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Research Interests

Interest groups politics, campaign finance, political economy, Brazilian politics, social network analysis.

Academic Positions

Sep 2015 - **Postdoctoral Researcher**, Department of Sociology, University of Oxford
2014-2015 **Postdoctoral Researcher**, D'Amore McKim School of Business, Northeastern University
2013-2014 **Lecturer** (part-time), Department of Government, University of Essex

Education

2014 **Ph.D.** in Political Economy, University of Essex
2009 **M.A.** Comparative Politics, University of Essex
2008 **B.A.** Political Science and International Relations, New University of Lisbon

Professional Training

2014 *Bayesian Analysis in the Social Sciences*, by Richard Morey. 47th Essex Summer School.
2013 *Modelling Heterogeneity*, by Daniel Stegmüller. 46th Essex Summer School.
2013 *Advanced Social Network Analysis II: Longitudinal Network Analysis for Social Selection and Social Influence Mechanisms*, by Filip Agneessens. 46th Essex Summer School.
2012 *Advanced Social Network Analysis: selection mechanisms and social structure*, by John Skvoretz & Filip Agneessens. 45th Essex Summer School.
Hierarchical Models, by Jeff Gill. 45th Essex Summer School.
2011 *Strategic and Selection Models*, by Curtis Signorino. 44th Essex Summer School.
Panel Data Analysis for Comparative Research, by Chris Adolph. 44th Essex Summer School.
2010 *Data Analysis with R*, by Martin Elf. 43rd Essex Summer School.
Pooled Time Series Cross-Sectional Analysis, by Rob Walker. 43rd Essex Summer School.
2009 *Logit and Probit Models*, by Marco Steenbergen. 42nd Essex Summer School.
Introduction to Social Network Analysis, by Rich DeJordy. 42nd Essex Summer School.

Research

Work in Progress

- 2015 “Social capital and resources in R&D networks” (with Miguel Pinheiro)
- 2014 “Voters and Viruses: The political economy of the swine flue vaccine in the US” (with Masoud Farokhi)
- 2014 “States of Denial: Politics of Presidential Disaster Declarations in the US” (with Masoud Farokhi)
- 2013 “The drivers of split giving among special interest groups: a formal approach.”
 “Service-induced campaign contributions in the Brazilian Chamber of Deputies (1998-2010).” (under review)
 “Electoral Competition and Campaign Contribution Networks in the US Congress (1980-2008).”
- 2012 “Why do Special Interest Groups rarely hedge their bets? Split giving in US Congressional elections (1980-2010).” (under review)

Teaching

*Instructor, **Methods Winter School**, Catholic University of Uruguay*

- 2015 Introduction to Social Network Analysis

*Teaching Assistant, **Essex Summer School in Social Science and Data Analysis***

- 2013-2014 Advanced Social Network Analysis: Selection Mechanisms and Social Structure
- 2010-2012 Introduction to Social Network Analysis

*Instructor, **Essex Summer School in Social Science and Data Analysis***

- 2013 Introduction to Social Network Analysis

*Teaching Assistant, **Department of Economics**, University of Essex*

- 2013-2014 Econometric Methods
- 2013-2014 Economics for Business (at the Essex Business School)
- 2012-2014 Introduction to Quantitative Economics
- 2012-2014 Project in Economics

Teaching Assistant, Department of Government, University of Essex

- 2013-2014 Political Explanation (postgraduate methods course)
- 2013-2014 Scientific Reasoning for the Social Sciences
- 2012-2013 Political Analysis
- 2010-2013 Introduction to International Relations

Conference Presentations

“Pork, access or ideology? What drives corporate campaign contributions in the Brazilian Chamber of Deputies?”, *72nd Midwest Political Science Association National Conference*, Chicago, **April, 2014**.

“Campaign Contribution Networks in the US Congress (1980-2010).” *XXXIII Sunbelt Social Networks Conference of the International Network for Social Network Analysis (INSNA)*, Hamburg, **May, 2013**.

“Why do Special Interest Groups still hedge their bets? Split giving in US Congressional elections (1980-2010).”, *70th Midwest Political Science Association National Conference*, Chicago, **April, 2012**.

Professional services & Memberships

- 2014 **Reviewer** for *Electoral Studies*
- 2014 **Associate Fellow** of the British Higher Education Academy.

Non-Academic Employment

- Summer 2014 **Policy Analyst**, Universities UK, London

Honors, Awards, & Fellowships

PhD Scholarship awarded by the Portuguese Foundation for Science and Technology.

Skills

Languages: Portuguese (native), English (fluent, both spoken and written), Spanish (intermediate), French (basic knowledge).

Software: Python, R, Stata, UCInet, Gephi, Visone, PNet, MySQL, Access, Excel, L^AT_EX.

Referees

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