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## EDUCATION

**University of Maryland**, College Park, MD  
*Ph.D. in Political Science*, Expected 2026

**University of Maryland**, College Park, MD  
*M.A. in Political Science*, 2024

**University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign**, Urbana-Champaign, IL  
*M.A. in Brazilian Studies*, 2021

**Universidade de Brasília**, Brasília, Brazil  
*B.A. in International Relations*, 2018

## PUBLICATIONS

### Published

Aruguete, N., **Batista, Flavia.**, Calvo, E., Guizzo-Altube, M., Scartascini, C., & Ventura, T. (2024). *Framing fact-checks as a “confirmation” increases engagement with corrections of misinformation: A four-country study*. *Scientific Reports*, 14(1), 3201.

**Batista, Flavia.**, F.T. Batista, Carolina., Calvo, Ernesto (2025). *R&R. Affective Polarization and Support for Democratic Institutions: Evidence from Survey Experiment in Brazil, Chile, and Colombia*. Manuscript submitted for publication.

### Under Review

Batista, Flavia. (2025). *Voices Behind the Data: Weighing the Trade-Offs Between Audio and Typed Open-Ended Responses in Surveys*. Manuscript submitted for publication at Political Analysis.

**Batista, Flavia.**, Cunningham, Kathleen., Gelvez, Juan. (2025). *Who should guide climate policy? Public opinion evidence from Latin America to Global Environmental Politics*. Manuscript submitted for publication at Revista Latinoamericana de Opinión Pública (RLOP).

### Book Chapters

**Batista, Flavia.**, Tuncel, Ozlem. (2025). *The Politics of Impeachment in the United States: Exploring Attitudes Toward Presidential Impeachment Among Citizens and Politicians*. Forthcoming in *The Year in C-SPAN Archives Research*.

Batista, Flavia. (2017). *Potencialidades de las industrias culturales para el desarrollo económico y ascensión social en Suramérica*. In: Cintral et al. (Org.), *Relacionais e Interdependentes*. Brasília: Art e Letras.

### Work in Progress

Batista, Flavia. (2025). *Eroding Democracy from Below: Instrumental Impeachment in Brazil and Colombia*. Dissertation chapter.

Batista, Flavia. (2025). *It's All About the Audience (and a Bit About the Framing): Citizens' Impeachment Calculus in Brazil and Colombia*. Dissertation chapter.

GRANTS &  
FELLOWSHIPS

2026. Ann G. Wylie Dissertation Fellowship, University of Maryland (\$15,000)  
 2025. American Political Science Association (APSA) Travel Grant (\$200)  
 2025. Emerging Methodologists Workshop Travel Grant (\$400)  
 2025. Humane Studies Fellowship, George Mason University (\$5,000)  
 2025. Dean's Research Initiative Grant, University of Maryland (\$3,500)  
 2025. LACS Summer Travel Scholarship (\$250)  
 2024. Phi Kappa Phi Love of Learning Award (\$1,000)  
 2024–2025. Oskar Morgenstern Fellowship, Mercatus Center (\$7,000)  
 2024. Graduate School Summer Fellowship, University of Maryland (\$5,000)  
 2024. GVPT Methods Field Summer Grant, University of Maryland (\$250)  
 2024. LACS Pop-Up Summer Grant, University of Maryland (\$1,000)  
 2024. Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Travel Award (\$500)  
 2023. GVPT Methods Field Summer Grant, University of Maryland (\$500)  
 2023. LACS Pop-Up Summer Grant, University of Maryland (\$1,000)  
 2023. Department of Government and Politics (GVPT) Comparative Politics Summer Grant, University of Maryland (\$550)  
 2022. Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR) Travel Grant (\$500)  
 2022. Latin American and Caribbean Studies (LACS) Pop-Up Summer Grant, University of Maryland (\$1,000)  
 2015–2021. Dean's Summer Fellowship, University of Maryland (\$20,000)  
 2020–2021. Lemann Graduate Fellowship for Brazilian Studies, UIUC (\$20,000)  
 2020. Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, Travel Grant, UIUC (\$2,000)  
 2020. Summer Fellowship, University of Illinois at Urbana–Champaign (UIUC) (\$2,000)  
 2015–2017. Scientific Initiation Program Scholarship, University of Brasília

TEACHING  
EXPERIENCE

**Instructor of Record**

*University of Maryland, College Park*

Course: International Political Relations (Fall 2024, Winter 2025, & Summer 2025)

**Teaching Assistant**

*University of Maryland, College Park*

Courses Comparative Politics and Government (Fall 2025); Scope and Methods for Political Science (Spring 2025).

