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EDUCATION	<b>University of California-Davis</b> , Davis, California, USA Ph.D. Agricultural and Resource Economics, June 2006 M.S. Agricultural and Resource Economics, June 2003  <b>Universidad de las Américas-Puebla</b> , Puebla, Puebla, MX B.A., Economics, June 1998	
ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE	<b>Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas</b> , Mexico City, MX Chair of the Economics Department Associate Professor, Economics Department Assistant Professor, Economics Department	<b>July 2016 - Sep 2018</b> <b>Feb 2013 - July 2015</b> <b>Dec 2012 - to date</b> <b>June 2009 - Nov 2012</b>
	<b>Duke University</b> , Durham, USA Fulbright Visiting Scholar, Nicholas School of the Environment	<b>Aug 2015 - June 2016</b>
	<b>Universidad de Guanajuato</b> , Guanajuato, MX Assistant Professor, Economics Department	<b>Jan 2007 - May 2009</b>
	<b>University of California-San Diego</b> , San Diego, USA Visiting Research Fellow, Center for US-Mexican Studies	<b>Aug 2006 - Dec 2006</b>
PUBLICATIONS	<b>Refereed journal articles (* denotes research with a student)</b> Aburto-Oropeza, O., [et al., including <b>A. López-Feldman</b> ], 2018, “Harnessing Cross-border Resources to Confront Climate Change” <i>Environmental Science &amp; Policy</i> , 87:128-132. Dyer, G. A., <b>A. López-Feldman</b> and A. Yúnez-Naude, 2018, “Maize management in Yaxcaba, Yucatan, during the 21 <sup>st</sup> century’s first decade is consistent with an overall loss of landrace diversity in southeast Mexico ” <i>Genetic Resources and Crop Evolution</i> , 65:29-54. <b>López-Feldman, A.</b> and E. Chavez*, 2017, “Remittances and natural resource extraction: evidence from Mexico” <i>Ecological Economics</i> , 132: 67-79. <b>López-Feldman, A.</b> and D. Escalona*, 2017, “Remittances and labour allocation decisions at communities of origin: The case of rural Mexico” <i>Applied Economics Letters</i> , 24(4): 238-242. <b>López-Feldman, A.</b> and D. Hernández*, 2016, “Cambio climático y agricultura: Una revisión de la literatura con énfasis en América Latina” <i>El Trimestre Económico</i> , 332:459-496. Dyer, G. A., <b>A. López-Feldman</b> , A. Yúnez-Naude, J.E. Taylor and J. Ross-Ibarra, 2015, “Wake-up call for crop conservation science. Reply to Brush et al.” <i>Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS)</i> , 112(1).	

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- Cárdenas\*, E., **A. López-Feldman**, 2015, “Beyond income: Poverty and subjective well being in four rural Mexican communities.” *Agricultura, Sociedad y Desarrollo*, 12:483-498.
- Dyer, G. A., **A. López-Feldman**, A. Yúnez-Naude and J.E. Taylor, 2014, “Genetic erosion in maize’s center of origin.” *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS, cover article)*, 111(39): 14094-14099.
- López-Feldman, A.**, 2014, “Shocks, income and wealth: do they affect the extraction of natural resources by rural households?” *World Development*, 64: S91-S100.
- Porro, R., **A. López-Feldman**, J. Vela, L. Quiñonez, Z. Seijas, M. Vásquez, C. Salazar, V. Núñez and Cárdenas, J., 2014, “Forest use and agriculture in Ucayali, Peruvian Amazon: Interactions among Livelihood Strategies, Income and Environmental Outcomes.” *Tropics*, 23(2): 47-62.
- Parada\*, J. and **A. López-Feldman**, 2013, “Poverty dynamics in rural Mexico: What does the future hold?” *Ensayos: Revista de Economía*, 32(2): 55-74.
- López-Feldman, A.**, 2013, “Climate change, agriculture, and poverty: A household level analysis for rural Mexico.” *Economics Bulletin*, 33(2):1126-1139.
- Dyer G.A., and **A. López-Feldman**, 2013, “Inexplicable or Simply Unexplained? The Management of Maize Seed in Mexico.” *PLoS ONE* 8(6): e68320. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0068320
- López-Feldman, A.**, J. E. Taylor and A. Yúnez-Naude, 2011, “Natural Resource Dependence in Rural Mexico.” *Investigación Económica*, LXX (278): 15-36.
- López-Feldman, A.**, 2011, “Migration history, remittances and poverty in rural Mexico.” *Economics Bulletin*, 31(2): 1256-1264.
- López-Feldman, A.**, 2011, “Poverty and commercialization of non-timber forest products.” *Forest Resources and Mathematical Modeling*, 10: 219-234.
- Taylor, J.E. and **A. López-Feldman**, 2010, “Does Migration Make Rural Households More Productive? Evidence from Mexico.” *Journal of Development Studies*, 46(1): 68-90.
- Mora, J., and **A. López-Feldman**, 2010 “El efecto potencial de las remesas en la pobreza y la desigualdad.” *Panorama Económico*, 6(11): 63-82.
- Pfeiffer, L., **A. López-Feldman** and J.E. Taylor, 2009, “Is Off-farm Income Reforming the Farm? Evidence from Mexico.” *Agricultural Economics*, 40: 125-138.
- López-Feldman, A.**, and J. E. Taylor, 2009, “Labor Allocation to Non-Timber Extraction in a Mexican Rainforest Community.” *Journal of Forest Economics*, 15: 205-221
- López-Feldman, A.**, and J. Wilen, 2008, “Poverty and Spatial Dimensions of Non-Timber Forest Extraction.” *Environment and Development Economics*, 13(5): 621-642.
- López-Feldman, A.**, J. Mora and J. E. Taylor, 2007, “Does Natural Resource Extraction Mitigate Poverty and Inequality? Evidence from Rural Mexico.” *Environment and Development Economics*, 12(2): 251-269.
- López-Feldman, A.**, 2006, “Decomposing inequality and obtaining marginal effects.” *The Stata Journal*, 6(1): 106-111.

