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## Employment

Assistant Professor of Economics, Tulane University, 2024-present

Assistant Professor of Economics, California State University Fullerton, 2019 -2024

Research Analyst, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, Summer 2018

## Education

Ph.D., Economics, Arizona State University, 2019

Main Advisor: Todd Schoellman

M.S., Economics, Arizona State University, 2016

B.A., Economics, *Highest Honors*, Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México, 2012

B.A., Political Science, *Honors*, Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México, 2012

## Research Fields

Macroeconomics, Development, Spatial Economics

## Publications

“Market Power, Output, and Productivity”

*Economics Letters*, 232, November 2023

“Slums, Allocation of Talent, and Barriers to Urbanization”

*European Economic Review*, 140, November 2021

“Crop Choice, Trade Costs, and Agricultural Productivity”

*Journal of Development Economics*, 146, September 2020

## Working Papers

“Life Cycle Wage Growth and Internal Migration”

Revise and Resubmit at *International Economic Review*

“Cross-Country Income Dispersion, Human Capital, and Technology Adoption”

(with [Pedro Amaral](#))

“Structural Transformation and Spatial Convergence Across Countries”

## **Presentations**

2024: Econometric Society NASM (Vanderbilt); Tulane; Virginia Commonwealth

2023: ITAM (Mexico); Econometric Society NASM (UCLA); CSU Long Beach

2022: UC Irvine; ASU Reunion Conference; WEAI Annual Meeting (Portland); Midwest Macro Spring (Utah State); Bureau of Economic Analysis (Virtual)

2021: SED Annual Meeting (University of Minnesota); Econometric Society NASM (UQAM, Virtual); USC Macro Brown-bag

2020: VMACS Junior Conference

2019: Midwest Macro Spring (University of Georgia); Econometric Society NASM (University of Washington); CSU Fullerton; Banco de Mexico; CIDE (Mexico City)

2018: Econometric Society NASM (UC Davis); ASU Macroeconomics Workshop

2017: ASU Macroeconomics Workshop

## **Discussions**

“Immigration and Inequality: New Macroeconomic Evidence” by Furlanetto, Robstad and Sarferaz (Workshop on Macroeconomic Implications of Migration, Bank of Canada, 2022)

“Consumption Smoothing and Household Savings: Role of Demographics and Durables” by Bairoliya, Chanda, and Fang (WEAI, 2022)

## **Teaching Experience**

*Antitrust Law and Competition Economics* (undergraduate), CSUF

*Introduction to Econometrics* (undergraduate & Masters), CSUF

*Intermediate Macroeconomics* (undergraduate), CSUF

*Economic Development* (undergraduate), CSUF

*Macroeconomic Principles* (undergraduate), ASU

## **Service**

Referee Activity:

*Quarterly Journal of Economics*; *Journal of Development Economics*; *Canadian Journal of Economics*; *Australian Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics*; *Economic Modelling*

University Service:

*Undergraduate Advisor and Internship Coordinator*, CSUF, 2021-2024

*Student Affairs and Career Development Committee*, CSUF, 2020-2024

*Workshop and Seminar Committee*, CSUF, 2019-2022

## **Honors/Awards**

Faculty Fellowship for Outstanding Performance, CSUF, 2023

Award for Continued Excellence in Publications, CSUF, 2022

Recognition For Excellence In Scholarly And Creative Activity, CSUF, 2021

Rondthaler Award (*Most Deserving Graduate Student*), ASU, 2019

## **Other professional experience**

Economic Analyst, ALEF Consultores (Consulting), Mexico City, 2011-2014

Intern Analyst, INE-SEMARNAT (Government), Mexico City, 2011