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Qualifications

PhD in Economics. University of Sussex. Economics Department (2009). Dissertation: “Economic growth and inequality in Latin America”

Master of Science in Economics. Universitat Pompeu Fabra. Barcelona, España. (1998)

Degree in Economics. Universidad de la República, Uruguay (1996).

Employment

Current positions

Instituto de Economía, Economics Department, Universidad de la República, Uruguay. 2021-

Professor (full-time position). Research areas: poverty, inequality, social protection and labor market. Teaching at undergraduate (Population, Economics and Demography, Gender and Economics, Seminar of National Economy) and graduate level (Methodology of research).

Member of Sistema Nacional de Investigadores, Level II (Uruguay).

Partnership for Economic Policy (PEP) Research Fellow.

Previous positions

Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC). United Nations. 2012-2020

Director of ECLAC Office in Montevideo. 2014-2020

Social Affairs Officer. 2012-2013

Agencia Nacional de Investigación e Innovación (ANII). 2020. Board of directors of Proposed by Conicyt (honorary).

Economics Department, Universidad de la República, Uruguay. 2015-2020

Part-time professor (only teaching). Courses at undergraduate (Population, Economics and Demography, Gender and Economics, Seminar of National Economy) and graduate level (Methodology of research).

Instituto de Economía. 1997-2011. Facultad de Ciencias Económicas y Administración, Universidad de la República (grade 4, in a scale from 1 to 5). 1997-2011. Main research field: poverty, inequality, social policies and labor market. Coordinator of the group Income Distribution and labor market (2009-2010). Director of Instituto de Economía during 2011.

Publications (last 10 years)

Articles

"Poverty and gender in Latin America: how far can income based measures go?" (with M. Colacce & F. Scalese). *Journal of International Development*. <https://doi.org/10.1002/jid.3584>. 2021

"Aging and productivity in Latin America " (with M. Colacce and P. Manzi). *Latin American Research Review* 56(4), 844–863, 2021.

"Underrepresentation of developing country researchers in development research" (with R.Burguer, J. Cockburn, C. Grewe, A. Kassouf, A. McKay, J.Zurbrigg). *Applied Economic Letters*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/13504851.2021.1965528> . 2021

"Women in research in Economics in Uruguay" (with M. Bucheli, M.I Moraes and T. Pérez). *Cuadernos de Economía*, 40 (84), 763-790. 2021.

"Multidimensional poverty among older people in five Latin American countries" (with M. Colacce). *Social Indicators Research*. <https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s11205-021-02782-9>. 2021

"Aging, education and intergenerational flows in Uruguay" (with M. Bucheli, M. Colacce and M. Nathan). *The Journal of the Economics of Ageing*, Vol. 18, 100306. 2021.

"Gender inequality in Latin American neuroscience community" (with A. Silva, C. Tomassini, J. Zurbrigg, A. Palacios and C. Bouzat). *IBRO Neuroscience Reports*, Vol. 10: 104-108. 2021.

"Poverty and inequality in Latin America's research agenda: A bibliometric review" (with M. Brum and C. Rossel). *Development Policy Review*. Vol. 38, Issue 4: 465-482. 2020.

"National Care System in Uruguay. Who benefits and who pays?" (with M. Colacce and V. Tenenbaum). *Population and Development Review* 45 (S1): 97-122. 2019

"Inequalities in the reduction of child stunting over time in Latin America: evidence from the DHS 2000-2010 " (with N. Figueroa and H. Ullman). *Oxford Development Studies*. Vol. 46, Issue 4: 519-535.

"Cash transfers in Latin America. Effects on poverty and redistribution " (with M. Brum). *Economia. Journal of the Latin America and Caribbean Economic Association*. Vol. 19, Number 1, Fall, 2018: 1-31. 2018.

"Caregiver pension credits for women: recent experience in Uruguay" (with V. Tenenbaum), *Social Policy and Administration*, Vol.52, Issue 6: 1252-1274. 2018

"Más o menos desiguales? Diferentes miradas sobre la desigualdad de ingresos en el mundo" (with M. Colacce). *ECLAC Review*, No 124: 7-34. 2018.

"Unfolding Patterns of Unpaid Household Work in Latin America" (with Cecilia Rossel). *Feminist Economics*, Volumen 24, Issue 1: 1-34. 2018.

