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EMPLOYMENT

2012 -	Senior Research Economist, Research Department, Inter-American Development Bank
2011 – 2012	Research Assistant, The Pennsylvania State University
2006 – 2011	Teaching Assistant, The Pennsylvania State University
2000 – 2006	Assistant Researcher, Grupo de Análisis para el Desarrollo (GRADE)

EDUCATION

2006 – 2012	Ph.D. in Economics, The Pennsylvania State University
1997 – 2002	B.A. in Economics, Universidad del Pacífico (Peru)

FIELDS OF INTEREST

Development Economics and Applied Econometrics

PUBLICATIONS

“[Retaking in High Stakes Exams: Is Less More?](#)”, with Kala Krishna and Sergey Lychagin, *International Economic Review*, Vol. 59(2): 449-477.

“[Better Luck Next Time: Learning through Retaking](#)” with Kala Krishna, Sergey Lychagin, and Cemile Yavas, *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*, Vol. 125: 120-135, 2016.

“[Affirmative Action in Higher Education in India: Targeting, Catch Up, and Mismatch at IIT Delhi](#)” with Kala Krishna, *Higher Education*, Vol. 71(5): 611-649, 2016.

“[State-Level Labor Reform and Firm-Level Productivity in India](#)” with Sean Dougherty and Kala Krishna, *India Policy Forum* (2013-2014), Vol. 10.

“[Signaling Creditworthiness in Peruvian Microfinance Markets: The Role of Information Sharing](#)”, *The B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis & Policy*, Vol. 12(1) (Advances), Article 44, 2012.

“[International Migration and the Education of Children: Evidence from Lima, Peru](#)” with R. S. Oropesa, *Population Research and Policy Review*, Vol. 30(4): 591-618, 2011.

BOOK CHAPTERS

“Adolescence: Difficult Challenges at a Difficult Age”. In [Learning Better: Public Policy for Skills Development](#), Matias Busso, Julian Cristia, Diana Hincapie, Julian Messina, and Laura Ripani (ed), New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2017.

“The State of Saving in Latin America and the Caribbean.” In [Saving for Development: How Latin America and the Caribbean Can Save More and Better](#), Eduardo Cavallo and Tomas Serebrinski (ed), New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2016.

“Saving Begins at Home”. In [Saving for Development: How Latin America and the Caribbean Can Save More and Better](#), Eduardo Cavallo and Tomas Serebrinski (ed), New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2016.

WORKING PAPERS

“[Perceived Ability and School Choices](#)”, with Matteo Bobba (submitted).

“The Impact of Financial Education for the Youth”.

“Peer Effects and Academic Achievement: Experimental Evidence from Tracking and Bimodal Classrooms”, with Matias Busso.

“[Misreporting in Sensitive Health Behaviors and its Impact on Treatment Effects: An Application to Intimate Partner Violence](#)”, with Jorge Agüero, IDB Working paper 853 (under review).

“[Reducing Violence Against Women in Microfinance](#)”, with Jorge Agüero, IDB Technical note 1387.

“[The Impact of School-Based Financial Education on High School Students and their Teachers: Experimental Evidence from Peru](#)”, IDB Working paper 871.

“[Learning About Oneself: The Effects of Performance Feedback on School Choice](#)”, with Matteo Bobba, IDB Working paper 728.

“[Business Training for Microfinance Clients: How it Matters and for Whom?](#)” with Dean Karlan and Martin Valdivia, Poverty and Economic Policy Research Network Working Paper No. PMMA-2008-11.

WORK IN PROGRESS

“Financial diaries for the youth”, with Silvia Prina.

“The Effect of Programmed Saving Products in the Dominican Republic”, with Dean Karlan, Martin Valdivia, and Sendhil Mullainathan.

“Measuring Intimate Partner Violence”, with Erica Field and Jorge Agüero.

“Training in Hard and Soft Skills for Microentrepreneurs”, with Suzanne Duryea and Martin Valdivia.

“Differential Effort in High and Low Stakes Exams”, with Kala Krishna and Diether Beuermann.

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Financial Literacy Research Award, 4th Cherry Blossom Financial Education Institute, April 2018.

Conference Grant, Royal Economics Society, June 2011.

