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Education

Present	**Assistant Professor of Economics** University of Houston
2025	**Ph.D. in Economics** University College London (UCL)
2013	**MA in Economics** Universidad de Chile (University of Chile)
2011	**BA in Economics** Universidad de Chile (University of Chile)

Research Interests

International Economics, Empirical Macroeconomics

Employment

2013 - 2017	**Central Bank of Chile** Economic and Financial Analyst, Financial Policy Division

Working Papers

From Protection to Retaliation: The Welfare Cost of Tariffs *(Best Paper Award)*

The Macroeconomic Effect of Modern Protectionism

Publications

2025	Espinosa, C., Gutierrez, P., and Castro, B. The Carbon Tax as an Automatic Stabilizer in a Commodity-Producing Small Open Economy *Economic Analysis and Policy*
2014	Espinosa, C., and Fornero, J. Welfare Analysis of an Optimal Carbon Tax in Chile *Review of Economic Analysis*

Policy Publications

2017	Espinosa, C., Fernandez, J, and Vasquez, F. Firm's Stress Testing: An Application to the Chilean Non-Financial Corporate Sector (in Spanish) *Journal Economía Chilena (The Chilean Economy)*
	Espinosa, C., and Fernandez, J., Historical Comparison of Results in the Chilean Corporate Sector (in Spanish) *Journal Economía Chilena (The Chilean Economy)*
2015	Espinosa, C., and Fornero, J. Welfare Analysis of an Optimal Carbon Tax in Chile, in C. García (Ed.) (in Spanish) *Economía y Energía: La experiencia Chilena (Book chapter)*

Teaching Assistant Experience

2019 - 2025	**University College London (UCL)** MSc Time Series Econometrics, Profs. Raffaella Giacomini and Saleem Bahaj BSc Econometrics for Macroeconomics and Finance, Prof. Dennis Kristensen BSc Money and Banking, Prof. Silvia Dal Bianco
2010 - 2013	**University of Chile** M.A. Econometrics I, Prof. Valentina Paredes B.A. Econometrics I, Prof. Andres Sagner
2011 - 2012	**Diego Portales University** M.A. Econometric Theory, Prof. Rodrigo Montero B.A. Macroeconomics II, Profs. Ricardo Mayer and Rodrigo Montero
2010	**Institute of Banking Studies Guillermo Subercaseaux** B.A. Financial Econometrics, Prof. Andres Sagner

Seminars, Workshops and Conference Presentations

2025	NBER International Trade & Investment Summer Institute Annual GEP/CEPR Postgraduate Conference, University of Nottingham
2024	ENTER Seminar, University of Mannheim MMF Annual Conference, Manchester Workshop on Dynamic Macroeconomics, Vigo ENTER Seminar, Stockholm School of Economics (SSE) RES Easter School, Bristol University
2023	AASLE Conference, Taiwan Nordic Summer Symposium in Macroeconomics, Sweden ENTER Jamboree, Mannheim University Macroeconomic workshop, Surrey University
2022	ENTER Jamboree, Universitat Autonoma Barcelona (UAB)

Short Courses and Summer Schools

2024	Research Easter School for the Royal Economic Society, University of Bristol International Economics and Trade Profs. Meredith Crowley and Isabelle Mejean
2022	Economics Summer School, University of East Anglia Bayesian Structural Vector Autoregressions Profs. Martin Bruns and Robin Braun
2019	Research Easter School for the Royal Economic Society, University of Essex New Monetarist Economics: Theory, Evidence and Policy Implications Prof. Randall Wright
2015	Microeconometrics Summer School, Barcelona GSE Dynamic and Non-Linear Panel Data Models Profs. Sergi Jiménez-Martín and J.M. Labeaga

Fellowships and Awards

2025	Best Paper Award at the Annual GEP/CEPR Postgraduate Conference
2024	NSAF UCL Fellowship
2021	PhD in Economics Scholarship, by Department of Economics at UCL
2017	PhD in Economics Scholarship at UCL, by the Chilean Government

Professional Memberships

2021 - 2025 European Network for Training in Economic Research (ENTER)
UCL ENTER Representative

Economics: The Open-Access, Open-Assessment Journal
Journal Referee

Skills

Programming: STATA, MATLAB, Dynare, Python
LaTeX, Microsoft Office and Visual Basic

Languages: Spanish (Native), English (Fluent)

References

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