"The gender gap in pensions in Latin America" (with Maira Colacce and Pilar Manzi). *International Social Security Review*, Vol. 70, 2/2017, 57-85. 2017.

"Inequality and household size. A microsimulation for Uruguay ". *Journal of Mircosimulation*. Volume 10 (1), 73-105. Spring 2017.

"Decomposing inequality changes in Uruguay: the role of formalization in the labor market" (with Rodrigo Arim and Mijail Yapor), *IZA Journal of Labor and Development*. 5: 13. 2016

"Diferenciales de ingreso entre los trabajadores formales e informales en Uruguay, 2001-2014" (with Marcela Gómez). *Revista de Economía del Banco Central del Uruguay*, Vol. 23, Nro. 1, Mayo 2016.

"Income inequality in Latin America: a factor component analysis". *Review of Income and Wealth*. Volume 62, Issue S1, August 2016 (pp.S4-S21). 2016.

"Do cash transfers improve birth outcomes? Evidence from matched vital statistics, program and social security data" (with Marco Manacorda, Edward Miguel and Andrea Vigorito). *American Economic Journal. Economic Policy*. Vol. 8, Nro. 2: 1-46. 2016.

"Inequality in Latin America: a global measure" (with Marco Galván and Xavier Mancero). *ECLAC Review No 118*: 27-43. April 2016.

"Distribución del ingreso e imposición a las altas rentas en América Latina" (with Juan Pablo Jiménez). *Revista Cuadernos de Economía*, 35(67), 39-73, 2015.

"La brecha entre la fecundidad deseada y observada en Montevideo y su área metropolitana" (with Wanda Cabella). *Revista Notas de Población*, N° 100,11-33, Enero-Junio 2015.

"The earnings share of total income in Latin America 1990-2010" (with Martín Abeles and Daniel Vega). *ECLAC Review*. N° 114, 31-52, December 2014.

"Revisiting inequality and growth: evidence for developing countries". *Growth and Change*, Vol. 45 No. 4, 571–589, December 2014.

"Income inequality in Latin America: data challenges and availability". *Social Indicators Research*, Volume 119, Issue 3, 2014.

"Determinants of fertility at the macro level: new evidence for Latin America and the Caribbean". *Journal of Developing Areas*, Vol. 48, N. 2, 125-135, 2014.

"The effects of being out of the labor market on subsequent wages: evidence for Uruguay" (with Rodrigo Arim and Andrés Dean). *Journal of Labor Research*, vol. 35(1), 39-62, 2014.

"Uruguay's "single tax" social protection scheme for the self-employed" (with Ivone Perazzo). *International Labour Review*, vol. 132, N° 3-4, 623-641, 2013.

"Teenage School Attendance and Cash Transfers. An Impact Evaluation of PANES" (with Andrea Vigorito and Mery Ferrando). *Economía. Journal of the Latin America and the Caribbean Economic Association*. Fall 2013, Vol. 14, N° 1.

"Unemployment insurance design and its effects: evidence for Uruguay" (with Andrés Dean and Rodrigo Arim). *Revista Desarrollo y Sociedad*, Universidad de los Andes, Nro. 71, 7-42, Primer Semestre 2013.

"Dinámica del mercado laboral formal uruguayo" (with Andrés Dean). *Revista de Economía*, Banco Central del Uruguay. Vol.20, N° 1, Mayo 2013.

Books

"Las políticas públicas dirigidas a la infancia: aportes desde el Uruguay", (coordinator, with Juan Labat). ECLAC, 2018.

"Hacia un Desarrollo Inclusivo. El caso de Uruguay", (editor, with Ricardo Infante). ECLAC and ILO, 2016.

"Demographic change and economic and social challenges in Uruguay in the XXIth Century", (editor, with Rafael Rofman and Ignacio Apella). ECLAC and World Bank, 2016.

“Desigualdad e informalidad en América Latina. Un análisis de cinco experiencias latinoamericanas”, (editor, with Rodrigo Arim). ECLAC, 2014.

“Research and public policy. The Collaboration between Universidad de la Republica and MIDES for the implementation of PANES in Uruguay” (editor, with Andrea Vigorito). CSIC and PEGNet. 2012.

