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CURRENT POSITION Professor of Theology, Fordham University, Bronx, NY
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EDUCATION

Ph.D., 2006	University of Notre Dame	Systematic Theology
M.A., 1999	University of Chicago	Constructive Studies (Theology, Ethics, and Philosophy of Religion)
M.A., 1989	University of Notre Dame	Theology
B.A., 1988	University of Notre Dame	Theology

HONORS, FELLOWSHIPS and SCHOLARSHIPS

Book Award, "Recent Saints" Category, for *Revolutionary Saint*. Catholic Press Association, 2019.
Faculty Research Fellowship, Fordham University, 2019, 2014, 2008.
Sabbatical Grant for Researchers, The Louisville Institute, 2014-2015.
Book of the Year Prize, for *Bearing the Weight of Salvation*. Hispanic Theological Initiative, Princeton Theological Seminary, 2010.
Dissertation Year Fellowship. Hispanic Theological Initiative, 2003-2004.
Graduate Research and Travel Grant (to Spain). Nanovic Institute for European Studies & The Graduate School, University of Notre Dame, 2003.
Outstanding Graduate Student Essay. College Theology Society, 2001.

PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP

President, Academy of Catholic Hispanic Theologians of the United States (ACHTUS), 2013-2014.
[Past-President, 2014-2015; President-Elect, 2012-2013; Vice-President, 2011-2012]
Governing Board Member, Catholic Theological Society of America (CTSA), 2010-2012.
Governing Board Member, Academy of Catholic Hispanic Theologians of the United States (ACHTUS), 2007-2009; 2010-2011.

RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

Revolutionary Saint: The Theological Legacy of Óscar Romero. Maryknoll: Orbis Books, 2018.
[Catholic Press Association Book Prize Winner—see Honors, Fellowships & Scholarships]
Italian edition: *Óscar Romero: L'eredità teologica di un santo rivoluzionario*. Brescia: Editrice Queriniana, 2018.
Ignacio Ellacuría: Essays on History, Liberation, and Salvation. Editor, translator, with an introduction. Maryknoll: Orbis Books, 2013.
Bearing the Weight of Salvation: The Soteriology of Ignacio Ellacuría. New York: Crossroad/Herder & Herder, 2009. [HTI Book Prize Winner—see Honors, Fellowships & Scholarships]

