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1 Introduction

Vocational education training has great potential for developing and improving specific skills in the workforce. The benefits of this modality are often associated with a smoother transition between school and the labor market, an increase in labor productivity and a specific labor training (Souza et al., 2015). These positive short-term effects of vocational education on income and on the likelihood of getting a job are well documented in the literature (Malamud and Pop-Eleches, 2010; Tansel, 1998; Hanushek, Woessmann, and Zhang, 2011; Almeida et al., 2015; Costa, Fernandes, and Vasconcellos, 2010; Assunção and Gonzaga, 2010; Neri, 2010).

On the other hand, the effects on wages and employment are less clear in the long-term. The rapid pace of technological change may favor skills that are more adaptable and flexible in the long-term, making the specific skills developed in the vocational training become obsolete more quickly than general skills learned in regular courses. Such trade-off brings up the question of what the effects on employment and income over an individual's life cycle are. A considerable number of papers in the literature presents evidence that the short-term effects are usually greater than the long-term and, in general, the whole cycle net effects are positive (Hanushek et al., 2017; Brunello and Rocco, 2017; Golsteyn and Stenberg, 2017; Oswald-Egg and Renold, 2021). Important exceptions are Attanasio et al. (2017) and Kugler et al. (2020) who find positive long-lasting effects of vocational training on labor market and educational outcomes in Colombia.

Another important branch of the literature analyzes the effects of vocational training on educational outcomes. The main hypothesis is that, by increasing students' motivation and engagement, vocational training reduces dropout and increase the probability of graduating from high school. Although most of the literature evidence are based on programs implemented in developed countries, some recent works that focus on developing countries provide comparable findings. For instance, Elacqua et al. (2019) find that vocational training reduces the dropout probability and increases the math and Language standardized test scores in Brazil. Importantly to our setup, they are also more likely to attend schools with better quality.

This paper contributes to this literature by uncovering new evidence of the effects of vocational training on labor market and educational outcomes, with a

particular interest in how school quality may confound estimates. VT schools may differ from regular schools not only in terms of type of training, but also in the availability of resources. More specifically, quality improves the chance of a regular education graduate to enroll in higher education and increases the probability of a vocational training student to transit directly to the labor market in the short-term. Therefore, it affects these two groups differently in an important channel of skill accumulation: enrollment in higher education. Hence, simply comparing vocational and non-vocational education students' outcomes may be misleading due to differences in institutional quality, even if students were assigned randomly to schools.

We take advantage of particular institutional arrangement in the state of Paraná, Brazil, where a single institution named FIEP (Paraná State Industries Federation) provides vocational and non-vocational education under two separate but closely related entities, namely SENAI (Industry's national learning service) and SESI (Industry's social service). Both entities have more resources, better teachers and infra-structure than public non-FIEP schools which provide only regular education. Our analysis compares SENAI's technical courses, designed to provide specialized skills for technical career using hands-on manufacturing training, to SESI's non-vocational high school and as well as to regular public high schools of the same areas.

Based on two unique field surveys conducted by the Paraná Research Institute, we focus on these educational modalities, SENAI and SESI, to compare the effects of the vocational and traditional courses offered by the FIEP System on the employability, wages, overall satisfaction, and enrollment in higher education. The first survey was held from August to October 2018 and captures the short-term effects by interviewing a sample of students who graduated from 2015 to 2017. The second survey, held from May to July 2019, captures the long-term effects by interviewing a sample of students who graduated from 2011 to 2014. In both surveys, a sample of students who attend mainly the regular public high school system (not FIEP) was also interviewed. The questionnaires covered the following topics: general characteristics of the interviewees, employability and performance in the job market, satisfaction with their job, and with their professional status and educational background and enrollment in higher education.

We proceed in two steps. We first select our sample by using a propensity score matching to ensure comparability between students who graduated from the FIEP System - including both vocational training and high school - and students mainly from regular public schools.¹ As a second step, we use the selected sample to compare the results between FIEP and non-FIEP students, allowing for different effects between vocational and non-vocational training among the FIEP graduates. This two-step procedure allows us to (i) assess the overall effect of vocational training (usually estimated in the Brazilian literature as discussed below) by comparing outcomes of SENAI's technical students with non-FIEP graduates, as well as (ii) disentangling the overall vocational training effect due to differences in management and institutional quality and to the actual vocational aspect of training.

Our main findings show that accounting for institutional quality matters for estimating the labor market and educational effects of vocational training. Regarding short-run employability, we find that vocational training significantly increases the probability of being employed in any job and also employed in formal jobs after we control for quality. This comes at a price of decreasing the share of full-time students. Both effects still significant in the long-run but controlling for quality makes them smaller. In other words, accounting for quality has different implications over time, it increases the employment effects in the short-term, but attenuates the effects in the long-term. These estimates are consistent with students that finished high school in a better institution having a greater probability of going to higher education, decreasing their likelihood of being employed in the short-run. On the other hand, in the long-run most of them have already finished higher education and are back in the labor force.

The effects on income are also persistent over time. In both time periods, addressing the potential issue of differences in quality of the institutions has the same implications, it increases the income results of vocational training. Former students of SENAI's technical courses are more likely to be employed in higher paying jobs, both in the short- and long-run, and the effects do not seem to reduce in the long-run. When we simply compare the SENAI's technical courses former students with students who have not been enrolled in the courses offered by the

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FIEP System, we still find a smaller effects in the short-run, but no significant effect is found in the long-run.

Finally, the surveys include some questions that allow us to test the effects of vocational training on the satisfaction with activity sectors, professional status and educational background. After we account for quality, we find that SENAI's technical courses former students have a higher probability of being employed in the activity sector that they consider to be the most beneficial for themselves in the short-run and report lower satisfaction with their educational background both in the short and long-term. This result is also linked with the fact that vocational training students also have lower probability of enrolling in higher education in the two analyzed periods. Without addressing the potential quality issue, none of these results are observed.

We believe that comparing these two specific education modalities provide us with a complementary evidence of the vocational training effects on the labor market outcomes to the one that is provided in the literature. Attanasio, Kugler, and Meghir (2011), Attanasio et al. (2017) and Kugler et al. (2020) causally analyze the effects of large vocational program in Colombia by comparing participants with non-participants selected using a randomized trial. Instead of comparing participants with non-participants, we compare vocational training considering regular education as the outside option, which is an important measure to decide between public policies that focus on each of these modalities.

More precisely, the vocational program evaluated by Attanasio, Kugler, and Meghir (2011), Attanasio et al. (2017) and Kugler et al. (2020) was targeted to young people between the ages of 18 and 25, who were unemployed or out of school and who were placed in the two lowest deciles of the income distribution. By comparing participants with non-participants selected using a randomized trial, Attanasio et al. (2017) finds a positive and persistent effect in employment and earnings. Therefore, in this context, their findings indicate that vocational training can be an important safety net program to support vulnerable groups. Our paper is interested in the lifetime trade-offs of choosing vocational training over traditional education for a broader range of students, the ones that are about to complete or that have just completed high-school. The main idea is that the short-term benefits of vocational training could change future decisions about skill accumulation, such as enrollment

in higher education.

In addition, we contribute to the existing literature on vocational training in Brazil. Past studies relied on the National Household Sample Survey (PNAD) data to measure the effects of vocational training (Almeida et al., 2015; Costa, Fernandes, and Vasconcellos, 2010; Assunção and Gonzaga, 2010; Neri, 2010). The empirical strategy consisted of using a propensity score approach on the individuals' observable characteristics, without accounting school quality due to lack of data. We address the potential issue of differences in quality across institution by taking advantage of a centralized management system. Our survey also allows us to analyze the effects for different cohorts and provide a measure of short- and long-term effects of the vocational training. Recent studies that better address the potential omitted variables bias using experimental analysis do not make the distinction between time period frames, and, therefore, provide no answers about the vocational training effects over time (Camargo et al., 2018).

Our estimates also provide a relevant input for policy design in a moment when vocational training has been gaining relevance in the country. In the recent years Brazil has increased significantly the amount invested in vocational education. The Federal Government expenditure has increased 5 times from 2003 to 2016 (0.04% to 0.2%) and the number of students enrolled in technical education during high school increased by 45% between 2007 and 2013 (Elacqua et al., 2019). Vocational training is offered by public and private institutions in Brazil. A major role is played by the entities such as FIEP System across most other states, which are private institutions partially financed with public resources. They are privately managed but they are allowed to collect mandatory taxes on the payroll of firms in their activity sector. Their main purpose is to provide technical and vocational training to address the specific demands of skilled labor in their activity sectors.

This paper is organized into 5 sections beyond this Introduction. The following section briefly describes the institutional background behind the FIEP education system. Section 3 presents in detail the database and the methodology used in this paper. Sections 4 and 5 present the results of participation in FIEP System courses and robustness checks, respectively. Finally, section 6 concludes this paper.

2 Institutional Background: the FIEP Educational System

In Brazil, the vocational education training courses are offered by public and private institutions. Even though, public institutions enroll more students than private ones, a significant part of the technical and vocational education is provided by the entities that constitute the so-called *S System* (private institutions partially financed with public resources.): provide 43% of professional and technical education in Brazil (Souza et al., 2015).

The S system is composed of a group of private and nonprofit entities classified as autonomous social service. Those entities are sector specific and have two main goals: i) to improve the quality of life of workers in each sector covered, ii) to provide technical and vocational education to meet the demand for skilled work in their respective sectors. The S System as a whole has 10 entities in total, namely: SENAI, SESI, IEL, SENAC, SESC, SEBRAE, SENAR, SENAT/SEST, and SESCOOP. The entities are privately managed, but they are allowed to collect mandatory taxes on the payroll of firms in their activity sector. (Souza et al., 2015)

The structure of the S system varies across states in Brazil. In the state of Paraná, some entities that integrate the S System, more specifically the Industry's national learning service (SENAI) and the Industry's social service (SESI), work collaboratively with the entity that represents the industrial business category (FIEP - Paraná State Industries Federation). Those entities together constitute the FIEP System. The advantage of having this sort of integration between the S System and the entity that represents the industrial business category is to be able to offer vocational courses that will address specific needs of the market.

