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Montserrat also volunteered for both Global Community Development Program (Cairo, Egypt) during 2013 and Rural Link (Hidalgo, Mexico) during 2012 where she visited and lived in marginalized communities. The former took place during the coup d'état of Mohammed Morsi and gave her the opportunity to write about power vacuum. The later had an economic focus on advising the locals about investment.

Born and raised in Mexico City, she is passionate about the design and evaluation of public policies, especially if related to changing the allocation mechanisms or the incentives involved. In the future she hopes to continue her studies on Political Economy and eventually conduct research on these topics.



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Hector Granados was born and raised in the city of Puebla, near Mexico City. He is studying a double major in economics and political science at ITAM. Growing up in a city that has major inequalities made him interested in how to improve people's standards of living and moving to a chaotic city like D.F. made Hector realizes the importance of urban planning in improving quality of life. His research interests are economic development, monetary policy, the impact of violence in Mexico's public policy and economy and urban planning from a transport economics

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