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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, Economic history, development economics
EDUCATION	Ph.D., Massachusetts Institute of Technology , 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., University of Toronto , Toronto, ON, Canada Economics, June 2003 B.A., McGill University , Montreal, QC, Canada Honors in Economics and Minor in International Development, June 2002
AWARDS AND GRANTS	Fondecyt Regular 2021, PI, “Technological development, productivity and employment” Fondecyt Regular 2019, Co-PI, “Explaining Household Savings Decisions in Two Latin American Countries” Simonsen’s Lecture, Latin American Econometric Society, 2018 Fondecyt Regular 2018, Principal Investigator, “Technological change, skills and immigration” PUC’s Excellence in Teaching Award, March 2017 Fondecyt Regular 2016, Co-PI, “Understanding Chilean Micro and Small Entrepreneurs: Selection and Growth Potential” Fondecyt Regular 2015, Principal Investigator, “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

- 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.
 - “Tying the double-knot: The role of assets in marriage commitment” (joint with Corinne Low), *American Economic Review, Papers and Proceedings*. Vol. 107 (5), May 2017, 163-67.
 - “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), *Economic Journal*, Vol. 127(604), September 2017, 1874-1905.
 - “Role Models or Individual Consulting: The Impact of Personalizing Micro-entrepreneurship Training” (joint with Julio Riutort and Jose Tessada), *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, Vol. 10 (4), October 2018, 222-245.
 - “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), *Review of Economics and Statistics*, Vol.101(1), March 2019, 30-43.
- WORKING PAPERS
- “Putting the Husband Through: Role of Credit Constraints in Timing of Marriage and Spousal Education” (joint with Murat Iyigun), revisions requested at *Journal of Labor Economics*
 - “Personalized Information as a Tool to Improve Pension Savings: Results from a Randomized Control Trial in Chile” (joint with Olga Fuentes, Julio Riutort, Jose Tessada and Felix Villatoro), revisions requested at *Economic Development and Cultural Change*
 - “Is workplace safety everybody’s business? Experimental evidence on prevention information, accidents and compensating wage differentials in SMEs” (joint with Francisco Brahm and Jose Tessada), submitted
 - “Collateralized Marriage” (joint with Corinne Low), submitted

“Electrifying? How new technologies impact productivity and jobs ” (joint with Martin Fiszbein, Ethan Lewis and Jose Tessada), submitted

“Resource Misallocation from Childcare Policies”(joint with Diego Escobar, Loris Rubini and José Tessada), 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), submitted

“What is the price of freedom? Estimating women’s willingness to pay for schedule flexibility” (joint with Monserrat Bustelo, Ana Maria Diaz, Claudia Piras, Luz Magdalena Salas and Jose Tessada), submitted

“Rationalizing US marital behavior over the 20th century” (joint with Laura Salisbury and Aloysius Siow), submitted

“The benefits of diversity: Peer effects in an adult training program in Chile” (joint with José Tessada and Marcela Peticara), submitted

“Smooth(er) Landing? The Role of Networks in the Location and Occupational Choice of Immigrants” (joint with José Tessada), submitted

“Educating a melting pot: Estimating the impact of historical immigration on US educational system ” (joint with Andrés Gazmuri and José Tessada), submitted

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

“Baby Commodity-Booms? The Impact of Commodity Shocks on Fertility Decisions and Outcomes” (joint with Francisco Gallego), submitted

“Personalizing or Reminding? How to better incentivize savings amongst low-income individuals” (joint with Viviane Azevedo, Liliana Olarte and Jose Tessada), draft available upon request

“Does Formal Credit Lead to more Financial Inclusion or Distress? Results Using an Algorithm-based Loan among Underserved Clients in Paraguay” (joint with Viviane Azevedo, Liliana Olarte and Jose Tessada)

WORK IN
PROGRESS

“Selling Your Vote at Home: How Granting Female Voting Rights Altered Men’s Voting Patterns” (joint with Francisco Pino)

“Changing returns to scale in manufacturing 1880-1930: The Rise of (Skilled) Labor?” (joint with Ethan Lewis and Jose Tessada)

“The impact of mentoring micro-entrepreneurs in Chile” (joint with Magdalena Martin and Jose Tessada)

“Rationalizing US marital behavior over the 20th century” (joint with Laura Salisbury and Aloysius Siow)

“Changing youth entrepreneurship knowledge and mind set through an online challenge in the wake of COVID-19” (joint with Todd Pugatch, Jose Tessada and Diego Ubfal)

PRESENTATIONS

2020: AEA, PACDEV, SOLE, NBER Summer Institute, World Econometric Congress, Universidad de Chile, UMD, Purdue, UNH, LACEA-Labor Network, LACEA-NIP-Uruguay chapter

