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Current Employment

Universidad Torcuato Di Tella

- Full Time-Associate Professor, December 2017- present (several courses).
- Investigador Independiente, Consejo Nacional de Investigaciones Científicas y Técnicas (CONICET) 2015-Present.

Academic Degrees

- Ph.D. (Economics), UCLA 1998
C.Phil. (Economics), UCLA 1996
M.A. (Economics), UCLA 1995
M.A. (Economics), Instituto Torcuato Di Tella, Argentina 1992
B.A. (Economics), Universidad de Buenos Aires, Argentina 1990

Fields

Microeconomic Theory, Game Theory, Uncertainty and Information.

Publications

- “Theft in equilibrium” (with Casilda Lasso de la Vega and Oscar Volij) European Economic Review, Volume 139, 2021, 103869.
- “From Auction Theory to Market Design: Paul Milgrom and Robert Wilson’s Contributions to Economics” (with Leandro Arozamena and Andres Fioriti) Estudios Economicos, Volume 38, 2021, pages 279-296.
- “Crime and Durable Goods” (with Sebastian Galiani and Laura Jaitman) Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Volume 173, 2020, pages 146-163.
- “Poverty Alleviation Strategies Under Informality: Evidence for Latin America” (with Martín Caruso and Sebastian Galiani) Latin American Economic Review, Springer, Volume 28, 2019, pages 7-47.
- “Procuring Substitutes with (Fine-Tuned) First-Price Auctions” (with Leandro Arozamena and Elmar Wolfstetter) Economics Letters, Vol 171, 2018, 115-118.
- “The Rise of Noncommunicable Diseases in Latin America and the Caribbean: Health in Latin America: Challenges for public health policies” (with Maria Anauati and Sebastian Galiani) . Latin American Economic Review, Springer, vol. 24(1) December, 2015, 1-56.
- “Evolution of Impatience: The Example of the Farmer-Sheriff Game” (with David Levine, Salvatore Modica and Felipe Zurita) American Economic Journal Microeconomics, Vol. 7 No. 3, 2015, 295-317.
- “Optimal Nondiscriminatory Auctions with Favoritism” (with Leandro Arozamena and Nicholas Shunda) Economics Bulletin, Vol. 34 No. 1, 2014, 252-262.
- “Social Status and Corruption” (with Sebastian Galiani) Nordic Journal of Political Economy 38, 2013, 1-16.
- “Modeling Informality Formally: Households and Firms” (with Sebastian Galiani) Economic Inquiry 50, (3), 2012, 821–838.
- “On favoritism in auctions with entry” (with Leandro Arozamena) Economic Letters 110, 2011, 265–267.
- “The Brother in Law Effect” (with David Levine and Felipe Zurita) International Economic Review 51 (2), 2010, 497-507.

- “The Effect of Corruption on Bidding Behavior in First-Price Auctions” (with Leandro Arozamena) European Economic Review 53, 2009, 645-657.
- “Simultaneous vs. Sequential Price Competition with Incomplete Information” (with Leandro Arozamena) Economics Letters 104, 2009, 23–26.
- “Choosing Agents and Monitoring Consumption: A Note on Wealth as a Corruption Controlling Device” (with Rafael. Di Tella) The Economic Journal 118 (532), 2008, 1552-1571.
- “Principal-Agent Contracts under the Threat of Insurance” (Formerly called “The Threat of Insurance: On the robustness of Principal-Agent Models”) (with Mariano Tommasi) Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics, 163(3), 2007, 379--393.
- “Centralization vs. Decentralization: A Principal-Agent Analysis” (Formerly called “A Principal-Agent Building Block for the Study of Decentralization and Integration”) (with Mariano Tommasi) Journal of Public Economic Theory 9 (2), 2007, 369–389.
- “A Note on the Suboptimality of Right of First Refusal Clauses” (with Leandro Arozamena) Economics Bulletin Vol. 4, 2006, no. 24, 1-5.
- “Renegotiation, Collective Action Clauses and Sovereign Debt Markets”, (with Jose Wynne) Journal of International Economics 67, 2005, 47-72..
- “Medidas de Desigualdad en la Distribución del Ingreso Algunos Ejercicios de Aplicación” (with L.Gasparini), Económica, La Plata, Argentina, Nros 1-2 1991, 31-44.

