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EDUCATION

2019–2021	RICE UNIVERSITY Master of Business Administration (MBA) in Finance, May 2021. GMAT 730. Member: Finance, Latin Business Associations. Officer: Adam Smith Society, Entrepreneurship Association.	HOUSTON, TX
2007–2009	UNIVERSITY OF WAIKATO Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, February 2009. Economics discussion leader and teacher, national rowing champion and representative, award-winning columnist.	HAMILTON, NEW ZEALAND
2003–2007	BOSTON UNIVERSITY Bachelor of Arts in Economics, February 2007. Rowing scholarship recipient, peer-reviewed researcher, economics and philosophy tutor, Catholic lector.	BOSTON, MA

EXPERIENCE

2016–Present	ECON AMERICAS <i>Financial, geopolitical advisory focused on the Western Hemisphere</i> Director/Founder <ul style="list-style-type: none">Hosted 300 <i>Gold Newsletter</i> financial podcasts, garnering mining sponsors and 20,000 monthly listeners.Edited Central America's top intel service on economic trends, investment options, US relations, rule of law.Wrote prominent economic, financial articles: AIER, Fox News, Fraser Institute, Frontier Centre, <i>NZ Herald</i>.	FORT COLLINS, CO
2020	BLUESTEM EQUITY Investment Analyst <ul style="list-style-type: none">Evaluated portfolio holdings for infrastructure-focused family office with operational and financial forecasts.Valued firms during due-diligence stage of buy-side M&A transactions using DCF modeling.Analyzed and reported on private-equity prospects using PitchBook, direct outreach, financial statements.	HOUSTON, TX
2013–2016	PANAM POST Editor in Chief <ul style="list-style-type: none">Managed bilingual business, geopolitical publication from startup to 70,000 Alexa ranking in two years.Recruited staff of 12 plus contributors, primarily in Argentina, Colombia, Ecuador, Honduras, Venezuela.Prepared hiring strategy to reduce staff turnover and ensure team-member quality.	MIAMI, FL
2011–2013	JOHN LOCKE FOUNDATION Director of Fiscal Policy Studies <ul style="list-style-type: none">Conducted budgetary analysis for North Carolina's premier think tank, second in nation for audience.Published weekly fiscal-insight newsletter with translations in Spanish-language newspaper <i>La Conexión</i>.	RALEIGH, NC
2010–2011	PELICAN INSTITUTE Capitol Bureau Reporter and Editor <ul style="list-style-type: none">Received promotion to editor of three colleagues with Louisiana's classical-liberal think tank.Initiated and managed internship program—recruiting two researchers—with Loyola University New Orleans.	NEW ORLEANS, LA

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Certifications: Series 65 (NASAA), CFA Level I, CAIA Level I, Bloomberg Market Concepts, Excel for Finance (Corporate Finance Institute), Cuban History (University of Miami), Austrian Economics (Mises Institute).
Languages: Spanish via immersion (DELE: B2, Duolingo Advanced Fluency), editor of British and US English.
Skills: Financial modeling (Excel), data analysis (SPSS), HTML, WordPress, editing (*The Chicago Manual of Style*).
Publications: Peer reviewed (*Econ Journal Watch*, *Brownstone Journal*, *C2C Journal*), nationally syndicated (Canada, United States), columns (*Epoch Times*, *National Business Review*, *Nexus Magazine*).
Discourses: Lecturer (Duke, Simon Fraser, UNC, Wagner, TEDx Colombia), testimony (North Carolina General Assembly, Paraguayan Congress), TV/radio guest (Fox Business, NTD, Reason TV, Russia Today, Sirius-XM Patriot).
Pro bono: Latin America Economic Survey participant (FGV, Brazil), English-language advisor (Cedice Libertad, Venezuela), instructor (Language of Liberty Institute, Poland), writing mentor (Young Voices).

Nationalities: Canadian, Irish, New Zealand citizen, US permanent resident.