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**2018 - 2019 | Brazilian Student Ambassadors**



**Ana Paula Hirano**  
PhD Candidate in Romance Languages  
Graduate School of Arts and Sciences (GSAS)

Ana Paula Kojima Hirano is a doctoral student in Harvard's Department of Romance Languages and Literatures with a Secondary Field in Visual and Environmental Studies. As a PhD student her studies have focused on Latin American literature and film theory and the intersection between history and fiction. She is currently working on her dissertation on Brazilian filmmaker Eduardo Coutinho. Before coming to Harvard, she earned her undergraduate degree from the University of São Paulo in Economics, where she researched global labor market transformations. She received a Japanese Government Scholarship and studied at Sophia University in Tokyo in 2007, during which she continued filming and co-directing the documentary film *One Day We Arrived* in Japan.



**Fernanda de Araújo Ferreira**  
PhD Candidate in Medical Sciences  
Graduate School of Arts and Science (GSAS)

Fernanda Ferreira is a PhD candidate in the Virology Program at the Division of Medical Sciences (DMS), where she conducts HIV research under the advisorship of Dr. Daniel Kuritzkes and Dr. Athe Tsibris at Brigham and Women's Hospital (BWH). Her thesis project focuses on understanding HIV-1 and HIV-2 latency reversal. Before coming to Harvard, she graduated from the Universidade de Brasília (UnB) with bachelors in biological sciences as well as a licentiate degree in biological sciences education. In addition to her thesis work, she also writes for the GSAS Bulletin and Science in the News (SITN), a graduate-run organization that aims to communicate recent scientific discoveries to the general public.



**Adriane Rubio Roso**

Visiting Scholar, Department of Psychology  
Graduate School of Arts and Sciences (GSAS)

I am an Associate Professor at the Federal University of Santa Maria. Since March 2018 I have been at the Department of Psychology, under the mentoring of Professor Dr. James Sidanius, as a senior post-doc (visiting scholar). Recently I was awarded with a scholarship from The Brazilian National Council for Scientific and Technological Development (CNPq) (July 2018 – June 2019). I am a doctor in Psychology (PUCRS), with post-doctoral studies in Communication (UFSM), and specialization in Public Health and Health Management (UFRGS) and Alcohol/Drug Counseling (the University of California - UCLA). I built my research interest in the interface of social psychology, public health, and communication. My topics of study are power relations, social minorities, racism, sexual/reproductive rights, (cyber) media, and drug use.



**Tiago Tavares Flório**

PhD Candidate in Business Economics  
Graduate School of Arts and Sciences (GSAS)  
Harvard Business School (HBS)

Tiago is a PhD student in Harvard's Department of Economics and Harvard Business School. His research areas are macroeconomics and econometrics, with additional interests in public economics. Prior to Harvard he received his BA and MA in Economics at PUC-Rio and spent his junior year at UC Berkeley under a fellowship from Fundação Estudar. Tiago lived most of his life in Rio de Janeiro and enjoys reading fiction, swimming and hiking when the New England weather permits.



**Beatriz Velloso Marinho**

Class of 2020  
Harvard College (FAS)

My name is Beatriz Marinho, I am 18 years old. I live in Rio de Janeiro and graduated from The British School of Rio de Janeiro last year. I am extremely interested in economics and education!



**Pedro Farias**  
Class of 2020  
Harvard College (FAS)

Pedro Farias was born and spent most of his life living in Brasilia. At Harvard, Pedro is a member of Lowell House and concentrates in Applied Mathematics in Economics, with a secondary in Computer Science and a citation in German. His academic passions span beyond math and the sciences, as he is also an avid observer of international relations, politics, and financial markets. Outside of academics, Pedro serves as co-President of the Brazil Conference at Harvard and MIT and is the Treasurer of the Harvard International Relations Council, the largest student-run organization on campus.



**Walquiria Lajoia Garcia**  
Class of 2020  
Harvard College (FAS)

My name is Walquíria (though I usually go by Wal), I was born in 1997 in Rio de Janeiro. I'm a military daughter and, as such, I have lived in 7 cities and 3 countries. I went to 3 different Military Schools for most of middle and all of my high school. In this period, I was primarily involved in MUN and the International Relations Club, the Cavalry Guild, the Legion of Honor, and the Dance Team. During my senior year I was Student Battalion Commander. Before applying to college I took a gap year to live in Huntsville, AL. I travelled, studied, volunteered in a Fair Trade Marketplace, and worked in a Preschool for most of the year. My favorite hobbies are reading, dancing, and watching movies or series. I am not sure yet what I will be concentrating on or where I want to work after college, but I know that I wish to do something that involves international relations and multiple cultures. The interactions between world views, powers, and markets are a brilliant field of study.



