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## ACADEMIC CAREER

- 2011-present **Associate Professor of Old Testament**, *The Biblical Department*, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary (APTS) Granted Tenure July 2020.
- 2021-present **Academic Visitor**, *Centre for Criminology*, Faculty of Law, University of Oxford.
- 2019 **Academic Visitor**, *Centre for Criminology*, Faculty of Law, University of Oxford.
- 2017-2018 **Visiting Academic**, *Centre on Migration, Policy and Society (COMPAS)*, University of Oxford.
- 2005-2008 **Curator and Lecturer**, *Hispanic Resources*, Cushing Memorial Library and Archives, Texas A&M University.
- 2005-2007 **Curator and Lecturer**, *Rare Books and Manuscripts*, Cushing Memorial Library and Archives, Texas A&M University.

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## EDUCATION

- 2006 **PhD Biblical Interpretation/Hebrew Bible**, *Brite Divinity School*, Texas Christian University (Dissertation, Distinction).
- Title: *Voices of Marginality: Exile and Return in Second Isaiah 40-55 and the Mexican Immigrant Experience*
- Supervisor: Prof. Leo G. Purdue
- Examiners: Prof. David Balch (internal), Prof. Fernando Segovia (external)
- 2000 **M.Div. Biblical Languages**, *Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary* (Theta Alpha Kappa, Honors).
- Albert Clark Award Graduate Essay: "The Pharisaic *Halakah* of Economic Isolation," *Journal of Theta Alpha Kappa* 26 (Spring 2002):1-12.
- 1999 **B.A. English**, *Texas A&M University-Kingsville*

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## PUBLICATIONS

### Articles

1. "Reading Yee's Intersectionality as an Intervening Counter discourse to Whiteness." *The Bible and Critical Theory* 17(2021): 4-13.
2. "A Migrant-Centric Reading of Exodus 2: Tactics of Survival for Immigrant Women and Their Unaccompanied Children." *Biblical Interpretation: A Journal of Contemporary Approaches* 26(2018): 499-514.
3. "Deportation as a Sacrament of the State: The Religious Instruction of Contracted Chaplains in U.S. Detention Facilities." *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, (2017): DOI:10.1080/1369183X.2017.1404260

4. "J. Severino Croatto's Rereading of Empire in Isaiah 47." *Biblical Interpretation: A Journal of Contemporary Approaches* (2015): 222-247.
5. "The Return from Exile and Second Isaiah: Hopeful Anticipation in the Diaspora." *Journal of Bible and Human Transformation* 4 (2014): 1-14.  
[http://www.bibleandtransformation.com/JBHT/Volume\\_4\\_%282014%29.html](http://www.bibleandtransformation.com/JBHT/Volume_4_%282014%29.html)

#### Book Chapters

1. "Lamentations as a Healing Response to Necropower at the Texas-Mexico Border." In *Dissension and Tenacity: Doing Theology with Nerves*, edited by Jione Havea, New York: Lexington Books, 2023.
2. "Channeling the Biblical Exile as an Art Task for Central American Refugee Children on the Texas-Mexico Border." In *Latinxs, the Bible, and Migration*, edited by Jacqueline Hidalgo and Efrain Agosto, Chapter 4. New York: Palgrave, 2018.
3. "The Collecting Impulse in Lamentations: Postcolonial Traumata Made Miniature in Word-Objects." In *the Postcolonial Commentary on the Old Testament*, edited by Hemchand Gossai, 275-289. New York: Bloomsbury T&T Clark, 2018.
4. "S.R. Driver and Higher Criticism: Mapping 'the Differences of Race' In Genesis." In *Ethnicity, Race, and Religion: Identities and Ideologies in early Jewish and Christian Texts, and in the Traditions of Biblical Interpretation*, edited by David G. Horrell and Katherine M. Hockey, 75-91. London: Bloomsbury T&T Clark, 2018.
5. "Contesting State Violence: The Bible, the Public Good, and Divinely Sanctioned Violence in the Texas Borderlands." In *La Violencia and the Hebrew Bible: The Politics and Histories of Biblical Hermeneutics on the American Continent*, edited by Susanne Scholz and Pablo Andiñach, 39-58. Atlanta, GA: SBL Press, 2016.
6. Cuéllar, Gregory Lee and Randy S. Woodley, "North American Mission and Motive: Following the Markers." In *Great Awakenings: Evangelical Postcolonial Conversations*, 61-74. edited by Kay Smith Jayachitra Lallitha, and L. Daniel Hawk. Downers Grove: IVP Academic, 2015.
7. "Forgotten Forebears in the History of North American Biblical Scholarship." In *Latino/a Biblical Hermeneutics: Problematic, Objectives, Strategies*, edited by Francisco Lozada and Fernando Segovia, 121-32. Atlanta GA: Semeia Studies: SBL Publications, 2014.
8. "The Imposed Silence of Idealized Memories." In *El Sermón NovoHispano Como Texto de Cultura Ocho Estudios*, edited by Blanca Lopez de Mariscal and Nancy Joe Dyer, 153-66. New York, NY: IDEA, 2012.

