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EDUCATION

Postdoctorate, Department of Economics, PRINCETON UNIVERSITY (2018)
Ph.D. in Public Policy, THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO (2016)
• Core qualifying exams: Microeconomics, Econometrics, Political Economy.
• Qualifying Field: Labor Econometrics (at the Dept. of Economics - chaired by [J. HECKMAN](#)).
M.A. in Economics, Northwestern University (2011).
B.S. & M. Sc. in Economics, Universidad de Chile (2007).

CURRENT AFFILIATIONS

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF ECONOMICS, UAI BUSINESS SCHOOL, Chile
Research Fellow at [IZA](#) - INSTITUTE OF LABOR ECONOMICS
Invited Researcher at [J-PAL](#), POVERTY ACTION LAB.
Academic Collaborator, THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO, [Behavioral Insights and Parenting Lab](#).
Scientific Committee Member, LACEA BRAIN, [Behavioral Insights Network](#).
Member, [Human Capital & Economic Opportunity \(HCEO\) Network](#), UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.
Researcher, Centre for Social Conflict and Cohesion Studies ([COES](#)), Chile.
Researcher, Joint Initiative for Latin American Experimental Economics ([JILAE](#)), UCEMA (Argentina) and THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.
Research Fellow at the Global Labor Organization ([GLO](#)).
Researcher, Welfare, Inequality & Poverty group ([WEIPO](#)), Universidad de Alcalá, Spain.

PAST POSITIONS

Research Economist, [INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK](#), SPD-SDV, Washington D.C.
Lecturer in Economics and Public Affairs, Department of Economics, [PRINCETON UNIVERSITY](#)
Visiting Scholar, Department of Economics, [Universidad Carlos III](#), Madrid, Spain.
Young Professor (Instructor), Center for Applied Economics, [CEA](#), U. DE CHILE.
Researcher & Advisor to the Secretary of Education, [GOVERNMENT OF CHILE](#)

RESEARCH

[Journal of Population Economics](#), 2025.
Schooling Mobility Across Three Generations in Six Latin American Countries (with P. Celhay).
Winner of [CAF Grant 'Mobility in Latin America'](#) (3 selected out of 216 proposals).
[IZA Institute of Labor Economics Discussion Paper #17072](#), June 2024.
[Economics of Education Review](#), 2024.
Childcare and Parenting in the Production of Early Skills, (with J.L. Garcia.)
Previously circulated as SSRN working paper Complementarity and Substitutability in the Production of Early Human Capital [\[link\]](#).
[Journal of Public Economics](#), Accepted, 2023.
Increasing the Take-up of Public Health Services: an At-Scale Experiment on Digital Government (with B. Roseth, A. Cuesta, & M. Sanchez) - Inter-American Bank Working Paper #1180.
[Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization](#), 2023.
Political Turnover Negatively Affects the Quality of Public Services, August 2023, 212: 796-818.
[Journal of Human Resources](#), 2022.
Early Skill Effects on Parental Beliefs, Investments, and Children Long-Run Outcomes (with P. Celhay). HCEO-UChicago Working Paper #2020-014, July 2022.

[Organizational Behavior and Human Decision Processes](#), 2021.

A Behavioral Approach to Increasing Preschool Attendance

(with S. Mayer and A. Kalil), March 2021, Volume 163, Pages 65-79.

[Journal of Human Resources](#), 2019.

Using Behavioral Insights to Increase Parental Engagement (with S. Mayer, A. Kalil & P. Oreopoulos), NBER Working Paper 21602. Volume (54) pp.900-925.

[Journal of Human Development and Capabilities](#), 2015.

Persistence in the Transmission of Education: Evidence Across Three Generations in Chile (with P. Cellhay). , July 2015, 16(3): 420-51.

[Labour Economics](#), 2011.

The 1999-2007 Public-Private Wage Gap in LAC: A Matching Approach

(with A. Mizala & P. Romaguera). December 2011. 18(1): 115-31.

[CEPAL Review](#), 2011.

Decomposing Wage Inequality in Latin America: A Decade of Changes

(with D. Contreras). April 2011, 103:27-44.

[Quality of Education Journal \(Revista Calidad en la Educación\)](#), 2009.

Does Relative Ability Matter in College?

(with D. Contreras and F. Meneses), in Spanish. July 2009, (30), 18-48.

Teaching Econometrics with AI: Evidence from a Randomized Trial. Pre-registered RCT at [AEA RCT Registry](#) and OSF. DOI: [10.17605/OSF.IO/ZNMRJ](#).

Comparing Human-Only, AI-Assisted, and AI-Led Teams on Assessing Research Reproducibility in Quantitative Social Science, with A. Brodeur, et al. [I4R Discussion Paper Series #195 R&R, Nature](#).

Mass Reproducibility and Replicability: A New Hope, with A. Brodeur, et al.

[I4R Discussion Paper Series #107. R&R, Nature](#).

The Sources of Researcher Variation in Economics, with N. Huntington-Klein, et al.

[IZA DP No. 17744. Submitted](#).

Screening and Recruiting Talent at Teacher Colleges (with C. Neilson, F. Calle and M. Karnani). [Princeton University, Industrial Relations Section Working Paper 636](#). Presented at the [Econometric Society World Congress](#). *Revising, 2023*.

