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Employment

Economist, Development Research Group, The World Bank (since August 2019)

Education

Ph.D. in Economics, Stanford University, 2013
Graduate program in Economics, Universidad de San Andrés, 2005
Licenciatura en Economía, Universidad de Buenos Aires, 2004

Working papers

1. Congesting the commons: A test for strategic congestion externalities in the airline industry
2. "The marginal congestion of a taxi in New York City," joint with Daniel Mangrum (R&R at the *American Economic Review*)
3. Language barriers to foreign trade: Evidence from translation rates
4. "Traffic externalities of ecommerce delivery," joint with Daniel Mangrum

Research in progress

1. "Substituting bike rides for taxi trips: Evidence from the launch of the Citibike program in New York City," joint with Francis Ratsimbazafy
2. "Traffic speed and urban infrastructure," joint with Dan Work
3. "Internet commerce supply and sales-tax shielding: Evidence from the Amazon platform," joint with Paulo Somaini
4. "Estimating gravity equations allowing for small sample error and selection in trade flows," joint with Amit Gandhi and Zhentong Lu

Previous positions

2013-2019 Assistant Professor, Vanderbilt University, Department of Economics
Fall 2017 Visiting scholar, Northwestern University, Department of Economics
2009-12 Research Assistant for Profs. Timothy Bresnahan and Pete Klenow (2010/11)

- 2006-07 Research Assistant for Prof. Juan Carlos Hallak, Universidad de San Andrés
 2000-04 Assistant, Central Bank of Argentina. Business reporting for *AFX News* Ltd. (Buenos Aires bureau) and the *Buenos Aires Herald*

Teaching

- 2015,18 Graduate Empirical Industrial Organization (Vanderbilt Econ 9510)
 2014-19 Undergraduate Intermediate Microeconomics (Vanderbilt Econ 3010)
 Advising *Secondary advisor*: Li Zhao (Shanghai Jiao Tong U). *PhD committee*: Carlos Manzanares, Christian Hung, Salama Freed.

Fellowships and awards

- 2016 *Research Scholar Grant*, Vanderbilt University
 2015 *Trans-institutional grant for Big Data infrastructure*, Vanderbilt University
 2013 *Best paper by a young researcher*, Annual Conference of the International Transportation Economics Association, held at Northwestern University
 2013 Dissertation fellowship, Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research
 2007-08 Graduate fellowship, Stanford University
 2005 Graduate fellowship, Universidad de San Andrés
 2004 *Diploma de honor (Magna Cum Laude)*, Universidad de Buenos Aires

Presentations

- 2019 UW-Madison, Drexel, Wharton, World Bank. Urban Affairs Association, WEAI, Richmond Fed, Infra4Dev-Toulouse.
 2018 Stanford GSB, Toronto, Ryerson, Western Kentucky. NBER-SI, IT/Digitization and IO sessions, Urban Economics Association, INFORMS “Smart cities” session, Midwest Trade Conference, US International Trade Commission.
 2017 Northwestern (Economics and Transportation Center), National University of Singapore, San Andrés. AEA (Econometric Society transportation session), IIOC, Transportation Research Forum, Northwestern & University of Chicago IO day.
 2016 AEA (Transportation session), IIOC.
 2015 AEA (Transportation and e-commerce sessions).
 2014 DEGIT XIX.
 2013 UBC-Sauder, Georgetown-McDonough, MIT-Sloan, Notre Dame, UT-Knoxville, Yale-SOM. ITEA, EARIE, Bill Ethier Festschrift.
 2012 Annual Conference at Universidad de San Andrés.

Refereeing

American Economic Review, AER: Insights, Econometrica, Economic Inquiry, International Journal of Industrial Organization, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of Industrial Economics, Journal of Monetary Economics, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Urban Economics, Regional Science and Urban Economics, Review of Economic Studies, Transportation. Committees: LACEA.