

# Melina Matos



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## EDUCATION

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<b>Ph.D. in Urban and Regional Science</b> Texas A&M University	2023
<b>Master of Public Administration</b> Texas Tech University	2017
<b>Specialist in Regional Development</b> Federal University of Paraná – UFPR	2007
<b>Specialist in Urban Management</b> Federal University of São Carlos – UFSCAR	2006
<b>B.S. Architecture and Urbanism</b> State University of Londrina – UEL	2004

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## RESEARCH PROJECTS

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2021-	<b>Innovation drivers of climate adaptation</b> – This research began during my dissertation studies and is now being further developed.
2024- 2026	<b>Assessing the potential of Nature-Based Solutions in urban areas for enhancing urban resilience planning</b> – Jumpstart Fellowship Principal investigators – Dr. Melina Matos Co-PI – Dr. Stephanie Wakefield / Dr. Willian Lima
2021 – 2025	<b>Implementation of NIST Playbook for Community Resilience Planning and IN-CORE, working with subtask 2.3 Community Engagement/Plan</b> – This research was conducted as part of the NIST Center of Excellence for Risk-Based Community Resilience Planning under Cooperative Agreement 70NANB15H044 between the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) and Colorado State University. Working with Dr. Sara Hamideh and Dr. Shannon Van Zandt
2019 – 2021	<b>Collaborative Research: Evaluating the Potential for Urban Resilience Planning to Mitigate Long-term Flood Risks</b> - NSF Award #1825123 Principal investigators – Dr. Sierra Woodruff / Dr. Sara Meerow / Dr. Bryce Hannibal
2015 – 2016	<b>Unemployment Impact Assessment on the Decline of the Oil and Gas Sector in the South Plains and Permian Basin.</b> Center for Public Service, Texas Tech University, Hamilton, D., Matos, M. <a href="https://www.depts.ttu.edu/politicalscience/mpa/cps/documents/finalreport1-23.pdf">https://www.depts.ttu.edu/politicalscience/mpa/cps/documents/finalreport1-23.pdf</a>
2006 – 2007	<b>“Planejar é preciso – memórias do planejamento urbano de Londrina” (Planning is needed – memories of urban planning in Londrina)</b> João Baptista Bortolotti Research and book editorial.

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## GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

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2025	<b>Resilience relevant topic*</b> Co-PI: Melina Matos / Submitted to NSF24-595: Regional Resilience Innovation Incubator (R2I2) (final proposal submitted)
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- 2024 **Resilience relevant topic\***  
Co-PI: Melina Matos / Submitted to NSF 24-594: Science and Technology Centers: Integrative Partnerships (pre-proposal submitted – not funded)
- 2024 **Resilience relevant topic\***  
Co-PI: Melina Matos / Submitted to NSF 24-576: Gen-4 Engineering Research Centers (ERC) (pre-proposal submitted)
- 2024 **Resilience relevant topic\***  
Co-PI: Melina Matos / Submitted to ROSES-2024: Earth Action: Disaster Risk Reduction, recovery and Resilience (NASA NSPIRES) (not funded)
- 2024 **Resilience relevant topic\***  
Co-PI: Melina Matos / Submitted to NSF Confronting Hazards, Impacts and Risks for a Resilient Planet (CHIRRP) (final proposal submitted)
- 2024 **Resilience relevant topic\***  
Co-PI: Melina Matos / Submitted to NSF 24-533: Sustainable Regional Systems Research Networks (SRS RNs) (final proposal submitted)
- 2024 **Resilience relevant topic\***  
Co-PI: Melina Matos / Submitted to the Audacious Project (not funded)
- 2024 **Climate adaptation relevant topic\***  
PI: Melina Matos / Submitted to NCAR/NSF Early Career Faculty Innovator Program (not funded)
- 2024 **Climate adaptation relevant topic\***  
PI: Melina Matos / Submitted to the Center for Equitable Transit-Oriented Communities (not funded)
- 2024 **2024 Jumpstart Postdoctoral Program Awardees**  
PI: Melina Matos / Submitted to Internal Grant, Charles E. Schmidt College of Science Florida Atlantic University (awarded)
- 2023 **Climate adaptation relevant topic\***  
PI: Melina Matos / Submitted to Internal Grant, Charles E. Schmidt College of Science Florida Atlantic University (not funded)
- 2023 **HI Bridge to Academia Fellowship Program**  
NSF AGEP Alliance, supported by the National Science Foundation under Grant Award Number 2015286 (awarded)
- 2020 **Glasscock Online Writing Groups**  
PI: Melina Matos / Submitted to the Department of Landscape Architecture and Urban Planning, Texas A&M University (awarded)
- 2020 **Comparing Hazard Mitigation and Climate Adaptation Plans as Strategies to Foster Community Resilience**  
PI: Melina Matos / Submitted to Lincoln Institute of Land Policy with the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning (ACSP) Case Study Award (awarded)
- 2019 **LAUP Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award**  
Department of Landscape Architecture and Urban Planning, Texas A&M University (awarded)
- 2010 **Morar Carioca – Redevelopment of slums in Rio de Janeiro**  
National competition promoted by IAB – Institution of Brazilian Architech (awarded)

