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Employment

2019 – Present: Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Universidad de los Andes

Education

2019: PhD in Political Economy and Government, Harvard University

Dissertation Title: *“Essays on the Political Economy of Latin American Development”*

Committee: Nathan Nunn (Chair), Melissa Dell, Rema Hanna, and James A. Robinson

2011: MA in Economics, Universidad de los Andes

2010: BA in Economics and Business Administration, Universidad de los Andes

Awards and Grants

2021: Becker Friedman Institute Grant, University of Chicago (with Maria A. Bautista and James A. Robinson)

2021: Provost’s Global Faculty Award, University of Chicago (with Maria A. Bautista and James A. Robinson)

2020: Becker Friedman Institute Grant, University of Chicago (with Maria A. Bautista and James A. Robinson)

2020: Vice-Presidency of Research and Knowledge Grant, Universidad de los Andes

2017: Economic History Association Graduate Fellowship

2015: John H. Coatsworth Latin American History Fellowship

2013: Harvard GSAS Doctoral Fellowship

2011: Juan Luis Londoño Prize (Mention of Honor)

Working Papers

“Tied to the Land? Intergenerational Mobility and Agrarian Reform in Colombia”

“The Colonial State, Dispute Resolution and Economic Development in Mexico,”

Work in Progress

“The Really Existing Colombian State: A Perspective,” (with Maria A. Bautista and James A. Robinson)

“Acting Like a State: Evidence from Colombian Paramilitarism,” (with Maria A. Bautista and James A. Robinson)

“African Origins of Development in the Colombian Pacific,” (with Eduardo Montero)

“Embedded Dependence: State Networks and Industrial Transformation in Colombia,” (with Roman A. Zarate)

Professional Activities

2021 – Fall: Visiting Scholar, Becker Friedman Institute, University of Chicago

Referee for: Explorations in Economic History, Journal of Development Economics, Quarterly Journal of Economics, and Revista Desarrollo y Sociedad.

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