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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Postdoctoral Fellow, School of Public Health, Augusta University *July 2024 -*

Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University of South Carolina *August 2023 - May 2024*

Assistant Professor, School of Economics and Finance, Universidad EAFIT *July 2020 - April 2023*

EDUCATION

2020: **University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign**, Urbana, IL. *Ph.D. in Economics*

2014: **Universidad Nacional de la Plata**, La Plata, Buenos Aires. *M.S. in Economics*

2010: **Universidad Torcuato Di Tella**, Buenos Aires, Argentina. *B.S. in Economics*

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Primary: Development Economics, Health, Education

Secondary: Applied Econometrics, Microeconomics

PUBLICATIONS

Key Determinants of COVID-19 Vaccination Take-up in Remote Rural Areas: Evidence From Colombia with Marcela Inbañez, Juan Carlos Muñoz and Laura Quintero. *Forthcoming at Journal of International Public Health*

"Is There Discrimination Against Children of Same Sex Households?" with Brian Feld and Monica Hernandez. *Forthcoming at Labour Economics doi: https://doi.org/10.1016/j.labeco.2024.102507*

Mental Health Effects of an Old Age Grant: Experimental Evidence for Ekiti State in Nigeria, with Maria Laura Alzua, Ana C. Dammert and Damilola Olajide. *Journal of African Economies, ejad012, https://doi.org/10.1093/jae/ejad012*

Monetary Incentives and Early Initiation of Antenatal Care: A Matched-Pair, Parallel Cluster-Randomized Trial in Zambia with Maria Laura Alzua, Chitalu Miriam Chama-Chilibaa, and Peter Hangomab *Studies in Family Planning, 53(4), 595-615.*

WORKING PAPERS

"Do women-led ventures set different target margins? Evidence from emerging markets", with Brian Feld and Estefany Peña. *Revisions set to Small Business Economics*

"The Effects of Increasing Community Participation on School Management Outcomes: Evidence from India" with Clara Delavallade, Alan Griffith, Zhe Liu and Rebecca Thornton. *Under review at The Journal of Development Studies*

"Does maternal schooling lead to improvements in child health? Evidence from Ethiopia". *Under review at Education Economics*

"Gender and Value of Decision-making Within the Household: Experimental Evidence from Colombia" with Marcela Ibanez, Tatiana Orozco-Garcia and Gerhard Riener

"How Can Sports Events Alter Public Opinion on Politics? Evidence from Colombia" with Andres Ochoa and Juan Camilo Mujica

"The Effect of Teenage Pregnancy on Schooling and Labor Force Participation: Evidence From Urban South Africa"

"Financial Incentives for Maternal and Child Care: Impact of a National Program in Bolivia" with Leonardo Orihuela and Susana Mujica

"Premarital Fertility in Liberia: Exploring Predictors of Early Sexual Debut and Pregnancy Among Adolescent Girls in Monrovia". with Shelley Clark, Tricia Koroknay-Palicz, and Michelle Poulin

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Building Healthy Homes: The Effect of Home Improvement on the Use of Practices that Contribute to Conflict Reduction and Domestic Violence Prevention with Marcela Inbañez, Juan Carlos Muñoz and Mariantonia Lemos

The effects of mining on wellbeing in rural remote communities with Laura Quintero and Juan Carlos Muñoz

Drop out and the timing of schooling in Argentina with Carolina Lopez

PRESENTATIONS

2023: Impact Evaluation Network of the Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association

2022: Universidad Nacional de La Plata; ANDE Network Seminar; Carolina Region Empirical Economics Day; Brown Bag Seminar at University of South Carolina

2021: Ministerio de Salud, Uruguay; University of Goettingen

2020: 2020 AAEA Virtual Meeting; American Economics Association and CSMGEP session, San Diego CA

2019: Midwest Economics Association Annual Meeting, Mo; University of Illinois, Department of Economics; LACEA's Health Network Workshop, Universidad del Pacífico; Sustainability and Development Conference, University Of Michigan; Washington University Economics Graduate Student Conference, Washington University in St. Louis, MO; Illinois Economics Association Annual Meeting, DePaul University; Southern Economics Association Annual Meeting, Fort Lauderdale FL.

