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Education

Ph.D., Political Science, Universidade Federal de Pernambuco (UFPE), 2020.

Dissertation: “The Brazilian Federal Supreme Court (STF) and Social Security Policies: An Analysis of the Control of Constitutionality of Social Reforms in Post-1988 Brazil.” Committee: Ernani Rodrigues de Carvalho Neto (Advisor), Matthew Ingram (Co-Advisor), Leon Victor de Queiroz Barbosa (Internal Examiner), Rebecca Magalhães (External Examiner), Luciana Gross Cunha (External Examiner), José Mario Wanderley Gomes Neto (External Examiner).

M.A., Law, Universidade Católica de Pernambuco, 2016.

B.A., Law, Universidade Católica de Pernambuco, 2011.

Academic

Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University at Albany, SUNY. 2024–present.

Positions

Adjunct Professor, Department of Latin American, Caribbean and Latino Studies, University at Albany, SUNY. 2022–2024.

Post-doctoral Researcher, Centro Brasileiro de Análise e Planejamento (Cebap), São Paulo, Brazil. 2021–2024.

Adjunct Professor, Department of Political Science, SUNY New Paltz. 2023–2024.

Visiting Research Scholar (Advisor: Matthew Ingram), Department of Political Science, University at Albany, SUNY. 2018–2019.

Lecturer, Department of Law, Grupo Ser Educacional, Recife, PE, Brazil. 2014–2016; 2017–2018; 2019–2020.

Publications

Book

Oliveira, T. M. 2025. *Social Security and the STF: How the Court Interfered with Brazilian Social Policy from 1988 to 2018*. Ed. Dialética.

Peer-Reviewed Articles

Oliveira, T. M. 2023. “State Courts and COVID-19 Policies in Brazil: How Did the Constitutional Review Take Place in the Lower-Level Judiciary?” *Novos Estudos CEBRAP* 42(2): 245–267.

Santana, E. A. S. de, and Oliveira, T. M. 2022. “Quem sustenta a carga? A desigualdade de gênero e raça no sistema financeiro brasileiro.” *Direito, Processo e Cidadania* 1(2): 200–216.

Teaching Experience

- Lima, F. D. S., Gomes Neto, J. M. W., and Oliveira, T. M. 2019. “Between Individual Decisions and Collegiate Deliberation: Deciding How to Decide Influencing the Outcome.” *Sequência* 40: 10–31.
- Cavalcanti, D. B., Bringel, E. P. B., Oliveira, T. M., Zuccolotto, V. R., and Jardelino, F. 2019. “Digital Activism and Indignation Nets in Brazil: The Pressure Groups.” *Journal of Politics in Latin America* 11: 109–130.
- Lima, F. D. S., and Oliveira, T. M. 2017. “A Judicialização das Reformas Previdenciárias na Jurisprudência do STF: Um Tribunal Amigo do Equilíbrio Financeiro e Atuariais.” *Revista de Estudos Empíricos em Direito / Brazilian Journal of Empirical Legal Studies* 4: 176–193.
- Lima, F. D. S., Andrade, L. D., and Oliveira, T. M. 2017. “Emperor or President? Understanding the (Almost) Unlimited Power of the Brazilian Supreme Court’s President.” *Revista Brasileira de Direito IMED* 13: 161–176.
- Lima, F. D. S., and Oliveira, T. M. 2017. “Quem Impõe Limites às Reformas Previdenciárias? O STF como Protetor do Orçamento Público.” *Revista da AGU* 16: 193–218.

Department of Political Science, University at Albany, SUNY

- The American Supreme Court (2026)
- Courts and Democratic Backsliding, graduate level (2026)
- Law, Courts, and Politics (2026)
- Introduction to Public Law (2026)
- Basics of International Law (2025)
- Comparative Judicial Politics (2025)
- Law and Policy (2025, 2024)
- Courts in Latin America (2025)
- Racial Justice and the Law, graduate level (2024)

Department of Political Science, SUNY New Paltz

- Politics of the Environment and Development, online (2024)
- Latin American Politics (2023)

Department of Latin American, Caribbean and Latino Studies, University at Albany, SUNY

- Race and Politics in Brazil (2024)
- Black Movements in Latin America (2024)
- Environment and Development (2022, 2023)
- Globalization in the Americas, online (2022, 2023)
- Social Movements in Latin America (2022)
- Brazil, 1985–present: Politics and Society (2022)

