

APPOINTMENTS

Monash University

Senior Lecturer, Department of Economics

2023-

Brown University

Visiting Scholar, Department of Economics

Fall 2022, Fall 2023

PUC-Rio

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics

2021-2023

AFFILIATIONS

J-PAL

Invited researcher

2026-

Data Basis (*Base dos Dados*)

Co-Founder and Head of Product

2019-

EDUCATION

Northwestern University

Ph.D. in Economics

2015 –2021

University of California, San Diego

Visiting Graduate Student

2019 –2021

PUC-Rio

M.A. in Economics

2013 –2015

PUC-Rio

B.A. in Economics

2008 –2012

PUBLICATIONS

1. “**Selecting Top Bureaucrats: Admission Exams and Performance in Brazil,**” (with Laura Schiavon and Thiago Scot) 2025, **Review of Economics and Statistics**, Volume 107 Issue 2
2. “**Calculating the Economic Value of Non-marginal Mortality Risk Reductions,**” (with Diego Cardoso) 2024, **Economic Letters**, Volume 237, 111673
3. “**Free public transit and voter turnout,**” (with Rafael H. M. Pereira, Renato S. Vieira, Fernando Bizzarro, Rogério J. Barbosa, Daniel Travassos Ferreira) 2023, **Electoral Studies** Volume 86

4. “Cutting Special-Interests by the Roots: Evidence from the Brazilian Amazon,” (with Arthur Bragança) 2022, *Journal of Public Economics* Vol. 215

WORKING PAPERS

1. “Decentralizing Development: Evidence from Government Splits,” (with Christiane Szerman) *R&R American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*
2. “Young Politicians and Long-Term Policy,” (with Iván de las Heras and Santiago Saavedra) *R&R Journal of the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists*
3. “Speed of Payment in Procurement Contracts: The Role of Political Connections,” (with Bernardo Ricca and Thiago Scot)
4. “The Role of Sanctions and Spillovers in Forest Conservation,” (with João Pedro Vieira and Juliano Assunção)
5. “MiDES: New Data and Facts from Public Procurement and Budget Execution in Brazil,” (with Thiago Scot, Bernardo Ricca, Lucas Nascimento, Nathalia Sales)
6. “Choosing Racial Identity in the United States, 1880-1940,” (with Emily Nix and Nancy Qian)
7. “The Impact of 3G Mobile Internet on Educational Outcomes in Brazil,” (with Pedro Bessone and Lisa Ho)

WORK IN PROGRESS

1. “Structural Transformation and Politics,” (with Erik Katovich)
2. “The Labor Union-Politics Pipeline,” (with Lorenzo Lagos)
3. “Housing Microfinance and Climate Resilience in the Philippines,” (with Teevrat Garg and Russell Toth)
4. “Promotions, Performance, and Diversity in the Brazilian Judiciary,” (with Laura Schiavon and Thiago Scot)
5. “Killing the Forest: Assassinations and Deforestation in Brazil,” (with Mariana Carvalho)

GRANTS

- Australian Research Council - Discovery Early Career Researcher Award (511,113 AUD) 2026-2028
- J-PAL Jobs and Opportunity Initiative(JOI) and Social Protection Initiative (SPI) (249,473 USD) 2025
- PEDL 6th special ERG call on Climate Change (40,000 GBP) 2024
- IGC Small Research Grants (28,930 GBP) 2024
- J-PAL JOI-Brazil (499,384 BRL) 2024
- CAF Argentina for 2025 Economic and Development Report (RED) (7,500 USD) 2023
- J-PAL JOI-Brazil (49,190 BRL) 2022

- World Bank RSB (95,000 USD) 2022
- World Bank RSB (30,000 USD) 2021

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

- University Fellowship, Northwestern University 2020–2021
- Susan Schmidt Bies Prize for Doctoral Student Research on Economics and Public Policy 2018
- BRASA Mentorship Program 2018
- Distinguished TA Award, Northwestern University 2016 –2017
- Doctoral Fellowship, Northwestern University 2015–2016
- CAPES Scholarship 2013–2015

TALKS (INCLUDING SCHEDULED)

- 2026: University of Technology Sydney
- 2025: World Bank, IDB, ADEA-QUT, IOEA, University of Adelaide, ADEW, Society for Institutional and Organizational Economics (SIOE), LSE Environment Week
- 2024: STEG Annual Conference, University of Sydney, UNSW, UNU-WIDER Annual Conference 2024, Monash CDES Prato Conference, MEEW
- 2023: ASSA Annual Meeting, NOVA Lisbon, Paris School of Economics (PSE), University of Melbourne, Monash University, Universidad de los Andes, Universidad de Chile, Online Spatial and Urban Seminar (OSUS), International Conference on Development Economics (ICDE/AFEDEV), Forest, Water and Energy Workshop, Development Bank of Latin America (CAF), Australian Catholic University, Georgetown University gui2de, New York University (NYU), Johns Hopkins, Duke University TREE, NEUDC (Harvard)
- 2022: FGV-EPGE, USP-FEA, NOVAfrica Conference, FGV-EESP, Brown University, National University of Singapore (NUS), Singapore Management University (SMU), DIME/World Bank, NEUDC (Yale)
- 2021: PacDev (UCSD), Political Economy Workshop at BI Norwegian Business School, University of Tokyo, New Economic School, PUC-Rio, Universidad del Rosario, University of Mannheim, NBS-BI Political Economy Workshop, Lacea-Lames, Insper, NEUDC (BU), Encontro Brasileiro de Econometria (SBE)
- 2020: Universidade Católica de Brasília, DEVPEC (UC Berkeley), Urban Economics Association (UEA), NEUDC (Dartmouth), Encontro Brasileiro de Econometria (SBE)
- 2018: MIEDC (U. Minnesota)
- 2017: EMCON (U. Chicago), Omni Methods Group (UCSD)
- 2016: DEVPEC (UC Berkeley)

SERVICE

- Refereeing

American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, American Economic Review: Insights, Economic Journal, Economic Inquiry, Environment and Development Economics, European Economic Journal, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Urban Economics, Management Science, PNAS, Regional Science and Urban Economics, Review of Economic Studies

- Co-founder and co-organizer of the Empirics and Methods in Economics Conference (EMCON) 2016 –2018