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Current PhD in Economics at University of Pittsburgh. M.Sc. in Economic Sciences. Professional career as macroeconomic fiscal policy advisor at the Ministry of Finance in Colombia and, most recently, at the Fiscal Management Division of the Inter-American Development Bank. Professional and academic experience in macroeconomic modelling, fiscal policy design and evaluation, green taxes, and quality of public expenditure in developing countries. Have taught development economics, economic history, and quantitative modelling at the best universities in Colombia and I created the Division of Macroeconomic Analysis in 2020 at the National University of Colombia. Practice designing task reforms, tax administration modernization, and land reform in Colombia.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

01/2019 – 06/2022	Macroeconomic & Fiscal Research Assistant <i>Inter-American Development Bank – IADB</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Generated the Project Completion Report of a 1.2 billion Policy-Based Loan aimed at the fiscal strengthening of Colombia through fiscal and debt management strategies after the 2014 and 2016 economic crashesResearched the impact that quality design of fiscal rules has on the countercyclical dynamics of debt. This research is part of the forecasted 2022 IADB Debt Management PublicationProvided technical support for the modernization of the Colombia Tax administration office and of the multipurpose cadastre policyAdvanced research on the impact a tax mix has on medium and long-term economic growth and its potential for the development of a Fiscal Policy and Management Framework.Observed the quality of subnational spending and proposed the strengthening of subnational fiscal administrations to impulse IADB's strategy for fiscal decentralization in Colombia	Bogotá, Colombia
01/2012 – 12/2018	Macroeconomic Analyst & Researcher <i>General Directorate of Fiscal Support - Macroeconomic Policy Directorate - Ministry of Finance and Public Credit</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Developed a GNP forecast model to inform the country's medium-term physical frameworkConstructed analytical models to design the 2016 tax reform, particularly the update of the subnational cigarettes and manufactured taxProduced research to improve the technical aspects of the tax reform on alcoholEvaluated the impact of the subnational fiscal responsibility laws in Colombia (Law 550 and Law 617)Led the fiscal adjustment process of the Buenaventura municipality (420.000 inhabitants) in 2017 and of the Boyacá department (1.2 million inhabitants) in 2018	Bogotá, Colombia

PROFESSIONAL VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

01/2021 – present	Marker and Economic Analysis Coordinator <i>Procentrismo (Young Leadership Group; Think Tank)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Provide public policy evidence-based analysis to propose structural reforms for Colombia's most pressing concernsSuggest policy and reforms related to pension rights, land ownership, and market competition.Established networks with other think tanks and specialized organizations in Colombia with the aim of developing collaborative solutions to Colombia's social and economic problems	Bogotá, Colombia
09/2021 – present	Member of the Policy Council <i>Agenda Democrática (Think Tank)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">The youngest member of the councilOptimize the common agenda aimed at bolstering governmental and policy solutions that address problems such as poverty, corruption, and the democratic process in Colombia.Organize debates and discussion events for the main Colombian 2026 presidential candidates, fostering a respectful and ideas-based debate.Built an events calendar with the aim of supporting the following governmental reforms: fiscal sustainability, education, and land markets.	Bogotá, Colombia

TEACHING AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

03/2020 - 06/2022	COORDINATOR – DIVISION OF MACROECONOMIC ANALYSIS <i>Universidad Nacional de Colombia</i>	Bogotá, Colombia
01/2022- 06/2022	LECTURER – MATHEMATICS FOR ECONOMISTS <i>Universidad Nacional de Colombia</i>	Bogotá, Colombia
01/2018- 06/2022	LECTURER – INTERNATIONAL MACROECONOMICS AND DEVELOPMENT <i>Universidad Nacional de Colombia</i>	Bogotá, Colombia
08/2018 – 03/2019	LECTURER – ECONOMIC THOUGHT <i>Universidad Nuestra Señora del Rosario</i>	Bogotá, Colombia
08/2018 –12/2018	LECTURER – RESEARCH METHODS <i>Universidad Nacional de Colombia</i>	Bogotá, Colombia
02/2018 –12/2019	LECTURER – ECONOMIC HISTORY <i>Universidad de Los Andes</i>	Bogotá, Colombia
02/2017 – 12/2017	LECTURER – INTERNATIONAL MACROECONOMICS <i>Universidad de La Salle</i>	Bogotá, Colombia
07/2016 – 07/2018	LECTURER – ECONOMIC ANALYSIS <i>Universidad Nacional de Colombia</i>	Bogotá, Colombia
01/2014 – 12/2015	LECTURER – QUANTITATIVE DATA ANALYSIS <i>Universidad Nacional de Colombia</i>	

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Fields: Economic Policy - Political Economy - Economic Development - Quantitative Modeling - Economic Analysis - Economic History.

