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EDUCATION

University of Georgia

Master's degree in Romance Languages (Portuguese Major)
Graduate Certificate in Latin-American and Caribbean Studies

USA - May 2024

Federal University of Pará – UFPA

Undergraduate Degree: Bachelor's in English Teaching as a Foreign Language

Brazil – December 2017

University of Porto – Portugal

Study abroad semester for complementary studies.

August 2016 to February 2017

GRANTS/AWARDS

- **Fórmula Santander (Santander Universidades Program) - 2015**
(Merit-based scholarship for a successful student to spend a semester studying abroad)
- **Fulbright Foreign Language Teaching Assistant – 2019 to 2020**
(Professional and academic program for Language Teachers)
- **Jon M. Tolman Awards - 2024**
(Merit based award of the Brazilian Studies Association)
- **Brazilian Studies Travel grant - 2024**
(Merit based grant awarded by the Latin American American and Caribbean Studies Institute at the University of Georgia)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Access Amazon

Brazil, online
English Teacher

September 2022 to July 2025 (ongoing)

- Teach online English classes to Indigenous students from the Legal Amazon region
- Build, collectively, the syllabus for the course that takes into consideration the specific needs of the students.

University of Georgia

Athens, Ga
Portuguese Instructor (TA)
August 2022

- Taught Portuguese 1001 as instructor of records for two semesters.
- Tutored students of the Flagship Program.

Binational and Cultural Center of Brazil-United States

Belém, PA, Brazil
Education USA adviser and English Teacher
from August 2020 to March (2021)

- Promoted US education in Brazil.
- Assisted Brazilian Students applying to US Universities.
- Managed US Department sponsored programs in the Binational Center.

Yale University

New Haven, CT – USA
Fulbright Foreign Language Teaching Assistant
2019-2020 academic year

- Planned and taught classes of Portuguese 101 (elementary level)
- Organized events to promote Brazilian culture within the campus.

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Federal University of

Pará

Bragança, Pará, Brazil

Substitute Lector

February 2018 to July 2019

- Planned and taught entire courses related to Literature, Linguistics and Teaching English as a Second Language (TESOL).
- Participated in administrative meetings of the faculty.
- Delivered teacher trainings, corrected lesson plans, and supervised mock class sessions and academic papers on teaching pedagogy.
- Visited different campuses in the countryside of Pará, getting in touch with different realities and adapting to different resources available in rural cities of the Amazon.

VOLUNTEER/COMMUNITY SERVICE

Grupo + Unidos

August 2024 – now

- I am a career and academic mentor for participants of +Unidos Projects that aim to empower black and Indigenous scholars and young professionals of Brazil.

OTHER RELEVANT EXPERIENCES

- In 2020 I Collaborated with the Regional English Office (RELO Brazil) by facilitating a Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) camp on teaching methodology to English teachers from Pará, many of them working at public schools.

PUBLICATIONS

- Cruz, Ivo Antonio de Matos Cruz, Faciola. Rosana Assef. “Using warm-up activities to teach linguistic variation for the languages without borders students at UFPA”. *Variations et dynamiques langagières – IV CIDS, Paris*, edited by Abdelhak Razky, Inès Sfar, Olivier Soutet, Salah Mejri, Université Paris Sorbonne, 2019, p.p 229 -241 https://geolinterm.com.br/cids2016/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/ACTES_IV-CIDS_final.pdf

EDITORIAL ACTIVITIES

Editorial Board Member

Revista Digital dos Estudantes de Português da Yale, ed. 2019-2020 (v.1, n.1) ISSN 2770-1654

Yale University – [2019 -2020]

PAPER PRESENTATIONS

- Mulheres e plantas: o pensamento vegetal em *Flor de Gume* (2020), de Monique Malcher. 76th KFLC: The Languages, Literatures, and Cultures Conference (virtual format) on April 20th -22nd , 2023.
- Healers and plants: the vegetal thinking in a pajé's autobiography. 26th Annual Conference on the Americas at the University of Georgia (UGA) in Athens, GA on February 17 & 18, 2023.
- A Decolonial Look on the Oppressions Narrated by an Amazonian Shaman. MLA conference on January 5th 2024.
- O Resgate de Wahutedew'á e o reflorestar epistemológico no tempo em A terra dos mil povos XVII Congress of BRASA at San Diego State University on April 3-6, 2024.
- O reflorestar epistemológico como instrumento formativo na literatura infantil: uma análise de *História de índio e Histórias que ouvi e gosto de contar* (2012), de Daniel Munduruku. 77th Kentucky Foreign Language

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Conference. April 18th, 2024

- A jornada autobiográfica da pajé em *O mundo místico dos caruanas da Ilha do Marajó*, de Zeneida Lima. American Portuguese Studies Association Conference at Brown University on October 3-5, 2024.
- The autobiographical journey of the pajé in *O mundo místico dos caruanas da Ilha do Marajó*, by Zeneida Lima. Romance Languages Colloquium at the University of Georgia on October 9th.

ADDITIONAL SKILLS

- **Languages:** Native Speaker of Portuguese, professional proficiency in English and professional proficiency in Spanish.