#### Monographs

1. *Voices of Marginality: Exile and Return in Second Isaiah 40-55 and the Mexican Immigrant Experience*. New York: Peter Lang Publishing, 2008.
2. *Empire, the British Museum, and the Making of the Biblical Scholar in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century: Archival Criticism*. New York: Palgrave, 2019.
3. *Resacralizing the Other at the US Mexico Border: A Borderland Hermeneutic*. London, UK: Routledge, 2020.

#### Co-Edited Volume

1. *Activist Hermeneutics of Liberation and the Bible: A Global Intersectional Perspective*, Edited by Jin Young Choi and Gregory L. Cuéllar. London, UK: Routledge 2023.

### Biblical Commentary Entries

1. "Comentario del San Mateo 2:1-12." [www.workingpreacher.org](http://www.workingpreacher.org), Center for Biblical Preaching, Luther Seminary (January 6, 2021).
2. "Comentario del San Marcos 1:4-11." [www.workingpreacher.org](http://www.workingpreacher.org), Center for Biblical Preaching, Luther Seminary (January 10, 2021).
3. "Comentario del San Juan 1:43-51." [www.workingpreacher.org](http://www.workingpreacher.org), Center for Biblical Preaching, Luther Seminary (January 17, 2021).
4. "Comentario del San Marcos 1:14-20." [www.workingpreacher.org](http://www.workingpreacher.org), Center for Biblical Preaching, Luther Seminary (January 24, 2021).
5. "Commentary for I Kings 21:1-10, 15-21a and II Samuel 11:26-12:10, 13-15." In *Connections: A Lectionary Commentary Year C, vol. 3*, edited by Joel Green, Thomas Long, Luke Powery, Carolyn Sharp, and Cynthia Rigby. Louisville: John Knox Press, 2019.
6. "Commentary for I Kings 19:1-4, (5-7), 8-15s and Isaiah 65:1-9." In *Connections: A Lectionary Commentary Year C, vol. 3*, edited by Joel Green, Thomas Long, Luke Powery, Carolyn Sharp, and Cynthia Rigby. Louisville: John Knox Press, 2019.
7. "Commentary for II Kings 2:1-2, 6-14 and I Kings 19:15-16, 19-2," In *Connections: A Lectionary Commentary Year C, vol. 3*, edited by Joel Green, Thomas Long, Luke Powery, Carolyn Sharp, and Cynthia Rigby. Louisville: John Knox Press, 2019.
8. "I & II Chronicles." In *The People's Bible*, edited by Curtiss P. DeYoung, Leticia Guardiola Saenz, Wil Gafney, and Frank Yamada, 526-72; 554-55. Minneapolis, MN: Fortress Press, 2008.

### Book Reviews

1. Review of *Jueces*, by José Luis Sicre. *Biblica*, 100.3 (2019):455-476.
2. Review of *Borders: A Very Short Introduction*, by Alexander C. Diener. *Horizons in Biblical Theology* 37 no. 1 (2015): 93-95.
3. Review of *An Introduction to the Study of Isaiah*, by Jacob Stromberg. *Horizons in Biblical Theology* 35 no 1 (2013): 95-97.
4. Review of *Law, Power, and Justice in Ancient Israel*, by Douglas A. Knight. *Horizons in Biblical Theology* 34 no 1 (2012): 91-93.
5. Review of *Sephardic Jews in America: A Diasporic History*, by Aviva Ben-Ur. *Journal of the American Academy of Religion* 79, no. 3(September 2011): 753-56.

### Other Academic Publications

1. "Reading Border Texts as Sacred Texts." *Insights: The Faculty Journal of Austin Seminary* 129 no. 2 (Spring 2014):3-10.
2. "Storied Spaces, Sacred Places." *Insights: The Faculty Journal of Austin Seminary* 129 no. 2 (Spring 2014):11-14.
3. "Archives as Space and Text." *Insights: The Faculty Journal of Austin Seminary* 128 no. 2(Spring 2013): 17-22.
4. *Passages in the New World: Books & Manuscripts from Colonial Mexico, 1556-1820*. Houston, TX: Cushing Memorial Library and Archives, 2006.

