

Roberta S. Pamplona

Curriculum Vitae

2025 - Assistant Professor in Sociology
Mount Royal University, Canada

Education

2020-2025 **PhD in Sociology with a Collaborative Specialization in Women & Gender Studies**

University of Toronto, Canada

2018-2020 **Master of Arts in Sociology**

Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul (UFRGS), Brazil

2012-2017 **Bachelor's Degree in Law**

Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil

Summa cum laude

With a semester at the University of Heidelberg, Germany

Research and Teaching Interests

Feminist and postcolonial theories, law & society, political sociology, critical criminology, qualitative methods, Latin American studies, and social movements.

Selected Awards & Fellowships

2025 Start-Up Grant, Faculty of Arts, Mount Royal University
Law and Society Association – Best Graduate Student Paper Prize
Law and Society Association's Early Career/Graduate Student Workshop
XVIII ISA International Laboratory for PhD Students (*declined*)

2024-2025 Ontario Graduate Scholarship, University of Toronto

2024 Graduate Award for Scholarly Achievement in the Area of Gender-Based Violence, University of Toronto
Best Graduate Student Paper, Canadian Sociology Association Criminology and Law Research Cluster
Feminist Theory Workshop International Travel Award, Duke University
Muriel D. Bissell International Travel Award, University of Toronto

2021-2024 Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarship, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council

2020-2024 Connaught International Scholarship for Doctoral Students, University of Toronto

2023 Kay Armatage Graduate Women and Gender Studies Prize, University of Toronto

2021-2023 Summer Research Fellowship, University of Toronto

2022 Fellowship for Research on Gender-based Violence in the Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy, University of Toronto

2020-2021 University of Toronto Fellowship, University of Toronto

2020 Sociology Admission Merit Award, University of Toronto
Sociology Recruitment Award, University of Toronto

2019 Emerging Leaders in the Americas Program, EduCanada

- 2018-2020 Best Poster at the 19th Conference of the Brazilian Sociological Association
M.A. fellowship, National Council for Scientific and Technological Development (CNPq)
- 2019 Scholarship Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst (DAAD)

Peer-Reviewed Publications

Pamplona, R. S. 2025. Reframing Feminist Ideas, Challenging State Incorporation: Activism Against Violence and the Feminicídio Law in Brazil. *Gender & Society*, 39(1), 35-62.

<https://doi.org/10.1177/08912432241304768>

* Law and Society Association Graduate Student Paper Prize 2025

* Criminology and Law Research Cluster Best Student Paper - Canadian Sociology Association 2024

* Award for Scholarly Achievement in the Area of Gender-Based Violence – University of Toronto 2024

Pamplona, R. S. 2024. Symbolic and Transformative: Alignments Toward *Feminicídio* Legal Reform inside the Brazilian Police, *Social Politics: International Studies in Gender, State & Society*, 31, 1, 99–122. <https://doi.org/10.1093/sp/jxad019>

Konzen, L. P. & Pamplona, R. S. 2021. In search of a paradigm: the Scandinavian debate on the identity of sociology of law. *Revista Direito e Praxis*, [S.l.], 2021. <https://doi.org/10.1590/2179-8966/2020/53808> [In Portuguese].

Pamplona, R. S. & Barros, B. W. 2021. Masculinities in the Brazilian context. *Revista Brasileira de Informação Bibliográfica em Ciências Sociais – BIB*. DOI: [10.17666/bib9505/2021](https://doi.org/10.17666/bib9505/2021). [In Portuguese].

Flores, J. & Pamplona, R. S. 2020. Young women's intimate partner relationships and institutional responses inside a California Juvenile Detention Centre. *Culture, Health & Sexuality*. DOI: [10.1080/13691058.2020.1776398](https://doi.org/10.1080/13691058.2020.1776398).

Manuscripts Forthcoming

Fachinetto, R. F., Carvalho, D. S., & Pamplona, R.S. 2025. “A Man’s Body Dressed as a Woman”: News Media Representations of Lethal Violence Against LGBTQIAP+ People in Rio Grande do Sul. *cadernos pagu* (75). [In Portuguese].

Under Review

Otto, N.*, Pamplona, R. S*, & Schwartzman, L. Between the Home and the Street: Gender, Violence, and the Social Construction of the Public/Private Boundary in Brazil. Revised & Resubmitted - *Latin American Research Review*.

In preparation:

Pamplona, R. S. Racialized Remembering in Lawmaking: Memory and Violence in Brazil.

Pamplona, R. S. Seeing Like a Feminist: Activists and the Aftermath of a Legal Reform.

Trottier, B. & Pamplona, R. S. “No One is Against Healthy Food”: Brazilian Landless Worker’s Movement and Political Consumerism in Brazil.

Book Chapters

Pamplona, R. S. 2019. *Crafting Feminicídios as a Domestic Problem in Brazil*. In: Jennifer Simpson dos Santos, Rochele Fellini Fachinetto, Rosimeri Aquino da Silva. (Org.). *Descolonizar a prática e o sexo*. 1ed. Porto Alegre: Cirkula, 2019, v. 1, p. 229-259. [In Portuguese]

Research Reports

2020 - Research Report on the Evaluation of the National Socio-Educational System (SINASE). Funded by the United Nations Development Programme (PNUD). Center for International Studies on Government (CEGOV), Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul (UFRGS). Available at <https://www.ufrgs.br/avaliacaosinase/?p=643>.

2015 - Research Report on the Juvenile Detention Centers for Girls in Brazil. Funded by the National Council of Justice in Brazil. Universidade Católica de Pernambuco (UNICAP). Available at <https://www.cnj.jus.br/wp-content/uploads/2011/02/cb905d37b1c494f05afc1a14ed56d96b.pdf>.

