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Gladys Lopez-Acevedo is a Lead Economist and a Global Lead at the World Bank in the Poverty and Equity Global Practice. She works primarily in the South Asia and MENA regions of the World Bank. Gladys' areas of interest include trade, welfare, gender, conflict, and jobs. Previously, she was a lead economist in the World Bank Chief Economist's Office for the South Asian region (SARCE), and senior economist in the World Bank Central Vice Presidency Poverty Reduction and Economic Management (PREM) unit and in the Latin America region at the World Bank. She is a research fellow of the Institute for Labor Economics and at the Mexican National Research System. Prior to joining the World Bank, she held high-level positions in the Government of Mexico and she was a professor at the Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM). She holds a BA in economics from ITAM and a PhD in economics from the University of Virginia.

EDUCATION

- PhD in Economics, University of Virginia. 1995. Snively Prize for Best Ph.D Dissertation.
- MA in Economics, University of Virginia. 1993.
- B.A in Economics, Magna Cum Laude. Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de Mexico (ITAM) 1991.

CERTIFICATIONS

- World Bank Management Development Program, MDP 2017-18.
- World Bank Corporate Leadership Program, Cohort 13, The World Bank/Sheppard Moscow.
- World Bank Cutting Edge Development Economics, Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School of Government.

PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS

- Development economics, poverty and inequality, labor markets, gender, monitoring and evaluation.

PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

- **Lead Economist.** South Asia and Middle East and North Africa Poverty and Equity Unit, World Bank, Washington, DC, since September 2018.
- **Lead Economist.** Chief Economist's Office for the South Asia Region, World Bank, Washington, DC, since April 2013.
- **Senior Economist.** Poverty Unit, Poverty Reduction and Economic Management (PREM)

- Vice-Presidency, the World Bank, Washington, DC, 2009–2013.
- **Senior Economist.** Poverty Unit Latin America, (PREM), the World Bank, Washington, DC, 2006–2009.
 - **Senior Country Economist.** LC1, the World Bank, Washington, DC, 1998–2005.
 - **Adviser to the Vice Minister of Finance.** Ministry of Finance, Mexico, 1995–1998.
 - **Deputy Director of the Economic Deregulation Unit.** Ministry of Economy and Trade, Mexico, 1989–1991.
 - **Associate Professor in the Economics Department.** ITAM and in the Center of Research for Economic Studies (CIDE), Mexico.

PUBLICATIONS

Books

1. *“Exports to Jobs: Boosting the Gains from Trade in South Asia”* (2019). ISBN: 978-1-4648-1248-4.
2. *“Entangled: Localized Effects of Exports on Earnings and Employment in South Asia”* (2018). ISBN: 978-92-2-131576-6.
3. *South Asia’s Turn? Policies to Boost Competitiveness and Create the Next Export Powerhouse.* The World Bank (2017). ISBN: 9781464809408.
4. *Stitches to Riches?: Apparel Employment, Trade, and Economic Development in South Asia.* The World Bank (2016). ISBN: 9781464808135.
5. *Making the Most of Cheap Oil.* South Asia Economic Focus. The World Bank (2015). ISBN 9781464809927.
6. *Addressing Gender-Based Violence in South Asia.* The World Bank (2014) (contributor). ISBN: 9781464801716.
7. *Addressing Inequality in South Asia.* The World Bank (2013) (contributor). ISBN 9781464800221.
8. *Working through the Crisis: Jobs and Policies in Developing Countries during the Great Recession* (Directions in Development). The World Bank (2013) (contributor). ISBN: 9780821389676.
9. *Sewing Success? Employment, Poverty, and Wages of the End of the MultiFibre Arrangements* (Directions in Development). The World Bank (2012). With Raymond Robertson. ISBN: 9780821387788.
10. *Building Better Policies: The Nuts and Bolts of Monitoring and Evaluation Systems.* The World Bank (2012). With Philipp Krause and Keith McKay. ISBN 978082387771.
11. *Impact Evaluation of Small and Medium Enterprise Programs.* The World Bank (2011). With Hong W. Tan. ISBN: 9780821387757.
12. *Challenges in Monitoring and Evaluation: An Opportunity to Institutionalize M&E Systems.* The World Bank (2010). With Katia Rivera, Lycia Lima, and Helena Hwang. BN: 55853.
13. *Determinants of Regional Welfare Differences in Latin American Countries* (Directions in Development.) World Bank (2010) with Emmanuel Skoufias. BN 339.4098/W67
14. *Nutrición y Pobreza: Política Publica Basada en Evidencia.* The World Bank (2008). With Teresa Gonzalez de Cossio, Juan Rivera Dommarco, and Gloria M. Rubio Soto. BN 36380972/N88.