### Electronic Scholarly Resources

1. "Privileging US Immigration in Biblical Exegesis Courses." *Social Justice and Civic Engagement Blog*, Wabash Center, July 10,2020, <https://www.wabashcenter.wabash.edu/2020/07/privileging-us-immigration-in-biblical-exegesis-courses/>

2. "Sacralized Public Safety and Privatized Religious Care in Immigrant Family Detention," *Centre on Migration, Policy, and Society* (blog), June 12, 2018, <https://www.compas.ox.ac.uk/2018/sacralized-public-safety-and-privatized-religious-care-in-immigrant-family-detention/>
3. "The Task of Decentering in Teaching Old Testament, Race Matters in the Classroom," *Wabash Center* (blog), August 20, 2015, [http://wabashcenter.typepad.com/antiracism\\_pedagogy/2015/08/the-task-of-decentering-in-teaching-old-testament.html](http://wabashcenter.typepad.com/antiracism_pedagogy/2015/08/the-task-of-decentering-in-teaching-old-testament.html)
4. "Repository of Truth: Full and Unrestricted Access?," *Seminarium: The Elements of Great Teaching*, Fortress Press (blog), August 1, 2014, <http://seminariumblog.org/author/gregory-cuellar/>
5. "Contextualization as an Ethical Practice: Part 2—Unpacking "Machine-Made" Biblical Knowledge," *Seminarium: The Elements of Great Teaching*, Fortress Press (blog), June 2, 2014, <http://seminariumblog.org/author/gregory-cuellar/>
6. "Contextualization as an Ethical Practice: Part 1— The Socialized Body of the Biblical Scholar," *Seminarium: The Elements of Great Teaching*, Fortress Press (blog), February 28, 2014, <http://seminariumblog.org/general/semloci/gregory-cuellar-12014/>
7. "The Ballad of Sour Grapes (Isaiah 5: 1-5)," *ON Scripture—The Bible, Odyssey Networks*, August 12, 2013, <http://www.odysseynetworks.org/news/2013/08/09/the-ballad-of-sour-grapes>
8. "Archive as a Context for Teaching the Bible," *Seminarium: The Elements of Great Teaching*, Fortress Press (blog), July 23, 2013, <http://seminariumblog.org/general/semloci/archive-as-a-context-for-teaching-the-bible/>
9. "Archive Possessed: Teaching the Bible in Texas," *Seminarium: The Elements of Great Teaching*, Fortress Press (blog), December 3, 2013 <http://seminariumblog.org/general/semloci/cuellarg22013/Cuellar>,
10. "God's Return Policy: Jeremiah 31:7-9," *ON Scripture—The Bible, Odyssey Networks*, October 24, 2012, <http://www.odysseynetworks.org/news/onscripture-the-bible-jeremiah-31-7-9>
11. "Interrogating the University Archive." *Religious Studies News* (American Academy of Religion), October 2011, [http://rsnonline.org/index38c5.html?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=767&Itemid=875](http://rsnonline.org/index38c5.html?option=com_content&view=article&id=767&Itemid=875)

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## CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

### Invited Speaker

#### UK

- June 2019 "Religion in Immigration Detention: Securing Faiths in a State of Removal," *COMPAS/Migration and Mobility Network*, The University of Oxford.
- June 2018 "Contextualizing a Museum of the Bible," *Centre for Biblical Studies*, Department of Theology and Religion, University of Exeter.
- Feb 2018 "The Bible Detained: Chaplaincy in U.S. Immigrant Family Detention Centres," *Religious and Asian Studies Research Seminar*, School Of European Culture And Languages, University of Kent.
- August 2016 "S.R. Driver and Higher Criticism: Mapping 'the Differences of Race' in

Genesis.” An international conference titled, *Ethnicity/Race/Religion: Identities, Ideologies, and Intersections in Biblical Texts and Interpretation*, The Centre for Biblical Studies, University of Exeter.

### **Ireland**

April 2016 “Making Present the Biblical Exile in Refugee Trauma Art on the Texas-Mexico Border,” An international symposium on the Bible and migration titled, *In Whatever Tribe the Stranger Settles*, held at Trinity Centre for Biblical Studies, Trinity College.