Working Papers

- “When do more police induce more crime?” (with Casilda Lasso de la Vega and Oscar Volij)
- “Favoritism, Anonymity and Renegotiation in Procurement” (with Leandro Arozamena and Juan Jose Ganuza)
- “Beliefs about the Future and Temporal Invariance” (with Guido Martirena)
- “Corruption with Competition among Hidden Principals”.

Edited Books

- “Progresos en Teoría de los Juegos y sus Aplicaciones” (with Leandro Arozamena) Asociación Argentina de Economía Política y Editorial Temas, Buenos Aires, 2011.

Book Chapters

- “Favoritismo en Subastas” (with Leandro Arozamena) in **Progresos en Teoría de los Juegos y sus Aplicaciones**- Asociación Argentina de Economía Política y Editorial Temas (AAEP) 2011.
- “Mecanismos de Contratación Pública y Corrupción” (with Leandro Arozamena) in **Progresos en Economía del Sector Público** - Asociación Argentina de Economía Política y Editorial Temas (AAEP) 2011.
- “Cincuenta Años de teoría de los juegos y sus aplicaciones a la economía” (with L. Arozamena) in **Medio Siglo de Economía** –Asociación Argentina de Economía Política (AAEP) 2007.
- “La Economía de las Actividades Ilegales” (with I.Esporda) in **La Economía Oculta en La Argentina** –Fundación de Investigaciones Económicas Latinoamericanas (FIEL) 2000.
- “Transparencia y rendicion de cuentas en los hospitales públicos de América Latina: El caso de Argentina” (with E. Schargrodsky and J. Mera) in **Diagnosis Corruption Fraud in Latin America’s Hospitals**-Inter-American Development Bank (IADB) (2001).
- “El Triangulo de la Corrupción” in **Corrupción, Crimen y Justicia**, Fedesarrollo-Lacea-Colciencias-TM_1998..

Comments on Books

- Comment on "Strategic Behavior in Sovereign Debt Restructuring: Impact and Policy Responses" in **Life After Debt: The Origins and Resolutions of Debt Crisis.** IEA Conference Volume No. 152, Palgrave McMillan, julio de 2014.

Honors and Awards

- Special Mention for the Price of the Argentinean National Academy of Economic Sciences Dr. Julio, H. G. Olivera (2021) for the paper "Theft in Equilibrium".
- Konex Diploma in Economic Theory, awarded to one of the five most significant scholars in the field during the period 2006-15, Fundación Konex, Argentina.
- Selected as "Best Economic Inquiry Article of 2012" for "Modeling Informality Formally: Households and Firms"
- Premio Consagración Academia Nacional de Ciencias Económicas 2010, National Academy of Economic Sciences of Argentina (for "The Effect of Corruption on Bidding Behavior in First-Price Auctions")
- Fulbright Commission –Researcher November 2004-January 2005
- UCLA, Dissertation Year Fellowship, 1997-1998
- UCLA, Department of Economics Fellowship, 1994-1997
- INTER AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK, Graduate Scholarship 1993-1995.
- Fundación Antorchas, 1990-1992.

Professional Experience

Universidad de San Andrés

- Full Time-Associate Professor, June 2009- December 2017 (several courses).
- Chairman Economics Department December 2010-December 2016.
- Director of undergraduate economics program, November 2001-December 2010.
- Full Time-Assistant Professor, July 1998- June 2009 (several courses).

CONICET

- Investigador Adjunto, Consejo Nacional de Investigaciones Científicas y Técnicas (CONICET), 2010-2015.

Duke University

- Research Scholar-November 2004-January 2005

Universidad del Pacífico (Lima, Perú)

- Visiting Professor (2010) "Microeconomía II" (M.A. course)

Universidad Nacional de Córdoba

- Visiting Professor (2006, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2015, 2017): "Microeconomía Avanzada" (Ph.D. Economics course)

Universidad Nacional de San Luis

- Visiting Professor (2006): "Games with Incomplete Information" (M.A. Mathematics optional course)
- Visiting Professor (2007): "Mathematical Models Applied to Microeconomics" (M.A. and Ph.D. Mathematics optional course)
- Visiting Professor (2008): "Mathematical Models Applied to Microeconomics II" (M.A. and Ph.D. Mathematics optional course)
- Visiting Professor (2012): "Non-Cooperative Games" (M.A. and Ph.D. Mathematics optional course)

Universidad Nacional de Tucumán

- Visiting Professor (1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003): "Political Economy" (M.A. optional second year course) joint with Jorge Streb and Mariano Tommasi.

