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Appointments

2023-   **Syracuse University**, Assistant Professor
Department of Political Science, Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs

2022-23   **Brown University**, Postdoctoral Fellow
Center for Philosophy, Politics, and Economics

Education

2022   **Harvard University**, Ph.D., A.M., Government
2015   **Stanford University**, M.A., International Policy (International Political Economy)
2011   **Vanderbilt University**, B.S., Human and Organizational Development, Spanish

Book Project

In progress   *Machine Gun Politics: Why Politicians Cooperate with Criminal Groups*
My book manuscript details how candidates and criminal groups strike deals in order to win elections. I develop a theory of *criminal clientelism*, arguing that criminal groups can be effective brokers and that certain candidates face low risks when striking deals.
– Best Dissertation Award, Urban Politics Section, APSA (2023)
– Best Dissertation Award Runner-up, Democracy and Autocracy Section, APSA (2023)

Peer-Reviewed Publications

2022   Trudeau, J. "Limiting Aggressive Policing Can Reduce Police and Civilian Violence."
World Development 160.
   – Press coverage: The World, Piauí, and O Dia

2022   Bullock, J. & Pellegrino, A. P. "How do Covid-19 Stay-at-Home Restrictions Affect Crime? Evidence from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil." ***EconomiA*** 22(3): 147-163.

Working Papers

"How Criminal Governance Undermines Elections." *Under Review.*
   – Franklin L. Burdette/Pi Sigma Alpha Best Conference Paper Award, APSA (2022)
   – Best Paper Award in the Conflict Processes Section, APSA (2022)
   – Elinor and Vincent Ostrom Prize for Best Graduate Student Paper and
    Presentation, Public Choice Society (2022)
   – Best Paper Award in the Subnational Politics and Society Section, LASA (2020)
   – Selected press coverage: Piauí, Pindograma

"A Call of Duty? Police Force Formation in Brazil." (with Ana Paula Pellegrino and Lucas Novaes)

"Determinants of Public Preferences for Police Hiring and Spending" (with Ana Paula Pellegrino and Tyler Simko)

"Worksite sampling: An ethical alternative to asking about violence at the home."

Book Chapters

2020   "How Should Lava Jato End?" (with Matthew Stephenson). In *Corruption and the Lava Jato Scandal in Latin America*, Paul Lagunes and Jen Svenjar (eds.), Routledge.

In Progress

"Criminal Capital and Voter Mobilization."

"Explaining Extortion: Evidence from 2 Million Anonymous Calls for Help."

"Strategic Cartography: How Map-Making Can Enable or Obstruct Social Inclusion" (with Ana Paula Pellegrino)

"The Industrial Organization of Bribery: Evidence from Peru's Fujimori Regime"

Policy & Commentary

2022   "Lições Pandêmicas para Políticas de Segurança Pública Efetivas." *Nexo Políticas Publicas*. (with Ana Paula Pellegrino).

2021   "Policing or perpetuating violence? State-sanctioned milícias and police in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil." [Review of the book *A República das Milícias: Dos Esquadrões da Morte à Era Bolsonaro*, by B. Paes Manso]. *Criminological Encounters*, 4(1), 179-183.

2021   "Brazilian police killed 27 people in a single raid this month. That doesn't make Rio de Janeiro safer." *The Monkey Cage*, Washington Post.

Policy Briefs: "Resisting Corruption Along Drug Trafficking Routes: An Analysis of Criminal Justice Bodies in Latin America," "Corruption and Marginalisation," "Corruption and Unsolicited Proposals: Risks, Accountability, and Best Practices," "Best Practices in Civilian Oversight and Whistleblower Protection in the Armed Forces," "Development of Peru's Asparagus Industry," "Administrative Decentralization in Peru." *My writing on crime and corruption has appeared on the Global Anticorruption Blog.*

Honors and Awards

2023   Best Dissertation in the Study of Urban Politics, Urban Politics Section, *American Political Science Association*

2023   Juan Linz Prize for the Best Dissertation in the Comparative Study of Democracy, Runner up, *American Political Science Association*

2022

Franklin L. Burdette Pi Sigma Alpha Best Conference Paper Award, *American Political Science Association*

2022 Conflict Processes Section Best Paper Award, *American Political Science Association*

2022 Elinor and Vincent Ostrom Prize for Best Graduate Student Paper and Presentation, *Public Choice Society*

2020 Subnational Politics & Society Best Paper Award, *Latin American Studies Association*

2019 Weatherhead Center for International Affairs Dissertation Writing Fellowship

2019 Finalist in ISI/Esri International ArcGIS Student Competition

2018 Jorge Paulo Lemann Traveling Fellowship

2013-14 Stanford Humanities and Sciences Fellowship

2012 David L. Boren National Security Fellowship

2012 Fulbright Teaching Fellowship, Guatemala (declined)

2007-2011 Ingram Scholar, Vanderbilt University

GRANTS

External

2022 Meta Platforms - Research into Public Security Perceptions in Brazil ($25,000)

2020 United Nations Development Program (UNDP) - Exploring impact and response to the COVID-19 pandemic in Latin America and the Caribbean using mobility data