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## PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLE

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- Roohi, M., **Matos, M.**, Van de Lindt, J., (2024) *Tools for disaster resilience: A Comparative Analysis of HAZUS and IN-CORE Models in Salt Lake City* (in progress)
- Matos, M.**, Roy, M., Meerow, S., (2024) *Practical Perspectives on Resilience Definitions* (in progress)
- Hamideh, S., **Matos, M.** (2024) *Partnerships with community users to pilot IN-CORE as a resilience planning tool* (in progress)

- Sobhaninia, S., Meerow, S., Keith, L., Shaylynn, T., **Matos, M.**, (October 2024). A Comparison of Plan Integration for Flood and Heat Resilience: A Case Study of Baltimore, MD. *International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction* (submitted)
- Mitsova, D., Cresswell, K., Bergh, C., **Matos, M.**, Wakefield, S., Freeman, K., Lima, W. C., (January 2025). A Shoreline Screening Framework for Identifying Nature-Based Stabilization Measures Reducing Storm Damage in the Florida Keys. *Journal of Marine Science and Engineering* (submitted)
- Matos, M.**, Matos, M. (2025). Innovation drivers in climate adaptation. *Journal of Environmental Studies and Sciences*, 1-20. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s13412-024-01004-1>
- Matos, M.**, Gilbertson, P., Woodruff, S., Meerow, S., Roy, M., (2024). Comparing Hazard Mitigation and Climate Adaptation Plans as strategies to foster community resilience. *Lincoln Institute of Land Policy*
- Roy, M., Woodruff, S., Meerow, S., Hannibal, B., **Matos, M.**, Gilbertson, P. (2024). Quality of Cities' Networks of Plans and Prospects for Flood Resilience. *Journal of Planning Education and Research* <https://doi.org/10.1177/0739456X241236486>
- Meerow, S., Woodruff, S., Hannibal, B., Roy, M., Gilbertson, P, **Matos, M.**, (2024). Urban flood resilience networks: Exploring the relationship between governance networks, networks of plans, and spatial flood resilience policies in four coastal cities. *Annals of the American Association of Geographers* <https://doi.org/10.1080/24694452.2023.2284299>
- Matos, M.**, Gilbertson, P, Woodruff, S., Meerow, S., Roy, M., Hannibal, B., (2022). Comparing hazard mitigation and climate change adaptation planning approaches. *Journal of Environmental Planning and Management* <https://doi.org/10.1080/09640568.2022.2093171>
- Hannibal, B., Meerow, S., Woodruff, S., Roy, M., Gilbertson, P, **Matos, M.**, (2022). Who collaborates on urban resilience? An analysis of flood resilience planning networks in four coastal cities. *Journal of Urban Affairs* <https://doi.org/10.1080/07352166.2022.2137033>
- Woodruff, S., Meerow, S., Hannibal, B., **Matos, M.**, Roy, M., Gilbertson, P (2022). More than the sum of their parts: approaches to understand a network of plans. *Journal of Planning Education and Research* <https://doi.org/10.1177/0739456X221096395>
- Woodruff, S., Meerow, S., Hannibal, B., **Matos, M.**, Roy, M., Gilbertson, P, Malecha, M., Siyu, Y., Berke, P. (2021). Is flood resilience planning improving? A longitudinal analysis of networks of plans in Boston and Fort Lauderdale. *Climate Risk Management*. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.crm.2021.100354>
- Roberts, A., **Matos, M.** (2020). Adaptive liminality: Bridging and bonding social capital between urban and rural Black meccas. *Journal of Urban Affairs*, 1-22 <https://doi.org/10.1080/07352166.2020.1722030>

