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EDUCATION

Postdoc Economics
Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) - UK

Ph.D. Economics
University of Leicester - UK

MA Development Studies (with distinction)
Institute of Social Studies - Netherlands

BA Economics
University of the Republic of Uruguay

Baccalauréat Sciences Economiques et Sociales (with merit)
Ministère de l'Éducation Nationale - France

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Director of Planning (2015-2016)
Presidency of the Republic of Uruguay

Professor (2009-2016)
Department of Economics, Catholic University of Uruguay

Associate Professor (2008-2016)
Faculty of Economics, University of the Republic of Uruguay

Industrial Strategy Consultant (2014-2015)
Inter-American Development Bank - Bolivia

National Director of Industry (2010-2014)
Ministry of Industry, Energy and Mining - Uruguay

Board member (2013-2014)
National Agency of Research and Innovation - Uruguay

Director of Strategic Planning (2008-2010)
Ministry of Industry, Energy and Mining - Uruguay

Deputy Director (2008)
University of Cambridge (Corpus Christi College) & Ford Foundation
Eight Cambridge Advanced Program in Rethinking Development Economics

Teaching Fellow (2006-2007)
Department of Economics, School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS),
University of London - UK

Ph.D. Research Fellow (2005)
World Institute for Development Economics Research, United Nations
University (UNU-WIDER) – Finland

Graduate Teaching Assistant (2003-2006)
University of Leicester - UK

PUBLICATIONS

2019 – Industrialization in Latin America: a Critical Review (Forthcoming in The Oxford Handbook of Industrial Hubs and Economic Development, Oxford University Press).

2019 – Uruguay 2019-2030: structural transitions to achieve the SDGs (UN white paper, forthcoming)

2019 – Industrial policy: opportunities and challenges for Latin America (FES working paper, forthcoming)

2018 - Política industrial y cambio estructural en América Latina y el Caribe (con Po-Chun Lee, editores). Estado y Comunes, número 7, agosto 2018.

2018 - Política industrial e integración regional: un análisis de la experiencia reciente del sector automotriz en el caso uruguayo. Voces en el Fénix, año 8, número 69, junio 2018: 134-141.

2017 - Primarización productiva, empleo precario y automatización en América Latina. En “Ética y economía la relación dañada: aportes camino al G-20 en el marco de la agenda 2030”. C. Calvo, H. Shikiya y D. Montealegre (eds.). Geneva: Globethics Focus 43, 121-137.

2017 - Impactos sectoriales en Uruguay de la firma de un tratado de libre comercio entre el Mercosur y China. Estado y Comunes 4, 199-215.

2015 - La provocación del futuro: retos del desarrollo en el Uruguay de hoy (con G. Caetano y G. de Armas). Montevideo: Editorial Planeta.

2014 - Reorienting Development: State-owned Enterprises in Latin America and the World (with D. Chavez, ed.). Amsterdam: Transnational Institute.

2014 - Plan Industrial Fase II: Audiovisual, Diseño, Oleaginosos y Olivícola (con L. Pittaluga y A. Rius, eds.) Montevideo: Gabinete Productivo de la República Oriental del Uruguay.

2012 - Plan Industrial Fase I: Automotriz, Biotecnología, Farmacéutico, Forestal-Madera y Naval (con L. Pittaluga, ed.) Montevideo: Gabinete Productivo de la República Oriental del Uruguay.

2011 - Natural Resource Dependence and Economic Performance in the 1970-2000 Period (with G. Mavrotas and M. Murshed). *Review of Development Economics* 15(1), 124-138.

2009 - Health, Wealth, Fertility, Education, and Inequality (with D. Fielding). *Review of Development Economics* 13(1), 39-55.

2009 - Las compras estatales como instrumento de política industrial en Uruguay (con N. Reig). *Cuaderno de Economía* 4, 149-166.

2009 - Migración, Transferencia y Movilidad de Conocimiento en el Contexto Latinoamericano (con C. Dávalos). *Diálogo Político* 26(2), 23-37.

2009 - Estrategia Uruguay III Siglo: Aspectos Productivos (con G. Bittencourt y A. Rodríguez). Montevideo: Zonalibro.

2009 - Factores Clave para el Crecimiento Económico Sostenido en Uruguay (con G. Bittencourt y A. Rodríguez). Montevideo: Zonalibro.