Book Chapters

15. “Effects of the 2008–09 Economic Crisis on Labor Markets in Mexico.” *Working through the Crisis: Jobs and Policies in Developing Countries during the Great*

- Recession*. Eds. Arup Banerji, David Newhouse, Pierella Paci, and David Robalino. World Bank (2014). With Samuel Freije and Eduardo Rodriguez-Oreggia.
16. “Economic Analysis on Gender Based Violence.” *Violence Against Women and Girls: Lessons From South Asia*. Eds. Jennifer L. Solotaroff and Rohini Prabha Pande. The World Bank. (2014).
 17. “Mexico: Evolution of Education and Inequality in the Last Two Decades.” Appeared in *Inequality in Education: Comparative and International Perspectives*. Eds. Donald B. Holsinger and James W. Jacobs. Springer (2009).
 18. “Chapter 7. Human Capital and Skills for a Competitive Labor Market.” World Bank – OECD Conference Proceedings Book. With Erik Bloom and contributions from Andreas Blom, Andrew Mason and Alexis Bloach (2006).

World Bank Peer-Reviewed Reports

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20. “Conflict and Policy Development”, World Bank, mimeo, 2018.
21. “Conflict and Poverty in Afghanistan Transition”. World Bank, mimeo, 2017.
22. “Conflict and Private Sector Development in Afghanistan”. World Bank, mimeo, 2017.
23. “Colombia: Income and Employment Generation for the Poor.” Report No. 48522-CO. The World Bank (2010).
24. “Mexico: Expansion and Strengthening of Information, Monitoring, and Evaluation in SEDESOL.” Report No. 47925-MX. The World Bank (2009).
25. “Mexico: Improving Productivity of the Urban Poor.” Report No. 47927-ME. The World Bank (2009).
26. “Poverty and Jobs in Colombia.” Report No. 51934. The World Bank (2009).
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29. “Mexico: Decentralized Service Delivery for the Poor.” Report No. 8173 and Background Paper No. 8183. The World Bank (2006). With Stephen Webb.
30. “Mexico—Broadening Access to Financial Services among the Urban Population, Mexico City’s Unbanked.” Vol. 2 Annexes. Report No 8305. The World Bank (2005).
31. “Mexico: Income Generation and Social Protection for the Poor.” Report No. 25784-ME. The World Bank (2005).
32. “Mexico: Poverty and Government Strategy.” Report No. 23795-ME. The World Bank (2004).
33. “Poverty in Mexico: An Assessment of Conditions, Trends, and Government Strategy.” Reports No 13829 and No. 14586. The World Bank (2004).
34. “Mexico: Technology, Wages and Employment.” Vol 2, Technical Papers. Report No. 22797-ME. The World Bank (2001).
35. “Mexico: A Comprehensive Development Agenda for the New Era.” Report no. 29801. Co-authored three chapters of the volume (chapters 21, 22, and 25). The World Bank (2001).
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38. “Earnings Inequality After Mexico’s Economic and Educational Reforms.” Report

