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Curriculum Vitae

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SUMMARY

José "Joe" Eleuterio is a Research Associate at the ALERRT Center and a Ph.D. student in the School of Criminal Justice and Criminology, both at Texas State University. His research centers on police use-of-force training and tactics. He is also a retired/reserve Brazilian police captain and instructor with over 16 years of experience in law enforcement. During his Master's program in Brazil, his position within the police department enabled him to conduct several practice-driven research projects focused on improving training and policing. His work has contributed to major reforms in the department's self-defense syllabus and training methods. In 2026, he received the Evidence-Based Policing Trailblazer coin from the American Society of Evidence-Based Policing, recognizing the advances he led in policing. In summer 2026, he designed and led a large-scale field research project spanning 35 Brazilian law enforcement agencies (n = 326 officers), coordinating data collection for six concurrent studies on police tactics and use-of-force training.

EDUCATION

Ph.D., *Criminal Justice,* Texas State University	**Expected May 2027**
M.Sc, *Psychology*, Universidade Federal do Paraná (Brazil)	**2023**
Post-Graduate Diploma, *Law Applied to Policing*, Supremo College (Brazil)	**2024**
Post-Graduate Diploma, *Military History*, Unisul (Brazil)	**2022**
B.S., *Physical Education,* Uninter (Brazil)	**2021**
B.S., *Public Safety*, Academia Policial Militar do Guatupê (Paraná, Brazil)	**2010**

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Policing, police training, use of force, police TTPs (tactics, techniques, and procedures)

GRANTS

2027 – 2028. [O-NIJ-2025-172575] National Institute of Justice. Graduate Research Fellowship.

Improving Police Tactical Training: Tactics, Skill Transfer, and Delivery Methods.

Co-Principal Investigator (PI: Dr. J. Pete Blair). Total award: $120,000. Status: pending.

2026 – 2029. Coordination for the Improvement of Higher Education Personnel (CAPES) and National Secretariat of Public Security (SENASP), Brazil. Action to Support Academic Cooperation—Public Security and Democracy (PROCAD). *The impact of different work shift structures on sleep quality, occupational health, and cardiac autonomic activity in Brazilian police officers*. **Co-Investigator** (PI: Dr. Anderson C. Paulo). Total award: BRL 161,200 (≈ USD 30,000). Status: funded.

Sep 2025 – May 2026. [Texas State #25-SRA-JMP-08262025] Security Industry Association. *Assessing The Effectiveness of Door Locks in School-Based Active Shooter Events*. **Key personnel** (PI: Dr. M. Hunter Martaindale). Total award: $80,000. Status: funded.

SELECTED PROJECTS

ALERRT Training and Research Tour – Brazil 2026 – present

Principal Investigator & Head Instructor

Summary. This was a multisite training and data-collection effort involving over 300 officers from 35 Brazilian departments. During a month, officers received active attack response training. Simulated exercises built into the training were used to collect data for six research projects on the ALERRT agenda.

Status. In progress. Coding data.

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

*Undergraduate students

a. International journals

1. **Eleuterio-da-Rocha, J.**, Paula Neto, F.M., & Oliveira, S. (2026). Legal gun ownership and carrying are not associated with homicide rates in Brazil: a Bayesian analysis of state-level longitudinal data. *International Journal of Comparative and Applied Criminal Justice*. DOI: 10.1080/01924036.2026.2731244.

2. Del Colle, H.A*, & **Eleuterio-da-Rocha, J.** (2026). Police Officers With Supplemental Martial Arts Training Perform Better: A Quasi-Experimental Study With Brazilian Cadets. *Journal of Police and Criminal Psychology*. DOI: 10.1007/s11896-026-09827-0

3. **Eleuterio-da-Rocha, J.**, & Strapasson, B.A. (2026). Police Use of Force Training: Integrative Review of Quantitative Studies. *Police Practice and Research*. DOI: 10.1080/15614263.2026.2674740.

