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EDUCATION

- 2024 Ph.D., Religious Studies, University of Chicago Divinity School (expected in June, 2023).

Dissertation Title: “A Theology of Human Dignity: The Act and the Body of the Poor and Black Person in Brazil.”

Committee: Prof. Dwight Hopkins, Prof. Kristine Culp, Prof. Paul Mendes-Flohr

Qualifying Examinations:
Liberation Theology (Prof. Dwight Hopkins)
Race and Racism in the Twentieth-Century Atlantic World (Prof. Thomas C. Holt)
History of Modern Religious Thought, 1600-1950 (Prof. Kevin Hector)
History of Christian Thought, 150-1325 (Prof. Willemien Otten)
- 2016 M.A., Religious Studies, University of Chicago Divinity School.
- 2004 B.L.S., (Bachelors of Law and Social Sciences), Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro (UFRJ), Brazil.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2021 Research Assistant for Prof. Dwight Hopkins, University of Chicago Divinity School (Winter, Spring, and Summer, 2021).
- 2014 Research Assistant for Prof. Silvia A. Bunge, Bunge Lab, Dept. of Psychology, University of California, Berkeley (Spring, 2014).
- 2012 Research Assistant for Prof. José Ribas Vieira, Law School, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Fall, 2021 Adjunct Instructor, Dominican University
Course designed and taught: “Introduction to Theology” THEO 101 (19 students)
- Spring, 2022 TA for Prof. Dwight Hopkins, University of Chicago Divinity School
Course: “Black Theology” RSLT 23111 (undergraduate)
Tasks included leading discussion sessions and grading.

PUBLICATIONS (PEER REVIEWED)

- 2022 “Thomas Aquinas’s Body-Soul Dualism and the Hierarchy of Human Dignity in Brazil: The Theological Origins of a Nation’s Self-Understanding,” *Journal for Cultural and Religious Theory*, vol. 21, no. 1 (2022).

<https://jcrt.org/archives/21.1/Marinho.pdf>.

- 2016 “Beyond the Binary of Divine Presence and Absence in the Colonial Encounter Between the Tupinambá and Jesuit Missionaries: A Tupian Critique of Robert A. Orsi’s Theory of Religion,” *Arc: The Journal of the Faculty of Religious Studies of McGill University*, vol. 44 (2016). <https://arcjournal.library.mcgill.ca>.

Translation

- 2011 Robert J. Miller and Micheline D’Angelis, “Brazil, Indigenous Peoples, and the International Law of Discovery” (Brasil, Povos Indígenas e a Doutrina do Descobrimento), *Brooklyn Journal of International Law* 37, no.1 (2011).

Book Review

- 2021 Raimundo César Barreto Jr., *Evangélicos e a Pobreza no Brasil: Encontros e Respostas Éticas* 2nd ed. (São Paulo, Brazil: Recriar, 2019), *Perspectivas - Journal of the Hispanic Theological Initiative* 25th Anniversary Issue; <https://perspectivasonline.com>

LANGUAGES

- Brazilian Portuguese (native)
- Spanish (advanced reading and listening)
- French (intermediary reading)
- German (basic reading)
- Latin (basic reading)

BLOGS

- 2020 “The Bio-logical Order of Human Dignity in Brazil,” *Open Plaza*, July 27, 2020; <https://www.htiopenplaza.org/content/the-bio-logical-order-of-human-dignity-in-brazil?rq=marinho>.
- 2018 “Race and ‘Corruption’ in Brazil,” *Political Theology Network*, March 23, 2018; <https://politicaltheology.com/race-and-corruption-in-brazil/>.
- 2014 “The Tension Between Normativity and Plurality in Religious Dogmas and Constitutional Principles,” *Social Science Research Network Electronic Journal*, August, 2014; DOI: 10.2139/ssrn.2467160; https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=2467160.
- 2011 “Two Constitutions in Tension,” *Social Science Research Network Electronic Journal*, August, 2011; DOI [10.2139/ssrn.1912720](https://doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.1912720); https://www.researchgate.net/publication/228234967_Two_Constitutions_in_Tension.

SCHOLARSHIPS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND GRANTS

2021-2022	Dissertation Scholar Fellowship, Hispanic Theological Initiative (HTI) / Lilly.
2018	University of Chicago Graduate Council International Travel Grant.
2018	University of Chicago DSA Travel Grant.
2018	University of Chicago Summer Language Institute Funding Award, declined.
2016-	University of Chicago Full Tuition Scholarship for the Ph.D.
2014–2016	University of Chicago Divinity School Scholarship for the M.A.
2011	Annual Scholarship from the Brazilian Department of Justice for constitutional research at Observatório da Justiça Brasileira (FND-UFRJ).

PRESENTATIONS

2022	“Doing Dignity Latinamente” in “Excellence <i>En Conjunto</i> : Celebrating HTI’s Commitment to Scholarship With a Human Face,” University of Chicago Divinity School, Chicago, April, 2022.
2021	“Doing Black Human Dignity for Liberation,” CPA, <i>Caribbean Philosophical Association</i> , June, 2021.
2018	Organizer and Moderator, “Coloniality and Race in the Philosophical Study of Religions,” <i>Political Theology Network</i> , Dakar, Senegal, June, 2018.
2018	“The Co-Constitutive Role of Candomblé and the African Diaspora in Brazil: Creating Tradition and Meaning,” PTN, <i>Political Theology Network Inaugural Conference</i> , Atlanta, GA, February, 2018.
2018	“The Racial Ontology of ‘Corruption’ in Brazil,” CPA, <i>Caribbean Philosophical Association</i> , Dakar, Senegal, June, 2018.
2010	“A Polarização no STF na ADPF 54” <i>II Fórum de Grupos de Pesquisa em Direito Constitucional e Teoria do Direito</i> , Brazil, Rio de Janeiro, August, 2010.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

AAR, American Academy of Religion

CPA, Caribbean Philosophical Association

CTSA, Catholic Theological Society of America

AETH, Asociación para la Educación Teológica Hispana

ASAFTI, Associação Sul Americana de Filosofia e Teologia Interculturais (2016-2019)

California Bar, foreign attorney

Brazilian Bar Association (OAB)

SERVICE

2020- Peer reviewer, *Perspectivas: Journal of the Hispanic Theological Initiative*
2010-2012 Peer reviewer, *Revista da Faculdade de Direito*, Universidade Federal de Uberlândia
2019 Leader of Color (undergraduate mentorship), University of Chicago

LAW AND GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT

2013-2014 Contract Attorney at Mindcrest, Chicago, IL.
2012-2013 Contract Attorney at Orrick, San Francisco, CA.
2011-2012 Contract Attorney at Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan LLP, Los Angeles, CA.
2009-2010 In-house Corporate Governance Attorney at Eletrobras, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
2005-2009 Founder, Marinho Advogados, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
2002-2005 Branch manager, Caixa Econômica Federal, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

REFERENCES

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