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Current Employment	Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, KU Leuven, since 2019
Affiliations	Research Affiliate, IZA Institute for the Study of Labor Associate Researcher, Sistema Nacional de Investigadores Uruguay
Education	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
Research Fields	Primary: Labor Economics, Public Economics Secondary: Health Economics, Economics of Education, Development Economics
Publications	“Dynamic Incentives in Retirement Earnings-Replacement Benefits” (with Andres Dean and Sebastian Fleitas. <i>Review of Economics and Statistics</i> , Published online ahead of print, 2022. Previous version circulated as IZA Discussion Paper No. 12982. “Short-run effects of parental job loss on child health” (with Jessamyn Schaller). <i>American Journal of Health Economics</i> , 2019. Previous version circulated as NBER Working Paper No. 21745.
Working Papers	“Medicaid for middle-class families? Job loss and health insurance coverage of parents and children” (with Chloe East, Elira Kuka, and Jessamyn Schaller). “Short and Medium Run Impacts of Preschool Education: Evidence from State Pre-K Programs.” <i>Submitted</i> . Previous version circulated as Washington Center for Equitable Growth Working Paper No. 1204. “Means-tested programs and the distribution of reported earnings in a context of high informality” (with Marco Manacorda and Andrea Vigorito).
Non-Refereed Publications and Book Chapters	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.
Grants	FWO Junior Research Project (€286,000), 2022-2025. KU Leuven Startup Grant (€100,000), 2019-2021. Washington Center for Equitable Growth Dissertation Grant (US\$ 15,000), 2016. GPSC Research and Travel Grants, University of Arizona, 2015, 2016.

Courses taught: Graduate:
 Advanced Topics in Labor Economics (KU Leuven), 2022
 Topics in Public Economics (UDELAR), 2018, 2020, 2022
 Public Economics (UDELAR), 2017
Undergraduate:
 Labor Economics (KU Leuven), 2019-2022
 Labor Economics, Intermediate Microeconomics, Experimental Economics (U Arizona), 2014-2016
 Principles of Economics (UDELAR), 2017

Honors and Awards
 Best Teacher Recognition, KU Leuven Faculty of Economics & Business, 2021
 Arizona Labor Relations Scholarship, University of Arizona, 2015
 Don Wells Teaching Fellowship, University of Arizona, 2015
 Thomas R. Brown Teaching Fellowship, University of Arizona, 2014

Conferences and Invited Seminars since 2017
 2023: Universidad de Chile, Universidad de los Andes (Chile), Universidad Alberto Hurtado (online), INSPER (online), Tecnológico de Monterrey (online), Universidad de Alicante, Universidad de Navarra, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta.
 2022: Universidad Catolica del Uruguay, KU Leuven Brussels
 2021: SEHO annual meetings, Workshop “The Causes and Consequences of Inequality” (University of Mannheim), ASHEcon conference, Universidad de Chile, Econometric Society European Meeting, University of Namur
 2020: EALE SOLE AASLE World Conference, Colegio de Mexico, SEHO annual meetings (accepted but cancelled due to COVID pandemic), ESPE conference (accepted but cancelled due to COVID pandemic), Universidad ORT Uruguay, UDELAR Uruguay
 2019: SOLE meetings, KU Leuven, International Health Economics Workshop (University of Mainz), Claremont McKenna College, University of Southern California
 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, University of Nevada Reno
 2017: Bank of Spain, PUC Chile, FGV Sao Paulo, Urban Institute, IMPAQ, UDELAR Uruguay, WEAI Annual Conference, Universidad de Montevideo, Banco Central del Uruguay, Spanish Economic Association Symposium

Scientific Committees
 RIDGE Workshop in Public Economics, 2018-2023
 Workshop of LACEA’s Health Economics Network (LAHEN), 2021
 Leuven Summer Event, 2022

Refereeing
 Quarterly Journal of Economics, Economic Journal, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Population Economics, American Journal of Health Economics, Review of Economics of the Household, Economic Inquiry, Scandinavian Journal of Economics, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of Economic Inequality, Research in Labor Economics, Contemporary Economic Policy, Population Studies, Journal of Income Distribution, Journal for Labour Market Research, Springer Handbook of Labor, Human Resources and Population Economics.

Evaluations FONDECYT (Chile), ANII (Uruguay), UDELAR (Uruguay).

Past Positions Postdoc Research Fellow, Department of Economics, University of Leuven, 2017-2019
Graduate Assistant, University of Arizona, 2012-2016
Research and Teaching Assistant, Universidad de la Republica, Uruguay, 2008-2011
Budget and Planning Office of the Presidency, Uruguay, adviser at the local and social development program *Uruguay Integra*, 2008-2009
United Nations Development Program (UNDP) Uruguay, Intern, 2006-2008
PwC, Economic Analysis Area, Uruguay. Research Assistant, 2005-2006

Memberships American Economic Association, Econometric Society, European Economic Association, Society of Labor Economists, Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association, Sociedad de Economistas del Uruguay.

Languages English (fluent), Spanish (native).

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