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## EDUCATION

**HARVARD UNIVERSITY, John F. Kennedy School of Government**  
**Master in Public Administration in International Development (MPA/ID)**

Cambridge, MA  
May, 2015

*Fullbright Scholarship*  
*Kennedy School Merit Scholarship for MPA/ID students*  
*Amalia Lacroze de Fortabat Fellowship*

Dissertation: “*Exploring Policy Options to Improve Catastrophic Risk Management: Using Data to Develop Alternatives to Weather Index Insurance in Mexico*”, co-authored with Joseph Luchenta. Advisors: Shawn Cole and Brigitte Madrian.

- Recipient of Harvard-wide Mossavar-Rahmani Center Prize for the Best Paper by a Master’s Student, Harvard Environmental Economics Program Awards Student Prizes.

**UNIVERSIDAD NACIONAL DE LA PLATA**

La Plata, Argentina

**Completed coursework towards a PhD in Economics**

July, 2012

Relevant courses included: Advanced Microeconomics, Advanced Macroeconomics and Advanced Econometrics

**M.A in Economics – First-class honors**

December, 2009

Thesis: Multidimensional Poverty in Argentina: Poverty beyond Income Deprivation and Unsatisfied Basic Needs. Advisor: Guillermo Cruces.

**B.A. in Economics – First-class honors**

December, 2005

Manuel Belgrano Award to the most outstanding graduate, 2005-2006.  
Record holder for fastest to graduate from B.A. in Economics (less than four years).

## WORK EXPERIENCE

**OXFORD POVERTY AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE (OPHI)**  
**Oxford Department of International Development, University of Oxford**

Oxford, UK

**Executive Director**

2019 –

- Restate OPHI’s vision and role in response to emerging interest to help shape social development policy dialogue and its implementation in client.
- Design and implement strategic plans for OPHI, increasing efficiency and guaranteeing high quality.
- Supervise OPHI’s Director of Policy and the outreach and global MPI teams to ensure the ongoing quality of their technical work, including overseeing changes in core dofiles and data management processes.
- Provide insights to the OPHI team into areas that could be of critical interest to them and align with its core agenda of multidimensional poverty reduction.
- Lead efforts to continually align OPHI’s core interests with a rapidly changing global development environment by providing timely and high-quality feedback to the OPHI team and provide strategic advice to the Director.
- Advise OPHI’s Director on institutional processes and concomitant human resources realignment and expansion.

- Provide strategic advice to OPHI's Director on brokering and managing high-profile relationships with donors, policymakers, and other key partners.
- Engage in research on multidimensional poverty measurement and analysis, with emphasis in policy applications and strategies to reduce poverty.
- Leadership in fundraising efforts, expanding the donor base for OPHI, and supervision of the preparation of funding applications.
- Present OPHI's work to policy and research audiences, and deputize for OPHI's Director when needed.
- Leadership on high-level relationships within the Multidimensional Poverty Peer Network (MPPN), responsible for convening and coordinating nearly 60 high level officials (Head of States, Ministers, Vice-Ministers and Heads of Statistical Institutes) and representatives of international organizations. Serve as part of the Editorial Board of the MPPN's Dimensions magazine.
- Day-to-day responsibility for operational management of OPHI, including:
  - Maintaining an oversight of all aspects of OPHI's activities and outputs, ensuring the effective planning and implementation of OPHI's research and policy work.
  - Responsibility for the development and implementation of management policies, procedures and systems for OPHI.
  - Development and strengthening of effective working relationships with partner institutions
  - Management of the process of negotiation of deliverables, work plans, staffing, budgets, contracts and other agreements (as necessary) and partner institutions and organizations.
  - Management of human resources processes (including recruitment, induction and review.
  - Responsibility for the financial management of OPHI, developing and managing OPHI budgets, and maintaining financial oversight.
  - Management the development and implementation of monitoring and evaluation processes for OPHI, including internal and external reporting, preparations for reviews and monitoring of OPHI's strategic plan.
  - Management and mentorship of OPHI's Administrator, Admin Assistant, Programme Manager, Finance and Contracts Coordinator, Director of Policy, and outreach team, and mentoring and management support to all other staff at OPHI.
  - Point of contact at OPHI for high-level relationships with ODID Head of Department, Departmental Administrator, the Finance and HR offices, and other staff in ODID and the wider University.