**Books, book chapters and book reviews (\* denotes research with a student)**

- Fonseca\*, C., **López-Feldman, A.**, and Vallejo, J., 2015, “Pobreza multidimensional en el México rural: un enfoque de conjuntos difusos” in Yúnez-Naude, A., Rivera, F., Chávez, A., Mora, J., and Taylor, J.E. *La economía del campo mexicano: Tendencias recientes y retos*. El Colegio de México.
- Mora, J. and **López-Feldman, A.**, 2015, “Transferencias del gobierno, pobreza y desigualdad: el impacto de Procampo y Oportunidades en los hogares rurales de México” in Yúnez-Naude, A., Rivera, F., Chávez, A., Mora, J., and Taylor, J.E. *La economía del campo mexicano: Tendencias recientes y retos*. El Colegio de México.
- Taylor, J.E., Mora, J., Adams, R., and **López-Feldman, A.**, 2015, “Remesas, desigualdad y pobreza: evidencias del México rural” in Yúnez-Naude, A., Rivera, F., Chávez, A., Mora, J., and Taylor, J.E. *La economía del campo mexicano: Tendencias recientes y retos*. El Colegio de México.
- López-Feldman, A.**, 2013, “Renewable resources and poverty alleviation: An application to non-timber forest products” in Yáñez-Arancibia, A., Dávalos, R., Day, J., and Reyes, E. (Eds.) *Ecological Dimensions for Sustainable Socioeconomic Development*. Wit Press.
- López-Feldman, A.**, 2013, “Introducción a la Valoración Contingente Utilizando Stata”, in Mendoza, A (Ed.). *Aplicaciones en Economía y Ciencias Sociales con Stata*. Stata Press.
- López-Feldman, A.**, 2012, Book review of Angelsen, A., Overgaard, H., Friis, J., Smith-Hall, C. and Wunder, S, (Eds.), 2011, “Measuring Livelihoods and Environmental Dependence: Methods for Research and Fieldwork,” Earthscan. *Ecological Economics*, 70: 240-241.
- Taylor, J.E. and **A. López-Feldman**, 2011, “Does Migration Make Rural Households More Productive? Evidence from Mexico” in Carletto, C., Davis, B., and Winters, P. (Eds.) *Migration, Transfers and Economic Decision Making among Agricultural Households*. Routledge.
- Vallejo, J.R. and **A. López-Feldman** (Eds.), 2010, *Perspectivas sobre la economía del desarrollo*, Universidad de Guanajuato, México.
- López-Feldman**, 2010, “Remesas, pobreza y desigualdad en el México rural: Analizando los efectos diferenciados de acuerdo con el historial migratorio” in Durand, J. and Schiavon J. (Eds) *Perspectivas migratorias: Un análisis interdisciplinario de la migración internacional*. CIDE.
- Taylor, J., R. Adams, J. Mora and **A. López-Feldman**, 2008, “Remittances, Inequality and Poverty: Evidence from Rural Mexico” in De Wind J. and Holdaway J. (Eds.) *Migration and Development Within and Across Borders: Research and Policy Perspectives on Internal and International Migration*. Ed. IOM and SSRC.

