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Atlanta, GA Last updated: September 2024

EDUCATION

Emory University Atlanta, GA

Ph.D in Economics 2022 - current

Relevant Coursework: Quantitative Methods I-II; Analysis II; Microeconomic Theory I-II; Macroeconomic Theory I-II; Probability & Statistics; Econometrics Methods I-II; Probability Theory; Market Structures & Imperfect Competition; Advanced Microeconometrics; Causal Inference; Topics in High-Dimensional Econometrics & ML Theory.

Escuela Superior Politécnica del Litoral (ESPOL)

Guayaquil, Ecuador M.Sc. in Economics; Valedictorian 2019 - 2021

Escuela Superior Politécnica del Litoral (ESPOL)

Guayaquil, Ecuador B.A. in Economics; Top-3% 2014 - 2019

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Econometrics, Causal Inference, Machine Learning, Applied Microeconomics

PUBLICATIONS

1. Heterogenous treatment effects of a voluntary Inclusionary Zoning program on housing prices. (with Gonzalo E. Sánchez & Mario A. Fernández, Housing Studies, 2024)

WORK IN PROGRESS

- 1. Better Understanding Triple Differences Estimators. (with Pedro H. C. Sant'Anna)
- 2. Heterogeneous Treatment Effects with Continuous Treatments.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Emory University Atlanta, GA

Research Assistant to:

- o Prof. Pedro H.C. Sant'Anna: Spring 2024 ongoing
- o Prof. Elena Pesavento: Fall 2023

Inter-American Development Bank

Washington D.C. Research Assistant to Juan Pablo Chauvin, Ph.D. Aug 2021 - Feb 2022

ESPOL Guayaquil, Ecuador Research Assistant Jan 2018 - Sept 2019

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Emory University Atlanta, GA

Instructor

Computer Programming & Data Management in Economics: (ECON 725, Masters level) Fall 2024.

Teaching Assistant

- o Econometric Methods I: (ECON 621, PhD level) Spring 2024.
- o Parametric Statistics: (OTM 365, Undergraduate level) Fall 2023, Fall 2024.
- o Econometrics: (ECON 320, Undergraduate level) Fall 2023.

ESPOL Guayaquil, Ecuador 2017 - 2019 Teaching Assistant

- o Econometrics II: (Undergraduate level) Fall 2018, Spring 2018, Fall 2019.
- o Statistical Inference: (Undergraduate level) Spring 2017.

WORK EXPERIENCE

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Sr. Data Scientist

Guayaquil, Ecuador 2021 - 2023

Guayaquil, Ecuador 2019 - 2021

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Data Scientist

AWARDS & HONORS

- 2022: Laney Graduate School Fellowship to Doctoral studies.
- 2021: Best student in his Master's program (Valedictorian).
- 2019: Masters Full Scholarship for graduate studies at ESPOL.
- 2018: Elected as a Student Representative to the Board of Directors of the School of Social Science and Humanities, ESPOL.
- 2018: Won a *Merit Scholarship* based on high-achieving and academic distinction (Undergraduate level) in the Department of Economics at ESPOL.
- 2011-2014: Winner of the *Medalla Escolar* from Benemerit Guayas Philanthropic Society (awarded to the best students of all the schools in the City of Guayaquil).

SEMINARS & CONFERENCES

- 2024: Optimization-Conscious Econometrics Summer School OCE III (The University of Chicago); Midwest Econometrics Group Conference 2024 (University of Kentucky)
- 2020: 12th International Conference on Social Informatics (Online).
- 2019: IX Semana Internacional de Economía (Quito, Ecuador).
- 2019: Latin American WEB Congress (San Francisco, CA).

SKILLS

- Computer Languages: Python, R, Stata, SQL, C++, Matlab.
- Libraries & Technologies: Scikit-learn, Pytorch, TensorFlow, MLflow, Databricks, AWS, Snowflake, Airflow, Spark.

OTHER INFORMATION

- Languages: Spanish (native), English (fluent)
- Citizenship: Ecuador