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I am a development economist with interests in education, labor, poverty, and inequality. I have ten years of experience with economic research, seven years of teaching at undergraduate, and three years teaching at the MA and Ph.D. levels. I also have five years of experience coordinating research teams and projects in the public and private sectors in Brazil, and four years of experience participating or leading research teams internationally. Currently, I am working at the United Nations University World Institute for Economic Development Research, UNU-WIDER, developing research on development economics, working with tax-benefit microsimulation models, and supporting capacity building in Mozambique and Tanzania.

**Expertise**: Economic Research, Data Analysis, Econometrics, Teaching.

# **Education**

PhD in Economics Pernambuco, Brazil Federal University of Pernambuco (UFPE)

2013 - 2017

**Masters in Economics** 

**Bachelor in Economics** 

Federal University of Pernambuco (UFPE)

2011 - 2013

Pernambuco, Brazil

Federal University of Bahia (UFBA)

Bahia, Brazil

2007 - 2010

Others:....

Summer School in Economic Development

**UNU Wider** 

Cape Town, South Africa

December of 2019

# Work Experience:

**UNU-WIDER** Helsinki, Finland Research Associate

March 2021 - Now

- Conduct research on development economics
- Coordinate the development and maintenance of microsimulation models and provide capacity building in Mozambique, Tanzania, and Zanzibar
- Supervision of students in the UNU-WIDER Ph.D. fellows program
- Organize and host the UNU-WIDER seminars

# Federal University of Bahia (UFBA)

Bahia, Brazil

Associate Professor

December 2018 - March 2021

- Teaching Introduction to Economics, Econometric 1 and Development Economics for undergraduate students
- Teaching Econometric Methods for Impact Evaluation and Political Economy for PhD students
- Supervision of students' thesis at undergraduate and graduate levels

#### Federal University of Bahia (UFBA)

Bahia, Brazil

Assistant Professor

December 2015 - December 2018

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Brazilian Institute of Applied Economics (IPEA)

Research Assistant

January 2017 - December 2017

# State University of Feira de Santana, Brazil

Bahia, Brazil

Brazil

Adjunct Economic Professor

January 2014 - November 2015

- Teaching Econometrics and Microeconomic for undergraduated students.

**CIDACS** - Fiocruz

Bahia, Brazil

Visiting researcher

December 2018 - March 2021

- visiting researcher in a project that aimed to evaluate the impact of the largest housing program in Brazil on health outcomes.

**CLEAR Brasil** 

São Paulo, Brazil

Visiting researcher

September 2019 – March 2021

- visiting researcher participating in impact evaluation projects and the expansion of CLEAR to the Brazilian Northeast

University of Glasgow

Glasgow, Scotland

Visiting Researcher

March 2020 - November 2020

**IFAD** Principal Investigator Bahia, Brazil

January 2020 - December 2020 Project: Impact of extreme climate conditions on income, health and education on the Brazilian semiarid population

## **Grants and Awards:**

- CAPES PRINT Visiting Professor (2020 3 months)
- IPEA Research Assistant Schorlaship (2017)
- CNPQ Ph.D Schorlaship (2013-2015)
- CAPES Master Schorlaship (2011-2013)
- o Best Paper in Labor Economics, National Industry Organization (CNI), 2013.
- o Werner Baer Prize in Regional Economics, 2015.

#### **Publications**

- o Brazilian Southeast-Northeast Labor Income Gap Reexamined: Evidence Across Purchasing Power Adjusted Wage Distributions. Joint with Silveira Neto (UFPE). Regional Studies. 2021.
- o Evaluating the health effect of a Social Housing programme, Minha Casa Minha Vida, using the 100 million Brazilian Cohort: a natural experiment study protocol. With Ferreira et al. BMJ Open. 2021.
- o Commute duration and health: Empirical evidence from Brazil. With Klebson Moura, Jorge Norões, Breno Sampaio and Robson Tigre. Transportation Research Part A-Policy and Practice. 2015.

Articles in Portuguese:....

- o COELHO, R.; OLIVEIRA, R. C. Efeitos das aposentadorias por tempo de contribuicao e por idade sobre a saude e o bem estar dos individuos no Brasil. Cadernos de Saude Publica. Forthcoming.
- o OLIVEIRA, R. C.; SILVEIRA-NETO, R. M. . Expansão da Escolaridade e Redução da Desigualdade Regional de Renda no Brasil entre 1995 e 2011: progressos recentes e desafios presentes. Pesquisa e Planejamento Econômico, v. 46, p. 1-20, 2016.