Advisees	Graduate: Elaine Alves Silva de Santana, “Racismo Estrutural e Justiça Restaurativa: uma análise crítica das formações promovidas pelo Conselho Nacional de Justiça,” 2021–2023 (Co-advisor), UNICAP, Recife, PE, Brazil. Undergraduate (Honors Thesis): Larisa Ibralic, Department of Political Science, University at Albany, SUNY, 2025. Undergraduate (Honors Thesis): Carolina E. Thomas, Department of Political Science, University at Albany, SUNY, 2026–present.
Conference	Presenter, 2026 Brazilian Studies Association Conference, UFBA, Brazil, July 07-10, 2026.
Participation	Presenter, 2025 ICON•S Annual Conference at UnB in Brasília, Brazil, July 28 - 30, 2025. Presenter, 2024 IPSA RC09 Interim Meeting – Comparative Judicial Studies, University of Texas at Austin, October 24–26, 2024. Oliveira, T. M. O. 2024. Session chair, “Pioneering Afro-Brazilian Thinkers and their Contemporary Legacies.” XVII Brazilian Studies Association (BRASA) Congress. Oliveira, T. M. O. 2024. “Corpo, Terra, Mar: Beatriz Nascimento’s Concepts of Quilombo and Quilombismo, Plus an Overview of the Quilombo Povoação de São Lourenço.” Paper presented at the BRASA Congress and BILPOC/UAlbany Congress. Oliveira, T. M. O. 2023. “36 Packages of Crackers: Compensation to Environmental and Social Impact Sustained by Brazilian Quilombos.” Paper presented at the LASA International Conference, Vancouver, Canada, May 24–27. Oliveira, T. M. O. 2022. “Judicialization of a Pandemic: Judicial Review in the State Level.” Paper presented at the APSA National Conference, September 15–18, online. Oliveira, T. M. O. 2021. “Brazilian Supreme Court and Social Policies: A Judicial Review Analysis.” Paper presented at the APSA National Conference, Seattle, WA, September 30–October 3. Oliveira, T. M. O. 2021. “Brazilian Supreme Court and Social Security Policies: An Analysis of the Amendment’s Judicial Review.” Paper presented at the National Conference of Black Political Scientists, online, March.
Invited Talks	Oliveira, T. M. 2026. “2026 Dan T. Blue Roundtable.” Seminar at North Carolina Central University, in person, March. Oliveira, T. M. 2025. “Brazilian Black Consciousness Abroad: Conference & Concerts.” Seminar at Columbia University, in person, November 12.

	Oliveira, T. M. 2023. “Brazilian Black Consciousness Abroad: Conference & Concerts.” Seminar at Columbia University, in person, November. Oliveira, T. M. 2023. “Black Women Writers: Voices from Brazil.” Guest speaker, seminar at Cornell University, online, March. Oliveira, T. M. 2023. “Brazilian Democracy Under Siege.” Panelist, seminar at ILAS/Columbia University, in person, January. Oliveira, T. M. 2022. “Environmental Racism.” Panelist, Conferência de Igualdade Racial da OAB, online.
Scholarships,	2024–25 UAlbany Inclusive Excellence Award, University at Albany, SUNY, \$500, October 2024.
Awards, and	2023–24 Individual Development Award, NYS/United University Professions Professional Development Committee, \$739/\$1,950.
Grants	2023–24 Vice President for Research and Economic Development Award, \$1,000.
	2022–23 UAlbany Diversity Transformation Award, University at Albany, SUNY, \$1,000, October 2022.
	2023 LASA Travel Grant, Latin American Studies Association, \$500, Vancouver, Canada.
	2022 Discretionary Annualized Merit Salary Increase, \$500, University at Albany.
	2022 Participant, NEH Summer Institute “The Making of Modern Brazil” (SDSU), National Endowment for the Humanities, \$5,850, San Diego, CA.
	2021 APSA Travel Grant, American Political Science Association, \$250, Seattle, WA.
	2018 Capes Programa de Doutorado Sanduíche no Exterior (Visiting Scholar at UAlbany), Coordenação de Aperfeiçoamento de Pessoal de Nível Superior, \$9,990.
	2016–2020 Capes Ph.D. Full Scholarship, Coordenação de Aperfeiçoamento de Pessoal de Nível Superior, R\$105,600, Ph.D. in Political Science at UFPE, Recife, Brazil.
Additional	2023 Faculty Reading Circle, “Distracted: Why Students Can’t Focus and What You Can Do About It,” Center for the Advancement of Teaching, Learning, and Online Education, UAlbany.
Training	2023 BILPOC “Cascading Mentoring” Initiative, UAlbany Black Indigenous Latinx and People of Color Advancement Group (Mentor: Mila Gasco).
	2022–23 Proposal Writing Course, University at Albany.
	2022 APSA Mentoring Program, APSA (Mentor: Ahmed Khanani, Earlham College), September–December.
	2017 Quantitative Methods for Social Science (30h), Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais, Belo Horizonte, Brazil.

	2015 Qualitative Data Analysis/Fuzzy Logic (20h), Escola de Métodos de Análise Sociopolítica, Brazil.
Professional Associations	International Political Science Association (IPSA), since 2023. Brazilian Studies Association (BRASA), since 2023. Executive Committee since 2026. Latin American Studies Association (LASA), since 2022. American Political Science Association (APSA), since 2021. Brazilian Political Science Association (Associação Brasileira de Ciência Política), since 2016. Brazilian Bar Association (Ordem dos Advogados do Brasil – OAB), since 2011.
Service	Advisory Board, <i>Ambivalências</i> (E-ISSN: 2318-3888). Mentor and Organizer, Negritude Brasileira no Ph.D. – program supporting Black Brazilians applying to U.S. Ph.D. programs. Director, Kilomba Collective. – Collective of Black Brazilian Women living in the US and Canada.
Languages	Portuguese (native), English (fluent), Spanish (reading proficiency), French (reading proficiency).
and Skills	MaxQDA; Atlas.ti; NVivo; R; MS Word, Excel, PowerPoint.