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Professional Summary

Early-career academic with a strong international background in **animal science, forage-livestock systems**, and **pasture management**. Holds a Ph.D. in Animal Science with expertise in sustainable beef production, stable isotopes, and integrated crop-livestock systems. Demonstrated leadership in research (over 15 oral/poster presentations), extension, mentoring, and grant writing (> \$400K awarded). Experienced educator and speaker with multilingual capabilities.

Academic & Research Experience

- **Assistant Professor**, LSU AgCenter – *Forage Agronomy* (2025–Present)
 - **Postdoctoral Fellow**, Auburn University – *Forage & Beef Systems* (2023–2025)
 - **Visiting Researcher**, UF/IFAS NFREC – *Sandwich Ph.D. & MSc Internships* (2015–2023)
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Education

- **Ph.D. Animal Science** (2023), Federal Rural University of Pernambuco
 - **M.Sc. Animal Science** (2017), Federal Rural University of Pernambuco
 - **B.Sc. Animal Science** (2015), Federal Rural University of Pernambuco
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Languages

- Portuguese: Native
- English: Advanced
- Spanish: Intermediate

Grants & Funding (Selected)

- **USDA-SARE (2024)** – \$398,589: Integrating tannin-rich legumes in tall fescue systems
- **Alabama Cattlemen's Association (2023–2024)** – \$10,000: By-product feedstuff evaluation
- **ACA Proposal (2023–2024)** – \$10,000: Water quality in grazing farms

Extension & Outreach

- Speaker at *Alabama Grazing Academy* (2023)
- Contributor to multiple UF/IFAS and Auburn extension bulletins
- Organizer and speaker at regional workshops (e.g., *Alfalfa in the South*)

Teaching & Guest Lecturing

- Guest speaker in undergraduate courses at Auburn University (Fall 2023)
- International speaker at UNAD, Colombia (2023)

Selected Conference Presentations

- **ASA/CSSA/SSSA & ASAS Southern Section** (2016–2024): 10+ oral presentations
- **Southern Pastures and Forage Crop Improvement Conference** (2024): Poster

Mentoring Experience

Supervised and mentored over **20 undergraduate, master's, Ph.D., and international interns** at Auburn University and the University of Florida, including students from EARTH University and Latin America.