**Rafael Marengoni**  
Masters Candidate in Architecture of Urban Design  
Harvard Graduate School of Design (GSD)

Rafael Marengoni is a Master's in Architecture of Urban Design graduate student at the Harvard Graduate School of Design. He holds a degree in Architecture and Urbanism from Unicamp (State University of Campinas), and studied for one year at the Melbourne School of Design as an international student in the Master's of Architecture program. During his time at Unicamp he was involved in 2 research projects: one on digital fabrication and modelling, the other on walkability, planning and design. After graduating from Unicamp he worked on the development of the Brazilian Pavillion for the Venice Architecture Biennale of 2018, as a part of the curatorial team.



**Mariana Pereira Guimarães**  
MUP and MPH Candidate  
Harvard Graduate School of Design (GSD)  
Harvard School of Public Health (HSPH)

Mariana is currently a Master's Candidate in Urban Planning and Public Health at both the Harvard Graduate School of Design and the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health. At the HSPH Mariana is concentrating in Sustainability, Health and the Global Environment at the Department of Environmental Health. During the academic year of 2015-2016 she was Fox-Zucker International Fellow at Yale University from the Engineering School of the University of São Paulo, from where she holds a MSc in Water Resources Management. Her first Master's thesis focused in water quality and urban renewal in informal settlements located in Environmentally Protected Areas. Mariana has a Bachelor degree in Architecture and Urbanism and a second Bachelor degree in Civil Engineering from the University of São Paulo, through a dual-degree program. At Harvard, Mariana helped to re-started and is also part of a couple of student groups: Brazil GSD, Harvard Urban Planning Organization (HUPO), Healthy Places GSD and the Harvard T.H Chan Brazilian Association. Her research interests varies from sanitation to urban planning, community engagement, green infrastructure, climate change and health, GIS and computational modelling.



**Diana Goldemberg**  
Ed.M. Candidate  
Harvard Graduate School of Education (HGSE)

Diana is pursuing a combined Master in Public Administration/Master of Education (MPA/ID; EdM/MBE) degree at the Harvard Kennedy School and Harvard Graduate School of Education. During 2016/17, she served as a TF and received the Dean's Award for Student Teaching (for API109/HKS) and Derek Bok's Certificate of Distinction in Teaching (for EC970/FAS). Originally from São Paulo, Brazil, Diana holds an MA in Economics and a bachelor degree in industrial engineer. She is interested on policy and regulation issues at the intersection of business and government, and has most recently worked for the Brazilian Development Bank (BNDES). Before, she was a consultant at Bain & Company and an analyst in J.P.Morgan. Her goal upon graduation is to go back to Brazil and work towards the improvement of the public education system.



**Angela Hernandez**  
Ed.M. Candidate  
Harvard Graduate School of Education (HGSE)

Angela Hernandez is a Master's student in the International Education Policy program at HGSE. Her research interest areas include global citizenship education, bilingual education, curriculum development, international education policy, and innovation. She participated in Project Zero Classroom at HGSE and holds a Master's in Education from the University of Minnesota. She has presented her work at international conferences including the 6th International Conference on Immersion and Dual Language Education in the USA and BilingLatAm in Chile.



**Diogo Mac Cord de Faria**  
MC/MPA Candidate  
Harvard Kennedy School (HKS)

Diogo is a mechanical engineer that holds master and doctoral degrees in science (power systems). He's currently enrolled in the Master of Public Administration program (MC/MPA), at HKS (Harvard University - John F. Kennedy School of Government). He's the chair of the Infrastructure & PPP Committee within the Business and Government Professional Interest Council, a student organization attached with the Mossavar-Rahmani Center for Business and Government at HKS. Before joining the program Diogo was a partner in a consulting company in Brazil that served both government and private sector by structuring new PPPs and/or developing existing ones. He was also a professor at Fundação Getúlio Vargas – FGV and the coordinator of the Power Sector MBA in different locations, including São Paulo, Curitiba and Belo Horizonte.



