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CURRENT APPOINTMENTS

Visiting Professor at the Hamilton Center of the University of Florida.

ACADEMIC EDUCATION

The Senate of the International Academy of Philosophy (IAP) in the Principality of Liechtenstein declared my academic standing as equivalent to a Habilitated Professor, 2006

Ph.D., Philosophy, Universidad de Navarra. Pamplona, Spain, 1995

- Concentration: Political Philosophy and Ethics
- Dissertation: “Eschatological Truth and Worldly Action: The Political Theory of Eric Voegelin”
- Grade: *Apto cum laude* by unanimous agreement (the highest mark in the Spanish system)

Graduate Coursework in Philosophy, Universidad Simón Bolívar. Caracas, Venezuela, 1991-1992

Licenciatura in Law, *cum laude*, Universidad Católica Andrés Bello. Caracas, Venezuela, 1988

PROFESSIONAL AND ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Full time Professor of the Pontifical Catholic Universidad of Chile (PUC), School of Law, Chile (2020-2023)

Full Professor at the Universidad Santo Tomás, Chile (2013 to 2020)

Adjunct Associate Professor at the School of Law of the Pontifical University of Chile (PUC) (2013-2020)

Adjunct Researcher for the Universidad Bernardo O’Higgins’ School of Law, Chile (2015-2020). In this capacity I have taught in the Masters’ program in Law.

Professor of the *Diplomado* on Faith and Science at the Universidad Finnis Terrae, Chile (2014)

Adjunct Associate Professor of the Universidad Bernardo O’Higgins’ School of Law, Chile (2013-2015)

Adjunct Associate Professor of the Universidad Central of Chile’s School of Law, Chile (2013-2014)

Director of the International Academy of Philosophy (IAP), Chilean campus at the PUC, Chile (2011-2012)

Full Professor of Philosophy at the IAP-PUC, Chile (2005-2012).

Pro-Rector of the International Academy of Philosophy (IAP), Chilean campus at the PUC, Chile (2006-2011)

Director of Studies and Associate Professor at the IAP-PUC, Chile (2005-2011)

Adjunct Professor of Philosophy at the Department of Philosophy, University of Notre Dame, U.S. (2004-2005)

Senior Research Associate at the Jacques Maritain Center, University of Notre Dame, U.S. (2003-2005)

Visiting Scholar, Department of Philosophy, Boston University, U.S. (2002-2003)

Professor, Department of Philosophy, Simon Bolivar University. Caracas, Venezuela (1996-2003)

Chair of the Graduate Program in Philosophy, Simon Bolivar University. Caracas, Venezuela (1999-2002)

Attorney at the Legal Advisory Office of the Congress of Venezuela, 1989-1992

Justice Luis Henrique Farías Mata's Assistant at the Supreme Court of Venezuela, 1990-1991

Attorney at the Office of the Attorney General [*Procurador General de la República*] of Venezuela, 1988-1989

Assistant at the Office of the Attorney General of Venezuela, 1986-1988

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Political and Social Philosophy, Ethics, Metaphysics, Classical Greek Philosophy

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Philosophy of Science, Epistemology, Philosophy of Mind, Medieval Philosophy, Contemporary European Philosophy

LANGUAGES

Fluent in English and Spanish. Advanced reading ability in Ancient Greek (particularly Attic), Latin (particularly medieval and ancient Christian), Italian, French and Portuguese. Intermediate reading ability in German.

DISSERTATION ADVISER

Processio a Deo: The Degrees of Ontological Unity Among Intellectual Substances in Relation to the Degrees of Angelic Cognitive Operations, According to Thomas Aquinas (Original title: *Processio a Deo: Los grados de unidad entitativa en las sustancias intelectuales y su relación con la operación cognitiva, según Tomás de Aquino*), by Luiz Astorga. Doctoral dissertation. Institute of Philosophy, PUC, Chile, March 2014. Co-directed by Professor Jorge Martínez.

Freedon and Solidarity in the Communal Dimension of the Human Person's Dynamic Structure and Their Relationship to the Common Good (Original title: *Libertad y solidaridad en la estructura dinámica de la persona en su dimensión comunitaria orientada al bien común*), by Emilio Morales. Doctoral dissertation. IAP-PUC, Chile, June 2009.