This article focuses on two specific courses offered by the FIEP Educational System: SENAI's technical courses, and SESI's high school course. Those modalities can be divided in vocational and traditional education, since SENAI's courses are designed to prepare and train their students in specialized skills for specific career fields using hands-on training on industry, and SESI's high school focuses on broader theory. The technical courses that we evaluate in this paper are not integrated in the high school, they either require the student to be enrolled in (concomitant) or have finished (subsequent) high school, but they do not offer it jointly with their

vocational training². It is also worth noting that even though SESI's high school is more focused on broader theory, their students receive discounts in case they enroll in a SENAI's course.

It is important to highlight that private high-schools are widely recognized in Brazil by their average superior quality. Therefore, comparing vocational training, that is often privately provided, with students that have not been enrolled in the FIEP system could lead to misleading results, since participation in vocational training would be confounded with better inputs. Table 1 presents the average results in ENEM, a standardized exam required to enroll in higher education, and the mean difference test between the SESI high-school and public and private school in Paraná. The descriptive results presented in table 1 provides some evidence that SESI high-schools have on average a better performance in standard exams than public schools and a worse performance than private schools. Unfortunately, these variables are not available to SENAI, since we are focusing on concomitant and subsequent courses, and we have to rely on the hypothesis that the quality inputs might not significantly differ between SESI and SENAI since they are centrally managed by the same institution. We also present some infrastructure measures in the appendix (tables A1 and A2) that show that SESI high schools usually have better infrastructure than public high schools. In terms of infrastructure, although SENAI technical courses are not significantly different from public institutions that offer this same modality, they also have better structure than public regular schools.

3 Data and identification strategy

3.1 Data

The field research conducted by the Paraná Research Institute was designed to estimate the effects of the courses offered by the FIEP System on the employability, wages, overall satisfaction of its graduating students, and enrollment in higher education. Data was collected in two complementary rounds. In the first of them, students graduated from the courses between the years of 2015 to 2017 and students who have not been enrolled in the courses offered by the FIEP System were

²The SENAI's courses that we analyze in this paper are not integrated to the regular high school. They require the student to be enrolled or have completed the high school, but students independently choose the institutions to take high school and vocational training.

interviewed from August to October 2018. This first sample covers 813 students from SENAI's technical courses, 523 from SESI high school and 873 students from outside the FIEP System and is used to measure the short-term effects of vocational training offered by the FIEP System. In the second round, students graduated from the courses in the years of 2011 to 2014 and students who have not been enrolled in the courses offered by the FIEP System were interviewed from May to July 2019. Overall, 731 students from SENAI's technical courses, 1375 from SESI high school and 167 students from outside the FIEP System were interviewed in order to complement the first round and provide measures for the long-term effects of participating in the System's technical courses.

The sample of interviewed students was selected using the stratified sampling technique, which consists of dividing the entire population into different subgroups so that each individual is part of only one stratum. After defining the subgroups, the selection of respondents can be performed by simple random sampling within each defined stratum. The strata are defined according to characteristics observed for the entire population, ensuring the complete representativeness of those characteristics in the selected sample and reducing the sampling error. It is worth noting that the selection process of the interviewees followed the same script in both stages, but was carried out independently.

In this context, we first use the stratified sampling technique to ensure that the sample of graduated students are representative of the population of graduate students from the covered years, 2011 to 2017. Second, we use this technique to select the sample of students who have not been enrolled in the courses offered by the FIEP System and to ensure it presents similar characteristics to the sample of graduate students. We use two data sources to implement this technique, namely: the administrative data of all students who graduated from the courses provided by FIEP, and the Paraná Research Institute database covering information of a broader sample, people who have not been enrolled in the FIEP System.

Based on the information available at the Paraná Research Institute database³,

³The variables available at the Paraná Research Database are: Sex (Male/Female), Age brackets (16-24 years old/25-34 years old/35 or older), Schooling (Elementary School (Complete or Incomplete)/High School (Complete or Incomplete)/Higher Education (Complete or Incomplete)), Main Occupation (Registered Employee/Unregistered Employee/Public Employee/Self-employed (registered)/Self-employed/Entrepreneur/Free-lancer/Intern/Apprentice (Paid)/ Unemployed (Job Seeker)/ Inactive (Not a Job Seeker) /Housewife/Retired/Only student/ Only living

we selected the students that are outsiders from the FIEP System in 3 steps:

1. All observations with the following main occupations were excluded: Public Employee, only housewife, only retired or only living of some income. Additionally, individuals who earned more than 10 minimum wages of monthly household income were excluded.
2. Based on remaining population we kept only individuals with complete or incomplete high school, and complete or incomplete higher education, which were representative of SESI high school, SENAI technical and qualification courses.
3. Within the remaining subsample, the strata were defined according to the age group, the gender and the subregion of the state of Parana in a way that replicates each stratum observed in the group of students graduated from the courses offered by FIEP.

The sampling strategy presented above was also used when selecting the sample of students that graduated from FIEP courses with a small difference, the subsample was subdivided into two subgroups: SESI high school and SENAI technical courses. We implemented this additional step to preserve the representativeness of these two courses separately.

The questionnaire answered by the interviewees contained questions that covered the following topics: general characteristics of the interviewees, employability and performance in the job market, satisfaction with their job, and with their professional status and educational background and enrollment in higher education. All questions included in the questionnaire were multiple choice. The full version of the questionnaire is presented in the annex.

3.2 Identification Strategy

In order to assess causality, we first need to ensure that the sample of students who have not been enrolled in the courses offered by the FIEP System is similar to

of some income), Monthly household income (Up to 1 minimum wage (mw)/Between 2 and 5 mws/Between 6 and 10 mws/ More than 10 mws) and City.

sample of students who graduated from these courses. We partially address this issue in the survey sample selection by using the stratified randomization. We further ensure comparability using the propensity score matching technique, the most common way to choose individuals with similar characteristics between different groups. Based on observable characteristics relevant to the selection of program participants, we select one or more units in the group of outsiders that are as similar as possible to each unit in the group of graduates of the FIEP System courses.

The main issue that matching and other impact assessment methods try to solve is the problem of selection bias in the participation of a given program. That is, it is possible for program participants to be previously different from non-participants. In this case, simply measuring the results between groups would be capturing prior differences and not just the effect of participation in a particular program. Formally, matching is based on the following identification hypothesis: conditional on some covariate vector X , the outcome Y is independent of D , where $D \in \{0,1\}$ is a dummy variable of participation in FIEP courses. It is noteworthy that matching on X is problematic if this vector is of high dimension (“curse of dimensionality”).

To address this dimensionality problem, we prefer to use the propensity score matching method. When the probability of participating in a program depends on several observable factors, rather than selecting similar individuals based on a multidimensional measure, it is possible to establish a one-dimensional measure for such a process (balancing score). This measure is given by the propensity score, which is the probability of participation in the program conditional on covariates, that is, the predicted probability of participation of individuals given their set of observed characteristics. Rosenbaum and Rubin (1983) and Dehejia and Wahba (1998) present the formal proof that allows the transformation of a multidimensional measure into the propensity score.

The basic idea of the matching method is to search in a large group of non-participants those individuals who are similar to the participants group in all relevant observable characteristics. The selection bias is eliminated in the process as long as it only occurs in the observable characteristics included in the model. In other words, we must assume that the conditional hypothesis is valid, which means there can be no unobservable characteristics that are associated at the same time with program participation and potential outcomes. Formally based on Heckman, Ichimura, and

Todd (1997), where $Y(0)$ is the potential results of non-participants in the courses offered by FIEP, we should assume:

$$Y(0) \perp D \mid P(X), \quad (1)$$

Therefore, the non-participant outcomes have, conditional on $P(X)$, the same distribution that participants would have experienced if they had not participated in the program.

In addition, the common support hypothesis should be valid, that is, although observable characteristics may influence the likelihood of participating in a program, participation cannot be completely defined by a set of variables. This hypothesis ensures that it is possible to find an individual in the control group for each individual in the treatment group after controlling for the influence of covariates. We should assume:

$$\Pr(D=1|X) < 1 \quad \forall X, \quad (2)$$

Our dataset contains a rich set of socio-demographic variables. We assume that they can potentially influence the participation in the courses and the labor market and matching quality outcomes. Therefore, the variables incorporated in the vector X were: education level, geographic region of the state of Paraná, gender, age group, marital status, family condition (if the person is responsible for the household), a dummy variable if the individual attended young adult education, and a dummy variable if the person attended public school. The long-term survey asks the individuals in retrospect about their employment status and income when they started taking the course. We add this information as control variables for this specific sample. In addition to the variables used in stratified randomization, we ensure that the outsiders' group is similar to the group that took a course in the FIEP System also in these characteristics included in the model.

We use the propensity score estimates to select the closest neighbor of each individual in the sample of students who graduated from all the courses offered by FIEP⁴. After estimating the participation probability using a Probit model, we allow

⁴We run the propensity score considering all FIEP courses together to obtain the nearest neighbor in the outsiders' group. After obtaining the nearest neighbor, we allow for different coefficients for students who graduated from SESI high school and from SENAI's technical course, and are able to test between them.

for replacement in the selection process, i.e., the same individual in the outsiders' group can be selected as counterfactual for more than one individual in the FIEP System group. To guarantee that we are selecting similar individuals, a caliper of 2p.p. is used – 2p.p. is the maximum level of tolerance for the distance between the individual's propensity score in the two groups considered. If the tolerance level is exceeded, such individual in the FIEP System group is not considered in the estimation.

After the final sample is defined, we compare the average of the outcome variable weighting for how many times the same individual in the outsiders group was used as counterfactual and also allowing for different effects of vocational training and high school among the FIEP System graduates⁵. This strategy permits us to have two different control groups at the end - SESI high school and outsiders - to measure the effects of SENAI vocational training. We expect that, by comparing SENAI's technical former students with students from outside the FIEP System, we will have a measure similar to the one that is commonly used in the Brazilian literature, that is totally based on the conditional on observable variables exogeneity hypothesis. A more flexible measure is obtained by comparing SENAI's technical former students with students that graduated from SESI high school. We believe that this measure of vocational training effect better addresses the potential issue of differences in management and quality of the institutions that provide those two different education modalities, since both courses are provided and managed by the same institution - the FIEP System.