Teaching Experience

Course Instructor – Mount Royal University

Fall 2025 SLGY1101 – Introduction to Sociology (in person)

Fall 2025 SLGY3731 – Special Topics: Political Sociology (in person)

Course Instructor – University of Toronto

Summer 2024 SOC354H1S – Gender, Violence, and the State (online)

Fall 2024 SOC351H1F – Gender, Violence, and the State (in person)

Guest Lectures

Pamplona, R. 2023. Transnational Networks of Crime, Governance and Activism. Undergraduate course in Sociology at the University of Toronto.

Pamplona, R. 2022. Mapping out and Reading the Academic Literature. Graduate Course in Sociology at the University of Toronto.

Pamplona, R. 2022. Gender, Violence, and Feminist Activism in Brazil. Undergraduate course in Sociology at the University of Toronto. (Online)

Pamplona, R. 2020. Social Theory and the Global South. Undergraduate lecture in Sociology at the Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul (Online).

Teaching Assistant – University of Toronto

SOC100H1F-L0101 - Introduction to Sociology I - Sociological Perspectives (tutorials)

SOC201H1F-L0101 - Classical Sociological Theory (tutorials)

SOC251H1F-L5101 - Contemporary Sociological Theory (tutorials)

SOC324H5S - Carceral Feminisms: Race, Gender & State Violence

SOC325H5F - Law & Social Theory

SOC330H5S - Criminology and Immigration

SOC346H5F - Special Topics in Crime & Law

SOC354H5F - Global Sociology

SOC360H1S - Social Movement

SOC405H5S - Surveillance in a Digital World

SOC427H5S - Politics, violence, and human rights in Latin America

SOC446H5F - Advanced Topics in Criminology, Law & Society

SOC6101H1S - Sociological Theory II: Contemporary Sociological Theory (graduate course)

Teaching Fundamentals Certificate in 2021 - Teaching Assistants' Training Program (TATP) at the University of Toronto.

Course Instructor Training Camp in 2024 - Teaching Assistants' Training Program (TATP) at the University of Toronto.

Selected Conference Presentations

Pamplona, R. S. 2025. Defending Feminism Through Intersectionality: Feminist Strategies Amid Right-Wing Movements in Brazil. American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Chicago.

Trottier, B. & Pamplona, R. S. 2025. "No One is Against Healthy Food": Brazilian Landless Worker's Movement and Political Consumerism in Brazil. Canadian Sociological Association Conference, Toronto.

Pamplona, R. S. 2024. Racialized Remembering: State and Activists Narratives of Gender-Based Violence in Brazil. Young Scholars in Social Movements Mini-Conference, University of Notre Dame.

Pamplona, R. S. 2024. Gendering the Streets in Brazil: Institutional and Black Movements' Narratives on Lethal Violence Against Women. American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Montreal.

Pamplona, R. S. 2024. Feminist Repurposing: Activism Against Violence, State Incorporation, and the *Feminicídio* Law in Brazil. Canadian Sociological Association Conference, Montreal.

Pamplona, R. S. 2024. Intersectionality: Theory and Practice in Brazil. Panel. Latin American Studies Association Conference, Bogotá.

Otto, N.; Pamplona, R. S.; Schwartzman, L. 2022. Gendered violence and the Social Construction of the Public/Private Boundary in Southern Brazil. American Society of Criminology, Atlanta.

Pamplona, R. S. 2022. Retheorizing Violence: Brazilian Feminist Intellectual Formulations Toward the *Feminicídio* Category. New Directions in Law and Society Conference, University of Massachusetts Amherst, Amherst.

Service to the University, the Profession, and the Community

Reviewer:

Gender & Society, Social Politics: International Studies in Gender, State & Society, Canadian Review of Sociology, Gender & Politics, and NYU Press.

Member:

Law & Society Association; Canadian Sociology Association; American Sociology Association; International Sociological Association; Canadian Association for Latin America and Caribbean Studies.

2025- 2026 Member of the Endeavour Committee, Mount Royal University

2023- 2024 Member of the Canadian Review of Sociology Student Advisory Board

2022-2023 Co-president - Graduate Sociology Students' Association (GSSA), University of Toronto

2020-2024 Mentor for Brazilian researchers seeking to apply to graduate school in Canada
2021-2024 Mentorship Incoming Graduate Students, University of Toronto
2021 Union Steward CUPE 3902, Academic Workers at the University of Toronto
2021 International Liaison Graduate Sociology Students' Association (GSSA),
University of Toronto
2012-2020 Volunteer Pro Bono Program at the Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul

Research Projects

2021-2026 Research Collaborator

Bringing Democracy into the Law: Urban Inequalities and Struggles over Rights and Fairness in the Brazilian Justice System - Department of Sociology, University of Toronto

2024-2026 Research Collaborator

An Analysis of Homicides and Feminicídios in Brazil - Department of Sociology, Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul

2024-2025 Research Assistant

Transforming the City from the Favelas and Colonias Populares: Women and Embodied Urbanizations in Latin America - Institut de recherches et d'études féministes (IREF), Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM)

2021-2022 Research Assistant

Innovations in Police Responses to Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault - Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy, University of Toronto

2018-2020 Research Assistant

The National Juvenile Justice Units System: An Analysis - Center for International Studies about Governance (CEGOV)
Funded by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

2014-2016 Research Assistant

From Spaces to Rights: The reality of female Juvenile Justice Units in the five Brazilian Regions - National Justice Council (CNJ)

Language Proficiency

Portuguese (Native), English (Fluent), German (Advanced), Spanish and French (Reading).