

## **Jeremy V. Cruz, Ph.D.**

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### **EDUCATION**

#### **Boston College, Graduate School of Arts & Sciences**

Chestnut Hill, MA

Ph.D. in Theological Ethics, December 2014

Dissertation: *Social Equality in Recent Catholic Social Thought:  
Toward an Ethic of Global Social Equality*

Committee: David Hollenbach, S.J., Ph.D.; Thomas Massaro, S.J., Ph.D.; Roberto Goizueta, Ph.D.

Honors: Margaret O'Brien Flatley Fellowship (Boston College)  
Hispanic Theological Initiative Doctoral Grant

#### **Boston College, School of Theology & Ministry**

Chestnut Hill, MA

M.Div., August 2010 - Entered Weston Jesuit School of Theology (later merged with Boston College)

#### **Loyola Marymount University, Bellarmine College of Liberal Arts**

Los Angeles, CA

Transferred earned M.A. credits to Weston Jesuit School of Theology, May 2005

#### **University of California at Riverside**

Riverside, CA

B.A., *cum laude*, in History, December 2002

Honors: Dean's List (2001-2002)

### **ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

#### **St. John's University, Queens, NY**

Associate Professor of Theology and Religious Studies

September 2020-Present

Assistant Professor of Theology and Religious Studies

September 2016-August 2020

Instructor of Theology and Religious Studies

September 2014-August 2016

#### **Fordham University, Bronx, NY**

Visiting Scholar, Center for Ethics Education

September 2011-June 2014

Adjunct Professor, Department of Theology

September 2013-December 2013

### **COURSES TAUGHT**

#### **St. John's University:**

Integrative Interdisciplinary Social Justice Seminar

Race and Religion in the United States

Introduction to Catholic Social Teaching

Introduction to Catholic Moral Theology

Perspectives on Christianity: A Catholic Approach

Justice, Spirituality, and Social Action

#### **Fordham University:**

Faith and Critical Reason

## RESEARCH GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

Catholicism and the Common Good Research Fellowship 2017-2020  
The Center for Catholic Faith and Culture, Duquesne University  
Funded by the Henry Luce Foundation

Teaching Fellowship for Early Career Workshop Participants 2017-2018  
Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning, Crawfordsville, IN

Early Career Workshop for Religion Faculty at Colleges and Universities 2016-2017  
Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning, Crawfordsville, IN

### Other Honors and Awards

Values and Inclusion Award 2019  
St. John's University, Faculty Honoree, Employee Recognition Convocation

Outstanding Faculty Award 2016  
St. John's University Office of Multicultural Affairs, Latino Heritage Month

## PUBLICATIONS

### Peer-Reviewed Articles and Book Chapters

"Teaching Tactic: Dialogic Note-taking." In *The Academic's Handbook* (Revised 4<sup>th</sup> Edition), edited by Lori Flores and Jocelyn Olcott. Durham, NC: Duke University Press, October 2020.

"César Chávez and Egalitarian Ethics: Lessons from a Contradictory Legacy." *Journal of Hispanic/Latino Theology* 13, no. 1 (May 2019): 1-51. <https://repository.usfca.edu/jhlt/>.

"Catholic Education and Sexual Violence: From Complicity to Ecclesial Reconstruction," *American Catholic Studies* 130, no. 2 (2019): 12-15.

"Strengthening Black-Brown Solidarity: Latino/a Race, Unauthorized Blacks, and the Roots of Anti-Brown Violence," *Journal of the Black Catholic Theological Symposium* 10 (2018): 29-39.

"Respondiendo a las Demandas Históricas: Analyses of the Transformative Legacy of Samuel Ruiz García of Chiapas, México." Introduction to *Journal of Hispanic/Latino Theology* 19, no. 1 (November 2013): 2-8.

### Manuscript in Process (*Under contract*)

*Equality and Catholic Social Teaching: Advancing an Emergent Tradition*. New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2020.

### Book Reviews

"Review of *Theologizing en EspanGLISH: Context, Community, and Ministry*, by Carmen Nanko-

Fernández.” *Journal of Hispanic/Latino Theology* (August 2010).

