

# Cecilia Titizano

## Education

Ph.D. in Systematic and Philosophical Theology, Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA, 2019  
Dissertation: The Divine Feminine in the Andes: A Comparative Triadic Theology from an Indigenous Feminist Perspective  
Committee: Thomas Cattoi (Chair), Inese Radzins, Josef Estermann

M.T.S. in Theological Studies, Franciscan School of Theology, Berkeley, CA, 2011

M. S. in International Agricultural Development, University of California, Davis, CA, 2000

B. A. in Social Communication, NUR University, Santa Cruz, Bolivia, 1993

## Research and Teaching Interests

Indigenous/Native Theologies  
Ethics in Indigenous Traditions  
Indigenous Spiritualities  
Latina/o Theology

Religions in Latin America  
Liberation Theology  
Latina/o Spirituality  
Feminist Theologies from the Global South

## Teaching Experience

**Part-time Faculty**, University of San Francisco, CA, August 2018 - Present  
Religions in Latin America  
Ethics in the Indigenous Religions Traditions

**Part-time Faculty** – Santa Clara University, CA, September 2019 – Present  
Latina/o Theology  
Christology

**Teaching Fellow**, Graduate Theological Union Berkeley, CA, Fall 2017  
S/spirits and Pneumatology

**Teaching Assistant**, Jesuit School of Theology Berkeley, CA 2015 – 2016  
Christianity and the Dharma Religions (Prof. Thomas Cattoi and Prof. Purushottama Billimoria)  
Patristic Spirituality (taught a couple of sessions per semester – Prof. Thomas Cattoi)

Trinitarian Theology (taught a couple of sessions per semester – Prof. Thomas Cattoi)

**Guest Lecturer**, *Instituto Hispano*, Jesuit School of Theology, Berkeley, CA, Summer 2014  
Theology of Suffering (designed and taught)

**Teaching Assistant**, Native American Studies University of California, Davis, CA 1999 – 2000  
Introduction to Native American Studies (led discussion groups, graded exams, and papers – Prof. Victor Montejo)

## Research Experience

Phyllis Zagano, Ph.D. Senior Research Associate-in-Residence, Hofstra University  
Research Assistant, Fall 2016  
Literature Review for Pope Francis' Commission on Women Deacons

Luis E. Guarnizo, Ph.D. Senior Research Associate, University of California Davis  
Research Assistant, 1998 – 1999  
Survey analysis for Transnational Migration Study

## Publications

“Salvation as Cosmic Restoration: An Andean Eschatology,” *NAIITS Journal* volume 18 (2020) (accepted for publication)

Book chapter “Indigenous Feminist Epistemologies at *El Mercado*: A Comparative Theological Method” (forthcoming)

“Pachasofía: Indigenous feminist ontology and the Decolonization of Feminist Philosophy” *Hypatia* (Revised and Resubmit)

“*Mama Pacha* Creator and Sustainer Spirit of God” in *Viejos Dilemas, Nuevos Dilemas: Religión e Interculturalidad Desde una Mirada Pluralista. Horizontes Decoloniales* N 3 (2017)

Book review of *Fleshing the Spirit: Spirituality and Activism in Chicana, Latina and Indigenous Women's Lives*. Edited by Elisa Facio and Irene Lara Tucson: The University of Arizona Press, 2014. *Theological Studies*, December 2015. Vol.76, Iss.4; p.900 – 901

## Invited talks

"Espiritualidad, creación y pecado" Serie Espiritualidad sin Fronteras, Boston College School of Theology and Ministry, October 7, 2020

“Spiritualität indigener Frauen in Abya Yala” Zentrum für Mission und Ökumene – Nordkirche weltweit, September 10, 2020

“Cosmología Andina y Salvación,” Memoria Indígena, Panamá, August 6, 2020

“*Pachasofía*: Theological Implication of Andean Metaphysics.” Global Gathering of Indigenous People, Rotorua, New Zealand, World Council of Churches, July 19-23, 2018

“Teología del Pueblo and Pope Francis,” Teología de la Liberación, San Francisco University, Spring 2016

“The Theological Method of Ana María Isasi Díaz,” Women Studies and Theological Method, Franciscan School of Theology, 2014

## **Conference presentations**

“Salvation as Cosmic Restoration: An Andean Eschatology,” NAIITS: An Indigenous Learning Community, 17th Annual Symposium, June 4-6, 2020

“Subversive Spirituality: Ancestral Cosmologies and Indigenous feminisms,” American Academy of Religion, Denver, November 17 – 20, 2018

“*Pachasofía* and Its Andean Tetralogic,” 6th Annual Native American Studies Graduate Student Symposium, University of California – Davis, April 13-14, 2017.

