Laura Barros

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EDUCATION

University of Göttingen PhD in Economics (<i>summa cum laude</i>) Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Krisztina Kis-Katos	2018 · 2024
Heidelberg University MSc in Economics	2015 · 2018
Federal University of Minas Gerais BA in Economics	2011 · 2015
University of Oslo Academic Exchange Semester	2013
ACADEMIC VISITS	
University of British Columbia Visiting Prof. Claudio Ferraz	March 2025
Federal University of Minas Gerais	May 2024

PUBLICATIONS

EAFIT

Barros, Laura and Manuel Santos Silva (2025). Economic shocks, gender, and populism: Evidence from Brazil. *Journal of Development Economics*, 174, 103412.

Barros, Laura and Manuel Santos Silva (forthcoming). Between sticky floors and glass ceilings: Trade liberalization and wage inequality by gender and race in Brazil. *Economic Development and Cultural Change*.

Barros, Laura and Inmaculada Martínez-Zarzoso (2022). Systematic literature review on trade liberalization and sustainable development. *Sustainable Production and Consumption*, 33, 921–931.

Barros, Laura and Ute Rink (2021). Spending or saving? Female empowerment and financial decisions in a matrilineal society. *World Development*, 141, 105342.

WORKING PAPERS

Job Loss and Political Entry (with Aiko Schmeißer)

Natural disasters and intimate partner violence (with Yuanwei Xu)

Under review

January 2022

WORK IN PROGRESS

Female political participation and environmental outcomes (with Rocío Castilla Navarro and Manuel Santos Silva)

Indigenous quotas and the political representation of historically marginalized groups (with Krisztina Kis-Katos and Amanda Woodman Deza)

Religious supply and local violence (with Krisztina Kis-Katos and Manuel Santos Silva)

The gender wage gap in German academia (with Isea Cieply, Krisztina Kis-Katos, Thomas Kneib, and Alexander Silbersdorff)

CONFERENCES, SEMINARS, AND WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

2025: 8th International Conference on the Political Economy of Democracy and Dictatorship (Münster), Development and Political Economy Brown Bag UBC (Vancouver), QPE Early Career Workshop (Scheduled), 1st Junior Workshop on Economics of Latin America (Scheduled)

2024: Development Economics Seminar (Göttingen), Postgraduate Seminar in Economics, Cedeplar/UFMG (Belo Horizonte), German Development Economics Conference (Hannover), VfS Annual Conference (Berlin), EJPE-CEPR Political Economy Conference (Naples), Research Seminar in Economics Freie Universität Berlin (Berlin), Economics and Politics Workshop (Reims)

2023: 38th Meeting of the European Economic Association (Barcelona)

2022: Internal Seminar EAFIT (Medellín), Second DENeB-GlaD PhD Workshop (Göttingen), WZB-IPI Brown Bag Series (Online), German Development Economics Conference (Hohenheim), Arnoldshain Seminar XVII and X Meeting on International Economics (Villa-Real and Alicante)

2021: ASSA Annual Meeting (Online), Spring Meeting of Young Economists (Online), International Conference in Development Economics (Online), 3rd International Conference on Globalization and Development (Online), 36th IARIW General Conference (Online), 2nd Brazilian Meeting in Family and Gender Economics (Online), VfS Annual Conference (Online), DENeB-GlaD PhD Workshop (Berlin), 43° Meeting of the Brazilian Econometric Society (Online)

2020: 4th International Conference on the Political Economy of Democracy and Dictatorship (Münster), North East Universities Development Consortium (Online), RIDGE/LACEA-PEG Workshop on Political Economy (Online)

2019: 2nd Workshop on Geodata in Economics (Hamburg), IAFFE Annual Conference (Glasgow), 1st Spanish Public Choice Workshop (Pamplona), Development Economics Poster Workshop (Göttingen), 13th CESifo Workshop on Political Economy (Dresden)

2018: U4 Social Sciences, Economics and Law Conference on Current Challenges for a Sustainable Future (Göttingen)

TEACHING

Summer 2025: TA for Empirical Political Economy (Master)

Winter 2024/25: Lecturer for Labor Economics (Bachelor)

Summer 2024: TA for Migration Economics: Replication Course (Master)

Winter 2023/24: TA for Empirical Political Economy (Master)

Summer 2022: TA for Applied Panel Data Econometrics (Master) and Migration Economics: Replication Course (Master)

Winter 2021/22: TA for Empirical Political Economy (Master)

Summer 2021: TA for Applied Panel Data Econometrics (Master)

Summer 2020: TA for Sustainable Development, Trade and Environmental Economics (Master)

Winter 2019/20: TA for Sustainable Development, Trade and Environmental Economics (Master)

Summer 2019: TA for Introduction to Development Economics (Bachelor)

Winter 2018/19: TA for European and Global Trade (Master) and Development Economics IV (Master)

Bachelor and Master theses co-supervision: Marcella Cianchini (MA), Julia Hoechner Silveira Martins (MA), Svenja Horn (MA), Tamo Modersitzki (BA), Katharina Neumann (MA), Tim-Oliver Ollmann (BA), Conor Norris (BA), Markus Rafael Paffhausen (MA), Marica Taime Rauschnick (BA), Mohammed Shukur (BA), Gina Wiggert (BA).

SCHOLARSHIPS & GRANTS

2025 · Dorothea Schlözer-Programm · Funding Research Stay · 4,000€

2012-2015 · Tutorial Education Scholarship Program · Brazilian Ministry of Education

WORK EXPERIENCE

University of Göttingen Research Associate	2020 · present
Chair of International Economic Policy, Prof. Dr. Krisztina Kis-Katos	
University of Göttingen Research Associate Chair of Development Economics, Prof. Stephan Klasen, Ph.D	2018 · 2020
Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) Short-term Consultant	2020
Heidelberg University Research Assistant	2016 · 2018

ORGANIZATION OF CONFERENCES, SEMINARS, AND WORKSHOPS

Research Center for Distributional Conflict and Globalization

Development Economics Seminar	2019 · present
Sur Dialogues	2022
GlaD-DeNEB PhD Worshop	2021, 2022
Third International Conference on Globalization and Development	2021

REFEREE ACTIVITY

Economic Development and Cultural Change, Journal of Development Studies, Journal for Labour Market Research

AFFILIATIONS

Ibero-America Institute for Economic Research	2021 · Present
Research Training Group 1723 Globalization and Development	2018 · 2021

SKILLS

Statistical Programs:

Stata (Advanced), R (Intermediate), QGIS (Intermediate)

Languages:

Portuguese (Native), English (Advanced), Spanish (Intermediate), German (Intermediate), French (Basic)