4. **Eleuterio-da-Rocha, J**., Martaindale, M.H., Tanksley, P., Johncox, J. (2026). Comparing Public Perceptions of Police Use-of-Force: the striking vs grappling study. *Journal of Criminal Justice, 103*, 102601. DOI: 10.1016/j.jcrimjus.2026.102601

5. **Eleuterio-da-Rocha, J.** , Silva, D.A.*, & Zingraff, R. (2025). Officer Gender and Suspects Resisting Arrest: A Case-Control Study in Brazil. *Women & Criminal Justice*. DOI: 10.1080/08974454.2025.2460984

6. Ziel-Beltrão, R.*, **Eleuterio-da-Rocha Neto, J.**, & Freire, F.D. (2025). Skill Decay Of A Standing Handcuffing Technique On Brazilian Police Officers. *Journal of Motor Learning and Development*. DOI: 10.1123/jmld.2024-0003

7. **Eleuterio-da-Rocha, Neto, J**, Freire, F. D., & Strapasson, B.A. (2024). In-hand handgun retention: A crossover RCE comparing two techniques. *Journal of Criminal Justice, 93*, 102220. DOI: 10.1016/j.jcrimjus.2024.102220.

b. Brazilian journals

Note. Revista SUSP is the official journal of the Research Department of the National Secretariat for Public Safety, Ministry of Justice of Brazil.

7. **Eleuterio-da-Rocha, J.** (*in press*). The Lawfulness of Officer-Involved Shootings in the Military Police of the State of Paraná (Brazil, 2010–2023): Legal Outcomes and Distribution. *Revista SUSP*. Preprint available: <https://doi.org/10.21428/cb6ab371.ebb4e106>

8. **Eleuterio-da-Rocha, J.** (2026). Psychophysiological effects of combat stress: intent and other considerations regarding the legal analysis of police use of force. *Revista SUSP, 6*(1), 93–122. <https://revistasusp.mj.gov.br/susp/index.php/revistasusp/article/view/1135> .

9. **Eleuterio, J.**, Millani, V.N.*, & Müller, T.S (2025). Effects of safety belt use in police vehicles on the response time of police officers in an ambush: a study using single-case experimental design. *Brazilian Journal of Public Safety [Revista Brasileira de Segurança Pública], 19*(1), 394–411. DOI: 10.31060/rbsp.2025.v19.n1.1932

10. **Eleuterio, J.** (2025). Police Science and Feyerabend's Perspective on Scientific Knowledge. *Journal of Science and Policing [Revista Ciência & Polícia], 11*(1), 9–21.

11. Paulo, A.C., Rodacki, A.L., **Eleuterio-da-Rocha, J.** , Sielski Marquardt, T., Caldeira Jr., C., Rezende, E., & Rodacki, C.L. (2025). Strength of Kicks from a Detainee Inside the Restraint Cage of a Police Vehicle. *Revista Ciência & Polícia, 11*(1), 22–35.

12. **Eleuterio-da-Rocha, Neto, J.** (2022). Operant And Respondent Conditioning In Police Training For The Use Of Force: Possibility Of An Evidence-Based Return To Traditions. *Revista SUSP, 1*(2), p. 234–251. DOI: 10.56081/2763-9940/revsusp.v1i2.a12.

13. **Eleuterio, J.** (2020). Paraná State military and the Brazilian Expeditionary Force: from 1942 to 1951. *Brazilian Journal of Military History [Revista Brasileira De História Militar], 11,* 96–112.

SUBMITTED MANUSCRIPTS

Eleuterio-da-Rocha, J., Motta, E., Marquetti-Soares, L.F., & Rossouw, Z. (*submitted in September 2026*). What Should Brazilian Officers Be Trained For? A mixed-methods study. *Police and Practice Research*. Preprint available: <https://doi.org/10.21428/cb6ab371.1ec94e98>.