### **USA**

- October 2018 “An Activist Hermeneutic in an Age of Border-Wall Politics,” *Centro Latino Library Inauguration*, Fuller Theological Seminary.
- October 2018 “The Master Archive and Silencing the Human Other,” *Hacia una Iglesia sin fronteras: Migración, Resistencia y Espíritu*, Centro Latino Lectures 2018, Fuller Theological Seminary.
- Feb 2016 “Arte de Lágrimas: Refugee Artwork Project,” A national conference entitled, *Undocumented, Unaccompanied, and Citizen: Charting Research Directions for Children of Immigration*, University of Texas at Austin.
- October 2016 “Deportation as a Sacrament of the State: The Religious Instruction of Contracted Chaplains in U.S. Detention Facilities,” *Hispanic Latino/a Center*, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary.
- Sept 2015 “Borderlands Hermeneutics and the Reading of Scripture,” *The Center for the Study of Latin@ Theology and Ministry*, McCormick Theological Seminary.
- Nov 2014 “The British Museum: The Master Space of Colossal Relics,” *Glasscock’s Religion & Culture Working Group Lecture*, Texas A&M University.
- March 2013 “A Borderlands Readings of the Bible,” *Interdisciplinary Dialogue*, Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University.
- October 2012 “Contesting State Violence on the Texas Border: José T. Canales, the Bible, and *Los Rinches* in the Early Twentieth Century,” *Consultation on La Violencia in the People’s Life: Politics, Culture, and the Interpretation of the Hebrew Bible*, Research Seminar, The Center for the Study of Latina/o Christianity and Religions, Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University.
- Feb 2010 “The Constructions of Otherness in Early Modern Biblical Criticism,” *Barton Lecture*, Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University.

### **México**

- Oct 2006 “El lenguaje antijudío en los textos religiosos del siglo XVIII en el México Colonial del Norte.” *1er Coloquio Hispanoamericano de Filosofía después de Auschwitz: Justicia y Violencia: La experiencia Hispanoamericana*, Antiguo Colegio de Medicina, Mexico City.
- June 2007 “El uso de la teología de misiones de Antonio Vieira en Nueva España,” (joint paper Dr. Hilaire Kalendorf ) *Simposio sobre la influencia de la experiencia evangelizadora de Nueva España en la vida de los franciscanos*, Centro de Estudios Humanísticos Fray Bernardino de Sahún

Given Academic Papers

**Italy**

July 2019 “Mastering Biblical History in The British Museum,” *SBL 2019 International program unit the Bible and Empire*, Rome, Italy.

**UK**

May 2018 “Sacralised Public Safety and Privatized Religious Care in U.S. Immigrant Family Detention Centres,” *Borders, Racisms, and Harms: A Symposium*, University of London.

**USA**

- Nov 2018 “The Importance of Conceptualizing Migration as a Religious Experience in Genesis 46,” SBL unit Exile (Forced Migrations) in Biblical Literature, Session entitled, *Involuntary Migration and the Joseph Narrative (Gen 37-50)*, Denver, Colorado. **INVITED**
- Nov 2015 “A Migrant-centric Reading of Exodus 2,” SBL program unit Minoritized Criticism and Biblical Interpretation, Session entitled, *Migration-Economics, Ecology, Militarization*, Atlanta, Georgia. **INVITED**
- Nov 2015 “Art Therapy and the Biblical Exile: Detained Refugee Central American Children and Youth Draw Their Homeland and Journey Experiences,” SBL program unit Bible and Cultural Studies and joint Session With African-American Biblical Hermeneutics, Minoritized Criticism and Biblical Interpretation, Atlanta, Georgia.
- Nov 2014 “The Task of Decentering in Teaching Old Testament,” *AAR Wildcard Session on Decentralizing Pedagogies: Opportunities and Challenges for Religious Studies and Theological Education*, American Academy of Religion 2014 Annual Meeting, San Diego, California.
- Nov 2012 “Mexican Migrant *Retablos* as Texts for Understanding Scripture,” *SBL program unit Latino/a and Latin American Interpretation Session on Migration and the Bible*, Society of Biblical Literature 2012 Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois.
- Nov 2010 “Crossing the Color-Line in Biblical Interpretation,” *SBL program unit Minoritized Criticism and Biblical Interpretation*, Society of Biblical Literature 2010 Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia. **INVITED**
- Nov 2010 “Reading the Bible from Below the U.S. Mexico Border.” *SBL program unit Latino/a and Latin American Biblical Criticism*, Society of Biblical Literature 2010 Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia.
- April 2010 “Crypto-Jews: An Oppositional Subculture in the U.S. Southwest,” *Crypto-Judaism Public Workshop*, The Center for the Study of Latino/a Christianity and Religions, Southern Methodist University.
- Nov 2009 “Croatto’s Critique of Empire in Second Isaiah.” *SBL program unit Latino/a and Latin American Biblical Criticism*, Society of Biblical Literature 2009 Annual Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana.
- Nov 2008 “Forgotten Forebears in the History of North American Biblical Scholarship,” *SBL program unit Latino/a and Latin American Biblical Criticism*, Society of Biblical Literature 2008 Annual Meeting, Boston, Massachusetts.
- April 2008 “Luis de Carvajal, El Mozo, and His Reading of Scripture,” *Crypto Jews and the Inquisition in New Spain Symposium: The Carvajal Family*, The Cushing Memorial Library and Archives, Texas A&M University.
- Nov 2007 “The Vision of Exile in Second Isaiah and Mexican Immigrant Corridos,”