ADVANCED COURSES AND WORKSHOPS

“Econometric Analysis of Network Data”, Bryan Graham, May 2017, Georgetown Center for Econometric Practice, Washington, DC.

“Machine Learning for Treatment Effects and Structural Equation Models”, Victor Chernozhukov, September 2016, Georgetown Center for Econometric Practice, Washington, DC.

Asian Forum on Global Governance. ZEIT-Stiftung Ebelin und Gerd Bucerius, and the Observer Research Foundation, November 2014, Delhi.

Mini course in “Computation of Economics”, Kenneth Judd, April 2011, Penn State University.

Stanford Workshop on Formal Demography, May 2008, Palo Alto.

Impact Evaluation of Population, Health and Nutrition Programs (workshop). MEASURE Evaluation and Instituto Nacional de Salud Pública de México (INSP), July-August 2004, Cuernavaca.

Population and Development, with emphasis on reproductive Health (workshop). PARTNERS and Consejo Nacional de Población de México (CONAPO), May 2003, Hidalgo.

PRESENTATIONS AT CONFERENCES

American Economic Association (AEA) Meetings, January 2019, Atlanta.

OECD-Russia Global Symposium: Advancing financial literacy globally: implementation and innovation, October 2018, Moscow.

Financial Literacy Seminar Series, Global Financial Literacy Excellence Center (GFLEC), George Washington University, September 2018, Washington, DC.

The 2018 Latin American Workshop in Econometrics: Combining Experiments with Structural Econometrics, August 2018, Lima.

Development Economics and Policy, Annual International Conference of the Research Group on Development Economics, June 2018 University of Zurich and ETH Zurich, Zurich.

International Association for Applied Econometrics Annual Conference, June 2018, Montreal.

4th Cherry Blossom Financial Education Institute, April 2018, Washington, DC.

American Economic Association (AEA) Meetings, January 2018, Philadelphia.

The Northeast Universities Development Consortium (NEUDC) Conference, November 2017, Medford.

Researcher Gathering on Advancing Financial Inclusion, Yale University and Innovations for Poverty Action (IPA), October 2017, Evanston.

Primer Foro Internacional de Microfinanzas, June 2017, Lima.

Conference on Risk and Risky Behavior, June 2017, Copenhagen.

III Foro de Educación e Inclusión Financiera, October 2016, Lima.

UNU-WIDER Conference on Human Capital and Growth, June 2016, Helsinki.

2016 RIDGE May Forum, May 2016, Montevideo.

Midwest International Economic Development Conference, University of Minnesota, May 2016, Minneapolis.

The Northeast Universities Development Consortium (NEUDC) Conference, November 2015, Providence.

Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association Annual Meeting, October 2015, Santa Cruz.

Researcher Gathering on Advancing Financial Inclusion, Yale University and Innovations for Poverty Action (IPA), May 2015, New Haven.

South Asia Research and Information Institute Conference, September 2014, Dallas.

13th Journées Louis-André Gérard-Varet Conference in Public Economics, June 2014, Aix-en-Provence.

63rd Annual Meeting of the French Economic Association, June 2014, Lyon.

Asian Meetings of the Econometric Society, December 2012, Delhi.

Growth and Development Conference, December 2012, Indian Statistical Institute, Delhi.

Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association Annual Meeting, November 2012, Lima.

The Effects of Racial Preferences in Higher Education on Student Outcomes, Brookings Institution, September 2012, Washington, DC.

Growth and Development Conference, December 2011, Indian Statistical Institute, Delhi.

10th Journées Louis-André Gérard-Varet Conference in Public Economics, June 2011, Marseille. Pacific Conference for Development Economics (PAC-DEV), March 2011, Berkeley.

III Universidad de Piura (DEP) Workshop for Young Economists, July 2010, Lima.

Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association Annual Meeting, October 2009, Buenos Aires. Southern Demographic Association Annual Meeting, October-November 2008, Greenville.

REFEREE SERVICE

Economics of Education Review, Journal of Labor Economics, World Development, Journal of International Economics, The B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis & Policy, Economia, Latin American Research Review, Higher Education, Journal of Population Economics, Economics Bulletin, International Migration Review, Canadian Journal of Economics.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Languages: Spanish (Native), English (Fluent), Portuguese (Intermediate)

Citizenship: Peruvian