- No.19945-ME. The World Bank (2000). Main Document and Background Papers, Vols. 1-2. With Lauro Ramos, Angel Salinas, Paulo Vieira, Francois J Bourguignon, Chris Scott, and Quentin Wodon.
39. "Mexico Poverty Assessment. "Determinants of Primary School Completion and Secondary School Enrollment." Report No. 19214-ME. The World Bank (1999).
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 41. *Mexico Poverty Assessment*. "Supply Side Improvement and the Learning Achievement of the Poorest Children in Indigenous Rural Schools: The Case of PARE." Report No. 19214-ME. The World Bank (1999).
 42. *Advancing Educational Equity and Productivity in the Context of Decentralization*. "Benefit-Incidence Analysis of the Government Educational Transfers." Report No. 20593-ME. The World Bank (1998).
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 44. *Advancing Educational Equity and Productivity in the Context of Decentralization*. "Marginal Willingness to Pay for Educational Services," Report No. 20593-ME. The World Bank (1998).
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53. "Effects of the Economic Crisis on Labor Markets in Mexico- 2008-2011." World Bank Policy Research Paper No. WPS5840. The World Bank (2011). With Samuel Freije and Eduardo Rodriguez.
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- Bank (2008).
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 63. "Evaluation of the National School for Professional Technology Education in Mexico." World Bank Policy Research Paper No. 3572. The World Bank (2005).
 64. "Teachers' Salaries and Professional Profile in Mexico." World Bank Policy Research Working Paper No 3394. World Bank (2004).
 65. "Professional Development and Incentives for Teacher Performance in Schools in Mexico." World Bank Policy Research Working Paper No. 3236. The World Bank (2004).
 66. "A Duration Analysis of CONALEP (Mexico's National Technical Professional School)." World Bank Policy Research Paper No. 3327. The World Bank (2004).
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 69. "On the Use of Transparent Formulae to Allocate Federal Education Transfers." With Vicente Paqueo. World Bank Policy Research Paper No. 3171. The World Bank (2003).
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 71. "School Attendance and Child Labor in Ecuador." World Bank Policy Research Paper No. 2939. The World Bank (2002).
 72. "Technology and Skill Demand in Mexico." World Bank Policy Research Paper No. 2779 (2002).
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 74. "Determinants of Technology Adoption in Mexico." World Bank Policy Research Paper No. 2780. The World Bank (2002).
 75. "Mexico: In-Firm Training for the Knowledge Economy." Co-authored with Hong Tan. Background Paper for the 2002 LAC Flagship Report, *Knowledge in Latin America and the Caribbean: Reconsidering Education, Training, and Technology Policies*. The World Bank (August 2002).
 76. "Absorptive Capacity and Technological Adoption: Panel Evidence from Mexican Manufacturing." *Economists' Forum* (2001).
 77. "An Alternative Technical Education System in Mexico: A Reassessment of CONALEP." World Bank Policy Research Paper No. 2731, and in the *Economics of Education Review* (2001).
 78. "Evolution of Earnings Inequality and Rates of Return to Education in Mexico (1988–2002)." *Journal of Education and Planning* (June 2001).
 79. "Poverty in Latin America: Trends (1986–1998) and Determinants." With Quentin Wodon. *Cuadernos de Economia, Latin America Journal of Economics* 38(114): 127–155 (August 2001).

