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## Positions

### Central European University - 2024-25

Postdoctoral Fellow, OSUN Forum on Democracy and Development  
Populism, Ideology, and Discourse in the Global South Hub  
Budapest, Hungary

### Skidmore College - 2023-24

Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science  
Affiliated Faculty, Latin American, Caribbean, and Latinxs Studies Program  
Saratoga Springs, NY

### Yeshiva University - Spring 2023

Adjunct Professor, Department of Political Science  
New York, NY

## Education

### Degrees

2023

PhD in Political Science, **University of Sao Paulo**, Sao Paulo, Brazil.  
Dissertation: *From Populist Promises to Democratic Threats: Brazil's Political Trajectory*.  
Nominated for the CAPES Thesis Award, Best PhD Dissertation in Political Science and International Relations (Result expected in August 2024).  
Committee: Paolo Ricci (University of Sao Paulo), Fernando Limongi (Univeristy of Sao Paulo), Lúcio Rennó (University of Brasilia), and Pedro Ribeiro (Federal University of Sao Carlos)

2018

M.A in Political Sociology, **Federal University of Santa Catarina**, Florianopolis, Brazil

2016

B.A in Social Sciences, **Federal University of Santa Catarina**, Florianopolis, Brazil

## Publications

### *Peer Reviewed Papers*

2024

Are There Populist Parties in Brazil? An Analysis of Elections Manifestos in Presidential Campaigns (2010 - 2022). *Accepted (Pary Politics.)*

2023

Connections Between Populism and Nationalism: Evidence from Jair Bolsonaro's Speeches. *Nations and Nationalism*, 29(3):1057-1075. (with Paolo Ricci)

2020

Opening Black Boxes: Jon Elster's Methodological Contributions to Social Sciences. *Mediações*, 25(2):393-411. (Portuguese)

2017

From Representation to Participation: A Change Among Representative Democracy Authors. *Em Debate*, 17:84-106. (Portuguese)

### ***Invited Participations***

2023

International Constellations of the Populist Radical-Right: An Analysis of Jair Bolsonaro's International Speeches (2019 - 2020). In: Lacatus, Corina, Georg Löffmann, and Gustav Meibauer. *Vox Populi: Populist Communication and Performative Leadership in International Politics*. London: Palgrave MacMillan. (with Eduardo R. Tamaki)

Loudmouth, Sharp Tongue: Incivility and Debasement in Brazil's President Jair Bolsonaro's YouTube Live Streams. In: Feldman, Ofer. *Debasing Political Rhetoric: Dissing Opponents, Journalists, and Minorities in Populist Leadership Communication*. New York: Springer. (with Eduardo R. Tamaki and Matheus G.M. Ferreira)

## **Current Research**

### ***Under Review***

From Ambiguity to Quasi-Consensus: The Trajectory of Populism as a Contested Concept. (in Portuguese)

### ***In Preparation***

Mass Partisanship with Brazil's Workers' Party: Ideology, Grassroots Organizing, of Incumbency Status? (with Lucas Perello and Patricio Navia)

Populism or Impeachment? Explaining the Brazilian Democratic Backsliding.

Who Distrust Elections? Evidence from Brazil. (with Filipe Faeti)

### ***Working Papers***

Populism at the Local Levels: Assessing Brazilian Gubernatorial Elections Manifestos (2010 - 2022). (with Paolo Ricci, and Guilherme Tiengo)

Tweeting Populism: Evidence from the 2022 Brazilian Presidential Campaign. (with Paolo Ricci, Guilherme Tiengo, and Raphaela Velho)

Activation of populist attitudes as a stimulus to authoritarianism: evidence from Brazil. (with Eduardo R. Tamaki)

Out With the Old, in With the New: A New Perspective to the Brazilian Populist Democracy (1946 - 1964). (with Eduardo R. Tamaki)

Are Populist Leaders Accountable for Democratic Erosion? An Empirical Comparative Assessment of the Relationship Between Populism and Democracy

Behind Closed Doors: Understanding the Criteria for Committee Nomination by Party Leaders in the CCJC of the Chamber of Deputies in Brazil.

Drain the Swamp Again: Populism in Trump's 2024 Primary Campaign Speeches. (with Ash Delamore, Anne Huffines, and Nolan Woodbury)

# Teaching Experience

## *Course Instructor*

### Skidmore College

Current

*Summer 2024.* PL 201-001 Principles of International Politics (5 students)

*Spring 2024.* PL 103-002 Introduction to Comparative and International Politics (28 students)

*Spring 2024.* PL 103-003 Introduction to Comparative and International Politics (13)

*Spring 2024.* PL 371-003 Populism and Democratic Backsliding in Latin America (3 students)

*Fall 2023.* PL 201-001 Principles of International Politics (17 students)

*Fall 2023.* POL 209-001. The Latin American Puzzle (13 students)

*Fall 2023.* POL 309-001. Latin America and the United States (4 students)

### Yeshiva University

Spring 2023

*Spring 2023.* POL 1201. Politics Across Cultures: Introduction to Comparative Politics (16 students)

*Spring 2023.* POL 2298. Populism in Global Perspective (9 students)

## *Teaching Assistant*

2020

*Teaching Assistant Fellowship*, University of Sao Paulo

2012-2014

*Teaching Fellowship - PIBID*, Coordination for the Improvement of Higher Education Personnel (CAPES)

# Conference Presentations

2024

Activation of Populist Attitudes as a Stimulus to Authoritarianism: Evidence from Brazil. (with Eduardo R. Tamaki). *Paper Accepted* for the XII Latin American Political Science Association Congress.

