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*Curriculum Vitae*

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**EDUCATION**

Ph.D., Philosophy, University of Oregon, 2012  
M.A., Philosophy, San Francisco State University, 2006  
B.A., Philosophy, University of California San Diego, 2002

**AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION**

Moral and Political Philosophy  
Philosophy of Race  
Latin American Philosophy

**AREAS OF COMPETENCE**

Logic  
Critical Thinking  
Applied Ethics

**ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

Assistant Professor, University of Massachusetts Lowell, Department of Philosophy, 2015-Present  
Assistant Professor, Worcester State University, Department of Philosophy, 2012-2015  
Visiting Instructor, Wheaton College, Department of Philosophy, 2012 (Spring Term)

**PUBLICATIONS**

Books

*The Moral and Political Philosophy of Immigration: Liberty, Security, and Equality*. New York: Lexington Books, 2017.

Articles

“Latinx and the Future of Whiteness in American Democracy” (forthcoming in *APA Newsletter on Hispanic/Latino Issues in Philosophy* 16.2 (2017)).

“Juan Crow & The Future of Immigration Reform: Going Beyond Debates Over Federalism and Centralism in U.S. Immigration Enforcement” *The Critique* Jan-Feb (2016).

“Doing Away with Juan Crow: Two Standards for Just Immigration Reform” *APA Newsletter on Hispanic/Latino Issues in Philosophy* 15.2 (2015).

“Enforcement Matters: Reframing the Philosophical Debate Over Immigration,” *Journal of Speculative Philosophy* 29.1 (2015).

“Does Cosmopolitan Justice Ever Require Restrictions on Migration?,” *Public Affairs Quarterly* 29.2 (2015).

“Discrimination and the Presumptive Rights of Immigrants,” *Critical Philosophy of Race* 2.1 (2014).

“Three Reasons for Knowing Other than Knowing Otherwise: A Reply to Alexis Shotwell,” *PhaenEx* 8.1 (2013).

“Immigration: The Missing Requirement for an Ethics of Race,” *Radical Philosophy Review* 15.2 (2012).

“Does ‘Sí Se Puede’ Translate to ‘Yes We Can’?” *Philosophy in the Contemporary World* 18.2 (2011).

“Neither a State of Nature Nor a State of Exception: Law, Sovereignty, and Immigration,” *Radical Philosophy Review* 14.2 (2011).

“The Political Philosophy of Undocumented Immigration,” *APA Newsletter on Hispanic/Latino Issues in Philosophy* 10.2 (2011).

“A ‘Nation’ of Immigrants,” *The Pluralist* 5.3 (2010).

“Introduction to the Ethics of *Illegality*,” *Oregon Review of International Law* 11.1 (2009).

#### Book Chapters

“Philosophy of Race and the Ethics of Immigration” (forthcoming chapter in *The Routledge Companion to the Philosophy of Race*, ed. Paul C. Taylor, Linda Alcoff, and Luvell Anderson, New York, NY: Routledge, 2017).

“Discrimination and Immigration” (forthcoming in *Routledge Handbook to Discrimination*, ed. Kasper Lippert-Rasmussen, New York, NY: Routledge, 2017).

“*Illegal*: White Supremacy and Immigration Status” in *The Ethics and Politics of Immigration: Emerging Trends*, ed. Alex Sager, London UK: Rowman & Littlefield International, 2016.

“Latino/a Immigration: A Refutation of the Social Trust Argument” in *Migration Policy and Practice: Interventions and Solutions*, ed. Harald Bauder and Christian Matheis, New York, NY: Palgrave, 2015.

#### Book Reviews

Review of Chad Kautzer, *Radical Philosophy: An Introduction* (Boulder CO: Paradigm, 2015), in *The Pluralist* 12.3 (2016).

Review of Diego A. Von Vacano, *The Color of Citizenship: Race, Modernity, and Latin American/Hispanic Political Thought* (Oxford and New York: Oxford University Press, 2012) in *The Review of Politics* 76.3 (2014).

Review of Gregory Fernando Pappas, *Pragmatism in the Americas* (New York: Fordham University Press, 2011), in *The Pluralist* 8.2 (2013).

Editing and Research

Co-editor, *Radical Philosophy Review*, 2012-present

Research Assistant, Scott Pratt, *Logic: Inquiry, Argument and Order* (New Jersey: John Wiley & Sons, 2010), responsible for copyediting, creating in-text examples, and developing exercises.

