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Contact Information

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Education

2017-2023 (expected) Ph.D in Economics - University of British Columbia (UBC), Vancouver

2014-2016 M.A. in Economics - Pontificia Universidade Católica (PUC-Rio), Rio De Janeiro
Thesis: Legalize it? The Effects of California's Medical Marijuana Law on Violent Crime

2009-2013 B.A. in Economics (Honors) - Univeridade Federal Fluminense (UFF)
Thesis: Economic Perfomance and Happiness (Desempenho Econômico e Felicidade)

Work Experience

Teaching

UFF(2010-2012), PUC-Rio (2015), UBC (2017-2022) and Corpus Christi College(2022)

I am currently an instructor at Corpus Christi College, Vancouver, where I teach Introductory Microeconomics. In the past, I have worked as teaching assistant in 20 courses, including econometrics, microeconomics and other math/statistics-intensive subjects.

Research Assistant

Climate Policy Initiative (2016-2017) and UBC (2018-2022)

I have been a research assistant for multiple projects. Some studied topics: the impact of hydroelectric dams in deforestation, the impact of civil war in ethnic identification, the effects of intra-family marriage in social capital, among others.

Responsibilities typically included: gathering data (data scraping, search for partnerships, etc), cleaning data, evaluating and adapting methods to identify causal effects, and multiple presentations to internal and external partners.

Economist

Petrobras(2013)

I worked in the International HR sector. Projects revolved around the remuneration and work policy for Petrobras' subsidiaries outside of Brazil. My tasks included, for example, carrying out international price level comparisons, the study of Libyan labor law, planning the process of shutting down Petrobras' subsidiary in the country, and reconciling competing interests.

Awards, Fellowships and Grants

2022	Centre for Innovative Data in Economics Research (CIDER) Small Grants in Innovative Data
2017-2021	Graduate Support Initiative (GSI) Fellowship
2017-2018	Canada Excellence Research Chairs (CERC/CIDE) Fellowship
2018	Best PhD Student in 1st Year: Macroeconomics
2014-2016	National Council for Scientific and Technological Development (CNPq) Fellowship
2013	Best Student (<i>Láurea Acadêmica</i>) at UFF's Economics Major
2005	Brazilian Public Schools' Math Olympiad (OBMEP) Honorable Mention (13th place)

Conference Presentations

2021	55th Annual Canadian Economics Association Meetings
Paper	From Violence to Violence? Present Homicides and the Guatemalan Conflict
2016	America Latina Crime and Policy Network (AL CAPONE)
Paper	Legalize it? The Effects of California's Medical Marijuana Law on Violent Crime
2016	LACEA-LAMES Annual Meetings
Paper	Legalize it? The Effects of California's Medical Marijuana Law on Violent Crime

Work in Progress

Paper	Civil-Police Relations in an Authoritarian Context: An Exploration of the Guatemalan National Police Historical Archive
Paper	From Violence to Violence? The Long Term Effect of Conflict in Homicide Rates
Paper	Indigenous Communities and the Containment of Drug-War Violence

Skills

Software

Stata
ArcMap
Python (numpy, pandas and others)
MS Office

Languages

Portuguese
Spanish
English

Referees

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