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EDUCATION:

Ph.D. in Religion, emphasis in Religion and Society, Temple University, 1998.

Dissertation: *Latino Protestant Identity and Empowerment: Hispanic Religion, Community, Rhetoric, and Action in a Philadelphia Case Study*

M.A. in Religion, Temple University

M.A.T.S. in Old Testament/Hebrew Bible, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary

B.A. in Biblical and Theological Studies, Gordon College

HONORARY DEGREE:

Doctor of Theology, *honoris causa*, Catholic Theological Union at Chicago, May 25, 2023.

ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH APPOINTMENTS:

Drew University

Dean of the Theological School

Professor of Religion & Culture, June 1, 2022-present

Louisville Institute

Executive Director, 2015-2022

Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary

Research Professor of Religion and Culture, 2017-2022

Eastern University

Dean and Chief Executive Administrator of Palmer Theological Seminary

Professor of Religion and Culture, 2014-15

Christian Theological Seminary

Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the Faculty Professor of Christianity and Culture, 2012-14

Lancaster Theological Seminary

Vice President of Academic Affairs and Dean of the Seminary Professor of Religion and Culture, 2006-10

Southern Methodist University

Associate Professor, Christianity and Culture, Perkins School of Theology, 2004-06

Assistant Professor, Christianity and Culture Perkins School of Theology, 1998-2004

Director of Advanced Studies, Perkins School of Theology, 2004-06

Graduate Program in Religious Studies, Dedman College of Humanities & Sciences, 1998-2006

North Park University

Director, Institute for International and Cultural Studies, 1995-98

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Center for Africana Studies, Center for Korean Studies, Center for Latino Studies, Center for Middle Eastern Studies, and Center for Scandinavian Studies
Executive Director, Center for Latino Studies, 1994-98
Assistant Professor of Biblical and Theological Studies, 1994-98

McCormick Theological Seminary
Lecturer in Preaching, 1996-97

Temple University, Religion Department
Research Associate: Researcher and Principal Author, Pew Charitable Trusts study, *The Work of Latino Ministry: Hispanic Protestant Churches in Philadelphia*. 1991-1994
Graduate Instructor, Religion Department, Spring 1991
Graduate Instructor, First-Year Writing Program, Fall 1990

University of St. Francis, Lehigh Valley Extension, Pennsylvania Instructor,
Religious Studies, 1992-93

United Wesleyan College
Instructor, Biblical Studies, 1982-1989

VISITING APPOINTMENTS

Lexington Theological Seminary
Adjunct Professor of Religion and Culture, 2018-2022

The Hispanic Scholars Program, Inc. (previously, Hispanic Summer Program)

- Professor of Cultural Studies in Religions at Oblate School of Theology, June-July 2016
- Manuela Treviño Alanís Professor of Hispanic Studies and Church History at Southern Methodist University, June 2009

Temple University
Visiting Professor of Religion, Fall 2011

New York Theological Seminary
Research Professor of Latina/o & Latin American Christianity, Center for World Christianity,
2010-2012

Palmer Theological Seminary, Eastern University
Visiting Professor of Church History, June 2005

OTHER HIGHER EDUCATION ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

Acting Director of Admissions and Financial Aid
Lancaster Theological Seminary, February-August 2010

Chairperson, Division II (Department): The Heritage of the Christian Witness in its Religious and Cultural Context, Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University, 2005-06

Financial Aid Consultant
Moravian College, January-June 1994

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Assistant Director, Financial Aid Lehigh
University, 1988-90

Assistant Director of Financial Aid Albright
College, 1986-88.

Director of Financial Aid
United Wesleyan College, 1984-86

PUBLICATIONS

Books:

Introducing Latinx Theologies, co-authored with Miguel A. De La Torre. Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 2020.

¡Santo! Varieties of Latino/a Spirituality. Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 2012.

Handbook of Latina/o Theologies, co-edited with Miguel A. De La Torre, St. Louis, MO: Chalice Press, 2006.

Introducing Latino/a Theologies, co-authored with Miguel A. De La Torre. Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 2001.

Book Chapters:

“Popular Culture and Caribbean Religions,” in *The Oxford Handbook of Caribbean Religions*, Michelle Gonzalez Maldonado, ed. New York: Oxford University Press, 2024.

“Understanding Spirituality and Theologizing Popular Protestantism,” in *The Wiley Blackwell Companion to Latinoax Theology*, Orlando O. Espín, ed. Malden: Wiley-Blackwell, 2023.

“Hope, Theological Education, and the Boardwalk,” in *Borderlands of Theological Education*, Joshua Davis and Deirdre Good, eds. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books/Fortress Academic, 2022.

“Foreword,” in *A Biblical Study Guide for Equal Pulpits*, ed. Young Lee Hertig. Eugene, OR: Wipf & Stock, 2022.

“Ecclesiologies: Protestant,” in *Wiley Blackwell Companion to Latino/a Theology*, Orlando O. Espín, ed. Malden, MA: Wiley-Blackwell, 2015.

“Theologizing Popular Protestantism” in *Wiley Blackwell Companion to Latino/a Theology*, Orlando O. Espín, ed. Malden, MA: Wiley-Blackwell, 2015.

“Friedrich Schleiermacher,” in *Beyond the Pale: Reading Theology from the Margins*, Miguel A. De La Torre and Stacey M. Floyd-Thomas, eds. Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2011.

“A Latino Liberationist Voice” in *Trails of Hope and Terror: Testimonies on Immigration*, Miguel A. De La Torre. Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 2009.

“Metaphysical Blending in Latino/a *Botánicas* in Dallas,” in *Rethinking Latino/a Religion and Identity*, Miguel A. De La Torre and Gastón Espinosa, eds. Cleveland, OH: Pilgrim Press, 2006.

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“Theological and Cultural Competence *en Conjunto*,” in *Handbook of Latina/o Theologies*, Edwin David Aponte and Miguel A. De La Torre, eds. St. Louis, MO: Chalice Press, 2006.

