

## **Pedro Miguel Martins**



### **Research Interests**

Political Philosophy (theories of justice and democracy), History of Political Ideas, Republicanism, Philosophy and Culture in Portugal, Populism, Political Ideologies.

### **Education**

2008: Ph.D. in History of Philosophy and Portuguese Culture at University of Minho.

Supervisor: Fernando Catroga, Faculty of Arts and Humanities of University of Coimbra.

1995: MA in Cultural and Political History, Faculty of Human and Social Sciences, New University of Lisbon.

1991: BA in Philosophy (History of Ideas), Faculty of Human and Social Sciences, New University of Lisbon.

### **Appointments**

2017: Assistant Professor in the Department of Philosophy, Institute of Arts and Humanities, University of Minho, since 2008.

2017: Director of the Bachelor in Philosophy of the Department of Philosophy, Institute of Arts and Humanities, University of Minho, since 2016.

2012-14: Head of the Department of Philosophy, Institute of Arts and Humanities, University of Minho.

1995-2008: Assistant in the Department of Philosophy, Institute of Arts and Humanities, University of Minho.

## **Biographical Statement**

Since graduation my areas of interest, study and research have focused on the field of politics. During the master's degree I developed research on the history of conservative political thought in Portugal and Europe. I wrote a doctoral thesis on Portuguese Republican thought that was awarded and published. I have published several articles on conservative social and political thought, namely Edmund Burke and, more recently, Auguste Comte.

Since 1995, I have been teaching, at the University of Minho, Courses to undergraduate and master's degrees, fundamentally in two complementary fields (history of ideas and philosophy, especially political philosophy), such as the following: Portuguese Mentalities and Culture, Portuguese Political Thought, History of Political Ideas, Theories of Democracy, Philosophy in Portugal and Political Philosophy.

More recently, I have developed research within contemporary political philosophy, namely on "merit and desert in theories of justice" and on populism and the redefinition of democratic theories.

I am currently supervising five PH Students on Political Philosophy and one in History of Ideas in Portugal.

## **Selected publications**

2015: Martins, P. (2015). As grandes correntes filosóficas da Renascença Portuguesa na 2.<sup>a</sup> série de A Águia. In O. P. Oubiña, R. S. Blanco, M. G. Fernández (Eds.), *O Discurso Filosófico: Da Poética á Política* (pp. 283-302). Santiago de Compostela, Espanha: Seminario de Estudos Galegos / Departamento de Filosofia (USC).

2013: Martins, P. (2013). Left and Right in The Nineteenth Century Ideological Debate: The Case of Portugal (1820-1910). In J. C. Rosas, A. R. Ferreira (Eds), *Left and Right: The Great Dichotomy Revisited* (pp. 140-164). Newcastle, England: Cambridge Scholars Publishing.

2012: Martins, P. (2012). O problema das filosofias nacionais e da filosofia como saber universal: o caso português. *Diacrítica – Filosofia e Cultura*, 26, 63-87.

2011: Martins, P. (2011). *O Republicanismo autoritário de Basílio Teles (1856-1923)*. Casal de Cambra, Portugal: Caleidoscópico.

2011: Martins, P. (2011). As clivagens ideológicas do republicanismo português (1870-1910). In J. Rosas, V. Moura (Org.), *Pensar radicalmente a humanidade – Ensaio de homenagem ao Prof. Doutor Acílio Estanqueiro Rocha* (pp. 659-676). Famalicão, Portugal: Húmus.

## **Projects**

I am currently working on an international research project on "Making sense of populism: History, dimensions and challenges of an elusive concept".

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