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Education

Ph.D. in Economics, Duke University, expected April 2027.

M.A. in Economics, Duke University, expected April 2027.

B.S. in Economics, ITAM, 2019, with honors.

Complete coursework toward an M.A. in Economic Theory, ITAM.

Complete coursework toward a B.A. in Applied Mathematics, ITAM.

Research

Econometrics:

Sharp Tests of Instrument Validity for General Outcome Distributions (Job Market Paper).

Weighted Difference-in-Differences Using Text Embeddings (with Michael Pollmann).

Applied Microeconomics:

Preschool or Parenting? Helping Disadvantaged Minority Children Catch Up in Skills (with Paul Gertler, Elise Huillery and Joost de Laat).

Behavioral Biases and the Effectiveness of Sugar Taxes: Evidence from Mexico (with Paul Gertler, Tadeja Gračner and Enrique Seira).

Retail Globalization, Households' Diets and the Effectiveness of Sin-Food Taxes (with Emilio Gutiérrez, Beata Javorcik, Wolfgang Keller, Faqiang Li, Kensuke Teshima and James Tybout).

Teaching

Main instructor:

Advanced Microeconomics I (B.A.), Summer 2023, ITAM.

Advanced Microeconomics I (B.A.), Summer 2022, ITAM.

Teaching assistant:

ECON 210 Macroeconomic Theory (B.A.), Spring 2023, Duke University.

ECON 608 Introduction to Econometrics (Master's), Fall 2022, Duke University.

Conferences and Seminars

Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting (2026, forthcoming), IFS Conference on Opportunities by Race and Ethnicity (2026) Triangle Econometrics Conference (2026), ITAM Alumni Conference (2025).

Awards

2026: Duke Summer Research Fellowship.

2021: Duke Graduate School Fellowship.

2019: Citibanamex Award to the Best Undergraduate Thesis – Second Place.

Languages

English (fluent), Spanish (native).

References

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