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## **CURRENT POSITION**

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### **Postdoctoral Fellow in International Relations, Department of International Relations, London School of Economics (LSE), 2023-present**

Specialisation in International Relations Theory; Conflict and Global Security; Border, Migration, and Refugee Studies; Qualitative Methods; and Race, Empire, and Colonialism in Global Politics. Current research examines the relationship between border security, colonialism, and race. Main Seminar Leader and Guest Lecturer for undergraduates (currently 'Strategic Aspects of International Relations' and 'International Political Theory') and graduates (currently 'International Relations: Core Theories and Debates'). Dissertation supervisor for MSc and BSc students.

## **EDUCATION**

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### **London School of Economics (LSE), London, United Kingdom**

#### **PhD** in International Relations, 2023

Viva Examiners: Nivi Manchanda, Dr and Vicki Squire, Professor

Dissertation Supervisors: Katharine Millar, Dr and Mark Hoffman, Professor

Thesis: 'Bordering Humanity, Securing Whiteness: Race, Colonialism, and Violence at the European Borders' (passed with no corrections)

- Awarded the Brett William Campbell Dissertation Prize in International Studies (*Winner*)
- Awarded European International Studies Association (EISA) Best Dissertation Prize 2024 (*Honourable Mention*)

### **London School of Economics (LSE), London, United Kingdom**

#### **MSc** in International Relations Theory, 2018

Result: Distinction

Thesis Supervisor: Katharine Millar, Dr

Thesis: 'Between matter and language: International Relations, ghosts, and the politics of *différance*' (High Distinction – 80)

- Awarded Fred Halliday Dissertation Prize for best MSc dissertation in International Relations Theory (*Winner*)
- Awarded Best Academic Performance

### **University of Brasilia (UnB), Brasilia, Brazil**

#### **BA** (Hons) in International Relations, 2017

Result: 95% (equivalent of Distinction)

Dissertation: 'Brexit, between hospitality and sovereignty: for an ethical horizon to International Relations'

## **TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS**

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International Relations Theory; Global Security; Border, Migration, and Refugee Studies; Race and Empire in Global Politics; Global Governance; Global History; War, Military, and Strategic Studies; International Order;

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Peer-reviewed Journal Articles

(2025) Brito, Tarsis. 'New Materialism, Whiteness, and the Politics of Vitality: Rethinking Activity/Passivity in Critical Security Studies'. *Security Dialogue*. Volume 56, Issue 2, pp. 133-151.

<https://doi.org/10.1177/09670106241306967>

- (2023/24) Best Theory Pre-PhD Paper Award – International Studies Association/ISA Theory Section (*Winner*)
- (2023/24) ISA-IPS Section Best Graduate Paper—International Studies Association/ISA International Political Sociology Section (*Honourable Mention*)

(2024) Brito, Tarsis. 'Between race and animality: European borders, 'colonial dogs' and the policing of humanity'. *Review of International Studies*. First View. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0260210524000032>

- EISA Best Graduate Paper 2023 (*Shortlisted*)

(2023) Brito, Tarsis. '(Dis)possessive Borders, (Dis)possessed Bodies: Race and Property at the Postcolonial European Borders'. *International Political Sociology*. Volume 17, Issue 2, pp. 1-18.

<https://doi.org/10.1093/ips/olad009>

(2022) Brito, Tarsis; Balaji, Shruti; Nantermoz, Olivia. '(Re)writing the International: Interrogating Histories, Imagining Futurities'. *Millennium: Journal of International Studies*. Volume 51, No. 1, pp. 3-7. <https://doi.org.gate3.library.lse.ac.uk/10.1177/03058298231176664>

(2018) Brito, Tarsis. 'Global Feminism and *undecidabilites*: Beijing' 95 and beyond'. *Politikon: the IAPSS Journal of Political Science*. Volume 37, 19-38.

### Book Monographs

(Under review with *Oxford University Press*) Brito, Tarsis. *(Un)settling Whiteness: Colonialism, Race, and Violence at the European Borders*.

- (2024) Brett William Campbell Dissertation Prize in International Studies (*Winner*)
- (2024) European International Studies Association (EISA) Best Dissertation Prize (*Honourable Mention*)

### Journal Articles Under Review

(Under Review) Brito, Tarsis; Perez, Jose. 'Rethinking Migration Securitization: The Divide between South-North and South-South Migration Responses within the International System.' *European Journal of International Relations*.

### Peer-reviewed Contributions to Edited Volumes

(Forthcoming) Brito, Tarsis. 'Imperialism, animality, and the policing of racial hierarchies'. In: Salter, Mark (ed). *Making Things International IV: Failures, Accidents and Surprises*.

