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## Education

Ph.D. Economics, Emory University, *expected* 2022.

*Advisor:* David Jacho-Chavez (co-chair), Kim Huynh (co-chair)

M.A. Economics, Emory University, 2020.

B.A. Economics, Pontificia Universidad Catolica del Ecuador, 2013.

B.A. Economics and Management, Universite Grenoble Alpes, 2012.

## Fields of Interest

Network Econometrics, Statistical Learning, Big Data, Computational Economics

## Research

### Work in Progress

Multilayer gravity models.

Appearance Effects on Money Duration: Evidence from a Large Scale Intervention.

### Publications

Anson T. Y. Ho, Kim P. Huynh, David T. Jacho-Chavez & Rojas, D., (forthcoming). New Features for Machine Learning with Stata 16. *Journal of Statistical Software*.

Rojas, D., Estrada, J., Huynh, K.P., & Jacho-Chavez, D.T., (forthcoming). Survival Analysis of Banknote Circulation: Fitness, Network Structure, and Machine Learning. *The Econometrics of Networks in Advances in Econometrics vol. 42*. Emerald.

Rojas, D., & Castillo, R. (2016). Reducción de la Pobreza rural en Ecuador: Un análisis de las actividades generadoras de ingresos. Reporte de Pobreza por Consumo Ecuador 2006-2014.

Rojas, D., Escobar, A., Molina, A., & Castillo, R. (2015). Metodología de construcción del agregado de consumo y estimación de línea de pobreza en el Ecuador.

Rojas, D. (2015). Localización de centros de empleo y su influencia sobre la distribución de la población en el distrito metropolitano de quito. *Analítika: revista de análisis estadístico*, (9), 53-94.

Mancheno, D., & Rojas, D. (2013). Subcentros de empleo en el DMQ y la creacion de centralidades en el Plan Metropolitano de Ordenamiento Territorial 2012-2022. *Questiones Urbano Regionales*, 1(2), 95-119.

## **Academic Experience**

### **Emory University, Department of Economics**

Lecturer, Econ 201: Intermediate Microeconomics, Summer 2020.

Research Assistant, Elena Pesavento, Spring 2020.

Teaching Assistant, Econ 520: Probability Theory & Statistics Inference, Fall 2019.

Research Assistant, Ian McCarthy, Spring 2019.

Teaching Assistant, Econ 220: Probability and Statistics for Economists, Fall 2018

### **Emory University, Department of Quantitative Theory and Methods**

Grader, QTM 151: Intro to Statistical Computing II, Fall 2018, Spring 2019-2020.

Grader, QTM 350: Data Scienc computing, Fall 2019.

## **Professional Experience**

### **Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta**

Research Assistant, Data analytics for Veronika Penciakova, May 2020- Present

### **Ecuadorian Internal Revenue Service (SRI), Center for Fiscal Studies**

Researcher, Policy Evaluation, Oct 2015- Jul 2017

### **Ecuadorian Institute for Statistics and Census (INEC), Poverty and Inequality Studies Unit**

Researcher, Research on poverty measurement, Jul 2013- Sep 2015

### **Instituto de la Ciudad de Quito, Urban Economics Research Unit**

Researcher, Research on Spatial distribution of Employment, Sep 2011- Jun 2013

## **Conference Presentations**

Survival Analysis of Banknote Circulation

Advances in Econometrics Conference : The Econometrics of Networks. Paltinis, Romania. May 16 2019.

Microeconometrics: Survey Methodology and Data Science Conference. Bank of Canada. September 28, 2019.

## Computer Skills:

**Python:** Advanced use for data analysis, Network analysis, Statistical Learning, Simulation, Parallel computing, web scrapping.

**R:** Advanced used for data analysis, Simulation, Parallel computing, web scrapping, Spatial Statistics, Geo-processing.

**Apache Spark /Scala:** Advanced used for data analysis, and machine learning, simulation.

**SQL:** Advanced used for data analysis.

**Stata/Mata:** Advanced used for data analysis, Microeconometrics.

**Other :** Linux (advanced), QGIS (intermediate), ArcGis(intermediate), Git (intermediate), Github (intermediate), Databricks (intermediate), Azure Cloud Computing (advanced).

## References

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