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Education

London Interdisciplinary School, MASc in Interdisciplinary Problems and Methods – London, UK   2024 – 2025
- Dissertation: "What is AI slop?"
- Grade: Distinction

Faculdade Inspirar, Specialist in Lacanian Psychoanalysis – Brasilia, Brazil   2019 – 2022
- Grade: 9.1/10

University of Brasilia, Bachelor in Psychology – Brasilia, Brazil   2014 – 2019
- Grade: 4.5/5.0

Experience

Psychotherapist, Espaço Psique Psychology Clinic – Brasília, Brazil   2020 – 2024

Psychotherapy Intern, CAEP/UnB – Brasília, Brazil   2017 – 2020

Technical Projects

Intersect: Job board that uses NLP to find more relevant roles. Streamlit app

LexGPT: AI services for lawyers. RAG app with flask back-end and vanilla javascript front-end

Qualitative Projects

simulacro.co.uk: Essays on data science, AI ethics and philosophy of science

Fora Freud: Essays on philosophy and psychoanalysis (in Portuguese)

@simulacro.psi: Instagram page that posts a handpicked philosophy quote every day (1.5k followers)

Creative Projects

Prophetic Strategies: Data/art project about oracular philosophy and AI. RAG app with fine-tuned LLMs

Learning to Love the Labyrinth: Art-house video game

Skills

Psychotherapy: emotional intelligence, effective communication, attention to detail

Philosophy: research skills, critical reading, essay writing

Programming: python, html/css/javascript, typescript

Data science: data cleaning, data analysis, data visualization (pandas, streamlit, tableau)

Natural language processing: topic modelling, sentiment analysis (spacy, gensim, flair, bertopic, scikit-learn)

AI engineering: Cursor, APIs (OpenAI, Anthropic, Gemini), context engineering

Game development: visual design (Canva, Figma, Krita), game design (Unity, Godot, Blender)

Languages: Portuguese (native), English (fluent), Spanish (intermediate)

Publications and Talks

The midnight sun: Popper and rationality without foundations

Psychoanalysis and Science Research Group at APOLa SP

• Two lectures on philosophy of science

Xenofeminism

Thinking Out Loud project at the London Interdisciplinary School

• Lecture on critical theory and philosophy of nature

Awards

Hackathon Winner: AI safety hackhaton (Holistic AI & UCL AI Society)

Stereotype detection in large language models using sparse autoencoders.

Certificates

• HarvardX Introduction to Artificial Intelligence

• Introduction to Contemporary Science Studies: Weaving Knowledge Practices (APPH)

• Introduction to the Thought of Donna Haraway (APPH)

• Introduction to the Thought of Jacques Derrida: Writing and Deportation (APPH)

• Introduction to Philosophy of Science (Centro de Formação)

• Interfaces Between Ethics and Psychoanalysis in Jacques Derrida (Contemporâneo)

• Living and Dying in the Chthulucene: Donna Haraway's Ethics of Care (APPH)

• Psychoanalysis and Gender Dissidences: Transphobia, Power, and Resistance

• The Philosophy of Difference and Its Problems: Philosophy, Ethics, and Politics (APPH)

• A Thousand Plateaus, Another Introduction: Ritornello, Body Without Organs, War Machine (APPH)

• Deleuze and Contemporary Psychoanalysis: Transition to a New Plateau (Contemporâneo)