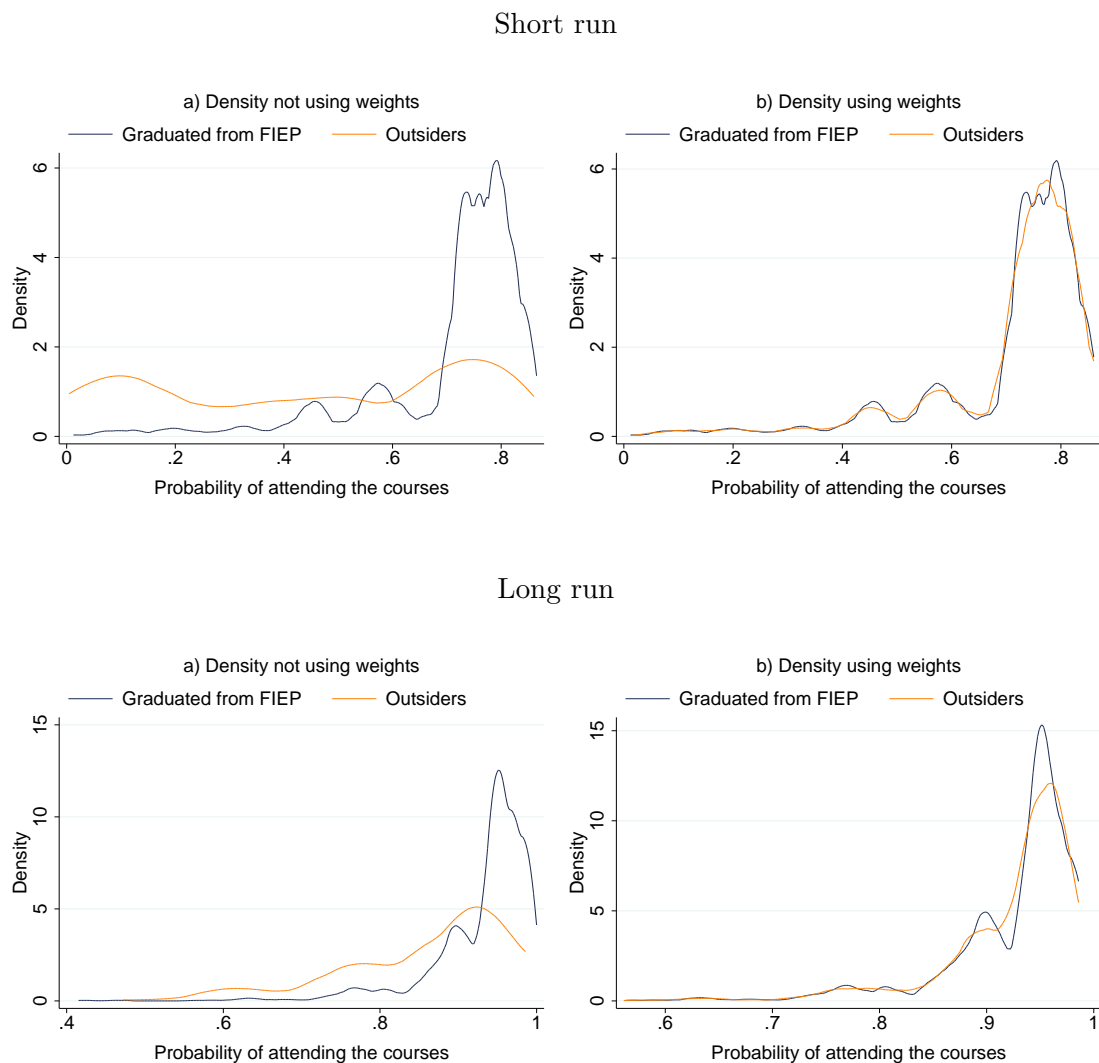
It is worth noting that, even though we believe that our estimation strategy allows us to control for some unobservable variables, such as differences in quality and management of the institutions, our results are still in some measure dependent on the hypothesis that the selection into the groups must be determined by observable characteristics. We rely on the assumption that no other unobservable characteristic is driving the choice between high school and vocational training for the students that decide to enroll in a course provided by the FIEP System. Additionally, the difference in the results when using each of the control groups would only reflect the effects of quality if no other omitted variable is affecting the selection into the FIEP System courses. Based on that assumptions, our main specification relies on

⁵According to Caliendo and Kopeinig (2006), the use of the nearest neighbor with replacement is the method that minimizes bias but has a high variance.

the nearest neighbor propensity score matching with replacement. As a robustness exercise, we also use an OLS model and a kernel propensity score matching.

Figure 1 presents the density function of the probability of participating in the courses. It is possible to observe that the common support hypothesis is respected. For all different probability of participation (x-axis), it is possible to observe some mass in the density function for both groups. Moreover, the weighting performed after selecting the nearest neighbor makes the density functions similar, in other words, for each probability of participation the same mass of people is observed.

Figure 1: Density function of probability of participating in courses



3.3 Difference in the average tests

The main purpose of the matching method is to ensure that the groups analyzed are comparable to each other in their observable characteristics. To test if this was

achieved, we test the difference between the average of the variables in each of the analyzed groups for both periods, short and long-term. We present the average tests for the total sample of respondents and for the sample that is selected by the matching method. Results are shown in the table 2. The “Difference” column presents the results of the statistical tests that verify if the differences in the average between the groups are significant.

Analyzing the table 2, it is possible to verify that the matching method corrects almost all pre-existing differences in the socio-demographic variables, ensuring comparability between the groups in the short-term. In the long-term, the matching does not correct all the differences due to the small sample of outsiders. It is noteworthy that stratified randomization was performed based on the variables of age, gender and region of the state of Paraná. However, it is not possible to guarantee that there are no differences between the groups in the other variables. The matching method was performed with the inclusion of all variables presented in the table 2, and, as presented, it makes the groups more comparable in all these dimensions.

4 Results

The effects of vocational training on the variables that measure employment status, income, overall satisfaction, and enrollment in higher education are presented below. We compare the short and long-term effects of each course covered in our analysis. In the tables, we report the average of the dependent variable for the control group, consisted of students outside the FIEP System, and the difference between them and the two groups of students graduated from the FIEP System - regular and vocational education. In order to present a measure that accounts for difference in institutions’ quality, we also present the p-value of a T test for the difference between the coefficients estimated for students that graduated from vocational and regular FIEP courses.

The effects of the vocational training on the professional status are presented in table 3. An important finding is that controlling for quality has an important impact on the vocational training results for most variables. More specifically, if we simply compare the students graduated from the SENAI technical courses with the students that are outsiders, we find positive significant effects only on employment in

the formal sector (23.3p.p.) in the short-run and on general employment (18.5p.p.) and on employment in the formal sector (18.1p.p.) in the long-run.

More nuanced results are found when we test the estimated coefficients between the students graduated from SENAI technical courses and SESI high school. The employment effects become even more pronounced in the short-run. We find that the former students of SENAI technical courses are 24p.p. ($= 0.0942 + 0.1466$) more likely to be employed and 25.6p.p ($= 0.2331 + 0.0232$) more likely to be employed in the formal sector in comparison to the students graduated from the SESI high school, with both differences significant at a 1% significance level. A higher employment probability comes at a price of decreasing the share dedicated to only study in this group. A SENAI graduate is 23p.p. ($= -0.0631 - 0.1673$) less likely to be only studying in the short-run relatively to a SESI high school graduate.

Differently from the short-run, controlling for quality attenuates all effects in the long-run, but they are still significant. The former students of the SENAI technical courses are 4.4p.p. ($= 0.1856 - 0.1408$) more likely to be employed and 9p.p ($= 0.1815 - 0.0917$) more likely to be employed in the formal sector in comparison to the students graduated from the SESI high school. The difference in the share that is only studying persists in the long-run, a SENAI graduate is 4.2p.p. ($= -0.0906 + 0.0487$) less likely to be only studying in the long-run relatively to a SESI high school graduate. A possible rationale for why accounting for institutions quality intensifies the effects on the short-run and diminishes the effects on long-run is that students that took regular education from high quality institutions have a higher chance of going to college, and, as a consequence, to stay out of the labor force until they complete their studies. In the long-run, when they return to the labor force, they catch up part of the difference in the probability of being employed in comparison to the students that graduated from vocational training.

The effects on income are also influenced by accounting for potential differences in quality between educational institutions. Different from the pattern observed when analyzing the employment status variable, controlling for quality accentuates the positive effects of a vocational training in the short- and in the long-run. As presented in table 4, by comparing the students who graduated from the SENAI technical courses with the students that are outsiders, we find positive and significant effects on income in the short-run, vocational training former students are 16.9p.p.

more likely to earn more than R\$2000.00. However, this positive effect on income totally fade out in the long-run.

The same is not true when we test the estimated coefficients between the students graduated from SENAI technical courses and SESI high school. The difference in the income distribution between these two groups continues significant in the long-run. In the short-run, the SENAI technical courses former students are 28.7p.p. ($=0.1698 + 0.1169$) and 4.2p.p. ($=0.0251 + 0.0165$) more likely to earn more than R\$2000.00 and more than R\$4000.00, respectively. In the long-run, these differences change to 22.3p.p. ($=0.0397 + 0.1832$) and 6.5p.p. ($=-0.0457 + 0.1111$) and still significant at a 1% significance level. A possible rationale for these results is that a higher employment inflow among the SESI high school graduates are also associated with an increase in the share of the inexperienced workers in this group, driving the income distribution towards low paying jobs.

In order to get a complete picture of the effects of vocational training, we measure the former students' satisfaction with their activity sectors, professional status and educational background. More specifically, we use different dummy variables that indicate if the individual is employed in their preferred activity sector, and if they are satisfied with their professional status and with their education background. The results are presented in the first three columns of table 5. The effects are not very informative when quality is not taken into account. Comparing SENAI technical graduates with the group of outsiders, we find significant effects only on the share that is satisfied with their professional status in the long-run (15.2p.p.).

A more consistent analysis is provided when we account for institutions' quality. By comparing the SENAI technical courses and SESI high school, we find that the SENAI technical graduates are more likely to be employed in their preferred activity sector (12p.p. ($= 0.1180 + 0.0019$)), but are relatively less likely to be satisfied with their educational background (-6.6p.p. ($=0.1339 - 0.2008$)) in the short-run. In the long-run, only the negative effect in the satisfaction with the educational background persists. More precisely, the SENAI technical course former student is 6.7p.p. ($=0.0209 - 0.0877$) less likely to be satisfied with their educational background.

