Felipe Arteaga

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EXPERIENCE

ConsiliumBots - Research Affiliate

New York, NY | May 2019 - Present

• Led the development and launch of smart, personalized notification systems on school choice platforms across 5 Latin American countries (Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, and Peru), significantly enhancing student placement outcomes.

University of California, Berkeley - Teaching assistant

Berkeley, CA | August 2019 - Present

• Courses: MBA Data Analytics (Causal inference and machine learning), Honors Intermediate Microeconomics. Health Economics, Intermediate Microeconomics.

Ministry of Education - Lead researcher

Santiago, Chile | March 2015 - July 2018

• Served as part of the core team that spearheaded the design, rollout, and evaluation of the new countrywide centralized school choice process that assigns 87% of all the seats in the Chilean education system.

Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL) - Research Associate

Santiago, Chile | March 2013 - July 2018

• Led research efforts for high-impact education projects across Chile, Peru, the Dominican Republic, and the USA. Supported Economic professors Francisco Gallego (PUC) and Christopher Neilson (Yale).

PROJECTS

Predicting risky school choice applicants

2017 - Ongoing

- Designed an algorithm that predicts placement probabilities to classify students with a considerable placement risk.
- Led the implementation of an API for live risk classification in five countries, impacting over 2 million applicants.
- Evaluated the causal effect of the warnings for high-risk applicants for Chile and New Haven, CT, and Ecuador and Peru.

Role of information for school applications

Chile, Perú, Ecuador | 2020-2022

- Collaborated on the design of personalized report cards with information about options for school applicants.
- Contributed to the implementation in Chile, Perú, and Ecuador, reaching 90%+ of school applicants.
- Evaluated the causal effect of giving information to applicants using A/B testing, published as a IDB working paper.

Nationwide school application platform

Chile | 2015 - 2018

- Collaborated on the design of a matching algorithm for centralized admission to the Chilean PK-12th education system.
- Participated in the gradual implementation of the platform covering from 1% to 100% of school admissions in 4 years.
- Since 2019, this system has assigned to schools over 600.000 applicants yearly, respecting families' preferences.

EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, CA

Ph.D. in Economics. Fields: Labor economics and Industrial Organization

Pontificia Universidad Católica, Santiago, Chile

December 2013

Expected: March 2024

M.S. in Engineering

Pontificia Universidad Católica, Santiago, Chile

B.S. in Industrial Engineering

University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada

January 2011

December 2012

Exchange student

SKILLS

- Programming: Matlab, Stata, Python, R, Java, SQL.
- Statistics & Methods: Causal inference (RCT, IV, DiD, RDD), structural modeling (demand estimation), prediction (supervised and unsupervised machine learning methods)

RESEARCH PAPERS

Published

• "Smart Matching Platforms and Heterogeneous Beliefs in Centralized School Choice" (w/ Adam Kapor, Christopher Neilson, and Seth Zimmerman. Quarterly Journal of Economics, 2022)

Working papers

- "Imperfect Information and Outside Options in Centralized School Choice" (Job Market Paper)
- "Can Information on School Attributes and Placement Probabilities Direct Search and Choice? Evidence from Choice Platforms in Ecuador and Perú" (w/ G. Elaqua, T. Krussig, C. Méndez, and C. Neilson. IDB WP 2022)