

# Eduardo Laguna

ECONOMETRICS AND QUANTITATIVE ECONOMICS PHD CANDIDATE

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## Experience

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### Facebook (Contractor)

Menlo Park, California

ECONOMIC RESEARCH SCIENTIST AT CORE DATA SCIENCE

May 2020 to Dec 2020

- Supported development of data sets for the Facebook Data for Good initiative.
- Reduced computational time in processing pipelines by translating operations from R to Presto.
- Designed, implemented and analyzed survey study.
- Complemented survey results with administrative data to support design of new features and identify areas of opportunity.

### Orbital Insight

Palo Alto, California

DATA SCIENCE INTERN

Jun 2019 to Sep 2019

- Piloted use of geo-location data to measure changes in commuting patterns for displaced slum-dwellers in El Cairo.
- Helped company establish a business relationship with large international agency.

### Facebook (Contractor)

Menlo Park, California

ECONOMIC RESEARCH SCIENTIST AT CORE DATA SCIENCE

Jun 2018 to Sep 2018

- Constructed theory-based measures of social capital for a diverse group of social networks.
- Conducted research on the benefits provided by social capital.

### Facebook (Contractor)

Menlo Park, California

ECONOMIC RESEARCH SCIENTIST AT NEWS FEED SCIENCE

Jun 2017 to Sep 2017

- Implemented experiments testing features of recommender systems.

### Banco de Mexico

Mexico City, Mexico

RESEARCH ANALYST, ECONOMIST

Aug 2013 to Aug 2014

- Identified a first mover advantage in the business loan market.
- Helped to document the increases in delinquency caused by moral hazard in the Mexican credit card market using a regression discontinuity design in the number of credit cards.

### Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de Mexico

Mexico City, Mexico

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Aug 2012 to Aug 2013

- Supported research on time series analysis.

## Skills

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**Daily Programming** Python (4+ yrs), Presto/SQL (3+ yrs), Stata (9+ yrs), R (2 yrs)

**Working Knowledge** QGIS, Spark, PyTorch, keras, Matlab

**Causal Inference** RCTs, RDD, IV, Causal Forests

**Languages** Spanish and English (fluent); French (strong but out of shape); German and Italian (basic)

## Education

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### Stanford University

Expected: Dec 2020

ECONOMETRICS AND QUANTITATIVE ECONOMICS PHD

- Principal Advisor: Matthew O. Jackson

### Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de Mexico

ECONOMICS BA/MA

- M.A. in Economic Theory: Graduated with Honors
- B.A. in Economics: Graduated first of the Class

Spring 2015

Fall 2013

## Publications in Refereed Journals

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### Are Information Disclosures Effective? Evidence from the Credit Card Market

SEIRA, E., ELIZONDO, A. AND Laguna, E. (2017) AMERICAN ECONOMIC JOURNAL: ECONOMIC POLICY 9(1): 277-307.

## On the weak evidence of non-fundamental AR processes in economic applications

Laguna, E. AND LOBATO, I.N. (2015) GACETA DE ECONOMIA

## Honors & Awards

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2020	<b>Fellowship</b> , DB.F. Haley and E.S. Shaw Fellowship for Economics	<i>Stanford University</i>
2018-19	<b>Fellowship</b> , Ric Weiland Graduate Fellowship	<i>Stanford University</i>
2013-14	<b>Fellowship</b> , Excellence Scholarship for graduate degree	<i>ITAM</i>
2009-12	<b>Fellowship</b> , Bailleres Fellowship	<i>ITAM</i>
2009	<b>Award</b> , Best GPA of class	<i>UNAM</i>

## Miscellaneous

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### No visa sponsorship required for working in the US

IMMIGRATION STATUS

#### Useful Certifications

SAFETY FIRST

- Basic Cardiac Life Support CPR for the Layperson.
- Wilderness/Remote Location First Aid.
- American Institute for Avalanche Research and Education 1
- Open water diver (PADI).
- Small sailboat & keelboat skipper (US SAILING).