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### EDUCATION

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<b>Brown University</b> Ph.D. Candidate in Economics Expected Completion Date: May 2024	Providence, RI, USA 2018 –present
<b>Sao Paulo School of Economics (EESP-FGV)</b> M.A. Economics	Sao Paulo, Brazil 2014 –2016
<b>University of Sao Paulo</b> B.A. Economics	Sao Paulo, Brazil 2008 –2013

## JOB MARKET PAPER

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### **Religious Media, Conversion and its Socio-Economic Consequences: The Rise of Pentecostals in Brazil** (with Giulia Buccione)

Presented at: NEUDC 2023, Summer Meeting Econometric Society 2023 (Los Angeles), European Economic Society 2023 (Barcelona), RIGDE 2022, ASREC 2023 (Cambridge, MA), ASREC 2023 (Melbourne), ASREC 2022 (London), NEUDC 2021, LACEA 2021, SBE 2020

We study the socioeconomic consequences of adherence to the Pentecostal movement, using exposure to a church-affiliated TV channel as a source of quasi-random variation in religiosity. Our empirical strategy exploits the placement of transmitters prior to the channel being religiously affiliated. Results show that exposure to this TV channel leads to an increase of 1 p.p. (+30%) in the share of Pentecostals. This large change in religious adherence allows us to study its socioeconomic consequences. Consistent with the church's prescriptions, we find that places exposed to this TV channel had higher fertility rate (0.03 child per women on average), lower female labor force participation (0.9 p.p.), lower schooling for young women (1.4 p.p.), and more votes for Pentecostal candidates (0.29 p.p.). We find no effects for male labor force participation and schooling. In an event-study framework, we exploit the expansion of RecordTV over time to show that the effects are not driven by other expansion strategies of the church. We find that the increase in the number of Pentecostal churches occurred as a result of change in content, but did not predate it, ruling out reverse causality.

## RESEARCH PAPERS

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### **Free Childcare and the Motherhood Penalty: Evidence from São Paulo** (with João Garcia and Rafael Latham-Proença)

Presented at: GeFam Seminar 2023, NEUDC 2022 (by co-author), LACEA 2022 (Bogota)

### **Congenital Disability Effects on Parents' Labor Supply: Evidence from the Zika Virus Outbreak** (with João Garcia and Rafael Latham-Proença)

### **Religious Mayors and Sexual Education in Schools**

## FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

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| • Population Studies and Training Center Fellowship, Brown University | 2023-2024   |
| • Merit Dissertation Fellowship - Brown University                    | Spring 2023 |
| • Merit Dissertation Fellowship - Brown University                    | Spring 2022 |
| • Third-Year Paper Distinction - Brown University                     | 2019        |

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE AND OTHER EMPLOYMENT

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Analysis Group	Boston, MA
Intern Associate	Summer 2022
Brown University, Economics Department	Providence, RI
Research Assistant for Neil Thakral	Spring 2021

World Bank, Development Impact Evaluation (DIME)  
Research Assistant

Washington, DC  
2017–2018

Interamerican Development Bank  
Research Assistant

Washington, DC  
2016–2017

## TEACHING

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### Teaching Assistant at Brown University

- Health, Hunger and the Household in Developing Countries (*Professor: Andrew Foster*) Fall 2022
- Health, Hunger and the Household in Developing Countries (*Professor: Andrew Foster*) Fall 2021
- Health, Hunger and the Household in Developing Countries (*Professor: Andrew Foster*) Fall 2020
- Introduction to Game Theory (*Professor: Geoffroy De Clippel*) Spring 2020
- Health, Hunger and the Household in Developing Countries (*Professor: Andrew Foster*) Fall 2019

## OTHER

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- **Referee Service:** American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Urban Economics
- **Languages:** Portuguese (native), English and Spanish