EDUCATION

07/2023 - Present	University of Pittsburgh <i>PhD in economics student (first year)</i>	Pittsburgh, PA United States
03/2017	Universidad Nacional de Colombia <i>M.Sc. in Economic Sciences, GPA 4.4/5</i> <i>Thesis: The speed of appreciation of the exchange rate in a natural resource boom scenario for a small open economy, Colombia 2000 – 2015</i>	Bogotá, Colombia
09/2013	Universidad Nacional de Colombia <i>B.Sc. Economics, GPA 4.1/5</i>	Bogotá, Colombia

ACADEMIC AWARDS

2014	Full Grant Scholarship <i>M.Sc. in Economic Sciences</i> Universidad Nacional de Colombia	Bogotá, Colombia
2011	Young Researchers Paper Award <i>Center for Latin American Studies (CESLA)</i> Universidad Autónoma de Madrid	Madrid, Spain

COMPLEMENTARY EDUCATION

07/2021	REAL ANALYSIS (Summer Course) <i>Universidad de Los Andes</i>	Bogotá Colombia
12/2020	MACROECONOMIC FORECASTING <i>International Monetary Fund</i>	Bogotá Colombia
08/2019	COMPILATION BASICS FOR MACROECONOMIC STATISTICS <i>International Monetary Fund</i>	Bogotá Colombia
07/2018	PUBLIC FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT <i>International Monetary Fund</i>	Santiago Chile
09/2016	CURSO PROSPECTIVA PARA EL DESARROLLO ECONÓMICO <i>United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean</i>	Bogotá, Colombia
08/2015	THE MACROECONOMIC REALITY IN LATIN AMERICA <i>Inter-American Development Bank (IADB)</i>	Bogotá, Colombia
04/2015	MODELS AND VISIONS OF DEVELOPMENT IN LATIN AMERICA UNITED NATIONS COURSE <i>United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean</i>	Bogotá, Colombia

PUBLICATIONS

- Andrian, L., J. Hirs, I. Urrea, and O.M. Valencia. 2023. Fiscal rules and economic cycles: quality (always) matters. IDB Working Paper Series N° IDB-WP-01374
- Urrea-Ríos, Saravia E, (2022), VAT reform in Colombia, the fiscal adjustment post-COVID-19. Chapter 2 “Política Fiscal Una Visión de Futuro” Asobancaria.
- Chicaíza Becerra, L., García Molina, M. y Urrea, I. 2020. ¿Economía o salud? Un análisis global de la pandemia de COVID-19. Revista de Economía Institucional. 23, 44 (dic. 2020), 171-194.
- Urrea-Ríos, Ivan Leonardo and Piraján, Jackeline, Impacto De La Pandemia Covid-19 Sobre El Mercado Laboral En Colombia: El Papel Del Empleo En La Recuperación Económica (Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic on the Labor Market in Colombia: The Role of Employment in Economic Recovery) (November 28, 2020). Available at SSRN: <https://ssrn.com/abstract=3738980> or <http://dx.doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.3738980>
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- Urrea-Ríos, I. L. (2020) “El Factor Tierra y el Desarrollo Económico en Colombia” (“The Land Factor and the Economic Development in Colombia) CID Documents
- Urrea-Ríos, I. L. (2020) “La Reforma Pensional en Colombia: La Inacción no es una Opción” Documentos CID; Universidad Nacional de Colombia
- García Molina, Mario and Urrea-Ríos, Ivan Leonardo, Cómo resolver un modelo de expectativas racionales (How to Solve a Rational Expectations Model) (January 29, 2020). Available at SSRN: <https://ssrn.com/abstract=3527810> or <http://dx.doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.3527810>
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- Urrea-Ríos, I. L. “La velocidad de apreciación de la tasa de cambio en un escenario de auge de recursos naturales para una pequeña economía abierta (The rate of appreciation of the exchange rate in a natural resource boom scenario for a small open economy) Colombia 2000 – 2015”; (Revista FENADECO 2016 (Master’s Degree Thesis- Universidad Nacional)
- Colombian Treasury (Ministerio de Hacienda y Crédito Público). “Efectos de la ley de Reestructuración de Pasivos sobre las entidades territoriales” [*The effects of the debt restructuring law in the territorial entities*]. 2014.

- Gutiérrez J., Piraján J. & Urrea-Ríos, I. L. “Enfermedad Holandesa: el auge del sector minero energético colombiano 2000 – 2010” [*Dutch disease: the rise of mining and energy sector in Colombia 2000 - 2010*] CESLA, Universidad Autónoma de Madrid. January 2012.
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