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Since she was a girl, Cintia was attracted to animals, which is why she decided to become a biologist. In 2007, while earning her Bachelor of Biological Sciences, she decided to volunteer in a project focused on the study of Andean Cat ecology in the Andes of Argentina. After spending two months in the field and despite the harsh conditions, she fell in love with the Andean Cat. From that moment, her work has been focused on this species and its habitat, first during her thesis studying food its habits and then during her doctorate analyzing how Andean cats and other carnivores make use of their shared habitat.

She is currently part of the CATcrafts program team, which seeks to use ancestral craftsmanship as a tool to support the conservation of wildlife, especially the Andean cat, by involving local people. Cintia is also interested in studying the effects that climate change can have on the availability of optimal habitat, both for the Andean cat and other carnivores.