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Academic Washington University in Saint Louis

Positions Assistant Professor, Olin Business School July 2019—present

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics

July 2011–June 2019

University of California, Berkeley

Visting Scholar, Department of Economics Fall 2014

EDUCATION Ph.D. in Economics, Princeton University 2011

M.A. in Economics, Princeton University 2007

M.Sc. in Mathematics, Instituto de Matemática Pura e Aplicada (IMPA) 2005

B.Sc. in Economics, University of São Paulo (USP) 2003

FIELDS Economic Theory, Decision Theory, Behavioral Economics

RESEARCH "Random Choice and Differentiation", with Junnan He.

Working Paper, updated Dec 2023.

"Weighted Linear Discrete Choice", with Christopher Chambers, Yusufcan Masatlioglu and Collin Raymond.

American Economic Review, revise and resubmit.

"The Thrill of Gradual Learning", with Faruk Gul, Erkut Ozbay and Wolfgang Pesendorfer. Journal of Political Economy: Microeconomics, conditionally accepted.

"Moderate Utility", with Junnan He.

American Economic Review: Insights, forthcoming.

"Random Evolving Lotteries and Intrinsic Preference for Information", with Faruk Gul and Wolfgang Pesendorfer.

Econometrica, Vol. 89, No. 5 (September 2021), 2225–2259.

"Random Choice and Learning".

Journal of Political Economy, Vol. 127, No. 1 (February 2019), 419–457.

"Subjective Ambiguity and Preference for Flexibility", with Leandro Gorno.

Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Vol. 145 (October 2018), 24–32.

"Random Choice as Behavioral Optimization", with Faruk Gul and Wolfgang Pesendorfer. *Econometrica*, Vol. 82, No. 5 (September 2014), 1873–1912.

"Brazilian Students' Recent Outcomes: a Revaluation of SAEB Scores", with Reynaldo Fernandes. Original title in Portuguese: "A evolução recente do rendimento escolar das crianças brasileiras: uma reavaliação dos dados do Saeb".

Estudos em Avaliação Educacional, No. 28 (December 2003), 3–22.

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Weidenbaum Center on the Economy, Gov. and Public Policy small grants	2016, 2018
Earle H. and Suzanne S. Harbison Faculty Fellow, Washington University	2011
Bernard Marcus Fellowship, The Institute for Humane Studies	2010
Stephen Goldfeld Summer Research Fellowship, Princeton University	2008, 2009
Towbes Prize for Outstanding Teaching, Princeton University	2008
Graduate School Fellowship, Princeton University	2005 – 2010
Fulbright Fellowship for Doctoral Studies in the US (declined)	2005
IPEA National Research Paper Award (Brazil), runner-up	2004
CAPES (National Department for Education, Brazil) Master's Fellowship	2003 – 2005
USP Academic Merit Award (top student in graduating class)	2003
São Paulo State Council of Economists Academic Merit Award	2003
IMPA Summer Fellowship	2002, 2003
CNPq (Brazil) Undergraduate Research Fellowship	2000 - 2001

Invited Talks

2023–2024: SAET Paris, IIPF Behavioral Public Finance Conference, University of Michigan (theory), UC Berkeley (theory brown bag), Harvard University (scheduled), Princeton University (scheduled), Insper Business School (scheduled), Copenhagen Business School (scheduled).

2022–2023: The Ohio State (theory/experimental), Johns Hopkins (theory), Northwestern University Kellogg School of Management (discussant), University of Ghent (RISL $\alpha\beta$ cognitive economics workshop).

2021–2022: London School of Economics (theory), FGV-Rio.

2020–2021: University of Maryland (theory/experimental/IO), University of São Paulo.

2019–2020: RUD Paris, BRIC Aarhus, AMES Xiamen, SAET Ischia, Sloan-Nomis Workshop on the Cognitive Foundations of Economic Behavior, Rochester (theory).

2018–2019: GSE Summer Forum Barcelona (stochastic choice workshop), FUR Conference at the University of York (round table organizer), Sloan-Nomis Workshop on the Cognitive Foundations of Economic Behavior, Princeton University (theory), CIREQ Montréal, UBC (theory), McGill (theory), UC Berkeley (theory), UC Davis (behavioral).

2017–2018: European Meetings of the Econometric Society in Lisbon, FGV-Rio (economic theory), UBC (econometrics), Brown University (economic theory).

2016–2017: University of Chicago (economic theory), Penn State (econometrics), University of Zurich (neuroeconomics).