MASTER'S THESIS ADVISER

Francis Bacon's and August Comte's Progressivism vis à vis Bergson's Creative Evolution (Original title: *Progresismo en Francis Bacon y Augusto Comte, Evolución creadora en Bergson*), by José Nicio Da Silva. Master's thesis. Universidad Alberto Hurtado, Chile, October 2009.

The conception of cinema in Gilles Delleuze (Original title: *La concepción del cine en Gilles Deleuze*), by Daniela Mihaljevic. Master's thesis. Simon Bolivar University, Venezuela, 1999.

BACHELOR'S AND LICENCIATURA'S THESIS ADVISER

Theoretical and Practical First Principles in the Doctrines of Francisco Canals (Original title: *Los primeros principios prácticos y teóricos en la doctrina de Francisco Canals*), by Pedro Madrid. *Licenciatura's* thesis. Institute of Philosophy, PUC, Chile, August 2013. Co-directed by Professor Jorge Martínez.

Reflections on Philosophy and International Development, by Julian Hadas. Bachelor's thesis. University Professors Program, Boston University, U.S., May 2003.

SECOND READER OF MASTER'S THESES AND DOCTORAL DISSERTATIONS

Second Reader of: *Paul Henry Thiry D'Holbach and Richard Dawkins' Comprehensive Scientism*, by Gerold Reisinger, International Academy of Philosophy in Liechtenstein, June 2022.

Member of the evaluating committee for the dissertation project, *Practical Reason as Extensio of the Intellect Towards Action: Epistemological Foundations for a Theory of Juridical Argumentation in Saint Thomas Aquinas vis à vis the New Natural Law Theory* (Original title: *La razón práctica como extensio del intelecto a la acción. Fundamentos gnoseológicos para una teoría de la argumentación jurídica en Santo Tomás de Aquino y la New Natural Law Theory*), by Felipe Widow. School of Law, PUC, Chile, September 2009.

Second Reader of: *The Object of Hope*, by Melanie Ferrari. Doctoral dissertation. IAP-PUC, Chile, 2007.

Second Reader of: *Philosophical Art: Reflections on Cinema and Philosophy* (Original title: *Arte filosófica: reflexiones sobre cine y filosofía*), by Andrés Upegui. Master's thesis. IAP-PUC, Chile, 2007.

Second Reader of: *Insight and Existence: The Role of A Priori Knowledge in the Cogito According to Dietrich von Hildebrand*, by Oliver Heydorn. Doctoral dissertation. IAP-PUC, Chile, 2005.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

Hope as a fundamental structure of ethical and political action and of life as a whole according to Thomas Aquinas: transcendent hope with transcendence (Aquinas) vs. transcendent hope without transcendence (Bloch). FONDECYT Regular, The National Agency for Research and Development, Chile (ANID), 2022-2025. It will continue at the Hamilton Center.

Rational Consideration of Natural Inclinations as Foundational for Ethics According to Thomas Aquinas: Is the Perverted Faculty Argument "Ridiculous?" FONDECYT Regular, The National Fund for Scientific and Technological Development, Chile (CONICYT), 2018-2021.

Persecution of Christians in Chile and Venezuela. The Institute of Justice in Warsaw, Poland, 2018-2019. The final briefing was submitted in October of 2019.

Traditions Regarding the Notion of Subjective Rights, Universidad Santo Tomás, Chile, 2015-2016.

Aristotle's Metaphysics. Jacques Maritain Center, University of Notre Dame, U.S., 2004-2005. Funded by the Bradley Foundation.

Politics and Justice from a Classical View Point. Jacques Maritain Center, University of Notre Dame, U.S., 2003-2004. Funded by the Bradley Foundation.

PUBLICATIONS

I. Books

Practical Truth. In Defense of Classical Ethics: Metaphysical Foundations of Morality (Original title: *En defensa de la ética clásica. Fundamentos metafísicos de la moral*). Accepted for publication by Ediciones UC and Center for Thomistic Studies of the UST, Santiago, 2022. In printing process.

The Spanish Regime in America: an Evaluation (Original title: *El régimen español en América. Una evaluación*). Instituto de Investigaciones Jurídicas de la UNAM (National Autonomous University of Mexico). México, 2015.

Rationality and Justice (Original title: *Racionalidad y justicia*) Second Edition. Ediciones Globo. Chile, 2013.

