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EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley

Ph.D. in Economics [Candidate, Fields: Labor and Development]

Fall 2021-Spring 2026

University of Costa Rica

B.A. in Economics (with honors, Class Rank: first)

Fall 2020

WORK EXPERIENCE

Short-term Consultancy for a Multinational Technology Company

Spring 2024

Formulated evidence-based recommendations on measurement of Services' Quality

Internship at the Ministry of Finance of Costa Rica

Spring 2020 - Summer 2020

Drafted Policy Briefs, prepared Financial Reports and collaborated on Budget Proposals

Internship at the Central Bank of Costa Rica

Winter 2018 - Summer 2019

Price Indices Area: Led the development of Dynamic Forecast Models for several price indices

Department of Economic Research: Analyzed the Evolution of Wage Inequality in Costa Rica

SKILLS

Technical & Analytical

Data Analysis, Economic Modeling and Market Research

Software & Programming

STATA, R, Latex, Matlab

Languages

Spanish (native), English (fluent)

WORK IN PROGRESS

Disrupting Education's Old Guard: The Labor Market Effects of Replacing Class Exams for Group Projects, with Alonso Alfaro (BCCR).

Insights on Talent Heterogeneity, with Alonso Alfaro (BCCR).

Senior Migration, Local Economic Development and Spatial Inequality, with Benjamin Faber (UC Berkeley), Antoine Levy (UC Berkeley) and Mathilde Muñoz (UC Berkeley).

PUBLISHED WORK

Alfaro, A., Badilla, M.A., Manelici, I. y Vásquez, J. (2021). **Importancia relativa de los beneficios intangibles de la Inversión Extranjera Directa (IED) en Zonas Francas en Costa Rica**. Documento de investigación DI-08-2021, Departamento de Investigación, Banco Central de Costa Rica.

Badilla, M.A. (2020). **The Role of the Gender Wage Gap in Overall Wage Inequality: A quantitative exercise**. *Journal Economía-LACEA*, Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association, Volume 21, Number 1, Fall 2020, pp. 169-207.

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Visiting Graduate Student at Uppsala University, Sweden *Summer 2024*

Research assistant (UC Berkeley)

Bargaining and Inequality in the Labor Market *Fall 2021 - Spring 2023*

Researcher: Sydnee Caldwell, PhD (UC Berkeley) and Ingrid Haegele, PhD (LMU)

Research assistant (BCCR-UC Berkeley)

Responsible Sourcing

Summer 2020 - Summer 2021

Researchers: Benjamin Faber, PhD (UC Berkeley), Cecile Gaubert, PhD (UC Berkeley), José Vásquez, PhD (LSE), Isabela Manelici, PhD (LSE) and Alonso Alfaro, PhD (BCCR)

Research assistant (UC Berkeley)

New-Keynesian Trade

Summer 2019 - Summer 2021

Researchers: Andrés Rodríguez-Clare, PhD (UC Berkeley), Mauricio Ulate, PhD (Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco) and José Vásquez, PhD (UC Berkeley)

TEACHING

Econometrics (Lead GSI-TA)

Spring 2023 - Fall 2024

Professor: Benjamin Faber, PhD (UC Berkeley), Ryan Edwards, PhD (UC Berkeley)

As Lead GSI, I oversee a team of 10 graduate TAs, coordinating their efforts to ensure smooth communication between the professor, TAs, and students. I also lead the team in executing teaching responsibilities and resolving any challenges that arise.

Macroeconomic Policy (GSI-TA)

Fall 2022

Professor: Regis Barnichon, PhD (Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco)

HONORS

Highest Annual GPA, School of Economics, University of Costa Rica (2016 - 2018)

Academic Excellence Scholarship at the University of Costa Rica (2016 - 2019)

Top 5 National Admission Scores to the University of Costa Rica (2015): 795.55/800

REFERENCES

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Alonso Alfaro, PhD

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