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CURRENT POSITION

- Postdoc researcher, Fundação Getúlio Vargas
- Lecturer, Insper

EDUCATION

- Ph.D Economics, Insper 2017–2023
Advisors: Rodrigo Soares (Insper) and Jorge De la Roca (University of Southern California)
Visiting Ph.D. student at UC Berkeley. *Supervisor:* David Card.
- B.A. Economics, University of São Paulo, 2011–2016
- B.S. Physics, State University of São Paulo 2005–2008

FIELDS OF SPECIALIZATION

- **Primary:** Urban Economics, Labor Economics
- **Secondary:** Development Economics

JOB MARKET PAPER

The Concentration of Economic Activity Within Cities: Evidence from New Commercial Buildings

Abstract: I study how large commercial buildings impact different sectors locally. Using a ring approach and a matching procedure, I construct samples of neighborhoods with similar probabilities of observing a new building nearby. I estimate a local multiplier effect of one job in local services for every three additional jobs in high-skilled offices, resulting in an overall employment increase of 17.2%. High-skilled offices also experience increases in the share of college-educated workers and wages. These results are largely driven by newly created firms and the relocation of existing ones. Finally, I find suggestive evidence of increased industry diversity within high-skilled offices.

WORKING PAPERS

The Urban Wage Premium Over the Life Cycle and the Big-city Job Ladder

WORK IN PROGRESS

Workplace and Spatial Frictions in Job Search

Self-Employment and Residential Location: Evidence from a Large-Scale Housing Program (with Daniel da Mata)

FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

- 2024 CAPES Award for Economics - Honorable Mention 2024
- FAPESP, Visiting Graduate Student Fellowship 2021-2022
- FAPESP, Ph.D Fellowship 2019-2023
- FAPESP, Postdoc Fellowship 2024-

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

- MariaFlavia Harari (Wharton Real Estate Department) 2022
Gathered and organized geographic and historical data in Brazil
- Rodrigo Moita (University of São Paulo) 2019
Worked on a project about developers and the location of new buildings

TEACHER ASSISTANT

- Microeconomics I - Ph.D core (Camila Campos) 2018-2019
- Math Camp - Ph.D core (Jose Heleno Faro) 2018-2019

EXTERNAL SEMINAR AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- **2023:** Urban Economics Association Summer School; 17th North American Meeting of the Urban Economics Association; Annual LACEA/LAMES Meeting; 2nd Annual LAUrban Meeting; 45th Meeting of the Brazilian Econometric Society
- **2022:** 1st Annual LAUrban Meeting; Annual LACEA/LAMES Meeting; UC Berkeley Labor Lunch; Wharton Urban Lunch
- **2021:** 15th North American Meeting of the Urban Economics Association

PERSONAL DETAILS

- **Citizenship:** Brazil
- **Language:** English (Proficiency), Portuguese (Native), Spanish (Intermediate)
- **Programming:** R, Stata, L^AT_EX, Python, Excel

REFERENCES

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