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Education **University of Pittsburgh**  
Ph.D, Economics, 2022-

**Fundação Getulio Vargas**

MSc, Public Administration and Government (FGV-EAESP), 2019-2021  
Thesis: Electoral impacts of primary healthcare expansion: Evidence from Rio de Janeiro  
Committee: Rudi Rocha (Advisor), Cláudio Ferraz and Nicolás Ajzenman

B.A., Economics (FGV-EESP), 2012-2017

Research Research Interests: Population and Health Economics; Political Economy; Public Policy;  
Development Economics; Economic Demography

Work in Progress

- The Electoral Returns to Investing in Healthcare (with Rudi Rocha)
- Using Geocoded Big Data to Identify Causal Links Between Infectious Diseases and Child Developmental Outcomes (with Rudi Rocha, Thiago Tachibana, Luis Alvarez, and Sonia Bhalotra)
- Predicting Dengue Outbreaks with Explainable Machine Learning (with Robson Aleixo, Fabio Kon, Rudi Rocha, and Raphael De Camargo)

Policy Reports

- Estimated Resources Needed for the Expansion of the Family Health Strategy (with Manuel Faria Arthur Aguillar, and Renato Tasca) [[Report in Portuguese](#)]
- Health in the Legal Amazon | Reports in Portuguese [[1](#)] [[2](#)] [[3](#)]

Teaching **Department of Economics, University of Pittsburgh**

- Introduction to Macroeconomics Fall 2024
- Applied Econometrics Spring 2023

**Fundação Getulio Vargas**

- Applied Microeconomics Spring 2019
- Policy Impact Evaluation and Microeconomics Spring 2019

Publications [Applying the coalition's presidentialism model to the city of São Paulo: predominance of the executive or greater sharing of power?](#) (with Akira Pinto Medeiros and Marcelo Baird), *E-Legis*, 2021, ISSN 2175-0688

Conference & Presentations

- Econometrics Seminar, University of Pittsburgh 2024
- European Health Economics Association (EuHEA) 2023
- Applied Microeconomics Brownbag, University of Pittsburgh 2023
- 78<sup>th</sup> MPSA Annual Conference 2021
- 26<sup>th</sup> IPSA World Congress of Political Science 2021
- 10<sup>th</sup> Political Science Graduate Program Students Seminar (University of Sao Paulo) 2020

## Awards & Fellowships

**Kenneth P. Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences Fellowship, 2022-2023**  
University of Pittsburgh

**Best Paper Award in AI4Health, 2022**

International Workshop on Artificial Intelligence for Health 2022

“Predicting Dengue Outbreaks with Explainable Machine Learning”

**Research Assistantship, 2021**

Amazon 2030, Health in the Legal Amazon

**Best Paper Award on Political Institutions, 2020**

10<sup>th</sup> Political Science Graduate Program students seminar (University of Sao Paulo)

**Research Assistantship, 2019-2020**

Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Global Grand Challenges Explorations Award

**MSc Fellowship, Academic Excellence Program (Proex), 2019-2020**

Brazilian agency for support and evaluation of Graduate education (CAPES)

**MSc Tuition waiver, 2019-2020**

Fundação Getulio Vargas (FGV-EAESP)

**Teaching Assistantship, 2019**

São Paulo School of Business Administration (FGV-EAESP)

**Award for the Best Term Paper during the B.A. in 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015**

## Languages & Skills

Portuguese (native), English (advanced), French (basic)

R, Stata, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Overleaf, Linux, Git/Github

## Additional Courses

[1] Political Economy of Economic Development (PUC-Rio), 2021 (30h)

[2] Causal Inference and Experiments, 2021 (3.5h) in the 12<sup>th</sup> IPSA-USP Summer School

[3] Spatial Econometrics (FGV-EESP), 2020 (30h)

[4] Quantitative methods III: explanation and causation (USP), 2020 (120h)

[5] Introduction to Programming and Computational Tools (USP), 2019 (120h)

## Additional Information

Brazilian and Italian citizenship