Finally, the effects of vocational training on the probability of enrolling in higher

education (bachelors' degree and postgraduate education) are presented in the fourth column of table 5. The results are consistent with the argument that controlling for institution quality increases the chance of going to college among the students that took regular education from high quality institutions (SESI high school). As presented in the table, no effect in enrollment is found when we compared the SENAI technical graduates with the group of students that are outsiders. However, relatively to the SESI high school graduates, a SENAI technical course former student is less likely to be enrolled in higher education in the short- (-16.2p.p. (= -0.0491 - 0.1129)) and long-run (-16p.p. (= -0.0129 - 0.1470)). In summary, the better employment outcomes comes at a price of a lower enrollment in higher education.

5 Robustness checks

In this section we check the robustness of our results by re-estimating them using two alternative econometric specifications: 1) we use an Epanechnikov kernel propensity score matching procedure; 2) We run an OLS model using the same vector of control variables that we use in the matching process.

It is important to highlight that exists a trade-off between bias and variance among the propensity score models that we use in this paper. On one hand, the Epanechnikov kernel matching increases the number of distinct non-participants used to construct the counterfactual outcome and therefore decreases the variance of the estimator. On the other hand, this non-parametric method uses the whole distribution of individuals which likely decreases the average quality of matching and increase the bias, especially in the case where the propensity score distribution is very different in the treatment and control group (Caliendo and Kopeinig, 2008). To partially address this problem, we also impose the same caliper used when estimating the nearest neighbor method, 2p.p. No relation, however, can be stated when comparing OLS and propensity score method in terms of bias and variance.

The results using these two alternative methods are presented in tables 6 to 8. The main results found on the employment status variables are maintained in our robustness analysis. Vocational training courses increase the probability of being generally employed and employed in the formal sector both in the short- and long-run. By controlling for institutions' quality, the employment effects become more

pronounced in the short-run and diminishes in the long-run. Importantly, in the short-run a higher employment probability comes at a price of decreasing the share dedicated to only study for the group of vocational training graduates. The degree of attenuation in the long-run effects, however, varies with the estimation method. When the results are estimated using a propensity score matching approach, the effect on employment decreases, but still significant in the long-run. In the results estimated using OLS, no difference between regular and vocational training graduates persists in the long-run. Similarly, in both cases, ignoring the institution quality dimension leads to an overestimation of vocational training long-run effects on employment.

The effects on income are also consistent across all different estimation methods. Similarly to what is found in our main specification, controlling for quality accentuates the positive effects of a vocational training in the short- and in the long-run. Comparing the students who graduated from SENAI technical courses and SESI high school, we find that the former is more likely to be employed in a higher paying job both in the short- and long-run. The effects found using OLS are smaller than the ones estimated using propensity score methods, but they are also significant at 1% significance level.

Finally, the effects on the satisfaction variables and on the probability of enrolling in higher education are consistent between the different propensity score matching methods, but differ from the results estimated using OLS. The estimates of the Epanechnikov kernel matching approach also show that the SENAI technical graduates are more likely to be employed in their preferred activity sector, but are relatively less likely to be satisfied with their educational background in the short-run, and, in the long-run, only the latter effect persists. Regarding the higher education enrollment, using this method we find that the vocational training graduates are less likely to be enrolled in short- and long-run. These effects, however, are sensible to the estimation method. Using a OLS, the only effect that persists is the greater activity sector satisfaction of vocational training graduates in the short-run.

6 Conclusion

This paper provides evidence about the short- and long-term effects of vocational training on employment status, income, overall satisfaction, and enrollment in higher education. We take advantage of particular institutional arrangement in the state of Paraná, Brazil, where a single private institution named FIEP provides both vocational and regular education under two separate but closely related entities, while non-FIEP institutions provide regular education. As both vocational and regular schools within FIEP have more resources, better teachers and infra-structure than non-FIEP schools, simply comparing outcomes of vocational training and regular students can be misleading even if students were assigned randomly to schools.

Using a unique survey applied to different cohorts of high school graduates, we show that quality plays an important but nuanced role when comparing the effects of general and vocational education in the short and long run. In particular, our propensity score estimates indicate that FIEP vocational training graduates have higher short-run employability than both FIEP and non-FIEP regular students. However, regular graduates from the better-funded FIEP system are more likely to continue to higher education, so that the short-run employment effect all but dissipates as they enter the labor force in the long-run. We also find that vocational training has a persistent positive effect on income both in the short and long-run, especially when accounting for differences in quality.

Our estimates provide a relevant input for policy design in a moment when vocational training has been gaining relevance in Brazil. In recent years, Federal Government expenditure has increased 5 times from 2003 to 2016 (0.04% to 0.2%) and the number of students enrolled in technical education during high school increased by 45% between 2007 and 2013 (Elacqua et al., 2019). Industrial associations such as FIEP play a major role in providing vocational education across Brazilian regions. While privately managed, they are mainly funded via payroll tax revenues. Hence understanding the effectiveness of such publicly-funded type of enterprises is key to improving human capital in Brazil.

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Table 1: Difference in the average ENEM (2015) variables between Sesi and other high schools

	Public Paraná		Private Paraná		Sesi		Testing the mean differences	
	(1)		(2)		(3)		(1) - (3)	(2) - (3)
	Mean	Obs	Mean	Obs	Mean	Obs		
Participation rate	62.2881	391	84.1577	273	83.6944	45	-21.4063***	0.4632
Average in natural science	478.3771	391	539.3789	273	493.3822	45	-15.0052***	45.9966***
Average in human science	559.7686	391	605.9794	273	575.0084	45	-15.2399***	30.9709***
Average in Portuguese	506.0876	391	555.1439	273	523.2969	45	-17.2092***	31.8470***
Average in math	469.9187	391	557.967	273	500.5831	45	-30.6644***	57.3839***
Average in writing	534.2359	391	612.7274	273	564.8487	45	-30.6127***	47.8788***
Index of faculty adequacy	78.5803	390	68.1136	272	75.4667	45	3.1136*	-7.3531***
Student permanence index in high school	82.8856	391	68.9434	273	75.6313	45	7.2542***	-6.6880*
Students' approval rate in high school	83.8453	391	96.1187	273	97.3119	42	-13.4666***	-1.1932**
Students' failure rate in high school	10.1936	391	3.7264	273	2.4214	42	7.7722***	1.3049**
Students' dropout rate in high school	5.9611	391	0.1549	273	0.2667	42	5.6945***	-0.1117

Significance levels: * 10%, ** 5%, ***1%.

Table 2: Difference in the average tests between treatment and control groups

	Without matching			With matching		
	Graduated from FIEP	Outsiders	Difference	Graduated from FIEP	Outsiders	Difference
Short-term						
Age group						
16-24 years old	0.8024	0.52	0.2823***	0.8018	0.8011	0.0008
25-34 years old	0.1243	0.2096	-0.0854***	0.1246	0.1186	0.006
35 or older	0.0734	0.2703	-0.1970***	0.0736	0.0803	-0.0068
Share of females	0.3787	0.37	0.0088	0.3799	0.3836	-0.0038
Geographic region of the State of Paraná						
Central	0.0689	0.0664	0.0024	0.0691	0.0503	0.0188
Curitiba	0.4057	0.362	0.0437**	0.4047	0.4122	-0.0075
North	0.357	0.362	-0.0049	0.3574	0.3761	-0.0188
West	0.0876	0.1031	-0.0155	0.0878	0.0743	0.0135
South	0.0808	0.1065	-0.0257**	0.0811	0.0871	-0.006
Education level						
Elementary School (complete or incomplete)	0.0037	0.0435	-0.0398***	0.0038	0.0015	0.0023
High school (complete or incomplete)	0.5479	0.5888	-0.0409*	0.5495	0.5375	0.012
Higher education (complete or incomplete)	0.4416	0.3379	0.1037***	0.4399	0.458	-0.018
Postgraduate studies	0.0067	0.0298	-0.0230***	0.0068	0.003	0.0038
Share that attended regular school	0.9386	0.89	0.0486***	0.9392	0.9542	-0.015
Share that attended public school	0.7418	0.8396	-0.0979***	0.744	0.7372	0.0068
Marital status						
Single	0.8361	0.606	0.2301***	0.8356	0.8378	-0.0023
Married	0.1557	0.3414	-0.1857***	0.1562	0.1532	0.003
Share responsible for the household	0.2313	0.4147	-0.1834***	0.2297	0.2095	0.0203
Observations	1336	873	2209	1332	184	1516
Long-term						
Age group						
16-24 years old	0.8884	0.8982	-0.0098	0.9191	0.9656	-0.0465***
25-34 years old	0.0693	0.024	0.0454**	0.0349	0.0079	0.0270***
35 or older	0.0423	0.0778	-0.0356**	0.046	0.0264	0.0196**
Share of females	0.3941	0.4072	-0.0131	0.4209	0.4807	-0.0598***
Geographic region of the State of Paraná						
Central	0.1662	0.1737	-0.0075	0.1777	0.2031	-0.0254
Curitiba	0.4858	0.4371	0.0486	0.458	0.4659	-0.0079
North	0.2251	0.2036	0.0215	0.2348	0.221	0.0137
West	0.0665	0.1198	-0.0533***	0.0693	0.0693	0
South	0.0565	0.0659	-0.0094	0.0603	0.0407	0.0196**
Education level						
Elementary School (complete or incomplete)	0	0	0	0	0	0
High school (complete or incomplete)	0.2213	0.3593	-0.1380***	0.2285	0.1645	0.0640***
Higher education (complete or incomplete)	0.7179	0.5389	0.1790***	0.7076	0.7795	-0.0719***
Postgraduate studies	0.0608	0.1018	-0.0410**	0.064	0.0561	0.0079
Share that attended regular school	0.9691	0.9341	0.0350**	0.9693	0.9741	-0.0048
Share that attended public school	0.6918	0.8683	-0.1764***	0.7308	0.7604	-0.0296
Marital status						
Single	0.7612	0.7365	0.0246	0.7816	0.8123	-0.0307*
Married	0.226	0.2395	-0.0135	0.2052	0.1803	0.0249
Share responsible for the household	0.2702	0.3234	-0.0532	0.2681	0.2411	0.027
Observations	2106	167	2273	1891	125	2016

Significance levels: * 10%, ** 5%, ***1%.