### Conference Proceedings

Jeremy V. Cruz and Robert J. Rivera, “Latino/a Theology Consultation: Tierra, Justicia, y Libertad: Spatial Ecology and Latino/a Theo-Ethics,” *Catholic Theological Society of America: Proceedings of the Seventy-Second Annual Convention* 72 (2017): 121-122.

### Public Religion and Ethics Publications

“FORUM: 7 Black and Latino Catholics respond to the conviction of Derek Chauvin,” *America Magazine*. April 22, 2021. <https://www.americamagazine.org/politics-society/2021/04/22/black-latino-church-chauvin-verdict-reaction-240516>

This Lent, let’s change fasting from self-improvement to ‘cultural spring- cleaning’,” *The National Catholic Reporter*. March 23, 2021. <https://www.ncronline.org/news/spirituality/theology-en-la-plaza/lent-lets-change-fasting-self-improvement-cultural-spring>

“Courageous and Just: Conversations on Faith in Challenging Times.” Interview by Rev. Dr. Kelly Brown Douglas (Dean, Episcopal Divinity School at Union Theological Seminary).” March 19, 2019. Trinity Church Wall Street, 22:43. <https://www.trinitywallstreet.org/social-justice/courageous-and-just>.

"Letter to the Trump Administration on the Occasion of the 50th Anniversary of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s 'Beyond Vietnam: A Time to Break Silence'" (Day 70, Letter 70). In *American Values, Religious Voices: 100 Days, 100 Letters*, edited by Andrea L. Weiss and Lisa M. Weinberger, 108 (March 30, 2017). Cincinnati, OH: University of Cincinnati Press, 2018. <http://www.valuesandvoices.com/letter70/>.

“From Patmos to Eloy, AZ: John of Patmos, Exile and the Dream 9.” *The Ethics and Society Blog*. The Fordham University Center for Ethics Education, August 12, 2013, <https://ethicsandsociety.org/2013/08/12/from-patmos-to-eloy-az-john-of-patmos-exile-and-the-dream-9/>.

“Dis-Covering Idolatry: MLB, Labor, and the Anomaly of A-Rod.” *Teología en Conjunto: A Blog Site by the Latino/a Theological Community*. August 10, 2013. <http://teologiaenconjunto.wordpress.com/2013/08/10/dis-covering-idolatry-mlb-labor-and-the-anomaly-of-a-rod/>

“The Stories We Tell.” *America Magazine* 196, no. 15, April 30, 2007.

## **UNIVERSITY LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE**

### St. John’s University

#### University Senate

Secretary *pro tempore*. September 2020 to present

Committee on Faculty Affairs. September 2019 to present.

Vincentian Center for Church and Society, Social Justice Chair Planning Comm., Fall '18-Spring '19

Academic Center for Equity and Inclusion

ACEI Working Group and Advisory Committee, July 2017 – August 2021

Special Consultant, Spring 2019 semester

Academic Lecture Series working group, March 2017 – May 2019

Equity and Inclusion Council, Student Subcommittee, Fall '18-Spring '19

Liberal Arts Faculty Council, November 2016 – May 2017

## **ACADEMIC ORGANIZATIONS - AFFILIATIONS & LEADERSHIP**

**American Academy of Religion (AAR)**, 2007, 2009-Present

Latina/o Religion, Culture & Society Group, Co-Chair, 2015-2019

Latino/a Religion, Culture and Society Group, Steering Committee Member, 2010-2015

Junior Scholars Mentoring Program, 2015-2016

**Academy of Catholic Hispanic Theologians in the United States (ACTHUS)**, 2007-Present

Board Member (Member At-Large), 2015-2019

Board Member, Associate Members Representative, 2013-2015

**Society of Christian Ethics (SCE)**, 2007-Present

**Catholic Theological Society of America (CTSA)**, 2008-2012, 2014-Present

Latino/a Consultation, Co-Convener, 2016-2018

**Catholic Scholars for Worker Justice**, 2013-2016

Steering Committee Member, 2015-2016