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I. Education

Ph.D. in Philosophy, MA in Philosophy, and BA in Philosophy

1999 Ph.D., M.A., Philosophy, University of Miami, Coral Gables, FL.
Dissertation: *Suárez (1548-1617) and Meinong (1853-1920) on Beings of Reason and Non-existent Objects.*

1993 B.A. Philosophy, Florida International University, Miami, FL.
Graduating with Honors *Cum Laude*
Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement in Philosophy and Religious Study

MA in Accounting and BA in Accounting

1990-1993 M.A. Accounting, School of Business, Florida International University, Miami, FL.

1983-1987 B.A. Accounting, School of Business, Florida International University, Miami, FL.

II. Administrative Experience

Sul Ross State University (SRSU) is a Hispanic serving institution and comprehensive regional university that is part of the Texas State University State University. SRSU offers 60 undergraduate programs and 22 graduate degrees. We have four colleges, 17 departments and four campuses located in Alpine, Eagle Pass, Del Rio and Uvalde. We have 178 faculty members (91 tenured/ tenure track and 87 non-tenured) and over 400 employees.

→ Executive Vice President of Academic Affairs and Provost (2022-Present)

As the Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, I am the chief academic officer of the institution. I am charged with the responsibility of overseeing all of the Universities academic activities, curriculum development, student success, institutional research, assessment, and faculty development.

Direct Reports

- Campus Works Enterprise Services
- The Office of the Registrar
- The Office of Institutional Effectiveness

- Dean of Research and Sponsored Programs
 - Director of Title III Grant \$5 million
 - Director of Title V Grant \$3 million
 - Director of Upward Bound-Grant
 - Director of Talent Search-Grant
 - Director of McNair Program –Grant
 - Director of Gear up-Grant
- Dean of Education & Cultural Resources
- Director of Wildenthal Memorial Library
- Director of the Big Bend Museum
- Director of the Center for the Big Bend
- Blackboard Administrator
- Coordinator of International Studies
- Dean of the College of Professional Studies and Education
- Dean of the College of Agriculture, Life & Physical Sciences
- Dean of College of Graduate Studies
- Dean of the College of Literature, Arts and Social Sciences
- Dean of Rio Grande College (Three campuses Del Rio, Eagle Pass, and Uvalde.)
- Administrative Vice President of Rio Grande College
- Vice President of Community Work Programs

→ **Associate Provost of Global Education and Online Innovation (2019-2022)**

Moravian became a university in 2021. It was a small liberal arts college that in 2014 began to grow its graduate programs in education, business, nursing, health sciences, and rehabilitation sciences. We currently have 25 graduate programs. Our FTE is 1820 undergraduate students and 445 graduate students. We have 139 full-time faculty and 155 part-time faculty, and we offer over 55 undergraduate majors and minors.

As Associate Provost for Online Education and Innovation, I am charged with the responsibility of overseeing all of the online education at the university, faculty professional development, and online program development. I report to the Provost and the President's Council, and I work collaboratively with the Deans, Chairs of the Departments, and individual faculty members. I have been a central part of the leadership team throughout the academic planning for the academic years 2019-2020, 2020-2021, and 2021-2022. As Associate Provost of Online education and Innovation, one of my greatest challenges and greatest accomplishments was to oversee the transition of the entire university from in-person to online teaching during the pandemic.

Selected Administrative Initiatives and Accomplishments

- Manage the Office of *Online Education and Innovation (OEI)* at the University. The office consists of an office manager, two instructional designers, and two instructional technologists. We oversee all of the Universities online professional development, online program initiatives, and online education standards.