Eleuterio-da-Rocha, J., & Miguel, M.N. (*submitted in July 2025*). Ineffectiveness and Implementation Challenges of a Hot Spots Policing Strategy: Lessons from a Single-Case Experimental Design in Three Neighborhoods in Curitiba, Brazil. *Brazilian Journal of Police Sciences*.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

*Undergraduate students

Eleuterio-da-Rocha, J. *A Mixed-Methods Investigation into the Situational Demands of Police Use of Force.*

Eleuterio-da-Rocha, J., Millani. V.*, Silveira, L., Miguel, M.N., & Strapasson, B.A. *Using Single-Case Experimental Designs in Street-Level Police Research*.

BOOK CHAPTERS

Eleuterio, J., Motta, E.S.A., & Marquetti-Soares, L.F. (*in press*). Frequency of resistance and assault behaviors against police officers: results of a national survey. In Ramiro Jr., L. (Ed.). *Ciência, Polícia e Inovação: 2º Fórum Internacional de Ciências Policiais* [Science, Policing, and Innovation: 2nd Brazilian International Conference on Police Sciences]. Rio de Janeiro: FAPERJ.

Eleuterio, J. (2025). Experiments Involving Police Populations Focused on Patrol Activities: An Examination of Research Methods. In Ramiro Jr., L. (Ed.). *Ciência, Polícia e Inovação: 1º Fórum Internacional de Ciências Policiais*. Rio de Janeiro: FAPERJ.

TEXTBOOKS

Eleuterio, J. (2020). *Si vis pacem: tópicos sobre combate e treinamento policial [topics on combat and police training]*. Campinas: Primeira Edição.

Eleuterio, J. (2022). *Brio e Vocação: expedicionários na Polícia Militar do Paraná (e curiosidades do período de 1942 a 1956)*. Campinas: Primeira Edição.

FIELD EXPERIENCE

Brazilian State Police Department **April 2008 – February 2025**
(Military Police of the State of Paraná)
Cadet/Aspirant-Officer | Basic and field training
2nd Lieutenant | Shift coordinator and company subcommander

1st Lieutenant / Captain | Company (district) commanding officer

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Texas State University
Doctoral Assistant | School of Criminal Justice and Criminology — August 2024 – May 2025
Doctoral Assistant | ALERRT Center — June 2025 – January 2026
Research Associate | ALERRT Center — January 2026 – present

Universidade Tecnológica Federal do Paraná (Brazil) — July 2021 – present
Researcher | TFESP Research Group

Universidade Federal de Uberlândia (Brazil) — January 2025 – present
Researcher | Research Group - Public Policies and Evidence

Universidade Estadual do Paraná (Brazil) — 2022 – present
Research Advisor (for Undergraduate Students) | Academia Policial Militar do Guatupê

EDITORIAL EXPERIENCE

Journal of the Brazilian Institute for Public Safety
Editorial Board Advisor — February 2026 – present

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Texas State University — 2026
Head Instructor| ALERRT Center
Course: Foundational Law Enforcement Response to Active Attack Events (Brazil)

Texas State University — 2024–2025
Teaching Assistant| ALERRT Center / School of Criminal Justice and Criminology
Course: Active Shooter Response Experiential Learning

Universidade Federal de Uberlândia (Brazil) — 2025
Lecturer| Public Policy and Evidence Research Group
Courses: Introduction to Quantitative Methods and Statistics Applied to Public Safety (online, synchronous)

Universidade Cândido Mendes (Brazil) — 2025
Lecturer| UNIPOL (University of Policing)
Courses: Principles of Combat & Police Training (online, asynchronous)

Polícia Militar do Paraná 2012 – 2024

Instructor Officer for Basic and In-Service Training| Directorate of Education and Research

Courses: Criminal Analysis; Stop, Question, and Frisk Techniques; Arrest and Self-Defense Skills; Tactical driving; Basic firearms training (pistol).

Universidade Tecnológica Federal do Paraná (Brazil) 2024

Lecturer| TFESP Extension Project

Course: Self-Defense and Use of Force for Law Enforcement Officers

Universidade Federal do Paraná (Brazil) 2022

Teaching Trainee (Graduate Teaching Assistant)| Department of Psychology

Course: HP331 Behavior Analysis 1

SUPERVISED WORKS

Sawczuk, M.D. (in progress). *Are calls in areas under the influence of drug-dealing gangs associated with a greater risk of police use of force? [provisional title]*. [Bachelor's Thesis – Paraná State University / Guatupê Military Police Academy (Brazil)].

