Why did you choose Purdue?
I didn’t know about Purdue before my professor in Brazil mentioned that she had two great students who became professors at Purdue, and it could be an excellent opportunity for me to study under their supervision. Then I started researching the university, and I just fell in love with Purdue. The university is huge and has so many different opportunities for international students. And Purdue has a great international reputation, especially in Civil Engineering. I knew it was the perfect place for me!

Please briefly describe your research:
My research focus is deep pile foundations; those types of foundations can be used for many different constructions, like skyscrapers, bridges, off-shore structures, and many others. Right now, I am working on the study of the effects of interface roughness on different materials and the interactions of materials like steel and concrete with varying types of soil.

What is your favorite fact about Purdue?
I had no clue that sports are such a big thing at universities in the USA. And the truth is that I was not a big fan of sports until I arrived at Purdue. It is not just a game; it is a show! I love to watch and cheer for Purdue in all types of sports! I am planning to attend at least one game of every single sport that Purdue plays before I graduate.

What’s one thing prospective students from your home country should know about Purdue?
You should be prepared to study a lot. Purdue has an excellent reputation, and only great students are accepted. Even if you are a fantastic student in your home country, at Purdue, everybody is incredibly smart, and you need to keep up with all your classmates. However, Purdue gives the base for you to thrive. Amazing laboratories, famous speakers from all over the world, you have all the infrastructure you need to be your best self.

What are you hoping to do after your life at Purdue?
Now, I am not sure. I like the idea of working in the construction industry, as I love to see my ideas coming out of the paper and people using the structures I design. But I also love to work with my students, so maybe a faculty position. We’ll see; the world has endless possibilities for Purdue Alumni.
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