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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Ethics and international affairs; global politics of citizenship; international law and migration; postcolonialism and empire in global politics; human rights; climate crisis; international organizations; international political economy; qualitative and interpretive methodologies.

## ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

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### **Bowdoin College**

Visiting Assistant Professor (2023-)

### **Northwestern University**

Lecturer (2022-2023)

### **Sao Paulo State University**

International Relations Specialist & Senior Executive Assistant (2012 – 2015)

## EDUCATION

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- Ph.D.** Northwestern University, Political Science July 2023  
Fields: International Relations and Political Theory  
Dissertation: The Global Politics of Citizenship: Producing and Protecting the “Deserving” Subject  
Committee: Elizabeth Shakman Hurd (Chair), Ian Hurd, Mary Dietz, Naeem Inayatullah
- M.A.** PUC-Rio, International Relations Sep 2012  
Thesis: The International Regime for the Protection of Stateless Peoples in two moments: contributions to an analysis on the relationship between statelessness, citizenship, and the international order.

**B.A.** Sao Paulo State University, International Relations Dec 2008  
Senior Thesis Title: Human Trafficking, values, and prostitution.

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## HONORS AND AWARDS

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**Faculty Fellow, Bowdoin's Baldwin Center for Learning and Teaching.** 2024-2025

**Buffet Global Impacts Fellowship, Northwestern University** 2020-2021

**Exchange Program at the École Normale Supérieure (ENS) – France** 2019-2020

**SSRC/Northwestern - Dissertation Development Program** 2018

**The New School's Institute for Critical Social Inquiry (ICSI) fellowship** 2018

**Brazilian Council for Scientific and Technological Development Fellow** 2010-2012

**Primeiro Prêmio Libertas - Enfrentamento ao Tráfico de Pessoas, 3<sup>rd</sup> place** 2008  
UNCDC, WTO, Brazilian Ministry of Justice

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## PUBLICATIONS

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### *Articles under review*

Justo, N. "Above politics: the construction of human rights in the negotiation of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights" (Journal of Human Rights)

Justo, N. "Temporary Protected Status: Producing (un)deserving Salvadorans through US law" (Ethnic and Racial Studies Journal)

### *Work in Progress*

Justo, N. *(Un)deserving subjects: Global Politics in the Margins of Citizenship*.  
Book manuscript. Started conversations with Stanford University Press and Cornell University Press.

### *Book review*

Justo, N. "[A Conversation about the Politics of Rights within Rights as Weapons](#)"  
Ethics and International Affairs Journal.

### *Public Scholarship*

[“Lessons learned from ‘Encanto’: Oscar winner for Best Animated Feature teaches us about flaws of U.S. immigration policy,”](#) Northwestern Now, 03/28/2022

[“Granting Temporary Protected Status to Ukrainians Is a Start, but It’s Not Enough,”](#) Chicago Tribune, 03/17/22

[“Feeding Agrarian Reform with Food Donations: a Covid-19 Story from Brazil”](#)  
(2020). Living with Plagues: New Narratives for a World in Distress Impressions and Reflections.

### ***Book Chapter***

Tráfico de pessoas: questão das relações internacionais. In: Secretaria Nacional de Justiça. (Org.). I Prêmio Libertas: enfrentamento ao tráfico de pessoas. Brasília: BDJur- Biblioteca Digital Jurídica, 2010, p. 263-287.

### **Resource for Sage’s Political Science and International Relations collection**

Justo, N. "Deservingness" and Immigration Law: A TPS Story." In Sage Video. : Sage Publications, Ltd., 2024. Video, 00:22:55.  
<https://doi.org/10.4135/9781529681680>.

