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## POSITION

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<b>Lecturer</b> , Department of Economics, Universidad de San Andres	2023 – <i>current</i>
<b>Lecturer</b> , Facultad de Ciencias Economicas, UBA	2025 – <i>current</i>

## EDUCATION

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<b>Ph.D. in Economics</b> , University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign	2023
<b>M.S. in Economics</b> , Universidad de San Andres	2019
<b>B.A. in Economics</b> , Universidad Nacional de Tucuman	2015

## RESEARCH FIELDS

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Development Economics & Labor Economics

## PUBLICATIONS

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"Lessons from the Application of the Instrumental Variable (IV) Research Design to Sudden Immigration Shocks" (2024) *Economic Bulletin*, Volume 44, Issue 4, pages 1528-1544

## WORKING PAPERS

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"Understanding and Predicting Recidivism in Latin America: Insights from Machine Learning" with Walter Sosa Escudero, Mariano Tommasi, Victoria Anauati, and Lucia Baraldi

"Long-Lasting Effects of Exposure to Bible Translations: Evidence from Sub-Saharan Africa" with Vinicius Oakada Da Silva, Abigail Stocker, and Rebecca Thornton

"Five Decades of Early Marriage: A Research Note from the Demographic and Health Survey" with Robert Jensen, Abigail Stocker, and Rebecca Thornton

"The Venezuela diaspora: Evidence from the Peruvian labor market."

## WORK IN PROGRESS

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"How do political cycles affect education in a middle-income country? Evidence from Peruvian schools" with Yue Bao and Mateo Fernandez

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

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### *Conference Papers. Peer-Reviewed*

"Income-Poverty Prediction using Random Forest: The case of Argentina" with Bruno Cardinale Lagomarsino and Cristian Chagalj. 2016. In *Anales. 51st Annual Reunion*. Asociación Argentina de Economía Política. Available in: [link](#)

"Informalidad y eficiencia de las firmas." 2015. In *Anales. 50th Annual Reunion*. Asociación Argentina de Economía Política. Available in: [link](#)

### ***Non-Peer-Reviewed publication***

“Big data y comercio electrónico: desafíos para la integración” with Walter Sosa Escudero. 2017. *Integración y Comercio*. 21, no. 42: p. 166-178. Available in: [link](#)

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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Lecturer, Big Data and Machine Learning, Economic History, Migration topics Universidad de San Andres, Department of Economics	Sep 2023 - <i>current</i>
Lecturer, Programming Elective (graduate students) Universidad de Buenos Aires, Department of Economics	Sep 2024 - <i>current</i>
Lecturer, Big Data and Machine Learning (graduate students) Universidad Nacional de Tucuman, Department of Economics	Sep 2024
Course Assistant as Grader, American Economic History, Prof Issac DiIanni, University of Illinois, Department of Economics	2022-2023
Course Assistant as Grader, Time Series Analysis, Prof. Christos Agiakloglou, University of Illinois, Department of Economics	Summer 2022
Course Assistant as Grader, Monetary Theory, Prof. Claudio Paiva, University of Illinois, Department of Economics	Summer 2022
Teaching Assistant, Intermediate Microeconomic Theory, Prof. Bryan Buckley, University of Illinois, Department of Economics	2019-2022
Teaching Assistant, Econometrics, Prof. Gabriel Montes Rojas, Universidad de San Andres, Department of Economics	2016-2018
Teaching Assistant, Economics 1, Prof. Christian Ruzzier, Universidad de San Andres, Department of Economics	2016-2018
Teaching Assistant, International Trade, Prof. Bernardo Diaz de Astarloa, Universidad de San Andres, Department of Economics	2017
Teaching Assistant, Big Data, Prof. Walter Sosa Escudero, Universidad de San Andres, Department of Economics	2016-2017
Teaching Assistant, Econometrics, Prof. Ana Maria Cerro, Universidad Nacional de Tucuman, Department of Economics	2013-2015

### **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

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Research Assistant, University of Illinois for Prof. Marieke Kleemans	2021-2022
Research Assistant, University of Illinois for Prof. Mark Borgschulte	2019-2021
Research Assistant, Universidad de San Andres for Prof. Walter Sosa Escudero	2016-2018
Research Assistant, Universidad de San Andres for Prof. Christian Ruzzier	2016-2017
Research Assistant, Universidad Torcuato Di Tella for Prof. Virginia Robano	2017
Research Assistant, Universidad Nacional de Tucuman for Prof. Ana Maria Cerro	2014

### **HONORS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND AWARDS**

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Scholarship for Summer Seminar " <i>Catholic Social Thought: A Critical Investigation</i> ," University of California Berkeley (funded by Lumen Christi Institute)	2024
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Summer Research Fellowship, Mises Institute	2023
Scholarship for Summer Seminar " <i>Economics and Catholic Social Thought: A Primer</i> ," University of Notre Dame (funded by Lumen Christi Institute)	2022
Morris and Sally Kleiner Labor Economics Prize, University of Illinois	2021
Department Summer Research Award, University of Illinois	2020
Fellowship for Graduate Studies, University of Illinois	2018-2019
Fellowship for Graduate Studies, Universidad de San Andres	2015-2016
Honorific mention of the Young Researcher Prize, Asociación Argentina de Economía Política (AAEP).	2015
Amartya Sen Scholarship, Universidad de Buenos Aires	2014
Freshmen Distinction in Economics Major, Universidad Nacional de Tucumán	2011

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#### PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

##### Peer-Reviewed Articles for:

*Economics of Education Review, Journal of Applied Economics*

##### Coordinator of Seminars

Department of Economics, Universidad de San Andrés (Argentina) 2017-2018

##### Coordinator of assistants

Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association (LACEA) and the Latin American Meeting of the Econometric Society (LAMES) Annual Meeting (Argentina) 2017

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#### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

60 <sup>th</sup> AAEP Annual meeting, presenting "Understanding and Predicting Recidivism in Latin America: Insights from Machine Learning," Argentina	2025
58 <sup>th</sup> AAEP Annual meeting, presenting " Long-Lasting Effects of Exposure to Bible Translations: Evidence from Sub-Saharan Africa," Argentina	2023
Population Association of America 2023 Annual meeting presenting "The Venezuela diaspora: Evidence from the Peruvian labor market,"	2023
57 <sup>th</sup> AAEP Annual meeting, presenting "The Venezuela diaspora: Evidence from the Peruvian labor market," Argentina	2022
50 <sup>th</sup> AAEP Annual meeting, presenting "Informalidad y eficiencia de las firmas," Argentina	2015

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#### LANGUAGES

Spanish (Native) English (Fluent) Portuguese (Novice)

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#### COMPUTER SKILLS

Advanced Knowledge: Python, Stata, R, LaTeX, Microsoft Office.  
Intermediate Knowledge: QGIS, GeoData, Matlab

**OTHER**

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Citizenship: Argentina