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Education

Centre for Research and Teaching in Economics (CIDE) GPA: 91/100 (ranked 3^{rd} in graduating cohort)
BSc in Economics **2024**

- Relevant Coursework: Advanced Macroeconomics, Development Economics, Public Policy Evaluation, Microeconometrics, Time Series Econometrics, Monetary Policy, Financial Derivatives.
- Thesis: *Inflation Dynamics with Nonlinear Local Projections: Global Supply Chains and Consumer Debt in the U.S.*

Universität Regensburg, Germany GPA: 95/100
Exchange Semester; graduate-level economics coursework **2023**

- Relevant Coursework: Applied Financial Econometrics, Causal Inference, Quantitative Economic Research II.

Experience

S&P Global **Sep 2026 – Present**
Research Analyst - LatAm Metals

- Launch LatAm metals research coverage, initially focused on Mexican steel and ferrous raw materials, linking regional market fundamentals with global economic conditions and international trade.
- Develop supply-and-demand models and price forecasts for steel, direct reduced iron (DRI), and ferrous scrap, incorporating industrial activity, investment, production capacity, and trade flows.
- Analyse the effects of macroeconomic developments, trade policy, and global commodity dynamics on regional metals markets for research reports and market commentary.
- Collaborate with global Metals & Mining analysts on commodity-market outlooks and prepare client briefings outlining forecasts, underlying assumptions, and economic risks.

Bank of America Merrill Lynch **Jul 2025 – Aug 2026**
Economist - Off-Cycle Analyst, European Economics

- Co-authored thematic research on reserve-currency dynamics, fiscal-monitoring indices, central-bank communication using NLP, inflation pass-through from the U.S.–Iran conflict, and euro-area disinflation.
- Prepared weekly and monthly macroeconomic publications and client-facing materials alongside the Chief European Economist, Chief UK Economist, European Economics team, and FI/FX strategists.
- Developed web-scraping pipelines and NLP applications to automate macroeconomic data collection and support thematic research.
- Contributed datasets and analytical inputs across the European, LatAm, and Global Economics teams.

Afore Profuturo **Jul 2024 – Jun 2025**
Global Economist

- Supported FI/FX, Equity, Alternative Investments, Commodities, and Risk teams with macroeconomic and market analysis across the U.S., Europe, Mexico, and other key regions at Afore Profuturo, one of LatAm's largest pension funds ($90 billion in AUM as of 2025).
- Developed the fund's proprietary short-term U.S. inflation forecasting model using a factor-augmented VAR (FAVAR) framework based on Bernanke et al. (2005), automating data preparation, model inputs, and recurring forecast updates.
- Prepared and delivered monthly presentations to the board of directors and CIO, translating monetary, trade, fiscal, and commodity-market developments into actionable insights for investment decisions.
- Engaged regularly with sell-side economists and market strategists to assess market structure, trade dynamics, consensus expectations, and the key macroeconomic drivers of supply and demand.

Economics Faculty, CIDE **2022 – 2024**
Research Assistant to Daniel Ventosa-Santaularia, PhD & Ericka Rascón, PhD

- Co-authored *Crimen y educación en México*, published in CIDE's *La Economía Mexicana 2024*; constructed a municipal-level panel linking reported crime with student, teacher, and school counts to support fixed-effects analysis of the relationship between education and crime.
- Supported database development for a randomized controlled trial evaluating vocational training in Malawi.

CIDE **2023**
Teaching Assistant for Econometrics I, Francisco Cabrera, PhD

- Led weekly sessions covering theoretical and applied cross-sectional econometrics and taught applied R programming.
- Received a 100% approval rating in student-teacher evaluations.

Additional information

Languages: Spanish (native), English (C1)
Analytics: R, Python, SQL, Stata, EViews
Citizenship: Mexican, Spanish

Software: Microsoft Office, Excel, Quarto, LaTeX
Data Platforms: MySQL, Refinitiv, Haver, Bloomberg, S&P Capital IQ Pro