

Rachel Cicoria
Curriculum Vitae

Contact Information

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Education

Ph.D. in Philosophy (in progress), Texas A&M University
Adviser: Dr. Omar Rivera

BA in Philosophy, *Summa Cum Laude*, Florida Gulf Coast University, 2019
Minor in Medical Humanities

Description of Research

Areas of Specialization:

Feminist Philosophy (in particular Decolonial Feminism and New Materialism),
Phenomenology, Hermeneutics, and Disability Studies.

Areas of Competency:

History of Philosophy, Decolonial Theory.

Publications

Peer-reviewed Journal Articles:

“From ‘Whither’ to ‘Whence’: A Decolonial Reading of Malabou,” *Philosophies* 8, no. 5
(2023): 93-111. <https://doi.org/10.3390/philosophies8050093>.

“The Ability System and Decolonial Resistance: The Case of the Victorian Invalid,”
Journal of World Philosophies, vol. 6, no. 2 (2021): 45-60.
<https://scholarworks.iu.edu/iupjournals/index.php/jwp/article/view/4916>.

Peer-reviewed Journal Articles (revise and resubmit):

“Toward a Pluritopic Multiplicity of Normative Sexual Embodiments,” *Puncta*,
submitted August 2022. Revisions submitted March 2023.

Journal Articles (in progress):

Remembering Without Having Memorized: Technologies of Embodied Resistance,”
Target journal: *Hypatia*

Book Chapters (invited, in progress):

Cicoria, Rachel; Rivera, Omar, “Gloria Anzaldúa.” Entry for the *Encyclopedia of Phenomenology*. Ted Toadvine, ed.; Springer.

Published Book Reviews (unsolicited):

“Brilliant Imperfection: Grappling with Cure,” review of *Brilliant Imperfection: Grappling with Cure*, by Eli Clare, *The Journal of Philosophy of Disability*, Volume 2 (2022): 249-255, <https://doi-org.srv-proxy2.library.tamu.edu/10.5840/jpd2022220>.

Peer-reviewed Creative Writing:

“Eyes of Sea and Earth,” *Intima: A Journal of Narrative Medicine*, Spring-Summer 2023, <https://www.theintima.org/eyes-of-sea-and-earth-rachel-cicoria>.

Invited Blog Posts

“When Cure and Language are Inadequate, What Remains? Reflecting on bearing witness,” Crossroads Blog, *Intima: Journal of Narrative Medicine*, November 17, 2023, <https://www.theintima.org/blog/when-cure-and-language-are-inadequate-what-remains-reflecting-on-bearing-witness-by-rachel-cicoria>.

Presentations

Invited:

“Remembering Without Having Memorized: Technologies of Embodied Resistance,” Limits of Living: Reading Life as Bio-technology, Texas A&M University, November 2023

“Toward a Pluritopic Multiplicity of Normative Sexual Embodiments,” Department of Philosophy Colloquium Series, Texas A&M University, April 2023.

“Resistance Beyond Subjectivity: Rape, Solitude, and Reciprocity,” The Ethics of Humanism: Human Rights, Cosmopolitanism, and Resistance, Centre for Ethics, University of Toronto, May 2022, <https://ethics.utoronto.ca/events/workshop-the-ethics-of-humanism-human-rights-cosmopolitanism-and-resistance/>.

“Gadamer, Nihilism, and Aesthetics,” Continental Philosophy Reading Group, Department of Philosophy, Texas A&M University, March 2021.

“Call of Conscience,” discussion leader with Dr. Theodore George, Texas A&M Undergraduate Philosophy Club, February 2020.

"Who Has a Say? Heidegger and Gadamer on the Death of the Other," APA Pacific Division as a participant in a session sponsored by the North American Society for Philosophical Hermeneutics, April 2020. (Did not complete due to COVID).

Peer Reviewed:

“Conscience, Silence, and Friendship: Heidegger’s Being and Time on Authentic Being-With-Others,” 12th Annual Canadian Hermeneutic Institute, June 2021

“Being-a-Friend: Heidegger's Being and Time on Authentic Being-With,” Southeastern Association for the Continental Tradition, 1st Annual Meeting, February 2020.

Honors and Awards

Summer Research Support, Department of Philosophy, Texas A&M University, for archival research in the “Collection on Gloria Evangelina Anzaldúa,” Benson Latin American Collection, University of Texas at Austin, Summer 2023.

Manuel Davenport Award for Best Graduate Paper Submitted for Publication, Department of Philosophy, Texas A&M University, April 2023.

