

Curriculum Vita-Abbreviated
Robert Lassalle-Klein, Ph.D., M.S.W., S.T.L., Lic. Phil., M.A., M.Div.
Emeritus Professor of Religious Studies and Philosophy, Holy Names University
Lecturer, Santa Clara University

CURRENT POSITON:

Santa Clara University (2022-present): Lecturer

Graduate Program in Pastoral Ministries

Undergraduate Program in Religious Studies

Jesuit School of Theology

Professor Emeritus of Religious Studies and Philosophy (2003-May 2023)

Holy Names University, Oakland, CA (HNU)

Faculty Director, California Catholic Conference Partnership (2018-present)

Associate Director: Diaconate and Advanced lay Leader Formation Program (Jan. 2023-present)

Diocese of San Jose

EDUCATION:

Ph.D. (1995) Graduate Theological Union (Distinction), Systematic Theology & New Testament

Licentiate in Sacred Theology, Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley

Masters in Transcultural Social Work, San Jose State University

Masters of Divinity, Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley

M.A., Philosophy, Gonzaga University”

Licentiate in Philosophy, St. Michael's Institute (Gonzaga University)

B.A., English Literature, Santa Clara University

SELECTED HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS

USCCB Region XI Seminar on Formation for Hispanic Ministry-Advisor for Higher Education (2012-present)

Project Lead: USCCB Region XI-HNU Digital Learning Initiative for Hispanic Ministry (2018-2023).

Anonymous Catholic Foundation: \$500,000

Keynote, XX Theological Symposium, Diocese of San Bernardino. “Towards a Theology of Intercultural Ministry.” April 17, 2021.

Keynote address UCA-El Salvador faculty and students, CRISPAZ Peace Award, “Jon Sobrino: Teacher, Mentor, Friend.” Universidad Centroamericano José Simeón Cañas, San Salvador, Dec. 4, 2018

Visiting Asst. Professor of Pastoral Ministries (Aug. 2014-June 2015)

Graduate Program in Pastoral Ministries, Santa Clara University

Bannan Fellowship (Jan.-June 2010) Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA

Chair for Christian Ethics and Thought. Universitat Ramon Llul, Barcelona, Spain (May 16-20, 2011)

Guest Editor, Special Issue of Theological Studies. “The Galilean Jesus,” June 2009

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Books

Sangre y tinta: Ignacio Ellacuría, Jon Sobrino y los mártires jesuitas de la Universidad Centroamericana.

Author. Universidad Iberoamericana Press, 2024. (Spanish translation of *Blood and Ink*)

Jesus of Nazareth among the Nations. Editor and author. New York: Crossroad and Herder and Herder Books, 2020. (Book version of 2009 Special Issue of Theological Studies.)

Jon Sobrino: Spiritual Writings. Editor and author. Maryknoll, N.Y.: Orbis, 2018.

Blood and Ink: Ignacio Ellacuría, Jon Sobrino, and the Jesuit Martyrs of the University of Central America.

Author. Maryknoll: Orbis, 2014.

Jesus of Galilee: Contextual Christology for the 21st Century. Editor and author. Maryknoll, N.Y.: Orbis, 2011.

Special Issue of *Theological Studies*, “The Galilean Jesus,” vol. 70, No. 2 (Spring 2009). Editor and author.
Love That Produces Hope: The Thought of Ignacio Ellacuría. Editor and author with Kevin Burke, S.J.
Collegeville: Michael Glazier/Liturgical Press, Spring 2006.

Current Book Projects

Voices of Migrants and Refugees. Editor and author. Book Project with Jesuit Refugee Service International, the Kino Border Initiative, and the Oakland Catholic Worker. Expected 2024.
Jesus the Migrant: Jesus of Galilee, Christology, and the Signs of the Times. Author. A new Christology grounded in 35 years with migrants at the Oakland Catholic Worker. Expected 2026.

Books Being Translated into Spanish

Jesus of Galilee: Contextual Christology for the 21st Century. Maryknoll, N.Y.: Orbis, 2011. Translated by Maria Antonia Amao, Assoc. Director, Ministry Formation Institute, Diocese of San Bernardino, CA.

Recent Publications (Articles and Interviews)