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## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

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### Community Profiles

- Hamideh, S, **Matos, M.** (Eds.). (2021). *Community Resilience Planning Profile: Galveston, TX* – Center for Risk-Based Community Resilience Planning (CoE). Fort Collins, CO. Colorado State University
- Hamideh, S, **Matos, M.** (Eds.). (2021). *Community Resilience Planning Profile: Joplin, MO* – Center for Risk-Based Community Resilience Planning (CoE). Fort Collins, CO. Colorado State University
- Hamideh, S, **Matos, M.** (Eds.). (2021). *Community Resilience Planning Profile: Salt Lake City, UT* – Center for Risk-Based Community Resilience Planning (CoE). Fort Collins, CO. Colorado State University
- Hamideh, S, **Matos, M.** (Eds.). (2021). *Community Resilience Planning Profile: Monterey County, CA* – Center for Risk-Based Community Resilience Planning (CoE). Fort Collins, CO. Colorado State University
- Hamideh, S, **Matos, M.** (Eds.). (2021). *Community Resilience Planning Profile: Memphis, TN* – Center for Risk-Based Community Resilience Planning (CoE). Fort Collins, CO. Colorado State University

- Matos, M.**, Gilbertson, P., Woodruff, S., Meerow, S., Roy, M., Hannibal, B. (2021). Comparing Hazard Mitigation and Climate Adaptation Plans as Strategies to Foster Community Resilience – Inquiry case study – Lincoln Institute of Land Policy
- Meerow, S., Woodruff, S., Hannibal, B., **Matos, M.**, Roy, M., Gilbertson, P. (2021). *“Building resilience in Seattle: An analysis of city plans.”* Resilience Planning Networks Project. Tempe, AZ. Arizona State University and Texas A&M University. <https://doi.org/10.48349/ASU/YXUSKY>
- Meerow, S., Woodruff, S., Hannibal, B., **Matos, M.**, Roy, M., Gilbertson, P. (2021). *“Building resilience in Fort Lauderdale: An analysis of city plans.”* Resilience Planning Networks Project. Tempe, AZ. Arizona State University and Texas A&M University. <https://doi.org/10.48349/ASU/8PHIUK>
- Meerow, S., Woodruff, S., Hannibal, B., **Matos, M.**, Roy, M., Gilbertson, P. (2021). *“Building resilience in Baltimore: An analysis of city plans.”* Resilience Planning Networks Project. Tempe, AZ. Arizona State University and Texas A&M University. <https://doi.org/10.48349/ASU/UKDZ2U>
- Meerow, S., Woodruff, S., Hannibal, B., **Matos, M.**, Roy, M., Gilbertson, P. (2021). *“Building resilience in Boston: An analysis of city plans.”* Resilience Planning Networks Project. Tempe, AZ. Arizona State University and Texas A&M University. <https://doi.org/10.48349/ASU/VPO9LD>
- Woodruff, S., Meerow, S., Hannibal, B., **Matos, M.**, Roy, M., Gilbertson, P. (2020). *“Resilience planning networks: Plan analysis methodology.”* Resilience Planning Networks Project. Tempe, AZ. Arizona State University and Texas A&M University. <https://doi.org/10.48349/ASU/MLH3ON>

