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## EDUCATION

**University of Maryland**, College Park, MD  
*Ph.D. in Political Science*, Expected 2026  
– Dissertation: *Impeachment by Popular Demand: Analyzing Citizens’ Decision-Making on Presidential Impeachment*  
– Committee Members: Ernesto Calvo (Chair), Isabella Alcañiz, Calvert W. Jones, Aníbal Pérez-Liñán, and Giancarlo Visconti.  
**University of Maryland**, College Park, MD  
*M.A. in Political Science*, 2024  
**University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign**, Urbana-Champaign, IL  
*M.A. in Brazilian Studies*, 2021  
**Universidade de Brasília**, Brasília, Brazil  
*B.A. in International Relations*, 2018

## PUBLICATIONS

### Published

Aruguete, N., Batista, Flavia., Calvo, E., Guizzo-Altube, M., Scartascini, C., & Ventura, T. (2024). *Framing fact-checks as a “confirmation” increases engagement with corrections of misinformation: A four-country study*. *Scientific Reports*, 14(1), 3201.

Batista, Flavia., Batista, Carolina; Calvo, Ernesto. *Partisan Messages and Support for Democratic Institutions: Evidence from Survey Experiments in Brazil, Chile, and Colombia*. *Latin American Politics and Society*. Published online 2026:1-21.

### Under Review

Batista, Flavia., Cunningham, Kathleen., Gelvez, Juan. (2025). **R&R**. *Who should guide climate policy? Public opinion evidence from Latin America to Global Environmental Politics*. Submitted for publication at *Revista Latinoamericana de Opinión Pública (RLOP)*.

Batista, Flavia. (2025). *Voices Behind the Data: Weighing the Trade-Offs Between Audio and Typed Open-Ended Responses in Surveys*. Submitted for publication at *Political Analysis*.

### Book Chapters

Batista, Flavia., Tuncel, Ozlem. (2025). *The Politics of Impeachment in the United States: Exploring Attitudes Toward Presidential Impeachment Among Citizens and Politicians*. Forthcoming in *The Year in C-SPAN Archives Research*.

Batista, Flavia., Tiemi, B., Gonçalves, D., & Mamede, N. (2018). *Genocídio Cultural? Uma análise da morte da cultura indígena como uma violação de direito fundamental*. In: Simões, N., Sauer, L., Lemos, P., Mendes, N., & Goés, Y. (Orgs.), *Um Novo Ponto Guia: rompendo paradigmas pela perspectiva do sul global* (pp. 4–442). Brasília.

Batista, Flavia., Fagundes, G. H., Martins, I. E., & Navarro, L. (2017). *Potencialidades de las industrias culturales para el desarrollo económico y ascensión social en Suramérica*. In: Cintral, J., et al. (Orgs.), *Relacionais e Interdependentes* (pp. 368–405). Brasília: Art e Letras.

Batista, Flavia., Weyl, E. S., Matias, J. C., & Cintra, J. (2016). *La esclavitud moderna en América: Desafíos y el rol de la Organización de los Estados Americanos (OEA)*. In: Alves, D., et al. (Orgs.), *Local challenges, global responsibilities* (pp. 182–243). Brasília: Art Letras.

Batista, Flavia., Yandun, D. A., Martins, M. A. S., & Bustamante, S. A. D. (2016). *Entre la paz y la guerra: la inestabilidad social en América del Sur*. In: Araújo, R., et al. (Orgs.), *Permitir (ser): Empoderamento e interculturalidade no cenário político global* (pp. 408–437). Brasília: Art Letras.

Batista, Flavia., Nizato, J. P., Ferreira, S. T., & Noronha, V. (2015). *Ni paz, Ni Guerra: En busca de nuevos conceptos de paz y seguridad en el contexto de las novísimas guerras en Suramérica*. In: Rissi, B., Lima, D., Campbell, M., Fagundes, R., & Fernandes, W. (Orgs.), *Long-lasting peaces: overcoming the war-peace hiatus for a sustainable future* (pp. 103–167). Brasília: Gráfica & Editora Art Letras.

### Work in Progress

Batista, Flavia. (2025). *Eroding Democracy from Below: Instrumental Impeachment in Brazil and Colombia*. Dissertation chapter. Manuscript being prepared for publication.

Batista, Flavia. (2025). *It's All About the Audience (and a Bit About the Framing): Citizens' Impeachment Calculus in Brazil and Colombia*. Dissertation chapter.

Batista, Flavia., Venturelli, Gustavo. (2025). *Impeachment as a Driver of Backsliding: Evidence from Brazil*. Manuscript being prepared for publication.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### Instructor of Record

*University of Maryland, College Park*

– Course: International Political Relations (Fall 2024, Winter 2025, Summer 2025, & Summer 2026)

– Course: Democracy in Decline: Mapping the Global Slide (Winter 2026)

### Teaching Assistant

*University of Maryland, College Park*

– Courses: The Study of Comparative Politics (Fall 2025); Scope and Methods for Political Science (Spring 2025).

*University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign*

– Courses: Intensive Beginning Portuguese (Fall 2019) & Intensive Intermediate Portuguese (Spring 2020)

*University of Brasília, Brasília, Brazil*

– Courses: Brazilian International Relations (2018), Introduction to Psychology (2017) Introduction to Law (2016) & International Relations Theory (2015).

## GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

2026. Ann G. Wylie Dissertation Fellowship, University of Maryland (\$15,000)

2025. American Political Science Association (APSA) Travel Grant (\$200)

2025. Emerging Methodologists Workshop Travel Grant (\$400)

2025. Humane Studies Fellowship, George Mason University (\$5,000)

2025. Dean's Research Initiative Grant, University of Maryland (\$3,500)

2025. LACS Summer Travel Scholarship (\$250)

2024. Phi Kappa Phi Love of Learning Award (\$1,000)

2024–2025. Oskar Morgenstern Fellowship, Mercatus Center (\$7,000)

2024. Graduate School Summer Fellowship, University of Maryland (\$5,000)

2024. GVPT Methods Field Summer Grant, University of Maryland (\$250)  
 2024. LACS Pop-Up Summer Grant, University of Maryland (\$1,000)  
 2024. Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Travel Award (\$500)  
 2023. GVPT Methods Field Summer Grant, University of Maryland (\$500)  
 2023. LACS Pop-Up Summer Grant, University of Maryland (\$1,000)  
 2023. Department of Government and Politics (GVPT) Comparative Politics Summer Grant, University of Maryland (\$550)  
 2022. Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR) Travel Grant (\$500)  
 2022. Latin American and Caribbean Studies (LACS) Pop-Up Summer Grant, University of Maryland (\$1,000)  
 2015–2021. Dean’s Summer Fellowship, University of Maryland (\$20,000)  
 2020–2021. Lemann Graduate Fellowship for Brazilian Studies, UIUC (\$20,000)  
 2020. Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, Travel Grant, UIUC (\$2,000)  
 2020. Summer Fellowship, University of Illinois at Urbana–Champaign (UIUC) (\$2,000)  
 2015–2017. Scientific Initiation Program Scholarship, University of Brasília

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

*University of Maryland, College Park*

**Research Assistant**, **Interdisciplinary Lab of Computational Social Sciences (iLCSS-UMD)** (2021–2024)

– Advised by Prof. Ernesto Calvo. Designed and implemented survey experiments, and conducted research on political behavior and democratic erosion.

**Research Assistant**, **Human-Computer Interaction Lab (HCIL)** (Summer 2023)

– Advised by Prof. Joel Chan. Conducted an open literature review on social media and political (dys)function.

**Research Assistant** for Prof. Kathleen Cunningham (Summer 2022)

– Helped code data on Non-State Actor Governance for a larger cross-national project.

*University of Illinois at Urbana–Champaign*

**Research Assistant** for Prof. Gisela Sin (Summer 2021)

– Coded data on regime changes in Latin America.

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Pi Sigma Alpha Undergraduate Student Conference [discussant]: 2026

Center for C-SPAN Scholarship & Engagement Conference: 2025

American Political Science Association (APSA): 2024, 2025

Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA): 2024, 2025

Emerging Methodologists Workshop (EMW): 2025

**Southwest Workshop on Mixed-Methods Research**: 2023

**Sciences Po Summer School on “Electoral Democracy in Danger?”**: 2023

University of Maryland Graduate Students Conference: 2022

## METHODS TRAINING

**The Institute for Qualitative & Multi-Method Research**, Syracuse University (June 2022)

Natural and Randomized Experiments, Multi-Method Research, Causal Inference, Social Media as Social Science Data

**Big Data for Development and Governance Conference**, University of Pennsylvania (October 2022)

BERT models for text classification, Social media data, Digital Experiments

**Video Research Institute**, Purdue University (June 23–June 28, 2024)

Natural Language Processing, Bidirectional Encoder Representations from Transform-

ers (BERT), Audio Analysis, Wav2Vec and Multimodal Classification, Image/Video Analysis, Convolutional Neural Networks

**LAPOP Summer School on Survey Methods**, Vanderbilt University (June 2025)  
Advanced Survey Design, Survey Experiments, Survey Techniques in Latin America

**Emerging Methodologists Workshop (EMW)**, Georgetown University (June 2025)  
Competitive workshop producing methodological work; mentored by Prof. Jonathan Renshon.

SKILLS	<p><b>Software:</b> R, LaTeX, Python</p> <p><b>Languages:</b> Portuguese (native), English (fluent), Spanish (fluent), French (intermediate)</p>
SERVICE	<p>2026. Discussant at h 2025. Member of the Latin Americanist Meetups (LAM) Committee</p> <p>2024. Reviewer for Comparative Political Studies (CPS)</p> <p>2023. Coordinator of the Southwest Workshop on Mixed-Methods Research (SWMMR)</p> <p>2022-2023. Co-chair of the GVPT Graduate Students Association</p> <p>2021. Member of the Latin American and Caribbean Studies Center (LACS-UMD)</p> <p>2020-2021. Member of the Students Advising on Graduate Education (SAGE-UIUC)</p> <p>2019. President of the Luso-Brazilian Students Association at UIUC</p>
REFERENCES	<p>Ernesto Calvo, Professor, <a href="#">University of Maryland</a>, <a href="mailto:ecalvo@umd.edu">ecalvo@umd.edu</a></p> <p>Isabella Alcañiz, Professor, <a href="#">University of Maryland</a>, <a href="mailto:ialcaniz@umd.edu">ialcaniz@umd.edu</a></p> <p>Calvert W. Jones, Associate Professor, <a href="#">University of Maryland</a>, <a href="mailto:cwjones@umd.edu">cwjones@umd.edu</a></p> <p>Aníbal Perez-Liñan, Professor, <a href="#">University of Notre Dame</a>, <a href="mailto:aperezl1@nd.edu">aperezl1@nd.edu</a></p> <p>Giancarlo Visconti, Assistant Professor, <a href="#">University of Maryland</a>, <a href="mailto:gvis@umd.edu">gvis@umd.edu</a></p> <p>Jonathan Renshon, Professor, <a href="#">University of Wisconsin-Madison</a>, <a href="mailto:renshon@wisc.edu">renshon@wisc.edu</a></p>