

Annual Report 2021



BRAZILIAN STUDIES PROGRAMME



LATIN AMERICAN CENTRE
UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD

About Us

About the Brazilian studies Programme

The University of Oxford

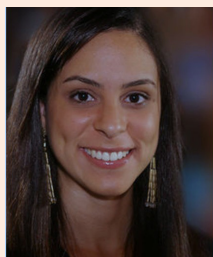
The Brazilian Studies Programme (BSP) was founded in 2008 as an integral part of the Latin American Centre (LAC).

The Programme brings together scholars from around the University of Oxford who are teaching and researching Brazilian topics and is directed by Dr Andreza Aruska de Souza Santos.

We welcome suitably qualified academics and practitioners who wish to contribute to the research and activities of our centre. The research focus of Brazilian Studies within the LAC is as follows:

- Urban Ethnography in Brazil.
- The International Relations of Brazil and Brazil's evolving position in the global order.
- Brazilian Social Movements.
- Comparative Politics of Brazil.
- Sociology of Brazil.
- Political Ethnography.
- Anthropology in Brazil.

Professor Timothy J. Power, currently Director of the Social Science Division, also supervises academics visitors.



Dr Andreza Aruska de Souza Santos is Lecturer and Course Director at the Latin American Centre.

Being the director of the Brazilian Studies Programme at Oxford brings me closer to a team of Brazilians doing cutting-edge research in diverse disciplines.

We created an interdisciplinary seminar series to engage the community of Brazilian scientists at Oxford and to give them a platform to showcase their work. The BSP has a mission to promote Brazil at Oxford and Oxford in Brazil.



Mariana de Oliveira, PhD candidate in Physical and Theoretical Chemistry

To be part of the Brazilian Society is to feel closer to home and meet people with the most diverse background. The Brazilian Studies Programme has helped us to go further, allowing us to engage with the challenges that face Brazil. Through our conferences and seminars, we try to incentivise and disseminate important research topics and democratize access to all these fantastic achievement. Our collaboration brings Brazil to Oxford.

How we work

The BSP is **internationally recognized for receiving academic visitors** and supporting them to develop relevant **working papers** and for promoting several events such as the **Brazilian Studies Programme Annual Conference**, weekly seminars known as **Coffee & Science** in partnership with the Oxford Brazilian Society, and **Book Launches**.

Through the Programme we aim to:

- Coordinate and develop **postgraduate teaching and advanced research** on Brazil across the social sciences and humanities within the University of Oxford.
- Bring scholars, intellectuals and policy makers from Brazil and elsewhere to Oxford, and provide them with the **environment in which to pursue the academic study of Brazil and international issues and problems with a Brazilian dimension**.
- Promote a **greater understanding of Brazil** through a programme of lectures, seminars, workshops and conferences, research projects, and publications.
- **Extend and strengthen academic links** between the University of Oxford and universities or research institutions in Brazil and between the University of Oxford and other universities in the world.



Juliana Lopes, Recognised PhD Student

As a psychologist investigating the impacts of self-employment and informality on the lives of workers, I found at LAC the interdisciplinarity necessary to deepen my knowledge in fields such as Economics and Social Sciences, which are fundamental to my research. In addition, the University of Oxford provides us with a great research framework and allows us to share knowledge with scholars from different parts of the world. All these experiences have broadened my professional and personal horizons in a unique way.

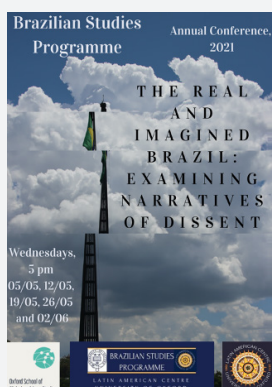
Looking Back: Brazil at Oxford in 2021

The University of Oxford

A year of impactful research and collaborative events

Events and Activities:

- 1 December 2021: **Brazilian Studies Programme Seminar; Agribusiness, democracy, and climate politics in Brazil**, with Caio Pompeia (University of Sao Paulo & LAC Academic Visitor).
- 24 November 2021: **Brazilian Studies Programme Seminar; Limpo e Bonito: aesthetics of land and body cultivation in frontiers of the Brazilian Amazon**, with Jeffrey Hoelle (University of California, Santa Barbara & LAC Academic Visitor).
- 17 November 2021: **Brazilian Studies Programme Seminar; Brazil and the liberal international order: modernity, liminality, and stigma**, with John de Bhal (DPhil candidate DPIR, University of Oxford).
- 10 November 2021: **Brazilian Studies Programme Seminar; “O sorriso aprovador”, for a critical reading of late Machado de Assis**, with Vinicius Brunette (DPhil candidate in Literature, University of Oxford).
- 01 November 2021: **Coffee and Science; Amazônia the Next Chapter: Beyond Forlândia**, with Marcos Colón (Florida State University & Winthrop-King Institute).
- 02 June 2021: **Brazilian Studies Programme Annual Conference; The Brazilian Supreme Court in Pandemic Times**, with Chief Justice Luiz Fux. Discussant: Timothy Power, University of Oxford.
- 02 June 2021: **Brazilian Studies Programme Annual Conference; Brazil’s populist authoritarian grip: what is at stake for Brazilian Democracy**, with Esther Solano Gallego (Unifesp), Isabela Kallil (FESPSP), Katerina Hatzikidi (Tuebingen), Marcos Nobre (CEBRAP). Discussant: Anthony Pereira (KCL).
- 26 May 2021: **Brazilian Studies Programme Annual Conference; Uncertainty and fragmented policy strategies: the pandemic in Brazil**, with Andreza Aruska de Souza Santos (University of Oxford), Eduardo Stranz (Consultor CNM), Lorena Barberia (USP), Elaine Nascimento (Fiocruz-PI/UFPI). Discussant: Anna Petherick (University of Oxford).
- 19 May 2021: **Brazilian Studies Programme Annual Conference; “O Estado é laico mas o governo é cristão”: religious groups in politics – between tolerance and intolerance**, with Amy Erica Smith (Iowa State), Ariel Goldstein (Conicet), David Simbsler (EHESS), Ana Carolina Evangelista (FGV/ISER). Discussant: David Lehmann (University of Cambridge).
- 12 May 2021: **Brazilian Studies Programme Annual Conference; Doing one’s job versus keeping one’s job: strategies of dissent**, with Aeron Ansell (Virginia Tech), Gabriela Lotta (FGV), Ricardo Galvão (USP). Discussant: Katherine Bersch (Davidson College).
- 5 May 2021: **Brazilian Studies Programme Annual Conference; Fake news and the exercise of democracy in contemporary Brazil**, with Ministry Dias Toffoli (STF). Discussants: Nara Pavão (UFPE), and Ezequiel Gonzáles Ocantos (University of Oxford).
- 10 March 2021: **Coffee and Science; Working time on digital platforms: the essence of workers’ time**, with Cassio Calvete (UFRGS). 01 November 2021: **Coffee and Science; Amazônia the Next Chapter: Beyond Forlândia**, with Marcos Colón (Florida State University & Winthrop-King Institute).
- 24 February 2021: **Coffee and Science; Creating ‘confederate pioneers’: settler colonialism, slavery, and memory in Santa Bárbara d’Oeste, São Paulo**, with Jordan Brasher (Columbus State University).
- 10 February 2021: **Coffee and Science; Genetic diversity of SARS-CoV-2 in Brazil: mutations, lineages, and vaccines**, with Darlan Cândido (University of Oxford).
- 27 January 2021: **Coffee and Science; Accessing healthcare via courts in Brazil: a socio-legal discussion**, with Fernanda Farina (University of Oxford).



Brazilian Studies Programme
Annual Conference Poster



BSP Poster Coffee & Science Series

We thank our partners:

MATTOS FILHO >

Mattos Filho, Veiga Filho,
Marrey Jr e Quiroga Advogados



Follow us on social media



Watch our YouTube channel



Follow us on Twitter @OxfordBSP



LATIN AMERICAN CENTRE
UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD