

Karine Belarmino

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Education

University of Minnesota

September 2017 – current

Ph.D. Candidate Political Science
Advisor: David Samuels

Dissertation Title: “Clients of God – The Politics of the Evangelical Poor”
Committee: Lisa Hilbink, James Hollyer, Daniela Campello

Institute of Social and Political Studies (IESP/UERJ)

March 2013 – March 2015

M.A. Political Science

Thesis Title: “The influence of the financial sector on the political paths of developing countries: an analysis of the autonomy of Latin American central banks.” (Awarded as the best Master’s thesis in Political Science in 2015 at IESP/UERJ).

Co-Advisors: Celina Souza and Elizabeth A. Stein **Outside Member:** Daniela Campello, FGV-Rio

Federal University of Rio de Janeiro (UFRJ)

March 2008 – March 2012

B.A. Social Sciences (Anthropology, Sociology, and Political Science)

Skills

Software

Proficient with R-programming, Stata, Python, QGIS, GeoDa, NVivo, Markdown, Latex, Abbyy FineReader PDF (OCR tool), and Microsoft Office

Languages

Portuguese (native), English (fluent), Spanish (intermediate), French (basic)

Experience

Teaching Assistant

- University of Minnesota, September 2021 - December 2021
Political Science Capstone (POL 4991-1)
Supervisor: Lisa Hilbink
Assisting for the Capstone Class, I had the opportunity to run my own in-person discussion sections every week.
- University of Minnesota, January 2021 - May 2021
Political Science Capstone (POL 4991-1)
Supervisor: Lisa Hilbink
Assisting for the Capstone Class, I had the opportunity to run my own online discussion sections every week.
- University of Minnesota, September 2020 - December 2020
Puzzles in World Politics (POL 1054)
Supervisor: David Samuels
- University of Minnesota, January 2020 – May 2020
Politics of Inequality (POL 3464)
Supervisor: David Samuels
- University of Minnesota, January 2019 – May 2019
Patronage & Corruption (POL 4497)
Supervisor: James Hollyer
- University of Minnesota, September 2018 – December 2018
Puzzles in World Politics (POL 1054)
Supervisor: David Samuels

Research Assistant

- University of Minnesota, September 2019 – December 2020
Projects: Mechanization and Rural Violence in Brazil and Brazilian Newspapers’ report on PT

Supervisor: David Samuels

- University of Minnesota, January 2019 – May 2019
Project: Mechanization and Rural Violence in Brazil
Supervisor: David Samuels
- University of Minnesota, June 2019
Project: “Lord, Peasant, ... and Tractor? Agricultural Mechanization and Moore’s Thesis”
Supervisor: David Samuels
- Brazilian School of Business and Public Administration (EBAPE/FGV), May 2015 – August 2017.
Project: Codification of economic news from the most relevant Brazilian newspapers (O Globo and Folha de São Paulo) and analyzing their influence on the Consumer Confidence Index.
Supervisor: Daniela Campello
- Institute of Social and Political Studies (IESP/UERJ), September 2016 – August 2017.
Project: Codification of violence against reporters and journalists in Brazil to build a subnational media freedom index.
Supervisor: Elizabeth Stein
- Center for International Media Assistance (CIMA), June 2017 – July 2017.
Project: Media concentration and ownership in Brazil. This project was a partnership between CIMA and Reporters Without Borders.
Supervisor: Elizabeth Stein

Lecturer

- Security and Citizenship Research Center (CESeC, Cândido Mendes University) – September 2020
Lecture: Introduction to Methodology and Research Tools
Audience: Junior research assistants at the institution
- Federal University of the State of Rio de Janeiro (UNIRIO), July 2014 – December 2014.
Lecture: Contemporaneous Political Theory
Audience: Senior undergraduate students

Administrative Work

- Coordinator of the Comparative Politics Colloquium, January 2018 – May 2020
- Co-coordinator of the Graduate Student Life Committee, September 2019 – May 2020

Work in Progress

- Clients of God - The Politics of the Evangelical Poor (Fall 2020 - current)
Doctoral Thesis
- Media Coverage of the Brazilian Workers’ Party (Summer 2020 - current)
Co-authored with David Samuels (University of Minnesota)
- Electoral Advantages of Brazil’s Clientelist Media Development (Summer 2021 - current)
Co-authored with Elizabeth Stein (Clarkson University)
- Bureaucratic Agencies as Gendered Institutions (Conference Paper, Fall 2021)
Co-authored with Pedro dos Santos (CSBSJU) and Sérgio Praça (CPDOC, FGV-SP)

Publications

Book Chapter

- “Captured Media? Examining Brazilian Coverage of Lava Jato” in “Policy Briefs on Lava Jato” (2020)
Published by the Routledge, “Corruption and the Lava Jato Scandal in Latin America” (eds. Paul Lagunes and Jan Svejnar)
Co-authored with Daniela Campello (EBAPE – FGV), Anya Schiffrin (Columbia University), and Debora Thome (UFF)

Research Paper

- “Reporting Corruption in Brazil: The Odebrecht Plea Bargain in Jornal Nacional” (2018)
Published by SSRN Co-authored with Daniela Campello (EBAPE – FGV) and Debora Thome (UFF)

Opinion Pieces

- Mujeres Progressistas y Conservadoras, en las Municipales de Brazil (2020)
Published by Agenda Pública Co-authored with Débora Thomé (UFF)
- “Seeds of Inequality: women in sustainable agriculture” (2019)
Published by Open Global Rights Co-authored with Marie Schaedel (UMN)

Volunteer Work

- Math instructor and Storyteller at Benjamin Constant Institution for Visually Impaired People, April 2008 – June 2009.

Participation in Civil Organizations

- Founding member of the feminist group of the Institute of Social and Political Studies “Virginia Leone Bicudo”, November 2014 – 2017.