” (joint with Soohyung Lee), *American Economic Review, Papers & Proceedings*, May 2014
- “Who comes and Why? Determinants of Immigrants Skill Level in early XXth century US” (joint with Matias Covarrubias and José Tessada), *Journal of Demographic Economics*, Vol. 81 (1), March 2015, 115-155.
- “More hands, More power? Estimating the Impact of Immigration on Output and Technology Choices Using Early 20th Century US Agriculture”(joint with José Tessada and Carolina Gonzalez), *Journal of International Economics*, Vol. 97 (2), November 2015, 339-358.
- “Changing the Rules Midway: The Impact of Granting Alimony Rights on Existing and Newly-Formed Partnerships” (joint with Pierre-André Chiappori, Murat Iyigun and Yoram Weiss), forthcoming at the *Economic Journal*
- “Tying the double-knot: The role of assets in marriage commitment” (joint with Corinne Low), forthcoming at the *American Economic Review, Papers and Proceedings*.
- WORKING PAPERS
- “The benefits of diversity: Peer effects in an adult training program in Chile” (joint with José Tessada and Marcela Peticara), submitted
- “People and Machines: A Look at The Evolving Relationship Between Capital and Skill In Manufacturing 1850-1940 Using Immigration Shocks” (joint with José Tessada and Ethan Lewis), submitted
- “Smooth(er) Landing? The Role of Networks in the Location and Occupational Choice of Immigrants” (joint with José Tessada), submitted
- “Lured In or Crowded Out? Estimating the impact of immigration on natives education using early XXth century US immigration” (joint with Andrés Gazmuri and José Tessada), submitted
- “Why Wait? A Century of Education, Marriage Timing and Gender Roles” (joint with Murat Iyigun), submitted
- “Men, Women and Capital: Estimating substitution patterns using a size and gender-dependent childcare policy in Chile” (joint with Diego Escobar and Jose Tessada)
- “Are microfirms constrained by their lack of knowledge or motivation? Lessons from a randomized experiment in Chile” (joint with Julio Riutort and Jose Tessada)
- “Better safe than sorry: The impact of providing safety information to SMEs in Chile” (joint with Francisco Brahm and Jose Tessada)
- “The impact of personalized versus general information on pensions on savings and employment” (joint with Olga Fuentes, Julio Riutort, Jose Tessada and Felix Villatoro)

WORK IN  
PROGRESS

“The Impact of Exogenous Economic Shocks on Fertility Decisions in a Commodity-Exporting Economy: the Case of Chile” (joint with Francisco Gallego), draft available upon request

“Do you like me enough? The impact of restricting preferences ranking in a university matching process” (joint with Nicolas Figueroa and Alejandro Saenz)

“Betting the House: Asset Accumulation, Marriage Patterns, and Divorce Law” (joint with Corinne Low), draft available upon request

PRESENTATIONS

“Betting the House...”

AEA (2017)

“Do you like me enough?”

SECHI (2016), LACEA-LAMES (2016), TOI (2016)

“The impact of personalized versus general information...”

Colorado-Boulder (2016)

“Men, Women and Capital..”

SECHI (2015), UAI (2015), Sociedad Chilena de Politicas Publicas (2016), U Houston (2016)

“Are microfirms constrained by their lack of knowledge or motivation?”

SECHI (2015), Notre Dame (2016), SOLE (2016)

“Why Wait?...”

Duke University (2014), SOLE (2015), NBER Summer Institute (2015), AEA Meetings (2016), PAA (2016), CUHK Workshop on Labor and Family Economics (2016)

“Who comes and Why?...”

LAMES (2014), Journal of Demographic Economics conference (2014)

“People and Machines...”

World Econometric Congress (2015), LACEA (2014), University of Maryland (2014), NBER Summer Institute (2014), Universidad de Chile, FEN (2014), Universidad de Chile, CEA (2013)

“Lured In or Crowded Out?...”

BCDE (2013), SECHI (2013), LACEA (2013)

“The benefits of diversity...”

Sociedad Chilena de Politicas Publicas (2015), SECHI (2014), U. Diego Portales (2014), USACH(2014), PUC Ag Econ (2013)

“What Happens the Morning After?...”