Physics and Reality (Original title: *Física e realidade*). Vide Editorial. Sao Paulo, Brazil, 2013.

Man: A Horizon between Sensible and Suprasensible Realities. (Original title: *El hombre: frontera entre lo inteligible y lo sensible*). Ediciones de la Universidad Católica de Chile. Santiago, Chile, 2010.

Being, God and Science according to Aristotle. (Original title: *El ser, Dios y la ciencia, según Aristóteles*). Preface by Ralph McInerny. Ediciones de la Universidad Católica de Chile. Santiago, Chile, 2007.

Metaphysical Reflections on Natural Science. (Original title: *Reflexiones metafísicas sobre la ciencia natural*). International Academy of Philosophy in the Principality of Liechtenstein—RIL, pp. 63-82., Santiago-Vaduz (Liechtenstein), 2007.

Rationality and Justice: Cultural and Political Crossroads. (Original title: *Racionalidad y justicia: encrucijadas políticas y culturales*). Universidad Católica Andrés Bello, Caracas, and the Universidad de Los Andes, Mérida, Venezuela, 2004. This book was meant to be the compliance of the Research requirement to become a *Profesor Titular* in the Venezuelan Tenure System in 2006. However, political reasons forced me to resign to my position at the Universidad Simón Bolívar of Venezuela.

A Platonic-Aristotelian Reading of John Rawls. (Original title: *Una lectura platónico-aristotélica de John Rawls*). Published as a volume of the *Cuadernos del "Anuario Filosófico."* Universidad de Navarra, Pamplona Spain, 2003.

Participation and Causality in Aristotle (Original title: *Participación y causalidad en Aristóteles*). Published as a volume of the *Cuadernos del Anuario Filosófico*. Universidad de Navarra, Pamplona, Spain, 1998.

Eschatological Truth and Worldly Action: The Political Theory of Eric Voegelin (Original title: *Verdad escatológica y acción intramundana. La teoría política de Eric Voegelin*). Ediciones de la Universidad de Navarra, S. A., Pamplona, Spain, 1996.

II. Book Chapters

“Freedom and Truth” (Original title: “La libertad y la verdad”). *Libro homenaje a Tomás Melendo*. Roberto Casales-García and Gabriel Martí Andrés (editors). México, 2022, pp. 143-172.

“The classical concept of *person vis à vis* the utilitarian-empiricist critique” (Original title: “La noción clásica de persona frente a la crítica empirista-utilitarista (Por qué todo ser humano es persona y ningún otro ser visible lo es)”). *Derechos humanos: perspectivas de juristas jusnaturalistas*. Agustín Herrera Fragoso (editor), Tirant Lo Blanch. México, 2022, Volume 1, pp. 281-309.

“The Conservative Doctrine of Venezuela, 1810-2018” (Original title: “La doctrina conservadora de Venezuela, 1810-2018”). *La doctrina conservadora en Iberoamérica*. Tirant Lo Blanch-Universidad Sergio Arboleda. Bogotá, Colombia, 2021, pp. 497-548.

“Religion and the Rise of Experimental Science” (Original Title: “El surgimiento de la ciencia experimental y la religión”). *Investigación científica y fe católica*. Centro de Estudios Thomistas (CET)—RIL Editores. Santiago, 2017, pp. 31-46.

“Property, Theft and Universal Destination of Goods”. (Original title: “Propiedad, robo y destino universal de los bienes”). Alejandro Miranda Montecinos and Sebastián Contreras Aguirre (Eds.), *Derecho natural: Parte especial*. Thomson Reuters, Santiago, 2016, pp. 521-556.

“Has Classical Natural Law Theory Been Defeated by the Naturalistic Falacy?” (Original title: “Ha sido derrotada la teoría clásica del Derecho natural por el argumento de la falacia naturalista?”). *El alma, la providencia y el Derecho natural*. International Academy of Philosophy in the Principality of Liechtenstein (IAP)—RIL, Santiago, Chile, 2015, pp. 63-82.

“Human Action as the Causal Core of History.” (Original title: “La acción humana como núcleo causal de la historia”). *Las causas en la historia* (José Luis Widow, ed.). Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez, Chile, 2013, pp. 117-133.