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## CONFERENCE PRESENTATION

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- Lima, W., **Matos, M.**, Wakefield, S., (Nov 2024). *Exploring the Role of Nature-Based Solutions in Urban Resilience* – Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning Annual Conference, Oct 6-9, 2024.
- Matos, M.**, Roy, M., Meerow, S., (Nov 2024). *Practical Perspectives on Resilience Definitions* – Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning Annual Conference, Oct 6-9, 2024.
- Matos, M.** (July 2024). *Partnerships with Community Users to Pilot IN-CORE as a Resilience Planning Tool* – Researchers Meeting – Natural Hazards Workshop July 18, 2024
- Matos, M.** (April 2024). *Factors influencing the progress of climate adaptation in the US* – Urban Affairs Association Conference April 24—27, 2024
- Matos, M.** (Oct 2023). *Factors influencing cities to engage and implement climate adaptation* – Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning Annual Conference, Oct 18-21, 2023.
- Matos, M.** (Oct 2023). *Factors influencing cities to engage and implement climate adaptation* – Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning Annual Conference, Oct 18-21, 2023.
- Matos, M.** (Nov 2022). *Factors influencing cities to engage and implement climate adaptation* – Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning Annual Conference, November 3-5, 2022.
- Matos, M.**, Roberts, A (April 2022). Adaptive liminality: Bridging and bonding social capital between urban and rural Black meccas - 50th Urban Affairs Association Conference April 12—14, 2022
- Matos, M.**, Gilbertson, P, Woodruff, S., Meerow, S., Roy, M., Hannibal, B. (Oct 2021). *Comparing hazard mitigation and climate change adaptation planning approaches* – Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning Annual Conference, October 7, 2021, Virtual
- Meerow, S., Woodruff, S., Hannibal, B., Roy, M., **Matos, M.**, Gilbertson, P. “Does Collaboration Improve Resilience Planning? Exploring the Relationship Between Governance Networks, Plan Networks, and Resilience to Flooding in Four Coastal Cities.” Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning 2021 Annual Conference October 7, 2021, Virtual
- Meerow, S., Woodruff, S., Hannibal, B., Roy, M., **Matos, M.**, Gilbertson, P. “Does Collaboration Improve Resilience Planning? Exploring the Relationship Between Governance Networks, Plan Networks, and Resilience to Flooding in Four Coastal Cities.” American Collegiate Schools of Planning, Virtual, UCLA Climate Adaptation Research Symposium, September 8-9, 2021, Virtual.
- Meerow, S., Woodruff, S., Hannibal, B., Roy, M., **Matos, M.**, Gilbertson, P. “Does Collaboration Improve Resilience Planning? Exploring the Relationship Between Governance Networks, Plan Networks, and Resilience to Flooding in Four Coastal Cities.” American Collegiate Schools of

Planning, Virtual, International Sustainable Development Research Society Conference, July 13. Virtual.

Meerow, S., Woodruff, S., Hannibal, B., Roy, M., **Matos, M.**, Gilbertson, P. "Does Collaboration Improve Resilience Planning? Exploring the Relationship Between Governance Networks, Plan Networks, and Resilience to Flooding in Four Coastal Cities." American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, Virtual, February 25-March 1, 2021. Virtual.

**Matos, M.**, Gilbertson, P., Woodruff, S., Meerow, S., Roy, M., Hannibal, B. (Nov, 2020). *Hazard Mitigation vs. Climate Adaptation Plans – Are there overlaps between plans* – Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning, November 5-8, 2020

Woodruff, S., Gilbertson, P., Hannibal, B., **Matos, M.**, Meerow, S., Roy M. "Approaches to understand networks of plans" Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning, November 5-8, 2020.

Roy M., Woodruff, S., Meerow, S., Hannibal, B., **Matos, M.**, "How does a community's network of plans compare in their efforts to address current and future flood hazard? A plan quality analysis." Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning, November 5-8, 2020.

Hannibal, B., Woodruff, S., Meerow, S., Gilbertson, P., **Matos, M.**, Roy M. "The Importance of Stakeholder Networks in Building Resilience to Flooding." Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning, November 5-8, 2020.

**Matos, M.**, Lima, W. C. S. (Nov. 2017). Urban planning practices to face the challenges related to climate change and hazard risk. Urban Knowledge Net 2017 – Curitiba, Brazil.