“Alternative Traditions,” Miguel A. De La Torre, co-author in *Handbook of Latina/o Theologies*, Edwin David Aponte and Miguel A. De La Torre, eds. St. Louis, MO: Chalice Press, 2006.

“A View from the Margins: Constructing a History of Latino/a Protestantism,” in *Latino Christian Thought at the Dawn of the 21st Century: Apuntes in Honor of Justo L. González*, Alvin Padilla, Roberto Goizueta, and Eldin Villafañe, eds. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2005.

“Rethinking the Core: African and African American Religious Perspectives in the Seminary Curriculum,” in *Teaching African American Religions (AAR Teaching Series)*, Carolyn M. Jones and Theodore Louis Trost, eds. New York: Oxford University Press, 2005.

“Hispanics” in *Handbook of U.S. Theologies of Liberation*, Miguel A. De La Torre, ed. St. Louis, MO: Chalice Press, 2004.

“Music and the U.S. Latina and Latino Experience,” in *Introduction to the U.S. Latina and Latino Religious Experience*, Hector Avalos, ed. Boston: Brill Academic Publishers, 2004.

“Called Into Being: All Nations United Methodist Church,” in *One Bread, One Body: Exploring Cultural Diversity in Worship*, C. Michael Hawn. Bethesda, MD: The Alban Institute, 2003.

“Hispanic/Latino Protestantism in Philadelphia,” in *Re-Forming the Center: American Protestantism 1900 to the Present*, Douglas Jacobsen and William Vance Trollinger, Jr., eds. Grand Rapids: Wm. B. Eerdmans, 1998.

Journal Articles

“Now What?” Co-editor with Laura Levitt, “Special Issue: Reflections on Religion and Race in the Era of Trumpism,” *Journal of Ecumenical Studies*, 55, no. 4 (Fall 2020).

“Reflections on Religion and Race in the Era of Trumpism: Introduction,” *Journal of Ecumenical Studies*, 55, no. 4 (Fall 2020): 461-469.

“Reflections on the Pedagogy of My Professor and Mentor Katie Geneva Cannon,” *Wabash Center Journal on Teaching*, 1, no. 1 (January 2020): 107-110.

“Spotlight on Teaching: Thoughts on Intercultural Education in Religious Studies,” in *Religious Studies News*, http://rsnonline.org/indexa474.html?option=com_content&view=article&id=762&Itemid=870, October 2011.

“Strangers No More: African Americans and Latinas/os Moving Toward Coalitions as Colleagues,” co-authored with Evelyn L. Parker, *Perspectivas: Occasional Papers* 12 (Fall 2008): 61-74.

“An Appreciation of the HTI,” *Perspectivas: Occasional Papers* 11 (Fall 2007): 69-70.

“Issues In: Congregational Studies.” *Quarterly Review* 24, no. 1 (Spring 2004): 104-110.

“Coritos as Active Symbol in Latino Protestant Popular Religion,” *Journal of Hispanic/Latino Theology* 2, no. 3 (1995) 57-66.

Encyclopedia/Dictionary Articles:

“*Altars*,” in *Encyclopedia of Latino Cultures: From Calaveras to Quinceñeras*, Charles M. Tatum, ed. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2014.

“Religious Practices Overview,” in *Encyclopedia of Latino Cultures: From Calaveras to Quinceñeras*, Charles M. Tatum, ed. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2014.

“Music: *Coritos*/Spanish Language” in *Encyclopedia of Religion in America*, Charles H. Lippy and Peter W. Williams, eds. Washington, DC: CQ Press, 2010.

Entries in the *Encyclopedia of Hispanic American Religious Cultures*, Miguel A. De La Torre, ed. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2009.

- Carcaño, Bishop Minerva
- Comunidad, La
- Coritos
- Cortés, Luis
- Esperanza (Nueva Esperanza, Esperanza USA)
- Hispanic Summer Program
- National Hispanic Prayer Breakfast
- Riverside Manifesto

“Hispanic/Latino Theology” in *Global Dictionary of Theology*, William Dyrness and Veli-Matti Kärkkäinen, gen. ed. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2008.

Articles in English in *The Westminster Dictionary of Theologians*, Justo L. González, ed. Louisville, KY: Westminster John Knox Press, 2006.

Articles in Spanish in the *Diccionario Ilustrado de Interpretes de la fe*, Justo L. González, gen. ed. Barcelona, Spain: CLIE, 2004.

- “Timothy Dwight”
- “Jonathan Edwards”
- “Jonathan Edwards, Jr.”
- “Solomon Stoddord”
- “Moses Stuart”
- “Nathaniel W. Taylor”

“Richard Allen” in *Biographical Dictionary of Evangelicals*, Timothy Larsen, ed. Leicester, England: Inter-Varsity Press, 2003/Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2003.

“Daniel A. Payne” in *Biographical Dictionary of Evangelicals*, Timothy Larsen, ed. Leicester, England: Inter-Varsity Press, 2003/Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2003.

Book Series Editor

Co-editor with Miguel A. De La Torre, *Latine Religion, Identity, and Culture*, book series to be published by Bloomsbury Academic, 2023-present.

Forthcoming:

Co-editor with Miguel A. De La Torre, *Latine Lived Religions and Religious Identities: ¡Presente!* London and New York: Bloomsbury Academic, forthcoming 2026.

On-line Publications:

“Margins as Places of Despair and Hope: Reflections on *Embracing the Other: The Transformative Spirit of Love* (Eerdmans, 2015) by Grace Ji-Sun Kim,” <http://www.ecclesio.com/2017/07/margins-places-despair-hope-reflections-embracing-transformative-spirit-love-eerdmans2015-grace-ji-sun-kim-edwin-david-aponte/>, *Ecclesio.com*, July 14, 2017.

“Accounting for Hope,” <http://www.ecclesio.com/2014/05/accounting-for-hope-edwin-davidaponte/>, *Ecclesio.com*, May 7, 2014.