Prologue to the Portuguese translation of Thomas Aquinas’ *Quaestiones disputatae de anima*. (Original title: Prólogo a la traducción portuguesa de las *Cuestiones disputadas sobre el alma* de santo Tomás de Aquino). En: Tomás de Aquino, «Questões disputadas sobre a alma». Trad.: L. Astorga, Coleção Medievalia: É Realizações, São Paulo, Brazil, 2012, pp. 7-23.

“Why Is Natural Reason So Resistant to Accept in Current Times the Teachings of *Humanae Vitae*?” (Original title: “¿Por qué tiene tantas dificultades la razón natural moderna para aceptar la enseñanza de *Humanae Vitae*?”). Chapter of *Festschrift: Razón y Tradición. Estudios en honor de Juan Antonio Widow*. Editorial Globo. Viña del Mar, Chile, 2011, Vol. II, pp. 353-377.

“Straus, Voegelin and the Classical Philosophers on Reason, History and God” (Original title: “Strauss, Voegelin y los clásicos, sobre la razón, la historia y Dios”) in *Ensayos sobre Leo Strauss*. Centro de Estudios de Filosofía Clásica. Universidad Nacional de Cuyo. Mendoza, Argentina, 2010, pp. 15-84.

“Christian Identity and Scholarly Vocation in a Secularized Society” in *Towards the Renewal of Civilization: Essays in Honor of Jacques Maritain*. Catholic University of America Press. Washington, D.C., U.S., 2010, pp. 211-224.

“Karl Marx, Surplus Value, the Dimension of Gift and Distributive Justice” (Original Title: “Karl Marx, la plusvalía, la dimensión del don y la justicia distributiva”) in *The Love of Truth, All Truth and in Every Thing. Essays in Honor of Josef Seifert*. Ediciones de la Universidad Católica de Chile. Santiago, Chile, 2010, pp. 417-460.

“The Goal of History and Adam Smith’s Progressivist Historiography” (Original title: “El fin de la historia y la historiografía progresista de Adam Smith”) in *El fin de la historia*. Ediciones Altazor, Viña del Mar, Chile, 2008, pp. 163-184.

“The University as a People’s Spirit” (Original title: “La Universidad como espíritu de un pueblo”) in *About the Idea of University*. Universidad Simón Bolívar. Department of Philosophy. Caracas, Venezuela, 1999, pp. 5-20. Also published in *Libro Homenaje a Allan Randolph Brewer Carías*. Editorial Civitas-Editorial Jurídica Venezolana. Madrid-Caracas, 2003.

“The Political Directedness of Mario Briceño Iragorry’s Historical Studies” (Original title: “El sentido político de los estudios históricos en Mario Briceño Iragorry”) in *Presencia y crítica de Mario Briceño Iragorry*. Comisión Presidencial para la Celebración del Centenario. Caracas, Venezuela, 1997, pp. 241-260.

III. Editor

Operari sequitur esse. Metaphysics of Person, Nature and Action (Original title: *El obrar sigue al ser. Metafísica de la persona, la naturaleza y la acción*) co-edited with Ignacio Serrano. Centro de Estudios Tomistas (CET)—RIL Editores, Santiago, Chile, 2020.

On the Degrees and Kinds of Knowledge (Original title: *Sobre los tipos y grados del conocimiento*) co-edited with Ignacio Serrano. Centro de Estudios Tomistas (CET)—RIL Editores, Santiago, Chile, 2018.

Scientific Research and Catholic Faith (Original title: *Investigación científica y Fe católica*), six authors. CET—RIL Editores, Santiago, Chile, 2017, 106 pp.

On the Relations and Limits of Nature and Grace: Proceedings of the Second International Conference on Thomistic Philosophy. (Original title: *Sobre las relaciones y límites entre naturaleza y gracia. Actas del Segundo Congreso Internacional de Filosofía Tomista*). CET—RIL Editores, Santiago, Chile, 2016, 714 pp.

The Soul, Providence and Natural Law. (Original title: *El alma, la providencia y el Derecho natural*). International Academy of Philosophy in the Principality of Liechtenstein (IAP)—RIL, Santiago, Chile, 2015.

The Love of Truth, All Truth and in Every Thing: Essays in Honor of Josef Seifert. Ediciones de la Universidad Católica de Chile. Santiago, Chile, 2010, 576 pp.