Millani, V.N. (2023). *Seatbelt use in policing: tactical aspects*. [Bachelor's Thesis – Paraná State University / Guatupê Military Police Academy (Brazil)]. Pergamum. https://biblioteca.unespar.edu.br/acervo/207764.

Ziel-Beltrão, R. (2023). *Influence of the time lapse since training on handcuffing techniques*. [Bachelor's Thesis – Paraná State University / Guatupê Military Police Academy (Brazil)]. Pergamum. https://biblioteca.unespar.edu.br/acervo/207767.

Del Colle, H.A. (2024). *Performance Analysis of Police Cadets, With and Without Martial Arts Experience, in Simulated Incidents.* [Bachelor's Thesis – Paraná State University / Guatupê Military Police Academy (Brazil)]. Pergamum. https://biblioteca.unespar.edu.br/acervo/212439.

CONFERENCES

[Forthcoming] **Eleuterio-da-Rocha, J**., Motta, E.S.A., Marquetti-Soares, L.F., Martaindale, M.H., & Blair, J.P. (2026, October). What Should Officers Be Trained For? Evidence from National Surveys of Officers in the U.S. and Brazil. *International Association of Chiefs of Police Annual Conference*, Orlando, USA. Selected through competitive blind peer review.

Eleuterio-da-Rocha, J. et al. (2026, September). Expert Panel | Controlling the Chaos - Human Performance and the Science of Arrest & Control. *Force Science Conference*, Austin, USA.

Eleuterio-da-Rocha, J. (2025, May). A Methodological Innovation To Enhance Police Research on Street-Level Issues: A Case for Single-Case Experimental Designs Based on Five Experiments. *9th Annual American Society of Evidence-Based Policing Hybrid Conference*, Tucson, USA. Selected through competitive blind peer review.

Eleuterio-da-Rocha, J., Martaindale, M.H., Tanksley, P., Johncox, J., & Blair, J.P. (2026, May). Comparing Public Perceptions of Police Use-of-Force: the striking vs grappling study. *10th Annual American Society of Evidence-Based Policing Conference*, Washington, USA. Selected through competitive blind peer review.

Eleuterio-da-Rocha, J., & Strapasson, B.A. (2023, May). Handgun retention techniques: measuring efficacy. *7th Annual American Society of Evidence-Based Policing Hybrid Conference*, Las Vegas, USA. Selected through competitive blind peer review.

Martaindale, M.H., & **Eleuterio-da-Rocha, J**. (2026, March). Secured Doors Save Lives: Research on School-Based Active Shooter Events. *ISC West*, Las Vegas, USA.

Eleuterio-da-Rocha, J., Martaindale, M.H., Tanksley, P., & Johncox, J. (2025, December). Comparing Public Perceptions of Police Use-of-Force: the striking vs grappling study. *ALERRT Annual Conference*, San Marcos, USA

Eleuterio-da-Rocha, J. (2025, October). Principles of police training. *2nd International Forum of Police Sciences*, Brazil.

Eleuterio, J. (2024, March). Defining objectives for police training. *1st International Forum of Police Sciences*, Brazil.

Eleuterio-da-Rocha, J., & Strapasson, B.A. (2021, June). A New Interpretation About the Termination of Skinner's Project Pigeon. *53rd Annual Meeting of Cheiron, the International Society for the History of the Behavioral and Social Sciences*, USA.

Eleuterio-da-Rocha, J., et al. (2021, November). Establishing Parameters For Manufacturing Wear-Resistant Restraint Cages For Police Cruisers. *1st International Seminar of Editors and Researchers on Public Safety*, Brasília, Brazil. https://dspace.mj.gov.br/handle/1/7999.