Seeking Justice: The Journey of John C. Raines, e-festschrift co-editor with Miguel A. De La Torre, Temple University Department of Religion, <http://www.cla.temple.edu/religion/seeking-justice-thejourney-of-john-raines/>, 2013.

Editorial Boards

Member, Board of Directors of The Wesley Works Editorial Project, multiple volumes published by Abingdon Press. June 2022-present.

Member, Editorial Advisory Board, *The Global Story of Christianity: History, Context, and Communities*, seven volume series, published Cascade Books/Wipf & Stock. 2021-present.

Commissioned Reports:

The Work of Latino Ministry: Hispanic Protestant Churches in Philadelphia, The Pew Charitable Trusts. With John C. Raines, David Bartelt, and Luis A. Cortés, Jr., 1994.

A Report to Lehigh Presbytery on the Establishment of a Hispanic Congregation in the City of Reading, PA. Lehigh Presbytery, Presbyterian Church (USA), 1992.

KEYNOTE ADDRESSES, INVITED LECTURES, WEBINARS, AND PRESENTATIONS

“Reflections on Christian Nationalism, Patriotism, and the Kingdom of God,” Invited lecturer for a webinar presented by the Latino Christian National Network, May 1, 2024.

“Reflections on the Hartford Institute’s Influence in My Work and Predictions of the Hartford Institute’s Future Impact,” Panel presentation, Hartford Institute for Religion Research 40th Anniversary Celebration, Hartford International University for Religion and Peace, Hartford, CT, December 8, 2022.

“Latinx Theological Education,” Hispanic Heritage Celebration Lecture, Seminary of the Southwest, Austin, TX, September 19, 2019.

“Living in a ‘Post-Christian’ Culture,” Methodist Theological School in Ohio, Delaware, OH, September 25, 2018.

“Reflections on Nuevas Generaciones: Doing Teología y Pastoral en/de Conjunto,” Symposium Honoring the Theological Legacy of Monsignor Arturo Bañuelas, Catholic Theological Union, Chicago, IL, May 25, 2018.

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“Puzzles and Problems of a ‘Post-Christian’ Culture,” Iliff School of Theology, Denver, CO, April 17, 2018.

“The Whole Gospel for a Whole World for Whole Persons: Responses to Globalization” Orlando E. Costas Lecture, Palmer Seminary, Eastern University, Philadelphia, PA, October 5, 2015.

“The Problems of a ‘Post-Christian’ Culture,” Windows on the World Lecture, Eastern University, St. Davids, PA, January 23, 2015.

“Exploring Religious and Spiritual Diversity in the United States,” Keynote address, Association for Clinical Pastoral Education, Inc. Annual Conference, Indianapolis, IN, May 17, 2013.

“Spanglish Spirituality and the Promises of God,” Spring Convocation Address, Evangelical Theological Seminary, Myerstown, PA, January 29, 2013.

“Reimagining Theological and Religious Education in a Global Multifaith Context,” Claremont School of Theology, Claremont, CA, April 27, 2011.

“The Challenges and Promises of Spanglish Spirituality,” The Archbishop Oscar Romero Lecture, Wesley Theological Seminary, Washington, D.C., March 9, 2010.

“Who Are We? A Pastoral Challenge,” Herencia Lecture, Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, New Jersey, October 14, 2008.

“Globalizing the Sacred: Latino/a Theologies, Immigration, and Biblical Justice,” Convocation Address, The Southeast Conference of the United Church of Christ, Atlanta, GA, June 8, 2007.

“Spanglish Spirituality: Faith Formation across Generations,” McCauley Lecture, Lancaster Theological Seminary, March 15, 2007.

Keynote speaker, The Southeastern Jurisdiction Convocation for Non-Hispanic/Latino Churches Involved in Hispanic/Latino Ministries, Norcross, GA, February 15-18, 2006.

“The United Methodist Church and Hispanic Ministry: A Call to Cultural Competence in Ministry,” Keynote address for The School for Congregational Development, General Board of Discipleship of The United Methodist Church. Addison, TX, August 4, 2005.

“Vanishing Cultures: Why Should We Care?” American Airlines Tate Academic Summit, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX, April 13, 2005.

“Reflections on Hispanic/Latino Worship: An Exploration of Cultural Diversity in Worship,” The Divinity School, Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, NC. November 2, 2004.

“Alabaré: Reflections on Latino Worship.” Tulipanes Latino Art and Film Festival, Holland, MI, September 29, 2004.

“¡Santo! Varieties of Hispanic Spirituality,” Annual Spring Lecture, Navarro College, Corsicana, Texas, March 27, 2003.

“¡Santo! Varieties of Latino Spirituality,” Hope College, Holland, MI, October 28, 2002.

“Naming the Unknown God: Being the Church in the World.” Spiritual Formation Week Lectures, Evangelical School of Theology, Myerstown, PA, September 25-27, 2001.

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“*Historia: Reflections on the Hispanic/Latino Church*,” and “The Household of God: Toward A New Ecumenism.” The Robert K. Campbell Memorial Lectures on Christian Unity, Lehigh County Conference of Churches. DeSales University, Center Valley, PA. April 5, 2001.

“Foundations and Frameworks for Hispanic/Latino Ministries.” Lectures given at the Hispanic Ministry Seminar, Methodist Theological School in Ohio, Delaware, OH, October 1-2, 1999.

ACADEMIC PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

Presider, “Religion Matters: Accounts and Insights from Communities,” panel discussion Religious Research Association, Minneapolis, MN, October 31, 2025.

“Pictures of Multicultural Congregations,” Religious Leaders Track, Religious Research Association, Pittsburgh, PA. October 18, 2024.

Presider, Book review panel: *The Many Faces of Jesus Christ: Intercultural Christology* Annual Meeting, American Academy of Religion, San Antonio, TX, November 18, 2023.

Panelist, “White-Collar Migrants: Labor & Poverty in the Religious Academy, La Comunidad of Hispanic Scholars of Religion, Annual Meeting, American Academy of Religion, San Antonio, TX, November 19, 2023.

