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DISSERTATION TITLE: "Technology Diffusion and Farmer's Resiliency to Climate and Conflict Shocks "

Expected Date of Completion: May 2021

Principal Advisors: Benjamin Crost and Alex Winter-Nelson

Other Committee Members: Mary Paula Arends-Kuenning

PRE-DOCTORAL STUDIES:DEGREE:DATE:FIELD:University of CaldasB.Sc.2015Agronomic

Engineering

FIELDS OF CONCENTRATION:

PRIMARY SECONDARY

Development economics Environmental Economics
Applied econometrics Statistical Learning

**WORKING** Ceballos-Sierra, F. "Incomplete Peace: Unintended Consequences of Partial

PAPERS Conflict Resolution in Multilateral Conflicts". (Job Market Paper)

Ceballos-Sierra, F., Arends-Kuenning, M. P., Hewey, A. "Technology

Diffusion Through Vocational Training of High School Students: Experimental

Evidence from Nicaragua". Under review.

**REVISE AND** Ceballos-Sierra, F., Dall'erba, S. "The Effect of Climate Variability on

**RESUBMIT** Colombian Coffee Productivity: A Dynamic Panel Model Approach". Invited to

revise and resubmit. Agricultural Systems.

WORK IN Ceballos-Sierra, F., Crost, B. "Technology Diffusion and Conflict Intensity:

Can the Adoption of Coffee Leaf Rust Resistant Varieties Decrease the Pressure

of Armed Conflict?"

Ceballos-Sierra, F., Rahn, E., Buhn, C. "Crop Shifting Dynamics in Colombia's

Coffee Region, Can Discrete-Continuous Choice Models be Improved with

Machine Learning"

Chowdhury, R.A., **Ceballos-Sierra, F.,** Sulaiman, M. "Selection for Impact: Application of Machine Learning for Ultra-poor Selection Criteria in Graduation

Model".

**POLICY Ceballos-Sierra, F.** "Coffee farmers face dangerously low profits, experts warn at 6th Consultative Forum on Coffee Sector Finance". Policy Matters. FarmDoc

Daily. August 17th, 2017.

**GRANT** Tinker Foundation Institutional Grant, University of 2017-2020

**AWARDS** Illinois – Fabretto Foundation

"Enhancing and Evaluating Tutorial Learning System's

(SAT) Impact on Rural Nicaragua Youth and

Communities". Research Lead. USD \$424,000

	Global Food Security Fellowship, University of Illinois ""Crop Shifting Dynamics in Colombia's Coffee Region, Can Discrete-Continuous Choice Models be Improved with Machine Learning?" PI. USD \$8,100	2020-2021
RESEARCH EXPERIENCE	Research Assistant, Prof. Sandy Dall'erba, University of Illinois "A meta-analysis of the Ricardian literature on the impact of climate change"	Spring 2020
	Research Assistant, Prof. Benjamin Crost, University of Illinois "Technology Diffusion and Conflict Intensity: Can the Adoption of Coffee Leaf Rust Resistant Varieties Decrease the Pressure of Armed Conflict?"	Fall 2020
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	<b>Teaching Assistant,</b> University of Caldas, Soil Conservation and Management.	Spring 2013- Fall 2014
	<b>Teaching Assistant,</b> University of Illinois, ACE 251 World Food Economy.	Fall 2016- Fall 2019
	<b>Teaching Assistant,</b> University of Illinois, ACE 264 Applied Statistical Methods	Spring 2020
	<b>Team Leader,</b> University of Illinois, Research Apprenticeship Program	Summer 2019; Summer 2020
WORK EXPERIENCE	Extension Agent, National Coffee Growers Federation of Colombia	2014
	Fresno, Tolima, Colombia.  Field Agronomist, El Rosario Farm, Casa Luker Necoclí, Antioquia, Colombia.	Spring 2015
	Commercial analyst, Office of Commercial Planning, National Coffee Growers Federation of Colombia. Bogota D.C. Colombia	Fall 2015
AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS	Number one rank in admissions to the program of Agonomic Engineering University of Caldas	Fall 2009
	Outstanding Academic Performance	2010
	University of Caldas Top 10 Nation-wide ECAES test score Department of Agricultural and Consumer Economics Fellowship University of Illinois	2015 Fall 2016; Spring 2017; Fall 2017; Spring 2018
HONOR SOCIETIES	Semillero Colfuturo Colombia	

Opportunity Fund Fellow
Department of State
United States of America

**SKILLS** Software: R Statistical Package (Professional), Stata (Competent), ArcGIS

(Competent), SQL (Competent).

**LANGUAGES** Spanish (Native)

> English (Fluent) Portuguese (Fluent)

## **REFERENCES**

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