2015–2016: World Congress of the Econometric Society, CIREQ Montréal, UPenn, IB-MEC, Princeton University, Boston University, Workshop on the Representation of Value and Economic Choice at Columbia University.

2014–2015: Duke University, Indiana Bloomington, UC Berkeley, Insper São Paulo, University of Michigan, BRIC Conference at NYU.

2013–2014: University of Pittsburgh, Harvard/MIT Theory Workshop.

2012–2013: UC Berkeley, SBE Meetings, USP, FGV-SP.

2011-2012: ASU, UBC, D-TEA Paris.

2010–2011: Princeton, Toronto, WUSTL, IESE Barcelona, University of Alicante, Johns Hopkins Carey Business School, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, University of Haifa, NYU, D-Day at Yale University, 2011 Kansas Workshop on Economic Theory, 2011 RUD Conference at the Collegio Carlo Alberto, 28th Colloquium of Mathematics at IMPA.

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ACTIVITIES

Referee for AEJ: Microeconomics, American Economic Review, American Economic Review: Insights, Econometrica, Journal of Econometrics, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of Economic Theory, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Political Economy, Management Science, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Theoretical Economics.

AER Excellence in Refereeing Award, 2015.

Reviewer for the National Science Foundation.

Faculty Associate, Wayman Crow Residential College

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Service	Olin Business School,	- vv asninaton	- Oniversitu in	. Saint Louis

BSBA Curriculum Committee	2020-2023
CRES Seminar co-organizer	2019-
Department of Economics, Washington University in Saint Louis	
Prelim Exams Director	2016 – 2019
Microeconomics Prelim Committee	2012 – 2019

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2012 - 2014

Faculty Recruiting Committee	2011-2012
PhD Admissions Committee	2011 - 2012

University service, Washington University in Saint Louis	
Olin Fellowship Program Selection Committee	2021 – 2022
Study Abroad Advisory Board, Overseas Programs	2014 – 2019

Conference	Scientific committee,	Risk Uncertain	tv and Decision.	Evanston	2024

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Organizing	Scientific committee, Risk Uncertainty and Decision, Kyoto	2023
	Scientific committee, Risk Uncertainty and Decision, Paris	2022
	Scientific committee, Risk Uncertainty and Decision, Virtual	2021
	Scientific committee, Risk Uncertainty and Decision, Paris	2019
	Round table organizer, Foundations of Utility and Risk, York	2018

Scientific committee, Risk Uncertainty and Decision, London	2017
Session organizer, Society for the Advancement of Economic Theory, Rio	2016
Session organizer, Society for the Advancement of Economic Theory, Tokyo	2014
Scientific committee, Latin American Meeting Econometric Society, Sao Paulo	2014
Scientific committee, Midwest Economic Theory, Saint Louis	2012

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Advising	Doctoral dissertation defense committee	2024
	Antonio Caluz (Insper Business School)	2024
	Edward Honda	2022
	Lintao Ye	2022
	Keh-Kuan Sun	2021
	Junnan He	2019
	Emma Dong	2018
	Nicolas Aguelakakis	2017
	Jinji Hao	2017
	Inkee Jang	2017
	Yu-Hung Chen	2016
	Heechun Kim	2016
	Jiemai Wu	2016
	Ceyhun Coban	2015
	Brady Vaughan	2015
	Juan Block	2014
	Haibo Xu	2014
	Filippo Massari	2013
	Rohan Dutta	2012
	Shota Fujishima	2012
	Shintaro Miura	2012
	Kumano Taro	2012
	Undergraduate honors thesis committee	
	Ben Zod, mathematics	2016
	Dalton Guthrie, psychology	2014
	Charles Yue Yuan, economics (chair)	2012
Teaching	Washington University in Saint Louis	
	Microeconomics I (PhD)	
	Microeconomics I (PhD)	
	Topics in Advanced Theory I (PhD)	
	Game Theory (undergraduate)	
	Game Theory (undergraduate)	

Princeton University

Microeconomics (undergraduate)

Junior Independent Work (Assistant Instructor for Prof. Peter B. Kenen)

Microeconomic Theory I (PhD core, AI for Prof. Faruk Gul)

Microeconomic Theory: A Mathematical Approach (AI for Prof. Stephen Morris)

Cases in Financial Risk Management (Master's in Finance, AI for Prof. Rossen Valkanov)

Intermediate Calculus (Master's in Public Policy, math camp instructor)

LANGUAGES English (fluent)

Spanish (native)
Portuguese (native)
Hebrew (beginner)