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## EDUCATION

Ph.D. University of California, Irvine  
Economics, Expected Date of Completion June 2010

Dissertation title: *Essays in Monetary Policy and Learning*

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M.A. University of California, Irvine  
Economics, Fall 2009

B.A. California State University, Los Angeles  
Economics, December 2003

Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico  
Completed 242 units in Economics

## RESEARCH & TEACHING FIELDS

Primary Fields: Macroeconomics, Monetary Economics, Time Series Econometrics, Behavioral Economics

Secondary Field: International Economics

## WORKING PAPERS

“Policy Preferences and Policymakers’ Beliefs: The Causes of the Great Inflation in the U.S.” (Job market paper)

“A New Keynesian Model with Staggered Wage and Price Contracts under Learning”

“Fear of Floating or Monetary Policy as Usual? A Structural Analysis of Mexico’s Monetary Policy”

## WORK IN PROGRESS

“The Causes of the Great Inflation in Japan and Germany: Policy Preferences or Policymakers’ Beliefs”

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Dissertation Internship, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, Research Division (06/2008 – 09/2008)

Research Assistant, Professor Fabio Milani (Spring 2007)

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## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Primary Instructor, Department of Economics, UC Irvine (2009)

Intermediate Macroeconomics (170 students)

Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, UC Irvine (2004–2009)

Intermediate Macroeconomics

International Money

Intermediate Microeconomics

Basic Economics

Teaching Assistant, The Paul Merage School of Business, UC Irvine (2009)

Business and Government for M.B.A. students

## PAPER PRESENTATIONS

Presenter, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis Seminar Series, (June and September 2008)

Presenter, Small Open Economies on a Globalized World Conference, Second International Conference, Waterloo, Canada (2008)

Presenter, Department of Economics, UC, Irvine (2006, 2007, 2008, 2009)

## HONORS & AWARDS

Social Science Merit Fellowship, UC Irvine (Spring 2009)

Dissertation Internship, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis (06/2009 – 09/2009)

Economics Department Research Fellowship, UC Irvine (Spring 2007)

Summer Research Fellowship, Department of Economics, UC Irvine (2006 and 2007)

Departmental Honors, California State University, Los Angeles (2002)

Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society Member

## OTHER INFORMATION

Computer Skills: Matlab, Stata, EViews, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X,

Spanish (Native), English, and French (Intermediate)

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