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CURRICULUM VITAE

Department of History and Political Science / Azusa Pacific University

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EDUCATION

- PhD, Colonial Mexican History**, University of California, Los Angeles 2012
Converting a Sacred City: Franciscan Re-Imagining of Sixteenth-Century San Pedro Cholula
(<https://escholarship.org/uc/item/56h8453h>)
Committee: Kevin Terraciano (Chair), Teo Ruiz, Robin Derby, Charlene Villaseñor Black
- CPhil, Colonial Latin American History**, University of California, Los Angeles 2007
Exams: *The Indians of Colonial Mexico & The Mendicant Church*
- MA, Latin American History**, University of California, Los Angeles 2006
Franciscans, Nahuas, and the Council of Trent: Sacramental Life in 16th-Century New Spain
- MFA, Creative Nonfiction**, The Pennsylvania State University 2004
Separated by Faith: Memoirs of a Traditional Catholic Daughter
- BA, English/Creative Writing**, University of San Francisco, *cum laude* 2000
- The Saint Ignatius Institute Great Books Honors Program
 - The Centre for Medieval and Renaissance Studies, Keble College Oxford University, Oxford, England, *non-degree* 1998-1999

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- Associate Professor of Latin American History**, Azusa Pacific University (APU) 2016-present
- Director of Undergraduate Research**, Azusa Pacific University 2016-present
- Internationalization Faculty Fellow**, APU Center for Global Learning and Engagement 2013-14
- Assistant Professor of Latin American History**, Azusa Pacific University 2012-2016
- Adjunct Graduate Faculty**, M.A. in the Humanities Program, Mount St. Mary's College 2012
- Visiting Assistant Professor**, History Department, Loyola Marymount University 2008-09

ONGOING PROJECTS

Monograph

Colonial Mexican Widow: How María de la Paz Became the Most Wealthy Woman in Early Modern Cholula; Contract pending; U. of Oklahoma/Academy of American Franciscan History

Collaboration with the Nettie Lee Benson Latin American Collection at UT-Austin, Colección Digital Fondo Real de Cholula (Archivo Judicial del Estado de Puebla, México)
Transcription: “Testamento de María de la Paz y Codisilos” (118 folios)
Editing: “Documentos del escribano Juan Franco Martínez (1);” “Documentos del escribano Juan Franco Martínez (2);” “Litigio de María de Santilla contra Alonso de Hava”

Refereed Article

“When the Cholulteca folded onto the earth: Contested Commemorations of the 1519 Cholula Massacre”

Children's Book

San Juan Diego and the Lady on the Hill; Contract pending – Ignatius Press (San Francisco, CA)

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Articles and Contributions to Peer-Reviewed Edited Collections

“Indigenous Christianities: Ritual, Resilience, and Resistance among the Nahuas in Sixteenth-Century Mexico.” *Decolonial Christianities: Latinx and Latin American Perspectives*, ed. Raimundo Barreto and Roberto D. Sirvent. New Approaches to Religion and Power series (New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2019), 107-127

“A Procession through the *Milpas*: Indigenous-Christian Ritual in Cholula, Puebla, México.” Special President’s Section: Celebrating the Scholarship of Women Historians in the Conference on Faith and History. *Fides et Historia* (51:1), 105-123, Winter/Spring 2019

“A Satellite Community in a Spanish City: The Barrio of Santiago Cholultecapan in Colonial Puebla de los Ángeles,” *UCLA Historical Journal* (23:1), 31-42, Summer 2012 (<http://escholarship.org/uc/item/19z62904>)

“Quetzalcoat’s Enlightened City: A Close Reading of Bernard Picart’s Engraving of Cholollan/Cholula,” *Bernard Picart and the First Global Vision of Religion*, ed. Lynn Hunt, Margaret Jacob, and Wijnand Mijnhardt (Los Angeles: The Getty Research Institute, 2010)
***2011 Hubert Herring Award for Best Article
Pacific Coast Council on Latin American Studies***

Encyclopedia Entry

Gutiérrez, Verónica and Matthew Restall. **“Mesoamerican Religions: Colonial Cultures,”** *The Encyclopedia of Religion, Second Edition* (Macmillan Reference, 2004), 5914-22

Shorter pieces

“Before You Were Formed in the Womb.” *Faith and History: A Devotional*, ed. Christopher Gehrz and Beth Allison Barr (Waco, TX: Baylor University Press), *forthcoming December 2020*