IV. Translations

Saint Thomas Aquinas. *Commentary to the Book of Psalms*, Vol. 4. (Original title: Santo Tomás de Aquino. *Comentario al libro de los salmos*). Centro de Estudios Tomistas (CET)—RIL Editores. Santiago, Chile, 2020, in printing.

Saint Thomas Aquinas. *Commentary to the Book of Psalms*, Vol. 3. (Original title: Santo Tomás de Aquino. *Comentario al libro de los salmos*). Centro de Estudios Tomistas (CET)—RIL Editores. Santiago, Chile, 2018. 531pp.

Saint Thomas Aquinas. *Commentary to the Book of Psalms*, Vol. 2. (Original title: Santo Tomás de Aquino. *Comentario al libro de los salmos*). CET—RIL Editores. Santiago, Chile, 2016, 475 pp.

Saint Thomas Aquinas. *Commentary to the Book of Psalms*, Vol. 1. (Santo Tomás de Aquino. *Comentario al libro de los salmos*). CET—RIL Editores. Santiago, Chile, 2014, 343 pp.

Prayers of Saint Thomas Aquinas (Original title: *Oraciones de Santo Tomás de Aquino*), with Rafael Tomás Caldera, Editorial Ex Libris, Caracas, Venezuela, 2000.

V. Articles in Refereed Journals

“Are the rights of man the true object of human hope and the measurement of political societies?” (Original title: “¿Son los derechos del hombre el verdadero objeto de la esperanza humana y la medida de las sociedades políticas?”). Accepted for publication on *Revista Díkaion* 32/1 (2023). **(Scopus Journal)**

“Is the Perverted Faculty Argument Saved by the Application of the Principle of Totality? A Consideration from the Perspective as Ethics as a Topical Discipline.” (Original title: “¿Se salva el argumento de la facultad pervertida con el principio de totalidad? Una visión desde la ética tomista como disciplina tónica”). *Veritas*, 51 (2022), pp. 33-54. **(Scopus Journal)**

“Saint Thomas Aquinas’ Theology and His Commentary on the *Book of Psalms*”. *Biblica et Patristica Thoruniensia*. 14 (2021) 3: 217–230. **(Scopus Journal)**

The difficulties of Neo-mechanism in Philosophy of neuroscience” (Original title: “Las dificultades del neo-mecanicismo en la filosofía de la neurociencia”). *Espíritu*. LXX (2021) 162: 373-395

“The Topical Method of Law and Judicial Activism” (Original title: "Método tónico del Derecho y activismo judicial"). *Revista Studium. Filosofía y teología*. Vol. 46 (2020), pp. 147-160

"The Underlying Assumptions of Germain Grisez's Critique of the Perverted Faculty Argument", *Espíritu* LXIX/n. 159 (2020), 95-126. **(Scopus Journal)**

“Was Francis Vitoria a Nominalist?” (Original title: “¿Era Francisco de Vitoria un nominalista?”), *Scripta Medievalia*, 12/2 (2019), 67-99. **(Scopus Journal)**

“Traditions which Converge on Aquinas’ Doctrine on Sins of Lust *Contra Naturam*,” *Biblica et Patristica Thoruniensia*, 12/3 (2019), 207-221. **(Scopus Journal)**

“A Restatement of the Fifth Thomistic Way to Prove the Existence of God,” *Angelicum*, Nr. 1 (2019), 29-59. **(ERIH Journal)**

“An Assessment of the Being and Operation of Mary’s Marriage,” *The Thomist* 83 (2019), 31-55. **(WOS Journal)**.

“Is William of Ockham’s Ethics Nominalistic?” (“¿Es voluntarista la ética de Guillermo de Ockham?”), *Acta Philosophica*, 28/1 (2019), 113-130. **(WOS Journal)**

“Critical Reflections on the Theory of Objective Imputation: Towards a Renewed Classical View of Causality and Criminal Culpability,” *Archivio Penale*, Nr. 3 (2018), pp. 1-18, written in collaboration with Gabriele Civello. **(Revista Scopus)**

“*Humanae Vitae* and *Veritatis Splendor* as Expositions of ‘Natural Law’—Contrasted with Their Irrational Rejection,” *Aemaet*, Bd. 7, Nr. 1 (2018), 56-101.