2008 - Cows and Conquistadors: A Comment on the Colonial Origins of Comparative Development (with D. Fielding). *Journal of Development Studies* 44(8), 1081-1099.

2008 - Achieving Health, Wealth and Wisdom: Links between Aid and the Millennium Development Goals (with D. Fielding and M. McGillivray) in *Achieving the Millennium Development Goals*. M. McGillivray (ed). London: Palgrave MacMillan.

2007 - Household-level Credit Constraints in Urban Ethiopia (with G. Ibrahim and A. Kedir). University of Leicester, Department of Economics Discussion Paper.

2006 - A Simultaneous Equation Model of Economic Development and Income Inequality (with D. Fielding). *Journal of Economic Inequality* 4(3), 279-301.

2006 - A WIDER Approach to Aid Effectiveness (with D. Fielding and M. McGillivray) in *Advancing Development – Core Themes in Global Economics*. T. Shorrocks and G. Mavrotas (eds). London: Palgrave MacMillan.

2006 - Does Aid Work for the Poor? (with D. Fielding, S. Knowles and M. McGillivray), paper prepared for presentation at the conference on Aid: Principles, Policies and Performance, June 2006, UNU WIDER, Helsinki.

2004 - Almost Ideal Demand System Estimates for a Highly Disaggregated Product Palette in France. CAPRI Working Paper 04/02, Catholic University of Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium.

2003 - An Empirical Analysis of Economic Growth for Uruguay and the Latin American Region: 1950-2000 Working Paper Series No. 373. Institute of Social Studies, The Hague, The Netherlands.

TEACHING

- 2008-2016 Catholic University of Uruguay, Department of Economics, BA Economics
1) Macroeconomics – 2) International Economics – 3) Development Economics
- 2008-2016 University of the Republic of Uruguay, Faculty of Economics, BA Economics
1) Foreign Trade – 2) Latin American Economic History
- 2006-2007 School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London, Department of Economics, BA and MA Economics
1) Foreign Trade and Economic Development –
2) Macroeconomics - 3) Quantitative Methods – 4) Economics of Developing Countries
- 2003-2006 University of Leicester, Department of Economics, B.Sc. Economics
1) Microeconomics – 2) Statistics – 3) Macroeconomics – 4) Sampling, Estimation and Hypothesis Testing – 5) Solving Economic Problems – 6) Multiple Regression Analysis – 7) Households, Firms, Markets, Welfare – 8) Foundations of Macroeconomic Theory – 9) Introductory Econometrics

HONORS & AWARDS

Fudan University (2019) – Shanghai, China
Visiting Scholar at the Fudan Development Institute

London School of Economics and Political Science (2017)
Associate Staff at the Department of International Development

Harvard University John F. Kennedy School of Government (2017)
Executive Education Committee award to participate in the “Leading Economic Growth” program

Inter-American Development Bank (2013) – Washington D.C., United States
Scholarship to participate in the 5th Edition of the Competitiveness Summer School - Washington D.C.

Development Bank of Latin America (CAF) and Mexican Ministry of Foreign Affairs (2010)
Travel grant to participate in the International forum: “The future of Latin America: the vision of young leaders” - Mexico City

Institute for Studies on Economics and Employment (2009) - Iseo, Italy
Scholarship to participate in the Summer School: “Learning Economics from Nobel Laureates: Financial Markets in the World Economy” - Teachers: Robert Solow, William Sharpe y Michael Spence

European School on New Institutional Economics (2009) - Corsica, France
Scholarship to participate in the 8th session of the European School on New Institutional Economics - Scientific committee: Ronald H. Coase, Douglass C. North and Oliver Williamson

University of Cambridge (Corpus Christi College) & Ford Foundation (2007)
Scholarship: Seventh Cambridge Program in Rethinking Development Economics (CAPORDE)

Economic and Social Research Council (2007)
Award PTA-026-27-1436: £129.901 - Post-doctoral fellowship

Centro de Estudios Monetarios y Financieros (CEMFI) & Bank of Spain (2007)
Scholarship to participate in the School in Economics and Finance course on Panel Data Econometrics - Madrid

Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), Department of Economics
(2006)
Scholarship to participate in the Poverty Action Lab's course on Evaluating
Social Programs

The American University of Paris, World Bank, Inter-American Development
Bank & Swiss Agency for Co-operation and Development (2005)
Scholarship: Graduate student contributor at the Tenth LACEA annual
meeting - Paris

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