“La distribución de la riqueza en Uruguay. Elementos para el debate” (with coauthors). Universidad de la República, Uruguay. 2012

Contributions to ECLAC reports

“Equality as the driver of development”. Document for the 37th session of ECLAC. Member of the drafting committee. 2018.

“Horizons 2030. Equality at the centre of sustainable development”. Document for the 36th session of ECLAC. Member of the drafting committee. 2016.

“Gender inequality in the labour market and its impact on socioeconomic inequality: what gains could be made? ” (with Maira Colacce and Nieves Rico), *Social Panorama 2014*, Chapter IV. Naciones Unidas, Santiago, 2015.

“Compacts for equality”. Document for the 35th session of ECLAC. Co-coordinator of the report and member of the drafting committee. 2014.

“Determinants of informality in Latin America”. Contribution to ECLAC, *Panorama Social 2013*, included in Chapter 4. Naciones Unidas, Santiago, 2013.

“El empleo en el sector del cuidado en América Latina” (with Cecilia Rossel). Chapter 3 in ECLAC, *Panorama Social 2012*. Naciones Unidas, Santiago. 2012.

“Structural heterogeneity, labor segmentation and inequality” (with Martín Hopenhayn). Chapter 5 in ECLAC (2012), *Structural change for equality*. Document for the 34th sesión of ECLAC. United Nations. Santiago. 2012.

Book chapters

“Sistema Nacional de Cuidados para niños de 0 a 3 años, proyecciones de cobertura y costos” (with Maira Colacce, Pilar Manzi and Victoria Tenenbaum). Chapter VI in Amarante and Labat (coord). *Las políticas públicas dirigidas a la infancia: aportes desde el Uruguay*. ECLAC 2018.

“Inequality in Latin America: ECLAC’s perspective” (with Antonio Prado). Chapter 12 in Bértola and Williamson (eds). *Has Latin American Inequality Changed Direction? Looking over the long run*. Springer Open. 2017.

“Mercado laboral y heterogeneidad productiva en el Uruguay” (with Victoria Tenenbaum). Chapter II in Amarante and Infante (ed.), *Hacia un desarrollo inclusive. El caso del Uruguay*, ECLAC and ILO, Santiago, 2016.

“Demographic change and social policy in Uruguay” (with Rafael Rofman and Ignacio Apella). Introductory Chapter in Rofman et al (ed.), *Demographic change and economic and social challenges in Uruguay in the XXIth Century*, ECLAC and World Bank, Washington, 2016.

“Labor market and productivity” (with Maira Colacce). Chapter VI in Rofman et al (ed.), *Demographic change and economic and social challenges in Uruguay in the XXIth Century*, ECLAC and World Bank, Washington, 2016.

“Desigualdad, concentración y rentas altas en América Latina” (with Juan Pablo Jiménez). Chapter 1 in Jiménez J.P. (ed.), *Desigualdad, concentración del ingreso y tributación sobre las altas rentas en América Latina*. ECLAC, Santiago, 2015.

“Desigualdad de las remuneraciones e informalidad: breve revisión de la literatura y marco analítico” (with Rodrigo Arim). Chapter 1 in Amarante V. and Arim R., *Desigualdad e informalidad en América Latina*. ECLAC, Santiago, 2015.

“Protección social y afiliación a los sistemas de pensiones en América Latina” (with Ana Sojo). Chapter 2 in Amarante V. and Arim R., *Desigualdad e informalidad en América Latina*. ECLAC, Santiago, 2015.

“Desigualdad e informalidad en Uruguay” (with Rodrigo Arim and Mijail Yapor). Chapter 8 in Amarante V. and Arim R., *Desigualdad e informalidad en América Latina*. ECLAC, Santiago, 2015.

“Uruguay’s income inequality under right and left regimes over 1981-2010” (with Marco Colafrancheschi and Andrea Vigorito). In Cornia, A. (ed.), *Falling Inequalities in Latin America: Policy Changes and Lessons*. 2014

“The main features of PANES” (with Andrea Vigorito). In “*Research and public policy. The Collaboration between Universidad de la Republica and MIDES for the implementation of PANES in Uruguay*” (Amarante and Vigorito, comp.). 2012.

“The selection of PANES beneficiaries” (with Rodrigo Arim and Andrea Vigorito). In “*Research and public policy. The Collaboration between Universidad de la Republica and MIDES for the implementation of PANES in Uruguay*” (Amarante and Vigorito, comp.). 2012.

