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### Employment

Assistant Professor, Department of Finance and Economics, Mississippi State University (2011- )

### Education

Ph.D. in Economics, University of Pittsburgh, 2011  
Thesis Title: "Three Essays on Illegal Immigration"

M.A. in Economics, University of Pittsburgh, 2011.

B.A., *cum laude*, Economics, Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México, México, 2000.  
Thesis Title: "Monetary Policies in an Open Economy with Production: Fixing the Nominal Interest Rate"

### Fields of Interests

Labor Economics, Applied Microeconomics, Applied Econometrics.

### Publications

"Drug Violence and Migration Flows: Lessons from the Mexican Drug War", with Heriberto Gonzalez-Lozano, *Journal of Human Resources*, Forthcoming, 2017.

"Illegal Immigration, State Law, and Deterrence", with Mark Hoekstra, *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*, 2017, vol. 9, 228-252.

"Estimating Tuition Elasticities of Resident and Nonresident Enrollments at Southeastern Public Universities", with Meghan Millea, *Applied Economics*, 2017, vol. 49, no. 21, 2027-2040.

"The Role of Supervisors in the Determination of Wages and Wage Gaps", with Joshua Pitts and Jon Rezek, *Applied Economics*, 2014, vol. 46, no. 29, 3533-3547.

"Risk Aversion in Auctions with Asymmetrically Informed Bidders: a 'Desensitizer' from Uncertainty" with Felix Munoz-Garcia, *Economics Letters*, 2011, vol. 112, no.1, 38-41.

## Working Papers (Under Review)

"Labor Market Effects of Immigration Policies" with Heriberto Gonzalez-Lozano (Revise and resubmit).

"Return Migration and Self-employment: Evidence from Mexican Migrants" with Heriberto Gonzalez-Lozano.

## Work in Progress

"Drug-violence and Selectivity: New Trends in Mexican Migration to the US".

"The Labor Market Effects of Immigrant Outflows: Evidence from the Elimination of the Bracero Program" with Alexis Leon.

"Who Stays and Who Goes Back? Evidence from Mexican Immigrants in the United States".

"Do Mexican Workers Return Home? Duration of Mexican Immigrants in the United States".

"Effect of Legal Status on the Wages of Mexican Immigrants in the United States".

## Presentations

"Illegal Immigration, State Law, and Deterrence", with Mark Hoekstra, Annual Conference of the Association of Private Enterprise Education, Lahaina, Hawaii, 2017.

"Return Migration: New Source of Self-Employment in Mexico", with Heriberto Gonzalez-Lozano, Eastern Economic Association, Washington, D.C., 2016.

"Illegal Immigration, State Law, and Deterrence", with Mark Hoekstra, ASSA Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, 2015.

"Return Migration: New Source of Self-Employment in Mexico", with Heriberto Gonzalez-Lozano, ASSA Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, 2015.

"Does violence affect migration flows? Evidence from the Mexican Drug War", with Heriberto Gonzalez-Lozano, ASSA Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA., 2014.

"Illegal Immigration, State Law, and Deterrence", with Mark Hoekstra, 84th Annual Meeting Southern Economic Association, Atlanta, GA, 2014.

"Return Migration: New Source of Self-Employment in Mexico", with Heriberto Gonzalez-Lozano, 84th Annual Meeting Southern Economic Association, Atlanta, GA, 2014.

"Does violence affect migration flows? Evidence from the Mexican Drug War", with Heriberto Gonzalez-Lozano, 18th Annual Meeting of the Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association and the 28th Latin American Meeting of the Econometric Society, Mexico City, 2013.

"Does violence affect migration flows? Evidence from the Mexican Drug War", with Heriberto Gonzalez-Lozano, Seventh Southeastern International/Development Economics Workshop, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, Atlanta, GA, 2013.

"Estimating Tuition Elasticity of Enrollment in Southeastern Public Universities", with Meghan Millea, 88th Annual Western Economics Association International, Denver, CO, June, 2013.

"Illegal Immigration, State Law, and Deterrence", with Mark Hoekstra, Annual Meeting of the American Society of Hispanic Economists, Texas A&M, College Station, TX, October 2013.

"Who Stays and Who Goes Back Home? Evidence from Mexican Immigrants in the U.S.", 82th Annual Meeting Southern Economic Association, New Orleans, LA, 2012.

"Who Stays and Who Goes Back Home? Evidence from Mexican Immigrants in the U.S.", 76th Annual Meeting Midwest Economics Association, Evanston, IL, 2012.

### Discussant by Invitation

Hispanic Economic Issues, Conference sponsored by the American Society of Hispanic Economists and the Americas Center at the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, November 21, 2014 in Atlanta, Georgia.

Session Socio-Economic Issues of Hispanics organized by the American Society of Hispanic Economists at the Southern Economics Association Annual Meetings, Tampa, FL., 2013, November, 2013.

Presidential Session on Undocumented Immigration, Southern Economics Association Conference, November 18, 2012.

### Teaching Experience

Mississippi State University, Department of Finance and Economics, (2011- )

#### Graduate

EC8113 Labor Theory and Analysis, EC8656 Special Topics in Econometrics.

#### Undergraduate

EC4233 Labor Economics, EC2113 Principles of Microeconomics, EC3123 Intermediate Microeconomics.

#### MBA program

EC8103 Economics for Managers.

University of Pittsburgh, Department of Economics

#### Instructor (2007, 2010-2011).

ECON0100 Introduction to Microeconomics, ECON1100 Intermediate Microeconomics, ECON1420 Labor Economics.

#### Teaching Assistant (2006-2009).

## Advising

### **PhD Student Dissertation Committees**

Co-chair: Jun Cheng 2012-present (Economics)

### **Master Dissertation Committee**

Chellie Hogan, 2016-present (Ag Economics)

## Professional Service

Referee: Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Population Economics, Economic Inquiry, Southern Economic Journal, Journal of Comparative Economics, Ensayos Revista de Economía.

## Media Coverage of Research

Illegal Immigration, State Law, and Deterrence: [AEA Research Highlight](#), May 12, 2017.

## Other Work Experience

Financial Researcher (2002-2005). Banco de México, Financial System Analysis Department.

Economist (1999-2002). Banco de México, Economic Research Department.

Research Assistant (1998-1999). Center for Economic Research, Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM).

## Honors, Fellowships and Grants

Grad Expo 2011, 2010, 2009. Award Outstanding Paper, University of Pittsburgh

Nomination to the Elizabeth Baranger Excellence in Teaching Award 2010.

Mellon Fellowship in Arts and Sciences, University of Pittsburgh, 2009-2010.

Research Fellowship, University of Pittsburgh, Department of Economics, summer 2009 & 2008.

Whittington Fellowship in Arts and Sciences, University of Pittsburgh, 2005-2006.

Bailleres Fellowship, ITAM, 1994-1999.

## Professional Activities and Memberships

Member of the American Economic Association, Society of Labor Economists, Western Economic Association, Southern Economic Association, Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association, and American Society of Hispanic Economists.

## Languages

Spanish: Native language

English: Fluent

## Citizenship

Mexican

## Visa Status

Green Card Holder

## References

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