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Professional Experience

University of Southern California, Center for Economic and Social Research: Economist, 2015-present
University of Southern California, Department of Economics: Lecturer, 2017-present.
University of Southern California, Price School of Public Policy Schaeffer Center: Postdoctoral Scholar, 2013-2015.
Member of the Center for the Changing Family, University of Southern California (since 2020).

Education

Columbia University, New York, Ph.D., Economics, 2014
Universidad Torcuato Di Tella, Buenos Aires, Postgraduate studies, Economics, 2006
Universidad Nacional de Cuyo, Mendoza, B.A., Economics (*magna cum laude*), 2004

Maternity Leave: January-March 2020.

Fields of Specialization: Lifecycle dynamics, labor economics, health, gender, inequality.

Peer-Reviewed Publications

"Projecting the Long-Term Societal Value of a Disease-Modifying Treatment for Alzheimer's Disease in the United States" *with Ying Liu, Hankyung Jun, Jenny Lam, and Soeren Mattke*. *Alzheimer's & Dementia: The Journal of the Alzheimer's Association*, 2021.

"Gender Differences in Couples' Division of Childcare, Work and Mental Health During COVID-19" *with Gema Zamarro*. *Review of Economics of the Household*, 2021, 19(1).

"The Decline in the U.S. Labor Force Participation Rate," *with Francisco Pérez-Arce*. *Journal of Economic Surveys*, 2020, 35: 615-652.

"Quantifying the Life-Cycle Benefits of an Influential Early Childhood Program" *with Jorge L. Garcia, James J. Heckman, and Duncan Leaf*. *Journal of Political Economy*, 2020, 128(7).

"Gender and Dynamic Agency: Theory and Evidence on the Compensation of Top Executives", *with Stefania Albanesi and Claudia Olivetti*. *Research in Labor Economics*, 2015, 42:1-60.

Working Papers

"Impact of Social, Economic, and Built Environments on Adolescent Obesity and Health Behaviors", *with Ashlesha Datar and Nancy Nicosia*. 2022. Revision requested at *Obesity*.

"Do Sheriff-Coroners Under-Report Officer-Involved Homicides?," *with Thomas Baker, Audrey Beck and Brian Finch*. 2021. Revision requested at *AFPJ*.

"The Slowing of the Labor Force Participation of Married Women: The Role of Increasing Income Inequality" *with Stefania Albanesi*. NBER WP 29675.

"School Re-openings, Childcare Arrangements, and Labor Outcomes During COVID-19," *with Gema Zamarro*. 2022.

"Gendered Impacts of COVID-19 on Economic and Retirement Security," *with Jeremy Burke*, 2022.

"Expansion of the Totalization Program using Simplified Agreements to Eliminate Dual Taxation." University of Michigan Retirement and Disability Research Center Working Paper; MRDRC WP 2021-431, *with Dongwook Kim*.

"A Framework for Cost-Benefit Analysis of Totalization Agreements," *with Erik Meijer and Francisco Pérez-Arce*. 2020. Ann Arbor, MI. University of Michigan Retirement and Disability Research Center Working Paper; MRDRC WP 2020-410.

"Macroeconomic Effects of Totalization Agreements," *with Erik Meijer and Francisco Pérez-Arce*. 2019, Ann Arbor, MI. University of Michigan Retirement and Disability Research Center Working Paper; MRDRC WP 2019-407.

“Subjective Expectations, Social Security Benefits, and the Optimal Path to Retirement,” with Arie Kapteyn. 2019. Ann Arbor, MI. University of Michigan Retirement and Disability Research Center Working Paper; MRDRC WP 2019-405.

“Social Security Coverage Around the World: The case of China and Mexico,” with *Francisco Pérez-Arce, Erik Meijer, and Jinkook Lee*. 2018. University of Michigan Retirement Research Center Working Paper, WP 2018-395. Ann Arbor, MI.

“Health and Earnings Inequality over the Life Cycle: The Redistributive Potential of Health Policies,” CESR Working Paper, 2017.

Research Grants

Peterson Foundation and USC Schaeffer Center. 2022/2023

Title: Pandemic-related Child Care Closures and Developmental Outcomes of Young Children in Low-income Families

RDR UM22-08 (PI) - Michigan Disability and Retirement Research Center. 10/2021 – 09/2022

Title: Gendered Impacts of COVID-19 on Economic and Retirement Security

USC MADRES NIMHD P50MD015705 (PI, Pilot) 2021/2022

Title: Medium-Term Effects of COVID-19 Crisis on Gender Disparities in Mental Health among Parents

RDR UM21-Q2 (PI) - Michigan Disability and Retirement Research Center. 10/2020 – 09/2021

Title: Expansion of Simplified Totalization Agreements

NIDKK Diversity Supplement on R01DK111169. 2020/2021

Title: Supplement to Environments, Preferences and Childhood Obesity: Evidence From a Natural Experiment

RDR18000002-02 UM 20-08 (PI)– Michigan Disability and Retirement Research Center. 2019/2020

Title: A Framework for Cost-Benefit Analysis for Totalization Agreements

Administrative Supplement on 5R01HD093382-04 (Finch). 2019/2021

Title: Spatial and Temporal Correlates of Specific Cause Mortality

RDR UM19-Q1 (PI)– Michigan Disability and Retirement Research Center. 2019

Title: The Macroeconomic Effects of Totalization Agreements

RDR18000002-01 UM19-06 (PI) – Michigan Retirement Research Center. 2018/2019

Title: Subjective expectations, Social Security benefits, and saving for retirement

RRC08098401 UM18-Q1– Michigan Retirement Research Center. 2018

Title: Social Security Coverage Around the World

RRC08098401 UM18-Q2– Michigan Retirement Research Center. 2018

Title: Declining Labor Force Participation in the USA: Proposal for a systematic literature review

NIA P30AG024968 (Goldman)- Roybal Center for Health Policy Simulation. 2016/2017

Title: Can Education Reduce Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities?