80. "Professional Development and Incentives for Teacher Performance in Schools in Mexico." The World Bank, LCSHD Paper Series No. 64. Published in the *Journal of Education and Planning* (2001).
81. "Teachers' Salaries and Professional Profile in Mexico." The World Bank, LCSHD Paper Series No. 63. Published in the *Journal of Education and Planning* (2001).
82. "Technological Adoption and Firm Performance in Mexico." Draft World Bank Policy Research Paper. The World Bank (2001).
83. "Evaluation of Earnings and Rates of Return to Education in Mexico." World Bank Policy Research Paper No 2691. The World Bank (2001).
84. "Technology Adoption and Skills Demand: Panel Evidence from Mexican Manufacturing." World Bank Policy Research Paper No. 2701. The World Bank (2001).
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86. "Educational Public Expenditure in Mexico: Some Distributional Issues." World Bank Policy Research Paper No. 2404. The World Bank (2000).
87. "Financial Crisis and Inequality in Mexico: 1984–1996." World Bank Policy Research Paper No. 2406. The World Bank (2000).
88. "Marginal Willingness to Pay for Education and the Determinants of Enrollment in Mexico." World Bank Policy Research Working Paper No. 2405. The World Bank (2000). With Angel Salinas.
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90. "The Distribution of Mexico's Public Spending on Education." World Bank Policy Research Working Paper No. 2404. The World Bank (2000). With Angel Salinas.
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92. "Learning Achievement and School Cost-Effectiveness: The PARE Program." World Bank Policy Research Paper No. 2128. The World Bank (1999).
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94. "Income Distribution and Education in LAC." With Lauro Ramos. I.P.E.A Discussion Paper (1998).
95. "Dispersión Poblacional y Mínimos de Bienestar; Becas en el Programa PROGRESA y Política Social en México, Notes." S.H.C.P (1997).
96. "Equilibrium Behavior in an All Pay-auction Model." Discussion Paper No. 9607. Economics Research Center, ITAM (1997).
97. "Subastas con Valuación Común y la Maldición del Ganador." Discussion Paper. ITAM Economics Department (1997).
98. "Equilibrium Behavior in an All Pay-Auction Model." Working Paper. University of Virginia, Department of Economics (1996).
99. "Quantal Response Equilibria for Models of Price Competition." Dissertation; Working Paper. University of Virginia, Department of Economics (1995).

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101. "Globalisation and the Gender Earnings Gap: Evidence from Sri Lanka and Cambodia". (*Feb, 2019*). *Journal of Development Studies*.
102. "Evaluating Different Types of Enterprise Support Programs Using Panel Firm Data: Evidence from the Mexican Manufacturing Sector." *Economía: Journal of the Latin*

- American and Caribbean Economic Association* (Fall 2013) 14(1):1–32. With Monica Tinajero-Bravo.
103. “Impact Evaluation of SME Programs Using Firm Panel Data.” *World Development* (2012).
 104. “The Promise and Peril of Post-MFA Apparel Production.” *Economic Promise* 84: 1–4 (2012). With Raymond Robertson.
 105. “Impact Evaluation of SME Programs in Mexico.” *Economia Journal* (2012).
 106. “Educational Inequality in Mexico.” In *International Handbook on the Inequality of Education*, Jacobs and Holsinger, eds. UCLA (2010).
 107. “A Decade of the Evolution of Earnings Inequality and Rates of Return to Education in Mexico.” In *Handbook of Education*. Elsevier (2010).
 108. “Determinants of Secondary School Enrollment in Mexico.” *Trimestre Económico* LXXI: 215–245 (March 2004).
 109. “Equilibrium Behavior in an all Pay-auction Model with Complete Information.” *Estudios Económicos El Colegio de México* 19: 93–124 (June 2004).
 110. “Mexico: Evolution of Earnings Inequality and Rates of Returns to Education (1988–2002).” *Estudios Económicos* 19(2) (December 2004).
 111. “A Case Study of Mexico Conditional Cash Transfer.” Published in *Globalization and Social Safety Nets in Asia-Pacific Region*, Park and Lee, eds. (2003).
 112. “A Reassessment of Technical Education in México.” *Journal of Career and Technical Education* 19(2): 59–69 (Spring 2003).
 113. “Evolution of Earnings Inequality and Rates of Return to Education in Mexico. (1988–2002).” *Journal of Educational Planning and Administration* 16(4): 483–521 (October 2003).
 114. “Learning Outcomes and School Cost-Effectiveness in Mexico: The PARE Program.” *Journal of Educational Planning and Administration* 16(1): 31–53 (January 2002).
 115. “Professional Development and Teachers’ Incentives in Mexico.” *Trimestre Económico* LXIX: 389–434 (September 2002).
 116. “Incentivos y desarrollo profesional de los profesores en las escuelas mexicanas.” *El Trimestre Economic* LXIX (3)(275):389–434. (2002).
 117. “Poverty in Latin America: Trends (1986-1998) and Determinants.” In *Cuadernos de Economía, Latin America Journal of Economics* 38(114): 127–155 (August 2001).
 118. “Technology Adoption and Skills Demand: Panel Evidence from Mexican Manufacturing.” *Journal of Manpower* (2001).
 119. “Diseño de Nuevas Instituciones de Subastas.” *El Trimestre Económico* LXVII: 114–120 (March 2000).
 120. “Trends in Enterprise Financing in México.” *El Trimestre Economico* LXVI (1): 112–141 (March 1999).
 121. “Análisis Económico y Fiscal: Programa de Desarrollo Educativo Hacia el 2015.” *Perfiles Educativos*, UNAM (1998).
 122. “Equilibrium Behavior in Posted-Offer Markets.” *La Revista de Estudios Economicos del Colegio de México* 12(2): 96–133 (December 1997).
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 124. “Equilibrio Secuencial y sus Refinamientos.” ITAM Working Paper. *Gaceta de Economía* 45–50 (1996).
 125. “Equilibrium Behavior in an All-Pay Auction with Complete Information.” Working Paper 9607. ITAM (1996).
 126. “Quantal Response Equilibria for Posted-offer Markets.” In M. Isaac, ed., *Research in Experimental Economics*. Greenwich, Connecticut: JAI Press (1996).

