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PhD in Bioethics

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Skills

Analysis

Strategy

Implementation

DISC profile
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Myers–Briggs Type Indicator
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About Me

I was born in 1991, in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. For study, work, and volunteering I have lived in Spain, Venezuela, Colombia, Ireland, and Italy for the past 15 years.

I aim to put Bioethics into action through a dialogue that seeks convergences and shared solutions in our pluralistic world, to promote the individual and common good.

My areas of interest are Transhumanism, Ethics of Gene Editing, Governance of Technologies, Integral Ecology, and Human Rights.

Current Position

UNESCO Chair in Bioethics and Human Rights

Board Member

Research Scholar

Pontifical Athenaeum Regina Apostolorum

Professor of Bioethics

Catholic Institute of Technology

Program Director (Master in Technology Ethics)

Professor of Bioethics

Languages

Portuguese

Native



Spanish

Instituto Cervantes-DELE



English

Cambridge Certificate-FCE



Italian

Dante Alighieri





Work Experience

Catholic Institute of Technology

Castel Gandolfo, Italy

2025-present | **Program Director for the Master in Technology Ethics**

2024-present | **Professor of Bioethics and Researcher**

Pontifical Athenaeum Regina Apostolorum

Rome, Italy

2019-present | **Associate Professor of Bioethics**

- Head of the Commission for the Renewal of the Curriculum and Professors Training
- Subjects:
 1. The Ethics and Governance of Human Gene Editing - 2. Transhumanism and Bioethical Challenges- 3. Didactic Strategies and Creativity Licenza in Bioetica
 4. Derechos Humanos y Bioética Global. Magister en Doctrina Social
 5. Bioethics and Biolaw. Online Master in Global Bioethics
 6. Bioética y Biojurídica. Maestría en Bioética en línea

UNESCO Chair in Bioethics and Human Rights

Rome, Italy

2023-present | **Board Member and Research Scholar**

2018-2023 | **Associate Researcher**

- European Funded Projects: EUcom4U, CivicAL
- Bioethics, Multiculturalism and Religion Workshops

Woodlands Academy

Dublin, Ireland

2015-2018 | **Instructor of Formation**

Instituto Andes

Caracas, Venezuela

2013-2015 | **Instructor of Formation**

Everest School Montecarlo

Madrid, Spain

2012-2013 | **Tutor (Intern)**

DEGREES

Doctorate in Bioethics

2019-2023 | Pontifical Athenaeum Regina Apostolorum

- Grade: 10 *Summa cum Laude*
- **Academic Excellence Award**
- Title: Common themes between Humanity+ original documents on Transhumanism and WHO documents on the global governance of human genome editing. *Reflexive thematic analysis and implications for Bioethics.*
- Adviser: Prof. Joseph Tham

Master's degree in Bioethics

2017-2019 | Anáhuac University, Francisco de Vitoria University, APRA

- Grade: 9.7

Bachelor's degree in Education and Development

2009-2013 | Anáhuac University

- Grade: 8.9

Bachelor's degree in Religious Sciences

2009-2013 | Pontifical Athenaeum Regina Apostolorum

- Grade: 9

DIPLOMAS

Expert in University Teaching

2019-2022 | Francisco de Vitoria University

Woman in Public Life

2020 | Academia de Líderes Católicos and Finis Terrae University

Integral Ecology

2019-2020 | Pontifical Universities of Rome

SELECTED COURSES/CERTIFICATES

Machine Learning for Public Policy

2023-2024 | United Nations University-MERIT

Training of Trainers-The Foundations of Effective Training Design

2023 | United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR)

Ethics and Governance of AI for Health

2022 | OpenWHO

The Inside Job of Collaboration

2021 | UNITAR

Posthumanism

2020-2021 | Gregorian University

Neurobioethics and AI

2020-2021 | APRA

The Role of UN in the Current Crisis of International Relations

2020 | International Diplomatic Institute and UNITAR

Crucial Conversations

2020 | VitalSmarts



Selected Publications

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 <https://scholar.google.com>

 <https://unescobiochair.academia.edu/LilianSantos>

 <https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Lilian-Santos-13>

Book:

- SANTOS, L., *Governance of Human Gene Editing and Transhumanism: Tasks for Today's Bioethics*, Springer, Cham 2025, in <https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-70863-3>.

Excerpt from the Doctoral Dissertation (Part 1):

- SANTOS, L., *Common Themes Between Humanity+ Original Documents on Transhumanism and WHO Documents on the Global Governance of Human Genome Editing. Reflexive Thematic Analysis and Implications for Bioethics*, Ateneo Pontificio Regina Apostolorum, Rome 2023, in <https://doi.org/10.13140/RG.2.2.19952.57602> [17-1-2025].

