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Academic positions

- Assistant Professor of Political Science — 2024 - present
  School of Politics, Economics and Global Affairs, IE University
  - *Paternity and family leave, AY 2025/26 (25 weeks)*
  - *50% leave to care for child with cancer or serious illness (CUME), AY 2026/27*
- Associate Member — 2024 - present
  Nuffield College, University of Oxford
- Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow in Politics — 2021-2024
  Nuffield College, University of Oxford
- Visiting Fellow — Fall 2023
  Spanish National Research Council (IPP-CSIC)
- Visiting Fellow — Winter 2023
  Juan March Institute, Universidad Carlos III Madrid
- Visiting Researcher — Fall 2019
  Stanford University, Department of Political Science

Education

- PhD in Political Science, European University Institute — 2021
  Committee: Elias Dinas, Miriam Golden, Vasiliki Fouka, Catherine De Vries
  Thesis: Social Norms and Stigmatized Political Behavior
  - 2022 ECPR Jean Blondel Prize for best thesis in IR and Political Science written at an ECPR member institution.
  - 2022 Best thesis prize from the Portuguese Political Science Association.
  - 2021 EUI Linz-Rokkan Prize for best thesis in Political Sociology.
- MSc, Political Science — 2017
  ISCTE-University Institute of Lisbon
- BA, Music Performance (Jazz Piano) — 2015
  Lisbon College of Music

Book

The Normalization of the Radical Right: A Norms Theory of Political Supply and Demand. Oxford University Press (Oxford Studies in Democratization Series), 2024. Update here.

- Stein Rokkan Prize for Comparative Social Science Research from the International Science Council, University of Bergen, and European Consortium for Political Research for a substantial and original contribution in comparative social science research.
- Robert A. Dahl Award from the American Political Science Association (APSA) for scholarship of the highest quality on the subject of democracy.
- Best Book Award from APSA's Democracy & Autocracy section.
- Shortlisted for APSA's Luebbert Prize for best book in Comparative Politics.
- Book award from the Spanish Political Science Association (AECPA) to the best book published in 2024 and 2025.

- Listed as one of the books of the year by the Financial Times and by Piedras de Papel.
- Reviewed in *Democratization*, *Party Politics*, and *European Political Science*.
- German translation: "Die Normalisierung der Radikalen Rechten" (Springer VS, 2026).
- Japanese adaptation under contract with Shinsensha.
- Portuguese adaptation: "O Fim da Vergonha: Como a Direita Radical se Normalizou" (Gradiva, 2024). Four editions.
  - Number 1 bestseller in online platform Wook and Bookstores Almedina; top 10 best seller in bookstores Bertrand and El Corte Ingles.
  - One of the year's books by Bertrand customers (Portugal's largest bookstore chain).

Articles

1. **Valentim, Vicente** (2026). Norms of Democracy, Staged Democrats, and Supply of Exclusionary Ideology. *Comparative Political Studies*.
2. Balcells, Laia, Sergi Martínez, Ethan vanderWilden and **Vicente Valentim** (2025). Re-Stigmatizing the Radical Right: A One-Way Street? *Journal of Experimental Political Science*.
3. **Valentim, Vicente**, Elias Dinas, and Daniel Ziblatt (2025). How Mainstream Politicians Erode Norms. *British Journal of Political Science*.
4. **Valentim, Vicente** (2024). Political Stigma and Preference Falsification: Theory and Observational Evidence. *The Journal of Politics*.
5. Alvarez-Benjumea, Amalia, and **Vicente Valentim** (2024). The Enforcement of Political Norms. *British Journal of Political Science*.
6. Dinas, Elias, Sergi Martínez, and **Vicente Valentim** (2024). Social Norm Change, Political Symbols, and Expression of Stigmatized Preferences. *The Journal of Politics*.
   - 2024 Joseph L. Bernd Award for best article published in the Journal of Politics.
7. **Valentim, Vicente** and Elias Dinas (2024). Does Party-System Fragmentation Affect the Quality of Democracy? *British Journal of Political Science*.
   - 2025 Lawrence Longley Best Article Award from APSA's Representation and Electoral Systems section.
8. Dinas, Elias, **Vicente Valentim**, Nikolaj Broberg, and Mark N. Franklin (2024). Early Voting Experiences and Habit Formation. *Political Science Research and Methods*.
9. Martínez, Sergi, **Vicente Valentim**, and Elias Dinas (2023). Symbolic Conflict Resolution and Ingroup Favoritism. *Journal of Conflict Resolution*.
10. **Valentim, Vicente** and Tobias Widmann (2023). Does Radical-Right Success Make the Political Debate More Negative? Evidence from Emotional Rhetoric in German State Parliaments. *Political Behavior*.
11. **Valentim, Vicente** (2021). Parliamentary Representation and the Normalization of Radical Right Support. *Comparative Political Studies*. Correction here. Updated findings for study 1 here.
    - 2022 GESIS Klingemann Prize for best CSES scholarship.
12. **Valentim, Vicente** (2021). Creating critical citizens? Anti-austerity protests and public opinion. *Electoral Studies*.
13. **Valentim, Vicente**, Ana Ruipérez Núñez, and Elias Dinas (2021). Regression Discontinuity Designs: A Hands-on Guide for Practice. *Italian Political Science Review*, Special issue on political science methods (Editor-invited, peer-reviewed publication).

