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EDUCATION

NYU, Steinhardt School of Culture, Education, and Human Development | New York, New York | Ph.D.

Expected May 2027 | International Education Program | Doctoral Candidate Status (July 2025)

Advisor: Dr. Carol Anne Spreen | Committee Members: Dr. Erich Dietrich (NYU) & Dr. Dalila Oliveira (UFMG)

NYU, Steinhardt School of Culture, Education, and Human Development | New York, New York | M.Phil.

August 2025 | International Education Program | 4.0/4.0 GPA

University of Pennsylvania Graduate School of Education | Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | M.S.Ed.

August 2021 | Education, Culture and Society Program | Masters Paper Passed with Distinction | 4.0/4.0 GPA

Gettysburg College | Gettysburg, Pennsylvania | B.A.

May 2017 | Anthropology and Political Science Majors | Summa Cum Laude | 3.91/4.00 GPA

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

NYU Steinhardt | Teaching Assistant: Intro to US Education: Historical and Contemporary Perspectives

August 2025 – present & August – December 2024 & September – December 2023 | New York, New York

- Facilitated regular discussions, provides feedback on papers, and responds to questions and inquiries from a group of 20 undergraduate students registered in an introduction to US Education course taught by Dean Emeritus Dominic Brewer

NYU Steinhardt | Co-Instructor: The Practice of Study Abroad & International Student Services

January – May 2025 & January – May 2024 | New York, New York

- Facilitates graduate level course that introduces future international education practitioners to the key theories and practices of designing and implementing study abroad programs and international student support within higher education settings

CUNY Hunter College | Adjunct Faculty: Introduction to Sociological Theory

August 2024 – December 2024 | New York, New York

- Teaches course of 25 undergraduate students 200 (introductory) level course that reviews key theorists and theories from throughout the 19th, 20th, and 21st centuries within the field of sociology

NYU Steinhardt | Teaching Assistant: Global Culture Wars

January – May 2024 | New York, New York

- Facilitates group discussions, takes attendance, grades papers, and responds to questions and inquiries from a group of 24 undergraduate students registered in Global Culture Wars course taught by Dr. Faiyaz Jaffer
- Taught two class sessions focused on sociological theories related to the culture wars in Brazil for 140 students

Federal University of São João del-Rei | Fulbright English Teaching Assistant

February 2018 – November 2019 | São João del-Rei, Minas Gerais, Brazil

- Created and facilitated 100+ conversation clubs and supplemental English classes for students at a federal university
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RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

NYU Steinhardt | Dissertation Research: “Democratic institutions or ‘diploma factories?’”

February 2025 – present | Belo Horizonte, Minas Gerais, Brazil

- Conducts interviews, observations, and analysis of institutional documents with Ministry of Education officials and administrators, faculty, and students at three higher education institutions Minas Gerais, Brazil for dissertation focused on the public purposes of higher education in Brazil amidst a context of increased privatization

NYU Steinhardt | Internationalization of Higher Education in Brazil Qualitative Project

March 2024 – present | New York, New York

- Conducts interviews with directors of international affairs / relations at public universities in Minas Gerais, Brazil to understand their experiences and perspectives about the emerging process of internationalization in the Brazilian context

NYU Steinhardt | Research Assistant to Dr. Erich Dietrich

October 2022 – present | New York, New York

- Reviews literature on affirmative action & cases of quota system fraud in Brazil's universities in English and Portuguese and collects data on internationalization and affirmative action policies from institutional websites, reports, & other sources

NYU Steinhardt, Office of the Dean | Summer Project Lead: Mapping Faculty Global Engagement Project

June – September 2023 | New York, New York

- Manages a group of four graduate students to comprehensively record and summarize global engagement activities of 250+ faculty members at NYU's Steinhardt School of Culture, Education, & Human Development
- Defines categories of global engagement, creates methods for collecting data, and performs analysis of faculty CVs and other data sources to produce a final report for the Office of the Dean

University of Pennsylvania Graduate School of Education | Research Assistant to Dr. Krystal Strong

August 2020 – August 2021 | Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

- Reviewed and annotated academic literature on student political participation in Nigeria and international school protests in support of research projects conducted by Dr. Krystal Strong
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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Transform Mid-Atlantic | Director of the TMA Civic Fellowship & Special Projects (Part Time)

February 2025 – present | Delaware, Maryland, & Washington, D.C.