Causal Effects in Matching Mechanisms with Strategically Reported Preferences.

(with M. Berthana, M. Lufade and I. Mourifie). Presented by Mourifie (Toronto) at the [Chamberlain Seminar of Econometrics](#), March 2022. Work in Progress.

Economic Growth and Access to College: Forty Years of Evidence from Latin America's Fastest Growing Country, with A. Barrios and C. Neilson. Work in Progress.

One More Chance: Lasting Effects of Retaking University Admission Exams with V. Frisanchio and C. Gonzalez. Work in Progress.

Returns to Human Capital Investments beyond College, with C. Neilson, F. Huneus and G. Gaete. Work in Progress.

WORK IN PROGRESS

BOOK CHAPTERS

Financing Education for Vulnerable Groups: The Preferential School Subsidy, with P. Romaguera, in 'The New Policies on Social Protection in Chile' (Spanish), Ch. 5, pp. 191-238. O. Larranaga and D. Contreras, editors. United Nations Development Programme, Uqbar, 2010. [[link to book](#)]

Financing Education in Chile: Challenges on Equity and Quality, with P. Romaguera, in 'Social Policy and the Strengthening Democracies in Latin America' (Spanish), Ch. 6, pp. 159-182. A. Barcena and O. Kacef, editors. Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean, 2011. [[link to book](#)]

TEACHING
EXPERIENCE

UAI BUSINESS SCHOOL

Data Science for Economics, Policy and Business (graduate),
Econometrics I (undergrad), Microeconometrics (graduate)

Present

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

Advisor for Economics Majors (five senior year theses)

2016 - 2018

Advanced Microeconomics - Main Instructor

Summer 2017

Microeconomic Analysis for Policymakers -TA

Fall 2017

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

Behavioral Economics - Instructor, Graham School

Summer 2016

Applied Econometrics (2 times) - Instructor, Graham School

Summer 2014, 2015

Econometrics II, PhD (2 times) - TA for R. LaLonde & D. Black

Fall 2013, Spring 2014

Advanced Microeconomics, PhD - TA for D. Jones

Winter 2013

Program Evaluation (4 times) - TA for O. Malamud

Spring 2013 - Fall 2015

Poverty, Inequality & Policy - TA for S. Mayer

Fall 2015

Education Policies & Equal Opportunities - TA for A. Menendez

Fall 2014

Public Policy Analysis - TA for J. Leitzel

Winter 2013

Economics for Public Policy - TA for S. Shaikh

Fall 2012

Math Camp - TA for J. Boller

Summer 2012

UNIVERSIDAD DE CHILE

Introduction to Economics (3 times). Main Instructor

Fall 2008 - Fall 2010

Statistics & Econometrics - Short-course Instructor

Fall 2006

Macroeconomic Theory, TA

Fall 2005

Labor Economics, TA ; Monetary Theory, TA

2004

AWARDS AND
CERTIFICATES

Arnold Ventures Grant (with UChicago's BIP Lab) (~480K)

2025 - 2028

FONDECYT – ANID*, Regular Competition Research Grant (~110K)

2025 - 2027

UAI Small Grant – Developing and using a GPT for Econometrics

2025

FONDECYT – ANID*, Grant for Initiation in Research (~90K)

2022 - 2025

Best Professor Award – Econometrics, UAI Business School

2024

UAI FEI Small Grant – Training Students in Research

2024

CAF Research Grant (selected out of 216 projects) (~15K)

2021-2023

Centre for Social Conflict and Cohesion Studies Grant (~12K)

2017-2018

National Agency for Research & Development Postdoctoral Fund (~40K)

2016-2018

University of Chicago Irving B. Harris Ph.D. Fellowship (~20Kx2)

2014-2016

University of Chicago Harris APPAM Graduate Student Award (1Kx2)

2014, 2015

Center for Human Potential Travel Award / WiPP Fund (1K)

2014

Center for Human Potential and Public Policy Fellowship Award (2.5K)

2013-2014

Scholarship for PhD Studies Abroad – ANID*

2010-2014

UCA Scholarship, LACEA-LAMES Annual Meeting, Argentina (.5K)

2009

National Council of Education Grant, Chile (10K)

2007

Universidad de Chile Graduate Fellowship (8K)

2006

*ANID: Chilean National Agency for Research and Development

REFeree

Journal of Political Economy	Quarterly Journal of Economics
Journal of Labor Economics	American Economic Journal: Economic Policy
Journal of Development Economics	Journal of Political Economy: Microeconomics
Journal of Public Economics	Review of Economics and Statistics
Economic Journal	Journal of Human Resources
Journal of Labor Economics	Economics of Education Review
Journal of Human Capital	Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization
Labour Economics	Journal of Policy Analysis and Management
IZA Journal of Labor Policy	Int. Journal of Urban & Regional Research
Advances in Life Course Research	Higher Education
El Trimestre Económico	Cepal Review

REFERENCES

Robert LaLonde [†]	Professor	U. of Chicago	clcook@uchicago.edu
Ofer Malamud	Associate Professor	Northwestern U.	ofer.malamud@northwestern.edu
Susan Mayer	Professor - Dean Emeritus	U. of Chicago	smayer@uchicago.edu
Chris Neilson	Professor	Yale U.	cneilson@yale.edu

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