*SBL program unit Bible and Cultural Studies, Society of Biblical Literature  
2007 Annual Meeting in San Diego, California.*

- Nov 2007 “Heroes of the Faith: The Imposed Silence of Idealized Memories’,” *AAR Program unit The Bible in Racial, Ethnic, and Indigenous Communities*, American Academy of Religion 2007, Annual Meeting in San Diego, California.  
Oct 2007 “A Theological Vision of Immigration in 20th Mexican Retablos.” *Mexican Retablos Symposium: Miracle on the Border*, J. Wayne Stark University Center Galleries, Texas A&M University.

#### **Argentina**

- July 2015 “A Borderlands Hermeneutic: Re-reading the Bible as a “Border-Crossed” Reader,” *SBL International program unit Biblical Criticism and Cultural Studies*, Buenos Aires, Argentina, Universidad Católica Argentina.

#### **Spain**

- June 2006 “Converso Religious Practices in 18th Century Colonial Mexico.” *The 3rd International Converso and Morisco studies Conference*, Saint Louis University, Madrid Campus.

#### **Zoom**

- Oct 2021 “Lamentations as a Healing Response to Necropolitical Power at the Texas-Mexico Border.” *eDARE 2021 “Rise to Life: Confessing witness to life-flourishing communities*, Council for World Mission (CWM). **INVITED**

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### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE** (\*See Appendix)

#### Undergraduate Courses

- Fall 2016 Guest Lecturer-SOC 322U: U.S. Immigration (topic: Religion and Migration), *University of Texas at Austin*.  
Fall 2007 Guest Lecturer- RELS 211: Hebrew Scripture, *Texas A&M University*.

#### Graduate Courses

- Spring 2020 Bi.195 Immigration and the Old Testament (English-Based) *APTS*  
Fall 2019 Bi. 219 Exegesis: Exodus (Hebrew Exegesis) *APTS*  
Spring 2019 Bi. 277 Exegesis: Genesis 12-50 (Hebrew Exegesis) *APTS*  
Fall 2018 Bi.277: Psalms 120-134: Songs of Ascent Acts (Hebrew Exegesis) *APTS*  
Fall 2018-14 Bi. 102: Introduction to Biblical Hebrew, *APTS*  
Spring 2017 Bi.377: Amos (Hebrew Exegesis), *APTS*  
Fall 2016 Bi.361: Hosea (Hebrew Exegesis), *APTS*  
Spring 2016 Bi. 219 Exodus (Hebrew Exegesis), *APTS*  
Spring 2016 Bi.191 Reading the Bible from the Margins, *APTS*  
Fall 2015 Bi 283 Joshua (Hebrew Exegesis), *APTS*  
Spring 2015 Bi.215 Genesis 12-50 (Hebrew Exegesis), *APTS*  
Spring 2015 Bi.215 Lamentations (Hebrew Exegesis), *APTS*  
Jan 2015 Bi.233b Topics in Biblical Studies: Immigration and the Bible: Perspectives from Latina/o Experiences, *APTS*  
Fall 2014-12 Bi. 102: Introduction to Old Testament, *APTS*  
Spring 2013 Bi. 171 Hebrew Reading (Tutorial Session Equivalent), *APTS*  
Spring 2013 Bi. 233 Topics in Biblical Studies: Empire in the Old Testament (Tutorial Session Equivalent), *APTS*  
Fall 2012 Bi.209 Isaiah 40-55 (Hebrew Exegesis), *APTS*  
Spring 2010 SWBLI-5112 Old Testament II Scripture and Witness, BHCTI

