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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Comparative Politics; Political Economy; Causal Inference; Survey Research.

EMPLOYMENT

Institute of Social and Political Studies (IESP-UERJ), 2023–
Assistant Professor

Brazilian Center of Analysis and Planning (CEBRAP), 2021–2022
Postdoctoral Fellow, (Fapesp 2021/01393-2)

Sao Paulo School of Economics (EESP/FGV), 2021–2022
Lecturer, Getúlio Vargas Foundation

Quaest & Research, 2020–2021
Director of Research

Federal University of Minas Gerais (UFMG), 2020
Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Political Science (Fapemig)

Institute for Social and Political Studies (IESP-UERJ), 2019–2020
Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Political Science (PNPD/Capes)
Invited Professor (postgraduate level), Department of Political Science

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Political Science, Federal University of Minas Gerais, 2019.

Dissertation title: *A Política Distributiva da Coalizão*

Award: *Honourable Mention at CAPES Dissertation Prize 2020*

Award: *Honourable Mention at ANPOCS Dissertation Prize 2020*

Award: *UFMG Dissertation Prize 2020*

Award: *Best dissertation defended at DCP/UFMG*

Committee: Carlos Ranulfo (UFMG, co-chair), Royce Carroll (Essex, co-chair), Cesar Zucco Jr. (FGV),
Natália Salgado Bueno (Emory), Bruno Reis (UFMG), Manoel Santos (UFMG)

BOOK

Meireles, F.; Silva, D. Usando R: uma introdução para pesquisadores em humanidades digitais (*book*). Editora FGV, 2025. [[Website](#)].

SELECTED WORKING PAPERS

Meireles, F.; Bueno, N. Coordination Advantage: How Partisan Favoritism Persists Under Accountability Institutions. [[PDF](#)].

Meireles, F.; Schaefer, B.; Simoni Jr., Sergio. Limited Returns: Credit Attribution and the Co-optation of Conditional Cash Transfers. [[PDF](#)].

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Meireles, F.; Inácio, M.; Guerra, R. **Ministries That We Want: Legislative Behavior and Signaling of Portfolio Salience**. *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, v. 51, 2026.

Gelape, L.; Meireles, F.; Rocha, M. M.; Duque, G. **Multilevel political connections and interest intermediation: identifying political alliances with social media data**. *Journal of Politics in Latin America*, 2026.

Carroll, R.; Meireles, F. **Multi-level legislative representation in an inchoate party system: Mass-elite ideological congruence in Brazil**. *Party Politics*, v. 30, n. 1, p. 151-165, 2024.

Meireles, F. **Partisan alignment and requests for federal transfers in Brazil**. *Revista de Administração Pública*, v. 53, n. 1, p. 173-194, 2019.

Meireles, F. **Oversized Government Coalitions in Latin America**. *Brazilian Political Science Review*, v. 10, n. 3, pp. 1-31, 2016.

OTHER WRITING

Meireles, F. **Latin American Presidents and their Oversized Government Coalitions**. *Presidential Power (website)*, 2017.

Meireles, F., Lloyd, R. **Brazil Votes on Sunday for the First Time Since Rousseff was Ousted. What Will Happen to her Party?** *The Washington Post (Monkey Cage)*, 2016.

Meireles, F., Silva, D., Costa, B. **electionsBR: R Functions to Download and Clean Brazilian Electoral Data (reference guide)**, n/d.

PROJECTS AND FUNDING

The Geography of Demands for Policy at the Intramunicipal level in Brazil (funded by CNPq), 2025–.

Brokerage and Electoral Politics in Brazil (funded by CNPq, with Marta Mendes Rocha), 2022–.

Political Representation and Quality of Democracy: A Study on Legislative Elites in Latin American (funded by CNPq and FAPEMIG), 2014–.

Brazilian Party System: A Comparative Study of its Structure and Dynamics (funded by FAPERGS), 2014–.

Intraparty Linkages in Brazil (funded by REUNI), 2012-2013.

PROGRAMMING

LANGUAGES

R, Python, SQL, Javascript, HTML5, CSS

SOFTWARE

siconvr Fetch data on targeted public investments from Plataforma +Brasil (SICONV) (w/ Marcus Torres) [[CRAN](#)].

genderBR Predict gender from Brazilian first names [[CRAN](#)].

electionsBR R Functions to download and clean Brazilian electoral data (with Denisson Silva and Beatriz Costa) [[CRAN](#)].

deflateBR Adjust nominal Brazilian reais for inflation using several historical price indexes [[CRAN](#)].

codesBR A dictionary of Brazilian municipalities' codes used by public agencies.

rSciELO An R package to scrape meta-data from scientific articles hosted on SciELO.

TEACHING

CLASSES

Brazilian Politics. Political Science (graduate level), IESP-UERJ, (2/2024).

Quantitative Methods II (Lego II). Political Science (graduate level), IESP-UERJ, (2/2023).

Quantitative Methods I (Lego I). Political Science (graduate level), IESP-UERJ, (1/2023, 1/2024, 1/2026).

Eleições e Representação Política. Political Science (graduate level), IESP-UERJ, 2/2023).

Instituições Políticas Comparadas. Political Science (graduate level), IESP-UERJ, (1/2023).

Ciência Política Brasileira. Economia (undergraduate level), EESP/FGV, (1/2022).

Instituições políticas: teoria e método. Ciência Política (graduate level), State University of Rio de Janeiro (IESP-UERJ), (2/2019).

INSTITUTIONAL AFFILIATION

Laboratório de Estudos Eleitorais, de Comunicação Política e Opinião Pública (Doxa), *Co-director*

Laboratório de Avaliação e Monitoramento de Políticas e Eleições (MAPE), *Co-director*

Centro Brasileiro de Análise e Planejamento (CEBRAP), *Main researcher*

Centro de Estudos Legislativos (CEL/UFGM), *Main researcher*

SERVICE

Department Chair: IESP-UERJ, 2024–.

Director: IESP-UERJ Winter School in Methods, Concepts, and Social Theories, 2023–.

Editorial Board: *PS: Political Science & Politics*, 2026–.

Reviewer: *Latin American Politics & Society Review*, *Perspective on Politics*, *Electoral Studies*, *Party Politics*, *Third World Quarterly*, *Latin American Research Review*, *Government & Opposition*, *Brazilian Political Science Review*, *Revista de Ciência Política (Santiago)*, *Revista Dados (Brazil)*, *Revista de Sociologia (Brazil)* & *Política*, *Opinião Pública (Brazil)*.

Administrative activities: *Director of the IESP's Winter School of Methods and Concepts in Social Sciences*, 2023–; *Department chair*, 2024–; *University extension coordinator*, 2024–2025.