

# CURRICULUM VITAE

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

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Gender Female | Nationality Brazilian

## HIGHER EDUCATION

September 2021 to August 2025

### PhD in International Law

Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies (IHEID), Switzerland

Thesis: States' obligations of social inclusion of migrants under international human rights law

Supervisor: Professor Vincent Chetail

March 2019 to December 2020

### Master's Degree in International Law

Federal University of Minas Gerais (UFMG), Brazil

Thesis: Fleeing Destitution: Deduction of the Principle of Non-Refoulement from the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and Its Application

Supervisor: Professor Aziz Tuffi Saliba

March 2012 to December 2017

### Bachelor's Degree in Law

Federal University of Minas Gerais (UFMG), Brazil

Bachelor's Thesis: *Os Direitos de Crianças Migrantes Irregulares em Processos de Controle de Imigração* [The Rights of Undocumented Migrant Children in Immigration Control Proceedings]

Supervisor: Professor Aziz Tuffi Saliba

## PROFESSIONAL AND ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

September 2021 to today

### Teaching assistant at the Geneva Centre of Humanitarian Studies

I work at a joint centre of the IHEID and the University of Geneva, assisting the professors in various advanced studies courses pertaining to humanitarian action. My tasks include, among others, assisting in the organization of the courses on Moodle, assisting the students with questions they might have on lessons and concerning their assignments, grading reviewing grades on assignments, and translating documents and videos from French to English. Under the supervision of Prof. Joanna Bourke-Martignoni, I taught a class on narratives and credibility in refugee status determination proceedings.

October 2020 to April 2021

### Voluntary lawyer at the Jesuit Service for Migrants and Refugees – Belo Horizonte

I assisted migrants in vulnerable conditions regularise their migratory status in Brazil and access basic socioeconomic rights. My responsibilities included carrying out research on the proceedings for migrants and refugees to access these rights and preparing and lodging asylum claims.

January 2018 to February 2020

### Lawyer at Aroeira Salles Advogados

I worked at a Brazilian law firm in the field of Public Law, providing legal assistance to companies in disputes in the infrastructure and public concessions sectors.

September to December 2016

### Emerging Leaders in the Americas Program scholarship at Université Laval, Canada

Under the supervision of Professor Christine Vézina, I carried out research on the application of the principle of non-refoulement directly to economic, social, and cultural rights.

January to April 2016 / October to November 2016

### Researcher at Université Laval's *Clinique de droit international pénal et humanitaire*

I took part in the following projects: (i) carrying out legal research and preparing memoranda for *Avocats sans frontières Canada* to assist in the delineation of their litigation strategy before the Inter-American Court and Commission of Human Rights (Jan/Apr 2016); (ii) summarising academic articles for the International Committee of the Red Cross (Jan/Apr 2016); and (iii) analysing and organising data on human rights violations for the UN Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Oct/Nov 2016).

May 2013 to April 2014

### Brazilian National Council of Scientific and Technological Development scholarship at the Federal University of Minas Gerais, Brazil

Under the supervision of Professor Aziz Tuffi Saliba, I was responsible for: (i) carrying out research on the international protection of environmental migrants; (ii) translating resolutions of the UN Security Council and General Assembly to Portuguese and summarising judgments of the International Court of Justice; and (iii) assisting in the preparation of reports for the International Law Association.

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## COURSES AND TRAINING

- July 2021 **EULab Summer School on Labour Migration in the European Union**  
Università di Napoli Federico II, Italy
- January 2021 **Online Winter Courses on International Law**  
The Hague Academy of International Law, online course
- October 2019 **Advanced School of International Law: The Dynamics of the International Legal Order**  
Federal University of Minas Gerais (UFMG), Brazil
- August 2014 **Munich Advanced Course in International Law**  
Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München, Germany