Table 3: Effect of each course on employment status variables

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
	Unemployed	Inactive	Studying	Employed	Employed in a formal job
Short-term Effects					
Senai technical	0.0052 (0.0745)	-0.0152 (0.0202)	-0.0631 (0.0691)	0.0942 (0.0827)	0.2331*** (0.0642)
Sesi high-school	0.0187 (0.0751)	-0.0204 (0.0204)	0.1673** (0.0711)	-0.1466* (0.0839)	-0.0232 (0.0644)
Mean dep. var - control group	0.1329	0.0473	0.2357	0.5631	0.2477
Coeff. equality test (T test - p-value)	0.496	0.582	0.000	0.000	0.000
Observations	1516	1516	1516	1516	1516
Long-term Effects					
Senai technical	-0.0943 (0.0609)	-0.0019 (0.0109)	-0.0906 (0.0638)	0.1856** (0.0757)	0.1815** (0.0728)
Sesi high-school	-0.0862 (0.0604)	-0.0085 (0.0102)	-0.0487 (0.0636)	0.1408* (0.0750)	0.0917 (0.0714)
Mean dep. var - control group	0.1750	0.0132	0.1713	0.6351	0.3548
Coeff. equality test (T test - p-value)	0.552	0.158	0.003	0.021	0.000
Observations	2016	2016	2016	2016	2016

Significance levels: * 10%, ** 5%, ***1%. We use robust standard errors. The table presents the results using employment status variables in the short and long-term. The columns display the results for different binary variables, and also the shares observed in the control group consisted of outsiders. We first select our sample using the propensity score method. We select the closest neighbor of each individual by estimating the participation probability using a Probit model, we allow for replacement in the selection process, i.e., the same individual in the control group can be selected as counterfactual for more than one individual in the treatment group. To guarantee that we are selecting similar individuals, a caliper of 2p.p. is used - 2p.p. is the maximum level of tolerance for the distance between the individual's propensity score in the treatment group and their nearest neighbor in the control group. If the tolerance level is exceeded, such individual in the treatment group is not considered in the estimation. After the final sample is defined, we estimate by OLS the difference between the groups in terms of the average outcome variable weighting for how many times the same individual in the control group was used as counterfactual. We build the confidence intervals using robust standard errors.

Table 4: Effect of each course on different income brackets

	(1)	(2)	(3)
	Less than R\$2.000	More than R\$2.001	More than R\$4.001
Short-term Effects			
Senai technical	-0.1698*** (0.0561)	0.1698*** (0.0561)	0.0251* (0.0148)
Sesi high-school	0.1169** (0.0551)	-0.1169** (0.0551)	-0.0165 (0.0136)
Mean dep. var - control group	0.8062	0.1938	0.0310
Coeff. equality test (T test - p-value)	0.000	0.000	0.002
Observations	844	844	844
Long-term Effects			
Senai technical	-0.0397 (0.0923)	0.0397 (0.0923)	-0.0457 (0.0878)
Sesi high-school	0.1832** (0.0908)	-0.1832** (0.0908)	-0.1111 (0.0868)
Mean dep. var - control group	0.4874	0.5126	0.1817
Coeff. equality test (T test - p-value)	0.000	0.000	0.000
Observations	1498	1498	1498

Significance levels: * 10%, ** 5%, ***1%. We use robust standard errors. The table presents the results using income bracket variables in the short and long-term. The columns display the results for different binary variables, and also the shares observed in the control group consisted of outsiders. We first select our sample using the propensity score method. We select the closest neighbor of each individual by estimating the participation probability using a Probit model, we allow for replacement in the selection process, i.e., the same individual in the control group can be selected as counterfactual for more than one individual in the treatment group. To guarantee that we are selecting similar individuals, a caliper of 2p.p. is used - 2p.p. is the maximum level of tolerance for the distance between the individual's propensity score in the treatment group and their nearest neighbor in the control group. If the tolerance level is exceeded, such individual in the treatment group is not considered in the estimation. After the final sample is defined, we estimate by OLS the difference between the groups in terms of the average outcome variable weighting for how many times the same individual in the control group was used as counterfactual. We build the confidence intervals using robust standard errors.

Table 5: Effects of the courses on the share of satisfaction variables

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
	Activity Sector	Professional Status	Education Background	Enrolled in Higher Education
Short-term Effects				
Senai technical	0.1180 (0.1026)	0.1014 (0.0851)	0.1339* (0.0739)	-0.0491 (0.0817)
Sesi high-school	-0.0019 (0.1059)	0.0741 (0.0860)	0.2008*** (0.0740)	0.1129 (0.0828)
Mean dep. var - control group	0.4739	0.6564	0.6935	0.4437
Coeff. equality test (T test - p-value)	0.003	0.271	0.000	0.000
Observations	853	1497	1514	1516
Long-term Effects				
Senai technical	0.0409 (0.0894)	0.1520** (0.0771)	0.0209 (0.0652)	-0.0129 (0.0724)
Sesi high-school	0.0262 (0.0881)	0.1126 (0.0762)	0.0877 (0.0640)	0.1470** (0.0712)
Mean dep. var - control group	0.5595	0.6098	0.8070	0.3538
Coeff. equality test (T test - p-value)	0.586	0.065	0.000	0.000
Observations	1572	2004	2013	2016

Significance levels: * 10%, ** 5%, ***1%. We use robust standard errors. The columns display the results for different binary variables, and also the shares observed in the control group consisted of outsiders. "Activity Sector" is a dummy variable that indicates if the individuals are employed in their preferred activity sector. "Professional Status" and "Educational Background" are dummies that equal 1 if the individuals are satisfied with their professional status and with their education background, respectively. "Enrolled in Higher Education" is a dummy variable that indicates if someone is enrolled in higher education, such as bachelors' degree or postgraduate education. We first select our sample using the propensity score method. We select the closest neighbor of each individual by estimating the participation probability using a Probit model, we allow for replacement in the selection process, i.e., the same individual in the control group can be selected as counterfactual for more than one individual in the treatment group. To guarantee that we are selecting similar individuals, a caliper of 2p.p. is used - 2p.p. is the maximum level of tolerance for the distance between the individual's propensity score in the treatment group and their nearest neighbor in the control group. If the tolerance level is exceeded, such individual in the treatment group is not considered in the estimation. After the final sample is defined, we estimate by OLS the difference between the groups in terms of the average outcome variable weighting for how many times the same individual in the control group was used as counterfactual. We build the confidence intervals using robust standard errors.

Table 6: Effect of each course on employment status variables

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
	Unemployed	Inactive	Studying	Employed	Employed in a formal job
Short-term Effects					
PSM w/ replacement (baseline)					
Senai technical	0.0052 (0.0745)	-0.0152 (0.0202)	-0.0631 (0.0691)	0.0942 (0.0827)	0.2331*** (0.0642)
Sesi high-school	0.0187 (0.0751)	-0.0204 (0.0204)	0.1673** (0.0711)	-0.1466* (0.0839)	-0.0232 (0.0644)
Mean dep. var - control group	0.1329	0.0473	0.2357	0.5631	0.2477
Coeff. equality test (T test - p-value)	0.496	0.582	0.000	0.000	0.000
Observations	1516	1516	1516	1516	1516
PSM Epanechnikov kernel					
Senai technical	0.0075 (0.0197)	-0.0270** (0.0121)	-0.0392 (0.0248)	0.0762*** (0.0289)	0.1687*** (0.0282)
Sesi high-school	0.0210 (0.0221)	-0.0322** (0.0126)	0.1912*** (0.0300)	-0.1645*** (0.0320)	-0.0876*** (0.0286)
Mean dep. var - control group	0.1306	0.0591	0.2119	0.5810	0.3122
Coeff. equality test (T test - p-value)	0.496	0.582	0.000	0.000	0.000
Observations	2205	2205	2205	2205	2205
OLS					
Senai technical	0.0111 (0.0177)	-0.0317*** (0.0120)	0.0020 (0.0181)	0.0551** (0.0241)	0.1668*** (0.0247)
Sesi high-school	0.0020 (0.0224)	-0.0371*** (0.0131)	0.1225*** (0.0280)	-0.0642** (0.0309)	0.0224 (0.0281)
Mean dep. var - control group	0.1203	0.0905	0.1329	0.5968	0.2910
Coeff. equality test (T test - p-value)	0.663	0.615	0.000	0.000	0.000
Observations	2209	2209	2209	2209	2209
Long-term Effects					
PSM w/ replacement (baseline)					
Senai technical	-0.0943 (0.0609)	-0.0019 (0.0109)	-0.0906 (0.0638)	0.1856** (0.0757)	0.1815** (0.0728)
Sesi high-school	-0.0862 (0.0604)	-0.0085 (0.0102)	-0.0487 (0.0636)	0.1408* (0.0750)	0.0917 (0.0714)
Mean dep. var - control group	0.1750	0.0132	0.1713	0.6351	0.3548
Coeff. equality test (T test - p-value)	0.552	0.158	0.003	0.021	0.000
Observations	2016	2016	2016	2016	2016
PSM Epanechnikov kernel					
Senai technical	-0.0368 (0.0311)	-0.0060 (0.0129)	-0.1153*** (0.0415)	0.1615*** (0.0479)	0.1519*** (0.0500)
Sesi high-school	-0.0288 (0.0302)	-0.0126 (0.0123)	-0.0734* (0.0411)	0.1168** (0.0468)	0.0621 (0.0478)
Mean dep. var - control group	0.1176	0.0173	0.1961	0.6591	0.3845
Coeff. equality test (T test - p-value)	0.552	0.158	0.003	0.021	0.000
Observations	2057	2057	2057	2057	2057
OLS					
Senai technical	-0.0364 (0.0288)	-0.0052 (0.0125)	-0.0534** (0.0267)	0.1166*** (0.0387)	0.1180*** (0.0431)
Sesi high-school	-0.0353 (0.0270)	-0.0139 (0.0101)	-0.0619** (0.0262)	0.1245*** (0.0366)	0.0887** (0.0408)
Mean dep. var - control group	0.1257	0.0180	0.1257	0.7006	0.3952
Coeff. equality test (T test - p-value)	0.946	0.178	0.603	0.719	0.270
Observations	2273	2273	2273	2273	2273

Significance levels: * 10%, ** 5%, ***1%. We use robust standard errors. The table presents the results using employment status variables in the short and long-term. The columns display the results for different binary variables, and also the shares observed in the control group consisted of outsiders. We report our baseline results using a nearest neighbor propensity score matching to select our sample, the results using a Epanechnikov kernel matching to select the sample, and a direct OLS that includes the whole sample (without any selection). When using the propensity score methods, we first select our sample using the propensity score method with a caliper of 2p.p., and, after the final sample is defined, we estimate by OLS the difference between the groups in terms of the average outcome variable weighting according to each method.

