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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Founder, Executive Director

UNIVERSITY NETWORK FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

Founded and direct [organization](#) dedicated to creating supervised, practical opportunities in community-based human rights advocacy for non-law students; raised \$3 million; launched programs with Wesleyan and nationally; developing and finalizing programs with universities in US, Brazil, Mexico and Europe.

July 2018 – present

MIDDLETOWN, CT

Professor of Practice

WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

Direct Minor in Human Rights Advocacy; teach courses and seminars on human rights; oversee team of supervisors and students in community-based human rights work.

August 2019—present

MIDDLETOWN, CT

Visiting Professor/Lecturer on Law

YALE LAW SCHOOL

Taught and teach ‘Regional Human Rights: The Inter-American System,’

Spring 2020; Fall 2021; Fall 2022

NEW HAVEN, CT

Visiting Professor

UCLA SCHOOL OF LAW

Taught and teach ‘Regional Human Rights: The Inter-American System.’

Spring 2021, 2023

LOS ANGELES, CA

Visiting Professor

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE SCHOOL OF LAW/SOCIOLOGY

Taught human rights law and human rights advocacy.

Spring 2022

IRVINE, CA

Director, Stanford Human Rights Center

STANFORD LAW SCHOOL

Founded and directed university-wide academic center housed at Law School.

Responsible for organization of conferences, events, publications in human rights.

April 2013 – June 2019

STANFORD, CA

Professor of Law

& Director, International Human Rights Clinic

STANFORD LAW SCHOOL

Appointed by full Stanford Law faculty to professor of law position for continuing term; named founding director of International Human Rights and Conflict Resolution Clinic. Taught classes in human rights, oversaw all clinical projects.

July 2011 – June 2019

STANFORD, CA

Commissioner, President (2016-2017)

INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS, OAS

Elected in June 2013 to four-year term on Commission by OAS General Assembly. Served as one of seven experts in Americas responsible for human rights oversight in western hemisphere. As president (2016-2017), oversaw all operations and actions of international body with staff of nearly 80.

January 2014 – December 2017

WASHINGTON, DC

Clinical Professor of Law/Executive Director

HARVARD LAW SCHOOL/HUMAN RIGHTS PROGRAM

Appointed (Full) Clinical Professor by Harvard Law School faculty vote, November 2005; taught seminars, workshops and reading groups on human rights advocacy, international human rights litigation,

January 2006 – July 2011

CAMBRIDGE, MA

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| Law Clerk FOLGER & LEVIN | Summer 1987 & Winter 1988 SAN FRANCISCO, CA |
| Law Clerk IMPACT LITIGATION UNIT, ALAMEDA COUNTY LEGAL AID SOCIETY | Fall 1987 OAKLAND, CA |
| Law Clerk SOUTHWEST VOTER REGISTRATION EDUCATION PROJECT | Summer 1987 SAN ANTONIO, TX |
| Staff Member ANNUNCIATION HOUSE Full-time, live-in staff member in shelter for Central American refugees. Asylum adviser. | 1985-1986 EL PASO, TX |
| Intern/Legislative Correspondent OFFICE OF CONGRESSMAN EDWARD J. MARKEY | Fall 1984 WASHINGTON, DC |