## **In Preparation**

Brito, Tarsis. “Property and the Making of International Order” (Submission intended for *International Organization*).

Brito, Tarsis; Manchanda, Nivi. “Settler Coloniality beyond the Settler Colony? Towards a Global Settler Studies in IR.” (Submission intended for *International Studies Quarterly*).

Brito, Tarsis; Schlebruegge, Silvester. ‘Stop the Boat! The (racial) spectre of the ‘migrant boat’ in contemporary migration policy.’ (Submission intended for *Political Geography*).

## **Minor Publications**

(2018) Brito, Tarsis. ‘Sovereignty and Absence in International Relations: Hauntological Performativity’. *E-International Relations*, 1 October 2018 (<https://www.eir.info/2018/10/01/sovereignty-and-absence-in-internationalrelations-hauntologicalperformativity/>).

## **AWARDS**

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(2024) Winner of Brett William Campbell Dissertation Prize in International Studies – Awarded by the School of International Studies at the University of Trento (€ 1,200)

(2024) Honourable Mention Recipient of EISA Best Dissertation Prize – Awarded by European International Studies Association

(2023/24) Winner of ISA Theory Section Best Pre-PhD Paper Award – Awarded by International Studies Association (ISA) Theory Section (\$500)

(2023/24) Honourable Mention Recipient of ISA-IPS Section Best Graduate Paper – Awarded by International Studies Association (ISA) International Political Sociology Section

(2023) Shortlisted for the EISA Best Graduate Paper – Awarded by the European International Studies Association (EISA)

(2019) Shortlisted for the 2019 Northedge Essay Competition Prize – Awarded by *Millennium: Journal of International Studies*

(2018) Winner of Fred Halliday Best MSc Dissertation Prize in International Relations Theory – Awarded by the Department of International Relations at the London School of Economics – £250

(2018) Best academic performance in the MSc International Relations Theory – Awarded by the Department of International Relations at the London School of Economics

## **RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS**

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## **Research Fellowships**

(2023-25) Postdoctoral Research Fellowship, London School of Economics (£85,000)

## **Grants**

(2025) European International Studies Association Early Career Workshop Grant (€ 4,000)

(2024-25) International Studies Association Travel Grant (\$500)

(2023-24) International Studies Association/ISA Theory Section (\$500)

(2023-25) Fellowship Research Grant, Department of International Relations, London School of Economics (£6,000)

(2019-2023) LSE PhD Studentship (fully funded: tuition and stipend), London School of Economics (ca. £76,000)

(2023) Fieldwork Grant, London School of Economics (£1,760)

(2019-2023) Research Grant, Department of International Relations, London School of Economics (£3,500)

(2019-2023) Conference Grant, Department of International Relations, London School of Economics (£3,500)

(2020) Research Grant, Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR) Summer School (500£)

(2018) Millennium Conference Travel Grant (£500)

(2014) Scholarship *Jovens Talentos*, Brazilian Ministry of Education: (ca. \$1,500)

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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### **MSc Supervisor, London School of Economics (LSE), 2023-present**

Course: IR499, Dissertation in International Relations

Level: MSc (Graduate)

### **BSc Supervisor, London School of Economics (LSE), 2023-present**

Course: IR398, Dissertation in International Relations

Level: BSc (Undergraduate)

### **Seminar Leader, London School of Economics (LSE), 2024-25**

Course: International Relations: Core Theories and Debates

Level: MSc (Graduate)

Primary seminar leader for graduate-level module ‘International Relations: Core Theories and Debates’. This is a graduate-level introduction to the study of international relations. My responsibilities involve preparing lesson plans; conducting in-depth group discussions; grading formative and summative assessments; holding weekly office hours; and attending faculty meetings.

### **Seminar Leader, London School of Economics (LSE), 2024-25**

Course: Strategic Aspects of International Relations (IR305)

Level: BSc (Undergraduate)

Primary seminar leader for undergraduate-level module on ‘Strategic Aspects of International Relations’. This course examines key topics in relation to strategy and war. In order to contextualise these topics, the course first explores the meaning of strategy and the place of strategic studies in International Relations. My responsibilities involve preparing lesson plans; conducting in-depth group discussions; grading formative and summative assessments; holding weekly office hours; and attending faculty meetings.

### **Guest Lecturer, London School of Economics (LSE), 2025**

Course: IR200, International Political Theory

Level: Undergraduate

Guest Lecturer for undergraduate-level module 'International Political Theory'. The course explores different ways of understanding and judging international politics, delving into the history and contemporary debates within the field.