“Una historiadora estadounidense en San Andrés Cholula: Encuentros con el Tlachihualtepetl desde el otro lado de la frontera.” *San Andrés Cholula: un encuentro del presente con su pasado*, ed. Adriana Sáenz Serdio, Lidia E. Gómez García y Agustín René Solano Andrade (H. Ayuntamiento de San Andrés Cholula, México: Enlace Editorial de Grupo Milenio, 2018)¹

“Building a City on a Hill: An Interview with Father Dominic O’Connor,” sold to *The Catholic World Report* (San Francisco: Ignatius Press), 2001

Epilogue to *The Shadow of His Wings: The True Story of Fr. Gereon Goldmann, O.F.M.* (San Francisco: Ignatius Press), 2000

Book Reviews

Jonathan Truitt, ***Sustaining the Divine in Mexico Tenochtitlan: Nahuas and Catholicism, 1523-1700*** (Oklahoma University Press/Academy of American Franciscan History, 2018). Featured Review. *Fides et Historia* (52:1), 126-28, Winter/Spring 2020

Miriam Melton-Villanueva, ***The Aztecs at Independence: Nahua Culture Makers in Central Mexico, 1789-1832*** (University of Arizona, 2016). *Bulletin of Latin American Research* (Blackwell Publishing, Liverpool, England), Volume 37, Issue 4, 517-19 (2018)

¹ “A Historian from the United States in San Andrés Cholula: Encounters with the Man-made Mountain from the Other Side of the Border” in *San Andrés Cholula: a meeting of the present with its past*.

- Camilla Townsend, *Annals of Native America: How the Nahuas of Colonial Mexico Kept Their History Alive* (Oxford, 2016). *The English Historical Review* (Oxford Journals); Volume 133, Issue 564, 1302-1304 (2018)
- Steven E. Turley, *Franciscan Spirituality and Mission in New Spain, 1524-1599: Conflict Beneath the Sycamore Tree (Luke 19:1-10)* (Ashgate, 2014). *The English Historical Review* (Oxford Journals), Volume 131, Issue 552, 654-56 (2016)
- Robert H. Jackson, *Conflict and Conversion in Sixteenth Century Central Mexico: The Augustinian War on and Beyond the Chichimeca Frontier* (Brill, 2013). *The English Historical Review* (Oxford Journals), Volume 130, Issue 542, 181-83 (2014)
- “Stirring the Ashes,” review of D.A. Brading, *Mexican Phoenix, Our Lady of Guadalupe: Image and Tradition Across Five Centuries* (Cambridge, 2001). *CRISIS Magazine*, Volume 20, No. 7, July/August 2002
- Kathleen Norris, *Journey: New and Selected Poems, 1969-1999* (Pitt Poetry Series, 2001). *The Bloomsbury Review*, Volume 22, Issue 4, July/August 2002

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS and CONFERENCE PAPERS

Faculty Development Program Co-Leader

“From 1519 to 2019: Indigenous Christianity in Mexico 500 Years after Cortés.” Co-organizer and lead lecturer on a historical tour for non-specialists to central Mexico, including indigenous-Christian sites in Mexico City, Puebla, Cholula, Huejotzingo, and Tonantzintla. Commissioned by the Latin American Initiative of the Conference on Faith and History. *May 28-June 3, 2019*; archived tweets @faithandhistory #CFHMexico2019

Invited Speaking Engagements / Keynotes Addresses

“**María de la Paz: viuda obrajera de Cholula a finales del siglo XVI.**” *Mirada retrospectiva sobre Tollan Cholollan Tlachihualtépetl a 500 años de la masacre*. Coloquio organizado por fray Francisco Morales Valerio, OFM, PhD., Centro Humanísticos fray Bernardino de Sahagún, Biblioteca Franciscana, Universidad de las Américas-Puebla. San Pedro Cholula, Puebla, México. 18 y 19 de octubre, 2019²

“**Luther in the New World: Native People and Reformation in Sixteenth-Century New Spain.**” The Program on Historical Studies of Religion, Institute for Studies of Religion, Baylor University, Waco, Texas, February 21, 2018: www.youtube.com/watch?v=JEIQs2qAUKo

“**La Procesión de los faroles: ritual a través de las milpas antiguas en San Pedro Cholula.**” (Conferencia Magistral/Keynote Address). Séptimo Coloquio Internacional de Jóvenes Historiadores Tlalpujahua. Tema: *Reflexiones Sobre Historia de las Religiones: Del Mundo Antiguo a las nuevas prácticas religiosas*. Universidad Michoacana de San Nicolás de Hidalgo, Morelia, Michoacán, México, April 27, 2017³

“**Resilience in the Oldest City in the Americas,**” TEDxAzusaPacificUniversity, March 28, 2017: www.youtube.com/watch?v=6Rd7QJLyaJQ

² “*Maria de la Paz: Widowed Textile Mill Owner in Cholula at the end of the Sixteenth Century.*” *A Retrospective Look at Tollan Cholollan Tlachihualtépetl 500 Years after the Massacre*. Organized by fray Francisco Morales Valerio, OFM, PhD.