EDUCATION

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| Ph.D UNIVERSIDAD PABLO DE OLAVIDE/SEVILLA Doctorate in Human Rights in Development. Dissertation: <i>Hacia una visión crítica y práctica de la eficacia de los derechos humanos en las Américas: Una reevaluación del sistema interamericano y las comisiones de la verdad en las transiciones</i> . Highest Honors (Sobresaliente, Cum Laude, unanimously awarded). | 1999 - 2014 SEVILLE, SPAIN |
| J.D. UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT BERKELEY, SCHOOL OF LAW Order of the Coif (top 10% of graduating class) American Jurisprudence Awards (first in course): Contracts I, Criminal Law Prosser Awards (second in course): Contracts II, Professional Responsibility <i>California Law Review</i> , member: fall 1987, fall 1990; associate editor: spring 1991 - spring 1992 Academic Support Program, tutor (Contracts and Criminal Law) fall 1987, fall 1990 - fall 1991 Research Assistant, Professor David Caron (international law) spring - fall 1991 | May 1992 BERKELEY, CA |
| M.A. (advanced to candidacy) CENTER FOR LATIN AM. STUDIES, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT BERKELEY Tinker Scholarship for travel to Chile, 1988 Foreign Language Area Studies (FLAS) scholarship (full tuition and stipend), 1991-1992 | May 1992 BERKELEY, CA |
| A.B. HARVARD COLLEGE A.B., with Honors, in Government, <i>cum laude</i> Senior Honors Thesis, <i>Drunk Driving Legislation in Massachusetts, 1970-1982</i> . Dean's List, Harvard College Scholar | June 1984 CAMBRIDGE, MA |

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

NOTE: This list includes only publications in academic or practice-based journals and books. It does not include, for example, Op-Eds in newspapers, nor does it include reports and books published by the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights during the period in which I served on, or presided over, that body. These may be found in a more complete compilation, [here](#).

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS IN ACADEMIC JOURNALS, CHAPTERS AND BOOKS (IN ENGLISH)

James Cavallaro and Jamie O'Connell, *The ICC's Best Best: Look to Regional Systems*, ICC FORUM BLOG (available at <https://iccforum.com/legal-traditions#Cavallaro>) (July 2022)

José L. Pérez Guadalupe, James Cavallaro and Lucia Nuñovero, *Towards a Governance Model of Ungovernable Prisons: How Recognition of Inmate Organizations, Dialogue, and Mutual Respect Can Transform Violent Prisons in Latin America*, 70 CATH. U. L. REV. 367 (2021).

James L. Cavallaro and Meghna Sridhar, *Reducing Bias in Human Rights Factfinding: the Potential of the Clinical Simulation Model to Overcome Ethical, Practical, and Cultural Tensions in 'Foreign' Contexts*, 45 HUM. RTS. Q. (2020)

James L. Cavallaro and Jamie O'Connell: *When Prosecution is Not Enough: How the International Criminal Court Can Prevent Atrocity and Advance Accountability by Emulating Regional Human Rights Institutions*, 45 YALE J. INT'L L. (2020)

James L. Cavallaro, Claret Vargas, et al, *DOCTRINE, PRACTICE, AND ADVOCACY IN THE INTER-AMERICAN HUMAN RIGHTS SYSTEM* (Oxford University Press, 2019)

Mirte Postema, James Cavallaro and Ruhan Nagra, *Advancing Security and Human Rights by the Controlled Organisation of Inmates*, PRISON SERVICE JOURNAL, No. 229 (2017)

James L. Cavallaro, *US Exceptionalism, Human Rights and Civil Society*, 16 AUSTRIAN REV. INTL. AND EUROPEAN L. (2014)

Stephan Sonnenberg and James L. Cavallaro, *Name, Shame, and Then Build Consensus? Bringing Conflict Resolution Skills to Human Rights*, 39 WASH. UNIV. J. OF LAW & POLICY (2012)

James L. Cavallaro and Fernando Delgado, *The Paradox of Accountability in Brazil*, in Vesselin Popovski and Monica Serrano (eds.), *AFTER OPPRESSION. TRANSITIONAL JUSTICE IN EASTERN EUROPE AND LATIN AMERICA*, Tokyo, UN University Press (2012)

James L. Cavallaro, *Legal Comment: How to Advocate Against Torture? Understanding and Countering the Dynamics of Support for Abusive Interrogation*, in J. Hanson, ed. *IDEOLOGY, PSYCHOLOGY, AND LAW* (2012) (Oxford)

