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Education

University of Wisconsin – Madison, United States

Ph.D. in Agricultural and Applied Economics

2020 – 2026 (*expected*)

M.S. in Agricultural and Applied Economics

2020 – 2022

University of Michigan – Ann Arbor, United States

M.S. in Applied Economics

2016 – 2019

M.A. in Public Policy

2016 – 2019

Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM), Mexico

B.A. in Economics

2006 – 2012

Research Experience

Research Assistant, University of Wisconsin – Madison.

Professors: Dr. Dustin Frye, Dr. Corbett Grainger, and Dr. Bradford Barham

2021 – Present

Research Assistant, University of Michigan – Ann Arbor.

Professors: Dr. Eduardo Montero and Dr. Zach Y. Brown

2020 Spring

Research Assistant, Center on Finance, Law and Policy, University of Michigan – Ann Arbor.

Professors: Michael Barr, J.D.; Dr. Antoinette Schoar, and Dr. Eldar Shafir

2019 Fall

Research Assistant, Northwestern University.

Professors: Dr. Erika Deserranno and Dr. Gianmarco Leon-Ciliotta

2019 Summer

Research Assistant, University of Michigan – Ann Arbor.

Professors: Dr. Dean Yang; Dr. Xavier Giné, and Dr. Jessica Goldberg.

2017 – 2018

Research Assistant Coordinator, Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM).

Professors: Dr. Enrique Seira and Dr. Joyce Sadka.

2012 – 2013

Research Grants

The Weiss Fund for Research in Development Economics – University of Chicago, \$15,000 USD
with David J. Henning and Erick Molina Perez

2025

International Growth Centre (IGC) – Agri-SME Evidence Fund, £20,000 GBP
with David J. Henning

2024

The Weiss Fund for Research in Development Economics – University of Chicago, \$15,000 USD
with David J. Henning

2023

J-PAL/CEGA – Digital Agricultural Innovations and Services (DAISI) Initiative, \$71,000 USD
with David J. Henning

2023

International Growth Centre (IGC) – Small Project Facility, £20,000 GBP 2022
with David J. Henning

UW-Madison Travel Grant, \$1,500 USD, University of Wisconsin – Madison 2022

Honors and Awards

Thomsen Distinguished Graduate Dissertator Fellowship (nominated) – University of Wisconsin – Madison 2024

AAE Dissertator Research Award – University of Wisconsin – Madison, \$1,000 USD 2024

Barbara and Thomas Lyon Scholarship, \$4,000 USD, University of Wisconsin – Madison. 2023

Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award, University of Wisconsin – Madison 2021 – 2022

Rackham International Student Fellowship, \$10,000 USD, University of Michigan – Ann Arbor. 2019

Annenberg Internship, \$7,500 USD, University of Michigan – Ann Arbor 2017

Ford School Fellowship, \$2,500 USD, University of Michigan – Ann Arbor 2017

Teaching Experience

Teaching Assistant, University of Wisconsin – Madison Spring 2022
AAE 350: World Hunger and Malnutrition
MATH 221: Calculus and Analytic Geometry II Fall 2020

Teaching Assistant, University of Michigan – Ann Arbor Spring 2019
PUBPOL 639: Quantitative Methods for Program Evaluation
POLSCI 369: International Economic Relations Fall 2018
PUBPOL 639: Quantitative Methods for Program Evaluation Spring 2018
POLSCI 490: Game Theory and Formal Models Fall 2017

Pre-Doctoral Publications

Magaña Sáenz, P.F. (2015). Behavioral Economics and Nudges Applied to Pawnshops. **Gaceta de Economía**, 34, 96-126. (Original in Spanish)

Talks

- 2025 Juli Plant Grainger Public Workshop, Applied Economics Workshop, Development Lab (University of Wisconsin)
- 2024 Development Workshop, Development Lab, Student Research Colloquium (University of Wisconsin)
- 2023 Development Workshop, Development Lab, Student Research Colloquium (University of Wisconsin)
- 2022 Development Lab, Student Research Colloquium (University of Wisconsin)
- 2021 Development Lab (University of Wisconsin)

Other Information

Languages: Spanish (Native), English (Fluent).

Skills: Stata (Advanced), L^AT_EX(Advanced), Microsoft Office (Advanced), R (Intermediate), Python (Intermediate).