³ “The Procession of the Lanterns: Ritual through the Ancient Agricultural Fields of San Pedro Cholula,” *Seventh International Colloquium of Young Historians of Tlalpujahua*. Theme: *Reflections About the History of Religions: From the Ancient World to New Religious Practices*.

“Cultural Resilience: A Fireside Chat with Dr. Verónica Gutiérrez and Screening of her TEDx Talk, ‘Resilience in the Oldest City in the Americas,’” co-hosted by Multicultural Strategies and CityMasters, CNB Plaza, City National Bank, Los Angeles, November 10, 2017

“Voices from Diverse APU Scholars: Strategies for Success in Research,” The Center for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusive Excellence, APU, March 30, 2017

“A Procession through the Milpas: Indigenous-Christian Identity in San Pedro Cholula, Puebla, México.” (Keynote Address). 30th Biennial Meeting of the Conference on Faith and History. Theme: *Christian Historians and the Challenges of Race, Gender, and Identity*. Regent University, Virginia Beach, Virginia, October 2016

“Que me entierren con el hábito del bienaventurado San Francisco’: A Nahua Woman Negotiates a Medieval Spanish Death Ritual.” San Gabriel Mission History Forum, San Gabriel Mission, San Gabriel, CA, October 2, 2013⁴

“Take Writing Out of Your Life: My Latino Story, Your Latino Story.” A lecture for Latino high school students. Our Neighborhood Homework House, Azusa, CA, April 8, 2013

“I was Named for Santa Verónica: How an English-Speaking Chicana became a Latin American Historian.” The Juan Bruce-Novoa Series on The Chicano/Latino Experience sponsored by Sigma Delta Pi (Spanish Honor Society), the Southern California American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese, the APU College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, and the APU Department of Modern Languages, March 20, 2013

“My Path to Success via Higher Education: The Challenges and Benefits of being Latina.” Empowering Latina middle school students. Our Neighborhood Homework House, Azusa, CA, March 15, 2013

“Que mi cuerpo sea sepultado con el hábito de San Francisco’: Franciscan Spiritual Economy in late Sixteenth-Century Spanish-Indigenous Cholula.” The Academy of American Franciscan History, Franciscan School of Theology, Berkeley, CA, February 14, 2009⁵

Conference Papers, Roundtables, Chairs, Moderations

Organizer and Chair, **“Peripatetic Professors: CFHers reflect on the scholarly and pedagogical fruits of #CFHMexico2019.”** (Roundtable). 32th Biennial Meeting of the Conference on Faith and History. Theme: *Protest, Resistance and Transformation: Agents of Change Past and Present*. Baylor University, Waco, Texas, October 2020. POSTPONED TO FALL 2021 DUE TO COVID-19

“Colonial Mexican Widow: How María de la Paz Became the Most Wealthy Woman in Early Modern Cholula.” 32th Biennial Meeting of the Conference on Faith and History. Theme: *Protest, Resistance and Transformation: Agents of Change Past and Present*. Baylor University, Waco, Texas, October 2020. POSTPONED TO FALL 2021 DUE TO COVID-19

“La dueña del obraje: María de la Paz and the Role of Women in Colonial Cholula.” (Panel organizer: *Más que indios: Franciscanos, doctrinas, y la dueña de un obraje en San Pedro Cholula*). American Society for Ethnohistory, Oaxaca City, Oaxaca, Mexico, October 2018⁶

⁴ “May I be buried in the habit of the felicitous St. Francis.”

⁵ “That my body may be buried in the habit of St. Francis.”

⁶ “The Female Owner of a Textile Factory: María de la Paz and the Role of Women in Colonial Cholula.” *More than Indians: Franciscans, indigenous parishes, and the female owner of a textile mill in San Pedro Cholula*.

