Edicson Luna

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Education

University of Pennsylvania — 2029 (expected)
Ph.D. in Economics

Universidad de los Andes, Colombia — 2023
M.A. in Economics

Universidad del Pacífico, Peru — 2019
B.Sc. in Economics

Research Fields

Labor economics, urban economics, development economics.

Research

Residential Segregation in a Dual Labor Market: Evidence from Bogotá
Presented at LACEA 2026

Does the spatial concentration of formal jobs amplify residential segregation in Bogotá? Using confidential 2021 Encuesta Multipropósito data and a quantitative spatial model of formal and informal work, I study how job access, earnings, rents, and amenities shape where workers live. Dispersing formal jobs has little effect on its own; allowing amenities to adjust substantially reduces segregation.

Awards

Diploma for Excellence in First-Year Microeconomics, University of Pennsylvania

SAS travel subvention for LACEA 2026, US$600

PIER travel support for LACEA 2026, US$400

Experience

Short-Term Consultant, World Bank — Mar.–Dec. 2026

Research Assistant to Marcela Eslava, Universidad de los Andes — 2021–2023

Research Assistant to Matthew Bird, Universidad del Pacífico — 2018–2021

Teaching Experience

Instructor

Econometrics I, Universidad de los Andes — Summers 2024, 2026
Strategic Reasoning, University of Pennsylvania — Summer 2025

Teaching Assistant

Development Economics (Shresth Garg), Penn — Spring 2025, 2026
Strategic Reasoning (David Dillenberger), Penn — Fall 2024, 2025, 2026

Previous teaching assistantships

Universidad de los Andes: General Equilibrium (grad.), Environmental Justice (grad.), Long-Run Macroeconomics (grad.), Microeconomics III, Game Theory, and Consumer and Firm Theory.
Universidad del Pacífico: Mathematics III, Mathematics IV, Microeconomics I, and General Economics II.

Additional Info

Languages: Spanish (native), English (advanced)
Software: Julia, R, Stata, Python