- Created a three-year plan and a new budget for *OEI* that allocates resources for online education for all full-time and part-time faculty.
- Created a new budget for online education programs: MBA, Nursing, and Adult Education and Degree Completion.
- I am the principal spokesperson for the College on issues concerning online education in regional, national, and international forums, alumni, and outside agents.
- Created an asynchronous online course for all faculty: *Designing for Quality: Best Practices in Online Course Design*. This is a comprehensive online training course based on Quality Matters Standards. The facilitators of the course are Moravian Faculty who are Quality Matters Certified Peer Reviewers.
- Directed and worked with outside consultants, *Extension Engine*, on a \$200,000 project to implement an educational program to overcome challenges created by the COVID-19 crisis.
- Created extensive summer workshops to help faculty transition from in-person to online teaching.
- During summer 2020, we had over 550 attendees at these workshops and more than 95% of our full-time faculty attended at least one workshop.
- In an independent survey, 97% of our faculty felt ready to teach fully online at the start of the fall 2020 semester.
- Worked to create a new partnership with *Academeum*, an online consortium with thousands of online courses.
- Created two new positions at the *OEI* department: Executive Director of Online Programs, and Senior Instructional Designer and *Quality Matters* Manager.
- Hired a new instructional technologist.
- Underwent intensive *Quality Matters* Professional Development:
 - *Quality Matter Coordinator Workshop*
 - *Improving My Online Course Quality Matters Certification*
 - *Applying the QM Rubric Certification*
 - *Peer Reviewer Certification* – (Official Quality Matters Certified Reviewer)
 - *Master Reviewer Certification*
 - Created extensive partnerships between faculty members and *Quality Matters*.
- Created *Moravian Quality Online Standards* based on the *Quality Matters* Rubric.
- Work collaboratively with the Deans to implement and sustain quality online education throughout the campus.
- Work collaboratively with the Chairs of the Departments of both schools to provide tailored Departmental Professional Development workshops.
- Created a Sample Online Course platform where faculty can examine successfully designed Moravian online faculty courses.
- Created a Standard Guide for Online Design for the College.
- Created *Apple Professional Development Seminars*.
- Created a comprehensive instructional resources site for faculty to continue to learn asynchronously how to teach online. Summer sessions were recorded and were made available to faculty in this new resource site.
- Collaborated with the Dean of Student Success to create a resource site for students on how to learn online.
- Created and embedded in all faculty Canvas sites *Quality Matters* General Standards 7 and 8 dealing with student technology support, student academic support, student institutional support, and student accessibility.

- Currently, we are working with the Business graduate programs and the Rehabilitation Science graduate programs to move their accreditation process to a *Quality Matters* format

→ **Planning and Budget Committee (2017-present; Chair, 2020-2021)**

The Planning and Budget Committee (PBC), oversees the current year's operating budget of \$70M. We are also charged with overseeing the development of the following year's budget and analyzing the prior year's budget. The Committee is made up of three elected tenured faculty, the Chief Financial Officer and Vice-President of Finance, the Provost and Vice-President of Academic Affairs, and the Vice-President of Student Affairs. We monitor the ongoing budget situation of the College, we discuss short-term budgetary issues, and we brainstorm long-term budget-related items. Committee decisions and proposals are offered as recommendations to the President. We also report the budget situation periodically to the faculty.

→ **Chair of the Philosophy Department (2008-Present)**

As the Chair of the Philosophy Department, I am charged with the responsibility of overseeing the philosophy curriculum, developing a vibrant, student-centered program, developing courses for the general education program, collaborating with interdisciplinary programs throughout the University, mentoring the philosophy faculty, and assuring the quality of teaching and scholarship of our instructors. We sustain a vibrant department of 20 to 30 undergraduate majors and minors. We offer a BA in philosophy, a minor in Philosophy, a minor in ethics, and a nan ethics certificate.

Selected Administrative Initiatives and Accomplishments

- *Faculty Development:* Secured a new tenure track Assistant Professor position for 2022.
- Conducted annual evaluations of all faculty.
- Completed Dr. Carol Moeller's four-year evaluation for tenured Professor.
- *Curriculum Development:* In the fall of 2000, we revamped the existing philosophy curriculum to make it more relevant to our students. We created new stacked 200 and 300-level courses, and we created a new Ethics Certificate Program.
 - In 2019-2020, I created and directed the *Humanities for the Professions Program and Grant*.
 - Since I became chair, we have gone from a 10-course curriculum to a 30-course curriculum.
 - We created interdisciplinary courses and partnerships with other departments and programs throughout the College including Public Health, Environmental Studies, Women Studies, Biology, Business, Nursing, Rehabilitation Sciences, History, Medieval Studies, Religious Studies, Art, Music, Education, Sociology, Pre-Law, Neuroscience, and the Peace and Justice Program.
 - We created a philosophy minor, ethics minor, and a philosophy track for the adult and continuing education program
- *Co-Curricular Activities:*
 - We created an undergraduate student philosophy conference (2010-present);
 - a debate team (2010-present);
 - a new chapter of *Phi Sigma Tau* (2010-present); and