WORK IN PROGRESS  
OR UNDER REVIEW

- A. López-Feldman** and R. Porro, “Social comparisons, negative shocks, and subjective well-being: Evidence from the Peruvian Amazon.”
- D. Hernández\*, **López-Feldman, A.** and E. Arceo, “Droughts, poverty and labor allocation: Evidence from Rural Mexico”
- López-Feldman, A.** and A. Morales\*, “Environmental reliance and poverty dynamics in rural Mexico.”
- López-Feldman, A.**, A. Yunez-Naude, J.E Taylor, D. Hernández\* and A. Hernández, “Mexican Rural Households’ Vulnerability and Adaptation to Climate Change.”

**López-Feldman, A.** , R. Porro and S. Ocaña\*, “Poverty, inequality and natural resource reliance in the Peruvian Amazon: Looking at the differences between indigenous and mestizo populations.”

Arcand, JL., **A. López-Feldman**, N. Morgandi and D. Zaga, “Networks, skills, and Mexican undocumented migration to the United States.”

CONFERENCE  
PRESENTATIONS  
(SELECTED)

World Congress of Environmental and Resource Economists (WCERE). Gothenburg, Sweden. June 2018.

Meeting of the European Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (EAERE). Athens, Greece. June 2017.

COP-13 3<sup>rd</sup> Science for Biodiversity Forum. Cancún. December 2016.

Environment for Development Initiative (Efd), 10th Annual Meeting. Pucon, Chile. November 2016.

Heartland Environmental and Resource Economics Workshop. Urbana, USA. October 2015.

Latin American and Caribbean Environmental Economics Program (LACEEP) 10th anniversary conference. Mexico City, Mexico. June 2015.

Workshop on Environment and Development Economics in Latin America. Mexico City, Mexico. October 2013.

Meeting of the European Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (EAERE). Prague, Czech Republic. June 2012.

Exploring the Forest-Poverty Link: New Research Findings. CIFOR. Norwich, UK. June 2011.

Annual meeting of the American Agricultural Economics Association (AAEA). Denver, USA. July 2010.

Forest Resource Management and Mathematical Modeling International Symposium. Tachikawa, Japan. March 2010.

13th World Forestry Congress. Buenos Aires, Argentina. October 2009.

Meeting of the European Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (EAERE). Gothenburg, Sweden. June 2008.

Meeting of the European Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (EAERE). Thessaloniki, Greece. June 2007.

9th Occasional Workshop on Environmental and Resource Economics. Santa Barbara, USA. November 2006.

Meeting of the American Agricultural Economics Association (AAEA). Long Beach, USA. July 2006.

International conference on Economics of Poverty, Environment and Natural Resource Use. Wageningen, The Netherlands. May 2006.

Meeting of the Latin American and Caribbean Economics Association (LACEA). Paris, France. October 2005.

Meeting of the American Agricultural Economics Association (AAEA). Providence, USA. July 2005.

## TEACHING

### **Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas**

Contemporary Environmental Problems (Master/Ph.D. in Public Policy)  
Cost-benefit analysis (Bachelor)  
Environmental Economics (Bachelor/Master)  
Graduate seminar (Ph.D. in Public Policy)  
Introduction to econometrics (Ph.D. in Public Policy)  
Microeconometrics (Bachelor)  
Program Evaluation (Master)  
Undergraduate thesis seminar (Bachelor)

### **Universidad de Guanajuato**

Development Economics (Bachelor)  
Environmental and Resource Economics (Bachelor)  
Microeconomics (Bachelor)

### **University of California-Davis**

Economic Development (Bachelor)

### **Short courses and teaching at professional certificates**

Introduction to econometrics of panel data  
Microeconometrics using Stata  
Program Evaluation  
Statistical and econometrical tools for environment and development economics

## CONSULTANCY

Quality Assessment of IDBs Impact Evaluations. Inter-American Development Bank, 2017.  
Impacts of climate change on agriculture in the Caribbean region. CEPAL, 2017.  
Climate change policy in Mexico. UNDP, 2017.  
Climate change and agriculture in Latin America. CEPAL, 2015.  
Methodological revision of the economic analysis of Mexico's Low Emissions Development Strategy. World Wildlife Fund, 2012.  
Analysis of deforestation drivers as an input for the REDD+ Mexican National Strategy. Mexican National Forestry Commission (CONAFOR), 2011.  
Poverty and inequality impacts of climate change in Latin-America. CEPAL, 2010.  
PRECESAM-Colegio de México, 2003-2004, 2007-2008 and 2011.  
Methodology to Evaluate the Impact of Trade on Land Use in the Tropics. Inter-American Development Bank. 2006-2007.