*University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign*

Courses: Intensive Beginning Portuguese (Fall 2019) & Intensive Intermediate Portuguese (Spring 2020)

*University of Brasília, Brasília, Brazil*

Courses: Brazilian International Relations (2018), Introduction to Psychology (2017) Introduction to Law (2016) & International Relations Theory (2015).

RESEARCH  
EXPERIENCE

*University of Maryland, College Park*

Research Assistant, **Interdisciplinary Lab of Computational Social Sciences (iLCCS-UMD)** (2021–2024)

Advised by Prof. Ernesto Calvo. Designed and implemented survey experiments, and conducted research on political behavior and democratic erosion.

Research Assistant, **Human-Computer Interaction Lab (HCIL)** (Summer 2023)

Advised by Prof. Joel Chan. Conducted an open literature review on social media and political (dys)function.

Research Assistant for Prof. Kathleen Cunningham (Summer 2022)

Helped code data on Non-State Actor Governance for a larger cross-national project.

*University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign*  
 Research Assistant for Prof. Gisela Sin (Summer 2021)  
 Coded data on regime changes in Latin America.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS	American Political Science Association (APSA): 2024, 2025 Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA): 2024, 2025 <b>Emerging Methodologists Workshop (EMW)</b> : 2025 <b>Southwest Workshop on Mixed-Methods Research</b> : 2023 <b>Sciences Po Summer School on “Electoral Democracy in Danger?”</b> : 2023 University of Maryland Graduate Students Conference: 2022
METHODS TRAINING	<b>The Institute for Qualitative &amp; Multi-Method Research</b> , Syracuse University (June 2022) Natural and Randomized Experiments, Multi-Method Research, Causal Inference, Social Media as Social Science Data  <b>Big Data for Development and Governance Conference</b> , University of Pennsylvania (October 2022) BERT models for text classification, Social media data, Digital Experiments  <b>Video Research Institute</b> , Purdue University (June 23–June 28, 2024) Natural Language Processing, Bidirectional Encoder Representations from Transformers (BERT), Audio Analysis, Wav2Vec and Multimodal Classification, Image/Video Analysis, Convolutional Neural Networks  <b>LAPOP Summer School on Survey Methods</b> , Vanderbilt University (June 2025) Advanced Survey Design, Survey Experiments, Survey Techniques in Latin America
SKILLS	<b>Software</b> : R, LaTeX, Python <b>Languages</b> : Portuguese (native), English (fluent), Spanish (fluent), French (intermediate)
SERVICE	2024-2025. Member of the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi 2024. Reviewer for the Comparative Political Studies 2023. Coordinator of the Southwest Workshop on Mixed-Methods Research 2022-2023. Co-chair of the GVPT Graduate Students Association 2021. Member of the Latin American and Caribbean Studies Center (LACS-UMD) 2020-2021. Member of the Students Advising on Graduate Education (SAGE-UIUC) 2019-2021. UIUC Leadership Certificate Program 2019. President of the Luso-Brazilian Students Association at UIUC
REFERENCES	Ernesto Calvo, Professor, <b>University of Maryland</b> , ecalvo@umd.edu Isabella Alcañiz, Professor, <b>University of Maryland</b> , ialcaniz@umd.edu Calvert W. Jones, Associate Professor, <b>University of Maryland</b> , cwjones@umd.edu Giancarlo Visconti, Assistant Professor, <b>University of Maryland</b> , gvis@umd.edu Aníbal Perez-Liñan, Professor, <b>University of Notre Dame</b> , aperezl1@nd.edu