Table 7: Effect of each course on different income brackets

	(1)	(2)	(3)
	Less than R\$2.000	More than R\$2.001	More than R\$4.001
Short-term Effects			
PSM w/ replacement (baseline)			
Senai technical	-0.1698*** (0.0561)	0.1698*** (0.0561)	0.0251* (0.0148)
Sesi high-school	0.1169** (0.0551)	-0.1169** (0.0551)	-0.0165 (0.0136)
Mean dep. var - control group	0.8062	0.1938	0.0310
Coeff. equality test (T test - p-value)	0.000	0.000	0.002
Observations	844	844	844
PSM Epanechnikov kernel			
Senai technical	-0.1647*** (0.0307)	0.1647*** (0.0307)	0.0181 (0.0132)
Sesi high-school	0.1220*** (0.0289)	-0.1220*** (0.0289)	-0.0235** (0.0118)
Mean dep. var - control group	0.8011	0.1989	0.0380
Coeff. equality test (T test - p-value)	0.000	0.000	0.001
Observations	1219	1219	1219
OLS			
Senai technical	-0.0621** (0.0283)	0.0621** (0.0283)	-0.0226 (0.0165)
Sesi high-school	0.0057 (0.0301)	-0.0057 (0.0301)	-0.0074 (0.0148)
Mean dep. var - control group	0.6498	0.3502	0.1134
Coeff. equality test (T test - p-value)	0.012	0.012	0.247
Observations	1222	1222	1222
Long-term Effects			
PSM w/ replacement (baseline)			
Senai technical	-0.0397 (0.0923)	0.0397 (0.0923)	-0.0457 (0.0878)
Sesi high-school	0.1832** (0.0908)	-0.1832** (0.0908)	-0.1111 (0.0868)
Mean dep. var - control group	0.4874	0.5126	0.1817
Coeff. equality test (T test - p-value)	0.000	0.000	0.000
Observations	1498	1498	1498
PSM Epanechnikov kernel			
Senai technical	-0.0929 (0.0636)	0.0929 (0.0636)	-0.0094 (0.0462)
Sesi high-school	0.1300** (0.0613)	-0.1300** (0.0613)	-0.0748* (0.0443)
Mean dep. var - control group	0.5405	0.4595	0.1454
Coeff. equality test (T test - p-value)	0.000	0.000	0.000
Observations	1522	1522	1522
OLS			
Senai technical	-0.0815 (0.0509)	0.0815 (0.0509)	-0.0141 (0.0365)
Sesi high-school	0.0037 (0.0478)	-0.0037 (0.0478)	-0.0153 (0.0333)
Mean dep. var - control group	0.6055	0.3945	0.1193
Coeff. equality test (T test - p-value)	0.004	0.004	0.944
Observations	1681	1681	1681

SSignificance levels: * 10%, ** 5%, ***1%. We use robust standard errors. The table presents the results using income bracket variables in the short and long-term. The columns display the results for different binary variables, and also the shares observed in the control group consisted of outsiders. We report our baseline results using a nearest neighbor propensity score matching to select our sample, the results using a Epanechnikov kernel matching to select the sample, and a direct OLS that includes the whole sample (without any selection). When using the propensity score methods, we first select our sample using the propensity score method with a caliper of 2p.p., and, after the final sample is defined, we estimate by OLS the difference between the groups in terms of the average outcome variable weighting according to each method.

Table 8: Effects of the courses on the share of satisfaction variables

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
	Activity Sector	Professional Status	Education Background	Enrolled in Higher Education
Short-term Effects				
PSM w/ replacement (baseline)				
Senai technical	0.1180 (0.1026)	0.1014 (0.0851)	0.1339* (0.0739)	-0.0491 (0.0817)
Sesi high-school	-0.0019 (0.1059)	0.0741 (0.0860)	0.2008*** (0.0740)	0.1129 (0.0828)
Mean dep. var - control group	0.4739	0.6564	0.6935	0.4437
Coeff. equality test (T test - p-value)	0.003	0.271	0.000	0.000
Observations	853	1497	1514	1516
PSM Epanechnikov kernel				
Senai technical	0.1646*** (0.0376)	0.0941*** (0.0273)	0.1413*** (0.0257)	0.0086 (0.0298)
Sesi high-school	0.0447 (0.0460)	0.0668** (0.0300)	0.2081*** (0.0258)	0.1706*** (0.0327)
Mean dep. var - control group	0.4273	0.6637	0.6861	0.3860
Coeff. equality test (T test - p-value)	0.003	0.271	0.000	0.000
Observations	1229	2170	2200	2205
OLS				
Senai technical	0.1291*** (0.0339)	0.0890*** (0.0243)	0.1411*** (0.0231)	0.0638*** (0.0163)
Sesi high-school	0.0539 (0.0470)	0.0826*** (0.0298)	0.1559*** (0.0250)	0.0651*** (0.0190)
Mean dep. var - control group	0.4659	0.6565	0.6847	0.1993
Coeff. equality test (T test - p-value)	0.092	0.812	0.440	0.938
Observations	1231	2173	2204	2209
Long-term Effects				
PSM w/ replacement (baseline)				
Senai technical	0.0409 (0.0894)	0.1520** (0.0771)	0.0209 (0.0652)	-0.0129 (0.0724)
Sesi high-school	0.0262 (0.0881)	0.1126 (0.0762)	0.0877 (0.0640)	0.1470** (0.0712)
Mean dep. var - control group	0.5595	0.6098	0.8070	0.3538
Coeff. equality test (T test - p-value)	0.586	0.065	0.000	0.000
Observations	1572	2004	2013	2016
PSM Epanechnikov kernel				
Senai technical	0.0402 (0.0613)	0.0758 (0.0477)	-0.0280 (0.0359)	-0.1182** (0.0511)
Sesi high-school	0.0256 (0.0594)	0.0364 (0.0462)	0.0387 (0.0336)	0.0417 (0.0494)
Mean dep. var - control group	0.5601	0.6860	0.8560	0.4591
Coeff. equality test (T test - p-value)	0.586	0.065	0.000	0.000
Observations	1598	2044	2054	2057
OLS				
Senai technical	0.0314 (0.0536)	0.0176 (0.0406)	-0.0191 (0.0316)	0.0158 (0.0330)
Sesi high-school	0.0521 (0.0509)	0.0277 (0.0388)	0.0070 (0.0295)	0.0140 (0.0323)
Mean dep. var - control group	0.5478	0.7195	0.8503	0.3473
Coeff. equality test (T test - p-value)	0.501	0.676	0.151	0.929
Observations	1762	2259	2270	2273

Significance levels: * 10%, ** 5%, ***1%. We use robust standard errors. The columns display the results for different binary variables, and also the shares observed in the control group consisted of outsiders. "Activity Sector" is a dummy variable that indicates if the individuals are employed in their preferred activity sector. "Professional Status" and "Educational Background" are dummies that equal 1 if the individuals are satisfied with their professional status and with their education background, respectively. "Enrolled in Higher Education" is a dummy variable that indicates if someone is enrolled in higher education, such as bachelors' degree or postgraduate education. We report our baseline results using a nearest neighbor propensity score matching to select our sample, the results using a Epanechnikov kernel matching to select the sample, and a direct OLS that includes the whole sample (without any selection). When using the propensity score methods, we first select our sample using the propensity score method with a caliper of 2p.p., and, after the final sample is defined, we estimate by OLS the difference between the groups in terms of the average outcome variable weighting according to each method.

Appendix A - Tables

Table A1: Difference in the average school variables between Sesi and other high schools - 2017 Census

	Public Paraná		Private Paraná		Sesi		Testing the mean differences	
	(1)		(2)		(3)		(1) - (3)	(2) - (3)
	Mean	Obs	Mean	Obs	Mean	Obs		
The school has:								
School director office	0.9069	1299	0.9888	356	0.9811	53	-0.0743*	0.0076
School professor office	0.9638	1299	0.9944	356	0.9811	53	-0.0173	0.0132
Computer lab	0.8907	1299	0.736	356	0.9623	53	-0.0716*	-0.2263***
Science lab	0.7313	1299	0.9242	356	0.9057	53	-0.1743***	0.0185
Library	0.9292	1299	0.9803	356	1	53	-0.0708**	-0.0197
Reading room	0.0508	1299	0.5056	356	0.3019	53	-0.2511***	0.2037***
Auditorium	0.1339	1299	0.4972	356	0.5283	53	-0.3944***	-0.0311
Number of classrooms	11.659	1299	22.2388	356	10.3019	53	1.3571*	11.9369***
Number of used classrooms	10.4426	1299	20.3062	356	8.1321	53	2.3106***	12.1741***
Number of computers	28.1647	1299	46.0899	356	38.9811	53	-10.8164***	7.1088
Number of computers available for students	19.9761	1299	28.0927	356	31.5472	53	-11.5710***	-3.4545
Has internet	0.9931	1299	0.9944	356	0.9811	53	0.0119	0.0132
Has high speed internet	0.8075	1299	0.9719	356	0.9623	53	-0.1547***	0.0096
Number of students	200.3087	1299	126.3202	356	175.3962	53	24.9125	-49.0760**
Number of professors	22.3272	1299	16.0702	356	15.283	53	7.0442***	0.7872

Significance levels: * 10%, ** 5%, ***1%.