**João Paulo Alcántara**  
MPA/ID Candidate  
Harvard Kennedy School (HKS)

João Paulo Alcántara is a Master in Public Administration in International Development (MPA/ID) student at Harvard Kennedy School, where he is learning how to use disruptive technologies to make the Brazilian government more efficient, transparent and just. He holds a degree in aeronautical engineering from Instituto Tecnológico de Aeronáutica. Prior to Harvard, he has been a first lieutenant at the Brazilian Air Force, an intern at the Estonian government and, more recently, a data science manager at Itaú Unibanco, where he used machine learning to solve business problems.



**Erik Navarro Wolkart**  
Visiting Scholar (2016-2017)  
Harvard Law School (HLS)

Erik Navarro Wolkart, Federal Judge Ph.D. in Law at UERJ in collaboration with Harvard Law School.



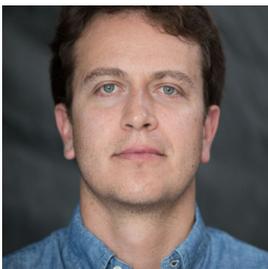
**Isabela Rossi Cortes Ferrari**  
Visiting Scholar (2016–2017)  
Harvard Law School (HLS)

Isabela Ferrari is a Brazilian Federal Judge since 2012. She holds a Master's Degree from the University of the State of Rio de Janeiro (UERJ), where she is currently a Ph.D. Candidate in Public Law. She is a member of the Board of The Future Society/Brazil. Her research interests are Law and technology, artificial intelligence and the judiciary system.



**Bruna da Silveira Paulsen**  
Post-Doc  
Harvard Medical School (HMS)

Bruna is a postdoc fellow at Harvard University and her work is focused in modeling human neurodevelopment by using stem cells. Previously, Bruna received her Bachelor's degree (2009), Master's degree (2011), and Doctorate (2015) in Biomedical Research from the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro. She has extensive experience in the field of Cell Biology, with a focus in embryonic stem cells, induced pluripotent (iPS) stem cells, and neural differentiation. During her PhD thesis, she spent one year at Harvard Medical School working on improving precise gene repair mediated by CRISPR/Cas9 system that could be applicable for gene therapy and/or for modeling diseases. Currently, Bruna is an affiliate member of the Broad Institute and works with cerebral organoids as a model to study human neurodevelopmental disorders. Bruna also works in science outreach projects, such as Science Clubs International, a non-profit organization to inspire future scientists by organizing workshops in STEM to millennials around the world at no cost.



**Thiago de Souza Veiga Jardim**  
Research Fellow  
Harvard Medical School (HMS)  
Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health (HSPH)

Graduated from Medical School and completed his Internal Medicine residency at Federal University of Goiás. Completed his Cardiology residency at UNICAMP. Finished his Masters and PhD in Health Science at Federal University of Goiás. Cardiology professor at Federal University of Goiás Medical School. Was a post doc research fellow at Harvard Medical School / Harvard School of Public Health between 2016 - 2018 working with cardiovascular risk factors with emphasis on Hypertension and with cost-effective analysis.



**Clariana Vitoria Ramos de Oliveira**

Research Fellow

Harvard School of Public Health (HSPH)

Clariana Oliveira is a Research Fellow at the Harvard T. H. Chan School of Public Health, Research Program on Early Child Development. Doctor degree at the Nursing Program at the University of São Paulo, with a internship (PDSE) at Harvard TH Chan School of Public Health in the Department of Global Health and Population. She is a nurse epidemiologist and holds a Master's degree in health sciences with a focus on epidemiology (University of Rio Grande/Brazil, 2013). She has worked on a variety of projects in early childhood, child development, child nutrition, family health and home visit, across Brazil. She has been involved in activities such as: Projects for early childhood and home visit in the city of São Paulo/Brazil ("São Paulo Carinhosa" project), promoting the creation of public policies; Training of health professionals on early childhood in Brazil; Social projects for health care for children and pregnant women in poor regions of Brazil. She is currently working on the project "Maternal depression and the impact on the child development" in Pakistan, with Dr. Aisha Yousafzai. Clariana is committed to creating projects and public policies to ensure the sensitize society about early childhood development and Family care services qualified, focused on promoting parenting, prioritizing poorest groups.