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RESEARCH TEACHING AND INTERESTS

- Political Literature and Philosophy
- Italian Epic
- Contemporary Italian Literature
- Comparative Literature
- Contemporary Philosophy and Theory
- Mediterranean Studies

EDUCATION

- Ph.D. 2003-2009 University of California, Berkeley, California; Italian Studies; Title of the Dissertation: *Sea and Land, Collectivity and Individual: Metaphors at Odds in the Political Field.*
- Master's Degree 2001-2003 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Italian Literature
- Laurea 1990-1995 University of Verona, Verona, Italy; Philosophy, 110/110 *Summa cum Laude* (with a thesis titled Marguerite Yourcenar: Memoria e Politicità del Narrare)

PUBLICATIONS

- "Epica Moderna e New Italian Epic" (available at <http://www.carmillaonline.com/archives/2009/05/003036.html#003036>), published May 6, 2009.
- "The Strange Case of the New Italian Epic" (article submitted).
- "La morte come pena: Law, Death Penalty, and State of Exception," in E. Bellina and P. Bonifazio (ed.) *State of Exception: Cultural Responses to the Rhetoric of Fear*. Cambridge: Cambridge Scholars Press, 2006, 26-32.

- “Does Beauty have a Future?,” in Meyer-Dinkgrafe, D. (ed.) *The Future of Beauty in Arts and Literature*, Cambridge: Cambridge Scholars Press, 2005, 32-44.
- “Il destino di Zora: filosofia della non-cittadinanza,” in C. Tatasciore (ed.), *I filosofi e la città*, Città del Sole, 2003, 189-201.
- “Primo Levi e la ‘zona grigia:’ alcune considerazioni,” in “Working Papers in Romance Languages and Literatures,” at http://ccat.sas.upenn.edu/romance/gra/WPs2002/maurizio_1.

SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS, AWARDS

- Departmental Fellowship, Department of Italian Studies, University of California, Berkeley, Fall 2007, Spring 2004, Fall 2003
- Departmental Fellowship, Department of Italian Studies, University of California, Berkeley:, Fall 2007, Spring 2004, Fall 2003
- Carmelo and Carmela Giampiccolo Prize for excellence in Italian Graduate Studies, Department of Italian Studies, University of California, Berkeley, 2007.
- Dean’s Normative Time Fellowship, University of California, Berkeley: Spring 2006, Spring 2007
- Graduate Division Summer Grants, University of California, Berkeley: Summer 2006
- Istituto Italiano degli Studi Filosofici, Fellowship to attend a Week-long seminar entitled: “La cattedrale sommersa: esistenza, sogno e follia nell’analisi esistenziale di L. Binswanger,” Naples: May 1996.

COURSES TAUGHT

- University of California, Berkeley:
Spring 2009: Elementary Italian 2
Fall 2008: Contemporary Italian Literature and Film
Spring 2008: Elementary Italian 2
Summer Session 2007: Italian 40 (Introduction to Italian Culture). Co-taught Elementary Italian 2
Fall 2006: Teaching Assistant Italian 40
Spring 2005: Elementary Italian 1
Fall 2005: Elementary Italian 1

Fall 2004: Elementary Italian 1

- University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh:
Spring 2003: Elementary Italian 2
Fall 2002: Elementary Italian 1
Summer 2002: Elementary Italian 1
Spring 2002: Elementary Italian 2
Fall 2001: Elementary Italian 1

GUEST LECTURES

- “Acque della Civiltà: Metafore Nautiche e Paradigmi Politici,” New York University, New York: February 6 2008
- “From *Many* to *One*: Chaos and Order on the Seas of Ariosto and Tasso,” The University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario, Canada: January 11, 2008
- “Modern Italian Literature,” Italian Studies 40 (Introduction to Italian Culture), UC Berkeley: November 26, 2007
- “The Anti-Rhetoric of the Resistenza,” Italian Studies 40 (Introduction to Italian Culture), UC Berkeley: November 15, 2006
- “Irati flutti,” Ambasciata Democrazia Locale Zavidovici, Brescia, Italy: May 30, 2006
- “Il Pensiero Meridiano,” Ambasciata Democrazia Locale Zavidovici, Brescia, Italy: May 29, 2006
- “Il Pensiero Meridiano,” Ambasciata Democrazia Locale Zavidovici, Brescia, Italy: May 29, 2006

ACTIVITIES

- Chair of the Ringrose Committee, which organizes the Annual Ringrose Lecture. Lecture held February 23, 2007, at the University of California, Berkeley: Fall 2006-Spring 2007
- Co-organized the annual California Interdisciplinary Colloquium of Italian Studies, hosted by the Department of Italian Studies, University of California, Berkeley: May 7-8, 2004
- Co-organized “ConcateNations” Conference, hosted by the French & Italian Department, University of Pittsburgh November 15-16, 2002

LANGUAGES

- Italian: native
- English: spoken, read, written
- Spanish: spoken, read
- French: read
- Latin: read

OTHER EXPERIENCES

- Consultant in the Horizon Clamor System Project “Modelli, strumenti e percorsi innovativi per la gestione del collocamento mirato dei disabili,” sponsored by EU and Provincia di Brescia: June 1998-June 2000
- Full-time Teacher in a Vocational School for disabled students (C.F.P. – Regione Lombardia) in Chiari (Italy): 1998-2001
- Full-time Educator in a non-residential institute for disabled people (C.S.E. “Il Vomere”) in Travagliato (Italy): 1993-1998
- Worker in a textile factory: 1981-1993