- “Interview with Fr. Jon Sobrino.” Santa Tecla Jesuit Center. Santa Tecla, El Salvador. Forthcoming, Ignatian Center for Jesuit Education, Santa Clara University. Forthcoming, 2025.
- “Ignacio Ellacuría y Xavier Zubiri en diálogo con la biología evolutiva: *Volición y autoposesión*, ‘marcos teóricos’ para la acción humana. Papers from the V Simposio sobre el Pensamiento de Ignacio Ellacuría. Forthcoming, 2025.
- “Climate refugees, Colonialism, and the Common Good: A View from the United States.” Papers from the XV International Congress of Intercultural Philosophy, Santiago, Chile, April 26-28, 2024. Forthcoming, Mainz Verlag, Aachen: *CONCORDIA*, 2024.
- “The Historical Reality of Jesus as Criterion for Present Day Christian Discipleship.” *Journal of Catholic Social Thought*, Vol. 21, No. 2, Summer 2024. Special Issue on “*Organizing, Synodality, and Catholic Social Thought & Practice*.”
- “Jesús el migrante: repensar la cristología en la época del Papa Francisco utilizando la ‘realidad histórica de Jesús’ de Ellacuría.” José Sols, ed. *De Ellacuría al papa Francisco*: Barcelona: Herder-Iberoamericana, 2023.
- “La inteligencia sentiente para el cambio social: Ignacio Ellacuría, Xavier Zubiri y el dilema humano.” Jan Niklas Collet, Thomas Norret-Ponse, Sebastian Pittl, José Sols Lucia, eds. *La teología ante los nuevos movimientos sociales*. Sal Terrae, CELAM, 2023, pp. 315-330.
- “Forward.” Kevin P. Quinn, S.J. “Is a Different Kind of Jesuit University Possible Today? The Legacy of Ignacio Ellacuría, SJ.” *Studies in the Spirituality of Jesuits*. 53/1 Spring 2021.
- “La ‘realidad histórica de Jesús’ de Ignacio Ellacuría: revolución para la teología y la espiritualidad cristiana.” *Senent de Frutos, Viñas Vera, eds., Espiritualidad, saberes y transformación social*. Comares, 2021.
- “Archbishop Oscar Romero and the Crucified People: A Bridge to Pope Francis.” Chapter in Kelly, Thomas and Pennington, Robert, eds.: *Bridge Building*. Herder & Herder/Crossroad Publishing. July 2020.
- “Responses to Migration, Mysterium salutis or Mysterium iniquitatis?” In Fornet-Betancourt, ed. *Spiritualities and Religions*. Wissenschaftsverlag Mainz, Aachen, 2017.
- “La universidad cristiana para un mundo globalizado,” Chapter in Matthew Ashley, Rodolfo Cardenal, Martin Maier, editors. *La civilización de la pobreza: El legado de Ignacio Ellacuría para el mundo de hoy*. San Salvador: UCA Editores, 2015.

SELECTED LECTURES & PRESENTATIONS

- “Living Close to Climate Refugees: Agency and Freedom.” 71st Annual Convention of the College Theology Society. Dayton University, Dayton, OH. May 31, 2025
- “Hiroshima and God: 80th Anniversary of the Bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.” Pacific Life Community Retreat. Holy Trinity Monastery, St. David, Arizona. Feb. 28, 2025.
- “Jesus the Migrant: *To gar aproslhpton, aqerapeuton* (What is not assumed is not redeemed).” 70th Annual Convention of the College Theology Society. Regis University, Denver Colorado, May 30-June 2, 2024
- “Ignacio Ellacuría y Xavier Zubiri en diálogo con la biología evolutiva: Volición y autoposesión, ‘marcos teóricos’ para la acción humana.” V Simposio sobre el Pensamiento de Ignacio Ellacuría. Pontificia Universidad Javeriana (Bogotá, Colombia). July 5, 2024.

- “Augustine’s *Imperium*, Migration, and God.” XV International Congress of Intercultural Philosophy, Santiago, Chile. April 26-28, 2024.
- “Refugiados climáticos y el bien común: evolución, derechos humanos y el futuro del planeta.” *Cuidado de la Casa común y Crisis Ecosocial*. Dec. 12-13, 2022. Universidad Loyola Andalucía. Seville, Spain.
- “Sentient Intelligence, Evolution, and the Brain: Ellacuría’s Prescient Solution to the Problem of Nature and Grace.” July 6-9, 2022. Eberhard Karl University of Tübingen, Tübingen, Baden-Württemberg, Germany.
- Ignatian Solidarity Network. Annual Workshop of Archbishop Romero and the UCA Martyrs. Ignatian Family Teach-In for Justice Nov. 2016-2022.
- “*La realidad histórica de Jesús* de Ellacuría: revolución para la espiritualidad y la teología Cristiana.” Symposium Internacional Ignacio Ellacuría. Universidad Loyola, Sevilla, Spain, Dec. 12-13, 2019.
- University of Scranton. Three-day seminar with university faculty, students, and board members (Nov. 15-17, 2016).
- Loyola University, Chicago. Invited lecture followed by public dialogue with Jon Sobrino as part of Doctorate Honoris Causa for Fr. Sobrino. “Memory and Hope: Legacy of the El Salvador Martyrs.” Nov. 21, 2014.
- University of Detroit Mercy, Detroit; Office of Mission Integration. “Blood and ink: The Challenge of the Jesuit martyrs of El Salvador Today.” Nov. 19, 2014.
- Xavier University, Cincinnati, OH. Day-long seminar with students and faculty followed by public lecture, “Legacy of the UCA Martyrs: Jesuit Education for a Crucified Planet.” Nov. 18, 2014.
- Santa Clara University, Ignatian Center for Jesuit Education. “Jon Sobrino: Analogatum Princeps of the Historical Reality of Jesus: The Crucified People of El Salvador.” Nov. 5, 2014.