“Critical Reflections on the Theory of Objective Imputation: Towards a Renewed Classical View of Causality and Criminal Culpability,” *Archivio Penale*, Nr. 3 (2018), 1-18, written in collaboration with Gabriele Civello. **(Scopus Journal)**

“An Updated Statement of the Fourth Thomistic-Aristotelian Way to Prove the Existence of God,” *The Thomist*, 81 (2017): 361-93. **(WOS Journal)**

“An Updated Statement of the Thomistic Ways to Prove the Existence of God: the Ontological Argument and the Three First Ways” (Original title: “Una formulación actualizada de las vías tomistas para demostrar la existencia de Dios: el argumento ontológico y las tres primeras vías”), *Logos, Anales del Seminario de Metafísica*, 50, (2017), 65-81. **(Scopus Journal)**

“William Ockham and the Origin of the Nominalist Conception of Subjective Rights” (Original title: “Guillermo de Ockham y el origen de la concepción nominalista de los derechos subjetivos”), *Cauriensia*, Vol. XI (2016), 113-140. **(Scopus Journal)**

“Is the Use of Force Legitimate for a Christian?” (Original title: “¿Es lícito al cristiano el uso de la fuerza?”), *Ius Publicum* 37 (2016), 11-25.

“Metaphysical Presuppositions of a Sound Critical Historiography Applied to the Biblical Text” (Original title: “Presupuestos metafísicos de una sana historiografía crítica aplicada al texto bíblico”), *Veritas*, No. 34 (March 2016), 117-143. **(Scopus Journal)**

“Is There Divine Providence According to Aristotle?”, *Nova et Vetera*, Vol. 14, No. 1 (2016), 199–226.

“The Ontological Nature of the Categories”. (Original title: “El estatuto ontológico de las categorías”). *Pensamiento*, vol. 71/268 (2015), 803-826. **(WOS Journal)**

“Commentary on *The Knowledge of God Through the Ways of Reason and Love*, by Josef Seifert . (Original title: “Comentario a: *Conocimiento de Dios por las vías de la Razón y del Amor*, de Josef Seifert. *Dikaiosyne* XVII/29 (2015), 109-121.

“On the Freedom of Catholic Parents to Rely on the Schools for the Transmission of Their Faith to Their Children. À propos of Some Revolutionary Theses.” (Original title: “Sobre la libertad de los padres católicos de apoyarse en la escuela para transmitir la Fe a sus hijos. A propósito de unas tesis revolucionarias”). *Ius Publicum* 35 (2015), 81-90.

“On the Inadequacy of Philosophical Hermeneutics to Explain Divine Revelation”. (Original title: “Sobre la inadecuación de la filosofía hermenéutica para explicar la revelación divina”). *Anales de Teología*, 17/1 (2015), 68-83.

“The Right of Association and Freedom of Conscience, Teaching and Giving One’s Opinion: A Rhetorical Strategy For Their Harmonization”. (Original title: “Derecho de asociación y derecho de libertad de conciencia, de enseñanza y de emitir opinión. Una estrategia retórica adecuada para su armonización”). *Ius Publicum*, 34 (2015), 49-71.

“My View on Gender Ideology”. (Original title: “Mi perspectiva sobre la teoría de género”). *Ius Publicum*, 33 (2014), 207-210.

“Right and Deed of Property”. (Original title: “Titulo y justificación de la propiedad”). *Ars Boni et Aequi*, 10/2 (2014), 105-122.

“Has the Notion of ‘Person’ Developed By Realist Phenomenology Superseded the Classical, Boetian, Notion of ‘Person’?”. (Original title: “¿Ha superado la noción de persona que postula la fenomenología realista a la noción clásica, boeciana de persona?”). *Synesis* 5/2 (2014), 12-26.

“Has the Naturalistic Fallacy Refutation Truly Defeated Classical Natural Law Theory“. (Original Title: “¿Ha sido derrotada la teoría clásica del Derecho natural con el argumento de la falacia naturalista?”). *Logos, Anales del Seminario de Metafísica*. Vol. 47 (2014), 37-54. (**Scopus Journal**)

“Is There a Christian Philosophy? What is It Like?”. (Original title: “¿Existe una filosofía cristiana? ¿En qué consiste?”). *Cuadernos Salmantinos de Filosofía*. Vol. 40 (2013), 515-530.