- a study abroad program to Spain: *Cross-Cultural Philosophies: Judaism, Christianity, and Islam in Southern Spain* (2010-present).

Responsibilities as Chair of the Philosophy Department at Moravian University

Leadership: Creating Vision and a Positive Working Environment

- Develop a collaborative vision for the department's future. (What kind of department do we want to be? How do we make ourselves relevant in the 21st Century?)
- Develop a mission statement.
- Develop concrete plans for how to achieve our vision and mission.
- Develop departmental goals and student outcomes.
- Develop an assessment plan.
- Continuous reassessment of our vision, mission, and goals.

Scheduling Courses

- Create semester course schedules.
- Collaboratively create a tentative two-year rotations course schedule.
- Submit the information to the registrar.
- Hire adjuncts (if needed)
- Make sure that cross-listed courses are identified as such.

Mentoring Faculty's Teaching and Advising

- Implement faculty observation and peer-review process.
- Mentor faculty to become better teachers.
- Mentor faculty to become better advisors.
- Mentor faculty to become better scholars.
- Collect and review syllabi.
- Mentor faculty through the promotion process.

Oversee Student Activities

- The debate team
- Philosophy club
- Undergraduate philosophy conference (2010-2020)
- Honor Society *Phi Sigma Tau*
- Study abroad program to Spain (2010-2018)

Organizing and Chairing Meetings

- Schedule meetings, reserve rooms, send out emails and reminders, plan the agenda, and keep the minutes of the meeting
- Planning special events: honor society inductions, end-of-semester parties, beginning of semester open houses, etc.
- Plan, promote, and attend campus events (open houses, accepted day, etc.)

Budgeting

- Write the annual budget for the program.
- Coordinate the payment of bills with the Business Department.

Updating Public Relations and Marketing Materials and Website

- Continuously update our website.
- Develop brochures and flyers for events and programs (The Study Abroad to Spain, Ethics Minor, etc.).

Oversee the Philosophy Department's Curriculum

- Prepare proposals for new courses and special topics to the Academic Planning and Program Committee (APPC).
- Oversee the Departmental Independent Studies, Student Opportunity for Academic Research (SOAR), and Honors Theses.

Chair of the College's Planning and Budget Committee

III. Employment and Positions Held

Current Positions

- Associate Provost for Online Education and Innovation, Moravian University
- Voting Member of the President's Council, Moravian University
- Voting Member of the Academic Affairs Council, Moravian University
- Vice-Chair of the Global Education Initiative, Moravian University
- Strategic Planning Committee: Aligning for Growth Pillar, Moravian University
- Member of the College's Planning and Budget Committee, Moravian University
- Director of the Study Abroad Program to Spain, Moravian University
- Chair of Philosophy Department, Moravian University

Previous Positions

- Chair of the Planning and Budget Committee, Moravian University
- Member of the Board of Trustees Finance Committee, Moravian University
- Interim Chair of Political Science Department, Moravian University
- Visiting Fellow, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA.
- Assistant/Associate/Full Professor, Barry University, Miami, FL.
- Graduate Assistant, University of Miami, Coral Gables, FL.
- Certified Public Accountant (CPA), Auditor, Coopers & Lybrand

IV. Major Research Grants in the Humanities

2019-2020 *Humanities for the Professions Grant* (\$15,000)

Generously funded by the Gladys Kriebel Delmas Foundation, the *Humanities for the Professions* project is tasked with developing a model for creating interdisciplinary programs that embed an essential component of the humanities into professional curricula. Our model will focus on virtue ethics, an important part of classical Greek philosophy, and on three professional programs at Moravian College: Business and Economics, Nursing, and Rehabilitation Sciences. For more information please visit our [website](#). Also, please see "[Applied Humanities: A 21st Century Solution](#)" in *Academic Leader for Department Chair, Deans, and Provosts* which explains more about the purpose and goals of the grant.