Table A2: Difference in the average school variables between Senai and other technical courses - 2017 Census

	Public Paraná		Private Paraná		Senai		Testing the mean differences	
	(1)		(2)		(3)		(1) - (3)	(2) - (3)
	Mean	Obs	Mean	Obs	Mean	Obs		
The school has:								
School director office	0.9792	48	0.989	91	0.925	40	0.0542	0.0640*
School professor office	0.9792	48	0.978	91	0.95	40	0.0292	0.028
Computer lab	1	48	0.9231	91	0.975	40	0.025	-0.0519
Science lab	0.7708	48	0.2857	91	0.375	40	0.3958***	-0.0893
Library	0.9792	48	0.967	91	0.975	40	0.0042	-0.008
Reading room	0.3542	48	0.5495	91	0.275	40	0.0792	0.2745***
Auditorium	0.5833	48	0.5714	91	0.625	40	-0.0417	-0.0536
Number of classrooms	13.9792	48	16.8132	91	15.9	40	-1.9208	0.9132
Number of used classrooms	10.2917	48	14.7363	91	14.25	40	-3.9583**	0.4863
Number of computers	85.125	48	77.7582	91	72.625	40	12.5	5.1332
Number of computers available for students	61.9792	48	39.7802	91	53.5	40	8.4792	-13.7198
Has internet	1	48	1	91	0.975	40	0.025	0.025
Has high speed internet	0.875	48	0.956	91	0.9	40	-0.025	0.056
Number of students	187.1042	48	151.5934	91	214.475	40	-27.3708	-62.8816
Number of professors	20.2083	48	15.5495	91	17.875	40	2.3333	-2.3255

Significance levels: * 10%, ** 5%, ***1%.

Appendix B - Questionnaire



QUESTIONÁRIO - BASE

Script inicial do entrevistador:

Bom dia/ Boa Tarde. Meu nome é _____. Sou entrevistador do **INSTITUTO PARANÁ PESQUISAS**, e estamos entrando em contato com você para fazer uma pesquisa sobre questões ligadas a trabalho e educação. O(a) Sr(a) poderia fazer a gentileza de responder algumas perguntas? Antes de iniciar, gostaria de deixar claro que as respostas não serão utilizadas para qualquer outro propósito além de coletar informações sobre Educação e Trabalho e os dados coletados serão levados em consideração no conjunto das informações coletadas e não de forma individualizada.

Questões Filtro:

F1. Qual a sua escolaridade?

- 1) Sem escolaridade/ analfabeto (Agradecer e encerrar)
- 2) Ensino Fundamental Incompleto
- 3) Ensino Fundamental Completo
- 4) Ensino Médio Incompleto
- 5) Ensino Médio Completo
- 6) Ensino Superior Incompleto
- 7) Ensino Superior Completo
- 8) Pós-Graduação ou mais

F2. O(A) Sr(a) estudou ou estuda em alguma unidade do Sistema Fiep, ou seja, alguma Unidade do Senai, Sesi ou IEL?

- 1) Sim (Exceto perguntas exclusivas do Grupo Controle)
- 2) Não (Todas as perguntas)

F3. Apenas para os que são egressos dos cursos de Educação do Sistema Fiep: Qual o ano que o(a) Sr(a) concluiu/ terminou os seus estudos na Unidade do Sistema Fiep?

- 1) Anterior a 2015 (Agradecer e encerrar)
- 2) 2015
- 3) 2016
- 4) 2017
- 5) 2018 ou mais (Agradecer e encerrar)

1. Sexo: (Registrar)

- 1) Masculino
- 2) Feminino

2. Qual a sua idade? (Registrar a faixa correspondente)

- 1) 16 a 24 anos
- 2) 25 a 34 anos
- 3) 35 ou mais

3. Diga-me, por favor, qual das seguintes situações se aplica melhor ao seu estado civil atual: **(Ler as alternativas)**

- 1) Solteiro(a)
- 2) Casado(a)
- 3) Divorciado(a)
- 4) Viúvo(a)
- 5) Outro. Especifique: _____

4. Atualmente o(a) Sr(a) diria que é: **(Ler as alternativas)**

- 1) Pessoa responsável pelo seu domicílio
- 2) Cônjuge/ companheiro(a) do(a) responsável pelo domicílio
- 3) Filho(a) do(a) responsável pelo domicílio
- 4) Neto(a) do(a) responsável pelo domicílio
- 5) Irmão(ã) do(a) responsável pelo domicílio
- 6) Outro. Especifique: _____

5. Contando com o(a) Sr(a), quantas pessoas, incluindo crianças vivem habitualmente em sua residência?
|____|

6. De uma maneira geral, o Sr(a) diria que está muito satisfeito(a), satisfeito(a), nem satisfeito(a), nem insatisfeito(a), insatisfeito(a) ou muito insatisfeito(a) com a sua **situação profissional**?

- | | |
|---|---|
| 1) Muito Satisfeito(a) | 4) Insatisfeito(a) |
| 2) Satisfeito(a) | 5) Muito insatisfeito(a) |
| 3) Nem Satisfeito(a), Nem Insatisfeito(a) | 6) Não sabe/ não opinou (não ler, nem estimular) |

7. De uma maneira geral, o Sr(a) diria que está muito satisfeito(a), satisfeito(a), nem satisfeito(a), nem insatisfeito(a), insatisfeito(a) ou muito insatisfeito(a) com a sua **formação escolar**?

- | | |
|---|---|
| 1) Muito Satisfeito(a) | 4) Insatisfeito(a) |
| 2) Satisfeito(a) | 5) Muito insatisfeito(a) |
| 3) Nem Satisfeito(a), Nem Insatisfeito(a) | 6) Não sabe/ não opinou (não ler, nem estimular) |

8. Qual o Setor que o(a) Sr(a) acredita que traz mais benefícios para o trabalhador: **Serviços, Comércio, Indústria ou Agricultura**?

- 1) Agricultura (**ir p/ a 10**)
- 2) Comércio (**ir p/ a 10**)
- 3) Indústria
- 4) Serviços (**ir p/ a 10**)
- 5) Não sabe/ não opinou (**não ler, nem estimular**) (**ir p/ a 10**)

9. Qual desses setores industriais o Sr(a) acredita que traga mais benefícios para o trabalhador? **(Ler as alternativas)**

- | | |
|--|------------------------------|
| 1) Não sabe (não ler) | 6) Eletro eletrônica |
| 2) Extração mineral (mineração e petróleo) | 7) Máquinas e equipamentos |
| 3) Alimentos, Bebidas ou Fumo | 8) Veículos |
| 4) Têxtil, vestuário, calçados e couro | 9) Construção |
| 5) Química | 10) Outro. Especifique _____ |

QUESTIONÁRIO - BASE

10. Qual a sua situação profissional principal, ou seja, a situação da atividade profissional que consome mais tempo de trabalho? **(Ler as alternativas)**

- | | |
|---|---|
| 1) Assalariado registrado (Carteira Assinada) | 9) Desempregado (Procura emprego) <i>(ir p/ a 23)</i> |
| 2) Assalariado sem registro | 10) Desempregado (Não procura emprego) <i>(ir p/ a 24)</i> |
| 3) Funcionário Público/ Concursado/ Militar | 11) Só dona de casa <i>(ir p/ a 24)</i> |
| 4) Autônomo regular (Paga ISS) | 12) Só aposentado <i>(ir p/ a 24)</i> |
| 5) Profissional Liberal | 13) Só estudante/ não trabalha, nem faz estágio <i>(ir p/ a 24)</i> |
| 6) Empreendedor/ Comerciante/ Empresário | 14) Só vive de rendas <i>(ir p/ a 24)</i> |
| 7) Free-lance / Bico | 15) Outros (ANOTE) _____ |
| 8) Estagiário/aprendiz (Remunerado) <i>(ir p/ a 12)</i> | |

Exceto para Estagiário/aprendiz

11. Atualmente o(a) Sr(a) exerce um cargo de Gerente, Coordenador(a), Analista ou Auxiliar/ Assistente?

- | | | |
|-------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1) Gerente | 3) Analista | 5) Outro. Especifique: _____ |
| 2) Coordenador(a) | 4) Auxiliar/ Assistente | |

12. Quanto tempo o Sr(a) passou **procurando** esse emprego/ trabalho/ essa ocupação profissional? **(Ler as alternativas)**

- | | |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1) Não lembra <i>(não ler)</i> | 5) Entre 7 e 9 meses |
| 2) Menos de 1 mês | 6) Entre 10 meses e menos de 1 ano |
| 3) Entre 1 e 3 meses | 7) 1 ano ou mais |
| 4) Entre 4 e 6 meses | |

13. Quanto tempo o Sr(a) **está trabalhando** nesse emprego? **(Ler as alternativas)**

- | | | |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1) Não lembra <i>(não ler)</i> | 4) Entre 4 e 6 meses | 6) Entre 10 meses e menos de 1 ano |
| 2) Menos de 1 mês | 5) Entre 7 e 9 meses | 7) 1 ano ou mais |
| 3) Entre 1 e 3 meses | | |

14. Nos últimos 12 meses o Sr(a) foi promovido no seu trabalho, ou seja, teve uma promoção de cargo ou aumento de salário no último ano?

- | | |
|--------|--------|
| 1) Não | 2) Sim |
|--------|--------|

15. Qual o seu rendimento mensal com o seu trabalho principal? **(Ler as alternativas)**

- | | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1) Até R\$1.000 | 4) Entre R\$ 3.001 e R\$4.000 | 7) Recusou responder <i>(não ler)</i> |
| 2) Entre R\$ 1.001 e R\$2.000 | 5) Entre R\$ 4.001 e R\$5.000 | |
| 3) Entre R\$ 2.001 e R\$3.000 | 6) Mais de R\$5.000 | |

16. Em qual segmento o Sr (a) trabalha: **Indústria, Comércio, Serviços ou Agricultura?** **(RM)**

- | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1) Indústria | 3) Serviços <i>(ir p/ a 18)</i> |
| 2) Comércio <i>(ir p/ a 18)</i> | 4) Agricultura <i>(ir p/ a 18)</i> |

17. Em que setor Industrial o Sr(a) trabalha? **(RM) (Ler as alternativas)**

- | | |
|--|------------------------------|
| 1) Não sabe (não ler) | 6) Eletro eletrônica |
| 2) Extração mineral (mineração e petróleo) | 7) Máquinas e equipamentos |
| 3) Alimentos, Bebidas ou Fumo | 8) Veículos |
| 4) Têxtil, vestuário, calçados e couro | 9) Construção |
| 5) Química | 10) Outro. Especifique _____ |

18. De uma maneira geral, o Sr(a) diria que está muito satisfeito(a), satisfeito(a), nem satisfeito(a), nem insatisfeito(a), insatisfeito(a) ou muito insatisfeito(a) em trabalhar no Setor *(repetir o segmento em que o entrevistado trabalha: Comércio/ Serviço/ Indústria/ Agricultura)*?