Who Distrust Elections? Evidence from Brazil. (with Filipe Faeti). 81st Annual Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, April 4-7.

Populism in a Nutshell: The 2022 Brazilian Election on Twitter. (with Paolo Ricci, Raphaela Martins Velho, Yuri Ferreira Nogueira and Guilherme Tiengo). 81st Annual Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, April 4-7.

Who Distrust Elections? Evidence from Brazil. (with Filipe Faeti). XVII Congress of Brazilian Studies Association, San Diego, April 3-7.

2023

Brazilian Democratic Backsliding: What if Bolsonaro Had Not Been Elected? (with Eduardo R. Tamaki). 27th World Congress Political Science Association Conference, Buenos Aires, Argentina, July 15-19.

Who is the Most Populist Contemporary Brazilian President? An Ideational Approach to Collor, Lula, and Bolsonaro's Speeches. LASA 2023 - América Latina y el Caribe: Pensar, Representar y Luchar por los Derechos, Vancouver, Canada, May 24-27.

Mass Partisanship with Brazil's Workers' Party: Ideology, Grassroots Organizing, of Incumbency Status? (with Lucas Perello and Patricio Navia). 10th Latin American World Association for Public Opinion Research Congress, Oaxaca, Mexico, April 19-21.

Mass Partisanship with Brazil's Workers' Party: Ideology, Grassroots Organizing, of Incumbency Status? (with Lucas Perello and Patricio Navia). 80th Annual Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, USA, April 13-16.

2022

Are There Populist Parties in Brazil? An Analysis of Presidential Electoral Platforms (2010 - 2018). 13th Brazilian Political Science Association Conference. Goiás, Brazil, September 20-23. (*Virtual*). (with Paolo Ricci)

Populism in Brazilian Party Manifestos: Presidential and Gubernatorial Elections (2010 - 2018). 79th Annual Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, USA, April 7-10. (with Paolo Ricci, Guilherme Tiengo and Andre Viola)

Out With the Old, in With the New: A New Perspective to the Brazilian Populist Democracy (1946 - 1964). 79th Annual Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, USA, April 7-10. (with Eduardo R. Tamaki)

Tweeters in Chief: Populism, Masculinity, and the Tweets of Donald Trump and Jair Bolsonaro. 79th Annual Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, USA, April 7-10. (with Pedro dos Santos)

2021

Between Populism and Nationalism: An Ideational Approach on Jair Bolsonaro's Speeches (2019 - 2010). European Consortium for Political Research General Conference, August 30 - September 3, (*Virtual*). (with Paolo Ricci)

Above Everything, God Above Everyone: An Ideational Approach to Jair Bolsonaro's Speeches in His First Year in Government. 78th Annual Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, USA, April 14-18, (*Virtual*)

2019

An informational approach on the composition process of the Constitution, Justice and Citizenship Committee of the Chamber of Deputies. 6th Brazilian Graduate Forum of Political Science, Belém, Brazil, July 7-12

2014

Democracy in Santa Catarina Schools: Elections for Principals as Perpetuation of Political Nominations. 5th Undergraduate National Meeting and 4th National Conference of PIBID, Natal, Brazil, December 8-12

## Grants and Fellowships

Spring 2024

*Travel Grant*. Conference funding. Skidmore College (US\$ 1850).

Fall 2023

*Research Grant*. Grant for research-related expenses. Skidmore College (US\$ 500).

Spring 2022

*Travel Grant*. Conference funding. University of São Paulo (US\$ 800).

Fall 2021

*Study Abroad: Internationalization Program*. Under the supervision of David Plotke (The New School for Social Research). Coordination for the Improvement of Higher Education Personnel (CAPES) (US\$ 13,300).

- 2018-2022 *Ph.D. Fellowship*, National Council for the Scientific and Technological Development (CNPq) (R\$ 124,800).
- Spring 2020 *Teaching Assistant Fellowship*, University of São Paulo (R\$ 4,110).
- 2016-2018 *M.A. Fellowship*, Coordination for the Improvement of Higher Education Personnel (CAPES) (R\$ 36,000).
- 2014-2015 *Research Assistant Fellowship*, National Council for the Scientific and Technological Development (CNPq).
- Fall 2014 *Travel Grant*. Conference funding. Federal University of Santa Catarina (R\$ 1400).

## Journal Reviewer

PLOS ONE

Populism

International Journal of Communication

## Media Appearances

Comment on the first round of the 2022 Brazilian Elections for *Razón de Estado*

Comment on the runoff of the 2022 Brazilian Elections for *Razón de Estado*

## Skills

### *Languages*

Portuguese (native), English (fluent), Spanish (fluent)

### *Statistics and Programming*

Advanced user in R and L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

## Membership in Professional Associations

American Political Science Association (APSA), Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA), International Political Science Association (IPSA), Brazilian Political Science Association (ABCP), Brazilian Association of Graduate Studies and Research in Social Sciences (ANPOCS), Latin American Studies Association (LASA), Brazilian Studies Association (BRASA)

## References

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