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## Education

2015-... **PhD Candidate in Philosophy**, *Department of Philosophy, Syracuse University*, "Naturalness Relativized", Advisor: Kris McDaniel.

2011–2013 **MA in Philosophy (Logic and Metaphysics)**, Graduate Program in Logic and Metaphysics, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro, "The Problem of Universals as a Problem of Ontological Categorization", Advisor: Guido Imaguire.

2007–2010 **BA in Philosophy**, Magna cum laude, *Universidade Federal do Ceará*, "Frege on *Elucidations*", Advisor: Dirk Greimann.

#### Areas

Specialization Metaphysics

Competence Philosophy of Language, Logic

#### **Publications**

<sup>2019</sup> 'Essence and Naturalness,' *The Philosophical Quarterly*, Volume 69, Issue 276, July 2019, Pages 534–554.

#### Conferences

<sup>2019</sup> 'Within the Predicate: Non-symmetric Relations and Comparative Naturalness,' *American Philosophical Association Conference*, Central Meeting.

soon 'The Naturalness of Negative Properties: a case for category-relativism,' *American Philosophical Association Conference*, Pacific Meeting.

## Employment

2018 – ... **Teaching Associate** at Syracuse University

2015 – 2018 **Teaching Assistant** at Syracuse University

2014 – 2015 **Professor Substituto** at *Universidade Federal de Alagoas* 

#### Services

Referee for Philosophical Studies

# Teaching Experience

2016–2021 Main Instructor at Syracuse University:

- Introduction to Moral Theory
- Logic
- o Knowledge and Reality

2015–2020 Teaching Assistant at Syracuse University:

- Human Nature
- Introduction to Moral Theory
- o Logic
- Knowledge and Reality
- o Ethics and Media Professions

2014-2015 Main Instructor at Universidade Federal de Alagoas:

- Introduction to Philosophy
- Scientific Methodology
- Ontology in Medieval Philosophy

#### Grants

2019 Summer Grant, Syracuse University

2015-2019 Grant from CAPES - Coordenação de Aperfeiçoamento de Pessoal de Nível Superior

2011-2013 Grant from CAPES – Coordenação de Aperfeiçoamento de Pessoal de Nível Superior

2012 Grant from DAAD – Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst – Winterkurs. Intensivkurs Deutsch als Fremdsprache. Institut für Internationale Kommunikation, Berlin

2010 Research grant from CNPq – Conselho Nacional de Desenvolvimento Científico e Tecnológico