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<b>Current Employment</b>	Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University of Chile, since 2023
<b>Affiliations</b>	Research Affiliate, IZA Institute for the Study of Labor Associate Researcher, Sistema Nacional de Investigadores Uruguay
<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>Research Fields</b>	Primary: Labor Economics, Public Economics Secondary: Health Economics, Economics of Education, Development Economics
<b>Publications</b>	“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.
<b>Working Papers</b>	“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).
<b>Non-Refereed Publications and Book Chapters</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>	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** Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University of Leuven, 2019-2023  
Postdoctoral 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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