**INVITED LECTURES**

“*Two American Myths: The Melting Pot and the Minority-Majority Nation*” keynote at the Society for Mexican-American Philosophy conference, Texas A&M, College Station, TX: May 19, 2017 (forthcoming)

“*Crimmigration: The Injustice of Criminalizing Migration*” & “*Latinx and the Future of Whiteness in American Democracy*” Annual Larkin Ethics Lectures, Mount St. Mary’s University, Los Angeles, CA: April 10 & 11, 2017.

“*Latinx and the Future of Whiteness in American Democracy*” Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ: March 31, 2017.

“*Thinking With Charles Mills: Some Reflections on a Racialized Political Philosophy*”, University of Massachusetts Boston, Boston, MA: March 23, 2017.

“*Anger and Its Impact on a Restorative Justice Approach to Immigration Reform*” William Paterson University, Wayne, NJ: October 27, 2016.

“*Enforcement Matters: Reframing the Philosophical Debate Over Immigration*” UC Merced, Merced CA: October 7, 2016.

“*Doing Away with Juan Crow: Two Standards for Just Immigration Reform*” Hampshire College, Amherst, MA: September 29, 2016.

“*Philosophy of Race and the Ethics of Immigration*” Philosophy in an Inclusive Key (PIKSI) at MIT, Cambridge, MA: July 23, 2016.

“*Philosophy and Immigration*” University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH: March 27, 2015

“*Enforcement Matters: Reframing the Philosophical Debate Over Immigration*” Merrimack College, North Andover, MA: March 26, 2015.

“*Philosophy of Immigration and Race*” 17th Annual Rutgers Summer Institute for Diversity in Philosophy at Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey, New Brunswick, NJ: July 14, 2014.

“*Enforcement Matters: Why Immigration Presents an Exceptional Ethical Dilemma*” Philosophy Department Speakers Series at Marquette University, Milwaukee, WI: March 28, 2014.

“*The Presumptive Rights of Undocumented Immigrants*” Issues in Applied Political Philosophy and Ethics at Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA: October 12, 2013.

*“Xenophobia and the Need for Immigrant Rights”* Latin American Studies Event at the College of William & Mary, Williamsburg, VA: April 18, 2013.

*“Philosophy of Immigration.”* Saint Anselm College’s New Hampshire Institute of Politics, Manchester, NH: February 15, 2013.

*“No Human Being is Illegal.”* Social Inquiry Department at the University of Wisconsin-Superior, Superior: WI, March 15, 2012.

#### **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND WORKSHOPS**

*“Latinx and the Future of Whiteness in American Democracy”* 2nd Latinx Philosophy Conference, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ: April 27, 2017.

*“How to Think about Indirect Discrimination in Immigration Policy”* American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division, Seattle, WA: April 13, 2017.

*“Crimmigration: The Injustice of Criminalizing Migration”* American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division, Baltimore, MD: January 8, 2017.

*“Radical Democracy and the Rise of Trump”* 12th biennial conference of the Radical Philosophy Association, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY: November 11, 2016.

*“Immigrant Rights Not Open-Borders”* General Conference of the European Consortium for Political Research, Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic: September 10, 2016.

*“A Radical Approach to Immigration Justice”* Latin American Studies Association, LASA2016, New York, NY: May 30, 2016.

*“Crimmigration: The Injustice of Criminalizing Migration”* 2<sup>nd</sup> Biannual Symposium on Mexican Philosophy in the 20th Century, San Jose State University, San Jose CA: April 29, 2016

*“A Radical Approach to Immigration Justice”* American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division, San Francisco, CA: March 30, 2016.

*“Brain Drain and Other So-Called ‘Progressive’ Justifications for Immigration Restrictions”* American Philosophical Association, Central Division, Chicago IL: March 2, 2016.

*“Philosophy of Race and the Ethics of Immigration”* American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division, Washington D.C: January 8, 2016.

*“Why Enforcement is Not the Answer”* American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division, Washington D.C: January 6, 2016.

