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Education

starts 08.2023
Berlin

Hertie School
PhD Candidate in Governance

10.2021 - 08.2023
(expected)
Rio de Janeiro

Fundação Getúlio Vargas, FGV | EBAPE
MSc in Administration - Institutions, Policy and Government
- Graduate Thesis: Brazil-China Relations from President FHC to Bolsonaro

09.2016 - 07.2018
Beijing

Peking University | Yenching Academy
M.A. in China Studies - International Relations and Politics
- Graduate Thesis: The Impact of China's Rise on the International System: A Study of China's approach to the United Nations Security Council Reform

03.2011 - 07.2015
Rio de Janeiro

La Salle University Rio de Janeiro
B.A. in International Relations
- Exchange Semester, 2014 - De La Salle University Manila

Experience

07.2022 - 12.2022
Rio de Janeiro

Fundação Getúlio Vargas, FGV | EBAPE
Research Assistant | Prof. Octavio Amorim Neto
- Data collection and coding using web scrapping tools and manual data entry to gather biographical data on Government Ministers in Latin America
- Performed data cleaning operations using Python

01.2020 - present
Beijing - Rio de Janeiro

Observa China | Think Tank
Institutional Director and Co-Founder
- Manage strategy, representation and communication
- Developed the research, impact and non-profit business model

08.2018 - 06.2020
Beijing

Bytedance (TikTok) | TopBuzz News App
Content Analyst
- Fact-checking, news briefings, press releases and text analysis.
- Employed NLP packages using Python to determine sentiment and understand user behaviour regarding news articles in Brazil

06.2017 - 08.2017
Beijing

Carnegie Endowment | Carnegie-Tsinghua Center
Development Intern - Young Ambassadors Program
- Identified and devised strategies for corporate and philanthropic sponsorship
- Member of the Carnegie Alumni Network

08.2013 - 11.2013
Rio de Janeiro

CEBRI | Brazilian Centre for International Relations
Research Assistant Intern
- Assisted policy research projects and proofread pre-publications

Skills

Proficient in Python, R, SQL and Typescript
Experience with Data Visualisation, statistics and advanced Text Analysis/NLP

Languages

Portuguese (*Native*), English (*Fluent*), French (*Intermediate*), Spanish (*Intermediate*), Chinese (*Basic*), German (*Basic*)

Continued Education

06.2020 - 08.2020
Beijing

PKU-UChicago | *International Policy Action Lab*
Policy Analysis, Summer School

- Capstone Project on visualising COVID-19 and Mask Mandates in US Counties using R statistical and data visualisation packages

06.2016 - 07.2016
São Paulo

Fundação Getúlio Vargas, FGV | *EAESP*
Political Risk Analysis, Winter School

Awards

01.2022 - 07.2023
Rio de Janeiro

Fundação Getúlio Vargas, FGV | *EBAPE*
CAPES Scholarship

- Scholarship holder for the MSc in Administration at Fundação Getúlio Vargas, FGV

09.2016 - 07.2018
Beijing

Peking University
Yenching Academy Scholarship

- Selected as one of the 124 scholars for the second cohort of the China Studies programme at Peking University

10.2015
Rio de Janeiro

Brazilian Naval Academy
UN Model Simulation

- Awarded Best Analyst for analysis of the East Asian Summit