PAA (2013), USACH Workshop on Health Economics (2012), SECHI (2012)

“More hands, More power?...”

Clio-Lab Annual Conference (2013), Banco Central de Chile (2013), USACH (2012), Universidad Adolfo Ibañez (2012)

“Changing the Rules Midway...”

Dartmouth College (2014), SOLE (2013), Cornell (2011), University of Sao Paulo (2011), Universidad de Chile (2011), Montreal Applied Microeconomics Workshop (2011), Columbia University (2010), LACEA (2010), Université Laval (2010)

“All for One? ...”

AEA (2014), Oxford University (2011), SOLE (2011), SECHI (2011)

“Smooth(er) Landing? ...”

Maryland Population Research Center (2008), Yale University (2010), University of North Carolina (2010), LSE/UCL growth seminar (2011), PUC-Rio (2011)

“Marry for What?...”

Stanford University (2008), Clemson University (2009), PUC-Chile (2009)

“Making Yourself Attractive...”

University of Virginia (2009), University of British Columbia (2009), Georgetown University (2009), UCLA (2008), UC Berkeley (2008), University of Maryland (2008), Carleton University (2008), University of Toronto (2008), Université de Montreal (2008), Università Bocconi (2008), Board of Governors of Federal Reserve Bank (2008), ZEW “Gender and Labor Markets conference” (2008), SOLE (2008)

#### TEACHING

Topics in Economic Development (EAE3975 at PUC-Chile, ECON616 at UMD), graduate, 2009-2016

Topics in Applied Econometrics (EAE3512), graduate, 2010-2011

Intermediate Microeconomics (EAE210B at PUC-Chile, ECON326 at UMD), undergraduate, 2009-2016

Topics in Labor Economics, graduate, 2009

JPAL Executive classes, 2011-

Designing and Conducting Small Scale Surveys (World Bank International Program for Development Evaluation Training), 2005

#### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Associate Editor, *Journal of Human Resources*, 2015-

Referee for *American Economic Review*, *Journal of Political Economy*, *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, *Review of Economic Studies*, *Review of Economic and Statistics*, *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, *Journal of Development Economics*, *Journal of Labor Economics*, *Journal of Public Economics*, *Journal of Human Resources*, *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*, *Economic Journal*, *Journal of the European Economic Association*, *Journal of Applied Econometrics*, *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, *Journal of Population Economics*, *Economics Letters*, *The World Bank Economic Review*, *Review of Economics of the Household*, *The B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy*, *Southern Economic Journal*, *Canadian Journal of Economics*, *Demography*, *Contemporary Economic Policy*, *Population Studies*, *Economics of Education Review*, *Cuadernos de Economía*, *National Science Foundation grants*, *FONDECYT*, *Hong Kong Research Grants Council*

Committee Member, Meeting of the LACEA/LAMES, Santiago (2011), Sao Paolo (2014), Medellín (2016)

Committee Member, SOLE (2017)

Economics Scholarship Committee, Conicyt, Chile

#### ADVISING

Co-chair: Quynh Nguyen (2010), Yeon-Soo Kim (2010), Alessandro Orfei (2011), Amy Knaup (2013)

Chair: Carolina Gonzalez-Velosa (2011), Claudio Mora (2015)

Committee Member: Lingsheng Meng (2010)

Previous students/RAs/TAs now in PhDs: Fernanda Rojas (UCLA), Hernan Barahona (Stanford), Matias Covarrubias (NYU), Rodrigo Carrill (Stanford), Jose Ignacio Cuesta (Chicago), Francisco Muñoz (Stanford), Morgan Henderson (Michigan), Juan

Jose Matta (Public Policy, NYU), Josefa Aguirre (PhD Education, Columbia), Claudia Allende (PhD Education, Columbia)

OTHER EXPERIENCE Economist, Economic Studies and Policy Analysis Division, Ministry of Finance, Government of Canada, Ottawa, Canada (2003-2004)

CITIZENSHIP Canadian, Permanent resident (Chile)

LANGUAGES French (native), English (very fluent), Spanish (fluent)

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