James L. Cavallaro and Stephanie Erin Brewer, *Reevaluating Regional Human Rights Litigation in the Twenty-First Century: the Case of the Inter-American Court*, 102 AM. J. INT'L L. (2008)

James L. Cavallaro and Sebastián Albuja, *The Lost Agenda: Economic Crimes and Truth Commissions in Latin America and Beyond* in K. McEvoy and L. McGregor (eds) *TRANSITIONAL JUSTICE FROM BELOW* (2008) (Hart)

James L. Cavallaro and Stephanie Erin Brewer, *Never Again?: The Legacy of the Argentine and Chilean Dictatorships for the Global Human Rights Regime*, 39. J. INTERDISC. HIST. 233 (2008)

James L. Cavallaro, *Looking Backward to Address the Future?: Transitional Justice, Rising Crime and Nation-Building*, 60 MAINE L. REV. 462 (2008)

James L. Cavallaro and Stephanie Erin Brewer, *The Virtue of Following: The Role of Inter-American Litigation in Campaigns for Social Justice*, 8 SUR J. ON HUMAN RTS. 85 (2008)

M. Minow, S.E. Brewer, J. Cavallaro, F. Delgado, Y. Lam & D. Popowski, *Mobilizing Against the Military Commissions Act of 2006*, 1 HARV. L. & POL. REV. (2006)

James L. Cavallaro and Emily Schaffer, *Rejoinder: Justice Before Justiciability: Inter-American Litigation and Social Change*, 39 N.Y.U. J. INT'L L. & POL. 345 (2006)

James L. Cavallaro and Mohammad M. Mohamedou, *Public Enemy Number Two: Rising Criminality and Challenges to Human Rights Defense in Transitional Societies*, 18 HARV. HUM. RTS. J. 139 (2005)

James L. Cavallaro and Emily Schaffer, *Less as More: Rethinking Supranational Litigation of Economic and Social Rights in the Americas*, 56 HASTINGS L. J. 217 (2004)

James L. Cavallaro, *Book Review: Violence Workers: Police Torturers and Murderers Reconstruct Brazilian Atrocities*. By Martha K. Huggins, Mika Haritos-Fatouros and Philip G. Zimbaro (University of California Press, 2002), 43 BRITISH J. CRIMINOLOGY 817 (2003)

James L. Cavallaro, *Toward Fair Play: A Decade of Transformation and Resistance in International Human Rights Advocacy in Brazil*, 3 U. CHI. J. INT'L L. 482 (2002)

James L. Cavallaro, *The Demise of the Political Necessity Defense: Indirect Civil Disobedience and United States v. Schoon*, 81 CAL. L. REV. 351 (1993)

SELECTED HUMAN RIGHTS DOCUMENTATION, LEGAL PRACTICE AND POLICY BOOKS AND REPORTS

Note: This list does not include publications issued in the name of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, nor the publications of the University Network for Human Rights, for which Cavallaro served as a co-author or editor. These may be found at cidh.org in English, Spanish and Portuguese and at humanrightsnetwork.org, respectively.

T. Achiume, T. Alexander Aleinikoff, J. Cavallaro, et al, *Communiqué to the Office of the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court Under Article 15 of the Rome Statute: The Situation in Nauru and Manus Island: Liability for Crimes Against Humanity* (February 2017)

J. Cavallaro, S. Sonnenberg & S. Knuckey, *LIVING UNDER DRONES: DEATH, INJURY AND TRAUMA TO CIVILIANS FROM US DRONE PRACTICES IN PAKISTAN*, Stanford, Calif.: International Human Rights and Conflict Resolution Clinic, Stanford Law School; New York: NYU School of Law, Global Justice Clinic (Sep. 2012).

