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## Education

- 2015 – Today **Ph.D. in Economics**, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada.  
2011 – 2013 **M.A. in Economics**, Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá D.C., Colombia.  
2007 – 2011 **B.A. in Economics**, Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá D.C., Colombia.  
2008 – 2014 **B.Sc. in Industrial Engineering**, Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá D.C., Colombia.

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## Fields of Interest

Political Economy, Development Economics and Economic History.

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## Professional Experience

- 2015 – Today **Vancouver School of Economics (UBC)**, *Graduate Research and Teaching Assistant*.  
*Thesis Committee*: Francesco Trebbi (Chair), Matilde Bombardini, Siwan Anderson and Patrick Francois  
2011 – 2015 **Center of Development Studies (CEDE)**, *Young Researcher and Research Assistant*.  
Department of Economics, Universidad de los Andes. *Supervisor*: Leopoldo Fergusson  
2011 – 2012 **Engineering Research Center (CIFI)**, *Research Assistant*.  
Department of Industrial Engineering, Universidad de los Andes. *Supervisor*: Natalia Santamaría  
2010 **Ministry of Finance and Public Credit - Republic of Colombia**, *Intern*.  
General Directorate of Public Credit and National Treasury - Department of Risk

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## Publications and Revisions Requested

### • Articles

- 2021 Political Competition and State Capacity: Evidence from a Land Allocation Program in Mexico.  
**(R&R) The Economic Journal**  
With Leopoldo Fergusson and Horacio Larreguy  
2020 Conflict, Educational Attainment and Structural Transformation: ‘La Violencia’ in Colombia.  
**Economic Development and Cultural Change**  
With Leopoldo Fergusson and Ana María Ibáñez  
2019 Consumers as VAT “Evaders”: Incidence, Social Bias, and Correlates in Colombia.  
**Economía**, 19(2):21–67.  
With Leopoldo Fergusson and Carlos Molina  
2018 I Sell My Vote, and So What? Incidence, Social Bias, and Correlates of Clientelism in Colombia.  
**Economía**, 19(1):181–218.  
With Leopoldo Fergusson and Carlos Molina

### • Book Chapters

- 2014 Colombian Politics in the Elca: Clientelism and Disengagement.  
In **Colombia in Motion 2010 - 2013**, Cadena, Ximena (comp.), Bogotá, Ediciones Uniandes  
With Leopoldo Fergusson

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## Working Papers

- Bureaucratic Nepotism.  
*Job Market Paper*
- Collateral Damage: The Legacy of the Secret War in Laos.  
*With Felipe Valencia*
- Social Dissent, Coercive Capacity, and Redistribution: Evidence from Authoritarian Mexico.  
*With Horacio Larreguy, and Mariano Sánchez-Talanquer*
- Media, Secret Ballot and the Process of Democratization in the US.  
*With Leopoldo Fergusson and BK Song*
- The Legacy of a Monopsony: Labour Market Outcomes in Southern Africa.  
*With Neil Loyd*

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## Honors and Awards

- 2020 **Award**, *University of British Columbia*, Vancouver, Canada.  
Faculty of Arts Graduate Award
- 2015 – 2019 **Doctoral Fellowship**, *University of British Columbia*, Vancouver, Canada.  
Four Year Fellowship - Vancouver School of Economics
- 2011 – 2013 **Master Scholarship**, *Universidad de los Andes*, Bogotá, Colombia.  
Scholarship for Graduate Students - Industrial Engineering Department
- 2007 – 2013 **Undergraduate Scholarship**, *Universidad de los Andes*, Bogotá, Colombia.  
Beca ‘Quiero Estudiar’ – Economics and Industrial Engineering Degrees

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## Grants

- 2018 – 2019 **Centre for Innovative Data in Economics (CIDE)**, *CIDE Small Grants in Innovative Data*, Vancouver School of Economics, University of British Columbia.  
Project: “Nepotism and State Capacity Building: Family Networks and the persistence of Bureaucrats in the Public Service”
- 2013 **Center for the Study of Security and Drugs (CESED)**, *First Round Grants*, Centro de Estudios sobre Seguridad y Drogas.  
Project: “The Long-Run Effects of Violence on Human Capital and Structural Transformation: Evidence from ‘La Violencia’ in Colombia”
- 2011 – 2012 **Center of American Studies (CEE)**, *Thesis Grant, U.S. Department of State, U.S. Embassy in Colombia, Fulbright, Universidad Nacional de Colombia and Universidad de los Andes*, Centro de Estudios Estadounidenses.  
Project: “More than Words and Good Intentions: The Political Agenda-Setting Power Behind Foreign Aid Mechanisms”

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## Teaching Experience

- University of British Columbia

- 2019 – Today **Political Economy, Institutions, and Business**, Graduate Level.
- 2019 **Economic Development**, Graduate Level.
- 2016 – 2018 **Methods of Empirical Research in Economics**, Undergraduate Level.
- 2016 – 2018 **Introduction to Empirical Economics**, Undergraduate Level.

- Universidad de los Andes

- 2013 – 2014 **Empirical Applications in Political Economy**, Graduate Level.
- 2012 – 2013 **Advanced Macroeconomics in the Short-run**, Graduate Level.
- 2011 – 2012 **Engineering Economics**, Undergraduate Level.
- 2010 – 2011 **Game Theory**, Undergraduate Level.
- 2009 – 2010 **Java Programming**, Undergraduate Level.
- 2008 – 2009 **Mathematical Methods for Economists**, Undergraduate Level.

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## Professional Activities

- Refereeing

- Political Science **American Political Science Review, British Journal of Political Science, Journal of Politics.**
- Economics **Canadian Journal of Economics, Economía Journal, The Manchester School.**

- Conferences and Workshops

- 2020 **December**, *World Bank Seminar: UXOs in Fragile and Conflict States*, Washington, DC USA (Virtual).
- 2020 **December**, *Political Economy Workshop RIDGE and LACEA*, Lima, Peru (Virtual).
- 2020 **June**, *24th Annual Conference of the Society for Institutional & Organizational Economics*, Boston, MA USA.
- 2019 **May**, *Ronald Coase Institute Workshop on Institutional Analysis*, Warsaw, Poland.
- 2019 **March**, *NYUAD Historical Political Economy Conference*, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.
- 2014 **November**, *19th Annual Latin American Meeting of the Econometric Society*, São Paulo, Brazil.
- 2014 **September**, *4th Congress of Colombian Economy*, Bogotá, Colombia.
- 2014 **June**, *14th Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference*, The Hague, Netherlands.