**Matos, M.**, Forbis, R. (March 2017). *Environmental samba! The greenwashing of Brazilian Climate Change Commitments* – Western Political Science 2017 – Vancouver, Canada

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## CONFERENCE POSTER

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**Matos, M.**, Gilbertson, P., Woodruff, S., Meerow, S., Roy, M., Hannibal, B. (July, 2020). *Hazard Mitigation vs. Climate Adaptation Plans – Are there overlaps between plans? A case study of Boston* – 45th Annual Natural Hazards Workshop – Boulder, CO

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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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Fall 2023 –	<b>Assistant Professor</b> , Department of Urban and Regional Planning, Florida Atlantic University
Fall 2021 – Summer 2023	<b>Instructor</b> , Department of Political Science, Albany State University
Summer 2021 – Summer 2023	<b>Research Assistant</b> , Department of Landscape Architecture and Urban Planning, Texas A&M University – Center for Risk-Based Community Resilience Planning and National Institute of Standards and Technology Engineering Laboratory (NIST) for the implementation of NIST Playbook for Community Resilience Planning and IN-CORE
Summer 2019 – Spring 2021	<b>Research Assistant</b> , Department of Landscape Architecture and Urban Planning, Texas A&M University – NSF Award #1825123 - Collaborative Research: Evaluating the Potential for Urban Resilience Planning to Mitigate Long-term Flood Risks
Fall 2017 – Spring 2019	<b>Graduate Teaching Assistant</b> , Department of Landscape Architecture and Urban Planning, Texas A&M University
Fall 2016 – Spring 2017	<b>Graduate Teaching Assistant</b> , Department of Political Science, Texas Tech University
Fall 2015 – Summer 2016	<b>Research Assistant</b> , Department of Political Science, Texas Tech University
Spring 2015 – Summer 2015	<b>Research Assistant</b> , School of Public Service, Old Dominion University
Summer 2014	<b>Instructor</b> for professional training of employees of Palmeira City Hall, State of Parana – Brazil, IGPT – Instituto de Gestão e Treinamento de Pessoas (Management and Training People Institute)



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## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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<b>Assistant Professor</b>	<b>URP 4011: Planning Methods</b> (Fall 2023-2024)
	<b>URP 4430: Planning for Hazards and Disasters</b> (Summer 2024)
	<b>URP 5958: Study Abroad</b> (Summer 2024)
	<b>URP 4403: RI Sustainable Cities</b> (Spring 2024-2025)
	<b>URP 6873: Site Planning</b> (Spring 2024)
<b>Instructor of Political Science</b>	<b>POLS 1105 (Section 02) – Global World Issues</b> (Summer 2023) Instructor of Political Science at Albany State University, undergraduate level course – online
	<b>POLS 1101 (Section 09 and 10) – American Government</b> (Summer 2023) Instructor of Political Science at Albany State University, undergraduate level course – online
	<b>POLS 1105 (Section 2 and 3) – Global World Issues</b> (Spring 2023) Instructor of Political Science at Albany State University, undergraduate level course – in-person
	<b>POLS 1105 (Section 10) – Global World Issues</b> (Spring 2023) Instructor of Political Science at Albany State University, undergraduate level course – online
	<b>POLS 1101 (Section 30) – American Government</b> (Spring 2023) Instructor of Political Science at Albany State University, undergraduate level course – in-person
	<b>POLS 1101 (Section 1 and 18) – American Government</b> (Spring 2023) Instructor of Political Science at Albany State University, undergraduate level course – online
	<b>POLS 1101 (Section 30) – American Government</b> (Fall 2022) Instructor of Political Science at Albany State University, undergraduate level course – online
	<b>POLS 1101 (Section 2, 3, 4, 30) – American Government</b> (Fall 2022) Instructor of Political Science at Albany State University, undergraduate level course – in-person
	<b>POLS 1105 (Section 1) – Global World Issues</b> (Fall 2022) Instructor of Political Science at Albany State University, undergraduate level course – in-person
	<b>POLS 1105 (Section 2) – Global World Issues</b> (Summer 2022) Instructor of Political Science at Albany State University, undergraduate level course – online
	<b>POLS 1101 (Section 10) – American Government</b> (Summer 2022) Instructor of Political Science at Albany State University, undergraduate level course – online
	<b>POLS 1101 (Section 14, 18, and 28) – American Government</b> (Spring 2022) Instructor of Political Science at Albany State University, undergraduate level course – in-person
	<b>POLS 1105 (Section 2 and 3) – Global World Issues</b> (Spring 2022) Instructor of Political Science at Albany State University, undergraduate level course – online
	<b>POLS 1101 (Section 10) – American Government</b> (Spring 2022) Instructor of Political Science at Albany State University, undergraduate level course – in-person

