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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Logic, Philosophies of Science & Mathematics, and History of Analytic Philosophy (with a special focus on the works of Russell, Wittgenstein, Carnap, Quine, Putnam)

EDUCATION

2022-Present PhD, Philosophy - University of São Paulo (USP)

Research Line: Logic & Philosophy of Science / Advisor: Valter Alnis Bezerra

Subject: Scientific structuralism and trivialization

Grade Point Average: A

2024 Visiting PhD Student - Munich Center for Mathematical Philosophy (MCMP-LMU)

Capes-PrInT Scholarship / Advisor: Hannes Leitgeb

2019-2021 M.A., Philosophy – Federal University of Minas Gerais (UFMG)

Research Line: Logic, Science, Mind and Language / Advisor: Mauro Engelmann Thesis: Logical networks and Physics within language: from Hertz's mechanics to a non-metaphysical reading of the Tractatus

[Maximum grade, and recommended for publication and *best thesis* award]

Grade Point Average: A

2014-2018 B.A, Social Sciences - UFMG

Bachelor's thesis: Formalism and contingency: a non-resolute approach to Tractatus'

philosophy of science (Grade: A) / Advisor: Mauro Engelmann

Grade Point Average: A (4.78/5.00)

2015-2018 Supplementary Course (Minor, 360h+) in Philosophy – UFMG

Grade Point Average: A

2012-2013 B.Sc., Physics – UFMG (2 semesters)

ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATION

2023 SPLogic International School of Logic - Unicamp

Advanced School on Contemporary Logic, Rationality, and Information. Campinas, Brazil.

2023 Object Oriented Programming Lab - USP

Intensive course on Object Oriented Programming. Virtual.

2022 Models & Methods - Universität Wien

Summer School: Mathematical Explanation and Computational Methods. Vienna, Austria.

2022 Databases & SQL for Data Science with Python - IBM

Intensive course on Databases and Structured Query Language using Python. Virtual.

2018 DAAD-Hochschulwinterkurs – Universität Leipzig

Scholarship for intensive German language studies. Leipzig, Germany.

2010 San Diego University for Integrative Studies

Intensive English language course and exchange program. San Diego, USA.

EXPERIENCE

2025-Present Teaching Assistant (PAE) - USP

Course: Logic I (120h).

2023 Teaching Assistant for Academic Writing (PLEA) - USP

Courses: Anthropology II (90h).

2022 Reviewer

Revista Perspectivas (Federal University of Tocantins).

2019-2020 Graduate Teaching Assistant, UFMG

Courses: History of Contemporary Philosophy I (90h), and Logic (90h).

2019-Present Translator

Freelance translator of scientific manuscripts (Pt/En).

Translation of Carnap's "Der logische Aufbau der Welt" (De/Pt) — in progress.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE & GRANTS

2025-Present Teaching Assistant Scholarship (PAE) - USP

Main area: Philosophy / Logic.

2022-Present PhD Full-Time Fellowship (CAPES) – USP

Main area: Philosophy / Subject: Scientific structuralism and trivialization.

2024 Selected for the DAAD Bi-nationally Supervised PhD 2024/2025 Scholarship

(Incompatible with Capes-PrInt Scholarship's Schedule, so I had to refuse)

2024 Capes-PrInt Visiting Doctoral Student Scholarship - MCMP/LMU

Main area: Philosophy / Subject: Scientific structuralism and trivialization.

2023 Teaching Assistant for Academic Writing Scholarship (PLEA) - USP

Main area: Social Sciences / Anthropology.

2019-2021 M.A. Full-Time Fellowship (CAPES) – UFMG

Main area: Philosophy / Subject: Hertz's mechanics and Wittgenstein's Tractatus.

2018-2019 Undergraduate Research Fellowship (Fapemig) - UFMG

Main area: Philosophy / Subject: Physics in Wittgenstein's Tractatus.

2016-2017 Undergraduate Research Fellowship (Fapemig) - UFMG

Main areas: Urbanism and Sociology / Subject: Content analysis of media coverage.