*“A Decolonial Approach to Immigration Justice”* Philosophy Born of Struggle, University of Connecticut, STORRS, CT: November 7, 2015

*“Latino/a Immigration: A Refutation of the Social Trust Argument”* University of San Francisco, San Francisco, CA: April 17, 2015

*“The Curious Case of Mexicans in the United States”* American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division, Vancouver, Canada: April 2, 2015

*“Illegal People: On the Morality and Legality of Immigration”* American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division, Philadelphia, PA: December 29, 2014

*“Enforcement Matters: Reframing the Philosophical Debate Over Immigration”* 11th biennial conference of the Radical Philosophy Association, Stony Brook, NY: November 7, 2014

*“Why The Presumptive Right Is Actually On The Side Of Immigrants (...even Undocumented Immigrants).”* American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division, San Diego, CA: April 18, 2014

*“Why The Presumptive Right Is Actually On The Side Of Immigrants (...even Undocumented Immigrants)”* Crossings, Hybrids, Genres, SUNY Stony Brook, New York City, NY: April 5, 2014

*“Philosophy and Immigration”* From the Border to the Center: A Symposium on Immigration and Envisioning Compassionate Reform, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Washington, DC: April 19, 2013

*“Human Rights—In and After Conflict”* The Oxford Program on Ethics, Law, and Armed Conflict, with Merton College Global Directions, Oxford England: March 22-28, 2013

*“The Curious Case of Latino/as in the United States”* The Latino/a Philosopher: A National Symposium, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY: March 15th, 2013

*“Xenophobia and the Need for Immigrant Rights.”* American Philosophical Association, Central Division, New Orleans, LA: February 21, 2013

*“On Enforcement and Expulsion Strategies: A Rejection of a State's Unilateral Right to Control Immigration.”* Philosophy of Immigration: A Roundtable Discussion of Works in Progress, Seattle: WA November 2, 2012

*“A Humane Approach to Immigration Reform.”* Northern New England Philosophical Association Meeting, Lowell, MA: October 19, 2012

*“Strategies of Death and Discrimination: Philosophy and the Immigration Debate.”* Workshop in Applied Philosophy: Global Justice and Ethics of Exclusion, Boston, MA: September 28, 2012

*“Immigration: The Missing Requirement for an Ethics of Race.”* American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division, Seattle, WA: April 6, 2012

*“Neither a State of Nature Nor a State of Exception: Law, Sovereignty, and Unauthorized Immigration.”* American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division, San Diego, CA: April 21, 2011

*“Am I an American Philosopher: Does ‘Si Se Puede’ Translate to ‘Yes We Can’?”* American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division, San Diego, CA: April 20, 2011

*“An Immigration Carol: Ghosts of Immigration Past, Present, and of Yet to Come.”* American Philosophical Association, Central Division, Minneapolis, MN: April 1, 2011

*“The Political Philosophy of Undocumented Immigration.”* American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division, Boston, MA: December 28, 2010

*“Solidarity: A New Starting Point for Future Immigration Reform.”* 9th biennial conference of the Radical Philosophy Association, Eugene OR: November 14, 2010

*“The Braid of Non-Whiteness: White Supremacy and Immigration.”* 7th Annual Meeting of the California Roundtable on Philosophy and Race, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL: October 9, 2010

*“A ‘Nation’ of Immigrants.”* 37th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, NC: March 12, 2010

*“Transformation and Reconstruction: A Political Conversation Between Enrique Dussel and John Dewey.”* First International Conference On Pragmatism and the Hispanic/ Latino World, College Station, TX: February 18-20, 2010

*“Deciphering ‘Illegal’ Immigration.”* American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division, Vancouver, Canada: April 9, 2009

*“Social Movements and Organic Intellectuals: The Role of the Philosopher in the Fight for Social Justice.”* 8th biennial conference of the Radical Philosophy Association, San Francisco State University, San Francisco, CA: Nov. 6, 2008

*“Does Marx’s Concept of Alienation Still Matter?”* American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division, San Francisco, CA: April 5, 2007

*“Hip-Hop and Critical Social Thought.”* 7th biennial conference of the Radical Philosophy Association, Creighton University, Omaha, NE: Nov. 5, 2006

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

UMass Lowell (2015-present)

PHIL 201: Introduction to Philosophy (multiple)

PHIL 202: Logic and Critical Reasoning (multiple)

PHIL 2060: Introduction to Political Philosophy (multiple)

PHIL 3080: Philosophy of Race and Gender (Fall 2017)

PHIL 3890: Immigration and Global Justice (multiple)

PHIL 3880: Latin American Philosophy (multiple)

GLST 7020: Global Studies II (Spring 2016)

