

# ÁLVARO PARRA

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Industrial Organization, Competition Policy, Microeconomic and Applied Theory

## EMPLOYMENT

**University of British Columbia, Sauder School of Business**

Assistant Professor, July 2013 - present.

## EDUCATION

**Northwestern University**

Ph.D. in Economics, June 2013 , Advisor: [Michael Whinston](#)

M.A. Economics, June 2008

**Pontificia Univeridad Católica de Chile**

M.A. Financial Economics, June 2007

B.A. Business Economics, June 2006

## WORKING PAPERS

“Sequential Innovation, Patent Policy and the Dynamics of the Replacement Effect” *Revision Requested by RAND Journal of Economics.*

“Entry Games under Private Information” joint with: [José Espin-Sanchez](#)

“Announcing High Prices to Deter Innovation,” joint with: [Guillermo Marshall](#)

“Second Price Auction with Participation Costs,” joint with: [José Espin-Sanchez](#)

“Innovation and Competition: The Role of Product Market Competition,” joint with: [Guillermo Marshall](#)

“Entrepreneurship Innovation, Patent Protection, and Industry Dynamics,” joint with: [Gerard Llobet](#) and [Javier Suarez](#) *Revision Requested by RAND Journal of Economics*<sup>1</sup>.

“Mergers in Innovative Industries: A Dynamic Framework,” joint with: [Guillermo Marshall](#)

## WORK IN PROGRESS

“Location, spillovers and Patent Races”

“When to license Sequential Inventions”

## FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Sauder’s Dean’s Office Grant, 2016 (15k).

UBC Hampton Research Fund, 2016 (2.5k).

Sauder’s Dean’s Office Grant, 2015 (10k).

UBC Bridge Funding, 2015 (2.5k).

Sauder’s Exploratory Grant, 2014 (7.5k).

Northwestern University, Center of Economic Theory 2011 & 2012

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<sup>1</sup> Joined for the revision process.

Northwestern University, Teaching Assistant Fellow, 2011-12  
 Northwestern University, Economics Distinguished Teaching Assistant 2011-12 and 2008-09  
 Northwestern University, University Fellowship 2007  
 Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, Distinguished Master Thesis 2006

#### INVITED PRESENTATIONS AND CONFERENCES

**2018** UC Davis, CEMFI.

**2017** Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, Texas A&M, Searle Center/USPTO Conference on Innovation Economics, IIOC.

**2016:** FTC's 9<sup>th</sup> Microeconomic Conference, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, IIOC, Canadian Economic Association, Sauder School of Business.

**2015** UBC - Sauder School of Business, UBC - Economics, Yale, Canadian Economic Association, IIOC, CRESSE, Econometric Society World Congress (Montreal)

**2014** Canadian Economic Association, UBC-HKU Summer Theory Conference, Sauder School of Business, TOI, FTC's 7<sup>th</sup> Microeconomic Conference, Econometric Society Latin American Meeting, Econometric Society European Summer Meeting

**2013** TOI, Northwestern University, University of British Columbia (Sauder), IESE, University of Washington, Mannheim University, Bates and White

**2012 or before** Summer Meeting Econometric Society 2012, Northwestern University (Student Job Market Seminar, Theory Lunch (x2), Theory Seminar, IO Seminar), Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile

#### REFEREE EXPERIENCE

American Economic Journal: Microeconomics & Macroeconomics, Econometrica, Journal of European Economic Association, Journal of Economic Theory, RAND Journal of Economics, Journal of Industrial Economics, International Journal of Industrial Organization, Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization, Journal of Economics Dynamics and Control, The BE Journal of Theoretical Economics, Bulletin of Economic Research, Journal of Legal Studies, American Journal of Agricultural Economics, NSF, FONDECIT Chile.

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

##### **Instructor, Sauder School of Business, UBC, 2014-present**

*Undergraduate:* Strategic Management (COMM 491, COEC 491 & COMM 493)

*Graduate:* Business Strategy (BASM 501, IMBA)

##### **Teaching Assistant, Northwestern University, 2008-12**

*Graduate:* Microeconomics 410-2 (3 times), 410-3 (x2).

*Undergraduate:* Industrial Economics, Competition Monopoly and Public policy (x2), Intermediate Microeconomics 310-2 (x2)

##### **Teaching Assistant, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, 2002-07 (in Spanish)**

*Graduate:* Microeconomics, Mathematical Economics, Financial Economics (2)

*Undergraduate:* Introduction to Economics (x2), Intermediate Microeconomics I (x2), Intermediate Microeconomics II (x2), Intermediate Macroeconomics, and Industrial Organization (x2).

*MBA:* Introduction to Economics (x2)

## OTHER INFORMATION

Chilean · married to Javiera Pumarino · born on June 9th, 1983

*Languages:* Spanish (native) · English · German (embarrassingly basic)

*Interests:* Guitar · Music · Chess · Books · Windsurf · Woodworking

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