2018: Midwest Economics Association Annual Meeting, Evanston IL; Midwest International Development Conference, University of Minnesota

2017: Missouri Valley Economics Association Annual Conference, Kansas City MO.

EXTERNAL GRANTS

2023 - 2026: FID Strengthening the National Community-Based Health Insurance (CBHI) in Ethiopia - with Maria Laura Alzua, Zewdie Birhanu, Desta Hiko and Morankar Sudhakar

2023 - 2024: IADB GDLab Gender-based violence against women, children, and adolescents - with Marcela Ibañez and Juan Carlos Muñoz

2023: EfD - All that glitters is not gold? Approaching the sub-national and spatial impact of a gold rush and policy changes with Marcela Ibañez , Carlos Adrian Saldarriaga and Mauricio Oyarzo

2022: IADB LGBTQ+ Persons in Latin America and the Caribbean: Measuring Population Sizes And Obstacles To Economic and Social Inclusion -with Brian Feld and Monica Hernandez

2021-2022: ANDE-IDRC Experience of women entrepreneurs participating in venture accelerator programs - with Brian Feld

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Professional Memberships

2021 - Present: Mentor, Scientific Support Team, Policy Impact Evaluation Research Initiative (PIERI), Partnership for Economic Policy (PEP)

2021 - 2022: Academic advising for EAFIT and the Ministry of Education - Evaluation of technology usage in Colombian primary schools

Department Academic Services

2021- 2022: Evaluation of programs for Fundacion Mi Sangre with Prof. Elenora Davalos

2021: Universidad EAFIT - Internal committee to review and reform the Ph.D. program

Referee Activity

Refereeing: Current Research Journal of Social Sciences and Humanities, Economics of Education Review, PEP, Social Science Research, Journal of economic behavior & organization

Other Services

April 6-8, 2017: World Bank Course Facilitator Evaluating the Impact of Education and Health Policy in Guatemala

AWARDS

2020: Committee on the Status of Minority Groups in the Economics Profession (CSMGEP) Travel Grant.

2016: Summer research award, University of Illinois.

2014-2020: Merit-based full scholarship for graduate studies, University of Illinois.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Spring 2024: Introductory Econometrics. Principles of Microeconomics

Fall 2023: Introductory Econometrics

Fall 2022: Quantitative Methods (Masters in Applied Economics)

Fall 2022: Development Economics (Economics Ph.D.)

Spring 2022: Quantitative Methods (Masters in Behaviour Science)

Fall 2020 & Spring 2022: Introduction to Microeconomics

Fall 2021: Masters Rural Development Economics (Masters in Applied Economics)

Spring - Fall 2021: Development Economics and Growth

Fall 2020 - Spring 2021: Microeconomics Seminar

Fall 2020: Intermediate Microeconomics

ADVISING

Masters Thesis Supervision Kevin Orlando Alvarez Niño and Miguel Angel Macias (Chair) - 2024

Laura Maria Quintero Vazquez (Chair) - 2023

Leonardo Orrihuela (Chair) - 2022

Undergraduate Thesis supervisor

Manuel Buitrago - 2022

Isabel Restrepo - 2021

Sindy Piedrhita and Carolina Castellano - 2021

Pablo Moreno Herrera and Maria Antonia Restrepo Vazquez - 2021

Ana Maria Vinasco Ciro and Valentina Lopez Arango - 2021

Maria Camila Laverde Gonzalez and Daniel Gomez Perez - 2021

Catalina Valencia Restrepo - 2020

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Citizenship: American, Argentine.
Languages: Spanish (native), English (fluent).
Programming skills: Stata (Advanced), R (basic)