- OLIVEIRA, R. C.; SILVEIRA-NETO, R. M. . Estrutura produtiva ou escolaridade? Uma análise dos fatores explicativos da desigualdade de renda entre as regiões Sudeste e Nordeste por quantil para o período entre os anos de 1970 e 2010. Revista Econômica do Nordeste., v. 47, p. 75-91, 2016.
- o OLIVEIRA, R. C.; SILVEIRA-NETO, R. M. . Escolaridade, Políticas Sociais e a Evolução da Desigualdade Regional de Renda no Brasil entre 2003 e 2011: uma Análise a partir da Fontes de Renda. Revista Econômica do Nordeste.. **Revista Econômica do Nordeste**, v. 44, p. 651-670, 2013.

Working Papers:

- o Who Benefits from Job Training Programs? Evidence from a High-Dosage Program in Brazil. Joint with Daniel da Mata (FGV-SP) and Diana Silva (UFBA) https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm? abstract\_id=3682906. *Revise and Resubmit* at Journal of Development Economics.
- Affirmative Action With No Major Switching: Evidence from a Top University in Brazil. Joint With Edson Severnini (Carnegie Mellon) and Alei Santos (FGV-EESP). Accepted at Brazilian Econometric Society Conference. Manuscript Revise and Resubmit at Economics of Education Review
- Do disadvantaged students benefit from attending classes with more skilled colleagues? Evidence from a top university in Brazil. Submitted. With Henrique Motte (UFBA). WIDER Working Paper 8/2020 – NEW version Revise and Resubmit at Labour Economics.
- The unintended long-run effects of agroterrorism in Brazil. Joint With Yuri Barreto (PIMES-UFPE).
  Manuscript . Under Review Journal of Development Economics
- The impacts of studying abroad during university: evidence from a Brazilian massive scholarship program.
  With André Portela (FGV-EESP) and Octavio Canozzi (World Bank). In preparation for submission
- The mitigating role of tax and benefit rescue packages for poverty and inequality in Africa amid the COVID-19 pandemic. With Jesse Lastunen (UNU-WIDER), Pia Rattenhuber (UNU-WIDER) and others. In preparation for submission. Manuscript
- The role of social protection and tax policies in cushioning crisis impacts on income and poverty in lowand middle-income countries: a rapid scoping review. With Pia Ratenhuber, Jesse Lastunen, Melissa Samarin, and Adnan Shahir. Manuscript

Work in Progress:

- The Impact of Affirmative Action on Labor Outcomes. With Edson Severnini (Carnegie Mellon).
- o Does the job search program unleash vocational training benefits? With Daniel da Mata.
- Intentional crop destructions and electoral outcomes: the case of cocoa crises in Brazil. With Patricia Justino and Gustavo Silva
- Health impacts of in-utero exposure to permanent economic shocks. With Yuri Barreto and Vinícius Mendes.
- o Gender relations, academic learning, and labor outcomes. With Stelio Coelho, Sara Pedreira and Beatriz Gonçalves.

Other Projects:

#### **CPAnpec**

Salvador, Brazil

Coordinator

March 2016 - October 2017

I founded a course at affordable prices to preparing students interested in applying for Master's and Phd Economic in Brazil. The course approved 18 students in 2 years, one of them at the 8th position among almost 2 thousand candidates.

#### **Brazilian Econometric Society Seminars**

Online, Brazil

Coordinator

March 2020 - July 2021

Joint with Claudio Ferraz (UBC) I created and was host of the Brazilian Econometric Online Seminar. We organized almost 30 seminars in the period. Now the seminar is hosted by Raphael Bruce.

### African School of Economics - Campus Brazil

Salvador-Bahia, Brazil

Colaborator

October 2022 - Present

Joint with Leonard Wantchekon (Princeton), we developed a cooperation agreement between the Federal University of Bahia (UFBA) and the African School of Economics (ASE) to establish a campus in Bahia. Currently, I do voluntary advisory work for UFBA and ASE in order to make the partnership work.

# Conference participations.

- Brazilian Econometric Society
- UNU-WIDER conference
- Nordic Development Conference
- International Institute of public finance

#### Students

- o 2016 Yuri Oliveira (Phd candidate PIMES/UFPE)
- 2017-2019 Alei Santos (Phd candidate FGV/EESP)
- o 2019-2022 Octavio Conceição (Phd FGV/EESP) [Co-advisor]
- o 2018-now Rachel Coelho (Phd candidate UFBA) [Currently co-advisor]
- o 2013-now Henrique Motte (Phd candidate UFBA) [Currently co-advisor]
- 2016-2017 Tiago Almeida (Phd candidate Universidade de Santiago de Compostela)
- 2019 Rodrigo Cunha (Master Student Pimes/UFPE)
- o 2019 Junia Neves (Master Student Pimes/UFPE)
- o 2017-2020 Vitor Santos (Master Student UFPR)
- Undergrad (UFBA):
  - Gabrielle Nascimento
  - Beatriz Oliveira
  - Sara Pedreira
  - Felipe Duplat