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Academic Position

- 2018–present Associate Professor, Instituto de Economía (IECON), Department of Economics, Universidad de La República (Uruguay)
- 2012–2017 Assistant Professor, Instituto de Economía (IECON), Department of Economics, Universidad de La República
- 2009–2012 Junior Researcher, CEDLAS
- 2008–2009 Research Assistant, CEDLAS

Professional Appointments

- 2019–01to03 Visiting Researcher, Anderson School of Management - UCLA
- 2019–present Research Director - Public Economics, RIDGE
- 2017–present GLO Research Fellow
- 2016–present IZA Research Affiliate
- 2014–present Consulting Researcher, Partnership for Economic Policy (PEP)
- 2013–present Research Fellow, Centro de Estudios Distributivos Laborales y Sociales (CEDLAS)

Education

- 2014 Ph.D. in Economics, Universidad de La Plata, Argentina
- 2011 Master in Economics, Universidad de La Plata, Argentina
- 2006 Licentiate in Economics, Universidad de La República, Uruguay

Fields of Interest

- Primary Public Economics, Labor Economics

Working Papers

“What Makes a Tax Evader”, NBER WP 28235 (with Martin Leites, Ricardo Perez-Truglia, Matias Strehl)

“Dissecting Inequality-Averse Preferences”, (with Gabriel Burdin, Santiago Burone, Mauricio De Rosa, Martín Leites, and Matias Giacobasso), *R&R, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*

“Tax Audits as Scarecrows: Evidence from a Large-Scale Field Experiment”, NBER WP 23631 (with Rodrigo Ceni, Guillermo Cruces, Matias Giacobasso and Ricardo Perez-Truglia), Conditionally Accepted, *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*

Publications & Forthcoming Papers

“Digging into the Channels of Bunching: Evidence from the Uruguayan Income Tax”, IZA DP No 12286 (with Gabriel Burdin, Mauricio De Rosa, Martín Leites, and Matias Giacobasso), Accepted (2021) *The Economic Journal*

“The Anatomy of Behavioral Responses to Social Assistance When Informal Employment is High” (with Guillermo Cruces), Accepted (2020) *Journal of Public Economics*

“Low-skilled workers and the effects of minimum wage in a developing country: Evidence based on a density-discontinuity approach” (with Sharon Katzkowicz, Gabriel Pedetti and Martina Querejeta) - Accepted (2020) *World Development*

“The Effect of Labor-Demand Shocks on Women’s Participation in the Labor Force: Evidence from Palestine”, (with Belal Fallah, Iman Saadeh, Arwa Abu Hashhash, and Matias Arwa Abu Hashhash), *The Journal of Development Studies* (2020) *forthcoming*

“Misperceptions About Tax Audits”, (with Rodrigo Ceni, Guillermo Cruces, Matias Giacobasso and Ricardo Perez-Truglia), *American Economic Association Papers and Proceedings* 108 (May 2018), 83-87, 2018

“Intra-Household Behavioral Responses to Cash Transfer Programs: Evidence From a Regression Discontinuity Design”, (with Estefanía Galván), *World Development* 103 (March 2018), 100-118, 2018

“Labor-Market Scars When Youth Unemployment Is Extremely High: Evidence from Macedonia”, (with Marjan Petreski and Nikica Mojsoska-Blazevski), *Eastern European Economics* 55, 168-196, 2017

“Work and tax evasion incentive effects of social insurance programs. Evidence from an employment-based benefit extension”, (with Guillermo Cruces), *Journal of Public Economics*

117, 211-228, 2014

“Las Transferencias Públicas y su Impacto Distributivo: La Experiencia de los Países del Cono Sur en la Década de 2000”, (with Javier Alejo and Fedora Carbajal), *El Trimestre Económico* 81(1), 163-198, 2014

“Informality, Contributory and Non Contributory Programmes. Recent Reforms to the Social Protection System in Uruguay”,(with Guillermo Cruces), *Development Policy Review* 31(5), 531-551, 2013

“Robustness of Vulnerability Estimators. Evidence from Panel Data for Argentina and Chile”, (with Guillermo Cruces and Andrés Ham), *Journal of Income Distribution* 21(1), 28-64, 2012

“Exploring the urban-rural labor income gap in Uruguay: a quantile regression decomposition”, (with Fedora Carbajal), *Economic Analysis Review* 25(2): Special Issue: Inequality and income mobility in Latinamerica, 133-168, 2010

Selected Work in Progress

“Labor Income Responses of Top Incomes to Tax Changes: Evidence from a Tax Reform in Uruguay”, (with Gabriel Burdin, Mauricio De Rosa, Matias Giacobasso, Martín Leites and Horacio Rueda)

