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EDUCATION

University of Pennsylvania

PhD in Economics

Aug. 2018 – Present

Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México

Double Degree in Economics and Applied Mathematics, graduated in both with honours

Aug. 2010 – Dec 2016

RESEARCH/WORK EXPERIENCE

Research Assistance Summer 2022

IMF

• Mozambique Monetary Policy Modelling

Research Assistance with Prof. Laura Alfaro Summer 2021

Harvard Business School

• External Panel Review for World Bank: Doing Business

Research Assistance Summer 2021

World Bank

• Doing Business:

• External Panel Review (Link to the review: https://apo.org.au/node/314345)

Economist / Analyst

Banco de México

Mexico City, MX

• Gerencia de Investigación del Sector Real - Dirección de Investigación Económica

• Applying panel vector instrumental autoregression (Generalized Method of Moments)

- Multivariate Singular Spectral Analysis as an alternative to the traditional X12 seasonal adjustment
- TfIds and created networks to study the efficiency of communication within Banco de México

Research in Industrial Projects for Students

Los Angeles, CA

January 2015 – June 2016

Summer 2016

UCLA

• Machine Learning information filtering system for the company

- Institute for Pure and Applied Mathematics (IPAM)
- GumGum Company, University of California LA, California

Research Assistant with Prof. Felipe Meza

Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM)

• Projects which included working with macro-economics, public debt

FA-VAR models

Undergraduate REU, Research in the Field Lab – Neuroscience

Summer 2014

Ithaca, NY

Mexico City, MX

Cornell University

• Visual Processing: Developing a Relative Depth Algorithm with PCA

• Psychology department

Teaching

TA for Foundations of Market Economies

Fall 2020, Fall 2021

University of Pennsylvania

Course instructor: Microeconomic Theory, Undergraduate level

Summer 2020

Sichuan University

TA for Political Economics of Early Americas

Spring 2020, Spring 2021

University of Pennsylvania

TA for Economics 2 (Macroeconomics)

Fall 2019

University of Pennsylvania

Course instructor: Penn Summer Prep. What is Mathematics? High School level Summer 2019

University of Pennsylvania

AWARDS

IMF Macroeconomic Forecasting online course February 2017

International Monetary Fund (EdX)

Machine Learning course certificate

June 2016

Stanford Online (coursera)

DAAD Scholarship: Hochschulsommerkursstipendium: Nanu, die Deutschen!

Summer 2015

Humboldt Universität zu Berlin

Mathematics Project Competition Award

Summer 2011

Millennium Youth Camp in Finland

• Dijkstra Algorithm applied to minimizing routes on Finnish Tram system (programmed on Mathematica)

LANGUAGES

Spanish

Mother tongue

English 2017

TOEFL (115/120)

German B2 level Summer 2015

Humboldt Universität zu Berlin

French 2010

DELF~A2

Programming Skills

Languages: Python (Sklearn), Matlab, R, Stata, Java (Netbeans, Eclipse, JCreator LE), Maple, Mathematica, Latex,

Eviews, Julia, Linux (Mint and Ubuntu) Libraries: pandas, NumPy, Matplotlib

COMMUNICATION SKILLS

Motivational talk about Millennium Youth Camp for High-School: Instituto Sucre students (February 2012) Motivational talk about Missions work for High School: Colegio Vista Hermosa students (December 2012)

SPORTS

Volleyball team member: Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM), from 2012 to 2013

Banco de Mexico Basketball team member: Banco de Mexico, 2017 season