### **Director of Policy and Outreach**

2015 – 2018

- Leadership in Policy and Outreach activities supporting national governments and international organizations in the development of national and regional Multidimensional Poverty Indices (MPI) and poverty eradicating policies.
- Development of organization's strategy for policy and outreach, with special emphasis on linking OPHI's work to the SDGs and 2030 Agenda.
- Management and negotiation with high-level relationships, and contracts for outreach work with governments and multilateral agencies, including managing deliverables, staff assignments, contracts drafting, financial planning, and project reporting.
- Support in grant proposals and high impact fundraising (national governments, UNDP, UNICEF, FAO, Sida, AMEXCID, World Bank, European Commission, etc.).
- Liaison and engagement in the MPPN. Serve as part of the Editorial Board of the MPPN's Dimensions magazine.
- Guidance to outreach team and final validation of outreach technical support to countries, including supervision of computations, reports and other deliverables.

- Participation in seminars, conferences and other events representing OPHI.
- Mentorship and management of relevant staff and associates, ensuring quality of both research and technical assistance to governments while nurturing career development.
- Advice to team working on the Global MPI computations and analysis.
- Research on multidimensional poverty, leading to co-authoring policy papers, briefs and a handbook on how to create national MPIs.
- Trainer/facilitator at the Summer School on Multidimensional Poverty and several additional training workshops.

### **Research Officer**

2012 – 2015

- Project coordinator for the 2012/13 and 2014 estimation of the Global Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI), included in UNDP's 2013 and 2014 Human Development Reports. Tasks: coordination of team of nearly RAs constructing new estimates; quality checks; production of figures, tables and maps; working with data from household surveys of over 100 developing countries; writing of country briefs, do files and methodological reports, and working papers presenting relevant findings and trends.
- Outreach activities supporting national governments in the development of their MPIs, providing technical support and training.
- Research on applied multidimensional poverty, including analysis of the global MPI and a new index on destitution.
- Trainer/facilitator at the Summer School on Multidimensional Poverty and several additional trainings (Barbados, Brazil, Chile, Dominican Republic, Jordan, Mozambique, Nicaragua, Pakistan, Oxford, Rwanda, South Africa, Uruguay).
- RA to Professor Alkire in the course Human Development and Poverty Measurement, MPhil in Development Economics, Oxford Department of International Development.

### **Research Assistant**

2011

- Production of Brazil's and Nicaragua's global MPI calculation to be included in UNDP's 2011 Human Development Report.
- RA for academic papers on multidimensional poverty and missing dimensions of poverty.
- Course Assistant at the Summer School on Capability and Multidimensional Poverty, Delft (The Netherlands).

## **THE WORLD BANK**

### **Trade and Competitiveness Global Practice, Africa South – IFC & Gender Innovation Lab**

Remotely  
2015

#### **Short Term Consultant (STC)**

- Data management and analysis for the RCT project Business Registration Impact Evaluation (BRIE) in Malawi, measuring the impact of various business registration efforts on actual registration, geographical inequalities, entrepreneurship, gender disparities, and common business practices. Support in elaboration of final report of BRIE project.
- Analysis of initial listing of households and design of questionnaire for RCT on cashew production in Guinea-Bissau, leading to report advising government on how to improve interventions in this sector.
- Data management and analysis of several surveys for various countries for the Africa Flagship Report on Gender and Entrepreneurship.

<b>Poverty Reduction and Economic Management (PREM)</b>	Remotely
<b>Short Term Consultancy (STC)</b>	2013 – 2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development of full report on Inequality of Opportunities among Indonesian Children: computation of relevant statistics, review of successful policies to decrease inequality of opportunities among children and writing of full report.</li> </ul>	
<b>Short Term Temporary (STT) - Intern</b>	Jakarta, Indonesia 2013
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Analysis and estimation of inequality of opportunities indices.</li> </ul>	
<b>UNIVERSIDAD DE SAN ANDRES</b>	Buenos Aires, Argentina
<b>Lecturer</b>	2013
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Poverty and Inequality. M.A. in Public Administration and Public Policy.</li> </ul>	
<b>CENTRO DE ESTUDIOS DISTRIBUTIVOS LABORALES Y SOCIALES (CEDLAS)</b>	La Plata, Argentina
<b>Department of Economics, Universidad Nacional de La Plata</b>	
<b>Researcher</b>	2008 – 2012
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Data management and analysis of over 200 household surveys and other sources of information for every Latin American country, in topics related to poverty, inequality, gender, education, labor market and informality, and impact evaluation.</li> <li>• Co-authored academic and working papers on socio-economic topics.</li> <li>• Performed as team leader/director in consultancies for The World Bank, the Inter-American Development Bank, UNDP and various governmental offices in the LAC region, among others.</li> <li>• Presented in conferences and published papers in local journals and book chapters.</li> </ul>	
<b>Research Assistant</b>	2006 – 2008
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conducted quantitative analysis based on microdata from over 200 household surveys in Latin America.</li> <li>• Produced tables and figures for academic papers on topics related with poverty, MDGs, inequality, public policy and education, among others.</li> </ul>	
<b>UNIVERSIDAD NACIONAL DE LA PLATA</b>	La Plata, Argentina
<b>Lecturer</b>	2008 – 2012
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Economics of Regulation: Theory and Application. M.A. in Public Affairs.</li> </ul>	
<b>Teaching Fellow</b>	2006 – 2012
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• International Trade. B.A. in Economics.</li> <li>• Economics of Regulation: Theory and Application. B.A. in Economics.</li> </ul>	
<b>INSTITUTO TECNOLOGICO DE BUENOS AIRES (ITBA)</b>	Buenos Aires, Argentina
<b>Lecturer</b>	2009 – 2011
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Economics of Regulation: Theory and Application. MBA.</li> </ul>	