Spring 2009 OT 7321-The Book of Isaiah: Chapters 40-55: Exile and Return, *Perkins School of Theology, SMU.*

Fall 2009 Teología De La Diáspora Exilio y retorno en el Antiguo Testamento, *Seminario Metodista Juan Wesley, Monterrey, México.*

#### Doctoral Courses

Jan 2020 Hermeneutics of The Sacred in The U.S.-Mexico Borderlands, *APTS*

Sum 2014 Bi.85:Cross-Cultural Ministry and the Bible, *APTS*

Jan 2012 Bi. 831 Exegesis and Sermon Design, *APTS*

#### Postgraduate Supervision and Examination

Examined Hernández-Marcial, Lydia. (PhD Field Exams, 2017) Exam#2: Methodology, question topics, *Qohelet* and Postcolonial Theory, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago.

Supervised McLeod, Johanna E. Tice. (DMin, 2016) *Presbyterian Mission Initiatives in the Caribbean and Latin America, 1555-2012.* Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary.

Examined Lugo, Betsabeth Monica. (PhD, 2015) *God, Children and Country: An In-depth Study of the Condition of Immigrant Illegality Through the Experiences of Mexican Domestic Workers in Dallas, Texas.* Department of Sociology, University of Texas at Austin.

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### **ACADEMIC SERVICE**

#### Faculty Committees (APTS)

2020-2021 Chair, The Library Committee

2018-2019 Chair, The Biblical Department

2018-2019 Chair, Master of Arts in Ministry Practice Curriculum Review Committee

2018-2019 Chair, Program of Study and Academic Policies Committee

2018-2019 Member, Care Team

2015-2016 Chair, The Biblical Department

2015-2016 Member, Program of Study and Academic Policies Committee

2014-2015 Member, Student Life Committee

2012-2016 Member and Chair, President's Commission on Diversity

2012-2016 Member, *Insights* Commission (The Faculty Journal of Austin Seminary)

2012-2013 Member, Student Learning Assessment Commission

2012-2013 Chair, Special Education Events Commission

2013 Member, Admissions Commission

#### Scholarly Committees

2017-present Member, Steering Committee of the *Ethics & Biblical Interpretation*, Society of Biblical Literature Section.

2016-present Co-Chair, Steering Committee of the *Minoritized Criticism and Biblical Interpretation*, Society of Biblical Literature Seminar.

2015-2018 Member, Steering Committee of the *Bible and Cultural Studies*, Society of Biblical Literature Section.

2007-2010 Member, Steering Committee of the *Latino/a and Latin American Biblical Interpretation*, Society of Biblical Literature Session.



### Editorial Boards

- 2012-present Editorial board member for Horizons in Biblical Theology (Brill Press)  
2015-2019 Editorial board member for Connections Lectionary Series (Westminster John Knox Press)  
2020-present Semeia Studies Editorial Board (SBL Press)

### Advisory Committees

- 2022 Wabash Center Advisory Committee

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## **PASTORAL CARE AND OUTREACH**

### Pastoral Ministry

- 2009-2011 Pastor, Cliff Temple *en Español*, Cliff Temple Baptist Church, Dallas Texas.  
2008-2009 Associate Pastor, *Primera Iglesia Bautista Mexicana*, Dallas, Texas.  
2005 Adjunct Pastor, A&M Korean Student Church Bryan, Texas.

### Student Advisory Duties

- 2012-present Resident Faculty (APTS), Advise approximately 15 master's-level students annually in the selection of courses within the boundaries of the degree programs in a pastoral manner and promote learning, health, Christian character and piety by personal example. (*Degree Programs*: MDiv - Master of Divinity, MAMP- Master of Arts in Ministry Practice, MATS - Master of Arts (Theological Studies), Dual Degree Program (MDiv/MSSW).  
2015-2018 PhD mentor of Lydia Hernández Marcial, Aid her in navigating her doctoral program in Hebrew Bible, helping to expand her networking capacity, and collaborating with the her advisor and faculty at her institution, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago. A Mentoring Program of the *Hispanic Theological Initiative*.  
2013-2018 Faculty Sponsor, Hispanic Student Association (APTS)