Charles Gordone Creative Writing Award, Graduate, Non-Fiction, Texas A&M University, Department of English, April 2022

“Desiring Disability: Lugones’ Decolonial Feminism and Resistant Pleasure,” College Graduate Summer Research Grant, College of Liberal Arts, Texas A&M University, April 2022 (\$462.30)

Summer Research Support, Department of Philosophy, Texas A&M University, for Spanish language courses, Summer 2021. (\$3,281)

Glasscock Online Writing Group Grant, Melbern G. Glasscock Center for Humanities Research, Texas A&M University, July 2020. (\$250)

BASIC Level G.R.A.D. Aggies Professional Development Certificate, Office of Graduate and Professional Studies, Texas A&M University, April 2020.

Certificate for “The Fasken Pedagogy Workshop in Community of Philosophical Inquiry,” Texas A&M University, March 2020.

Summer Research Support, Department of Philosophy, Texas A&M University, for participation in Canadian Hermeneutics Institute summer institute, July 2020. (\$1,900). (Awarded but not completed due to COVID).

Department of Philosophy Travel Grant, Texas A&M University, for participation in The Southeast Association of Continental Philosophy conference, February 2020. (\$400).

University Graduate Diversity Excellence Fellowship, Office of Graduate and Professional Studies, Texas A&M University, August 2019-2023. (\$129,000, plus tuition).

Teaching Experience

Instructor: Efforts include instruction of students, development of course syllabus and content, and meeting with students regularly about student needs and content related questions.

PHIL 111: Contemporary Moral Issues, remote instruction, 5 students, Texas A&M University, Summer 2020.

PHIL 482: Engineering Ethics, in-person instruction, 100 students, Texas A&M University, Spring 2021.

PHIL 251: Introduction to Philosophy, in-person instruction, 14 students, Texas A&M University, Summer 2022.

PHIL 419: Contemporary Continental Philosophy, in-person instruction, 21 students, Texas A&M University, Spring 2023.

Graduate Teaching Assistant: Responsible for grading and responding to assignments, holding office hours, and teaching weekly recitations.

PHIL 251: Introduction to Philosophy, in-person instruction, 90 students, Dr. Martin Peterson, Texas A&M University, Spring 2022.

PHIL 111: Contemporary Moral Issues, in-person instruction, 90 students, Dr. Martin Peterson, Texas A&M University, Fall 2021.

PHIL/ENGR 482: Engineering Ethics, in-person, remote, and hybrid instruction, 50 students per semester, Dr. Martin Peterson and Dr. Glen Miller, Texas A&M University, Fall 2019, Spring 2020, Fall 2021.

Research Experience

Research Assistant to Dr. Jessica Howell, "The Healthy Victorian Woman," Fall 2021-present. (Conducting bibliographical research, compiling a bibliography for Dr. Howell's book project, editing works in progress)

Research Assistant to Dr. Kristi Sweet, “Overcoming Cosmopolitanism,” June-August 2021. (Compiled an annotated bibliography for Dr. Sweet’s upcoming book project)

Research Assistant to Dr. Omar Rivera, *Andean Aesthetics and Anticolonial Resistance: A Cosmology of Unsociable Bodies*, September 2020-May 2021. (Edited and secured image rights for Dr. Rivera’s forthcoming book)

Research Assistant to Dr. Glen Miller, “Adding Project-Based Learning to Ethics In A Digital Age,” Presidential Teaching Transformation Grant, Texas A&M University, Summer June-August 2020, (Provided research support for undergraduate course development, helped to create the following faculty-curated database for undergraduate research: <https://oaktrust.library.tamu.edu/handle/1969.1/194109>).

Service

Convenor, *Latin American/Latinx/Africana Philosophy Reading Group*, Department of Philosophy, Texas A&M University, Fall 2021

Secretary/Treasurer, Graduate Students in Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, Texas A&M University, Fall-Spring 2021

Graduate Student Member, Department of Philosophy Climate & Inclusion Committee, Texas A&M University, January-May 2021.

Convenor, *Linda Martín Alcoff Reading Group*, Department of Philosophy, Texas A&M University, January 2021-present.

Convenor, *Disability Studies Reading Group*, Department of Philosophy, Texas A&M University, January 2021-present.

Co-convenor, *Continental Philosophy Study and Reading Group*, Department of Philosophy, Texas A&M University, May 2020-present.

Graduate Student Senator, Graduate and Professional Student Government, Texas A&M University, January 2020-present.