2012-2013 Undergraduate Research (volunteer) - UFMG

Main area: Physics. / Subject: Modeling the geometry of molecules on graphene.

RESEARCH OUTPUT

Manuscripts Trivialization in Mathematics (Work in Progress)

The paper develops an objection to mathematical structuralism based on the very semantic indeterminacy that the view relies on]

Language and science in the Tractatus: from Hertzian mechanics to Wittgenstein's view on physics (Work in Progress – Revise & Resubmit for *Perspectives on Science*) [The paper argues that Wittgenstein's adoption of Hertz's formal deflationism ends up ruling out a purported conventionalist view of physics in the Tractatus]

Conferences Ferrari, J. (2023) Newman's objection and its impact on Scientific Structuralism. New Perspectives on Anomalies in the Sciences Workshop, UFRI, Brazil.

> Ferrari, J. (2023) Non-trivial structuralism. SPLogic International School of Logic, Unicamp, Brazil.

> Ferrari, J. (2022) Hertz's Deflated Mechanics and the Structural Conception of Scientific Objectivity in Wittgenstein's Tractatus. British Society for the History of Science Postgraduate Conference, University of Birmingham, UK.

> Mediator in (2021) IV Encontro de Pós-Graduação em Filosofia. Section: Logic, Philosophy of Science, and Mathematics. UFMG, Brazil.

> **Ferrari, J**. (2019) On a formal account of science: Hertz's influence on the early *Wittgenstein and the non-metaphysical approach to science.* 10° EEOFC, PUC-SP, Brazil.

> Ferrari, J. (2019) A influência de Hertz em Wittgenstein. Quine & Wittgenstein Colloquium, UFMG, Brazil.

Organization (2018) *V Middle Wittgenstein Colloquium*. UFMG, Brazil.

Ferrari, J. (2018) Do Solipsismo no Tractatus: Entre o Realismo e o Sujeito Metafísico.

Non Philosophical Ferrari, J. (2021) Manifesto utópico. In: Monteiro, L. et al (Org.). Antropokaos. 1ed. Belo Output Horizonte, 2021, pp. 146-150. [Essay: the aesthetic paradigm of current science fiction]

> Morado Nascimento, Carmo & Ferrari (2018) O discurso midiático em prol das parcerias público-privadas. In R. Rolnik et al (Org.). Cidade Estado Capital: reestruturação urbana e resistência em Belo Horizonte, Fortaleza e São Paulo. São Paulo: FAU-USP, 346-59.

[Book chapter: content analysis of media coverage of public-private partnerships.]

Ferrari, J. & Lorenzo, F. (2018) Liberdades Negativa e Positiva: um breve diálogo com os teóricos do Estado moderno. Talk, EAU/UFMG, Brazil.

Ferrari, J. & Lorenzo, F. (2017) *Da ascensão das autoridades imparciais no contexto da judicialização da política no Brasil.* Undergraduate Research Seminar, UFMG, Brazil. Carmo E. & **Ferrari, J.** (2016) *A Construção do Discurso dos Atores Envolvidos no Programa Minha Casa Minha Vida*. Escola da Cidade, Brazil.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

2025-Present Founder of the study group on Structuralism **GEST** (Virtual).

2023-Present Participates in the Logic Seminar coordinated by prof. Edélcio Gonçalyes (USP).

2023 Member of study group on Many-Valued Algebras (Virtual).

2015-2019 Co-founder and member of **FAFICH-Cineclub** [We promoted several film festivals and debates with producers in the Metropolitan Area of Belo Horizonte, independently and also through partnerships with cultural centers, such as SESC Palladium and FCS].

SKILLS HOBBIES

IT: Python, R, SQL, and knowledge of SPSS.

Writing Essays.

Languages: Portuguese (native), English (C1), German (B2), Spanish (B2), Italian (A1).

Musical instruments: Guitar & Electric guitar, trumpet, Bass Guitar.

REFERENCES

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Prof. Dr. João V. G. Cuter, USP jvgcuter@usp.br