2014-2016 *CIC Consortium for Online Humanities Instruction Grant* (\$800,000)

Two faculty members and one administrator from Moravian College participated in this online consortium grant. There were a total of twenty-one colleges and universities participating. We met over a two-year period and each faculty member designed an upper-level online humanities course. I worked on Metaethics, a 300-level capstone course for the ethics degree. We offered the course twice over a two-year period. During this time, the consortium met to discuss the best practices for online teaching. For more information about this grant, please visit [“Collaborating to Add Upper-Level Humanities Courses”](#)

2014-2016 *NEH Enduring Questions: What is Peace?* (\$32,256)

What is Peace? On the surface, most undergraduate students probably feel confident in answering this question. They may respond that peace is simply an absence of conflict or war, or a state of feeling content and tranquil. With a brief moment of reflection, they begin to realize that these are superficial responses that generate even more questions. How do we define peace? Why is there so much violence? Why are there wars? Are all acts of violence wrong? What does your vision of peace look like? The NEH Grant for the proposed course *What is Peace?* addresses these questions and introduces undergraduate students to the complex notion of peace through its historical origins, the evolution of meaning, and relation to second-ordered concepts. The course critically guides students through a carefully selected core reading list that presents them with a pluralistic view of theories and practices of peace, diverse approaches to peace, and numerous perspectives and prospects for achieving peace.

2014 *Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, Digital Pedagogy Course Development*, Moravian College. Individual Stipend: (\$2,300)

2006 *NEH Summer Seminar Negotiating Identities in Art, Literature, and Philosophy: Cuban Americans and Cuban Culture* (\$2,400)

This grant focused on the concept of cultural, racial, and ethnic identity. We focused on Cuban-American identity, examining and studying how cultural, geographical, and historical events influence identity. The Summer Seminar was held at the University of New York, Buffalo, NY. It was directed by Jorge J. E. Gracia, Lynette Bosch, and Isabel Alvarez-Borland. A product of this grant is the article "On the Metaphysics of Cultural Identity: A Darwinian Account" *Latino Studies* 7 (2) (2009): 167-196.

2005 *NEH Faculty Research Award* (\$40,000)

The title of this project was "Peirce's Evolutionary Cosmology and the Naturalism vs. Theism Debate". This faculty Research Grant provided funds for my research on pragmatism and the philosophy of religion. A product of the investigations were the following publications: "Cognitive Faculties and Evolutionary Naturalism," *American Catholic Philosophical Association Proceedings* 80 (2006): 201-208; "Peirce on Science and Religion" *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion* 59 (2) (2006): 93-115; and "Ultimate Reality in the Philosophy of Charles Sanders Peirce: To Want to Learn

the Truth" *Ultimate Reality and Meaning*, 29 (4) (2006): 229-243.

V. Awards and Visiting Fellows

- 2005 *Visiting Fellow*, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA. (Charles Sanders Peirce Archives)
- 2004 *American Philosophical Association Prize in Latin American Thought*
“The APA Committee on Hispanics sponsors the annual Essay Prize in Latin American Thought, which is awarded to the author of the best unpublished, English-language, philosophical essay in Latin American thought. The purpose of this prize is to encourage fruitful work in Latin American thought. Eligible essays must contain original arguments and broach philosophical topics clearly related to the experiences of Hispanic Americans and Latino/as. The winning essay will be published in the [APA Newsletter on Hispanic/Latino Issues in Philosophy](#). The title of the paper was “Francisco De Vitoria's Just Intervention Theory and the Iraq War,” and it was delivered in a symposium at the American Philosophical Association Eastern Division in Boston, MA on December 27-30, 2004.
- 2003 *American Philosophical Association William James Prize*
“The Eastern Division awards the [William James Prize](#) to the best paper in the area of American philosophy that is both (a) written by a philosopher who received the Ph.D. within five years of the beginning of the calendar year in which the paper is submitted, or is a graduate student, and (b) accepted for inclusion in the Eastern Division program by the program committee through the normal process of anonymous-reviewing.” The title of the paper was “Overcoming the Evidentialist's Challenge: Peirce's Conjectures of Instinctive Reason and the Reality of God.” The symposium paper was delivered at the American Philosophical Association Eastern Division in Washington, DC on December 27-30, 2003.
- 1994-1999 Graduate Research Assistantship, Department of Philosophy, University of Miami, Coral Gables, FL.