- Administers TMA Civic Fellowship program that provides young civic leaders from member campuses professional and leadership development opportunities through guest speaker series, reflections, and a capstone project
- Oversees Faculty Development Grant, 9/11 National Day of Service Grants, and MLK Day of Service Grant Programs
- Co-facilitates monthly student Civic Education Speaker Series for first-gen, low-income students in Mid-Atlantic region
- Manages membership development and engagement in Northern Virginia and West Virginia

Transform Mid-Atlantic | Associate Director

June 2021 – February 2025 | Delaware, Maryland, & Washington, D.C.

- Managed presidential membership and non-membership engagement of largest network of colleges and universities in the Maryland, DC, and Delaware region dedicated to fulfilling the public purposes of higher education
- Ensured implementation of organization's five-year strategic plan and short- and long-term strategic objectives
- Facilitated federal-level legislative advocacy efforts in support of civic and community engagement education programs
- Coordinated Global Citizenship Initiative Taskforce of domestic and international partners to define and investigate the value of global citizenship and mutual understanding throughout a network of 37 colleges and universities
- Developed Regional Civic Engagement Summit for 85+ representatives from 15+ organizations and institutions

International Education Program – NYU Steinhardt | Academic Service Fellowship (Part Time)

August 2024 – January 2025 | New York, New York

- Co-coordinated conference in collaboration with program faculty a conference focused on the future of international education and exchange for 265+ domestic and global administrators, faculty, practitioners, and students
- Supported faculty in hosting hybrid Academic Freedom Symposium with international partners for 120+ participants
- Helped to launch monthly International Education eNewsletter distributed to program alumni, faculty, and partners

Fulbright Commission Brazil | Regional Grantee Leader & Fulbright Grantee

February 2018 – February 2020 | São João del-Rei, Minas Gerais, Brazil

- Developed orientation materials and collaboratively facilitated an orientation and mid-year conference for 120 Fulbright student grantees in partnership with Fulbright representatives
- Mentored two regional cohorts of 10+ Fulbright grantees, facilitated monthly cohort meetings, coordinated mid-year conference workshops, and mediated grantee-host institution conflicts

Gettysburg College | Post-Graduate Fellow, College Life Division

August 2017 – February 2018 | Gettysburg, Pennsylvania

- Organized taskforce to envision enhanced opportunities to connect students from historically underrepresented populations with mentorship opportunities and conducted research on best mentorship practices and initiatives at peer institutions
- Co-developed policies on student success, freedom of expression, political participation, and student safety

Umkhumbane Schools Project | Student Intern

May 2016 – August 2016 | Durban, Kwa-Zulu Natal Province, Republic of South Africa

- Tutored 100+ secondary school students from a low-income community in STEM subjects

- Mentored and coached students preparing for a regional science competition
- Collaborated with community partners to host a cultural festival for 100+ students

SERVICE & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

University of Pennsylvania | College House Graduate Associate

August 2020 – May 2021 | Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

- Mentored diverse cohort of 18 undergraduate students throughout the COVID-19 pandemic in a residential community

Education USA Opportunity Funds Program | Graduate Program Mentor

March 2019 – November 2019 | Brazil

- Advised a Brazilian student as they applied to American graduate schools. Designed writing exercises to assist in their preparation for GRE and TOEFL examinations and provided feedback on written application materials

Rock Paintings in Translation Extension Project | Project Co-Creator

March 2019 – November 2019 | Universidade Federal de São João del-Rei, S. J. Del-Rei, Minas Gerais, Brazil

- Designed and facilitated experiential learning program connected to themes of cross-cultural communication and global citizenship for 50+ low-income public secondary school students in consultation with the U.S. Embassy in Brasilia, university English language department students, and local corporate and non-governmental partners