Panelist, “Fellowships: Why, When, How,” SBL Students in the Profession Committee, Annual Meeting, Society of Biblical Literature, Denver, CO, November 20, 2022.

Panelist, Presidential Panel Part I: “The Futures of Biblical Scholarly Labor: Current Labor Conditions and Lessons from Labor Organizing,” The New England/Eastern Canada Region of the Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, March 18, 2022.

Panelist for the Presentation to Miguel A. De La Torre of the Martin E. Marty Award for the Public Understanding of Religion, Annual Meeting, American Academy of Religion, San Antonio, TX, November 21, 2021.

Presider, “What COVID-19 Laid Bare: The Precarity of Contingent Faculty in Times of Crisis,” Academic Labor and Contingent Faculty Committee, Annual Meeting, American Academy of Religion, San Antonio, TX, November 20, 2021.

Panelist, “Regions Forum: Contingent Labor and the AAR,” Academic Labor and Contingent Faculty and AAR Regions Committees, Annual Meeting, American Academy of Religion, San Antonio, TX, November 20, 2021.

Panelist, “Personal/Professional/Political: Positionality and Reflexivity in Applied Religious Research,” Annual Meeting, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion and the Religion Research Association, Portland, OR, October 22, 2021.

Panelist, “The State of Theological Education,” Canadian Theological Society, May 31, 2021.

Presider, “Breaking the Guild Open,” Academic Labor and Contingent Faculty Committee, Annual Meeting, American Academy of Religion, November 30, 2020.

Presider, “Weaponization of the Mexico/USA Border,” Status of LGBTQI Persons Committee;

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People with Disabilities Committee; Racial and Ethnic Minorities Committee; Women in the Profession Committee, Annual Meeting, American Academy of Religion, San Diego, CA, November 23, 2019.

Convener, “Catholicism Among Latinos,” Annual Meeting, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, St. Louis, MO, October 26, 2019.

Moderator, “Movements Plus Cincuenta Años,” Academy of Catholic Hispanic Theologians of the United States Colloquium, University of Dayton June 3, 2019.

Presider, “Department Chairs: How We Can Best Support Contingent Faculty,” Academic Labor and Contingent Faculty Working Group, and Academic Relations Committee, Annual Meeting, American Academy of Religion, Denver, CO, November 19, 2018.

Panelist for “The Grant Application Process,” Professional Development Committee, Annual Meeting, Society of Biblical Literature, November 19, 2017.

Presider, “The Unchurched and The Dechurched,” Annual Meeting, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Washington, DC, October 13, 2017.

“A Latino’s Reflections on Theological Education,” Joint Session of History of Christianity Section; Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group; Practical Theology Group; Transformative Scholarship and Pedagogy Group, Annual Meeting, American Academy of Religion, Atlanta, GA, November 22, 2015.

“Responses to Death as a Window into Latino/a Spirituality,” Religion and American Culture Session Midwest Regional Conference, American Academy of Religion, Ohio Northern University, April 5, 2014.

“Redefining Mainstream and Mainline: Latino/a Pentecostal-Charismatic Christianity in the United States,” Renewal across the Americas: Pentecostal-Charismatic Movements in Latin America and among Latinas/os Conference, Regent University Divinity School, March 1, 2014.

Presider for Session Three, Society of Race, Ethnicity, and Religion Inaugural Conference: “The State of Our Union,” Chicago, IL, April 27, 2013.

Panelist, “More Time, Less Budget: The Role of the Department Chair in a New Economic Context,” Annual Meeting, American Academy of Religion, Chicago, IL, November 16, 2012.

“Musings on Higher Education Leadership Responses to Multiculturalism and Pluralism in the Study of Religion and Theology,” Mid-Atlantic Region, Society of Biblical Literature and the American Academy of Religion, New Brunswick, NJ, March 15, 2012.

“Glimpses into Latina/o Spirituality: Reflections on Two Family Stories Dealing with Death,” Christian Spirituality Group and Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group Joint Session, Annual Meeting, American Academy of Religion, San Francisco, CA, November 21, 2011.

Panelist, “An Open Conversation about Departments, Programs, and Institutions,” Annual Meeting, American Academy of Religion, San Francisco, CA, November 19, 2011.

Presider, “The Politics of Pedagogy,” American Studies Association Annual Meeting, Baltimore, MD, October 20, 2011.

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Panelist, “Navigating the Job Market,” “Special Topics Forum, Annual Meeting, Society of Biblical Literature, Atlanta, GA, November 22, 2010.

Presider, “Crossing Disciplines at the Table: Latina/os in Conversation with Giorgio Agamben,” Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group, Annual Meeting, American Academy of Religion, Atlanta, GA, October 31, 2010.

Presider and Panelist, “The Elephant in the Room: Contingent Faculty and the Profession,” Annual Meeting, American Academy of Religion, Chicago, IL, November 3, 2008.

Panelist, “Taking Religion(s) Seriously: What Students Need to Know,” Leadership Workshop, Annual Meeting, American Academy of Religion, Chicago, IL, October 31, 2008.

“The Trajectory to Tenure: What Should Institutional Leaders Know about the Differences between White and Racial/Ethnic Populations?” Hispanics/Latino(a)s In Theological Education II, Dialogue for Excellence: Best Practices for Service and Development of Hispanic/Latino(a) Faculty, The Association of Theological Schools, October 25, 2008.

“Theological Education for the New Urban Context” Panelist for “Ministry in the New Urban Context,” New York Theological Seminary, February 23, 2007.

Panelist for “Black and Hispanic Dialogue II,” The Association of Theological Studies, Pittsburgh, PA, October 13-15, 2006.

Participant, “Strengths and Strategies: A Consultation on Student and Faculty Diversity in Theological Education,” Association of Theological Schools, Atlanta, GA, March 9-11, 2006.

