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Ernesto Tiburcio

Appointments

Goldman School of Public Policy, University of California, Berkeley. Postdoctoral Scholar. 2024-2027
Democracy Policy Lab. Affiliate. 2025-2027

Education

Tufts University. Ph.D. in Economics and Public Policy. 2019-2024
The University of Chicago Harris School of Public Policy. Master of Public Policy. 2015-2017
Center for Research and Teaching in Economics (CIDE), Mexico City. BA in Political Science and International Relations. 2009-2013

Fields of Research

Political Economy, Applied Microeconomics, Migration, Polarization

Publications

Political Polarization and Counter-Attitudinal Information Consumption and Internalization (with Horacio Larreguy) [Link] Forthcoming, *Economic Journal*

Political Polarization in Low- and Middle-Income Countries (with Horacio Larreguy) [Link] *Nature Human Behavior,* **10**, 1197–1205 (2026)

Working Papers

Immigration and the Political Behavior of Immigrant-Background Americans (with Vasiliki Fouka and Marco Tabellini) [Link]

The Local Reaction to Unauthorized Mexican Migration to the US *(*with Kara Ross Camarena) [Link] *Submitted*

Taking One for the Team: Shocks at Destination and Households' Supply of Migrants (with Gustavo Fajardo, Emilio Gutiérrez, and Horacio Larreguy) [Link] *Submitted*

Politically Mismatched Couples (with Rachel Funk Fordham) [Preliminary. Link]

Work in Progress

Remittances and deportations in Honduras (with Carlos Schmidt-Padilla, Giancarlo Oseguera, and Celin Hernández)

Dollars by Auction: Foreign Exchange Rules and Firm Behavior in Honduras (with Roberto Lagos, Carlos Schmidt-Padilla, Giancarlo Oseguera, and Matthew Pecenco)

The effect of Unauthorized Mexican Migration on crime (with Reem Zaiour)

***Magazuela,* myth of reality?** (with Rachel Funk Fordham, Jake Grumbach, and Dorothy Kronick)

Violence and education as drivers of emigration in Mexico (with Horacio Larreguy)

Presentations (including scheduled)

2026 NBER Summer Institute, Wallis Conference on Political Economy, APPAM, CEMIR Junior Workshop on Migration Research, CEPR Paris Symposium

2025 UC Berkeley IRLE

2024 UC Berkeley GSPP, 5th EBRD-King's College London Workshop on the Economics and Politics of Migration

2023 Harvard Political Economy Workshop, Bocconi University Reading Group in Political Economy (virtual), Tufts EPP Workshop, NBER Immigrants and the U.S. Economy, Spring 2023 (discussant), Humans LACEA Network, The Economics of Migration Junior Seminar (virtual), WEAI 2023 Graduate Student Workshop, Summer School Economics of Migration, EGAP Latin America Regional Hub, EGAP Democracy, Conflict, & Polarization, All CA-Mexico Economics of Migration (virtual), NEWEPS-21.

Referee Service

American Economic Review, American Journal of Health Economics, Political Analysis

Academic Publications (pre-doctoral)

Refugees who Mean Business: Economic Activities in and around the Rohingya settlements in Bangladesh. [Link] (with Mateusz Filipski, Gracie Rosenbach, Paul Dorosh and John Hoddinott). *Journal of Refugee Studies*, *34*(1) 1202-1242. (2021)

Food Transfers, Electronic Food Vouchers and Child Nutritional Status among Rohingya Children Living in Bangladesh [Link] (with Mateusz Filipski, Gracie Rosenbach, Paul Dorosh and John Hoddinott). *PloS ONE*, *15*(4): e0230457. (2020)

Policy Reports and Book Chapters

Political Polarisation (with Cesi Cruz and Horacio Larreguy) [Link] *VoxDevLit*, 19(1) (2025)

Polarization: US Lessons for Latin America (with Horacio Larreguy). [Link] *UPPER Policy Brief Series*. DC Political Economy Center. (2024)

The Rise of Social Protection in the Global South: The Role of Foreign Aid [Link] (with Miguel Niño-Zarazúa, Ana Horigoshi, and Alma Santillán Hernández). *EBA Report 2022:08*. The Expert Group for Aid Studies (EBA), Sweden. (2022)

Teaching Experience

Tufts University

(Masters) *Development Economics: Macroeconomic Perspectives* (Steven Block) Teaching Assistant. 2021, 2023

(Masters) *Stata Workshop* Instructor. 2021-2023

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

(PhD) *Development Economics* (Esther Duflo and Abhijit Banerjee) Teaching Assistant. 2022

Harris School of Public Policy

(Masters) *International Policy Practicum* (Alicia Menendez) Teaching Assistant. 2016

(Masters) *Analytical Politics II: The Developed World* (Peter Buisseret) Teaching Assistant. 2017

(Masters) *Refugees, Security, and Forced Migration* (Kara Ross Camarena) Teaching Assistant. 2017

Other Professional Experience

Inter-American Development Bank. Research Consultant. 2023

UNU WIDER. Research Consultant. 2021

International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI). Development Strategy and Governance Division.
Research Analyst. 2017- 2019 and Research Consultant. Summer 2021

International Labour Office (ILO). Social Protection Department. Research Intern. 2016

Consulate General of Mexico in Chicago. Research Assistant to the Consul General. 2014-2015