Universidad Nacional de La Plata

- Visiting Professor (2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2011, 2013, 2015): “Teoría de Los Juegos ” (M.A. optional second year course) joint with Walter Cont.

Universidad Nacional del Sur

- Visiting Professor (2004): “Tópicos en Microeconomía” (M.A. optional second year course)

Universidad Empresarial Siglo XXI (Córdoba)

- Visiting Professor (2002, 2003, 2004, 2005): “Microeconomía II ” (M.A. second year course) joint with Fernando Tohme.

University of California Los Angeles (UCLA)

- Lecturer: Spring 1997: “Market Structure a Game Theoretic Approach”
- Teaching Fellow: Winter 1997: “Game Theory” (Ph.D. first year course)
- Teaching Associate: Fall 1996, Spring 1996, Winter 1996, Fall 1995: intermediate and advanced undergraduate microeconomic courses.
- Teaching Assistant: Fall 1994, Winter 1995, Spring 1995: intermediate and advanced undergraduate microeconomic courses.

Instituto Torcuato Di Tella

- Visiting Professor (July-August 1995 and 1996): “Uncertainty and Informational Economics” (M.A. optional second year course)
- Lecturer (1992/1993): “Microeconomics” (M.A. first year course).

Ministry of Economics

- Major Analyst of the Secretary of Domestic Trade (1987-1990)

Other Professional Activities .

- 25th LACEA Anniversary Associate
- Chair Organizing Committee Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association and Latin American Meeting of the Econometric Society (LACEA-LAMES 2017, Buenos Aires)
- Member AD-HOC Comission PICT 2011-2012 (Ciencias Economicas y Derecho)
- Member of Initiative for Policy Dialogue Decentralization Task Force
- Member of the Advisory Board, Económica, since 2001
- Associate Editor, Revista de Economía y Estadística, since 2007.
- Member Editorial Committee, Revista de Economía Política de Buenos Aires, since 2011
- Member, Program and Organizing Committee, Latin American Meeting of the Econometric Society (Buenos Aires, 2001)
- Member, Program Committee, Latin American Meeting of the Econometric Society (Buenos Aires, 2009, Lima 2012, Guayaquil 2018, Bogota 2021)
- Member, Program Committee, Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association Annual Meeting (Buenos Aires, 2009)
- Member Scientific Committee Jornadas Latinoamericanas de Teoría Económica (JOLATE) (2009, 2010, 2011)
- Member, Evaluation Committee, Asociación Argentina de Economía Política Anual Meeting (2004, 2005)
- Member, Evaluation Committee, Congreso Nacional de Estudiantes de Postgrado en Economía. (2003, 2005, 2007, 2009,2011)
- Member of Executive Committee Asociación Argentina de Economía Política 2005-2011.
- Chair of the Evaluation Committee, Young Economist Prize Asociación Argentina de Economía Política (2006,2007)

Referee for

American Economic Review, Journal of Political Economy, Econometrica, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Journal of the European Economic Association, Theoretical Economics, The Economic Journal, European Economic Review, Games and Economics Behavior, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Development Economics, International Economic Review, Management Science, Journal of Law Economics and Organization, International Journal of Game Theory, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Economic Inquiry, Economics and Politics, Labour Economics, Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics, Economica, Economics Bulletin, Theory and Decision, Journal of Economic Surveys, International Finance, Journal of International Money and Finance, FinanzArchiv/Public Finance , Oxford Economic Papers, International Tax and Public Finance, Southern Economic Journal, IMA Journal of Management Mathematics, Journal of Applied Economics, El Trimestre Económico, Desarrollo y Sociedad, Annals of Operations Research, Economica (UNLP), Agencia de Promoción Científica y Tecnológica (Argentina), CONICET (Argentina), ANII - FCE (Uruguay) and FONDECYT (Chile).

Professional Affiliations

- American Economic Association
- Econometric Society.
- Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association
- Asociación Argentina de Economía Política