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Education

Ph.D. in Economics. 2025. University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, U.S.

M.A. in Economics. 2024. University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, U.S.

M.S. in Economics. 2018. São Paulo School of Economics (FGV), São Paulo, Brazil.

B.S. in Economics. 2015. University of Sao Paulo, Sao Paulo, Brazil.

Academic Positions

Assistant Professor, University of Kentucky, 7/2025 - present

Instructor in Economics, University of Minnesota, 2022-2024

Research Analyst, Federal Reserve Bank of Minnesota, 2021-2022.

Research Interests

International Economics, Macroeconomics, Environmental Economics.

Working Papers

“International Reserves Management under Rollover Crises,” with Javier Bianchi and César Sosa-Padilla. *Revised & Resubmitted at The Quarterly Journal of Economics*

“Climate Change and International Migration,” with Braulio Britos

“Climate Change, Food Prices, and Inequality,” with Braulio Britos.

“Dollar Inflation and Sovereign Debt Currency Denomination.”

“Bank Capital Structure and Productivity Growth,” with Luis Araujo and Vladimir Kuhl Teles

Academic Presentations

2026 ARRE-ASSA (Discussant), Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM) (2026-09)

2025 University of Kentucky, New Mexico State University, Bank of Canada, Universidad de los Andes, Santiago, Insper, PUC-Rio, Development Bank of Latin America and the Caribbean (CAF), RIEF (Discussant), Midwest Macro Fall (Cleveland)

2024 SAET (Santiago, Chile), Midwest Macro (Richmond Fed), Minnesota-Wisconsin International/Macro Student Workshop, UMN HHEI Alumni Conference, Sao Paulo School of Economics-FGV, Minneapolis Fed

2023 Minnesota-Wisconsin International/Macro Student Workshop

Honors, Awards, and Fellowships

- 2024-2025 Henry R. Sandow Fellowship in Environmental Economics, University of Minnesota
- 2021 Second Place, Third-Year Paper Competition, University of Minnesota
- 2019-2020 Kurt Winkelmann and Janine Gleason Fellowship, University of Minnesota
- 2019-2020 Estudiar con Esperanza Fellowship, University of Minnesota
- 2016-2017 Scholarship from CNPq for Master's in Economics, Sao Paulo School of Economics

Selected Teaching Experience

University of Kentucky

- Intermediate Macroeconomics (Undergraduate), 2026 (scheduled)
- International Macroeconomics (Graduate), 2026 (scheduled)
- International Monetary Economics (Undergraduate), 2026 (scheduled)

University of Minnesota

- Financial Economics (Undergraduate), 2022-2024
- Intermediate Microeconomics (Undergraduate), 2021
- Principles of Microeconomics (Undergraduate, TA), 2020-2021

Sao Paulo School of Economics

- Macroeconomics (ANPEC exam preparation) (Undergraduate), 2018
- DSGE Macroeconomics (Graduate, TA), 2018

Professional Activities

Referee

Review of Economic Dynamics

Conference

47th Meeting of the Brazilian Econometric Society (SBE), Scientific Committee, 2025

Professional, Non-academic Experience

- Co-Founder and Macroeconomics Professor, Anpec Simples, Brazil, 2018-2025
- Research Fellow, FINE (Institute of Economic Research Foundation), Sao Paulo, Brazil, 2018-2019
- Economist (previously Intern), Treasury, Rabobank, Brazil, 2013-2015
- Intern, Financial Planning, Redecard, Brazil, 2013-2013

Personal

Languages: Portuguese (native), English (proficient)

Marital: Married, no children