Selected Technical Works

“Políticas Activas del Mercado de Trabajo en Uruguay. Aportes al diseño y evaluación de resultados”, (with Paula Carrasco and Noemí Katzkowicz), World Bank, 2016

“Evaluación de impacto del programa Asignaciones Familiares-Plan de Equidad y la Tarjeta Alimentaria del MIDES”, (with Andrés Dean, Ivone Perazzo and Andrea Vigorito), MIDES, 2015

Teaching

2017–present	Topics in Public Economics, Master in Economics, Universidad de La República
2016–present	Public Economics, Master in Economics, Universidad de La República
2014–2015	Labor Economics, Master in Economics, Universidad de La República
2012–present	Microeconomics I, Undergraduate level, Universidad de La República
2014–present	Impact Evaluation of Public Policies, Graduate Level, CEDLAS
2004–2012	Teaching Assistant: “Introduction to Economics”, Undergraduate level, Universidad de La República

Honors & Awards

- 2012–present Member of the National Science System (Level 1, 2014–), Agencia Nacional de Investigación e Innovación (ANII), Uruguay
- 2009–2013 Ph.D. scholarship from National Council of Scientific and Technical Research (CONICET), Argentina
- 2009 Observatory on Inequality in Latin America Research Fellow, University of Miami
- 2011 Inter-American Conference on Social Security – Inter-American Award for Research in the Field of Social Security (1st place)

Invited Presentations

- 2021 CAF-Seminario (virtual), IIPF Annual Conference (virtual).
- 2020 RIDGE Public Economics Workshop, CESIFO Public Economics Conference, ZEW Public Finance Conference, World Bank Tax Conference, Universidad de Chile - Work in Progress Seminar, Universidad de Montevideo - Work in Progress Seminar, IECON - Work in Progress Seminar.
- 2019 Universidad de Los Andes - Work in Progress Seminar, Universidad del Rosario - Work in Progress Seminar, IEB: Workshop on Economics of Taxation & Social Expenditure, IIPF Annual Conference.
- 2018 LAGV Conference, IIPF Conference, IECON Work in Progress Seminar, USACH, UM Work in Progress Seminar, IDB behavioral economics conference.
- 2017 2017 ZEW Public Finance Conference, SEU Workshop-Uruguay, ORT Work in Progress Seminar.
- 2016 IECON Work in Progress Seminar, SEU Workshop-Uruguay, MIDES conference.
- 2015 17th European Summer Symposium in Labour Economics (IZA/CEPR), SEU Workshop-Uruguay.
- 2014 26th annual Conference European Association of Labour Economists (EALE), 9th IZA/World Bank Conference on Employment and Development, FCEyA Workshop Seminar (discussant), IECON Work in Progress Seminar, NIP-Uruguayan Chapter, ORT Master in Economics Seminar.
- 2013 Seminar: Social protection and beyond: labor market, entrepreneurship and gender equality, CEDLAS Work in Progress Seminar, FCEyA Workshop Seminar.

Conference & Seminar Organization

- 2017-present Co-Organizer, Public Economic Workshop, RIDGE forum
- 2015-2016 Co-Organizer, Network on Inequality and Poverty (NIP), Uruguayan chapter meeting

Grant Funding

- 2019–2021 Comisión Sectorial de Investigación Científica (CSIC-UDELAR), Principal Investigator
“Labor market polarization in Uruguay: New Evidence from Employee-Employer Administrative Data”
- 2015–2018 Agencia Nacional de Investigación Científica (ANII), Principal Investigator
“Behavioral responses to tax rates: elasticity of taxable income, non-real responses and preferences for redistribution”
- 2014–2016 Center for Fiscal Studies (CEF), Principal Investigator
“Tax Evasion in Uruguay: mechanisms and methods for detection of non-compliance behavior. Evidence from a Field Experiment”
- 2013–2016 International Development Research Centre (IDRC), Principal Investigator (Uruguay project)
“Social protection and beyond: labor market, entrepreneurship and gender equality”
- 2010–2011 Poverty and Economic Policy (PEP) Research Network
“Looking for evidence on Inequality Traps in LAC. Persistent lack of Opportunities and Social Immobility”
- 2010–2011 Labor Market unit of the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)
“Incentives, choices and formality: evidence from a reform in health social security contributions in Uruguay”

Other Employment

- 2008 Consultant, Fundación de Investigaciones Económicas Latinoamericanas (FIEL)
- 2005–2007 Health Economics Division, Department of Economic Regulations for the Health System, Ministry of Public Health

Professional Affiliations

Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA), Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association (LACEA), European Association of Labour Economists (EALE), Uruguayan Economic Association

Recent Referee Experience

Journal of Public Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, Labour Economics, International Tax and Public Finance, B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy, World Development, Journal of Economic Inequality, Review of development economics, Economics of Education Review, Cuadernos de Economia, Economica,