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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Macroeconomics, Mortgage Markets, Banking and Macroprudential Policy, Business Cycles.

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

Research Economist	2020 -
Macroprudential Policy Division, Banco de España	

EDUCATION

University of Minnesota, USA	2014 - 2020
PhD in Economics. Advisors: V.V. Chari, Ellen McGrattan.	
University of Minnesota, USA	2014 - 2016
MA in Economics	
University of Chile, Chile	2009 - 2011
MSc in Economics	
Polytechnic University of the Coast (ESPOL), Ecuador	2005 - 2009
Bachelor in Economics	

WORKING PAPERS

Mortgage Securitization and Information Frictions in General Equilibrium.

Working Paper Banco de España, No 2221.

I develop a model of the U.S. housing finance system that delivers an equilibrium connection between the securitization and mortgage credit markets. An endogenous securitization market efficiently reallocates illiquid assets, increases liquidity to fund mortgage lending, and lowers mortgage rates for households. However, its benefits are hindered by originators' private information about loan quality which leads to adverse selection in securitization. Fluctuations in household credit risk induce expansion and contractions of mortgage credit through the securitization liquidity channel.

The Amplification Effects of Asymmetric Information in the Mortgage Market.

Accepted, Journal of Housing Economics. Working Paper Banco de España, No 2316.

This paper studies how information frictions in the securitization market amplify the response of mortgage credit supply to house price shocks. I model securitization as an optimal contracting problem between investors and banks. Investors are uninformed about the risk of mortgages they buy from banks, leading to an adverse selection problem. Banks face stochastic mortgage repayment rates and are less efficient than security investors at managing mortgages.

PUBLICATIONS

Countercyclical Fiscal Rule, an Analysis for Chile

Revista Compendium. Cuadernos de Economía y Administración. Vol. 3 Núm. 5 (2016)

WORK IN PROGRESS

On the Interactions between Monetary and Macroprudential Policies. Joint with Jorge Abad, Hervé Le Bihan, and Galo Nuño

Climate Transition Risk and The Role of Bank Capital Regulation. Joint with Enric Martorell

Wedges: Taxes vs Policies. A cross-country analysis. Joint with Paulina Restrepo-Echavarria, Lee Ohanian and Mark Wright

Monetary Policy under an Exchange Rate Rule: an analysis for Small Open Economies. *Joint with Rodrigo Heresi*

CONFERENCE AND SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

Lancaster University, CEMFI, University of Edinburgh, Society for Economic Dynamics (SED).	2023
European Economic Association (EEA) Annual Congress; Heterogeneous Agents Conference, Bank of France and Bank of Spain.	2022
IFABS 2021 Oxford Conference, European Economic Association (EEA) Annual Congress; MadBar, Universidad Carlos III. CEMLA Annual Congress. CEMFI, Banking and Finance RG.	2021
SUNY Buffalo. NERA economics. Bank of Spain. University of Copenhagen.	2020
Midwest Macro Meetings, Michigan State University (MSU). FRB Minneapolis Seminar.	2019
LACEA-LAMES 2018 Annual Meeting, ESPOL. Midwest Economic Association, Northwestern.	2018

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Refereeing Service

Review of Financial Economics, Research Feature Bank of Spain, Compendium Cuadernos de Economia.

Short-term Academic Visits

Center for Monetary and Financial Studies (CEMFI).

04/10 - 05/20/2023

Certificates

Securitization. Regulation and Practice.	2023
European University Institute - Florence School of Banking and Finance.	

Other Activities

Member of ECB Agile Team on Interactions Macroprudential and Monetary Policy	2022 - 2023
Member of ECB Agile Team on Inflation and Financial Stability.	2022
Co-organizer Reading Group in Banking and Finance, Bank of Spain.	2021 - 2023

Past Appointments

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Consultant to the Inter-American Development Bank.	06/2020 - 09/2020
Research Assistant to Dr. Mark L.J. Wright, Research Department Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, Minneapolis, USA	2019 - 2020
Research Analyst, Opportunity and Inclusive Growth Institute (OIGI) Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, Minneapolis, USA	2017 - 2019
Research Analyst, Department of Modelling and Forecasting (GAM) Central Bank of Chile, Santiago, Chile	2013 - 2014

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor	
Financial Economics, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, USA	2016 - 2017
Introduction to Microeconomics, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, USA	2016
Teaching Assistant Intermediate Microeconomics, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, USA Econometrics II (Master Level), University of Chile, Santiago, Chile Macroeconomics I (Master Level), University of Chile, Santiago, Chile	2015 2011 2010

HONORS AND AWARDS

Homer Hoyt Doctoral Dissertation Award. The American Real Estate and Urban Economics Association 2019		
Graduate Research Program Partnership (GRPP) fellowship, Summer. University of Minnesota	2017	
Distinguished Instructor. Department of Economics, University of Minnesota	2017	
Distinguished Teaching Assistant. Department of Economics, University of Minnesota	2015 - 2016	
Kurt Winkelman and Janine Gleason Fellowship. University of Minnesota	2014 - 2015	
Masters Scholarship, Department of Economics. University of Chile	2009 - 2011	

OTHER INFORMATION

Language	English (Fluent), Spanish (Native).
Computing Skills	Python, Matlab, Stata, R, MS Office, LateX.

REFERENCES

Ellen McGrattan	V.V. Chari	Anmol Bhandari	Dr. Mark L.J. Wright
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