**Seminar Leader, London School of Economics (LSE), 2023-24.**

Course: International Relations: Global Applications (IR 4A2)

Level: MSc (Graduate)

Primary seminar leader for graduate-level module on 'Global Applications'. This course provides an opportunity for students to gain an analytically deeper understanding of global politics. It includes topics such as migration, environmental security, racial and colonial violence, etc. My responsibilities involve preparing lesson plans; conducting in-depth group discussions; grading formative and summative assessments; holding weekly office hours; and attending faculty meetings.

**Guest Lecturer, London School of Economics (LSE), 2022**

Course: International Relations - Critical Perspectives (IR 487)

Level: MSc (Graduate)

Guest Lecturer for graduate-level module International Relations - Critical Perspectives. This course examines the ways that critical theories conceive, analyse and critique the character of international relations. The purpose of the course is to provide a thorough interrogation of these theories, exploring debates both within and between them. Theoretical approaches to be considered include: classical critical theory; post-colonialism and decolonialism; post-structuralism; and feminism and queer theory. The course also interrogates issues relating to the philosophy of science.

**Graduate Teaching Assistant, London School of Economics (LSE), 2020 – 2021**

Course: International Security (IR 205)

Level: BSc (Undergraduate)

Primary seminar leader for undergraduate-level course on International Security. The course tackles questions of war, peace, and security from a theoretical perspective. My responsibilities included teaching undergraduate-level students through weekly seminars; holding weekly office hours; marking and providing feedback on formative work.

**Visiting Lecturer, University of Brasilia (UnB), 2019**

Course: Critical International Relations Theory

Level: BSc (Undergraduate)

Primary lecturer for undergraduate-level course on International Relations Theory. The course was primarily focused on critical approaches to International Relations Theory and included topics such as poststructuralism, post- and de-colonial theory, race and empire, and gender and queer studies, etc. My responsibilities included designing the course programme and the syllabus; preparing weekly lectures and seminars; preparing exams and marking formative and summative work; holding weekly office hours; and attending faculty meetings.

## **QUALIFICATIONS**

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**PGCert HEA Fellowship (portfolio to be submitted in June 2025)**

## **SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION**

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**Editorship**

**Editor and Associate Editor**, *Millennium: Journal of International Studies* Vols 50-51, 2020 – 2022

Overseeing the daily and overall operation of the journal; reading, discussing, and deciding which manuscripts would be sent for peer review; making decisions regarding which manuscripts would be published; overseeing a team of deputy editors; liaising with authors and the journal's publisher.

**Deputy Editor**, *Millennium: Journal of International Studies* Vol. 49, 2019 – 2020

Finding peer reviewers for submitted manuscripts; managing correspondence with peer reviewers; attending Editorial Board meetings; and providing editors with feedback on the manuscripts.

**Commissioning Editor**, E-International Relations, 2018 – 2019.

Commissioning articles by leading experts in International Relations; selecting and editing manuscripts to be published on the blog.

### Peer-review

**Reviewer**, *Antipode*, 2024.

**Reviewer**, *Review of International Studies*, 2024.

**Reviewer**, *Security Dialogue*, 2024.

**Reviewer**, *Environment and Planning D: Society and Space*, 2023.

**Reviewer**, *European Journal of International Relations*, 2023.

### Convenorship

**Coordinator**, *Doing International Political Sociology Seminar Series*, 2022 – 2023

Organising monthly seminars where PhD scholars working on International Political Sociology present their work; liaising with monthly presenters and discussants.; handling Doing IPS social media on Twitter and Facebook; and handling administrative and logistical work.

**Millennium Annual Conference**, *Millennium Journal of International Studies*, October 2021

Liaising with international speakers; organising panels, roundtables, and keynote events; handling administrative and logistical work; reviewing and selecting abstract, panel, and roundtable submissions.

### Prize Committees

**ISA Theory Pre-PhD Best Paper Prize**, *International Studies Association, Theory Section*, 2024-2025.

## INVITED PRESENTATIONS

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Workshop: 'Race and International Relations Workshop'. Notre Dame University (Notre Dame, March 2025)

Public Talk: 'The Cost of Borders'. LSE (London, January 2025)

Public Talk: 'Race, Empire, and Capitalism'. EAEPE Conference (Bilbao, September 2024)

Public Talk: 'Bordering Humanity, Securing Whiteness: Race, Colonialism, and Violence at the European Borders'. Race and Empire in Europe's Borders (LSE, European Institute, London, May 2024)

Public Talk: 'Between race and animality: European borders, colonial dogs, and the policing of humanity'. Organising (Around) Borders Seminar Series (Paris, May 2024)