Articles and Book Chapters:

- SANTOS, L., «Edición genética y Laudato Si': razón abierta en doble dirección», Relecciones. Revista interdisciplinaria de filosofía y humanidades. 12 (2025), in <https://doi.org/10.32466/eufv-rel.2025.12.848.29-41> [28-5-2025], 29–41.
- DIAZ, M. R. - SANTOS, L., «Experiencia de diálogo entre adultos y jóvenes universitarios sobre el género», Medicina y Ética 35/1 (2024), in <https://doi.org/10.36105/mye.2024v35n1.01> [3-1-2024], 9–60.
- SANTOS, L., «Transhumanism and Global Governance of Human Genome Editing: Common Themes and Implications for Bioethics», Medicina y Ética 34/4 (2023), in <https://doi.org/10.36105/mye.2023v34n4.05>, 1089–1163.
- SANTOS, L., «Biohacking and Transhumanism: what and why», Relecciones. Revista interdisciplinaria de filosofía y humanidades. 9 (2022), in <https://doi.org/10.32466/eufv-rel.2022.9.743.40-53>, 40–53.
- SANTOS, L., «Human Rights and Sustainable Development Goals in the Global Governance of New Technologies for Human Health», Medicina y Ética 33/4 (2022), in <https://doi.org/10.36105/mye.2022v33n4.03>, 1039–1081.

- SANTOS, L., «Desafios bioéticos na sociedade tecnológica», Revista Angolana de Ciências da Saúde/Angolan Journal Of Health Sciences 3/Edição Supl. 1 (2022), in <https://doi.org/10.54283/RACSaude.v3iedsupl1.2022.p43-48>, 29–34.
- CIVICAL PROJECT PARTNERS, «EU Citizens' Rights and Responsibilities», Civic Dimensions for Social Inclusion (CivicAL) TRAINERS' MANUAL. (2020). Project No: 2018-1-ES01-KA204-050988, in <https://www.unescobiochair.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/Trainers-handobook-Eng.pdf> [10-4-2022].



Selected Conferences

● Bioethics Refining Values for Better Gene Editing Governance

2025 | 27th International Congress of
History of Science and Technology
University of Otago

● *Dunedin, New Zealand (online)*

● Innovazione Didattica

2024 | Innovazione Didattica per un
Chiesa in Uscita
APRA

● *Rome, Italy*

● **Bioética y Dignidad. ¿Cuáles Derechos Humanos?**

2024 | Congreso Internacional de Bioética, Persona y Dignidad Humana
IEST Anáhuac

● *Tampico, México (online)*

● **Edición de genes y Laudato Si': razón abierta en doble dirección**

2024 | Congreso Ecología Integral
Razón Abierta

● *Madrid, Spain*

● **Ética en investigación en América Latina: Desafíos ante las nuevas tecnologías**

2023 | ResearchLand, El evento de investigación clínica más grande de México
APEIC

● *Ciudad de México, México (online)*

● **Transhumanismo y gobernanza global de la edición del genoma humano: tareas para la bioética contemporánea**

2023 | IX Congreso Internacional de la Redbioética UNESCO 2023: Bioética crítica para tiempos complejos
Redbioética UNESCO and Instituto de Investigaciones en Bioética

● *Monterrey, México (online)*

● **Dialogue between Buddhism and Global Bioethics on Ecology**

2022 | Religious Perspectives on Bioethics: Protecting the Environment, the Biosphere and Biodiversity
8th UNESCO Chair Workshop on Bioethics, Multiculturalism and Religion

● *Bangkok, Thailand*

● **Biohacking y Transhumanismo**

2021 | Congreso Transhumanismo
Razón Abierta

● *Madrid, Spain*

● **São Tomás e Bioética Hoje**

2021 | Congresso Online de Tomismo
Centro Universitário Ítalo Brasileiro

● *São Paulo, Brazil (online)*

● **Desafíos Bioéticos na Sociedade Tecnológica**

2021 | Bioética em tempo de COVID-19
CEDUMED-UAN & CEJES-UAN

● *Luanda, Angola (online)*

● **Introduction to the chapter "EU Citizens' Rights and Responsibilities"**

2020 | CivicAL local presentation
CivicAL project

● *Rome, Italy (online)*

Research Services

Journal of Ethics and Emerging Technologies

Institute for Ethics and Emerging Technologies

2025-present | **Editorial Board**

Journal of Responsible Technology

Elsevier

2025-present | **Associate Editor**

Medicine and Ethics Journal

Facultad de Bioética - Universidad Anáhuac México

2023-present | **Reviewer**



References

Alberto García

Dean of the Faculty of Bioethics

Chairholder of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics and Human Rights

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