NIA P30AG024962 (Kapteyn) - Roybal Center for Health Decision Making and Financial Independence in Old Age

Title: Knowledge, wealth management and retirement. 2016/2017

NIA P30AG043073 (Goldman) -USC Resource Center for Minority Aging Research (USC-RCMAR)

Title: Assessing the role of education and health interventions to reduce old-age health disparities. 2015/2016

Invited Seminars and Conference Presentations

2022: CIPHER, Princeton University Center for Health and Wellbeing, All California Labor Economics Conference (Riverside, CA).

2021: Mount St. Mary's Status of Women (Panel speaker), Conference for the Society of the Economics of the Household, Princeton University.

2020: COVID-19 Work in Progress Conference (online)

2019: Michigan Retirement Research Center Researcher Workshop (Ann Arbor, MI), Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta.

2018: Michigan Retirement Research Center Researcher Workshop (Ann Arbor, MI), III Madrid Macroeconomics Annual Conference: Demographics and Macroeconomics (Madrid), North American Summer Meeting of the Econometric Society (Sacramento, CA), Workshop on "Health and the Labour Market" (co-sponsored by UCL, the British Academy, and the Swedish Research Council).

2017: Meeting of the Roybal Center for Decision Making (Washington DC), Bank of Spain, All California Labor Economics Conference (Stanford, CA).

2016: Annual Meeting of the AEA (San Francisco, CA), RCMAR Annual Investigators Meeting (NIH Bethesda, poster), Southern Economic Association (Washington DC), Meeting of the MacArthur Foundation Aging Society Network.

2015: USC Marshall School of Business, CREA-HCEO-MOVE Barcelona GSE Summer Forum.

2014: North American Summer Meeting of the Econometric Society (Minneapolis, MI), USC CESR.

2013: McGill University, University of Notre Dame, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Bonn University, Mannheim University, Goethe University Frankfurt, Universidad Carlos III Madrid, University of Southern California Schaeffer Center, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, Latin American Meeting of the Econometric Society (Mexico City), Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association Annual Meeting (Mexico City)

2012: Midwest Macroeconomics Conference (Notre Dame, IN), Annual Conference of the Society of Economic Dynamics (Limassol), MOOD Doctoral Workshop at the Einaudi Economics and Finance Institute (Rome).

2011: Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

Visiting Positions and Workshop Participation

Princeton University, Department of Economics and Center for Health and Wellbeing: Visiting Research Scholar (2021-2022)

Cemfi: "María de Maeztu units of excellence" visitor program (2018)

Rand Summer Institute (2017)

Einaudi Institute for Economics and Finance: Visiting Scholar (2016, 2017)

Einaudi Institute for Economics and Finance, MOOD Doctoral Workshop: participant (2012)

Federal Reserve Bank of New York, CSWEP Summer PhD Dissertation Fellowship (2011).

University of Chicago Institute on Computational Economics, participant (2010).

Professional Services

Referee for: American Economic Review, Journal of Political Economy, Review of Economic Studies, American Economic Journal: Microeconomics, American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Monetary Economics, Journal of Labor Economics, Review of Economic Dynamics, Economic Journal, Journal of Public Economics, Labour Economics, Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economics, Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control, Macroeconomic Dynamics, Journal of Human Resources, Southern Economic Journal, Journal of the Economics of Aging, Labour: Review of Labour Economics and Industrial Relations, The Review of Economics of the Household, International Journal of Public Health, ILR Review, Journal of Human Capital, The Manchester School, National Science Foundation.

Honors and Awards

Postdoctoral Scholar Travel & Training Award, USC Office of Postdoctoral Affairs (2014)

PER Graduate Summer Fellowship, Columbia University (2009, 2010)

Fellowship, Columbia University (2006-2013)

Scholarship, Universidad Torcuato Di Tella (2004, 2005)

Distinction, Argentinean Federation of University Women (2005)

Magna cum laude, Valedictorian and Honor Distinction, Universidad Nacional de Cuyo (2004)

Highest GPA Distinction, Universidad Nacional de Cuyo (2001, 2002, 2004)

High Academic Performance Fellowship, Universidad Nacional de Cuyo (2001, 2002)

Teaching

University of Southern California, Los Angeles, 2017-present.

Columbia University, New York, 2007-2012

Universidad Torcuato Di Tella, Buenos Aires, Argentina, 2004-2006

Universidad Nacional de Cuyo, Mendoza, Argentina, 2001-2003

Universidad de Congreso, Mendoza, Argentina, 2003.

Languages: Spanish (native), English (fluent), French (intermediate), Portuguese (intermediate).