

Alejandro Estefan

CONTACT INFORMATION

Address:
Keough School of Global Affairs
4029 Jenkins Nanovic Halls
Notre Dame, Indiana 46556-5677
USA

Phone: +1 (574) 631-3463
Email: mestefan@nd.edu

EDUCATION

University College London (UCL), London, UK

Ph.D. in Economics, June 2019
M.Res. in Economics, October 2015

The University of Chicago, Chicago, IL

Master in Public Policy, June 2014

Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM), México City, México

B.A. in Economics, July 2012

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT

University of Notre Dame, Keough School of Global Affairs

Assistant Professor of Development Economics

August 2019 – Present

WORKING PAPERS

1. “Taxing Property in Developing Countries: Theory and Evidence from Mexico City” with Anne Brockmeyer, Karina Ramírez, and Juan Carlos Suárez-Serrato, submitted, January 2023.
2. “When Work Appears: Export Manufacturing, Local Labor Market Prosperity, and Demographic Change in Mexico,” submitted, May 2023.
3. “Online Training for Micro-Entrepreneurs: Experimental Evidence from Guatemala” with Martina Improta, Romina Ordonez, and Paul Winters, revise & resubmit at the *World Bank Economic Review*, March 2023.
4. “Extortion as a Poverty Trap: Theory and Survey Evidence from Guatemalan Microentrepreneurs” with Tatiana Flores, Uriel Galace, Martina Improta, and Romina Ordonez, preliminary draft, May 2023.

WORK IN PROGRESS

1. “The Impacts of Geographically Targeted Anti-Poverty Programs on Poverty Rates and Electoral Outcomes: Evidence from Mexico,” preliminary draft, July 2022
2. “Increasing Farmer Engagement with Digital Agricultural Extension Platforms: Experimental Evidence from the Amazon” with Romina Ordonez and Paul Winters, preliminary draft, July 2022.
3. “Monopsony Power, Informality, and Outsourcing in Developing Countries: Theory and Evidence from Mexico” with Joseph Kaboski, Ilenin Kondo, and Wei Qian, preliminary draft, June 2022.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Principles of Economics (Core Curriculum of the Undergraduate Major in Global Affairs)
Keough School of Global Affairs, University of Notre Dame
Fall 2020, Fall 2021

Advanced Econometrics for Policy (Elective for the Master of Global Affairs)
Keough School of Global Affairs, University of Notre Dame
Spring 2020, Spring 2022

Poverty and Policy (Elective for the Master of Global Affairs and Undergraduates)
Keough School of Global Affairs, University of Notre Dame
Fall 2019, Fall 2020

AWARDS	ADB/IEA Innovative Policy Research Award	2023
	Citibank-Banamex Prize for excellence in economic research	2020
	Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award (UCL)	2017
	Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) 4-year grant	2014
	Presidential Scholarship (CONACYT, Mexico) for promise in policy	2012
	ITAM Scholarship for academic excellence	2006
AFFILIATIONS	Institute for Fiscal Studies, International Research Fellow	2020 - present
	Kellogg Institute for International Studies, Faculty Affiliate	2019 - present
	Pulte Institute for Global Development, Faculty Affiliate	2019 - present
OTHER EMPLOYMENT	Inter-American Development Bank, Washington, DC	
	Short-Term Consultant	March 2022 – present
	• IDB Invest	
	World Bank, Washington, DC	
	Short-Term Consultant	June 2019 – June 2020
	• Macroeconomics, Trade and Investment in Latin America and the Caribbean	
	Oxford University Press, Oxford, United Kingdom	
	Consultant Editor	July – August 2018
	• Book title: “Macroeconomics: Institutions, Instability and the Financial System”	
	World Bank, Washington, DC	
	Short-Term Consultant	October 2015 – March 2016
	• Project: “Building State Capacity for Property Taxation in Colombian Municipalities”	
	Institute for Fiscal Studies (IFS), London, UK	
PhD Scholar	October 2014 – June 2019	
Center for the Economics of Human Development, Chicago, IL		
Research Assistant	June 2013 – June 2014	
Ministry of Social Development (Sedesol), México City, México		
Senior Policy Analyst	February – August 2012	
Presidency of the Republic, México City, México		
Senior Policy Analyst	August 2011 – January 2012	
Policy Analyst	February 2010 – July 2011	
REFEREE SERVICE	Canadian Journal of Economics, Economic Development and Cultural Change, Feminist Economics, Journal of Public Economics, Kellogg Working Paper Series, Keough School Case Study Series, National Science Foundation, Studies in Comparative International Development, World Bank Economic Review	
UNIVERSITY SERVICE	Joint Keough-Economics Development Seminar Organizer	2022 - 2023
	Dignity and Development Forum Organizing Member	2022
	Recruitment Committee, “Global Health Economist”	2021 - 2022
	Applicant Screening Committee for the Kellogg Visiting Fellowship	2021 - 2022
	Racial Justice Task Force	2020 - 2021
	Junior Recruitment Committee, “The Future of Work”	2020 - 2021
	Junior Teaching Faculty Reappointment Committee	2020
	Global Policy Initiative Subcommittee	2020
	Master of Global Affairs Admissions Committee	2020

STUDENT PLACEMENT	Master of Global Affairs	
	Uriel Galace (Duke University, PhD in Public Policy)	2022
	Anthony Guidotti (Safra Center at Harvard University, Post-Graduate Fellowship)	2021
	Dominic Scarcelli (World Bank/Westat Corporation, Research Assistant)	2020
	Undergraduate	
	Luis Elizondo (NERA Consulting Group, Research Fellow)	2023
PRESENTATIONS	Midwest International Economic Development Conference (contributed), Annual Meeting of the American Economic Association in New Orleans (invited), International Food Policy Research Institute (invited), CEIDS Virtual Seminar (invited)	2023
	100 Years of Economic Development at Cornell University (contributed), World Bank (contributed), University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (invited), Institute for Economic Policies in Santiago de Chile (contributed)	2022
	Workshop on Public Policies and Inequality of Opportunity at Pompeu Fabra University (invited), ZEW Mannheim Taxation Conference (invited), Online APPAM Fall Research Conference (invited), Online Conference of the Urban Economics Association (contributed), Conference on Urban and Regional Economics at the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia (invited), Online RIDGE Public Economics Workshop (contributed)	2020
	FGV-EPGE in Rio de Janeiro (invited), University of Arizona (invited), Banco de Mexico (invited), International Association for Applied Econometrics (contributed), LACEA-LAMES (contributed)	2019
	Stockholm School of Economics (invited), Toulouse School of Economics (contributed), Society of Economics of the Household in Paris (contributed), 1st Queen Mary University of London PhD workshop (contributed), International Association for Applied Econometrics in Montreal (contributed), Advanced Graduate Workshop on Poverty, Development, and Globalization at Azim Premji University in India (invited), European Trade Study Group in Warsaw (contributed), Workshop of Labour and Family Economics at the University of York (contributed), Oxford Development Economics Workshop (invited), CREDIT Seminar at Nottingham University (invited), North East Universities Development Consortium Conference at Cornell University (contributed), University College London (contributed), Conference on Public Finance in Developing Countries in Zurich (invited)	2018
	Institute for Fiscal Studies (contributed), European Winter Meeting of the Econometric Society at Pompeu Fabra University (contributed)	2017
OLDER WRITING	“Supply and Demand Shocks in Mexico” <i>Gaceta de Economía</i> , ITAM, 2014, Vol. 20, No. 33, open access here .	