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|---|---|
| 1) Muito Satisfeito(a) | 4) Insatisfeito(a) |
| 2) Satisfeito(a) | 5) Muito insatisfeito(a) |
| 3) Nem Satisfeito(a), Nem Insatisfeito(a) | 6) Não sabe/ não opinou (não ler, nem estimular) |

19. Se o(a) Sr(a) pudesse ou tivesse oportunidade o(a) Sr(a) trocaria o Setor em que o(a) Sr(a) trabalha para trabalhar em outro setor, ou seja, o(a) Sr(a) deixaria de trabalhar no *(repetir o segmento em que o entrevistado trabalha: Comércio/ Serviço/ Indústria/ Agricultura)* para trabalhar em outro setor? *(Caso o entrevistado diga que trocaria, especificar o setor em que gostaria de trabalhar)*

- | | |
|---|---|
| 1) Não trocaria de setor | 3) Sim, trocaria pelo Setor de Serviços |
| 2) Sim, trocaria pelo o Setor Industrial | 4) Sim, trocaria pelo Setor Agrícola |
| 2) Sim, trocaria pelo o Setor de Comércio | |

20. O(a) Sr(a) exerce tem alguma outra atividade remunerada?

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|----------------------------|--------|
| 1) Não (ir p/ a 24) | 2) Sim |
|----------------------------|--------|

21. Essa sua outra atividade remunerada, é no Setor da: **Indústria, Comércio, Serviços ou Agricultura?**

(RM)

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|--------------|----------------|
| 1) Indústria | 3) Serviços |
| 2) Comércio | 4) Agricultura |

22. Qual o seu rendimento mensal com essa sua outra atividade remunerada? **(Ler as alternativas)**

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|--|---|
| 1) Até R\$1.000 (p/ 24) | 5) Entre R\$ 4.001 e R\$5.000 (p/ 24) |
| 2) Entre R\$ 1.001 e R\$2.000 (p/ 24) | 6) Mais de R\$5.000 (p/ 24) |
| 3) Entre R\$ 2.001 e R\$3.000 (p/ 24) | 7) Recusou responder (não ler) (p/ 24) |
| 4) Entre R\$ 3.001 e R\$4.000 (p/ 24) | |

23. Qual o principal motivo que o(a) Sr(a) atribui para o fato de ainda não ter conseguido uma colocação profissional? **(Ler as alternativas)**

- 1) O mercado de trabalho está difícil
- 2) Não tenho os conhecimentos técnicos necessários para conseguir uma vaga
- 3) Não tenho as habilidades práticas necessárias para conseguir uma vaga
- 4) Não tenho o perfil pessoal necessário para conseguir uma vaga
- 5) Outro. Especifique: _____

24. O Sr(a) estudou ou estuda na modalidade Regular ou na modalidade de Educação de Jovens e Adultos/ Supletivo/ CEBEJA?

- 1) Estudou na modalidade regular
- 2) Educação de Jovens e Adultos/ Supletivo/ CEBEJA

25. A maior parte dos seus estudos foi feita em Instituições Privadas ou Públicas?

- 1) Instituições Privadas
- 2) Instituições Públicas

26. Atualmente o Sr(a) está estudando?

- 1) Não *(Verificar se a escolaridade é superior ou mais, em caso positivo, ir para a 28, em caso negativo, ir para a 30)*
- 2) Sim

27. Atualmente o Sr(a) está cursando o ensino fundamental, médio regular, médio técnico, graduação, pós-graduação, ou algum curso de qualificação profissional?

- 1) Ensino Fundamental *(ir p/ 30)*
- 2) Ensino Médio regular *(ir p/ 30)*
- 3) Ensino Médio técnico *(ir p/ 30)*
- 4) Graduação
- 5) Pós-graduação
- 6) Algum curso de qualificação profissional *(ir p/ 30)*

Para os que já possuem ensino superior ou estão cursando a graduação ou pós-graduação:

28. Qual a área do curso superior que o(a) Sr(a) está cursando/ cursou? **(ESPONTÂNEA)**

Para os que já possuem ensino superior ou estão cursando a graduação ou pós-graduação:

29. Em que ano o(a) Sr(a) concluirá/ concluiu o Ensino Superior? **(ESPONTÂNEA)**

Pensando em cursos de Capacitação/ Qualificação Profissional, gostaria que o(a) Sr(a) dissesse se considera extremamente importante, muito importante, importante, pouco importante ou sem importância cada um dos itens que lhe vou ler.

- 1) Extremamente importante
- 2) Muito importante
- 3) Importante
- 4) Pouco importante
- 5) Sem importância
- 6) Não sabe/ não opinou *(não ler, nem estimular)*

30. Reputação da Instituição que oferta o curso _____

31. Conhecimento e formação dos Professores _____

32. Relacionamento entre Professores e alunos
33. Instalações físicas da Instituição que oferta os cursos
34. Ambiente entre os alunos/ companheirismo
35. Forma de ensinar/ didática das aulas
36. Variedade de cursos ofertados pela Instituição
37. Saídas profissionais/ estágios ofertados

38. Nos últimos 2 anos, o(a) Sr(a) participou de algum curso/ treinamento profissional?

- 1) Não (*ir p/ a 40*) 2) Sim

39. Qual foi a área desse curso/ treinamento que o(a) Sr(a) participou? (**Ler as alternativas**)

- 1) Não se recorda (*não ler*) 4) Construção Civil 7) Mecatrônica
 2) Gestão 5) Alimentos e Bebidas 8) Outro. Especifique _____
 3) Tecnologia da Informação 6) Segurança no Trabalho

40. Quais dos seguintes **conhecimentos técnicos** o(a) Sr(a) acredita que são muito importantes para o sucesso na ocupação profissional que o(a) Sr(a) tem /pretende ter? (**RM**) (**Ler as alternativas**)

- 1) Não sabe (*não ler*) 4) Gestão Financeira 7) Mecânica de automóveis
 2) Matemático/ quantitativo 5) Gestão de pessoas
 3) Informática 6) Trabalhos manuais 8) Outros, especifique: _____

41. Quais das seguintes **habilidades práticas** o(a) Sr(a) acredita que são muito importantes para o sucesso na ocupação profissional que o(a) Sr(a) tem /pretende ter? (**RM**) (**Ler as alternativas**)

- 1) Não sabe (*não ler*) 8) Liderança
 2) Comunicação escrita 9) Gestão de pessoas e processos
 3) Comunicação verbal 10) Negociação
 4) Conhecimento do negócio 11) Organização
 5) Cumprimento de metas 12) Planejamento
 6) Flexibilidade
 7) Trabalho em equipe 13) Outros, especifique: _____

42. Quais das seguintes **atitudes** o(a) Sr(a) acredita que são muito importantes para o sucesso na ocupação profissional que o(a) Sr(a) tem /pretende ter? (**RM**) (**Ler as alternativas**)

- 1) Não sabe (*não ler*) 8) Entusiasmo
 2) Agilidade 9) Equilíbrio emocional
 3) Criatividade 10) Foco nos resultados
 4) Disponibilidade 11) Saber ouvir
 5) Empatia 12) Tomar decisões
 6) Ética
 7) Empreendedorismo 13) Outros, especifique: _____

43. De uma maneira geral o(a) Sr(a) diria que lhe faltam mais conhecimentos técnicos, habilidades práticas ou competências interpessoais para ter mais sucesso na sua vida profissional?

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|---|---------------------------------------|
| 1) Não sabe (não ler, nem estimular) | 4) Habilidades práticas (saber fazer) |
| 2) Nada (não ler, nem estimular) | 5) Competências interpessoais |
| 3) Conhecimentos técnicos (saber como fazer) | 6) Outro. Especifique: _____ |

44. O(A) Sr(a) pretende, nos próximos 2 anos, fazer algum curso/ treinamento para desenvolver essas competências?

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| 1) Não (ir p/ a 46) | 2) Sim |
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45. Qual a área desse curso/ treinamento que o(a) Sr(a) pretende/ gostaria de fazer? **(RM) (Ler as alternativas)**

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|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1) Não sabe (não ler) | 10) Energia | 19) Química |
| 2) Alimentos e bebidas | 11) Gestão | 20) Refrigeração e climatização |
| 3) Automação | 12) Gráfica e editorial | 21) Segurança no trabalho |
| 4) Automotiva | 13) Logística | 22) Tecnologia da informação |
| 5) Celulose e papel | 14) Madeira e mobiliário | 23) Telecomunicações |
| 6) Construção | 15) Meio ambiente | 24) Têxtil e vestuário |
| 7) Couro e calçados | 16) Metalmecânica | 25) Outro. Especifique _____ |
| 8) Educação | 17) Metrologia | |
| 9) Eletroeletrônica | 18) Polímeros (borracha e plástico) | |

Apenas para os Não Egressos:

46. O(A) Sr(a) conhece ou já ouviu falar nos cursos do Sesi/ Senai/ IEL?

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| 1) Não (ir p/ a 49) | 2) Sim |
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TODOS

47. De uma maneira geral, a imagem que o(a) Sr(a) tem dos cursos do Sesi/ Senai/ IEL é ótima, boa, regular, ruim ou péssima?

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| 1) Ótima | 3) Regular | 5) Péssima |
| 2) Boa | 4) Ruim | 6) Não sabe/ não opinou (não ler) |

48. Nos próximos 2 anos, o(a) Sr(a) diria que há uma possibilidade muito alta, alta, nem alta, nem baixa, baixa ou muito baixa que o(a) Sr(a) venha a fazer algum dos cursos do Sesi/ Senai/ IEL?

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|---------------|------------------------|--|
| 1) Muito alta | 3) Nem alta, nem baixa | 5) Muito baixa |
| 2) Alta | 4) Baixa | 6) Não sabe/ não opinou (não ler) |



QUESTIONÁRIO - BASE

49. Dados de contato.

Nome: _____

Bairro: _____

Email: _____

Telefone de contato: _____