VI. Moravian Faculty Development Grants

- 2018 *Faculty Development Grant, Moravian College* (\$1,227)
2017 *Faculty Development Grant, Moravian College* (\$1,282)
2016 *Faculty Development Grant, Moravian College* (\$1,200)
2015 *Faculty Development Grant, Moravian College* (\$900)
2014 *Faculty Development Grant, Moravian College* (\$931)
2013 *Faculty Development Grant, Moravian College* (\$1,114)
2012 *Faculty Development Grant, Moravian College* (\$1,098)
2011 *Faculty Development Grant Summer Stipend, Moravian College* (\$3,500)
2011 *Faculty Development Grant, Moravian College* (\$742)
2010 *Faculty Development Grant, Moravian College* (\$758)

- 2010 *Faculty Development Grant, Moravian College (\$212)*
2009 *Faculty Development and Research Grant, Moravian College (\$1,200)*

VII. Service

Selected College Committees

- Planning and Budget Committee, 2018-2020.
- Employee Recognition Committee 2018-2021.
- Online Task Force, Fall 2017
- Cohen Lecture Committee, 2016
- Elected member of the Dispute Resolution Group, 2016-2018
- Chair, General Education Committee 2013-2016.
- President's Council Subcommittee: Leadership/Marketing/Communications Design Team, 2013.
- Grievance Committee-Elected Member, 2014-2015.
- Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC), 2009-2015.
- Faculty Executive Council, 2010-2013.
- Faculty Executive Council, Spring 2010.
- Faculty Research and Development Committee, 2008-2009, 2009-2010.
- In-Focus Committee, 2010-2013.
- Committee on Themes and Academic Programming, 2009-2010.
- Participated in the Teagle Workshop on Assessment on October 4, 2008, sponsored by the Teagle Foundation Grant.
- Participated in the Writing Seminar at Moravian College, summer 2009.

Evaluation Committees

- Chair of the evaluation committee for Dr. Khristina Haddad for full professor, Chair of Political Science, 2021-2022.
- Chair of the periodic evaluation committee for Dr. Carol Moeller, Philosophy, 2020-2021.
- Chair of the periodic evaluation committee for Dr. Naraghi, Philosophy, 2019-2020.
- Member of the fifth-year review committee for Dr. Yayoi, Political Science, 2019-2020.
- Member of the third-year mid-term review committee for Dr. Okpotor, Political Science, 2019-2020.
- Chair of the periodic evaluation committee for Dr. Carol Moeller, Philosophy, 2018-2019.
- Mentored Dr. Naraghi through the tenure process and promotion to Associate Professor.
- Mentored Dr. Moeller through promotion to Associate Professor.
- Co-Chair of the tenure and associate professor evaluation committee for Dr. Naraghi, Philosophy, 2014-2015.
- Chair of the evaluation committee for Dr. Denton-Borhaug, Chair of Religion Department, 2013.
- Member of the evaluation committee for tenure and promotion for Dr. Radine, Religion Department, 2013.
- Co-Chair of the midterm evaluation committee for Dr. Naraghi, Philosophy, 2012.
- Chair of the evaluation committee for Dr. Arash Naraghi, Philosophy, 2009-2010, 2010-2011, 2011-2012, 2012-2013, 2013-2014.
- Chair of the evaluation committee for Dr. Moeller, Philosophy, 2008-2009, 2009-2010.

