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## EDUCATION

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<b>Ph.D. candidate</b>   <i>Applied Economics and Management</i> <i>Cornell University</i>	Fall 2017 – Present Ithaca, NY
<b>Master of Science</b>   <i>Applied Economics and Management</i> <i>Cornell University</i>	May 2022 Ithaca, NY
<b>Bachelor of Arts</b>   <i>Environmental Studies</i> <i>Brown University</i>	Spring 2014 Providence, RI

## AWARDS AND HONORS

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<b>Cornell TREESPEAR Research Grant</b>	December 2022
<b>American Economic Association (AEA) Mentoring Program</b>	Fall 2022 – Fall 2025
<b>Cornell TREESPEAR Research Grant</b>	July 2022
<b>Cornell Graduate School Conference Travel Grant</b>	June 2022
<b>Dyson Graduate Student - Outstanding Engaged Research Award</b>	May 2022
<b>Dyson Nominee, Cornell Graduate Diversity and Inclusion Social Justice Award</b>	April 2022
<b>Henry and Marcelle Morgenthau Fellowship, Agriculture and Life Sciences</b>	May 2021
<b>Hung Wo and Elizabeth Ching Student Assistantship</b>	May 2018

## PUBLICATIONS

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- Linkow, Tamara, Hayley Didriksen, Beth Gamse, Erin Bumgarner, Melissa Velez, Samuel Dastrup, Sarah Ballinger, Samantha Burke, Michael Meneses, and R. J. de la Cruz. (2017). Success Boston: Coaching for Completion. 2015-16 Implementation Report. Abt Associates.
- Linkow, Tamara, Beth Gamse, Fatih Unlu, Erin Bumgarner, Hayley Didriksen, Jane Furey, Michael Meneses, Mona Sami, and Austin Nichols. (2017). The Power of Coaching: Highlights from the Interim Report on the Impact of Success Boston's Transition Coaching on College Success. Abt Associates.
- Meneses, Michael. (2014). Using Social Indicators to Characterize the Relationship between Green Space and Quality of Life in Urban Populations. Undergraduate thesis, Brown University.

## WORKS IN PROGRESS

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- Meneses, Michael A., Clare L. Casteel, Miguel I. Gómez, David R. Just, Ravi Kanbur, David R. Lee, and C.-Y. Cynthia Lin Lawell. (2022). Organic Farming Transitions: A Dynamic Bioeconomic Model. Work in progress, Cornell University.

## PRESENTATIONS

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- 'A Dynamic Model of Spontaneous Stuck Thought .' Society for Biology Psychiatry (SOBP) Annual Meeting. Poster Presentation. Migó, M., Kragel, P., Cooper, J., Meneses, M., Treadway, M. San Diego, CA. April 2023.
- 'Organic Transitions: A Dynamic Bioeconomic Model.' Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (AERE) Session (AERE@EEA). Eastern Economics Association (EEA) Annual Conference. New York City. February 2023.
- Discussant for: 'Valuing Biodiversity as an Ecosystem Service to Agroecosystems through Endogenous Production Decisions', by Stephanie Brockmann, Katherine Lee, and Jennifer Rushlow. Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (AERE) Session (AERE@EEA). Eastern Economics Association (EEA) Annual Conference. New York City. February 2023.
- 'Organic Transitions: A Dynamic Bioeconomic Model.' Guest Lecture, AEM 7040: Applied Macroeconomics. Cornell University. November 2022.
- Panelist for: 'The Rise of Young Professionals.' Voices of Quebec Labrador Foundation webinar series. Quebec Labrador Foundation. September 2022.
- 'Organic Transitions: A Dynamic Model.' Poster Presentation. Agricultural and Applied Economics Association (AAEA) Annual Meeting. Anaheim, CA. August 2022.
- 'Organic Transitions: A Dynamic Bioeconomic Model.' Ph.D. Excellence Initiative Summer Research Workshop. New York University. June 2022.
- 'Organic Transitions: A Dynamic Bioeconomic Model.' A-Exam Presentation. Cornell University. Ithaca, NY. May 2022.
- 'Beyond Equal Weighting: Statistical Weighting in Multidimensional Poverty Indexes.' Second-Year Paper Presentation. Cornell University. Ithaca, NY. May 2019.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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- Cornell University TREESPEAR** March 2021 – present  
*Graduate Research Associate* Ithaca, NY
- Cornell University Think-tank for Resources, Energy, and the Environment: Science and Policy-related Economic Analysis and Research (TREESPEAR).
- Cornell University Applied Economics** Fall 2018 – Summer 2019  
*Second-Year Paper* Ithaca, NY
- Developed method for construction of statistical weights used in the calculation of the widely published Multidimensional Poverty Indices.
  - Second-year paper advisor: Ravi Kanbur
- Abt Associates** May 2015 – July 2017  
*Associate Analyst* Cambridge, MA  
Multiple Studies for HUD and DOL
- Project Description: Impact evaluations for U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) housing programs and U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) stakeholder engagement initiatives.
  - Project Role: Drafted chapters of study reports addressed to Congress. Performed impact analyses in Stata using instrumental variables. Managed descriptive study analyses. Oversaw data management and development of codebooks.
- College Access Texting Intervention: GEAR UP RTC
- Project Description: Texting intervention to improve college enrollment rates in national sample of high school seniors.
  - Project Role: Received raw string data from student text messages. Outlined cleaning protocol and coordinated team effort to clean data in preparation for automated matching against master dataset. Co-authored matching procedure in SAS to link cleaned student responses to data in master dataset. Prepped data for subsequent analysis.
- Success Boston Coaching Intervention
- Project Description: Quasi-experimental study examining effects of academic coaching on student outcomes.