JOURNAL ARTICLES & CHAPTERS IN BOOKS

- “Oscar Romero: A Modern Pastoral Doctor.” New introduction to the 25th anniversary edition of *Saint Óscar Romero: Voice of the Voiceless, The Four Pastoral Letters and Other Statements*, with reflections by Jon Sobrino and Ignacio Martín-Baró. Maryknoll: Orbis Books, 2020.
- “Schillebeeckx and the Path to a Liberation Theology.” In *T&T Clark Handbook of Edward Schillebeeckx*, eds. Stephan van Erp and Daniel Minch, Jr., p. 410-23. New York: Bloomsbury/T&T Clark, 2020.
- “Gustavo Gutiérrez and Latin American Liberation Theology.” In *T&T Clark Handbook of Political Theology*, ed. Ruben Rosario Rodriguez, p. 241-54. New York: Bloomsbury/T&T Clark, 2020.
- “The Church’s Mission: Poverty and Encounter,” co-authored with Natalia Imperatori-Lee in *The Grace of Medellín*, eds. Margaret Guider, Félix Palazzi, O. Ernesto Valiente, p. 137-48. Miami: Convivium Press, 2018.
- “Hacia una teología política desde la perspectiva latina.” In *Desafíos de una teología iberoamericana inculturada en tiempos de globalización, interculturalidad y exclusión social*, eds. Luis Aranguren Gonzalo & Félix Palazzi, p. 342-53. Miami: Convivium Press, 2018.
- “Gustavo Gutiérrez.” In *Christian Theologies of Salvation*, ed. Justin S. Holcomb, p. 344-62. New York: New York University Press, 2017.
- “A New Heaven for a New Earth: Historical Soteriology as Utopic Vision.” In *Unterwegs zu einer neuen Zivilisation geteilter Genügsamkeit*, eds. Sebastian Pittl & Gunter Pruller-Jagenteufel, p. 47-58. Vienna: Vienna University Press, 2016.
- “Oscar Romero: Martyr for Solidarity.” In *Archbishop Romero and Spiritual Leadership in the Modern World*, ed. Robert S. Pelton, p. 127-138. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books/Rowman & Littlefield Publishing Group, 2015.
- “Toward a New, Historical Evangelization.” In *A Grammar of Justice: The Legacy of Ignacio Ellacuría*, eds. J. Matthew Ashley, Kevin F. Burke, and Rodolfo Cardenal, p. 189-202. Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 2014.
- Spanish: “Hacia una evangelización histórica.” In *La civilización de la pobreza. El legado de Ignacio Ellacuría para el mundo de hoy*, ed. Rodolfo Cardenal, Matt Ashley and Martin Maier, p. 191-214. Lima: Universidad Antonio Ruiz de Montoya, 2015.
- Portuguese: “Rumo a uma evangelização nova e histórica.” In *A civilização da pobreza: O legado de Ignacio Ellacuría para o mundo de hoje*, eds. Francisco de Aquino Júnior, Martin Maier, J. Matthew Ashley, and Rodolfo Cardenal, Sao Paulo: Editora Paulinas, 2014.
- “Oscar Romero’s Conversion as a Response to Social Sin.” In *Witnessing: Prophecy, Politics, and Wisdom*, eds. Maria Clara Bingemer and Peter Casarella, p. 144-157. Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 2014.
- “Ignacio Ellacuría: Historical Reality, Liberation, and the Role of the University.” In *A Critical Pedagogy of Resistance: 34 Pedagogues We Need to Know*, ed. James Kirylo, p. 41-45. Rotterdam, Netherlands: Sense Publishers, 2013.
- “Raised in Jerusalem.” In *Jesus of Galilee: Contextual Christology for the 21st Century*, ed. Robert Lassalle-Klein, p. 235-248. Maryknoll: Orbis Books, 2011.
- “A Way Forward for Latino/a Christology.” In *In Our Own Voices: Latino/a Renditions of Theology*, ed. Benjamin Valentín, p. 112-32. Maryknoll: Orbis Books, 2010.
- “The Galilean Jesus as Faithful Dissenter: Latino/a Christology and the Dynamics of Exclusion.” In *Jesus in the Hispanic Community: Images of Christ from Theology to Popular Religion*, eds. Harold J. Recinos and Hugo Magallanes, p. 16-37. Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2010.
- “Evolution or Conversion? Naming Romero’s Change and a Christian Path Today.” In *Archbishop Romero and Catholic Social Teaching*, ed. Robert Pelton, CSC, p. 8-18. Notre Dame, IN: Kellogg Institute for International Studies, 2009.

“Galilean Journey Revisited: Mestizaje, Anti-Judaism, and the Logic of Exclusion.” *Theological Studies* 70, no. 2 (June 2009): 377-400.

“Liberation Theology’s Transcendent Moment: The Work of Xavier Zubiri & Ignacio Ellacuría as Non-Contrastive Discourse.” *The Journal of Religion* 83, no. 2 (April 2003): 226-243.

BOOK REVIEWS & NOTICES

Review of *A Puerto Rican Decolonial Theology: Prophecy, Freedom* by Teresa Delgado. *Horizons* 45, no. 2 (Dec. 2018): 428-32.

Review of *A Radical Faith: The Assassination of Sister Maura* by Eileen Markey. *American Catholic Studies* 128, no. 3 (Fall 2017): 82-84.

Review of *When the Gospel Grows Feet* by Thomas M. Kelly. *Theological Studies* 75, no. 3 (Sept., 2014): 24-25.

Review of *An Immigration of Theology*, by Simon C. Kim. *Theological Studies* 74, no. 2 (June, 2013): 494-495.

Review of *Holy Trinity, Perfect Community*, by Leonardo Boff. *Journal of Hispanic/Latino Theology* [www.latinotheology.org].

Review of *Romero’s Legacy: The Call to Peace and Justice*, by Pilar Hogan Closkey and John P. Hogan. *American Catholic Studies* 119, no. 4 (2008): 89-90.

Review of *Spirituality and Mysticism: A Global View*, by James A. Wiseman. *Spiritus* 7, no. 2 (Fall, 2007): 233-35.

Review of *Archbishop Romero: Martyr and Prophet for the New Millennium*, by Robert Pelton. *The Catholic Historical Review* 93, no. 2 (April, 2007): 468.

Short Notice of *La Realidad de Dios: Su Justificación y Sentido en Xavier Zubiri y Javier Monserrat*, by José M. Millás. *Theological Studies* 67, no.1 (March, 2006): 218-19.

PUBLICATIONS IN PROCESS

Forthcoming [Under Contract]

Liberation Theology, book in the “Brill Research Perspectives in Theology” series. Editor-in-chief: Stephan van Erp (KU Leuven, Belgium).