## **INVITED TALKS**

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### **University of Washington at Tacoma, April 2023**

Deservingness and Law: The Global Politics of Morality

### **William & Mary, March 2023**

Deservingness & Race: Teaching International Relations

### **Francis Marion University, February 2023**

(Un)deserving political subjects: the refugee and the stateless in international law

### **Claremont McKenna, October 2022**

The limits of deservingness and law: a TPS story

### **Southampton University, October 2024**

Ethnographies of Deservingness: the expanding gap in the refugee status

## **PRESENTATIONS AND WORKSHOPS**

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“(Un)deserving Subjects: The Creation of the Temporary Protected Status” in APSA, September 2024.

“Above politics: the construction of human rights in the negotiation of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights,” in ISA, April 2024.

“Between morality and responsibility: an ethnographic history of the negotiation of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights,” in ISA, April 2024.

“Deservingness, Empire, and International Law: The Differentiation between the Stateless and the Refugee” in ISA-NE, November 2023.

“The limits of deservingness to address limits in law: a TPS story,” in APSA 2022, September 2022.

“Deservingness and the international: a historical account of the differentiation of the stateless and the refugee in international law” in Millennium 2021 Conference (Re)Writing the International: Interrogating Histories, Imagining Futurities, October 2021.

“Between morality and responsibility: the limits of human rights and the limits of the human” in ISA Human Rights & Foreign Policy 2021, June 2021 and APSA, October 2021.

"The limits of deservingness to address limits in law: a TPS story" in CRS & CERLAC 2021 Virtual Student Conference Recognition, Agency, and Deservingness: (Re)framing Refugee, Black, and Indigenous Movements, February 2021.

“Climate change, deservingness, and the limits in international law” in ISA Northeast Annual Conference 2020 - Transnationalism in World Politics: Beyond Methodological Nationalism in International Studies, November 2020.

“(Un)deserving Political Subjects: Entanglements and Detachments and the Limits of International Law” in Millennium: Journal of International Relations. 2020 Online Conference - Entanglements and Detachments in Global Politics, October 2020.

“(Un)deserving Political Subjects: Hierarchies of Rights and the Limits of International Law” in ISA-West, September 2020.

“The morality of migration: the national and its others in the United Nations (1945 - 1961)” at the conference Walls and Bridges: Migration and Its Histories, Nicholas D. Chabreja Center for Historical Studies, Northwestern University, April 2019.

1st New School Political Theory workshop in New York - “Autobiographies as political theory: self-healing and modern subjectivity in Mill and Nietzsche,” March 2020.

NU International Relations workshop - “The Brazilian State as Missionary: Differentiating Culture from Religion to Save Race,” November 2018.

New School's Institute for Critical Social Inquiry (ICSI) – The Relevance of Hannah Arendt - “Storytelling and statelessness: an exploration of the human limit in the writings of Hannah Arendt,” June 2018.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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### **Bowdoin College, Instructor of Record**

- Introduction to International Relations (Fall 2023) – Government and Legal Studies Department  
Designed and taught an introductory undergraduate course for 50 students. Syllabus and evaluations are available upon request.
- Human Rights (and Wrongs): the International Politics of Human Rights (Fall 2023) – Government and Legal Studies Department  
Designed and taught a new introductory/intermediate undergraduate course on human rights for 35 students. Syllabus and evaluations are available upon request.
- Ethics in International Affairs (Spring 2024) – Government and Legal Studies Department  
Designed an intermediate-level undergraduate course for 35 students. Syllabus and evaluations are available upon request.
- Deservingness, law, and public policy (Spring 2024) – Government and Legal Studies Department  
Designed an advanced undergraduate seminar course for 16 students. Syllabus and evaluations are available upon request.

### **Northwestern University, Instructor of Record**

- International Relations Theory (Fall 2022) – Political Science Department  
Designed and taught an advanced-level undergraduate seminar course on international relations theory. Established learning objectives, wrote syllabus and assignments, planned 80-minute classes and led them twice a week, held weekly office hours, and graded 20 students. Syllabus and evaluations are available upon request.
- Introduction to International Relations (Spring 2023) – School of Professional Studies  
Designed an introductory-level undergraduate seminar course on international relations. Established learning objectives, wrote syllabus and assignments, planned 180-minute classes and led them once a week, and graded 6 students. Syllabus and evaluations are available upon request.