### Collaborative Involvement

- 2021 Panelist, *Confronting Whiteness in Our Churches*, Ministers Week, Brite Divinity School, Texas Christian University.  
2020 Panelist, *Arts and Humanities Series*, Dell Medical School and the Steve Hicks School of Social Work at the University of Texas at Austin.  
2016 Panelist, *Compassionate Conversations*, Education Forum of the University of Texas at Austin Division of Diversity & Community Engagement and Jewish, Muslim, and Christian Community leaders, the Blanton Museum of Art.  
2016 Contributor, Art Exhibit: *Spatial Stories of Migration and Detention*, Mebane Gallery, School of Architecture, University of Texas at Austin.  
<https://statesofincarceration.org/states/texas-spatial-stories-migration-and-detention>  
2015 Guest Lecturer, Graduate Course SUT 2.110 *Architectures of Migration: The Space of Texas Detention Centers*.  
2015 Panelist, Session #2: *The Bible and the Americas*, The Bible, Empire, and Reception History Conference, Columbia Theological Seminary, Atlanta, GA.  
2012 Respondent to Nestor Rodriguez's "The Changing Environment of Migrants, Faith Communities," George S. Heyer Jr. Lecturer, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary.

- 2012-2013 Participant, *Teaching and Learning Workshop for Pre-Tenure Latino/a Religion Faculty in Theological Schools, Colleges, and Universities*, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion.
- 2012 Participant, ATS Roundtable Seminar for Newly Appointed Faculty, Chicago, IL.
- 2010 Workshop Leader, "Rereading the Texts of the Other: Alternative Ways of Reading the Bible," Perkins School of Theology annual Ministers Week, Southern Methodist University.
- 2009 Seminar Leader, "Curricular Seminar on Teaching Bible in Mexican Seminaries," The Center for the Study of Latino/a Christianity and Religions, Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University.
- 2006-2008 "Los Primeros Libros de las Américas: A Digital Library of 16th Century Colonial Mexican Imprints." Through a consortium of U.S./Mexican scholars, librarians, and technology experts, this project provides online access to digitized texts from Cushing Library's Colonial Mexican Imprint Collection and various participating Mexican libraries with Colonial Mexican Collections.
- 2007 *Shared Cultural Memory from the New Spain Collections of the Cushing Library (TAMU) and the Biblioteca Cervantina (Tec de Monterrey)*, Joint project with Principle Investigators Dr. Nancy Joe Dyer (TAMU) and Dr Lopez Morales (Tec de Monterrey).

Conference Organizing

- 2013-2020 Faculty Co-Advisor, *HESED Lecture Series sponsored by the African and African Descendant Student Association and Latinx Student Association (APTS)*.
- 2013-2016 Co-Organizer, *Crossing the Border/ Cruzando la Frontera Conference*, Theological Education Program for Spanish speaking church leaders, sponsored by Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Seminary of the Southwest, and Lutheran Seminary Program in the Southwest.
- 2008 Organizer, Symposium: The Crypto-Jews and the Inquisition in New Spain: The Carvajal Family, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas, <http://cushing.tamu.edu/symposium/>

Selected Exhibitions Curated

- 2014 Supervising Curator, Exhibit titled, "Arte de Lágrimas: Refugee Art Exhibit," *Central American Young Migrants and the Border Crisis*, University of Texas at San Antonio-Downtown Campus.
- 2015 Supervising Curator, Exhibit titled, "Through the Eyes of Children: Arte de Lágrimas and Borderlands Hermeneutics," *the Center for Latin@ Theology and Ministry*, McCormick Theological Seminary.
- 2008 Supervising Curator, Exhibit titled, "The Mexican Inquisition," Cushing Memorial Library and Archives, Texas A&M University.
- 2007 Researcher and Co-Curator, Exhibit titled, "Passages in the New World: Books and Manuscripts from Colonial Mexico, 1556-1820," Cushing Memorial Library, Texas A&M University.

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**GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS**

- 2021 Individual Grant, "Arte de Lágrimas: Refugee Artwork Project," *2021 Migration Narratives Project Grant*, The Institute for Diversity and Civic Life, The Henry Luce Foundation, \$5000.
- 2020-2023 Proposal Director, "Expanding the Latinx Vision of Borderlands at ATS Member