127. "Determinants of Child Labor in Ecuador." CEPAL-BID-FCE Child Labor in Latin America (1995).
128. "Quantitative Analysis of the Evolution of Market Price Support in Agriculture: Mexico 1992–97." *Revista de Estudios Economicos del Colegio de Mexico*.
129. "The Evolution and Structure of the Rates of Returns to Education in Mexico (1987–1997): An Application of Quantile Regression." *Revista de Estudios Economicos del Colegio de Mexico*.

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130. "Determinants of Female Employment in Mexico during the last decade" with Samuel Freije and Diego Cardozo, in progress.
131. "The Employment Recovery Is Lagging Behind the Recovery in Economic Growth." The World Bank (n.d). With David Newhouse and Javier Arias.
132. "JobsWatch Labor Markets in Developing Countries Resilient in the Face of Slowing Growth." The World Bank (n.d.) With David Newhouse and Javier Arias.
133. "The Financial Crisis Impact on the Income Distribution in Mexico." The World Bank (n.d.) With Angel Salinas.
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135. "Earnings Inequality, Educational Attainment and Rates of Returns to Education after Mexico's Economic Reforms." The World Bank (n.d). With Angel Salinas.
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137. "Common threads: Steel Case and ARZU's Market-Led Approach to Create Employment Opportunities for Women Weavers in Afghanistan." World Bank Working Paper No. 77343. The World Bank (2012). With Helena Hwang and Jaime Saavedra.
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139. "Poverty in Mexico: An Assessment of Conditions, Trends, and Government Strategy." World Bank Operational Studies No. 10342. World Bank (2005). With Michael Walton.
140. "Mexico – Income Generation and Social Protection for the Poor: Volume 4. A Study of Rural Poverty in Mexico." World Bank Operational Studies No .8286. The World Bank (2005).
141. "Mexico – Income Generation and Social Protection for the Poor. Volume 2. Urban Poverty in Mexico." World Bank Operational Studies No. 8305. The World Bank (2005). With Jaime Saavedra.
142. "Poverty in Mexico's Southern States." MPRA Paper. University Library of Munich. (2003). With Quentin Wodon and Corinne Siaens.
143. "Decentralized Service Delivery for the Poor: Case Studies." World Bank Working Paper No. 8173. The World Bank (2006). With Steve Webb.
144. "Poverty in Mexico: An Assessment of Conditions, Trends and Government Strategy." World Bank Operational Studies 10342. The World Bank (2005). With Michael Walton.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

OPERATIONAL, ANALYTICAL, AND ADVISORY WORK

[1] **Lead Economist**, Poverty and Equity Unit, **The World Bank**, Washington, DC, since Sept 2018.

- Lead Economist for SAR and MENA Regions.
- Overseen the work in the Maghreb in the areas of poverty, inequality, and labor markets.

- Member of the Global Solutions Group on Markets and Institutions.
- Leading the work on the distributional effects of Trade.