Respondent, “Christianity on the Frontiers and the Borderlands,” History of Christianity Section, Annual Meeting, American Academy of Religion, San Antonio, TX, November 22, 2004.

Facilitator, “The Present is Mestizo: Consultation for Hispanics/Latino(a)s in Theological Education,” Association of Theological Schools, Pittsburgh, PA, October 22-24, 2004.
“Subversive and Liberating Memories: Latino/a Historiography.” Festschrift Celebration for Justo L. González, Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena, CA, August 6, 2004.

Respondent, “Ethnic Diversity in American Religious Communities,” North American Religions Section, Annual Meeting, American Academy of Religion, Atlanta, GA, November 23, 2003.

Presider, “Ritual and Redemption,” History of Christianity Section, Annual Meeting, American Academy of Religion, Atlanta, GA, November 24, 2003.

Presider, Christian Spirituality Group, “Christian Spirituality and the Multicultural City,” Annual Meeting, American Academy of Religion, Toronto, Canada, November 26, 2002.

Moderator, Christian Theological Research Fellowship, Book Discussion of *Canon and Criterion in Christian Theology* by William J. Abraham, Annual Meeting, American Academy of Religion, Denver, CO, November 18, 2001.

Presenter, “Seminar for Black and Hispanic Theological Educators,” The Association of Theological Schools, Pittsburgh, PA, October 2002.

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Participant, "Teaching the New American Religious History" Conference of the Material History of American Religion Project. The Divinity School, Vanderbilt University, June 5-7, 2001.

"Hispanic/Latino Faith-based Initiatives," Presentation given at the conference, "Welfare Reform: Building New Partnerships." The Administration of Children and Families, Office of Family Assistance, Department of Health and Human Services. Reno, NV, July 27, 2000.

"The Next Fifty Years of Christianity in the United States: A Hispanic/Latino Perspective," "The Next Fifty Years: Beginning a Millennium of Hope and Possibility" Inaugural Conference, the Center for American and Jewish Studies, Baylor University, Waco, TX, November 2, 2000.

"*Changó* in Oak Cliff: African Diaspora Religiosity in a Dallas Latino Context," Co-sponsored by Black Theology, Religion in Latin America, and Latino/a Religion, Culture and Society Groups, Annual Meeting, American Academy of Religion, Nashville, TN. November 19, 2000.

"On Their Own Terms: Latina/o Religious, Social, and Cultural Engagement," Respondent to *Issues in Protestantism, Catholicism, and Ecumenism*, Annual Meeting, American Academy of Religion, Boston, MA. November 21, 1999.

Respondent to Kathy Whitmire, "Urban Politics and Policy in Houston in the 1980s," Ethics in Government: Cooperation and Conflict in Urban Politics, the Carey M. Maguire Center for Ethics and Public Responsibility, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX, February 17, 1999.

"A View from the Margins: Meta-Modernity as Critical Methodology in the Study of Latino/a Protestantism." American Academy of Religion, Orlando, FL, November 23, 1998.

Presider, "Race, Mestizaje, and Conflict," Hispanic American Religion, Culture and Society Group, Annual Meeting, American Academy of Religion, 1998.

Presider, "Hispanic/Latina(o) Experiences in Wesleyan, Methodist, and Holiness Traditions," Hispanic American Religion, Culture and Society Group and the Wesleyan Studies Group, Annual Meeting, American Academy of Religion, 1997.

Presider, "Engendering Justice: Issues of Justice in the Hispanic American Experience," Hispanic American Religion, Culture and Society Group, Annual Meeting, American Academy of Religion, November 1996.

"A Philadelphia Story: Oral History and Latino Protestantism." Annual Meeting of the Oral History Association, Philadelphia, PA, October 10, 1996.

Participant, "Re-forming the Center: Beyond the Two-Party System of American Protestantism," Third Project Conference. Messiah College, Grantham, PA, May 31-June 2, 1996.

"Re-phrasing the Question: Hispanic Theology and Evangelical Theology in Dialogue." Annual Meeting, American Academy of Religion, Philadelphia, PA, November 18, 1995.

Presider, "The Future of Hispanic Graduate Theological Education," Hispanic American Religion, Culture and Society Group, Annual Meeting, American Academy of Religion, Philadelphia, PA, November, 1995.

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Respondent to Janise Hurtig, *Pilsen's Hispanic Churches: Building Homes, Constructing Ethnicity, Forming Community*, "Religion and Community in a Restructuring Metropolis," Religion in Urban America Program, University of Illinois at Chicago, June 5, 1995.

"Hispanic Protestantism in Philadelphia: A Case Study Beyond the Two Parties." Presented at the conference "Re-forming the Center: Are There Two Parties Today? American Protestantism, 1960-present," Second Project Conference, Messiah College, Grantham, PA, June 3, 1995.

"Beyond the Two-Party System: Hispanic Protestantism in Philadelphia." Chicago-Area Group for the Study of Religious Communities, Chicago, IL, February 18, 1995.

"*Coritos* as Active Symbol in Latino Protestant Popular Religion." Annual Meeting, American Academy of Religion, Chicago, IL, November 21, 1994.

"Hispanic Protestantism in Philadelphia, 1929-1993: A Case Study in Racial/Ethnic Church History," American Society of Church History, San Francisco, CA, January 9, 1994.

"Ethnography as a Methodology for the Study of Hispanic Protestants in Philadelphia," Annual Meeting, American Academy of Religion, Washington, D.C., November 21, 1993.

"Latino Protestants in Philadelphia: Methodological Approaches for the Study of Racial/Ethnic Religion in the United States." Annual Meeting, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Raleigh, NC, October 29, 1993.

AWARDS AND HONORS

- Doctor of Theology, honoris causa, Catholic Theological Union at Chicago, May 25, 2023.
- Honorary member, Academy of Catholic Hispanic Theologians of the United States.
- Orlando E. Costas Preaching Award, Palmer Seminary, Eastern University, October 2015.
- Manuela Trevino Alanis Professorship for Excellence in the Teaching of Hispanic Studies, Hispanic Summer Program, June 2009.
- Perkins Scholarly Outreach Award, Perkins School of Theology, SMU, 1998-99.
- Teaching Assistant Distinguished Teaching Award, Temple University, 1991.