14. **Valentim, Vicente** (2019). What Affects Media Commentators' Views of Protest Actions? Evidence from the Portuguese Wave of Anti-Austerity Contention. *Social Movement Studies*.
15. **Valentim, Vicente** and Britta Baumgarten (2019). Media Coverage Beyond Visibility. The Case of the Portuguese Anti-Austerity Protests. *Mobilization*.

Working papers

1. Jaziri Arjona, Tarek, and **Vicente Valentim**. Short-Term Mobility and Changes in Political Norms. Revise and resubmit, *British Journal of Political Science*.
2. Alvarez-Benjumea, Amalia, and **Vicente Valentim**. The Social Costs of Far-Right Preferences.
3. Bischof, Daniel, and **Vicente Valentim**. The Consequences of Punishing Political Ideologies in Democracies: Evidence from Employment Bans in West Germany.
4. Roemer, Tobias and **Vicente Valentim**. Norm Spillover: Evidence from BLM Protests.

Selected work in progress

1. **Valentim, Vicente**. The Stigmatization of Political Ideologies. Presented at CES 2024, EPSS 2026 and APSA 2026.
2. Alberdi, Martin, and **Vicente Valentim**. The Emmergence of Green Consumption Norms. Presented at EPSS 2026.
3. Lawall, Katharina, and **Vicente Valentim**. Who Follows Political Norms? Presented at EPSA 2025.
4. Bramucci, Francesca, Tarek Jaziri Arjona, and **Vicente Valentim**. Female Far-Right Leaders and Gender Norms. Presented at EPSA 2025 and APSA 2026.
5. Platas, Melina, Joan Ricart-Huguet and **Vicente Valentim**. Beyond Institutions and Identity: Bringing Culture Back Into Political Science.
6. Cammett, Melani, Mashail Malik and **Vicente Valentim**. Who Falsifies Their Preferences? Evidence from Two Post-Conflict Contexts.
7. **Valentim, Vicente** and Temi Ogunye. Coiled Preferences. Presented at EPSA 2023.

Book and Encyclopedia Chapters

1. **Valentim, Vicente** and Qixuan Yang. "The electoral surge of authoritariansim". In preparation for the *Oxford Handbook of Voting Behavior*, ed. Pavlos Vasilopoulos, Ruth Dassonneville, and Anna Sanders.
2. **Valentim, Vicente** (2023). "Norms". *Elgar Encyclopedia of Political Sociology*, ed. Maria Grasso and Marco Giugni.

Awards

- 2026 Theda Skocpol Prize for Emerging Scholars (APSA Comparative Politics Section) to a scholar up to ten years post-PhD whose work has made impactful empirical, theoretical and/or methodological contributions to the study of comparative politics.
- 2026 Emerging Scholar Award, APSA's Section on Political Organizations and Parties.
- Shortlisted for the 2026 Henrik Enderlein Prize.
- 2026 IE Prize for Teaching Excellence.
- 2025 Stein Rokkan Prize for Comparative Social Science Research.
- 2025 A.SK Bright Mind Award.
- 2025 Robert A. Dahl Award, APSA.
- 2025 Best Book Award, APSA's Section on Democracy & Autocracy.
- 2025 CES Carolina de Miguel Moyer Young Scholar Award for the most significant contribution to the interdisciplinary study of Europe.

- 2025 Distinguished Junior Scholar Award, APSA's Political Psychology Section.
- 2025 Lawrence Longley Best Article Award from APSA's Representation and Electoral Systems section.
- 2025 IE Prize for Teaching Excellence.
- 2024 Joseph L. Bernd Award for best article published in the Journal of Politics.
- 2022 Best Thesis Prize, Portuguese Political Science Association.
- 2022 ECPR Jean Blondel Prize for best thesis in IR and Political Science.
- 2022 GESIS Klingemann Prize for best CSES scholarship.
- 2021 EUI Linz-Rokkan Prize for best thesis in Political Sociology.
- 2017 ISCTE-IUL Excellence Prize for best student to finish each Masters program.
- 2017 Merit Award from the Portuguese Ministry of Education for the best students in each university.
- 2016 Merit Award from the Portuguese Ministry of Education for the best students in each university.
- 2015 ISCTE-IUL Excellence Prize for best student admitted in each Masters program.

Research projects

As Principal Investigator

- Ramon y Cajal Grant, *The Drivers and Consequences of Political Norms*, 2027-3031. €259,810,
- British Academy Leverhulme Small Grant, *How Political Ideologies Become Stigmatized: A General Theory*, July 2023-August 2024. £9,494
- Nuffield college grant, *Why Norms Matter: The Normalization of the Radical Right*, November 2022-June 2023. £10,000

As affiliated researcher

- Spanish State Agency for Research, *Social Sanctions of Deviations from Political Norms* (Co-PI's Amalia Alvarez-Benjumea and Luis Miller), July 2023-Present.
- Portuguese Foundation for Science and Technology Project *Changing Degrees of Europeanization* (PI: Britta Baumgarten), January-July 2017.