**CONSEJO NACIONAL DE INVESTIGACIONES CIENTIFICAS Y TECNICAS  
(CONICET)**

Buenos Aires, Argentina

2008 – 2011

**Fellow Researcher**

- Quantitative analysis on multidimensional poverty and social mobility.

**MINISTRY OF ECONOMICS**

Buenos Aires, Argentina

**Associated Researcher**

2004 – 2006

- Adviser to the Secretary of Finance on refunds of the VAT.
- Designed mechanism to return technical balances from the VAT.

**OTHER ACADEMIC  
ENGAGEMENTS**

**Referee for peer-reviewed journals**

Anales Asociacion Argentina de Economia Politica, Economica, Journal of African Economies, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Development Studies, Journal of Economic Studies, Journal of Human Development and Capabilities, Journal of Sustainable Development Law and Policy, Young Lives, World Development.

**Adviser for MA dissertation**

Carla Arevalo, MA in Economics, Universidad Nacional de La Plata (Argentina).

**LANGUAGES/  
SKILLS**

**Language skills:** Spanish (native); English (fluent); Portuguese (fluent).

**Computer skills:** Proficient in Microsoft Office and Stata.

**SELECTED  
PUBLICATIONS**

- “How to Build a National Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI): Using the MPI to inform the SDGs”, with Sabina Alkire, Monica Pinilla and Ana Vaz (forthcoming). OPHI & UNDP.
- “Poverty, Inequality and Development: a Discussion from the Capability Approach’s Framework”, with Mariana Viollaz. 2017. In *The Age of Perplexity: Rethinking the World we Knew*. Madrid, BBVA, OpenMind, Penguin Random House Grupo Editorial.
- “Measuring destitution in developing countries: An ordinal approach for identifying linked subset of multidimensionally poor”, with Sabina Alkire and Suman Seth. 2014. OPHI Research in Progress 42a. Oxford Poverty and Human Development Initiative, University of Oxford.
- “Are there ethnic inequality traps in education? Empirical evidence for Brazil and Chile”, with Guillermo Cruces, Marcelo Bergolo and Andres Ham. 2012. PMMA Working Paper 2012-05. Poverty and Economic Policy (PEP) Research Network.
- “Pobreza Multidimensional en Argentina: Ampliando las Medidas Tradicionales de Pobreza por Ingreso y NBI”. 2011. Working Paper 90. Working Paper Series Department of Economics, Universidad Nacional de La Plata.
- “Microsimulaciones del impacto de diseños alternativos de transferencias monetarias condicionales de Familias en Acción en Colombia”, with Leopoldo Tornarolli. 2011. Inter-American Development Bank.
- “The Many Faces of Poverty. Quantifying the deprivation costs of the 2001-2002 crisis in Argentina”, with Andrés Ham. 2010. *Económica*, Vol. LVI(1): 39-77.
- “¿Qué y a quiénes? Beneficios y receptores de planes sociales”, with Mariana Marchionni. 2008. In G. Cruces, Moreno, JM., Ringold, D., and Rofman, R. (eds.), “*Los programas sociales en Argentina hacia el Bicentenario. Visiones y perspectivas*”, Banco Mundial, Argentina, 2008.
- “E pur si muove? Movilidad, Pobreza y Desigualdad en América Latina”, with Guillermo Cruces, Sergio Olivieri and Raúl Sánchez. 2008. *Económica*, Vol. LIV(1-2): 121-159.