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## EXPERIENCE

### University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Portuguese Department — *Teacher Assistant*

Aug 2021 - Present date

Instructor of Basic and Intermediate Portuguese courses (Port 400, and Port 401)

### Ship for World Youth (SWY), Japan — *Brazilian Delegate*

Jan 2020 - Feb 2020

Awarded with a full scholarship, and selected in 2019 as a one of the 12 representatives of Brazil for the 32nd edition of the program. SWY 32 is a 2 months program organized by the Japanese Cabinet Office and this edition took place in Tokyo and Wakayama (Japan), Hawaii (US), and Ensenada (Mexico).

### Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Brazil, Energy Department — *Intern*

2017

Main activities: Monitor activities of innovation and daily compile News from the Energy sector; Support meetings; Update files with the main themes from the Division of New and Renewable Resources and Division of Non-Renewable Resources.

### University of Brasília, Scientific Project

2016 - 2017

Project with scholarship by the National Research Council (In Portuguese, CNPq) about the importance and impact of public opinion in the 2015 Brazilian foreign policy, under the mentorship of Dr. Tânia Manzur.

## EDUCATION

### University of Brasília — BA

Jun 2014 - Dec 2018

Bachelor's degree in International Relations

## AREAS OF INTEREST

Brazilian Politics

Global Health

International Organizations

Latin America

## LANGUAGE SKILLS

Portuguese - Native

English - Fluent

Spanish - Advanced

French - Elementary

## LINKS

Article: [The Erosion of Brazilian Democracy in Pandemic Times - Effects on Race and Class](#)

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## **University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign — MA**

Aug 2021 - Present date

MA student in Brazilian Studies at the Spanish and Portuguese Department

### **PROJECTS AND VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE**

#### **BSB Invisível — 2019 - Present date**

The project aims to give homeless people visibility by telling their stories (Instagram: @BSBINVISIVEL\_). We also organize donations in the streets of Brasília and actions on holidays.

#### **Luso-Brazilian Association — University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign - 2020 - Present date**

Student organization dedicated to spread and celebrate the Brazilian culture. We aim to become a place where students can practice Portuguese and gather to learn about culture. Currently, I am the treasurer of the organization and my main duties include keep track of the organization's finance, apply for funds and grants, and guarantee compliance with the University.

#### **Inglês na Estrutural — 2019-2020**

The purpose of this project is to teach English to low income children of a peripheral neighborhood of Brasília. I was a volunteer teacher of basic courses.