2018 Corporación Andino de Fomiento (CAF) - Corruption and Prevention Policies in Latin America ($10,000)

Internal

2023 Appleby-Mosher Fund for Faculty Research ($2000)

2021 David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies - Brazil Research Grant ($6000), Institute for Quantitative Social Science ($3000)

2020 David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies - Brazil Cities Initiative ($5000), Foundations of Human Behavior Initiative ($5000), Institute for Quantitative Social Science ($2500), Harvard Experimental Working Group ($600)

2018 David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies ($2000), Foundations of Human

2017 Behavior Initiative ($5000) David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies ($2500), David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies - Brazil Cities Initiative

2016 ($2500), Institute for Quantitative Social Science ($3000) David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies ($1900)

AFFILIATIONS

2024 Fellow, Governance and Local Development Institute

2022-23 Fellow, Electoral Integrity Project

2021-present Affiliated researcher, Fundação Getúlio Vargas, FGV-Cidades

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

2023 GIS Institute, Brown University

2016	Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR), Syracuse University

PRESENTATIONS

Invited Talks

2023	Boston University, Comparative Politics Workshop
2022	Bocconi University, CLEAN Seminar; ViCE Seminar Series; KDI School of Public Policy and Management, KDIS Frontiers in Data and Public Policy Seminar Series; NYU, Comparative Politics Speaker Series; Brown University, Odyssey Lecture; Texas Tech, FMI Research Workshop; CIDE, Programa para el Estudio de la Violencia Research Seminar
2021	Harvard University, Brazil Studies Program
2020	Symposium on the Political Economy of Development Honoring Robert Bates; Harvard University, Brazil Studies Program
2019	Cabinet of Rio de Janeiro Dep. Renan Ferreirinha, Professional Development Workshop

Conferences & Workshops

2023	UPenn Crime and Policing in Comparative Perspective, Empirical Studies of Conflict (ESOC) Latin America Workshop, Red para el Estudio de la Economía Política de América Latina (REPAL) Annual Meeting, Brown University Extra-legal Governance in Global Comparative Perspective
2022	Urban Politics in the Global South Workshop, HKS Corruption and Anti-Corruption Study Group, *AL CAPONE*: America Latina Crime and Policy Network, Public Choice Society, Latin American Peace Science Society
2021	Graduate Students in International Political Economy (GSIPE) Qualitative and Mixed Methods Mini-Conference, NEWEPS-17, RIDGE LACEA Workshop on the Economics of Crime, ESOC, La Red de Estudios Sobre Drogas en América Latina (REDESDAL), Latin American Social and Public Policy (LASPP), NYU Rebecca B. Morton Conference on Experimental Political Science
2020	Brazilian Law and Economics Association, 24h Conference on Global Organized Crime
2019	Households in Conflict Network (HiCN), *Fundação Getúlio Vargas* Legal and Economic Research Seminar
2018	Corporación Andino de Fomiento (CAF), Corruption and Prevention Policies
	Professional meetings: APSA (2021-23), BRASA (2018), ISA (2023), LACEA-LAMES (2021), LASA (2016, 2020-21), MPSA (2018, 2021), SEA (2021), SPSA (2016, 2023)

FIELD RESEARCH

Brazil (36 months total): 2012, 2014, 2016, 2017, 2018-2019

TEACHING

As Instructor of Record

2023	Crime and Violence (Syracuse University)
2023	Politics of Geography (Syracuse University)
2023	Crime, Violence, and Policing in Latin America (Brown University)
2020-21	Politics of Organized Crime (Sophomore Tutorial, Harvard University)
	– Awarded a Certificate of Distinction in Teaching (Mean score: 5.0/5.0)
2018-22	How Geography Affects Politics (Harvard Pre-College Summer School Program)

As Teaching Assistant

2020	Politics in Brazil (Harvard University)
	– Awarded a Certificate of Distinction in Teaching (Mean score: 4.82/5.0)
2018	Empirical Methods II (Harvard Kennedy School)
2018	Comparative Democratization (Harvard University)
2017	Quantitative Methods for Political Science (Harvard University)
2015	Applied Statistics for Policy (Stanford University)

SERVICE

Discipline

2023	Scientific committee, AL CAPONE: America Latina Crime and Policy Network
2023	Award committee, Best Paper in the Conflict Processes Section (APSA)
2022	Award committee, Global Initiative Against Transnational Organized Crime

Reviewer for: *American Political Science Review, Applied Economics Letters, Comparative Political Studies, Journal of Politics, Perspectives on Politics (2), Political Behavior*

Departmental

2023-24	Member of the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (Syracuse University)
2020-2021	Committee member of the Verba Lecture Series (Harvard University)
2019-2020	Committee member for the Graduate Student Poster Session (Harvard)
2019 –	Mentor in peer mentor program for first year graduate students
2018-2019	Co-Organizer of Fieldwork Methods and Training Departmental Workshop (Harvard)
2018-2019	Subcommittee on Teaching and Training member - Climate Change (Harvard)
2016-2017	Graduate Co-coordinator of the Comparative Politics Speaker Series (Harvard)

SKILLS

Software: ArcGIS, Python, Qualtrics, R, Stata
Language: Portuguese (fluent), Spanish (advanced)

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