- “Luther in the New World: Native People and Reformation in Sixteenth-Century New Spain.”** *Reformation Reverberations: Consequences and Challenges of Change*. Biennial Meeting of the Western Regional Conference on Faith and History. Azusa Pacific University, Azusa, CA, October 2017
- Discussant and Chair, **“My Life is a Primary Source: Writing Memoir in a History Course.”** *Common Day of Learning*, Azusa Pacific University, March 2017
- Discussant and Chair, **“The Training School for Christian Workers: A Primary Source Analysis.”** *Common Day of Learning*, Azusa Pacific University, March 2017
- Discussant and Chair, **“First Encounters: Western Missionary Experiences with Indigenous Cultures.”** Biennial Undergraduate Meeting of the Conference on Faith and History, Regent University, Virginia Beach, VA 2016, October 2016
- “Social Justice for a Sacred City: Franciscan Mediation in the *Indios de Servicio* Conflict in Cholula, New Spain, 1553.”** (Panel: *“Spanish Struggle for Justice” Re-examined*). Sixteenth Century Society Conference, Bruges, Belgium, August 2016
- Discussant and Chair, **“My Life is a Primary Source: Writing Memoir in a History Course.”** *Common Day of Learning*, Azusa Pacific University, February 2015
- “Death, Judgment, Heaven, and Franciscan Habits: The Art of Dying in Late Sixteenth-Century Spanish-Indigenous Cholula.”** American Historical Association, New York, January 2015. (Panel organizer/chair: *At the Hour of Our Death: Re-interpreting Illness in Iberian Empires*, sponsored by the Conference on Latin American History).
- Chair, **“Encountering God’s ‘Others’ with Intention: Cultivating Character and Competence for Beloved Community.”** *Faculty Development Day*, APU, May 2014
- “Los carniceros de Cholula: Livestock, Trampled Lands, and Indigenous Industry in Colonial Mexico.”** (Panel organizer/chair: *The Urban Indigenous Experience in Latin America 1*). American Society for Ethnohistory, Indianapolis, IN, October 2014
- Chair, **“An Update on the Economic, Political and Social Landscape of Latin America.”** Panelists: David Figueroa Ortega (Consul General of Mexico), Enrique Loedel (Consul General of Uruguay), and Carlos J. Valderrama (Senior Vice President for Global Initiatives at the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce). *Common Day of Learning*, APU, March 2013
- “Modern Manifestations of an Early Modern Imperial Project: La Procesión de los Faroles in San Pedro Cholula, Puebla, México.”** (Panel: *Postscripted Presences: Native Christians, Historical Narrative, and Ethnographic Quandaries* sponsored by The American Society of Church History). American Historical Association, New Orleans, LA, January 2013
- “They Designated their Sins with a Stick: Franciscan Accommodation in Confessing the Nahuas in Sixteenth-Century New Spain.”** (Panel: *Local Christianities: Franciscan Conflicts and Accommodations in Asia and Latin America*). American Historical Association, Chicago, IL, January 2012
- “It was like another Rome, with many temples of the demon:’ Franciscan Evangelization Among the Nahuas in Sixteenth-Century San Pedro Cholula.”** *Space and Conversion: Urban Stages, Institutions, and Interiority (16th – 20th c)* International Workshop. Scuola Normale Superiore, Pisa, Italy, December 2011

- “Wrap my body in the habit of the seraphic St. Francis, A Nahuatl-Christian Woman’s Understanding of a European Death Rite.”** (Panel: *Negotiating Identities in the Early Modern Christian Americas*). American Academy of Religion, San Francisco, CA, November 2011
- “Indigenous Autonomy in a Spanish City: The Barrio of Santiago Cholultecapan in Colonial Puebla de los Ángeles.”** UCLA History+ Graduate Student Conference, October 2011
- “Recasting a Sacred Landscape: Franciscan-Indigenous Refashioning of Cholollan’s Holy Legacy.”** (Panel: *Sacred Spaces in Colonial Mexico: Legacies, Rivalries, and Adaptations* sponsored by the Conference on Latin American History). American Historical Association, Boston, MA, January 2011
- “Converting the Sons of Quetzalcoatl: Friars, Nahuas, and Methodologies of Evangelization in San Pedro Cholula, 1529-1640.”** Middle Eastern Studies Association, San Diego, CA, November 2010
- “The Sons of St. Francis, the Sons of Quetzalcoatl, and the Re-Mapping of a Sacred Mesoamerican Landscape.”** (Panel organizer/chair: *Ethnohistories of Evangelization in the New World: Spanish America, Portuguese America, and Early America*). American Society for Ethnohistory, New Orleans, LA, October 2009
- “Que mi cuerpo sea sepultado con el hábito de San Francisco: Franciscan Spiritual Economy in late Sixteenth-Century Spanish-Indigenous Cholula.”** (Panel: *Nahuas and Christians in Colonial Mexico*). American Historical Association, New York, NY, January 2009⁷
- “A Satellite Community in Colonial Puebla de Los Ángeles: el Barrio de Santiago Cholultecapan.”** (Panel organizer/chair: *Colonial Conflict and Collaboration: Native People in the Development of Urban Spaces and City Culture in Sixteenth-Century Mexico*). American Society for Ethnohistory, Eugene, OR, November 2008
- “Quetzalcoatl’s Enlightened City: A Close Reading of Bernard Picart’s Engraving of Cholollan/Cholula.”** A joint conference at the Clark Library and the Getty Research Institute, Los Angeles, CA, December 2007
- “From Mesoamerican Holy Site to Franciscan Evangelization Center: Nahuas, Friars, and the Negotiation of Christianity in San Pedro Cholula.”** American Catholic Historical Association, Marquette University, Milwaukee, WI, March 2007
- “We have built for you a sumptuous monastery’: Religion and the Negotiation of Political Identity in Colonial Cholula.”** (Panel organizer: *Encountering Resistance in Colonial Mexico: Iberian Institutions, Indigenous Communities, and the Negotiation of Authority*). American Society for Ethnohistory, Williamsburg, VA, November 2006
- “They Form a Path Like Ants’: Institutionalizing Confession among the Nahuas in Sixteenth-Century New Spain.”** (Panel co-organizer: *Confession in the Early Modern Spanish World*). American Society for Ethnohistory, Santa Fe, NM, November 2005, and Sixteenth Century Society Conference, Atlanta, GA, October 2005
- “The Construction of an Attack: The Cholula Massacre from Cortés to the Florentine Codex.”** Sixteenth Century Society Conference, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, October 2004

