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<b>Current Position</b>	Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Department of Economics, University of Leuven, 2017-
<b>Education</b>	Ph.D. in Economics, University of Arizona, 2017 M.A. in Economics, University of Arizona, 2012 B.A. in Economics, Universidad de la Republica, 2009
<b>Primary Fields</b>	Labor Economics, Public Economics.
<b>Secondary Fields</b>	Health, Education, Development Economics.
<b>Publications</b>	<a href="#">“Short-run effects of parental job loss on child health”</a> (with Jessamyn Schaller). Forthcoming, <i>American Journal of Health Economics</i> . Previous version circulated as NBER Working Paper No. 21745.
<b>Working Papers</b>	<a href="#">“Means-tested programs and the distribution of reported earnings in a context of high informality”</a> (with Marco Manacorda and Andrea Vigorito). <a href="#">“Short and Medium Run Impacts of Preschool Education: Evidence from State Pre-K Programs”</a> (submitted).
<b>Work in Progress</b>	“Do State Social Insurance Programs Mediate the Health Effects of Parental Job Loss? Evidence from the Medical Expenditure Panel Survey” (with Chloe East, Elira Kuka, and Jessamyn Schaller).
<b>Non-Refereed Publications</b>	Mendez, N. and M. Zerpa, “Desigualdad en las capacidades educativas. Los casos de Uruguay y Chile,” <i>Revista de Economía</i> , Banco Central del Uruguay, 18(1): 153-197, 2011. Cabella, W., Nathan, M., Fitermann, P., Vigorito, A., Zerpa, M. and Bucheli, M., 2015. <i>Cambio familiar y bienestar de las mujeres y los niños en Montevideo y el área metropolitana: una perspectiva longitudinal</i> , UNICEF, Montevideo.
<b>Grants</b>	Washington Center for Equitable Growth Dissertation Grant (US\$ 15,000), 2016. GPSC Research Grant, University of Arizona (2016) GPSC Travel Grant, University of Arizona (2015, 2016) Fondo Concursable Carlos Filgueira Research Initiation Grant, Ministry of Social Development of Uruguay (with G. Alves), 2009.

<b>Honors and Awards</b>	<p>Arizona Labor Relations Scholarship, University of Arizona (2015)</p> <p>Don Wells Teaching Fellowship, University of Arizona (2015)</p> <p>Thomas R. Brown Teaching Fellowship, University of Arizona (2014)</p> <p>Graduate Research Award, University of Arizona (2013)</p>
<b>Conferences and Invited Seminars</b>	<p>2018: SEHO annual meetings 2018, University of Luxembourg, University of Antwerp, University of Gent, ECARES-ULB, ESPE Conference 2018, UDELAR Uruguay, Universidad Catolica del Uruguay, University of Arizona Labor Workshop, University of Nevada Reno</p> <p>2017: Bank of Spain, PUC Chile, FGV Sao Paulo, Urban Institute, IMPAQ, Universidad de la República (Uruguay), WEAI Annual Conference, Universidad de Montevideo, Banco Central del Uruguay, Simposio of the Spanish Economic Association (SAEe)</p> <p>2015: WEAI Annual Conference</p> <p>2014: UC Davis Center for Poverty Research Small Grants Conference, Universidad de la Republica (Uruguay)</p>
<b>Teaching</b>	<p>Guest Lecturer, Universidad de la Republica (Uruguay), 2018 Topics in Public Economics (Graduate)</p> <p>Lecturer, Universidad de la Republica (Uruguay), 2016-2017 Public Economics (Graduate)</p> <p>Sole Instructor of Record, University of Arizona, 2013-2016 Labor Economics, Experimental Economics, Intermediate Microeconomics</p> <p>Teaching Assistant, University of Arizona, 2012-2015 Microeconomics (Graduate), Mathematics for Economists (Graduate), Intermediate Macroeconomics, Basic Economic Issues</p> <p>Thesis Supervisor, University of Leuven, 2018 Supervision of Master's theses in Economics and Business Economics</p>
<b>Scientific Committees</b>	<p>Member of Scientific Committee, <a href="#">RIDGE Workshop in Public Economics</a>, 2018.</p>
<b>Refereeing</b>	<p>Journal of Population Economics, Research in Labor Economics, Contemporary Economic Policy, Population Studies, Journal of Income Distribution, Journal for Labour Market Research.</p>
<b>Memberships</b>	<p>American Economic Association, Econometric Society, Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association, Sociedad de Economistas del Uruguay.</p>
<b>Other Work Experience</b>	<p>Research Assistant to Professor Jessamyn Schaller, University of Arizona, 2013</p> <p>Budget and Planning Office of the Presidency, Uruguay, adviser at the local and social development program <i>Uruguay Integra</i>, 2008-2009</p> <p>United Nations Development Program (UNDP) Uruguay, Intern, 2006-2008</p> <p>PwC, Economic Analysis Area, Uruguay. Research Assistant, 2005-2006</p>
<b>Languages</b>	<p>English (fluent), Spanish (native).</p>

## References

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