INDIVIDUAL GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS RECEIVED

- Louisville Institute Summer Stipend Grant for "A Dictionary of Spanish Terms in Religion, Theology and Spirituality," 2006.
- Instructional Technology Grant for Extension Programs, Perkins School of Theology, 2003.
- "Mining the Motherlode of African American Religious Life" Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion. Grant Period 2001-03.
- Lilly Endowment, Inc.—American Academy of Religion Teaching Workshop Participant, 1999-2000. Project topic: "Mining the Motherlode of African American Religious Life."
- Dissertation Year Fellowship, Hispanic Theological Initiative, 1997-98.
- Future Faculty Fellow, Temple University, 1991-94.
- Hispanic Doctoral Scholar, Fund for Theological Education, Inc., 1991-94.
- Fund for Graduate Education Grant, Presbyterian Church (USA), 1992-93.

GRANT WRITING AND REVIEW

Principal Grant Writer for a proposal to the Lilly Endowment Inc. for \$1 million Pathways to Tomorrow grant for Drew University Theological School, 2025.

Grant Reviewer as Executive Director of the Louisville Institute, 2015-2022

Consultant, Lilly Endowment Inc., August-December 2021.

Principal Grant Writer for a proposal to the Lilly Endowment Inc. for a \$3.9 million supplemental grant for the work of the Louisville Institute, July-August 2020.

Principal Grant Writer for a proposal to the Lilly Endowment Inc. for a \$7.9 million renewal grant for the work of the Louisville Institute, Spring-Summer 2020.

Principal Grant Writer for a proposal to the Lilly Endowment Inc. for a \$2.5 million supplemental grant for the work of the Louisville Institute, August-September 2017.

Principal Grant Writer for a proposal to the Lilly Endowment Inc. for a \$7.9 million renewal grant for the work of the Louisville Institute, Spring-Summer 2017.

Grant Reviewer as a Member of the Advisory Board of the Louisville Institute, 2008-14.

Grant Reviewer for National Science Centre of Poland (Narodowe Centrum Nauki), Fall 2014.

Grant proposal submitted to The Louisville Institute Summer Stipend for the project “A Dictionary of Spanish Terms in Religion, Theology and Spirituality.” Proposal approved, 2006.

Principal Grant Writer for a proposal to the Henry Luce Foundation for the Center of Latino/a Christianity and Religions, Perkins, School of Theology, Southern Methodist University, 2003-06.

Grant Writer for “Hispanic Youth Leadership Academy,” Perkins School of Theology. Grant from the Division of Ordained Ministry, General Board of Higher Education and Ministry and National Plan for Hispanic Ministry of The United Methodist Church, 2002. Grant Period 2002-05.

Grant Writing Team Member, “Through Hispanic Eyes” Faculty Seminar, Hispanic Summer Program. Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion. 2002-04.

Member of Grant Writing Team and Co-project Director, “Mining the Motherlode of African American Religious Life” Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion. Grant Period 2001-2002.

Grant Writer for Project Adelante, North Park College. Grant for an early awareness program for Latino/a civic organizations encouraging youth to consider post-secondary education, 1994.

Grant Writer, Received grant from the Pew Charitable Trusts for study of Hispanic Protestant churches in Philadelphia, 1991.

SERVICE ON DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY COMMITTEES

- Temple University Ph.D. in Religion Committee member for Jennifer T. Lancaster, 2010-2012, Dissertation: “Religious and Ethnic Identity among Post-1965 Immigrant Congregations in the Protestant Mainline: An Oromo Case Study,” Ph.D., 2012.

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- Southern Methodist University Ph.D. in Religious Studies Committee Member for John Williams, Dissertation: “Between the Labyrinth and the Abyss: Presbyterians and Schism, 1837-1861.” Ph.D., 2004.
- Southern Methodist University Ph.D. in Religious Studies Committee Member for Peter Agnew, Dissertation: “Religion and the Social Order in a Twentieth-Century City: Six Dallas Leaders.” Ph.D., 1999.
- Southern Methodist University Graduate Program in Religious Studies Reader for Spanish Language Examinations, 2002-2006.

SERVICE ON DOCTOR OF MINISTRY PROJECT THESIS COMMITTEES

- Drew University, Reader for Eric Kwabla Apochie, “From Laity to Clergy: Leadership Transition Challenges in the North American Diocese of the Methodist Church Ghana.” May 2025.
- Catholic Theological Union at Chicago, Reader for John J. DeCostanza, Jr., “Digital Presence as Institutional Self-Representation of Four-Year, Catholic Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSI): A Critical ReImaging Latinamente.” May 2018.
- Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Reader for John David Kalz, “Welcoming the Immigrant and Renewing the Church,” May 2016.
- Southern Methodist University, Perkins School of Theology, Reader for Penelope H. Barber, “Developing an Intentional Ministry of Evangelism within the Life of Casey United Methodist Church in Casey, IL.” May 2006.
- Southern Methodist University, Perkins School of Theology, Advisor for Javier Q. Escalera, “Developing a Comprehensive Evangelism Model to Reach Out to First- and Second-Generation Hispanics/Latinos at San Juan United Methodist Fellowship in Dallas, Texas.” May 2006.
- Southern Methodist University, Perkins School of Theology, Reader for Mark D. Story, “Leveraging Change: Using Family Systems Theory to Nurture Togetherness and a Common Commitment to Ministry between St. Mary’s Episcopal Church and School.” May 2005.
- Southern Methodist University, Perkins School of Theology, Reader for J. Christine Thomas, “An Evaluation of the Pastoral and Evangelistic Impact of a Multi-Media Enhanced Worship Service for the Single Adult Ministry at Lovers Lane UMC, Dallas, TX.” December 2004.
- Southern Methodist University, Perkins School of Theology, Advisor for Isabel N. Docampo, “Effective Teaching Methods of Community and Congregational Studies within the Context of Field Education for the Master of Divinity Degree.” May 2003.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Academy of Catholic Hispanic Theologians of the United States