2019: PACDEV, Dartmouth, IZA 2nd Workshop on Family and Children, EDW, NBER Summer Institute, INSPEP, SECHI, LACEA-LAMES, Cowles Foundation, NEUDC

2018: SEHO, Family Inequality Workshop, PUJ, Wharton, SECHI, LACEA-LAMES

2017: AEA, SECHI, LACEA-LAMES, LACEA Labor Network, PUC-Rio, Workshop on Gender, Education and Early Childhood Development, UAH, PACDEV, U de Chile, Behavioral Finance Workshop
 2016: UAI, SECHI, TOI, LACEA-LAMES, Colorado-Boulder, Sociedad Chilena de Politicas Publicas, University of Houston, Notre Dame, SOLE, AEA, PAA, CUHK Workshop on Labor and Family
 2015: SECHI, UAI, SOLE, NBER Summer Institute, World Economic Congress
 2014: Duke, LACEA-LAMES, Journal of Demographic Economics Conference, U of Maryland, NBER Summer Institute, U de Chile, SECHI, UDP, USACH, Dartmouth, AEA
 2013: Bolivian Conference on Development Economics, SECHI, LACEA-LAMES, PUC Ag Econ, PAA, ClioLab Annual Conference, Banco Central de Chile, SOLE
 2012: USACH Workshop on Health Economics, SECHI, USACH, UAI
 2011: Cornell, USP, U de Chile, Montreal Applied Microeconomics Workshop, Oxford, SOLE, SECHI, LSE/UCL, PUC-Rio
 2010: Columbia, LACEA-LAMES, Universite Laval, Yale, UNC
 2009: Clemson, PUC-Chile, Virginia, UBC, Georgetown
 2008: Stanford, UCLA, UC Berkeley, U of Maryland, Carleton, U of Toronto, U de Montreal, Bocconi, Board of Governors of Federal Reserve Bank, ZEW/Gender and Labor Markets conference, SOLE

TEACHING

Labor Economics (EAE235A), undergraduate, 2020-21
 Econometrics (EAE250A), undergraduate, 2021
 Topics in Economic Development (EAE3975 at PUC-Chile, ECON616 at UMD), graduate, 2009-2020
 Topics in Applied Econometrics (EAE3512), graduate, 2010-2011
 Intermediate Microeconomics (EAE210B at PUC-Chile, ECON326 at UMD), undergraduate, 2009-2020
 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-
 Member of Editorial Board, *Cliometrica*, 2020-
 Member of the Latin American Econometrics Society Standing Committee, 2018-2021
 Member of the Society of Economics of the Household Board, 2020-

 Referee for *American Economic Review*, *Journal of Political Economy*, *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, *Review of Economic Studies*, *Econometrica*, *Review of Economic and Statistics*, *American Economic Review: Insights*, *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 Economic Growth*, *Management Science*, *Quantitative Economics*, *Journal of Economic Theory*, *Journal of Applied Econometrics*, *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, *Explorations in Economic History*, *Journal of Population*

Economics, European Economic Review, ILR Review, LABOUR, Economics Letters, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, The World Bank Economic Review, Review of Economics of the Household, Journal of Demographic Economics, 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, Cliometrica, Cuadernos de Economía, Estudios de Economía, Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics, American Journal of Health Economics, European Review of Economic History, National Science Foundation grants, FONDECYT, Hong Kong Research Grants Council

Committee Member, Meeting of the LACEA/LAMES, Santiago (2011), Sao Paolo (2014), Medellín (2016), Buenos Aires (2017)

Committee Member, SOLE (2017), Economic Demography Workshop (2018, 2020)
Economics Scholarship Committee, Conicyt, Chile

ADVISING

Co-chair: Quynh Nguyen (2010), Yeon-Soo Kim (2010), Alessandro Orfei (2011), Amy Knaup (2013), Wilber Baires (2016), Lelys Dinarte (2017)

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

Committee Member: Lingsheng Meng (2010)

Previous students/RAs/TAs now in PhDs: Javiera García (UPenn), Bernardo de Moura (UPenn), Joaquin Fuenzalida (Berkeley), Fernando Ochoa (NYU), Jose Miguel Pascual (Harris), Dominique Araya (Stanford), Felipe Vial (Berkeley), Catalina Morales (Maryland), Diego Escobar (Harris), Fernanda Rojas (UCLA), Hernan Barahona (Stanford), Matias Covarrubias (NYU), Juan Jose Matta (Public Policy, NYU), Claudia Allende (PhD Education, Columbia-now Stanford GSB Assistant Profesor), Rodrigo Carrill (Stanford-now Pompeo Fabre Assistant Professor), Jose Ignacio Cuesta (Chicago-now Stanford Assistant Professor), Francisco Muñoz (Stanford-now PUJ Assistant Professor), Morgan Henderson (Michigan, now Hilltop Institute), Josefa Aguirre (PhD Education, Columbia-now PUC Assistant Professor)

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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