

MELISSA SALGADO, M.A.

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Education

University of North Texas, Ph.D. in Political Science. Expected completion: May 2027

- *Fields: International Relations and Comparative Politics*
- *Dissertation: "When do Human Rights Improve After Civil Conflict: An Exploration of the Role of Peace Agreements and Third Parties"*

University of Texas at Tyler, M.A. in Political Science 2018

University of Texas at Tyler, B.A. in Political Science, *Cum Laude* 2016

Academic Positions

University of Texas at Tyler

Senior Lecturer 2026-

Lecturer 2019-2026

Adjunct Instructor 2019

Director of Model United Nations 2019-

Assistant Director of Model United Nations 2016-2019

Relevant Professional Experience

Literacy Council of Tyler, *Student Support Lab Attendant* 2018 – 2019

United Nations Information Center, *Intern*, Washington, D.C. Summer 2018

Conference Paper Presentations

"Presidential Leverage on Homeland Security Bills: An Analysis of Veto Threats and Amendments." With Chris Nafrady and Mark Owens.

- Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Conference, April 2018

"Human Rights Language in Peace Agreements: When is there accountability?"

- Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Conference, April 2026

Awards

Graduate Public Policy Fellowship, *Archer Center, University of Texas System* 2018

McAlister Fund Society Scholarship, *University of North Texas* 2024

Steven Poe Scholarship, *University of North Texas* 2025, 2026

Memberships and Professional Affiliations

Pi Sigma Alpha, *National Political Science Honor Society* 2018

Courses Taught

Spring 2019-Present

The University of Texas at Tyler,
POLS 2305: Introduction to American Government
POLS 3370: Comparative Politics
POLS 4315: Model United Nations I
POLS 4316: Model United Nations II
POLS 4365: Diplomacy in the UN

University Service

Current Service

Faculty Member:

<i>Political Science Search Committee Member</i>	Fall 2024- Spring 2025
<i>Philosophy Faculty Search Committee Member</i>	Fall 2025
<i>Political Science Faculty Search Committee Member</i>	Fall 2025-Spring 2026

Faculty Advisor:

<i>Este Poder</i>	Fall 2023-Current
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Faculty Member:

<i>Graduate Archer Fellowship Program Placement Committee Member</i>	Fall 2024
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Judge:

<i>UT Tyler Ethics Bowl</i>	Fall 2023, Spring 2025, Spring 2026
<i>UT Tyler Lyceum</i>	Spring 2023, Spring 2024, Spring 2026

References:

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