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My research focuses on the structures and methodology of practical philosophy, broadly construed. To better understand how we live today and how to live better, I aim to uncover the assumptions underlying our practical and moral lives. I approach this through historical research, particularly investigating Immanuel Kant's practical philosophy and its roots in the Early Modern Period and Late Scholasticism. My work examines the role of his practical philosophy within his critical project, the methodological strategies he employed to address his identified problems, and the commitments underlying his ideas. Additionally, I explore specific topics such as moral conscience, the role of religion and history in Kant's system, and his critiques of earlier philosophers.

Research Interests

Main Area of Research:

Modern & Early Modern Philosophy (Kant & German Idealism, Rationalism)

Other Areas of Interest:

Medieval Philosophy & Scholasticism (Including Aquinas, Scotus, Cajetan, Suárez)

Practical Philosophy (Philosophy of Action, Ethics, Metaethics, Political Philosophy)

Education

2023- Ph.D. in Philosophy – University of Pittsburgh

2024 M.A. in Philosophy and Classical Languages – Universidad de los Andes, Chile
Dissertation: "A shoreless sea. Introduction, Translation and Commentary of Immanuel Kant's *Dissertatio* (1770)." Available upon request. Advisers: Luis Placencia & Rafael Simian.

2021 B.A. in Philosophy – Universidad de los Andes, Chile
Dissertation: "*Ens sive causa*. The Causal Understanding of Being in Francisco Suárez's *Disputationes Metaphysicae* (1597)." Available upon request.
Advisers: Rafael Simian & Felipe Schwember.

Publications

2020 Book Review (Spanish). Boeri, Marcelo D., and Alejandro G. Vigo, eds. *Alfonso Gómez-Lobo: Selected Papers on Greek Thought*. Sankt Augustin: Academia Verlag, 2017.
Reviewed in *Síntesis. Revista de Filosofía* III, no. 1 (January–July 2020): 179–182.

Presentations

2025 "Re-evaluating Suárez's Impact in Modern Philosophy"
Rackham Workshop in Early Modern Philosophy, University of Michigan, Apr. 11-12.
ISME 2025, University of Pennsylvania, Jul. 10-12.

Teaching Experience

University of Pittsburgh (as TA)

Department of Philosophy (2024-2025)

History of Modern Philosophy

Introduction to Philosophical Problems

Universidad de los Andes, Chile (as Main Instructor)

Faculty of Engineering and Applied Sciences (2022-2023)

"Philosophy of Science" (Popper, Kuhn, Lakatos)

"Philosophical Anthropology" (Aristotle's *De Anima & Physics*, selections)

Psychology Program (2022-2023)

"Philosophical Anthropology II" (Aquinas's *Summa*, selections)

"Philosophical Anthropology I" (Aristotle's *De Anima & Physics*, selections)

Medical School (2022)

"Medical Anthropology" (Misc. Topics: Life, Personhood, Body, Death)

Universidad de los Andes, Chile (as TA)

Institute of Philosophy (2018-2021)

"Modern Philosophy II" (Kant)

"Ancient Philosophy II" (Aristotle & Stoics)

"Ancient Philosophy I" (Presocratics & Plato)

"Political Philosophy II" (From Machiavelli to Foucault)

"Political Philosophy I" (From Plato and Marisilius)

"Philosophy of Nature" (Aristotle & Aquinas)

Research Experience

- 2021-2022** Research Assistant for Regular Fondecyt Research Project N° 1211607.
"Mistake, Truth and Method. A Study in the Methodic Assumptions and Conditions of Correctness in the *Critique of Pure Reason*." Principal Investigator: Dr. Luis Placencia, Universidad de Chile, Chile.
- 2020-2021** Research Assistant for Regular Fondecyt Research Project N° 1200532:
"The Conventionalist Motives in the Salamanca School: the Dawn of Aristotle in Spanish Scholasticism as Preparation for the Modern Natural Law." Principal Investigator: Dr. Felipe Schwember, Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez, Chile.
- 2018-2019** Research Assistant for Regular Fondecyt Research Project N° 1160873:
"Social Conflict in Machiavelli's Thought. An Approximation from Claude Lefort's Reading." Principal Investigator: Dr. Daniel Mansuy, Universidad de los Andes, Chile.

Departmental Service

2024- Climate & Liaison Committee, Department of Philosophy, University of Pittsburgh

2024 Volunteer and Mentor, Open Doors Philosophy Academy, University of Pittsburgh

Language Skills

Fluent

Spanish (Native), English

Reading

Latin, German, Ancient Greek,
Italian, French.