“God as the Efficient Cause of the Cosmos’ Being, according to Aristotle and Beyond” (Original title: “Dios como causa eficiente del ser del cosmos, según Aristóteles (y desde Aristóteles)”). *Acta Philosophica* 2 (2013), 279-301. (**WOS Journal**)

“Ideas, Concepts, Essences and Divine Art”. (Original title: “Ideas, conceptos, esencias y arte divino”) *Revista de Filosofía de la Universidad Complutense* 37/2 (2012), pp. 131-150. (**ISOC Journal**)

“When Does Life Begin in Artificial Generative Procedures? Some Bio-Philosophic and Anthropological Considerations” (Original title: “¿Cuándo se inicia la vida humana en los procedimientos artificiales de su generación?”), written in collaboration with Juan Eduardo Carreño and Alejandro Serani. *Anales de Teología*, 14/2 (2012), pp. 503-521.

“The Influence of Christianity on the Spanish Conquest of America and the Organization of the Spanish-American Empire.” *Logos*, Minnesota, 15/4 (2012), 125-144. (**WOS Journal**)

“Classical Natural Right: A Response to Fernando Atria” (Original title: “Iusnaturalismo clásico: una respuesta a Fernando Atria”). *Anuario de Filosofía Jurídica y Social*, Sociedad Chilena de Filosofía Jurídica y Social, Number 28 (2010), 85-119.

“The Common Good as the Ultimate Rule of the Prudential Judgment’s Truth” (Original title: “El bien común como regla última de la verdad del juicio prudencial”). *Cuadernos Salmantinos de Filosofía*. Universidad de Salamanca, Spain, Vol. XXXVII (2010), 327-363.

“The Catholic Interpretation of *Romans* I: 18-21” (Original title: “La interpretación católica de *Romanos* I, 18-21”). *Philosophica*. Pontificia Universidad Católica de Valparaíso, Chile, Volumen 36, Number 2 (2009), 7-31. It was previously published in Portuguese: *Filosofia, religião e ciência*, Proceeding of the Conference on Christian Philosophy. Pontifical Catholic University of Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil, EST Edições, 2008.

“*De Motu Animalium* and Practical Syllogism Revisited” (Original title: “Una reconsideración del *De Motu Animalium* y el silogismo práctico”). *Pensamiento*, Universidad Pontificia Comillas, Spain, Vol. 65, Number 44 (2009), 339-353.

“Natural Right, Marx and Private Property in Venezuela” (Original title: “Derecho natural, Marx y la propiedad en Venezuela”). *Revista Dikaiosyne*, Universidad de los Andes, Venezuela, Number 20 (2008), 25-44.

“On the Incorporeality of the Intellect” (Original title: “La inmaterialidad del intelecto”). *Intus Legere*. Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez, Chile, Vol. 2, Number 2 (2008), 9-31.

“Does *De Motu Animalium* Give enough Ground to Claim that Practical Reasoning Ends with an Action and Not with a Judgment?” (Original title: “¿Da el *De Motu Animalium* un fundamento para sostener que el razonamiento práctico acaba en una acción y no en un juicio?”). *Philosophica*, Vol. 32, Number 2 (2007), 7-25.

“The Soul as Form and the Intellect as Power of the Soul, According to Aristotle” (Original title: “El alma como forma y el intelecto como potencia del alma, según Aristóteles”). *Intus Legere*, Vol. 1, No. 2 (2007), 9-19.

“Practical Truth as the Corner Stone of Ethics” (Original title: “La verdad práctica como noción central de la ética”). *Cuadernos Salmantinos de Filosofía*, Vol. XXXIV (2007), 403-434.

“The Conception of Justice in Adam Smith’s *Theory of Moral Sentiments*” (Original title: “La concepción de la justicia en la obra *Teoría de los sentimientos morales*, de Adam Smith”). *Revista Chilena de Derecho*, 34/3 (2007), 421-438. **(WOS Journal)**

“Adam Smith: Champion of Freedom?”. *Jogelméleti Szemle* (The online Hungarian Journal for the Philosophy of Law). 2007/1. szám (2007. április, Budapest). Available at: <http://jesz.ajk.elte.hu/>

“Freedom of Religion and Natural Law in the USA” (Original title: “Libertad religiosa y Derecho natural en los Estados Unidos”). *Revista Chilena de Derecho*, 33/1 (2006), 125-147. **(WOS Journal)**

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