Workshop: ‘(Un)settling Europe: settler colonialism, racial capitalism, and Europe’s migrant crisis’. Race, Migration and Trajectories of Knowledge: Governance and Practices of Securitisation, EWIS, (University of Amsterdam, July 2023)

Public Talk: ‘Dispossessive borders, dispossessed bodies: race and property at Europe’s postcolonial borders’. (Royal Holloway, University of London, April 2023)

## SELECTED RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

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ISA 2025 Annual Conference (Chicago, US) 2 – 5 March 2025

Presented the papers ‘The (racial) spectre of the ‘migrant boat’: race, empire, and the ‘stop the boat’ discourse’ and ‘Settler colonial bordering?’

BISA 2024 Conference (Birmingham, UK) 5 – 7 June 2024

Presented the papers ‘The (racial) spectre of the ‘migrant boat’: race, empire, and the ‘stop the boat’ discourse’ and ‘Becoming Object? Maritime Pushbacks and the Policing of Humanity’

ISA 2024 Annual Convention (San Francisco, US) 3 – 6 April 2024.

Presented the papers ‘Beyond Migration Securitization? Racial Capitalism and the Differences between South-North and South-South Migration Security’ and ‘(Un)settling Europe: from settler colonialism to Europe’s ‘migrant crisis’.

BISA 2023 Conference (Glasgow, UK) 20 – 23 June 2023.

Presented the paper ‘“(Un)settling Europe: settler colonialism, racial capitalism, and Europe’s migrant crisis”.

ISA 2023 Annual Convention (Montreal, Canada) 15 – 18 March 2023.

Presented the paper ‘Decolonising new materialisms? Ontology, agency, and the haunting of colonial modernity’

15<sup>th</sup> EISA Pan-European Conference on International Relations (Athens, Greece) 1 – 4 September 2022.

Presented the paper ‘Between Animality and Blackness: Colonialism and the Bordering of Humanity in Europe’

BISA 2022 Conference (Newcastle, UK); 15 – 17 June 2022.

Presented the paper ‘The sea, the migrant, and the passage: pushbacks and the policing of the (maritime) borders of humanity in Europe’

ISA 2022 Annual Convention (Nashville, USA); 28 March – 2 April 2022.

Presented the papers ‘(Dis)possessive Borders in Europe: Colonialism, Migration, and the politics of (de)materialisation’ and ‘Interrogating the New Materialist solution: Modernity, Ontology, and the Politics of Dualisms in International Relations’

14<sup>th</sup> EISA Pan-European Conference on International Relations (Online) 13 – 17 September 2021. Presented the paper ‘In defence of Humanity: Racialised borders and ungeographical bodies in Calais’

13<sup>th</sup> EISA Pan-European Conference on International Relations (Sofia, Bulgaria) 11 – 14 September 2019.

Presented the papers ‘Intertextual Revolutions: rediscovering “the international” in Revolution Studies’ and ‘Between matter and language: International Relations, ghosts, and the politics of *différance*’.



2018 Millennium Annual Conference (London, UK); 27 – 28 October 2018.  
Presented the paper: ‘Intertextual Revolutions: rediscovering “the international” in Revolution Studies.’

## WORKSHOPS

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Gregynog Ideas Lab in Critical International Relations Theory (University of Wales, July 2022)

Doing International Political Sociology Seminars (Queen Mary University of London, 2022).

Doing International Political Sociology Seminars (King’s College, University of London, 2021).

## PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

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### Videos

Brito, Tarsis. Presenter. ‘Between race and animality: European borders, ‘colonial dogs’, and the policing of humanity’. *MY BISA (British International Studies Association)*. 14 February 2024.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J8oWRWNKAKo&t=1s>

### Podcasts

(2024) Brito, Tarsis. Presenter. ‘Bordering Humanity, Securing Whiteness: Race, Colonialism, and Violence at the European Borders’. Race and Empire in Europe’s Borders. *European Institute LSE and ENAR*.

(2025) Brito, Tarsis. Presenter. ‘The Cost of Borders’. LSE (London, January 2025)

## MEMBERSHIPS

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International Studies Association

American Political Science Association

British International Studies Association

European International Studies Association

## SKILLS AND TRAINING

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### Language Skills

English (Fully Proficient); French (Fully Proficient); Portuguese (Native); Spanish (Advanced); German (Intermediate)

### Fieldwork Experience

Calais, France (2022)

### Qualitative and Multi-Methods Training

The Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Methods Research – IQMR (University of Syracuse, June 2021)

## GENEREAL REFERENCES

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### Reference 1

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