Search Committees

- Vice-President for Institutional Advancement Search Committee, 2018-2019.
- Marketing Assistant Professor Search Committee, Economics and Business Department, 2018-2019.
- Accounting Assistant Professor Search Committee, Economics and Business Department, 2016-2017.
- Dean for the School of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences Search Committee, 2016-2017.
- Coordinator of Global Inclusion Search Committee, 2014-2015.
- Vice-President of Enrollment Committee Search Committee, 2012-2013.
- Vice-President for Institutional Advancement Search Committee, 2009-2010.
- Philosophy and Religion Search Committee, 2008-2009.

Student Organizations and Clubs

- Faculty Advisor to the Philosophy Club, 2008-2011.
- Founder of the Student Colloquium Series at Moravian College 2009-present.
- Co-founder of the *Phi Sigma Tau* Chapter at Moravian College, 2008.
- Coach of the Moravian Debate Team, 2009-2015 (made it to quarterfinals 2012-2015 and to nationals in 2015).

Service in the Profession

- Treasurer of the *Associates for Philosophy of Religion* (2017-Present)
- President of the *Society for Philosophers of Religion*, 2013-2014.
- Vice-President of the *Society for Philosophers of Religion*, 2012-2013.
- Editor of the *APA Newsletter for Hispanic/Latino Philosophy*, 2008-2013.
- APA Committee on Hispanics, 2001-2004, and 2005-2008.
- Elected to the Executive Council of the *Society for Philosophers of Religion*, 2008.
- Elected Executive Council of the *American Catholic Philosophical Association*, 2007.
- Nominated to the Executive Council of the *American Catholic Philosophical Association*, 2006.
- Nominated to the Executive Council of the *American Catholic Philosophical Association*, 2004.
- The University of Granada, Scientific Committee for the Meeting on Pragmatism: Agency, Inference, and the Origin of Analytic Philosophy, April 19-21, 2006.
- Coordinator/Convener of the Annual Conference for American Catholic Philosophical Association (2004) Miami, FL. (Sponsored by Barry University)
- Society for Philosophy of Religion, New Members Committee, Member, 2004.
- Medieval Academy of America, Program Committee, Member, 2004.
- Fides et Ratio Conference, Program Committee, Member, 2002.

Membership in the Profession

- American Philosophical Association
- Society for Philosophy of Religion
- Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy
- Society for Applied Ethics

Editorial Activities

- Reviewer for *International Journal of Philosophy of Religion*.

- Reviewer for *Florida Philosophical Association*
- Reviewer for *Sophia*
- Reviewer for *Transactions of the Charles S. Peirce Society*
- Reviewer for *Notre Dame University Press*
- Reviewer for *Fordham University Press*
- Reviewer for *Choice*
- Editor of the *APA Newsletter on Hispanic/Latino Issues in Philosophy* (2008-2013)

External Reviews of Philosophy Departments and Faculty

- External Reviewer of the *Muhlenberg College Philosophy Department* (Team Leader), 2014.
- External Reviewer of *East Stroudsburg University Philosophy Department*, 2013.
- Outside Reviewer for Oxford College of Emory University 3-year Review Process for Faculty Member in the Humanities

Community Service

- Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of the Greater Lehigh Valley
- Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of East Stroudsburg

Service at Barry University (2000-2008)

- Program Director of Barry University Study Abroad Program to Spain, 2005-2007.
- Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Advancement of Tenure, 2003-2005.
- Faculty Evaluation and Mentoring Task Force, Member, 2003.
- Faculty Liaison to Business Affairs, 2003-2004.
- General Education Curriculum Committee, Member, 2001-2004.
- Pre-Law Assessment Committee, Member, 2001-2004.
- Founder and Advisor of the Student Philosophy Association at Barry University, 2000-2007.
- Founder and Director of Barry University's Student Colloquium Series, 2000-2005.

VIII. Areas of Scholarly Specialization and Competency

American Pragmatism, Hispanic/Latino/s Philosophy, Philosophy of Religion, Spanish Renaissance Philosophy, and Ethics (Virtue Ethics, Applied, Ethics of Abortion, and Meta-ethics)

IX. Teaching Experience

I have taught over 60 online courses.