REPORTS

Martaindale, M.H., Johncox, J., & **Eleuterio-da-Rocha, J.** (2026). *The Role of Locked Doors and Access Control in School-Based Active Shooter Events: An Analysis of U.S. K–12 Active Shooter Incidents, 2000–2025*. The ALERRT Center, Texas State University. < https://alerrtresearch.org/resources/reports/report_2026_sia_locked_doors.pdf>.

Pirog, F., & **Eleuterio-da-Rocha, J.** (Eds.). (2023). *Police Defensive Tactics Manual [Manual de Defesa Policial]*. Policia Militar do Paraná.

AD-HOC REVIEWS

Evidence Base; Policing – An International Journal Of Police Strategies & Management; Police Practice and Research; Acta Comportamentalia – Revista Latina de Análisis del Comportamiento; Revista Interação em Psicologia (Brazil); Revista do Instituto Brasileiro de Segurança Pública (Brazil).

HONORS, AWARDS, AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Evidence-Based Policing Trailblazer - American Society of Evidence-Based Policing **2026**

The Graduate College Scholarship - Applied Arts, Graduate College, Texas State University **2026**

Student Government Scholarship, Texas State University **2026**

The Graduate College Scholarship - Applied Arts, Graduate College, Texas State University **2025**

Texas State Graduate Merit Scholarship, The Graduate College, Texas State University **2024**

Honorable Mention in the XI Seminar of Extension and Innovation, UTFPR (Brazil) **2021**

Commendation from the Legislative Assembly of the State of Paraná
for distinguished service in law enforcement **2020**

Commendation from the Legislative Assembly of the State of Paraná
for distinguished service in law enforcement **2018**

Unit Medals for relevant police services:
- Directorate of Personnel
- 12th Police Battalion
- 20th Police Battalion

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Volunteer Safety & Security Team Member 2026 – present
Cross Lutheran Church & School

Crisis Negotiation Competition & Seminar 2025 – 2026
Texas State University

Volunteer Coach (Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu) for Youth 2016 – 2017
The Kalahari Project (NGO, Brazil)

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

Academic

ICPSR Summer Program - General Sessions (ICPSR) 2026
Applied Bayesian Statistics for Social Scientists (ICPSR) 2025
Ecological Dynamics Coaching Clinic (ALERRT Center) 2025
CITI Training – Human Research, Human Subject Protection Training (Basic Course) 2024

Police Management

Community Policing Training Course (Military Police of the State of Paraná, Brazil) 2021
Community Policing Instructors Course (Ministry of Justice, Brazil) 2013

Tactical Skills

Breaching (ALERRT Center)	2026
Level 1 Response to Active Shooter Events – Train-the-trainer (ALERRT Center)	2025
Active Attack Integrated Response (ALERRT Center)	2025
Solo Officer Rapid Deployment (ALERRT Center)	2025
Leveling for Firearms Instructors (Military Police of the State of Paraná, Brazil)	2024, 2023
Submission and Control Tactics (Military Police of the State of Mato Grosso, Brazil)	2022
CEW and OC Spray Operation – Train the Trainer (MP of the State of Paraná, Brazil)	2021, 2016
Tactical Driving (CATI, Brazil)	2014
Tactical First Aid Course (Persys Medical Training Center, USA)	2014
CATI Training Program (CATI, USA): Breaching; Active Shooter Response; Low Light Tactics; Rifle Marksmanship; CQB; Airplane Assault	2014
V.I.P. Security Training (Ministry of Justice, Brazil)	2013
Tactical Progression in Favelas (CATI, Brazil)	2013
Explosive Breaching (TEES Brazil School)	2012
Tactical Driving (TEES Brazil School)	2011
Anti-Bomb Operations and Post-Explosion Investigation (TEES Brazil School)	2011
Class 3 Blaster Certification (Geominas, Brazil)	2011
Reserve Officers Training Course – Field Artillery (Brazilian Army)	2007

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIP

American Society of Evidence-Based Policing

International Association of Chiefs of Police

- Member of the International Managers of Police Academy & College Training Section
- Member of the Police Research Advancement Section

Brazilian Institute for Public Safety

Instituto Arrecife (Brazil) – collaborating researcher