- Schools,” *Race Critical Consciousness Colloquy*, Large Grant, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, \$85000.
- 2019-2020 Small Grant, “Teaching through the Space of the Migrant Other,” *Colloquy on Race Critical Consciousness*, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, \$5000.
- 2019-2020 Research Project, *Religion in Immigration Detention: Securing Faiths in a State of Removal*, Louisville Institute, \$30,000.
- 2019-2020 Participant, Mid-Career Colloquy for Theological School Faculty on *Race Critical Consciousness for Transformative Theological Education*, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, \$3,000.
- 2016 Proposal Director, Wabash Peer Mentoring Cluster Grant, *Sustaining a Sense of Vocation through Latino/a Peer Mentoring*, \$7500.
- 2015 Columbia University Libraries Research Award Recipient, Project: *Samuel Rolles Driver’s Portrayal of The East*, Collections: Burke; Charles Augustus Briggs papers, \$2,500.
- 2013 Proposal Director, Wabash Small Project Grant, *Latino/a Strategies for Pedagogical Decenterings*, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, \$2,500.
- 2013 Wabash Summer Fellowship, Archival research at Westcott House, Cambridge, England, Project: B.F Westcott and S.R. Driver, \$5,000.
- 2012-2013 Participant, *Wabash Teaching and Learning Workshop for Pre-Tenure Latino/a Religion Faculty in Theological Schools, Colleges, and Universities*, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, \$3,000.
- 2012 Junior Scholar Grant from the Southwest Commission on Religious Studies, Project: British Museum and the Bible in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century, \$2,000.
- 2006 Research Grant Program of recovering the U.S. Hispanic Religious Thought and Practice Project. Received jointly with Dr. Hilaire Kallendorf, \$3,000.
- 2006 Served as a Co-Principal Investigator for the 2006 Texas A&M University-Conacyt: Collaborative Research Grant Program. Principle Investigators Nancy Joe Dyer, Department of Hispanic Studies, and Blanca Lopez de Mariscal from Monterrey Tec University, \$24,000.
- 2005-2006 Hispanic Theological Initiative, Princeton Theological Seminary, Dissertation Grant. \$16,000.
- 2003-2004 Hispanic Theological Initiative, Princeton Theological Seminary, Mentorship Fellowship, \$5,000.
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**APPENDIX**  
*STUDENT COMMENTS ON COURSE EVALUATIONS*

**Bi. 102: Introduction to Biblical Hebrew**

Fall 2016

Statements about the teacher:

- “Excellent professor, knowledgeable and well informed of the subject he teaches. A great teacher who always was/is available for his students”
- “Prof. Cuéllar was patient and kind and willing to work with those who had a “slower” learning curve.”

Fall 2015

List from one to three strengths of this course (ie, those features which were most helpful to your learning):

- “Dr. Cuellar is a fantastic professor and was wonderfully pastoral.”
- “instructor kindness and enthusiasm, group work setting.”

Statements about the teacher:

- “very kind and supportive of the student’s learning. It was great to see the language as a cultural marker as well a Great teacher.”

**Bi.361: Hosea (Hebrew Exegesis)**

Fall 2016

List from one to three strengths of this course (ie, those features which were most helpful to your learning):

- “Dr. Cuellar is pastoral and inspiring (a rare combination!)”

**Bi 283 Joshua (Hebrew Exegesis)**

Fall 2015

List from one to three strengths of this course (ie, those features which were most helpful to your learning):

- “Dr. Cuellar’s passion is very evident, the depth of the material was awesome sometimes it was just funny.”

**Bi. 219 Exodus (Hebrew Exegesis)**

Spring 2015

Statements about the teacher:

- “Dr. Cuellar is intentional thoughtful and endlessly careful in curating an outstanding learning space, hearing all perspectives, and challenging us and himself.”
- “Dr. Cuellar is one of the best professors I’ve had. He is thoughtful and able to give meaning to scripture that is both new and still honest to the tradition. That tension gives life to what is seen too often as dead space.”

**Bi.215 Lamentations (Hebrew Exegesis)**

Spring 2015

List from one to three strengths of this course (ie, those features which were most helpful to your learning):

- “Asks for critical thinking, respects texts and students—encouraged to make living connections—appreciated projects with fellow students.”
- “Class discussions were great and added a dimension and context. Group presentations allowed us to stretch our learning, projects that were challenging.”

**Bi.215 Genesis 12-50 (Hebrew Exegesis)**

Spring 2015

List from one to three strengths of this course (ie, those features which were most helpful to your learning):

- “Interactive assignments—Intuitive and insightful instructor. Cuéllar knows how to get students to think for themselves and lead fruitful discussions.”
- “Dr. Cuéllar is an amazing scholar who invites students to share in his passion of the Hebrew Bible. His intensity for biblical scholarship is contagious.”