⁷ “That my body may be buried in the habit of St. Francis.”

“**The Writer in the Community.**” Associated Writing Programs Annual Conference, Baltimore, MD, March 2003

“**The Aztec, the Incan, and the North American Indian: Constructions of Race in Joel Barlow’s *The Vision of Columbus.***” The Globalization of the Americas 1492-2002 Conference, Penn State; Keynote speaker: Michael Hardt; February 2003

RESEARCH SUPPORT

Research Release Time

Faculty Research Grant (3-unit buyout/\$3,615). Release time for a pilot study of an elite indigenous family’s land sales in colonial Cholula. APU Faculty Research Council, *Spring 2021*

Fellowship for Scholarly Work in Ethics and Culture (3-unit buyout/\$3,615). Release time for research and writing. APU Office of Research and Grants, *Fall 2020*

- One of 5 awarded university-wide

CREV Research Fellowship (3-unit buyout/\$3,615). Release time for research and writing. APU Center for Research and Ethics (CREV), Spring 2020

- One of 5 awarded university-wide; ***declined CREV to accept AAUW***

American Association of University Woman Postdoctoral Research Fellowship (\$30,000). American Association of University Women (AAUW), Washington D.C., July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020

- 1st AAUW award to APU faculty; funding period concurrent with sabbatical leave

Sabbatical Leave, APU Office of the Provost, August 16, 2019-August 15, 2020

- Year-long release for research and writing
- One of 8 awarded university-wide in a competitive year
 - 12 sabbaticals awarded in 2018-19 & 25 sabbaticals awarded in 2020-21

Provost’s Scholar-Teacher Award (3-unit course release for scholarship), APU

- Spring 2021 (Tier II Contract)
- Fall 2018 & Spring 2019 (Tier III Contract)
- Fall 2017
- Spring 2016
- Fall 2016 [to accompany Graves Award in the Humanities]
- Spring 2015 [6 units]

Dean’s Emerging Scholar Award (3-unit buyout/\$3,215 for early career faculty). APU College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Spring 2014

Course Design

Curriculum Development Grant (\$4,000). “Ritual and Re-enactment in Modern Latin America.” Global Religion Research Initiative, Center for the Study of Religion and Society, Department of Sociology, University of Notre Dame. Funded by the Templeton Religion Trust, 2018

The Graves Award in the Humanities (\$9,500). “A Quetzal Feather for St. Gregory: Understanding Religious Feather Art in Colonial Mexico via the Bird Specimens in Occidental College’s Moore Lab of Zoology.” American Council of Learned Societies administered by Pomona College, Pomona, CA, 2016

Grants and Fellowships

Faculty Research Grant (\$6,000). Supports document analysis, research assistants, and archival research in Mexico. APU Faculty Research Council, 2019

Faculty Research Grant (\$5,000). Supports document analysis, research assistants, and archival research in Mexico. APU Faculty Research Council, 2015

Graduate Division Dissertation Year Fellow (\$17,000). UCLA Graduate Division, 2011-2012