[2] **Lead Economist**, Office of the Chief Economist Office for the South Asia Region, **The World Bank**, Washington, DC, since 2013.

- Acting as Deputy Chief Economist.
- Acts as a liaison on behalf of the Office of the Chief Economist with global practices, sectors, and the World Bank's research department.
- Oversees, participates, and co-authors the research, writing, and production of regional publications, including in the areas of inequality, gender, and competitiveness.
- Provides technical support to regional teams working on issues of gender, social development, poverty, and jobs in the South Asia Region.
- Managed a Multi Year Trust Fund on Trade and Development (MTDF) for the region, which has an annual allocation of more than one million dollars.
- Supervised and mentored a team of professionals.

[3] **Senior Economist**. Poverty Reduction and Economic Management (PREM), Vice-Presidency, The World Bank, Washington, DC, 2009–2012.

- Actively contributed to the analysis and policy dialogue on poverty, labor markets, and evaluation.
- Acted as co-leader of the multi-sectoral and multiyear Jobs Knowledge Platform.
- Co-managed the monthly publication on Job Trends (<http://go.worldbank.org/ICAC0LHFS0>).
- Provided cross-support on labor, poverty, and evaluation to several countries including Chile, Mexico, Indonesia, Vietnam, and South Africa.
- Managed the monthly publication of the Nuts and Bolts of M&E Systems, (<http://go.worldbank.org/CC5UP7ABNO>).
- Led the creation and successful launching of ADePT labor (<http://go.worldbank.org/ICAC0LHFS0>).
- Led a multiyear trust fund on the effect of working conditions and labor (the BNPP trust fund).

[4] **Senior Economist**. Poverty Unit Latin America, PREM, The World Bank, Washington, DC, 2006–2009.

- Led innovative analytical and operational work in LAC.
- Led regional reports, fee for services, investment operations, and contributed to Development Policy Loans.
- Managed the first World Bank lending operation to support Monitoring and Evaluation.
- Managed World Bank fee for services in the areas of increasing the productivity for the poor, and design of employment programs for the poor in Latin America countries.

[5] **Senior Country Economist**. LC1, The World Bank, Washington, DC, 1998–2005.

- Led the poverty and labor programs in Mexico and in Colombia.
- Contributed to the monthly macro-monitoring risk assessments and country partnership strategies.
- Led the programmatic poverty programs that generated innovative analysis on poverty and labor markets, which resulted in important Bank operations.
- Led and contributed to analytical and operational work in Mexico, Colombia, Ecuador, and Peru.

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION EXPERIENCE

[6] **Adviser to the Vice Minister of Finance and Director of Social Programs.** Ministry of Finance, Mexico, 1995–1998.

- Participated on the team responsible for the design and execution of important poverty alleviation programs such as the Temporal Employment Program, the conditional cash transfer program *Oportunidades*, and the Social Security Reforms.

[7] **Deputy Director of the Economic Deregulation Unit.** Ministry of Economy and Trade, Mexico, 1989–1991.

- Was responsible for the design and execution of projects fostering economic efficiency in services, agriculture, commerce, and manufacturing.

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

[8] **Associate Professor in the Economics Department.** ITAM and in the Center of Research for Economic Studies (CIDE), Mexico.

- Core courses included Price Theory, Microeconomics, and Macroeconomics.

DISTINCTIONS, GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS

- Snively Prize for the Best PhD Dissertation.
- National Science Foundation, Washington, DC (grant to complete dissertation).
- Academic Enhancement Fellowship, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA.
- The World Bank, McNamara Scholarship.
- Ford Foundation, Scholarship.
- Baccalauréat, Université Catholique de l'Ouest (Angers, France).
- Member of the Scientific and of the Organizing Committee of the Labor and Development Conferences (World Bank-IZA).
- Member of the Scientific and of the Organizing Committee of the World Bank/Inter-American Development Bank Network on Evaluation.
- Performance Awards (PREM) and (IEG) Awards for two investment lending operations—Colombia and Mexico.

LANGUAGES

- Fluent in English, French, and Spanish (native); some knowledge of Portuguese.