“Christ as *Chakana*: A Trinitarian Andean Christology,” Academy of Catholic Hispanic Theologians of the United States Annual Conference, San Juan, Puerto Rico, June 5-8, 2016

“An Andean Feminist Response to the book *Blood and Ink: Ignacio Ellacuría, Jon Sobrino, and the Jesuit Martyrs of the University of Central America*,” Panel on Ignacio Ellacuría, Catholic Theological Society of America, San Diego, June 11-14, 2015

“*Mama Pacha*: Resistance and Remaking of the Andean Indigenous Universe,” 4th Annual Native American Studies Graduate Student Symposium, University of California – Davis, April 23-24, 2015.

“*Mestizaje* in the construction of a Latina/o Social Christian Ethics,” Academy of Catholic Hispanic Theologians of the United States Annual Conference, Miami, June 2-5, 2013

“The exploration of *Mestizaje* in a Latina/o Social Christian Ethical Philosophical framework,” in American Academy of Religion, Western Region, Claremont University, April 2013

## **Academic Service**

Co-chair, Indigenous Religions Unit – AARWR Spring 2018 – present

Committee member, SCU Strategic objectives: Goal 4: Santa Clara University will become one of the nation's leading universities advancing Catholic theological studies, education, and ministry, 2013

## **Related Professional experience**

Director of *Instituto Hispano*, Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University, Berkeley CA July 2012 – October 2013

Provide leadership and strategic vision to transform the Institute into an innovative center for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Hispanic Leadership Formation program.

Recruit nationwide students and organize the Instituto's Summer Program

Offer academic advising to Instituto's students

Consultant, Catholic Charities, Stockton, CA June 2011 – September 2011

Construct a social justice formation program for Latina/o Catholics

Work collaboratively with the US Conference of Catholic Bishops and other related nationwide organizations

Social Justice Ministry Director, Catholic Charities, Stockton, CA February 2004- July 2007

Manage diocesan-wide social justice programs such as the Air Quality Project via the Catholic Environmental Justice Ministry.

Developed and implemented the Catholic Legislative Network to be a regional force for policies that support the Diocesan Social Justice agenda.

Delivered formation training at national social justice gatherings on community organizing, and engagement of Latina/o communities in social action.

Community Organizer, Sacramento Valley Organizing Community (SVOC), Sacramento, CA September 2000- November 2003

Developed and implemented the recruitment and leadership formation of primarily Latina/o residents as part of carrying out low-income housing and immigration campaigns within Yolo County, Solano County, and the Delta area.

Successfully designed and implemented Healthy Communities and Micro-Enterprise programs.

International Community Development May 1992 – August 1998

Research, planning, and implementation of ecologically suitable projects using Participatory Rural Appraisal (PRA) methods in Bolivia and Peru.

Designed and trained NGO's personal on the use of PRA methods.

## **Grants, Awards, and Board Consultations**

Postdoctoral Teaching Fellowship Award - Louisville Institute, 2020

Board Member, Memoria Indígena, summer 2019 - present

Graduate Theological Union, Newhall Award, Teaching, and Research Fellowship, fall 2017

Advisory Board, *Instituto Hispano*, Jesuit School of Theology, fall 2013- spring 2017

Society of Jesus, Excellency in Service Award, fall, 2013

Hispanic Theological Initiative (HTI) Scholar Award, fall, 2011

Fund for Theological Education, Scholarship for the Professional Development for Prospective Doctoral Students, summer 2011

### **Professional Associations**

Academy of Catholic Hispanic Theologians of the United States (ACHTUS)

American Academy of Religion (AAR)

Comunidad de Sabias y Teólogas Indígenas del Abya Yala (COSTIAY)

Comunidad de Sentipensadoras

### **Languages**

Spanish (native language)

English