L. Pedraza Fariña, S. Miller & J. Cavallaro, *NO PLACE TO HIDE: GANG, STATE, AND CLANDESTINE VIOLENCE IN EL SALVADOR*, Rights Program Practice Series/Harvard University Press (2010)

J. Cavallaro, J. Kopas, Y. Lam, T. Mayhle, S. Villagra, *SECURITY IN PARAGUAY: ANALYSIS AND RESPONSES IN COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE*, Human Rights Program Practice Series/Harvard University Press, (2008)

J. Cavallaro and S. Miller, *No Place to Hide: Gang, State, and Clandestine Violence in El Salvador*, International Human Rights Clinic, Harvard Law School (2007)

Breach of Faith: Persecution of the Ahmadiyya Community in Bangladesh, HUMAN RIGHTS WATCH SHORT REPORT, VOL. 5., Vol. 17, No. 6(C) (June 2005) (coordinated and edited initial HLS Advocates/HRP draft)

Keeping the Peace in Haiti?: An Assessment of the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti Using Compliance with its Prescribed Mandate as a Barometer for Success, HLS Advocates for Human Rights/Global Justice Center (March 2005) (coordinator, editor; report drafted by HLS students B. Litman and P. Bhatia)

D. Anker, J. Cavallaro and S. Shastri, *Towards the Lowest Common Denominator: Canada Guts Post-9/11 Refugee Protection* 9 BENDER'S IMMIGRATION BULLETIN 1028 (September 1, 2004)

James L. Cavallaro, *CRIME, PUBLIC ORDER AND HUMAN RIGHTS* (for the International Council on Human Rights Policy), Geneva, International Council on Human Rights Policy (November 2003)

James L. Cavallaro, et al, *FRONT LINE BRAZIL: MURDERS, DEATH THREATS AND OTHER INTIMIDATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS, 1997-2001*, Dublin & Rio de Janeiro (April 2002)

F. Piovesan, J.B. Lima, J.,L. Cavallaro, J.F. Silva, L. Oliveira & V. Brito, *EXTRAJUDICIAL, SUMMARY OR ARBITRARY EXECUTIONS: AN APPROXIMATION OF THE SITUATION IN BRAZIL*, Recife, Editora Gajop (April 2001)

Joanne Mariner & James L. Cavallaro, *BEHIND BARS IN BRAZIL* (for Human Rights Watch), New York, Human Rights Watch (December 1998)

James L. Cavallaro, *POLICE BRUTALITY IN URBAN BRAZIL* (for Human Rights Watch), New York, Human Rights Watch (April 1997)

James L. Cavallaro & Anna Claudia Monteiro, *Fighting Violence with Violence: Human Rights Abuse and Criminality in Rio de Janeiro* (for Human Rights Watch), HUMAN RIGHTS WATCH SHORT REPORT, VOL.8., NO. 2(B) (January 1996)

James L. Cavallaro, *Forced Labor Revisited: On-Site Investigations Reveal the Practice Continues in Brazil* (for Human Rights Watch), HUMAN RIGHTS WATCH SHORT REPORT, VOL. 5., NO. 12 (November 1993)

Allyson Collins & James L. Cavallaro, *Frontier Injustice: Human Rights Abuses Along the U.S. Border with Mexico Persist Amid Climate of Impunity* (for Americas Watch), HUMAN RIGHTS WATCH SHORT REPORT, VOL. 5, NO. 4 (May 1993)

SELECTED ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS IN PORTUGUESE

J.M. Saldanha, J. Cavallaro and A. Magliacane, *A Corrupção Como um Mal Originário: A Destruição dos Princípios Democráticos por Perversão*, REVISTA DA FACULDADE MINEIRA DE DIREITO, Vol. 21, No. 42 (2018) (also published in Spanish and Italian, 2019 and 2020)

James L. Cavallaro, *Apresentação* (Preface) in CLÍNICA DE DIREITOS HUMANOS: UMA PROPOSTA METODOLÓGICA PARA A EDUCAÇÃO JURÍDICA, Fernanda Brandão Lapa: Editora Lumen Juris (2014)