Recent Courses Taught

- 100-level
 - Introduction to Philosophy
 - Introduction to Logic: Critical Thinking
 - Introduction to the Ethics of Abortion
- 200-level
 - Advanced Logic

Medieval Philosophy
Early Modern Philosophy
American Pragmatism
Latin American Philosophy
Judaism, Christianity, and Islam in Medieval Spain (travel course)
Religious Experience and Divine Hiddenness (travel course)

- 200-level -Ethics
 - Ethics
 - Applied Ethics
 - Ethics Bowl
 - Medical Ethics
 - Ethics for the Public's Health
 - Environmental Ethics
 - Sport Ethics
 - Advanced Topics in the Ethics of Abortion
 - Virtue Ethics
 - Aristotle on Friendship (half credit)
 - Ethics Issues in Human Genetics (half credit)
 - Personhood and the Ethics of Abortion (half credit)
- 300 Level Advanced
 - Metaphysics
 - Meta-Ethics

Online and Hybrid Courses

- Introduction to Philosophy (2012)
- Ethics (2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016)
- Meta-Ethics (2015, 2016, 2017, 2018)
- Advanced Topics in the Ethics of Abortion (2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017)
- Personhood and the Ethics of Abortion-Winter (2014, 2015, 2016)
- Sports Ethics (2015, 2017)
- Virtue Ethics (2016, 2017)
- Ethics for the Public's Health-Hybrid (2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017)
- American Pragmatism Hybrid-Hybrid (2016)
- Judaism, Islam, and Christianity in Medieval Spain-Hybrid (2010-2017)

Senior Thesis, Independent Studies, and Advisee to Student Scholarly Presentation

- Alicia Wallace, "The Flaws of Error Theory, *Scholars Day*, 2018.
- Taylor LaValva, *Peter Railton's Instrumental Theory of Rationality*, 2016
- Nicole L. Metzger, *The Abortion Controversy: A Feminist-Particularist Perspective*, 2016
- Lily DiMattia *From Non-Moral Normativity to Moral Normativity*, 2016
- Elaine Horan *John Mackie's Error Theory*, 2016
- Samantha Keenan, *Symbolic Logic*, 2016.
- Libario Obeid, *Ethics of Abortion*, 2015.
- Armando Chapelliquen, *Justice: From Theory to Action*, 2011-12
- Joe Munley, *An Economic Evaluation of the Close in Major League Baseball*, 2010.

- Maggie Riegel *Make Love to the paradox: An Existential Musing of Notes from the Underground*, 2009.
- Petro Toronta, *Peirce's Argument for the Reality of God*, 2004
- Leigh Ruffino, *Peirce's Categories*, 2002

X. Publications and Scholarship

As a scholar, my research in American philosophy, philosophy of religion, Hispanic-Latino/a philosophy, medieval philosophy, and ethical studies has received international recognition. I was awarded the first *American Philosophical Association Prize in Latin American Thought* in 2004 and the *American Philosophical Association William James Prize* in 2005. I have received three external grants from the *National Endowment for the Humanities* in support of my research and teaching. I was the editor of the *American Philosophical Association Newsletter on Hispanic/Latino Issues*. Moreover, I have published over twenty articles on a wide range of philosophical topics in peer-reviewed journals and book chapters in prestigious publishers such as Oxford University Press, Cambridge University Press, Wiley-Blackwell Publishers, Cambridge Scholars, Brill Publishers, and Bloomsbury Publishers. Last year, I completed and published a book entitled *A Critical Introduction to the Ethics of Abortion: Understanding the Moral Arguments*. I'm currently working on two new manuscripts.

Books

1. *An Introduction to the Ethics of Abortion: Understanding the Moral Arguments*. Bloomsbury Publishing, 2019.