American Academy of Religion

- Member, Governance and Leadership Development Committee, January 1, 2024-present
- Co-chairperson, Academic Labor and Contingent Faculty Working Group, 2017-2021.
- Member, Academic Relations Committee, 2008-12
- Member, Steering Committee, History of Christianity Section, 2002-08.
- Member, Steering Committee, Latino/a Religion, Culture and Society Group, 1997-2000. (previously Hispanic American Religion, Culture and Society Group)

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- Co-chairperson, Hispanic American Religion, Culture and Society Group, 1994-1997.
American Society of Church History

American Studies Association

Asociación para la Educación Teológica Hispana (AETH)

Chief Academic Officers Society, Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada, 2006-10; 2012-14.

La Comunidad of Hispanic Scholars of Religion

- President, 2003-05
- Secretary, 1999-2003
- Member, Ad hoc Reorganization Taskforce, La Comunidad, 1998-99

Religious Research Association

- President, January 2025-present
- President-elect, 2024
- At-Large Member, Board of Directors, 2019-2022

Society for the Scientific Study of Religion

MINISTRY SERVICE

Minister of Word and Sacrament, Presbyterian Church (USA), Ordained February 20, 2000.

Member of Presbytery of the Highlands of New Jersey, Presbyterian Church (USA).

National:

Co-Moderator, General Assembly Special Committee to Write a New Confession, Presbyterian Church (USA), July 2023-present.

Participant, Re-Forming Ministry Initiative, Pastor Initiative Cluster, Office of Theology, Worship, and Education, Presbyterian Church (USA), 2005-09.

Mid-Kentucky Presbytery:

Member, Church Growth and Transformation Committee, 2019-present. *Member*, New Church Development Team, 2016-19.

The Presbytery of Donegal (Pennsylvania):

- *Member*, Committee on Ministry, 2011-12.
- *Member*, Examinations Task Group, 2011-12.
- *Member*, Bridge-Building Task Group, March 2010-12.
- *Member*, Administrative Commission for Resurrection Chapel Fellowship, Hispanic/Latino new church development, 2009-12.
- *Consultant*, Committee on Preparation for Ministry, 2008-10.
- *Member*, Presbytery Transition Team, 2007-08.

Grace Presbytery (Texas):

- *Parish Associate*, St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Dallas, Texas, 2003-05.
- *Member*, Administrative Commission, United African Presbyterian Church, 2005-06.
- *Proctor for Presbyterian Church (USA) Ordination Examinations*, Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University, 2000-06.

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- *Member*, Call Consultation Task Group, Grace Presbytery, PCUSA, 2004-05.
- *Member*, Presbytery Council of Grace Presbytery, 2003.
- *Member*, Committee on Examinations, Grace Presbytery, PCUSA, 2001-04. Vicemoderator, 2002; Moderator for 2003.

Synod of the Sun (Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Texas):

Grace Presbytery Commissioner to the Synod of the Sun, Member, Higher Education Commission, 2002-2004.

Other Church Service:

- *Facilitator for Racial Reconciliation*, First Church of God Christian Life Center and First Presbyterian Church, Evanston, IL, 1996-98.
- *Special Assistant for Adult Discipleship and Education*, First Presbyterian Church, Bethlehem, PA, 1993-94.

INTERRELIGIOUS AND ECCLESIAL PRESENTATIONS

“The Role of Religious Leaders in a Divided Society,” presentation the New Jersey Coalition for Religious Leaders, Ukrainian Cultural Center, Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA, Southbrook, NJ, November 18, 2024.

“Reflections on Nationalism, Patriotism, and the Kingdom of God,” at Dialogue on Christian Nationalism sponsored by Latino Christian National Network, Candler School of Theology, Emory University, Atlanta, GA, September 19, 2023.

“Kindom of God, Within us, Among Us: 2 Peter 1:3-7,” Bible Lecturer for the 2023 General Assembly of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Louisville, KY, August 1, 2023.

“Reflections on the Nones and Dones,” at “Christianity Next: Dones and Nones,” National Symposium of the Institute for the Study of Asian American Christianity, Los Angeles, CA, February 27, 2016.

“Religious Pluralism and Public Policy,” The Changing Role of Religion in Public Policy, Public Forum Lecture Series, Trinity Presbyterian Church, Denton, TX, April 7, 2005.

Moderator, “Who Are the Christians of the Middle East?” National Conference, Evangelicals for Middle East Understanding, Washington, DC. November 6, 1998.

“A Latino’s Journey of Commitment to Christians of the Middle East,” National Conference, Evangelicals for Middle East Understanding, Walnut Creek, CA. November 5, 1999.

Moderator, “Islam and the Future of Christianity in the Middle East,” National Conference, Evangelicals for Middle East Understanding, Walnut Creek, CA. November 5, 1999.

Presenter, Workshop Facilitator, College, Ethnicity, and Reconciliation: Conference on Racial Reconciliation. Jackson, MS, January 22-25, 1998.

Respondent to Clifford A. Jones, Sr., “How a Christian African-American Reflects on Stewardship in a Consumer Oriented Society,” *Christianity Today Institute on Global Stewardship: Issues of Consumption*. March 14-16, 1996.

“Hispanic Protestantism in the United States: Recognizing the Agenda, A Response to J. Samuel

Escobar.” The Third Interamerican Missiological Consultation, *The Social and Religious Significance of the Growth of Latin American Protestantism*, Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary, October 6-8, 1994.