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**POLS 1101 (Section 30) – American Government (Fall 2021)**

Instructor of Political Science at Albany State University, undergraduate level course – on-line

**POLS 1101 (Section 2, 3, 4) – American Government (Fall 2021)**

Instructor of Political Science at Albany State University, undergraduate level course – in-person

**POLS 1105 (Section 1) – Global World Issues (Fall 2021)**

Instructor of Political Science at Albany State University, undergraduate level course – in-person

<b>Teaching Assistant</b>	<b>PLAN 629 – Neighborhood Revitalization (Spring 2019)</b> Co-teaching with Dr. Andrea Roberts, Texas A&M University, graduate level course
	<b>PLAN 664 – Planning History &amp; Theory (Fall 2017 and Fall 2018)</b> Co-teaching with Dr. Andrea Roberts, Texas A&M University, graduate level course
	<b>PLAN 689 – Critical Places Studies: Theory, Research &amp; Practice (Fall 2018)</b> Co-teaching with Dr. Andrea Roberts, Texas A&M University, graduate level course
	<b>PLAN 629 – Neighborhood Revitalization (Spring 2018)</b> Co-teaching with Dr. Andrea Roberts, Texas A&M University, graduate level course
	<b>POLS 1301 – American Government (Fall 2016 and Spring 2017)</b> Co-teaching with Dr. Kristina Mitchell, Texas Tech University, undergraduate level course
<b>Instructor of IGPT – Instituto de Gestão e Treinamento de Pessoas (Management and Training People Institute)</b>	<b>Comprehensive Plan (4 credit hour) May 2014</b> Professional training of employees of Palmeira City Hall, State of Parana – Brazil
	<b>Public Policies (4 credit hour) May 2014</b> Professional training of employees of Palmeira City Hall, State of Parana – Brazil
	<b>Performance measurement of Public Policies (4 credit hour) May 2014</b> Professional training of employees of Palmeira City Hall, State of Parana – Brazil
	<b>Financial Planning and Social projects (4 credit hour) June 2014</b> Professional training of employees of Palmeira City Hall, State of Parana – Brazil
	<b>Grant Preparation (4 credit hour) June 2014</b> Professional training of employees of Palmeira City Hall, State of Parana – Brazil
<b>Guest Lecturer</b>	<b>Special class regarding the right to the city</b> , in the Urban Law course of the graduate degree in State Law, State University of Londrina, Brazil, May 2006

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## SCHOLARSHIP

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2022	<b>Claude Scruggs Scholarship</b> , Texas A&M University scholarship
2021	<b>Tim Sweeney Spirit &amp; Loyalty Endowed Aggie Ring Scholarship</b> , Texas A&M University scholarship
2021	<b>Cary N Smith '34 Memorial Scholarship</b> , Texas A&M University scholarship
2020	<b>Claude Scruggs Scholarship</b> , Texas A&M University scholarship
2020	<b>R. Josph Reeves Endowed Memorial Scholarship</b> , Department of Landscape Architecture and Urban Planning, Texas A&M University
2019	<b>Barnes &amp; Noble Academic Excellence Scholarship</b> , Texas A&M University scholarship
2019	<b>LAUP Graduate Program Scholarship</b> , Department of Landscape Architecture and Urban Planning, Texas A&M University
2018	<b>Jesus Hinojosa Endowed Urban Planning Scholarship</b> , Department of Landscape Architecture and Urban Planning, Texas A&M University
2018	<b>Murray Case Sells Scholarship</b> , Texas A&M University scholarship
2016	<b>Dingus Memorial Scholarship</b> , Texas Tech University

