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Dual citizen of US and Mexico

Education

Harvard University

Ph.D., Public Policy, 2026 (expected).

Yale University

M.A., International and Development Economics, 2019.

Universidad Iberoamericana, Ciudad de México

B.A. (with Highest Honors), Economics, 2016.

Stanford University

Certificate, International Management, 2014.

Work in Progress

Did the Rise of the South Deindustrialize the North?
with Gordon Hanson

Rapid Transit and the Making of the CBD

**How Much do Commuter Taxes Distort Economic Activity?
Evidence from Philadelphia's Wage Tax**
with Matt Jacob

Research

Automation Technologies and Employment at Risk

with A. Cebreros, A. Heffner, and D. Puggioni.
Banco de México Working Paper No. 2020-04.

Employment

Harvard Kennedy School – Reimagining the Economy

Research Associate, Gordon Hanson (May 2021 to Present)

MIT – Department of Economics

Pre-doctoral fellow, S. Jäger and B. Schoefer (May 2019 to July 2020)

Banco de México – Department of Economic Research

Research Analyst (July 2016 to July 2018)

Awards

Taubman Center for Local and State Government
Stipend Award, 2024

Víctor L. Urquidi 2019 Prize - Honorable Mention
for *Automation Technologies and Employment at Risk*, 2020.

Harvard University Graduate Prize Fellowship
Cambridge, MA, 2020.

CENEVAL Award for Outstanding Score in Economics
for earning the highest national exit examination score in Mexico, 2016.

Universidad Iberoamericana Scholarship
Mexico City, Mexico, 2012-2016.

Languages and Skills English (native), Spanish (native)
Stata, L^AT_EX, Matlab, R.

Teaching

Harvard University
Teaching Fellow, Econ 50 (undergraduate), Spring 2023, Spring 2024
Teaching Fellow, Econometrics I (PhD level), Fall 2023, Fall 2024

ITAM
Instructor, International Trade I, Summer 2020.

Universidad Iberoamericana
TA, Monetary Theory and Policy, Spring 2015.
TA, Intermediate Microeconomics, Spring 2014.

References

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