Hoxie Bonus Fund Grant. UCLA History Department, 2010 & 2011

- 2010 (\$1,000). Research site: Sevilla, Spain
- 2011 (\$1,000). Conference site: Pisa, Italy

Ford Foundation Diversity Dissertation Fellow (\$21,000). National Research Council of the National Academies, Washington, D.C., 2010-2011

Program for Cultural Cooperation between Spain's Ministry of Culture and United States Universities Grant (\$3,400). Research sites: Seville, Madrid, 2010

Fellow, Penn State-Mellon Foundation Dissertation Seminar (\$3,500). *European Expansion, Catholic Missions, and the Early Modern World*. Seminar leader: Ronnie Po-chia Hsia, PhD, Edwin Erle Sparks Professor of History, summer 2009

Tinker Travel Award (\$1,000). UCLA Latin American Institute. Research site: Mexico, 2009

Academy of American Franciscan History Dissertation Fellow (\$10,000). Franciscan School of Theology, Berkeley, CA, 2008-2009

COMEXUS Fulbright García-Robles (\$10,800). Institute of International Education, United States Department of State and Comisión México-Estados Unidos para el Intercambio Educativo y Cultural (COMEXUS); Research site: San Pedro Cholula, Puebla, México. Supervisor: fray Francisco Morales Valerio, OFM, PhD., 2007-2008

Fellow, Mellon Summer Institute in Spanish Paleography (\$1,890). UT-Austin, 2007

UCLA Graduate Summer Research Mentorship Award (\$4,500) Research sites: Cholula, Puebla de los Ángeles, Tlaxcala, Mexico City. Supervisor: Kevin Terraciano, PhD., 2006 & 2005

UCLA Graduate Research Mentorship Award (\$15,000), Research sites: Cholula, Puebla de los Ángeles, and Mexico City. Supervisor: Kevin Terraciano. PhD., 2005-2006

Eugene Cota-Robles Fellow (5-year recruitment package). UCLA Graduate Division, 2004

Ben Euwema Travel Grant, English Department, Pennsylvania State University.
Research site: Pope John Paul II's canonization of Juan Diego, Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mexico City, July 31, 2002

Bunton-Waller Fellow (3-year recruitment package). English Department, Penn State, 2001

Hispanic Scholarship Fund (\$2,500) for graduate studies. San Francisco, CA, 2000

RESEARCH TEAM

Manage teams of undergraduate research assistants at APU and in Mexico.
Work closely with a colleague in Mexico on document retrieval, transcription, and analysis.

APU Undergraduate Research Assistants

- **2014-15**
 - Ivy Quintero (Political Science/Spanish)
- **2015-16**
 - Elizabeth Chavez (Political Science)
 - Amellali Figueroa (Political Science)
- **2016-17**
 - Jasmine Quezada (Liberal Studies)
 - Hannah Shier (Social Science)
 - Karina Yobana Gutierrez Seguel (International Studies)
- **2018-19**
 - Kevin McDaniels (History)
- **2019-20**
 - Aaron Ramos (History/Spanish)
- **2020-21**
 - Aaron Ramos (History/Spanish)
 - Reno Rodriguez (International Relations)

Undergraduates at La Universidad de las Américas – Puebla (UDLAP), Cholula, México

- **2019-20**
 - Diana Carolina Gómez Ortiz (Humanities and Art History)
 - Karla Fernanda Flores Luna (Humanities and Art History)
 - Document retrieval and transcription

Independent Scholar in Mexico

- **2019-20**
 - Carlos Hugo Adolfo Zayas González, Ph.D. (Puebla de los Ángeles, Puebla, México)
 - Document retrieval, document organization, transcription, analysis

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

HISTORY

Azusa Pacific University, Azusa, CA

Associate Professor of Latin American History

2016-present

Assistant Professor of Latin American History

2012-2016

- HIST 120: *World Civilizations to 1648*
- HIST 201: *World Civilizations and Geography to 1648*
- HIST 300: *Introduction to Historical Studies*
- HIST 392: *Colonial Latin America*
- HIST 393:
 - *Modern Latin America*
 - *Ritual and Re-enactment in Modern Latin America*
- HIST 484: *Historical Themes: Native Peoples Before and After the Spanish Conquest*
- HIST 484: *Historical Themes: Gods and Demons in Sixteenth-Century Mexico: Franciscan Evangelization of Native Peoples in New Spain*
- POLI 300: *Research and Writing*

- POLI 496:
 - *Senior Seminar in Politics and Religion: Encounters with Christ*
 - *Senior Seminar in Politics and Religion: Christian Responses to Epidemic Disease*