COURSES TAUGHT

Graduate courses:

African-American Christianity in the United States
Christian Heritage I
Christian Heritage II
Christianity in the Hispanic Tradition
Christianity in America
Christianity in Latin America
Church and Human Science: Understanding the Church in its Contexts
The Church in Its Social Context
Collaborative Learning Seminar: Congregational Studies and Communal Trauma
Consensus, Discord, and Diversity: A History of Evangelicals and Liberals in the U.S.
Evangelicals and Liberals in American Protestantism
History of American Christianity
Introducing Preaching (Team Taught)
Introduction to Doctoral Studies: Research, Writing, and Critical Theological Reflection
Foundations in Religion, Race, and Ethnicity
Latinx Religion and Spirituality
Pentecostalism in America
Presbyterian Polity
Professional Project I: Doctor of Ministry Topic Seminar
Professional Project II: Doctor of Ministry Prospectus Seminar
Readings in Religion: African Diaspora Religions
Readings in Religion: First American Native Spirituality
Readings in Religion: Pentecostalism
Readings in Religion: Reformed History and Theology
Religion and Politics in the United States
Religion, Race, and Ethnicity in the United States
Religion and U.S. Politics
Religious and Spiritual Diversity in the Protestant Church
¡Santo! Race, Ethnicity and Latino/a Spirituality
Social Mission of the Church
Understanding Congregations: An Introduction to Congregational Studies

Undergraduate courses:

African-based Religions of the Caribbean and South America
Archaeology of the Middle East
Ancient Near East
Cultural Diversity in Chicago (Team Taught)
English Composition (First-year Writing Course)
Evangelism and Church Growth
Gospel of John
Hispanic Feminist Theology

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Introduction to Biblical Literature
Introduction to Theology
Israel's Songs (Psalms)
Latino/a Religious Experience in the United States
Readings in Religion, Society, and Culture
Religion in America
Romans and Galatians

CONSULTATIONS

Participant, Consultation on Latino/a Campus Ministry at Roman Catholic Hispanic Serving Institutions. Dominican University, River Forest, IL, November 12-13, 2018.

Participant, 2018 Doctoral Consultation: Design Conditions for Scholars of Color to Thrive, Forum for Theological Exploration, Denver, CO, June 19-18, 2018.

Participant, Consultation of African American Homiletics, Academy of Preaching and Celebration, Christian Theological Seminary, Indianapolis, IN, April 29-30, 2014.

Participant, Fund for Theological Education (FTE) Consultation on Doctoral Education, Indianapolis, IN, April 18-20, 2013.

Co-project Director for Administration, "Mining the Motherlode of African American Religious Life" Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion. 2001-2003.

Member, Duke Colloquium on Excellence in Ministry, Duke Pastoral Leadership Project, The Divinity School, Duke University, April 2001-February 2004.

Member, National Congregational Studies Seminar, Hartford Institute for Religion Research, Hartford Seminary. A Lilly Endowment project, Carl Dudley, project director. 2000-2003.

Consultation on Vital Liberal Congregations, Louisville Institute, December 8-10, 2002.

Congregational Analysis Consultant, "One Bread, One Body: Cultural Diversity in Worship," Calvin Institute for Christian Worship project, C. Michael Hawn, project director. 1999-2000.

Member, Hispanic Evangelism/Evangelization Consultation, the Center for Evangelism, Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University, 1999-2003.

Consultant, *The Community Serving Role of the Hispanic Protestant Church*, a project of Claremont School of Theology, Urban Leadership Institute, 1998-1999.

Member of the Consulting Council, *Congregations, Communities, and Leadership Development Project*, Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary, 1997-1998.

Member of the Advisory Committee, *Mission Formation & Diversity: A Research Project on Adult Education Programs at Church-Related Colleges*, Center for the Study of American Religion, Princeton University, 1996-1998.

Consultant for Congregational Development. Researched the possibility of the establishment of a new Presbyterian Hispanic/Latino congregation in the City of Reading, PA. Lehigh Presbytery, Presbyterian Church (USA), March-October, 1992.

GOVERNANCE BOARD SERVICE

- Member Council, Hispanic Theological Initiative Consortium, June 2022-present.
Chairperson, HTI Member Council and HTI Steering Committee, January 1, 2024-present.
- Governing Board, Hispanic Summer Program, Inc., 1994-98; 2000-06; 2007-10; 2012-14; June 2022-present.
 - Secretary *Pro-tem*, June 1994-June 1995.
 - Secretary, June 1995-July 1998, October 2000-2006.
 - Director, “Through Hispanic Eyes Seminar for Non-Hispanic Faculty,” 2005; 2007.
 - Assistant Director, “Through Hispanic Eyes Seminar for Non-Hispanic Faculty,” 2003.
- Advisory Board, Louisville Institute, 2008-2014.
- Academic Advisory Board, Center for Jewish Studies, Baylor University, Waco, TX. 2000-06.
- Board of Directors, American Waldensian Society, 2001-03.
- Executive Committee, Evangelicals for Middle East Understanding, 2001-02.
- Advisory Board, Evangelicals for Middle East Understanding, 1996-2001.

INSTITUTIONAL EVALUATION AND ASSESSMENT

- Chairperson, Supplemental Information Report and Follow-Up Team Visit for Elyon College, Brooklyn, NY, Middle States Commission of Higher Education, Fall 2025.
- Chairperson, Monitoring Report with Follow-Up Team Visit for Westminster Theological Seminary, Glenside, PA, Middle States Commission of Higher Education, Spring 2025.
- Chairperson, Self-Study Review for HJ International Graduate School for Peace and Public Leadership, Middle States Commission of Higher Education, Spring 2024.
- Member, President’s Financial Advisory Group, Evangelical Theological Seminary, Myerstown, PA, January-June 2012
- Member of Reaccreditation Evaluation Team for Drew University, Middle States Commission of Higher Education, Spring 2011.
- Chairperson for Follow-up Visit to Princeton Theological Seminary, Middle States Commission of Higher Education, Fall 2010.
- Chairperson, joint Reaccreditation Team, Commission on Accreditation of the Association of Theological Schools of the United States and Canada and Middle States Commission of Higher Education for the Seminario Evangélico de Puerto Rico, 2008-09.