- 2015      **Wolfgang Pindur Endowed Scholarship in Applied Research**, Old Dominion University
- 2015      **Scholarship of the Hampton Roads**, Chapter of the American Society for Public Administration

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## OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

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- Nov 2024 – current      **Consultant** *Community Engagement Specialist with Project IN-CORE*
- Aug 2023 – Aug 2024      **Consultant** Center for Risk-Based Community Resilience Planning and National Institute of Standards and Technology Engineering Laboratory (NIST) for the implementation of NIST Playbook for Community Resilience Planning and IN-CORE
- Aug 2020 – Jan 2024      **Translator** – a Spanish abstract translator for the Journal of Planning Education and Research (JPER)
- Sep 2009 – March 2014      **Coordination of comprehensive plans and other projects related to urban planning and public policies**
- Job detail:** Responsible for fieldwork; developing analysis of city's housing needs, environmental, social, economic, infrastructure, and public services characteristics; identify key weaknesses and potential; proposing action plan; promoting community engagement; conducting technical meetings and public hearings.
- Cities attended:**
- Passo Fundo – state of Rio Grande do Sul, **sponsored by IADB – International American Development Bank**;
  - 10 cities in a metropolitan area of Cuiabá, capital Mato Grosso's State;
  - Pinhais, a city in a metropolitan area of Curitiba, capital of Parana's State;
  - Florianópolis, capital of the Santa Catarina's State.
- Company:** VERTRAG – Urban Planning Company, Curitiba, Parana State, Brazil
- May 2004 – Jul 2014      **Urban Planning Consultant**
- Job detail:** coordination and development of comprehensive plans, and low-income housing plan.
- Cities attended:**
- In Santa Catarina's State (5 cities): Corupa, Jaragua do Sul, Guaramirin, Sangao e Tubarao.
  - In Parana's State (5 cities): Quatro Barras, city in a metropolitan area of Curitiba (capital); Londrina the 4th largest city in the south of Brazil; Palmeira, Sao Sebastiao da Amoreira, and Sapopema.
  - In Rio Grande do Sul's State (1 city): Parobé, city in a metropolitan area of Porto Alegre (capital).
  - In Sao Paulo State (1 city): Fernandopolis
- Company:** PUCPR – Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Paraná (Catholic University of Parana); RZS – Urban Consulting and Planning; Oliver Arquitetura – Urban Planning Office; Institute Of Research And Urban Planning Of Londrina – IPPUL; Consórcio Hardt-Engemin – Urban Planning Consortium; City Hall of São Sebastião da Amoreira (Town in the State of Paraná); City Hall of Sapopema (town in the State of Paraná); Mackensi – Urban Planning Office; Institute Of Technology And Economic And Social Development – ITEDES.
- May 2004 – Feb 2008      **Coordinator in works related to urban planning and public policies for cities**
- Job detail:** Coordinator of community projects developed by Institution; developing comprehensive plans.
- Cities attended:**
- 18 small cities in Parana State (Assai, Santo Antonio do Paraíso, Sao Sebastiao da Amoreira, Nova Tebas, Congonhinhas, Itambaraca, Leopoldo, Nova America da Colina, Nova Fátima, Nova Santa Barbara, Rancho Alegre, Santa Amélia, Santa Cecília do Pavão, Santa Mariana, São Jerônimo da Serra, Sapopema, Sertaneja, and Urai).
  - Cambé, city in the metropolitan region of Londrina, in Parana State.
- Company:** ECOPOLIS – Non-Governmental Organization

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## SERVICES & ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP

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- 2018 – 2019      **Vice President of URSSO**



- URSSO – Urban and Regional Science Student Association of Texas A&M University
- 2016 – 2017    **President elect of ASPA**  
American Society for Public Administration High Plains Chapter
- 2016 – 2017    **Vice President of PAGA**  
Public Administration Graduate Association of Texas Tech University
- 2004 – 2008    **Vice President of Ecopolis**  
Ecopolis Non-Governmental Organization

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## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP, AFFILIATIONS & LICENSE

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- ACSP – Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning
- APA – American Planning Association
- Urban Affairs Association
- Licensed Professional Urban Planner (2004 to current), Brazil – CAU (Conselho de Arquitetura e Urbanismo)