

# CATARINA LEÃO

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## EDUCATION

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### University of Oxford

September 2016 - Present

DPhil in Politics — *Submitted. Viva on January 2023*

*Thesis:* Autocratic Legacies and Immunisation Against Extremism: A Rational Choice Approach

*Supervisors:* David Rueda and David Doyle

*FCT Research Fellowship, full funding*

### Institute for Political Studies, Catholic University of Portugal

2013 - 2015

Master of Arts in Governance, Leadership and Democracy Studies

*Summa cum laude*

*Thesis:* The Practical Application of Karl Popper's Piecemeal Social Engineering

### Católica Lisbon School of Business and Economics

2009 - 2013

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (minor in Economics)

Degree with a strong quantitative basis, including courses such as Econometrics, Data Modeling, Statistics I and II, Microeconomics, Mathematics I, II and III and Modern Economic Policy.

## RESEARCH

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**Research Interests:** Political Economy, Comparative Government, Autocratic Regimes and Legacies, Democratisation, Rational Choice, Quantitative Methods, Quasi-Experimental Designs.

### Publications

Azevedo Alves, André, and Catarina Leão. "Controlo Democrático do Orçamento." In *Orçamento, Economia e Democracia: Uma Proposta de Arquitectura Institucional*, edited by Abel Mateus, 271-296. Lisbon: Fundação Francisco Manuel dos Santos, 2018.

Leão, Catarina, "About Tradition in Karl Popper: Does a Popperian Open Society require a grounding in a Shared Tradition?", *Nova Cidania*, Spring 2014, no. 52.

### Book Manuscript

Autocratic Legacies and Immunisation Against Extremism: A Rational Choice Approach  
*Doctoral Thesis* | [\[Chapters sent upon request\]](#)

### Working Papers

"Democratisation or Repression?" The Role of Economic Clout [\[Side-Project JMP\]](#)

The Dominance of Women Leaders and the Far-Right: Causes and Consequences

*Homo Sovieticus* or *Homo Economicus*? Measuring the Impact of Indoctrination and Welfare Redistribution on the Vote for Communism in Russia

Authoritarian Rule and Party System Fragmentation (with Elias Dinas and Ksenia Northmore-Ball)

## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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**Juan March Institute, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid (Fall Semester 2021)**  
Visiting Student

**St. Hugh's College, University of Oxford (December 2017)**  
Undergraduate Admissions Tutor for Politics

**Francisco Manuel dos Santos Foundation, Lisbon (2016-2017)**  
Research Assistant for the book project "State Budget, Economics and Democracy"

## FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS AND AWARDS

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*FCT Research Fellowship, DPhil Tuition Fees plus living costs.* Awarded by FCT, the Portuguese national funding agency for science, 2017 to 2022. (£108,000)

*APSA 2019 Travel Grant: APSA Conference Funding,* May 2019. (£280)

*Henry the Navigator Award by the Institute of Political Studies IEP-UCP,* February 2019.

*Santander Academic Travel Award,* March 2018. (£1,000)

*Wolfson College Travel Grant Award,* May 2019, March 2018, June 2017. (£400 each)

*Wolfson College Fee Bursary,* June 2017. (£1,007)

*Norman Chester Funds Grant Award,* September 2017. (£100)

*Master of Arts Full Scholarship.* Awarded by The Fundação Oriente, 2013-2014. (£4,500)

## CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

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2022. European Political Science Association (EPSA) Meeting, Prague. Paper Presentation

2022. Quantitative Political Economy Research Group (QPE) Annual Workshop of King's College London, London. Paper Presentation

2020. European Political Science Association (EPSA) Virtual Meeting. Paper Presentation

2019. American Political Science Association (APSA) Meeting, Washington D.C. Paper Presentation

2019. European Political Science Association (EPSA) Meeting, Belfast. Paper Presentation

2018. DPhil Politics/IR Graduate Seminar. Paper Presentation

2018. Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Meeting, Chicago. Paper Presentation

2017. Department of Politics and IR Colloquium, Oxford. Paper Presentation

2017. NOVA University of Lisbon "State Budget, Economics and Democracy" Conference, Lisbon. Book Section Presentation

2017. King's College "Totalitarianism and the Open Society" Symposium, London. Roundtable Discussant

2017. Wolfson College's "President's Seminar", Oxford. Paper Presentation

2016. XXIV International Annual Meeting in Political Studies Estoril Political Forum 2016, Lisbon. Europaeum Special Debate

## TEACHING

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### **Comparative Political Economy (2021-2022; 2019-2020)**

Department of Politics and IR, University of Oxford

### **Comparative Government (2019-2020)**

Department of Politics and IR, University of Oxford

### **Introduction to the Practice of Politics (2019-2020)**

Department of Politics and IR, University of Oxford

### **Research Tutorial “Europe in the XX Century: K. Popper and W. Lippmann” (2013)**

Institute of Political Studies IEP-UCP

## OTHER TRAINING

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### **LSE Methods Summer School (August 2017)**

Data Science and Big Data Analytics. Coding in R language, including textual analysis using ‘quanteda’ R packages

### **Harvard University (June-August 2011)**

Summer Programme, Economic Development in India and East Asia

### **IÉSEG School of Management of Paris (August-December 2011)**

Exchange Semester, Erasmus Programme

## NON-ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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Observador Newspaper: Journalism Internship, Lisbon. (March-August 2015)

Michael Page International: Healthcare and Life Sciences Trainee, Lisbon. (April-September 2014)

Academic Editors’ Team at the Estoril Conferences, Lisbon. (April 2013)

Novo Banco Bank: Commercial Summer Internship, Lisbon. (July-August 2012)

## LANGUAGES AND IT

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**Languages:** English, Portuguese (native), Spanish, Italian, French

**IT:** Stata, R,  $\LaTeX$ , HTML, CSS, Adobe Photoshop

## FICTION WORKS

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Novel Title: The Supreme Purpose

Genre: Speculative fiction, dystopian/ Political fiction

Language: English