Teaching

- Political Culture and Identity (Undergraduate level) Fall 2026
  School of Politics, Economics and Global Affairs, IE University
- The Normalization of the Far Right June 2026
  Summer School on *Threats, Challenges, and Democratic Resilience*, UC3M
- Public Opinion and Political Communication (Undergraduate level) Spring 2026
  School of Politics, Economics and Global Affairs, IE University
  Avg student eval 4.9/5
- Government and Comparative Politics (Undergraduate level) Spring 2025
  School of Politics, Economics and Global Affairs, IE University
  Avg student eval 4.8/5
- Public Opinion and Political Communication (Undergraduate level) Spring 2025
  School of Politics, Economics and Global Affairs, IE University
  Avg student eval 4.5/5

- Invited 5-day workshop on Causal Inference — May 2024
  University of Barcelona
- Invited 2-day workshop on Causal Inference — May 2024
  University of Frankfurt
- Causal Inference: Design Based Approaches — April 2024
  Oxford Spring School in Advanced Research Methods
- Causal Inference — February 2024
  ECPR Methods Winter School
- Causal Inference — August 2023
  ECPR Methods Summer School
- Causal Inference — March 2023
  Oxford Spring School in Advanced Research Methods
- Introduction to Statistics (Graduate level) — Michaelmas Term 2022
  Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford
- Introduction to Statistics (Graduate level) — Michaelmas Term 2021
  Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford
- Teaching Assistant — Fall 2018
  Introduction to Quantitative Methods (Graduate level)
  European University Institute

Graduate supervision and mentoring

- Robin Weisser — Ongoing
  External PhD committee member, University of Basel
- Greta Gross — Spring Semester 2025
  Visiting PhD student host (home institution: Hertie School of Governance)
- Marta Antonetti — Defended November 2023
  DPhil co-supervisor (with Petra Schleiter), University of Oxford
- Annie Taber — September 2023-August 2024
  MPhil supervisor, University of Oxford
- Johanna Al Lahham — Defended June 2023
  MPhil supervisor, University of Oxford
- Anton Bewerunge — Defended June 2023
  MPhil supervisor, University of Oxford
- Márcia Coutinho — Defended December 2022
  MSc co-supervisor (with Filipa Raimundo), ISCTE-University Institute of Lisbon

Additional methods training

- Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models Europe — June-July 2019
  Collegio Carlo Alberto, Turin
- Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis — July 2018
  University of Essex
  Courses attended: Game Theory, Mathematics for the Social Sciences
- ICPSR Summer School on Field Experiments — July 2018
  European University Institute

Conferences

- American Political Science Association 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026
- European Political Science Society 2026
- European Political Science Association 2019, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2025
- Midwest Political Science Association 2019, 2021, 2022, 2025
- Council for European Studies 2024
- Elections, Public Opinion and Parties 2017, 2018
- Annual Conference of the Italian Political Science Association 2018
- International Sociological Association 2017
- International Meeting of Experimental and Behavioural Social Science 2017

Selected invited talks and workshops

- *2026 (past and scheduled)*: ETH-Zurich, University of Glasgow, University of Athens, University of Greifswald, University of Coimbra.
- *2025*: University of Rochester, University of Florida, Central European University, Nuffield College (University of Oxford).
- *2024*: Princeton University, University of Georgia, London School of Economics, NYU-Abu Dhabi, Sciences Po Paris, University of Aarhus.
- *2023*: Yale University, University of Mannheim, University of Oxford, University College Dublin.
- *2022*: Kings College London, University of Zurich (Economics Department), University of Oxford, Federal University of Santa Catarina.
- *2021*: Nuffield College (University of Oxford), European University Institute.
- *2020*: Collegio Carlo Alberto, Early Career Researchers Online Conference.
- *2019*: University of Zurich, Max Planck Institute for Research on Collective Goods.

Academic service

- Co-organizer, Workshop on Culture in Politics (with Emmy Lindstam and Joan Ricart-Huguet)
  IE University July 2025
- Co-organizer, Research in Progress graduate workshop
  Oxford University September 2022-June 2024
- Social Media Manager of the EPSA Annual Conference 2022 and 2023
- Co-organizer, Workshop for Women in Quantitative Political Science (with Nazita Lajevardi)
  Oxford University May 2022
- Co-organizer, Political Behavior Colloquium (with Sophia Hunger)
  European University Institute September 2018-June 2019
- Journal referee for *American Political Science Review*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *Journal of Politics*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *Comparative Political Studies*, *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*, *Political Behavior*, *Political Science Research and Methods*, *Electoral Studies*, *Party Politics*, *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties*, *Government and Opposition*.
- Book referee for *Oxford University Press*.
- Grant referee for the European Research Council and La Caixa Foundation.
- Jury member for the GESIS Klingemann Prize for best CSES scholarship.

Skills

- **Software**: R, Stata, LaTeX.
- **Languages**: Fluent in Portuguese, English, and Spanish. Intermediate-level knowledge of French and Italian.