“Effects and impacts of PANES” (with Andrea Vigorito). In “*Research and public policy. The Collaboration between Universidad de la Republica and MIDES for the implementation of PANES in Uruguay*” (Amarante and Vigorito, comp.). 2012.

“Redistributive effects of indirect taxes: comparing arithmetic and behavioral simulations in Uruguay”. (with Marisa Bucheli, Cecilia Olivieri and Ivone Perazzo). In Carlos M. Urzúa (ed.), *Microsimulation models for Latin America*. Ciudad de México: ITESM. 2012.

“Distributive impacts of alternative tax structures: the case of Uruguay”. (with Marisa Bucheli, Cecilia Olivieri and Ivone Perazzo). In Carlos M. Urzúa (ed.), *Microsimulation models for Latin America*. Ciudad de México: ITESM. 2012.

Teaching

- Research seminar. Master in Economics, Facultad de Ciencias Económicas y Administración, Universidad de la República. Since 2015
- Seminar of National Economy. Undergraduate level, Facultad de Ciencias Económicas y de Administración, 2008-2011 and since 2016.
- Gender and Economics. Undergraduate level, Facultad de Ciencias Económicas y de Administración. Since 2016.
- Population, economics and development. Undergraduate level, Facultad de Ciencias Económicas y Administración. Since 2015
- ECLAC Summer School. Sessions on Income distribution in Latin America. 2012, 2013, 2014, 2019.
- Topics in income distribution. Master in Economics, Facultad de Ciencias Económicas y Administración, Universidad de la República (since 2004 until 2011, every two years)
- Descriptive Economics I, Undergraduate level, Facultad de Ciencias Económicas y Administración, Universidad de la República. 1994-2008.
- Descriptive Economics II, Undergraduate level, Facultad de Ciencias Económicas y Administración, Universidad de la República. 2001-2011.
- Microeconomics. Undergraduate level. Universidad de Montevideo. 1999-2003.
- Introduction to Economics. Undergraduate level. Universidad de Montevideo. 2002-2003.
- Assistant in courses of Microeconomics, Macroeconomics and Applied Economics at the undergraduate level, Universidad Pompeu Fabra. 1997-1998

Research orientation for students

- Advisor for master thesis (7 finished, 2 in progress) and PhD thesis (1 finished, 2 in progress) at Universidad de la República. Co-advisor por PhD thesis (in progress) at The Hebrew University of Jerusalem.
- Advisor for undergraduate monographs at Facultad de Ciencias Económicas y Administración, Universidad de la República (9

monographs).

- Committee member for undergraduate monographs, master and doctoral thesis (more than 30 in total).

Prizes, research grants and fellowships

Prizes

- Premio Morosoli 2012 de Bronce en Economía, Uruguay
- Sistema Nacional de Investigadores. Agencia Nacional de Investigación e Innovación. Since 2009.
- First PEGNet Best Practice Award for effective cooperation between research and practice (with Andrea Vigorito). The award was granted to the collaboration between the University and the Ministry of Social Development, and refers to the implementation of a conditional cash transfer program. 2009.
- Prize in Concurso de proyectos de investigación (Seminario Internacional de Economía del Territorio "Prof. Dr. Patricio Rodé"), Ministerio de Vivienda, Ordenamiento Territorial y Medio Ambiente and Intendencia Municipal de Montevideo. Research: Economic determinants of squatters. Octubre 2005
- Fondo Nacional de Investigadores. CONICYT. Ministerio de Educación y Cultura. 2006