James L. Cavallaro & Thamy Pogrebinschi, *A Emergente Jurisprudência em Direitos Econômicos, Sociais e Culturais no Sistema Interamericano*, (Emerging Jurisprudence in Economic, Social and Cultural Rights in the Inter-American System) in DIREITOS HUMANOS, GLOBALIZAÇÃO ECONÔMICA E INTEGRAÇÃO REGIONAL, S. Paulo, Editora Max Limonad (November 2001)

James L. Cavallaro, *Mortos e desaparecidos políticos: reparação necessária*, (Disappeared and Politically Executed: Necessary Reparations”) in Janaina Teles, Editor, MORTOS E DESAPARECIDOS POLÍTICOS: REPARAÇÃO OU IMPUNIDADE?, S. Paulo, University of São Paulo Press (June 2000)

James L. Cavallaro & Saulo Carvalho, *A situação carcerária no Brasil e a miséria acadêmica*, (Prison Conditions and the lack of Prisons Literature), in Ney Fayet and Simone P. Miranda Corrêa, Editors, A SOCIEDADE, A VIOLÊNCIA E O DIREITO PENAL, Porto Alegre, Editora Livraria do Advogado (2000)

Juán Méndez, José Miguel Vivanco and James L. Cavallaro, *Apresentação*, (Preface) in G. Dimenstein, DEMOCRACIA EM PEDAÇOS, S. Paulo, Companhia das Letras (March 1996)

SELECTED ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS IN SPANISH

James Cavallaro y Camila Bustos, *La Urgente Necesidad de Re-Imaginar la Clínica de Derechos Humanos: Hacia una Clínica Interdisciplinaria*, en C.L. Molina, et al, ESTUDIOS SOBRE ENSEÑANZA DEL DERECHO, Tirant lo Blanch, Valencia (2022)

J. Cavallaro and C. Vargas, Reseña: González Morales, F., *Sistema interamericano de derechos humanos*, Valencia, Tirant lo Blanch, 2013, REVISTA ESPAÑOLA DE DERECHO INTERNACIONAL (2014/2015)

C. Sanhueza, D. Saver, J. Cavallaro, J. Contesse, C. Rodríguez, NO NOS TOMAN EN CUENTA: PUEBLOS INDÍGENAS Y CONSULTA PREVIA DE LA ARAUCANÍA, Santiago, Chile, Ediciones Universidad Diego Portales (2013)

James L. Cavallaro and Fernando Elizondo García, *¿Cómo establecer una Clínica de Derechos Humanos? Lecciones de los Prejuicios y Errores Colectivos en las Américas*, 6 JUSTICIA CONSTITUCIONAL 124 (2011)

James L. Cavallaro, Jacob Kopas, Yukyan Lam, Timothy Mayhle, Soledad Villagra de Biedermann, LA SEGURIDAD EN EL PARAGUAY: ANALISIS Y RESPUESTAS EN PERSPECTIVAS COMPARADAS, Cambridge: Clinica de Derechos Humanos, Universidad de Harvard/Universidad Columbia de Paraguay (2008)

James L. Cavallaro and Stephanie Erin Brewer, *La Función del Litigio Interamericano en la Promoción de la Justicia Social*, 8 SUR Revista Internacional de Derechos Humanos 85 (2008)

CONFERENCES, PRESENTATIONS AND MEDIA INTERVENTIONS

Hundreds of conferences, keynote addresses and presentations at leading universities in the United States, Canada, Latin American and the Caribbean, Asia and Europe, as well as in governmental and intergovernmental fora in English, Spanish, Portuguese and Italian. Hundreds of radio, television and print interviews in leading media sources in countries around the world. Details available on request.

LANGUAGES

English: Native Speaker

Portuguese: Total Fluency

French: proficient

Spanish: Total Fluency

Italian: proficient/near-fluent

REFERENCES AVAILABLE ON REQUEST