Macedonian Museum of Archaeology/Gettysburg College | Excavation Assistant

May 2015 – July 2015 | Konjuh, Kratovo, North Macedonia

- Assisted an international team of archaeologists in the operations of a sixth century A.D. Roman archaeological excavation by engaging with local community members and creating efficient system for inventorying artifacts and data

PUBLICATIONS, PAPERS, & PRESENTATIONS

Wagner V, A. (2024, September 3-5). *The transformative potential of HEIs under attack: Recent threats to academic freedom at colleges and universities in the United States*. 2024 British Association of International and Comparative Education (BAICE) Conference, Brighton, United Kingdom.

Wagner V, A. & Dietrich, E. (2024). **Internationalization of higher education in Brazil: Advances and challenges**. In C. Yu & E. Woldegiorgis (Eds.) *Critical reflections on the internationalisation of higher education in the Global South*. Emerald Publishing.

Wagner V, A. & Morreale Scott, L. (2024, April 20). *Catalyzing P20 civic engagement partnerships*. Maryland Civic Education Coalition Annual Summit, Crofton, MD, United States.

Wagner V, A. (2024, March 10-14). *“Diploma factories” or democratic institutions?: Analyzing the missions and democratic contributions of different types of universities in Minas Gerais, Brazil*. Comparative and International Education Society 2024 Annual Conference, Miami, FL, United States.

Wagner V, A. (2023, December 4-7). *“Fabricas de diploma” ou instituições democráticas? Explorando as missões e as contribuições democráticas de tipos diferentes de universidades em Minas Gerais, Brasil*. 2023 GESTRADO / GRAFHO ESCOLA DOUTORAL – Direito à Educação e reestruturação da profissão docente: narrativas e políticas públicas, Salvador, Bahia, Brazil.

Wagner, A. L. 2021. **Education reform and youth civic engagement within Brazilian universities in the shadow of the military dictatorship**. Master’s Paper. University of Pennsylvania Graduate School of Education.

Wagner, A. L. 2017. **Why have youth from different neighborhoods of Durban, South Africa developed different opinions regarding the role and importance of voting in the current state of South African democracy?** *Student Publications*. 528. http://cupola.gettysburg.edu/student_scholarship/528.

DELEGATION MEMBER

UNESCO IESALC Delegate | 2024 United Nations ECOSOC Youth Summit

April 16 – 18, 2024, New York, New York

AWARDS & GRANTS

U.S. Fulbright Open Study/Research Grant Extension

December 2025 – May 2026; Research grant extended competitively by Brazilian Fulbright Commission

U.S. Fulbright Open Study/Research Grant

February – November 2025; To conduct dissertation fieldwork at the Federal University of Minas Gerais, Brazil

John Lewis-Fulbright Civil Rights Fellow (member of inaugural cohort)

February – November 2025; Participated in monthly sessions and fellowship symposium in Colombo, Sri Lanka

NYU Steinhardt Office of Doctoral Studies Doctoral Research & Travel Grant

September 2024; To present at 2024 BAICE Conference at University of Sussex, UK

New York University Shearwater Exploratory Research Grant

June – August 2023; To conduct pilot research in Minas Gerais, Brazil

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

English: Native Speaker

Brazilian Portuguese: “Superior Intermediate Certification,” CELPE-BRAS Proficiency Exam, 2019

TECHNICAL SKILLS & COMPETENCIES

Microsoft Office Suite

BrightSpace

Salsa CRM

Network for Good CRM

JotForm

Google Docs, Forms, Sheets, Slides, Drive, Teams

CITI Social and Behavioral Research (*Expires 2026*)

LinkedIn Developing Cross-Cultural Intelligence

ArcGIS (basic competencies)

PROFESSIONAL/GROUP MEMBERSHIPS

Comparative and International Education Society (CIES): 2022-present

National Institute for Science & Technology Educational Policy and Teaching Work Research Group at the Federal University of Minas Gerais (INCT Gestrado): 2023-present

British Association of International and Comparative Education (BAICE): 2024-present

Fulbright Association: 2024-present