“The Papacy and Liberation Theology,” in *The Cambridge History of the Papacy*, Joëlle Rollo-Koster and Iben Fonnesberg-Schmidt eds. (Cambridge Univ. Press).

LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS

SCHOLARLY ADDRESSES (since 2012)

Universidad Iberoamericana Ciudad de México, July 2019. “Encarnación Profunda y Crucifixión Profunda” as part of the panel, *Del análisis y transformación de estructuras de Ignacio Ellacuría a la Ecología Integral del Papa Francisco: Continuidades y Rupturas*.

University of Chicago Divinity School, April 2019. Author-respondent to panel on: *Revolutionary Saint: The Theological Legacy of Óscar Romero*.

Lumen Christi Institute, April 2019. “The Life and Legacy of St. Oscar Romero.”

St. Edward’s University McCarthy Lecture Series, March 2019. “Revolutionary Faith: Oscar Romero as a Model for Christianity Today.”

Glastonbury Abbey Lecture Series, February 2019. “Listening to the Other: Oscar Romero.”

Catholic Theological Society of America (CTSA) Annual Conference, June 2018. Author respondent to panel on: *Revolutionary Saint: The Theological Legacy of Óscar Romero*.

American Academy of Religion Annual Conference, Religions in the Latina/o Americas Unit, November 2017. “The Legacy of Virgilio Elizondo.”

- DePaul University*, April 2017. "Good News from Central America: Óscar Romero and Liberation Theology."
- Fordham University, Theology Department*, April 2017. "Why Walls Won't Work—Repairing the US-Mexico Divide," Response to Michael Dear, Prof. of City & Regional Planning, U. of California-Berkeley.
- University of Notre Dame, Kellogg Institute for International Studies*, March 2017. "Óscar Romero, Discipleship, and the False Middle."
- Boston College School of Theology & Ministry*, February 2017. "Hacia una teología política desde la perspectiva latina," delivered at conference, *Primer Encuentro Iberoamericano de Teología*.
- Universitat Ramon Llull (Barcelona)*, December 2016. "La denuncia de Monseñor Óscar Romero de la injusticia estructural en El Salvador." Lecture to the faculty.
- Cristianisme i Justícia Center for Theological Studies (Barcelona)*, December 2016. "La Teología Hispana de los Estados Unidos," lecture to the members of the theological area of studies.
- Catholic Theological Society of America (CTSA) Annual Conference*, June 2016. "Response to Fernando Picó: 'A Caribbean Setting for a Theological Meeting.'" Published in *CTSA Proceedings 71/2016*, p. 6-11.
- Katholieke Universiteit Leuven (Belgium), Centre for Liberation Theologies & Faculty of Theology and Religious Studies*, March, 2016. "Oscar Romero and Liberation Theology: The Future in and of their Contested Memory."
- Fordham University Theology Department*, October 2015. "Canonizing Liberation Theology? The Struggle Over Blessed Oscar Romero of El Salvador," the Ninth Annual Julio Burunat Memorial Lecture.
- Fordham University Center for Religion and Culture*, March 2015. "Our Inheritance: Vatican II at 50," respondent to keynote speaker, John McGreevy, University of Notre Dame.
- Universität Wien, Faculty of Theology*, December 2014. "Ellacuría's Utopian Thinking in the Context of Post-Vatican II Soteriology," delivered at conference, *Unterwegs zu einer neuen Zivilisation geteilter Genügsamkeit*.
- John Carroll University, Institute for Catholic Studies*, November 2014. "The Jesuit Martyrs of El Salvador: Perspectives on the 25th Anniversary" as part of the Catholic Studies Annual Lecture.
- University of Notre Dame, Kellogg Institute for International Studies*, September 2014. "Monseñor Romero: Martyr of Solidarity."
- Catholic Theological Society of America (CTSA) Annual Conference*, June 2014. "The Christology of Oscar Romero."
- Gettysburg College, Latin American Studies Program*, March 2014. "Canonizing Liberation Theology?" delivered as the annual Gettysburg College Lecture on Latin America.
- Universidad Centroamericana José Simeón Cañas*, August 2013. "El legado de Ignacio Ellacuría para el mundo de hoy," panel presentation with Rodolfo Cardenal, SJ (Nicaragua), Martin Maier, SJ (Germany) and Francisco de Aquino (Brazil).
- Academy of Catholic Hispanic Theologians of the United States Annual Conference*, June 2013. Presidential Address, "The Latino/a Theologian Bearing the Good News."
- DePaul University, Center for World Catholicism and Intercultural Theology, and Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro, Center for Faith and Human Sciences*, November 2012. "Witness to the Preferential Option for the Poor" delivered at the conference *Witnessing: Prophecy, Politics and Wisdom*.