## MAIN PUBLICATIONS

- "There and Back Again: Ukraine vs. Russia at the European Court of Human Rights and Interim Measures", *International Law Agendas* (05 Mar 2022).
- "Leaving Just a Crack for Socioeconomic-Based Non-Refoulement: On the Committee on the Rights of the Child's decision in A.M. v. Switzerland", *Völkerrechtsblog* (15 Nov 2021).
- "*As Câmaras Extraordinárias nas Cortes do Camboja*" [The Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia] in Aziz Tuffi Saliba, Augusto Canêdo Gonçalves da Silva & Salem Hikmat Nasser, eds, *Tribunais Penais Internacionais e Híbridos* (Belo Horizonte: Arraes, 2021), 387 (with Henrique Choer Moraes).
- "The Inter-American Court of Human Rights and the Quest for Equality: The Fireworks Factory case", *EJIL: Talk!* (20 Jan 2021) (with Aziz Tuffi Saliba).
- "Stranded at the border: An analysis of the legality of international travel restrictions adopted by states in the COVID-19 pandemic in light of the right to return to one's country" (2020) 38:1 *Wisconsin International Law Journal* 39 (with Aziz Tuffi Saliba).
- "*Legitimidade (standing) perante a Corte Internacional de Justiça*" [Standing before the International Court of Justice] in Arno Dal Ri Jr. & Lucas Carlos Lima, eds, *A Jurisprudência da Corte Internacional de Justiça - História e Influência no Direito Internacional* (Belo Horizonte: Del Rey, 2020).
- "*A proibição do retorno à privação socioeconômica: aplicação do princípio de non-refoulement a partir do Pacto Internacional de Direitos Econômicos, Sociais e Culturais*" [The prohibition of return to socioeconomic deprivation: application of the non-refoulement principle as from the International Covenant on Economic, Social, and Cultural Rights] (2018) 18 *Anuario Mexicano de Derecho Internacional* 293.
- "Six of One, Half a Dozen of the Other: The Inefficiency of Recognizing Refugee Status to Environmentally Displaced Persons" in Giovanni Carlo Bruno, Fulvio Maria Palombino & Valentina Rossi, eds, *Migration and the Environment: Some Reflections on Current Legal Issues and Possible Ways Forward* (Roma: CNR Edizioni, 2017) 1-22.
- "*A Proteção Internacional dos Migrantes Ambientais*" [The International Protection of Environmental Migrants] (2017) 54 *Revista de Informação Legislativa* 13 (with Aziz Tuffi Saliba).

## EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- October 2021 to today **Member of the International Law Association's (ILA) Steering Committee on Migration and International Law**  
The Steering Committee is chaired by Prof. Vasilka Sancin and Prof. Thibaut Fleury Graff and its goal is to prepare a paper synthesising the current norms concerning international migration law, relevant challenges and desirable developments for the ILA's 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary conference in 2023.
- July to August 2020 **Commission for preparing UFMG's proposal to join the UNHCR's Sérgio Vieira de Mello Chair**  
I joined the Commission along with three of UFMG's professors, hailing from the faculties of Law, International Relations, and Psychology. Together, we prepared a summary of the University's programs

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aimed at improving the integration of refugees and vulnerable migrants in Brazil and a plan for improving these initiatives. The proposal was approved in September/2020.

September 2014 to April 2015

## 56<sup>th</sup> Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition

I took part in UFMG's team, which won the national rounds and 1<sup>st</sup> place in memorial scores, whereas I ranked 1<sup>st</sup> place as an oralist. At the international rounds, we reached the quarterfinals and ranked 14<sup>th</sup> place in memorial scores, while I ranked 39<sup>th</sup> place as an oralist.

October 2013 to May 2014

## 30<sup>ème</sup> Concours de procès simulé en droit international Charles-Rousseau

I took part in UFMG's team, the first Brazilian team in the competition. We ranked 5<sup>th</sup> place as a team and I ranked 5<sup>th</sup> place as an oralist.

September 2012 to April 2013

## 54<sup>th</sup> Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition

I took part in UFMG's team, which won the national rounds and 1<sup>st</sup> place in memorial score, whereas I ranked 1<sup>st</sup> place as an oralist. At the international rounds, we ranked 13<sup>th</sup> among the top 32 teams.

April 2012 to December 2015

## UFMG's International Law Study Group

The group's discussions focused on judgments of the International Court of Justice. I acted as one of the group's student coordinators from April 2013 to December 2015.

## CONGRESSES AND SEMINARS

- "Deduction of an Obligation of Non-refoulement from Economic, Social, and Cultural Rights: Taking Socioeconomic Harm Seriously". Workshop. ESIL Interest Group on Migration and Refugee Law, 2021 (Speaker).
- "*Proibição de entrada de não-nacionais em tempos de pandemia: Implicações sob o direito internacional da migração*" ["Prohibitions of entry of non-nationals during the pandemic: Implications under international migration law"]. Webinar. Conselheiro Lafaiete Law School, 2021 (Lecturer).
- "Practices of Diplomatic and Consular Asylum". Guest talk. West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences, 2021 (Lecturer).
- "*Desafios e Oportunidades no Acesso a Direitos por Refugiados no Brasil*" ["Challenges and Opportunities in Refugees' Access to Rights in Brazil"]. Webinar. United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and UFMG, 2020 (Organiser).
- "*Nova Lei de Migração: Conquistas e Desafios*" ["New Brazilian Migration Act: Achievements and Challenges"]. Webinar. UFMG, 2020 (Organiser).
- "*Migrantes e o Direito ao Trabalho no Direito Brasileiro*" ["Migrants and the right to work under Brazilian law"]. Migrants' Right to Work in Brazil Seminar. Kennedy College, 2019 (Lecturer).

## LANGUAGES

Mother tongue(s)

Portuguese

Other language(s)

English: Advanced (last certificate: TOEFL iBT score 118)  
Spanish: Advanced (last certificate: DELE C1)  
French: Advanced (last certificate: DALF C1)  
Italian: Beginner (A2)

## REFEREES

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