## **SERVICE**

### University and Departmental Service

Adviser, Advocates of Tomorrow Living-Learning Community (Upper-Class), 2017-present

Mentor, "First In" faculty mentoring program designed to service students who are the first in their families to attend college, 2016-present

Mentor, Eugene Mellican Honors College Reading Fellowship, 2015-present

Member, Labor Studies Faculty Group, 2016-present

Member, Faculty Senate, 2016-present

Member, Race & Ethnic Studies Working Group, 2015-present

Member, Search Committee (AOS: Open, AOC: Open): University of Massachusetts Lowell, Department of Philosophy, 2016-2017

Member, Search Committee (AOS: Applied Ethics, AOC: Ethics and Philosophy of science): University of Massachusetts Lowell, Department of Philosophy, 2015-2016

Organizer, Philosophy Department Colloquium Speaker Series:

Grant J. Silva, Lecture Title: "*Racism as Self Love: The Maintenance of Racial and National Privilege*" April 3, 2017 (forthcoming)

Adam Hosein, Lecture Title: "*Freedom of Movement: A Moderate View*" March 27, 2017

Isabel Sousa-Rodriguez, Lecture Title: "*Unauthorized Mothering: Legal Status, Legal Violence, and the Resilience of Undocumented Families*" September 16, 2016

### Professional Service

Co-editor, *Radical Philosophy Review*, 2012-present.

Founding Member, *Society for Mexican-American Philosophy*, (2015-present). This society is dedicated to the support and promotion of Mexican-American philosophy in all of its diverse manifestations. I help arrange panels for the Eastern APA and I'm working with Alejandro Santana from the University of Portland to obtain an NEH grant for this society.

Member, *Normative Theory of Immigration Working Group*, (2015-present). This group is made up of international political theorists who meet between 6-10 times a year, via Skype, to discuss works-in-progress of the various members.

Member, *American Philosophical Association's Committee on Hispanics*, (2014-present). This committee runs the *APA Newsletter on Hispanic/Latino Issues in Philosophy*, reviews submissions for the annual essay prize in Latin American thought, and puts together two panels for each APA conference.

Member, *Cambridge Race and Philosophy Reading Group*, (2012-present). This group is made up of philosophers in the Boston area and meets once a month to discuss recent articles or books related to philosophy of race. I am in charge of coordinating the meeting times and readings for this group.

Book Manuscript & Proposal Referee, *Polity Press*.

Article Manuscript Referee, *Philosophy and Social Criticism*, *Journal of Applied Philosophy*, *Inter-American Journal of Philosophy*, *Ethics & Global Politics*, and *Philosophy in the Contemporary World*.

*Workshop and Conference Organization*

Co-organizer, twelfth biennial conference of the “Radical Philosophy Association,” University of Kentucky, November 6-9, 2016.

Co-organizer, eleventh biennial conference of the “Radical Philosophy Association,” Stony Brook University, November 6-9, 2014.

Onsite co-organizer, “Ethics in the Americas Conference,” University of Oregon, November 11-13, 2011. Speakers included: Enrique Dussel, Eduardo Mendieta, Walter Mignolo, Elizabeth Millan, and Ofelia Schutte.

Onsite organizer, ninth biennial conference of the “Radial Philosophy Association,” University of Oregon, November 11-14, 2010. Speakers included: Bat-Ami Bar On, Enrique Dussel, Virginia Held, Lewis Gordon, Charles Mills, and Naomi Zack

Onsite co-organizer, “Philosophy of Liberation: Thinking With Enrique Dussel,” University of Oregon, April 18-19, 2008. Speakers include: Enrique Dussel, Eduardo Mendieta, and Nelson Maldonado-Torres.

**FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS**

Philosophy Department Teaching Award, UMass Lowell, 2015-16

Davis Foundation Educational Grant (Develop an Ethnic Studies Program), 2014

Faculty Learning Community Grant (Critical Thinking Best Practices), 2013

APA Prize in Latin American Thought, 2010

Fighting Fellow, University of Oregon, 2006

San Francisco State University, Most Distinguished Philosophy M.A. Graduate, 2006

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

American Philosophical Association (APA)

Caribbean Philosophical Association (CPA)

European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)

Latin American Studies Association (LASA)

Philosophy Born of Struggle (PBOS)

Radical Philosophy Association (RPA)

Society for Analytical Feminism (SAF)