MEDIA CONTRIBUTIONS

TELEVISION

CNN International, interview regarding Pope Francis' visit to Cuba and the United States. September 27, 2015.

CNN—Smerconish, Interview regarding beatification of Archbishop Oscar Romero and liberation theology. May 30, 2015.

Al Jazeera America, interview regarding beatification of Archbishop Oscar Romero. May 23, 2015.

ABC New York—Tiempo. Two-segment Interview discussing the election of Pope Francis. March, 24 2013.

Arise TV, Interview on Papal Conclave and possibility of new pope coming from Africa or Latin America. March 11, 2013.

ABC New York—Tiempo. Four segment interview discussing the resignation of Benedict XVI and its impact on the Hispanic community. February 17, 2013.

NY1 en español, Spanish-language interview on resignation of Benedict XVI. February 11, 2013.

Bronx 12 en español, Spanish-language Interview on resignation of Benedict XVI. February 11, 2013.

RADIO

National Public Radio—Here & Now, interview for story, "Remembering the Jesuit Murders in El Salvador, 25 Years Later." November 10, 2014.

America Magazine Sirius XM, interview on the Jesuit UCA martyrs of El Salvador. November 2014.

National Public Radio—Morning Edition, quoted in story, "A Different Kind of Catholicism Grows in Latino Communities" January 23, 2014.

Radio France International, interview on Pope Francis. March 15, 2013.

WFUV—Fordham Conversations, "The Legacy of the Central American Martyrs." March 2006.

MAGAZINE

The Tablet [England], cover story on the life and canonization of Oscar Romero of El Salvador. October 13, 2018.

Veja [Brazil], quoted in story about Pope Francis and conflict with Cardinal Burke. March 7, 2017.

Rolling Stone, quoted in "Inside the Pope's Fight with U.S. Conservatives." September 10, 2015.

U.S. Catholic, interview about liberation theology. "Do You Hear the Cry of the Poor?" March 2010.

NEWSPAPER

Associated Press, quoted regarding beatification of Archbishop Oscar Romero. July 6, 2015.

Philadelphia Inquirer, quoted regarding Oscar Romero and liberation theology. June 1, 2015.

New York Times, quoted in, "Pope's Focus on Poor Revives Scorned Theology." May 24, 2015.

National Catholic Reporter, quoted in, "Pope Meets with Liberation Theology Pioneer." September 25, 2013.

USA Today, quoted regarding significant issues for Latin American Catholics in an article entitled, "Who Can Lead the Catholic World Now?" March 5, 2013.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Editorial Consultant, *Theological Studies*, 2019-2024.

Co-Convener for: "Theological Witness of Oscar Romero" Interest Group, Catholic Theological Society of America (CTSA), 2018-2020.

Member, Commission for Latino/a and Latin American Theology, *Theological Studies*, 2016-2019.

Peer Reviewer, *Journal of Latin American Studies*, *Theological Studies*, *Irish Theological Quarterly*, and *Horizons*. 2009-present.

Mentor to Doctoral Student, *Hispanic Theological Initiative*, 2013-2017.

Member, Administrative Team for “Christ” Topic Session Area, Catholic Theological Society of America (CTSA), 2007-2010 [Team Coordinator, 2009-2010].

FORDHAM UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Strategic Planning Committee, Department of Theology, 2018-2019.

American Pluralism Core Committee, 2017-2019.

Hiring Committee for Avery Dulles Chair, 2018-2019.

Systematic Theology Area Coordinator, Department of Theology, 2009-2017.

Committee Member, Faculty Fellowship Advisory Committee, 2015.

Committee Member, University Task Force on the Future of Liberal Education, 2013-2014.

Executive Committee, Latin American and Latino Studies Institute, 2009-2012.

Theology Departmental Committees: Doctoral, Masters, Undergraduate, and Merit committees.

Theology Departmental Annual Symposium Coordinator, 2007-2016.

Dissertation director: 2 students; Reader for dissertation: 5 students; Dissertation defense examiner: 5 students; Theology undergrad thesis director: 2 students; Honors program thesis director: 2 students.

PUBLIC SERVICE

Board Member, Christians for Peace in El Salvador (CRISPAZ) (October 2013 - Present).

Board Member, Foundation for Sustainability and Peacemaking in Mesoamerica (2012 - 2018).

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Academy of Catholic Hispanic Theologians of the United States, 2002-present.

Catholic Theological Society of America, 2002-present.

American Academy of Religion, 1997-present.

Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality, 2004-2006.

College Theology Society, 2001-2004.