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EDUCATION

- 2022 – present **Ph.D. in Political Science**
Washington University in St. Louis, St. Louis, MO
- 2019 – 2021 **M.A. in Political Science**
University of São Paulo, São Paulo, SP
Dissertation: The use of Granger causal ordering tests with non-stationary data in political science.
Committee: Andrew Q. Phillips (University of Colorado Boulder); Lorena G. Barberia (University of São Paulo); Mark A. Pickup (Simon Fraser University).
- 2014 – 2018 **B.A. in Social Sciences**
University of São Paulo, São Paulo, SP

PUBLICATIONS

- 4 Barberia, Lorena G., Maria Leticia Claro Oliveira, Andrea Junqueira, Natalia de Paula Moreira, and Guy D. Whitten. 2021. “Should I Stay or Should I Go? Embracing Causal Heterogeneity in the Study of Pandemic Policy and Citizen Behavior.” *Social Science Quarterly* 1–15.
- 3 Barberia, Lorena G., Luiz G. R. Cantarelli, Maria Leticia Claro de Faria Oliveira, Natalia de Paula Moreira, and Isabel Seelaender Costa Rosa. 2021. “The Effect of State-Level Social Distancing Policy Stringency on Mobility in the States of Brazil.” *Revista de Administração Pública* 55(1): 27–49.
- 2 Ribeiro, Pedro Feliú, and Maria Letícia Claro de Faria Oliveira. 2018. “Política Externa e Legislativo no Paraguai do Presidente Lugo.” *Revista de Sociologia e Política* 26: 75–94.
- 1 Feliú, Pedro, and Maria Letícia F. Claro. 2017. “Las Relaciones Ejecutivo y Legislativo en el Paraguay de Fernando Lugo (2008–2012).” *Revista Paraguay desde las Ciencias Sociales* 8: 75–101.

WORK IN PROGRESS

- Working Paper Electoral Rules, Coalition Timing, and Cabinet Composition: Evidence from Brazilian Municipalities
- Working Paper Keeping It in the Family: Kinship Networks as a Quota Compliance Strategy in Brazil
- Working Paper Criminal Violence and the Representation of Women in Politics
- Working Paper The Politics of Missing Data: How Democratization Transitions Explain Gun Data Transparency in Latin America
With Lorena Barberia (USP), Natalia Pires de Vasconcelos (UGA), Luiz Roth Cantarelli (USP), Mateus Tobias Vieira (UNESP), and Bruno Langeani (Instituto Sou da Paz).

Research Project **Global Armed Violence and Health**
With Lorena Barberia (USP), Natalia Pires de Vasconcelos (UGA), Luiz Roth Cantarelli (USP), Mateus Tobias Vieira (UNESP), and Bruno Langeani (Instituto Sou da Paz).

CONFERENCES & WORKSHOPS

- 2026 FGV CEPESP “Keeping It in the Family: Quota Compliance as Elite Adaptation.” Research Workshop. May 07, 2026.
- 2026 MPSA “When Mobility Becomes Security: Criminal Governance and Civilian Exit in Rio de Janeiro.” 83rd Annual Midwest Political Science Association. April 23, 2026.
- 2026 CPAC- WASHU “Electoral Rules and Cabinet Composition in Presidential Systems.” 13th Comparative Politics Annual Conference. April 10, 2026.
- 2025 WISE “The Impact of Criminal Violence on Women’s Representation.” WashU–UIUC Exchange Program. November 20, 2025.
- 2025 MPSA “The Impact of Criminal Violence on Women’s Representation.” 82nd Annual Midwest Political Science Association. April 3, 2025.
- 2021 APSA “The Use of Causal-Ordering Tests in Time Series Analyses with Nonstationary Data in Political Science?” (with L. Barberia, N. de Paula Moreira). 117th American Political Science Association. October 3, 2021.
- 2021 DCP-USP “The Relationship between Ideology and COVID-19 Deaths: An Ecological Fallacy?” (with L. Barberia, N. de Paula Moreira, I. S. Rosa, R. de Jesus, M. Zamudio). XI Student Seminar DCP/USP. September 28, 2021.
- 2021 IEA-USP “The Flexibilization of Social Distancing Measures by Local Governments.” Webinar, Institute of Advanced Studies, USP. June 14, 2021.
- 2021 FGV EESP “Covid-19: Public Policies and the Society Answers.” FGV EESP Clear / Week of Evaluation gLocal 2021. June 5, 2021.
- 2021 MPSA “Revisiting Dynamic Inferences in Political Science with Vector Autoregressive (VAR) Models.” (with L. Barberia, N. Moreira). 78th Midwest Political Science Association. April 16, 2021.
- 2020 DCP-USP “COVID-19 Containment Policies and Population Adherence: An Assessment of the Situation of Brazilian States.” (with L. Barberia et al.). Department of Political Science, USP Online Workshops. May 7, 2020.
- 2020 IPSA-USP “The Impact of Globalization on Local Economies: A Time-Series Analysis.” Poster. 11th IPSA-USP Summer School. January 30, 2020.

- 2019 LAPOLMETH “Does Globalization affect Brazil’s Economy?: An Exploration using Structural Breaks.” (with L. G. R. Cantarelli). Poster. III Latin American Polmeth. November 23, 2019.
- 2019 DCP-USP “Going beyond basic unit root testing: A case for structural break tests.” (with L. G. R. Cantarelli). IX Student Seminar DCP/USP. May 8, 2019.
- 2018 IPSA-USP “Clarity of Responsibility in Latin America.” Workshop on Coalitions in Presidential Regimes, IPSA-USP Summer School. January 20, 2018.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Spring 2026 POLSCI 5190-02 – Seminar in Comparative Politics: Political Behavior (graduate)
Teaching Assistant – Washington University in St. Louis
- Fall 2025 POLSCI 3103-01 – Topics in Politics: Authoritarian Politics (undergraduate)
Teaching Assistant – Washington University in St. Louis
- Summer 2025 Python Camp (graduate)
Teaching Assistant – Washington University in St. Louis
- Spring 2025 POLSCI 5074 – Comparative Politics Workshop (graduate)
Teaching Assistant – Washington University in St. Louis
- Spring 2025 POLSCI 102B – Introduction to Comparative Politics (undergraduate)
Teaching Assistant – Washington University in St. Louis
- Fall 2024 POLSCI 510 – Approaches to Comparative Politics (graduate)
Teaching Assistant – Washington University in St. Louis
- Spring 2024 POLSCI 106 – Introduction to Political Theory (undergraduate)
Teaching Assistant – Washington University in St. Louis
- Fall 2023 POLSCI 326B – Topics in Politics: Latin American Politics (undergraduate)
Teaching Assistant – Washington University in St. Louis
- Fall 2019 FLPo468 – Quantitative Methods in Research in Political Science IV (graduate)
Teaching Assistant – University of São Paulo

FELLOWSHIPS & SCHOLARSHIPS

- Spring 2026 BRIDGS Emergent Scholar Fellowship
Arizona State University
- 2022 – 2027 Dean’s Distinguished Fellowship
Washington University in St. Louis
- 2019 – 2021 Master’s Fellowship
National Council for Scientific and Technological Development (CNPq)
- 2017 – 2018 Research Training Scholarship
The São Paulo Research Foundation (FAPESP)
- 2015 – 2017 Research Training Scholarship
National Council for Scientific and Technological Development (CNPq)

SKILLS

Software GIS, Stata, R, Python

LANGUAGES

Portuguese Native

English Fluent

Spanish Intermediate