Research grants

- IADB, GLab. La protección al empleo en Uruguay durante el COVID. 2022
- Wider, United Nations. Social protection, taxation and crises. 2022
- Wider, United Nations. Inequality and informality. 2021
- CSIC I+D. Mujeres y hombres en Economía. Motivaciones y opiniones. 2018.
- Wider, United Nations. National care system in Uruguay. 2018.
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Norway. Project funding for Inequality studies, ECLAC. 2013-2014.
- Interamerican Development Bank. Project: Protecting workers against unemployment in LAC. 2010
- Interamerican Development Bank. Project: Early Child Development in LAC. 2009
- Poverty and Economic Policy Network (PIERI). Project: An impact evaluation of a conditional cash transfer in Uruguay. 2008.
- Poverty and Economic Policy Network (MPPA). Project: An ex ante evaluation of the impacts of Asignaciones Familiares. 2007
- Comisión Sectorial de Investigación Científica, Udelar. Project: Riqueza y desigualdad en Uruguay. 2009.
- Fondo Clemente Estable, Ministerio de Educación y Cultura. Project: Pobreza y fecundidad en Uruguay. 2008
- Comisión Sectorial de Investigación Científica, Udelar. Social Inclusion Projects. Project: Pobreza infantil y nutrición . 2006
- Programa Regional de Becas del Consejo Latinoamericano de Ciencias Sociales (CLACSO). Project: Desigualdad y conflicto social en América Latina. 2003
- Concurso de Proyectos de Investigación en Economía, Facultad de Ciencias Económicas y Administración. 2001. Project: Diferencias salariales entre trabajadores del sector público y privado.
- Concurso para Jóvenes Investigadores en Ciencias Sociales Premio Juan Pablo Terra (CLAEH). Project: Nuevos enfoques para el estudio de la pobreza. 1998.
- Comisión Sectorial de Investigación Científica. Proyectos de iniciación a la investigación. Proyecto: Medición de la desigualdad en Uruguay. 1997.

Fellowship

- Fellowship from Instituto de Cooperación Iberoamericana for master studies. 1997-1998.

Invited and conference presentations (international, last five years)

- VIII Conferencia Internacional COES "Cohesión social en tiempos turbulentos". Reserach on Childcare and gender gaps. Chile. 2021 (virtual)

- Canadian Economic Association. Research on Development Issues from the South. Canada. 2021 (virtual)
- International Development Conference. Research on Development Issues from the South. DIAL, GREThA and LAREFI. France, 2021 (virtual)
- Latin American Studies Association Congress. LASA 2021. Hours of work and early child education and care services in Latin America: evidence from Colombia, Chile and Uruguay. 2021 (virtual)
- Special IARIW-World Bank Conference: New Approaches to Defining Poverty in a Growing World. Washington D.C. 2019 (USA)
- Eight ECINEQ Meeting, Paris School of Economics. 2019 (France)
- Think Development, Think Wider. Wider, United Nations University. 2018 (Finland)
- Latin American Studies Association Congress. 2018 (Spain)
- Trends in Inequality. Cattaneo Institute. Noviembre 2017 (Italia)
- 7th ECINEQ Conference. July 2017 (United States)
- Seminar at the Department of Economics. Tulane University. 2017 (United States)
- 7ma Conferencia Boliviana de Desarrollo Económico. 2016. SEBOL, INESAD. (Bolivia)
- Jornadas de Análisis del Mercado de Trabajo y de la Protección Social. Instituto Interdisciplinario de Economía Política de Buenos Aires, UBA. 2016 (Argentina)
- UNU-WIDER Symposium The Political Economy of Social Protection in Developing Countries, Mexico City, 2016 (Mexico)

Referee services

Journal of Economic Inequality, Review of Income and Wealth, World Development, Journal of Labor Research, Review of Development Economics, Feminist Economics, Journal of Health Economics, Socio-Economic Review, Journal of International Development, IZA Journal of Development and Migration, Economía (Journal of the Latin American Economic Association), Economía, Journal of Human Development, Journal of Applied Economics, South African Journal of Economics, Economies, Journal of Population Ageing, Social Forces, Population, ECLAC Review, Encyclopedia of Public Administration, Journal of Development Effectiveness, Iberoamericana – Nordic Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Studies Journal of Developing areas, Globalization, societies and Education, Revista de Economía de la Universidad Nacional de Colombia, Revista de Economía de la Universidad de la Plata, Revista Desarrollo y Sociedad de la Universidad de los Andes, Revista de Economía Mundial, Notas de Población CEPAL, Ensayos Revista de Economía de la Universidad Autónoma de Nuevo León, Revista del Banco Central del Uruguay, Páginas de Educación de la Universidad Católica del Uruguay.

Consulting experience

International consultant for World Bank, Inter-American Development Bank, ECLAC, International Labor Organization, World Health Organization, UNICEF, UNFPA, DESA, UNDP.

Languages

Spanish (native), English (fluent, Certificate of Proficiency in English)