Mount St. Mary's College, Los Angeles, CA

Summer 2012

M.A. in the Humanities Program

- HUM 266H Religion and History: *Gods and Demons in Sixteenth-Century Mexico: Franciscan Evangelization of Native Peoples in New Spain*

Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles, CA

2009

Adjunct Professor, History Department

- History 172: *Modern Latin America*

Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles, CA

2008-2009

Visiting Assistant Professor, History Department

- History 398: *Gods and Demons in Sixteenth-Century Mexico: Franciscan Evangelization of Native Peoples in New Spain*
- History 372: *History of Mexico*
- History 172: *Modern Latin America*

CREATIVE WRITING

Mount St. Mary's College, Los Angeles, CA

Spring 2012

M.A. in the Humanities Program

- HUM 233CW Non-Fiction Writing: *The Art of the Memoir*

Center for Talented Youth Summer Program, Johns Hopkins University

2006-2011

Writing Instructor, various sites

- *Crafting the Essay* (renamed *Creative Nonfiction* in 2011)
 - Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles, CA (Summers 2007-2011)
 - Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, PA (Summer 2006)

The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA

Summer 2004

Writing Instructor, Upward Bound Math & Science Center

- *Take Writing Out of Your Life: Learning the Art of Memoir*
- Team Teacher, Summer Experience in Earth and Mineral Science
- Team Leader, Summer Research Experience in X-Ray CT Analysis @ the Center for Quantitative Imaging

The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA

2001-2004

Graduate Teaching Fellow, Department of English

- English 215: *Introduction to Creative Nonfiction*
- English 50: *Introduction to Creative Writing*
- English 15: *Rhetoric and Composition*
- Learning Edge Academic Program Instructor, English 15

Brookline Village Retirement Community, State College, PA

2001

Volunteer Writing Instructor to seniors ages 75-95

- *The Art of the Memoir*

HONORS and AWARDS

Top Performers Writers' Retreat (dean nominated), Serra Retreat Center, Malibu, CA, 2019
(*Declined to co-lead a faculty development tour in Mexico*)

Nominee, NEH Summer Research Grant (1 of 2), APU Vice Provost for Graduate Programs and Research, 2018

Top Performers Writers' Retreat (dean nominated), Serra Retreat Center, Malibu, CA, 2018

Alternate, Ford Foundation Postdoctoral Fellowship, National Research Council of the National Academies, Washington, D.C., 2015

Nominee, NEH Summer Research Grant (1 of 2), APU Vice Provost for Graduate Programs and Research, 2014

Early Career Writers' Retreat (dean nominated), Serra Retreat Center, Malibu, CA, 2014

Phi Alpha Theta, National History Honor Society, APU chapter (Lifetime Member), 2014+

Internationalization Faculty Fellow, Center for Global Learning Engagement, APU, 2013-14

Emerging Scholar Writers' Retreat. Serra Retreat Center, Malibu, CA, July 2013

Hubert Herring Award for Best Article, Pacific Coast Council on Latin American Studies for "Quetzalcoatl's Enlightened City: A Close Reading of Bernard Picart's Engraving of Cholollan/Cholula." *Bernard Picart and the First Global Vision of Religion*, ed. Lynn Hunt, Margaret Jacob, Wijnand Mijnhardt (Los Angeles: Getty Research Institute, 2010), 2011

Alpha Sigma Nu, National Jesuit Higher Education Honor Society, University of San Francisco (Lifetime Member), 1999+

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

ScholarFest2020 Advisory Team, Office of Research and Grants, APU, 2019-20

Subject Matter Expert in History, General Education Assessment Council, APU, 2018-19

Book Proposal Peer Reviewer, Routledge Research (Francis and Taylor Group, New York), 2018

President, Western Regional Conference on Faith and History (resigned), 2017-18

Peer Reviewer, *Sixteenth Century Studies Journal*, 2017

Gen1 Scholar Mentor, Undergraduate Academic Success Center, APU, 2017+

President-Elect, Western Regional Conference on Faith and History, 2016-17

Faculty evaluator/interviewer, undergraduate and graduate student Fulbright applicants. Office of the Provost, APU, 2016

History Program Review, Department of History and Political Science, APU, 2016

Ad Hoc member, Faculty Research Council, APU, 2016+

Faculty Advisor, Alpha-Omicron-Tau chapter of *Phi Alpha Theta* (National History Honor Society).
Department of History and Political Science, APU, 2014-2018