## AWARDS AND GRANTS

**Outstanding teaching award**, 2017. CIDE  
**Fulbright Visiting Scholar**, 2015-2016.  
**Honorary mention in Banamex prize for best research in Economics**, 2011. Banamex.  
**Víctor L. Urquidi prize for best research in Economics**, 2011, COLMEX.  
**Member of National Research System**, Mexico's Consejo Nacional de Ciencia y Tecnología (CONACYT), 2008- to date (currently: SNI-Level III ).  
**Research grant "Fondos-CONACYT"** (US\$80,000), Consejo Nacional de Ciencia y Tecnología, 2016-2018.  
**Environment Working group (Mexican Rural Households' Vulnerability and Adaptation to Climate Change)** (US\$30,000), UC-Mexico Initiative, 2015-2017.

**Research grant “Fondos-CONACYT”** (US\$65,000), Consejo Nacional de Ciencia y Tecnología, 2014-2016.

**Collaborative Research Grant** (US\$25,000), University of California Institute for Mexico and the United States (UC MEXUS) and CONACYT, 2007-2008.

**Dissertation Research Grant** (US\$10,000), UC MEXUS, 2004-2006.

**Graduate Studies Scholarship, UC MEXUS - CONACYT**, 2000-2005.

**Fulbright Fellow**, 2000-2003.

**Ford-Hewlett-McArthur Scholarship**, Institute of International Education, 2000-2002.

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

### Committees

Associate Editor of the section *People and Forests* in *Frontiers in Forests and Global Change*. 2018 to date.

President-Elect of the *Latin American Association of Environmental and Resource Economists* LAERE. 2018-2020.

Member of the Advisory Board of Mexico’s *Committee to Evaluate the National Climate Change Policy*. 2015-2019.

Guest Editor of the journal *Desarrollo y Sociedad* (Department of Economics at Universidad de los Andes) for a special issue on Economics, Environment and Natural Resources. 2016

Member of the *Environment Working Group of the UC-Mexico Initiative*. 2015-2018.

Member of the Advisory Board of the *Latin American and Caribbean Environmental Economics Program (LACEEP)*. 2014- to date.

Member of the External Advisory Committee of *El Colegio de la Frontera Sur (ECOSUR)*. 2014- to date.

Member of the Editorial Council of the journals *Economía: Teoría y Práctica* and *Revista Mexicana de Ciencias Forestales*. 2012- to date.

Member of the Scientific Advisory Board of Mexico’s *Inter-Secretarial Commission on Biosafety of Genetically Modified Organisms (CIBIOGEM)*. 2010-2013.

### Referee

Agricultural Economics, American Journal of Agricultural Economics, Asian Development Review, Cuadernos de Economía, Ecological Economics, Ecological Applications, Economía: Teoría y Práctica, Economic Inquiry, Economics of Transition, Econoquantm, Environment and Development Economics, Environmental and Resource Economics, Environmental Economics and Policy Studies, Estudios Económicos, Gestión y Política Pública, El Trimestre Económico, Forest Resources and Mathematical Modeling, International Economics, International Forestry Review, International Journal of Migration and Border Studies, International Journal of Water Resources Development, International Migration Review, Journal of Arid Environments, Journal of Development Studies, Land Use Policy, Madera y Bosque, Natural Resources Forum, PLOS ONE, Región y Sociedad, Review of Development Economics, Revista de Estudios Sociales, Singapore Economic Review, Southern Economics Journal and World Development.

### Theses supervision

Chair of seven master and twelve undergraduate theses. Participated in committee of 30+ theses, including Ph.D. in Public Policy (CIDE) and Ph.D. in Development Economics (Graduate Institute Geneva).

RELATED SKILLS

- Languages: Fluent in English and Spanish (first language).
- Computer Skills: Stata (author of three Stata commands that are publicly available: `descogini`, `doubleb` and `singleb`), Mathematica (basic), LIMDEP (basic).