- Project Role: Primary analyst for Student Survey descriptive study. Coded data-cleaning programs in Stata, constructed analytical variables from raw data. Automated the generation of summary figures and tables. Managed data requests sent to external partners (drafted and submitted data requests; remotely guided partners through construction of datafiles).

#### Reducing Early Childhood Obesity (RECO) Impact study

- Project Description: Evaluation of multiple obesity-related interventions in LA county.
- Project Role: Contributed towards development of spatial impact model to be used for examination of intervention effects on early childhood obesity rates. Managed recovery of intervention data from major program partners in Los Angeles.

#### Columbia-Brown-MBL

2012 – 2014

##### Research Assistant

Kisumu, Kenya

- Millennium Villages fertilizer field study

#### Brown University

2012 – 2014

##### Undergraduate Thesis

Providence, RI

- Tested hypotheses on relationship between green space and various quality of life indicators using satellite imagery data from USGS' publicly available online-archive and community level data for city of Chicago from the Project on Human Development in Chicago Neighborhoods (PHDCN).
- Undergraduate thesis advisor: John Logan

#### Brown University Sociology

2012 – 2014

##### Research Assistant

Providence, RI

- RA for John Logan and David Lindstrom at Brown Sociology.
- For John Logan's Spatial Structures in the Social Sciences (S4) lab, worked on data entry tasks to help develop the lab's spatial databases.
- For David Lindstrom, performed data entry tasks for his Ethiopia-based public health studies.

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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#### AEM 7500: Ph.D. Resource Economics | Cornell University

Spring 2023

##### Teaching Assistant

Ithaca, NY

#### AEM 7040: Ph.D. Applied Macroeconomics | Cornell University

Fall 2022

##### Guest Lecturer

Ithaca, NY

#### AEM 7040: Ph.D. Applied Macroeconomics | Cornell University

2021 – Present

##### Teaching Assistant

Ithaca, NY

#### AEM 2000: Contemporary Controversies in the Global Economy | Cornell University

Spring 2021, 2022

##### Teaching Assistant

Ithaca, NY

#### AEM 2555: Corporate Sustainability | Cornell University

Fall 2020

##### Teaching Assistant

Ithaca, NY

#### ECON 3670: Behavioral Economics and Public Policy | Cornell University

Spring 2019

##### Teaching Assistant

Ithaca, NY

#### AEM 2550: Corporate Sustainability | Cornell University

Fall 2018

##### Teaching Assistant

Ithaca, NY

### LEADERSHIP, SERVICE, AND OTHER MANAGEMENT EXPERIENCE

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#### Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (AERE)

2022 – 2023

##### AERE Graduate Student Advisory Committee

#### Applied Economics and Management (AEM) Graduate Student Association

Summer 2022 – Present

##### Seminar Committee

Ithaca, NY

#### Diversity in Cornell Economics (DICE)

Spring 2022 – Present

##### Department Accountability Committee Chair

Ithaca, NY

- Lobbied for inclusivity in economics at Cornell University.

**Upward Bound Cornell**

Summer 2019

**Program Associate**

Ithaca, NY

- Facilitated academic/career exploration for high school students from communities under-represented in higher-ed. Provided tutoring services. Coordinated logistics for residential program serving 100 students.

**Quebec Labrador Foundation**

Winter 2015 – Spring 2015

**Project Manager**

Ipswich, MA

- Drafted project operations and business plan; successfully pitched to Board of Directors; Communicated operations plan to team of marketing consultants hired to implement media component of operations plan.

**Brown Engineering After School Team (BEAST)**

Spring 2014

**Member**

Providence, RI

- Helped high school students from under-represented communities develop aspirations for careers in STEM. Recruited racially diverse students from local low-income school districts and guided them through experiments in mechanical engineering on Brown University campus.

**Brown University Mediation Project (BUMP)**

Fall 2013 – Spring 2014

**Co-President**

Providence, RI

- Oversaw organizational agenda. Coordinated workflows between internal members to achieve short/long-term milestones. Identified opportunity for partnership with external organizations. Managed relations with university administration and club alumni.

**MEDIA CITATIONS**

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'Michael Meneses presented at PhD Excellence Initiative.' Cornell University Think-tank for Resources, Energy, and the Environment: Science and Policy-related Economic Analysis and Research (TREESPEAR). June 2022. URL: [https://treespear.dyson.cornell.edu/michael\\_meneses\\_news.PhDExcellenceInitiativeNYU.html](https://treespear.dyson.cornell.edu/michael_meneses_news.PhDExcellenceInitiativeNYU.html)

**PERSONAL INTERESTS**

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**Endurance Sports****Cornell Running Club**

Notable Races: Ragnar Relay NY Men's 200 miles, 2018 (1st place)

**Riverside Boat Club (Rowing)**

Notable Races: Canadian Henley Regatta, 2015; Head of the Charles, 2015

**Narraganset Boat Club (Rowing)**

Notable Races: Head of the Charles, 2014

**Brown University Varsity Rowing team**

Notable races: Eastern Sprints (EARC), 2013

**Cooking****Cornell Student Cooperative Cooking Association**

Through this student group I joined a team of 5 students once a week to learn new recipes and prepare meals for 50 students; 2017-2019

**SKILLS**

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**Languages:** English (Native), Spanish (Fluent)

**Software:** STATA, Matlab, Mathematica, LaTeX, R, ArcGIS, SAS