Founder, Alpha-Omicron-Tau chapter of *Phi Alpha Theta*. Department of History and Political Science,
APU, 2014

Consultant, *Ecuador 250* course re-design for APU's Semester in Ecuador program, 2014

Faculty representative, inaugural *Feria Universitaria/College Resource Fair*, Consulate General of
Mexico, Los Angeles, 2014

Faculty Handshake video: www.youtube.com/watch?v=2SyJpXl89Ko&feature=youtu.be

Faculty of Color Mentor for First-Generation College Students of Color, APU, 2013-17

Affiliated Faculty Member, Latin American Student Association (LASA), APU, 2012+

Latino Faculty Association, Loyola Marymount University (LMU), 2008-09

PROFESSIONAL ENRICHMENT

Teaching Writing Workshop, General Education Council, APU, 2014

Faculty Seminar in the Liberal Arts: Miguel de Cervantes' *Don Quixote*. Co-sponsored by the
Honors College and the College for Liberal Arts, APU, 2014

Faculty Faith Integration Summer Series, APU, May 2013

Expert Faculty Media Training with Richard Brundage, former CNN reporter and radio
correspondent, Office of University Relations, APU, 2013

Ford Fellows Conference Attendee, Irvine, CA, 2010 and 2011

Junior Faculty Seminar Series, LMU, 2008-09

Faculty Affiliate, Phi Alpha Theta (National History Honor Society), LMU, 2008-09
*Received award for Best Female, Non-Student Costume (aristocratic widow displaced by the
Mexican Revolution) at the Spring Phi Alpha Theta 1950s-themed Fundraiser. LMU, 2009*

LANGUAGES and PALEOGRAPHY

Spanish: advanced reading, speaking, writing, and paleographic ability

Nahuatl (Aztec): intermediate reading; beginning paleography

Latin: intermediate reading; basic paleography

NAHUATL LANGUAGE TRAINING

Classical Nahuatl I and II (*Instructor*: Licenciado Tomás Aquino Amaya; *site*: Academia de Lenguas
Clásicas fray Alonso de la Veracruz; *location*: Puebla de Los Ángeles, Puebla, México), 2007-08

Introductory and Intermediate Classical Nahuatl (Dr. Kevin Terraciano, UCLA), 2004-2007

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Historical Association	Academy of American Franciscan History
American Society for Ethnohistory	American Catholic Historical Association
Western Regional Conference on Faith and History	Conference on Faith and History
UCLA Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies	Sixteenth Century Society and Conference
Western Regional Conference on Faith and History	Phi Alpha Theta

DIRECTOR OF UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH (2016-present)

Responsible for advancing undergraduate scholarship across the disciplines

- **Undergraduate Conference Travel Fund** (\$20,272 annual budget)
Receive and review undergraduate conference travel applications and award up to \$500 per student per conference; average 70 travel awards per fiscal year
- **Scholarly Undergraduate Research Experience (SURE) Award** (8 awards every Spring)
Annual funding competition open to all undergraduate majors under the guidance of a full-time faculty mentor. Requiring a Dean’s nomination, each of the SURE awards provide \$500 to the student and \$900 remuneration to faculty, and require a mid-term progress report and a final progress report, with the expectation that funded proposals result in either a conference presentation or a published article
- **Undergraduate Research Showcases** (two per semester)
Launched in fall 2016, each moderated Showcase pairs disparate research teams (an undergraduate researcher and faculty mentor) to discuss the origins, challenges, and benefits of their research experience before an audience of their peers
- **ScholarFest2020 Advisory Team** (2019-2020)
 - Planned, executed, and promoted various events for ScholarFest2020, a re-conception of APU’s Common Day of Learning as a month-long celebration of faculty and student research, scholarship, and creative achievement in all academic disciplines at APU – *CANCELED DUE TO COVID-19*
 - Provided singular oversight of two **Undergraduate Research Showcases** during ScholarFest2020 – *CANCELED DUE TO COVID-19*
 - Announced the 2020 **SURE Award** recipients during the Honoring Excellence Special Awards Event with the Provost, April 23, 2020 – *CANCELED DUE TO COVID-19*
 - Facilitated and participated in recording a brief **promotional video for the Scholarly Under-graduate Research Experience (SURE) Award**
- **Student Opportunity Center (SOC)** (2019+)
Manage APU access to SOC, the largest national database of external grants and fellowships for honors and undergraduate researchers
- **Undergraduate Research Program Website Redesign** (Fall 2017)
Replaced the existing single-page site with a multi-faceted website, generating new content and providing links to pertinent information and student resources, rendering it more practical and student-friendly; annual refresh