Works Edited

1. *The Ethics of Abortion: New Arguments and New Insights to Old Arguments*, Guest Editor of *Philosophies' Open Access Journal Special Issue*, forthcoming 2021.
2. *APA Newsletter on Hispanic/Latino Issues in Philosophy*, Volume 12 (2) Spring 2013.
3. *APA Newsletter on Hispanic/Latino Issues in Philosophy*, Volume 12 (1) Fall 2012.
4. *APA Newsletter on Hispanic/Latino Issues in Philosophy*, Volume 11 (2) Spring 2012
5. *APA Newsletter on Hispanic/Latino Issues in Philosophy*, Volume 11 (1) Fall 2011.
6. *APA Newsletter on Hispanic/Latino Issues in Philosophy*, Volume 10 (2) Spring 2011
7. *APA Newsletter on Hispanic/Latino Issues in Philosophy*, Volume 10 (1) Fall 2010.
8. *APA Newsletter on Hispanic/Latino Issues in Philosophy*, Volume 9 (2) Spring 2010.
9. *APA Newsletter on Hispanic/Latino Issues in Philosophy: Special Issue on the Nomination of Sonia Sotomayor*, Volume 9 (1) Fall 2009
10. *APA Newsletter on Hispanic/Latino Issues in Philosophy: Special Topic on Hispanic and American Philosophy*, Volume 8 (2) Spring 2009.
11. *APA Newsletter on Hispanic/Latino Issues in Philosophy: Special Topic on Immigration*, Volume 8 (1) Fall 2008.

Articles, Book Chapters, and Encyclopedia Entries

1. "Meinong and Suárez on Beings of Reason" 2021.
2. "Applied Humanities: A 21st Century Solution" in *Academic Leader for Department Chairs, Deans and Provosts*, September 15, 2019. <https://www.academic-leader.com/topics/curriculum-planning/applied-humanities-a-21st-century-solution/>

3. "Philosophy, Law and Mysticism in Renaissance Spain" in *A Companion to Spanish Renaissance*. Edited by Hilaire Kallendorf, Brill Publishing 2018.
4. "What is Philosophy of Religion?" <http://philosophyofreligion.org/?p=23862>, 2014.
5. "Suárez's Argument for the Existence of God" *Interpreting Suárez: Critical Essays*. Edited by Daniel Schwartz, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2011.
6. "Is Political Forgiveness Possible?" in *Politics, Pluralism and Religion*, Cambridge, England: Cambridge Scholars Press, 2010, 213-232.
7. "Francisco de Vitoria and Bartolome de las Casas on the Rights of the American Indians" *Blackwell Companion to Latin American Philosophy*. Edited by Susana Nuccetelli, Ofelia Schutte, and Otavio Bueno. Malden, MA: Blackwell Publishing, 2010, 23-35.
8. "Francisco Suárez." *The History of Western Philosophy of Religion*. Volume 3 *Early Modern Philosophy*. Edited by Graham Oppy and Nick Trakakis. Durham: Acumen Publishing Limited, 2009, 75-87.
9. "On the Metaphysics of Cultural Identity: A Darwinian Account" *Latino Studies* 7 (2) (2009): 167-196.
10. "Why Forgive: A Christian Response" *Proceedings of the American Catholic Philosophical Association* 82 (2008): 217-228
11. "Dewey's Pragmatism and Social-Political Philosophy: Comments on Rosa Mayorga's 'Hispanic Philosophy, American Pragmatism, and Cuba'" *APA Newsletter on Hispanic/Latino Issues: Special Topic on Hispanic and American Philosophy*, Volume 7, Number 2, Spring 2009.
12. "Comments on Jaime Nubiola's 'Charles Peirce and the Hispanic World'" *APA Newsletter on Hispanic/Latino Issues: Special Topic on Hispanic and American Philosophy*, Volume 7, Number 2, Spring 2009.
13. "Forgiveness and its importance in Post-War Ethics" *Journal of Religion, Disability and Health*, 12 (3) (2008): 251-266.
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24. "Comments on Sam Harris' The End of Faith, delivered at *Moravian College*, Bethlehem, PA on October 28, 2008
25. "Peirce's Early Logic, Metaphysics, and the Progress of Science" delivered to the *Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy*, at Michigan State University, Michigan, on March 13-15, 2008.
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