### **Northwestern University, Teaching Assistant**

- Foreign Aid and US Foreign Policy (Spring 2022)

Conducted writing workshops on book reviews and policy papers, held office hours and graded for approximately 20 students.

- **International Political Economy (Winter 2019)**  
Planned and led weekly 50-minute seminars for two discussion sections of the lecture course, held weekly office hours, and graded for approximately 30 students.
- **Politics of Religious Diversity (Fall 2018)**  
Conducted in-class active learning activities, held weekly office hours, and graded for approximately 30 students.
- **Politics of the Middle East (Spring 2018, Winter 2017)**  
Planned and led weekly 50-minute seminars for two discussion sections of the lecture course, guided students through completing a research paper assignment, held weekly office hours, and graded for approximately 30 students.
- **Introduction to International Relations (Spring 2019, Winter 2018, Spring 2017)**  
Planned and led weekly 50-minute seminars for two discussion sections of the lecture course, held weekly office hours, and graded for approximately 30 students.
- **Introduction to Law in the Political Arena (Fall 2017, Fall 2021)**  
Guest lecturer on US Immigration Policy. Planned and led weekly 50-minute seminars for two discussion sections of the lecture course, assisted with mock trial assignments, held weekly office hours, and graded for approximately 30 students.
- **National Security (Fall 2016)**  
Guest lecturer on US War on Drugs and Foreign Policy in Latin America. Planned and led weekly 50-minute seminars for two discussion sections of the lecture course, held weekly office hours, and graded for approximately 30 students.

**Northwestern University/Sciences Po/Paris Sorbonne Nouvelle Program in Art, Literature, and Contemporary European Thought (France), Teaching Assistant**

- **French Politics, Society, and Culture (Fall 2019)**  
Planned and led weekly 50-minute seminars for two discussion sections of the lecture course and graded for approximately 35 students.

**PUC-Rio (Brazil), Teaching Assistant**

- **International Relations Theory (2011)**  
Guest instructor and graded for approximately 40 students.

**Outreach Project - Cursinho da UNESP**

Taught Biology for low-income high school students as part of grassroots social movement based on Paulo Freire's pedagogy for three years while an undergraduate student at Sao Paulo State University, Brazil.

## **PROFESSIONAL TRAINING**

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### **Teaching Certificate Program**

Northwestern's Searle Center for Advancing Learning and Teaching, 2018-2019  
Yearlong combined seminars, workshops, mentoring, and discipline-specific discussions on learning goals, assessments, and evaluation. Emphasis on critical pedagogies and active learning.

### **Climate Justice Institute Maroon University Summer School Social Justice Initiative – the University of Illinois at Chicago July 26-28, 2021**

### **New School's Institute for Critical Social Inquiry (ICSI) The Relevance of Hannah Arendt, Summer 2018**

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

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### **Co-Organized Symposium**

[Global "Religion": Invention, Translation, Critique](#), Northwestern University, 2022.

### **Study Group Co-Organizer**

Interpretive Methods, Summer 2020.

### **Student Organization Co-Organizer**

Weekly discussions about race and social justice in the Graduate Christian Fellowship and Adventist Christian Fellowships, Winter 2018, Spring 2019, and Summer 2020.

### **Peer-Reviewed Articles for:**

Refugee Review Journal of the ESPMI Network.

### **Planned events for Sao Paulo State's School of Leadership and Management in Higher Education**

Five conference and workshop-based events in four different cities with an average of 100 participants and ten speakers each.

## **LANGUAGES**

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**Portuguese:** Native Language

**English:** Fluent

**French and Spanish:** Advanced Listener and Reading; Intermediate Speaker and Writing

## PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES

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**Elizabeth Shakman Hurd**, Professor of Political Science and Religious Studies  
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