

## CURRICULUM VITAE: DR. ALBERTO DESCALZO DE BLAS

### EDUCATION

\***Ph.D.**, Spanish Philology, University of Salamanca (Spain). 2-June-2003.

\***M.A.**, Spanish Philology, University of Salamanca (Spain). 12-December-1995.

\***Licenciatura**, Spanish Philology, University of Salamanca (Spain). 9-September-1993.

Two years in U. Autonoma of Madrid.

\***Research Certificate**, Department of Spanish Literature, University of Salamanca, 10-October-1995.

\***Pedagogical Ability Certificate** (Teacher's Spanish National License), University of Salamanca, 13- January-1994.

\***Theology** Pontifical University of Salamanca (Spain), 1985-1990.

\***Languages** have been studied: English, Italian, Portuguese, French, Latin, and Classical Greek.

### THESIS (Ph. D.)

2003: *Las "artes praedicandi españolas"*. Director: Pedro M. Cátedra García. Edition and study of the manuscripts of the most important peninsular preaching rhetorical manuals, i.e., the "artes praedicandi", 2 vols. (853 pp.)

### MASTER THESIS

1995: *La obra homilética de Sancho Porta, O.P.* Director: Pedro M. Cátedra García. Manuscripts edition and study of homilies for different motives, (319 pp.)

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

# **January 2009-present: *Franciscan University of Steubenville, Steubenville, Ohio (U.S.A.):*** Assistant Professor of Spanish.

# **August 2006-present: *George Mason University at Fairfax, Virginia (U.S.A.):***

Term Assistant Professor (Visiting Assistant Professor, Full Time).

\* Graduate Students Program: Professor of Applied Spanish Stylistics.

\* Undergraduate Students Program: Professor of Reading/Writing Skills Development, Advanced Written Spanish, Intermediate Spanish I and II, Beginners, Peninsular Spanish Literature, Culture and History of Spain, and History of the Spanish Art.

Assistant Director of the Basic Spanish Program (2007)

\* Study Abroad:

Study Abroad Committee Member (Spanish Section)

Assistant Director in Cuernavaca (Mexico), Winter 2007.

**# Fall 2008: Northern Virginia Community College (NOVA), Woodbridge Campus, Virginia**

ELI –On-line courses: Intermediate Spanish II

**# Summer 2008: Northern Virginia Community College (NOVA), Woodbridge Campus, Virginia**

Intermediate Spanish II

**# June 2006-present: U.S. Department of Justice. Federal Bureau of Investigation. Language Testing and Assessment Unit:**

Certified Spanish Tester: Speaking Proficiency Test.

**# August 2006-August 2007: The George Washington University, Washington DC (U.S.A.):**

Visiting Assistant Professor (Part Time).

\*Undergraduate Students: Professor of Spanish Reading Literature, and Spanish American Realism and Modernism Literature.

**# October 2006-August 2007: Fairfax County Public Schools, Virginia. Adult Education:**

Instructor

\*Adult Students: Beginning Spanish I-II.

**# 2006: Summer School-Georgetown University (U.S.A.):**

\*Professor of Intensive Advanced Spanish II: Grammar, Oral Communication, Comprehension, and Writing.

**# 2003-2006: Georgetown University (U.S.A.) (Department of Spanish and Portuguese):**

Visiting Assistant Professor. The Department teaches for College, School Foreign Services, School of Health, School of Law, and School of Business students.

\*Professor of Peninsular Spanish Literature: Medieval, Golden Age, and Early Modern.

\*Professor of Academic Writing: Precepts Writing and Literary Criticism (Peninsular and Latin-American writers).

\*Professor of Spanish Language: Spanish Grammar (all levels), Oral Communication, and Composition.

\*Professor of Hispanic Cultures: Spain, Latin American, and Hispanics in USA).

\*Professor of History of Spain: all periods.

\* Study Abroad Advisor (Office of Internationals Programs)

\*Examiner: Spanish Proficiency Exams (under graduate students and graduate students)

**# 2004: University of Salamanca (Spain). Summer School:**

\*Professor of Inter-university Master (Consortium between University of Salamanca and American universities): "History of Spain".

\*Professor of History of Spain: Florida International University students in the Summer Program in Salamanca.

**# 1995-2003: University of Salamanca (Spain)** (Department: International Courses. International Students from USA, Canada, Europe, Africa, Asia, and Australia and New Zealand)

\*Professor of Spanish Language (all levels), Spanish Literature (all periods), Spanish Art and Spanish Culture:

Undergraduates

Graduates

\*Professor for the Master's program "Spanish language and culture", teaching Spanish Literature and Spanish history (2003)

\*Professor of Inter-university Master "Spanish Language and Hispanic Culture": teaching Spanish Literature and Spanish art (2002).

\*Professor for Spanish Language and Culture in the teaching training courses held at the University of Salamanca in cooperation with the Education Office of the Spanish Embassy in Washington (1999).

\*Professor for Spanish Language and Culture at the Washington State teaching training course in Salamanca (1998).

\*Professor for Spanish Language and Culture at the teaching training course for European teachers, sponsored by the Spanish Ministry of Education (1997-2002).

\*Professor for Spanish Language and Culture, teaching Spanish Language, Literature, art and Economy to foreign students (1996-2003).

\*Tutor of different groups of American teachers in the different programs (1999-2003).

\*Oral Examiner for DELEs (Spanish Second Language Diploma), official examinations issued by the Cervantes Institute and the Spanish Ministry of Education (1997-2002).

\*Examiner for written skills official examinations issued by the Cervantes Institute and the Spanish Ministry of Education (1996-2003).

\*Item writer for DELEs (1998-1999).

\*Academic coordinator in the summer courses (2000-2003).

\* Inspector of Quality commissioned in service for the *Instituto Cervantes*.

\*Director eight Masters' Theses:

Ellen E. Bruggeman: *El arte para enseñar el idioma y la cultura de España*, Sobresaliente (A), July 2001.

Olga Paim Passeto: *La influencia hispana en la cultura gaucha*, Sobresaliente (A), January 2002.

Elena M. Cox: *El sistema educativo en España durante los tiempos de Franco*, Sobresaliente (A), June 2002.

Kimberly Gardner: *La enseñanza de Don Quijote a los estudiantes de la Escuela Primaria*, Sobresaliente (A), June 2002.

Johnny Cuevas: *La mujer en el teatro del Siglo de Oro: entre la espada y la pared*, Sobresaliente (A), December 2002.

Irina Tedrick: *La poesía de Federico Garcia Lorca*, Sobresaliente (A), March 2003

Mauricio Molina: *La feria del Calé como fenómeno cultural y social*, Sobresaliente (A), July 2003

Robert Feser: *El spanglish: contacto de culturas*, Sobresaliente (A), July 2003.

**# 2003: University of Porto (Portugal)** (Department: Estudios Ibericos Comparados)  
Professor of Spanish Language and Culture (February-June, 2003): Regular students, workers-students, and professionals.

**# 2002-2003: Georgetown University in Salamanca (Spain)** (Office of International Programs).

Academic Advisor (2002-2003). Advisor for American students in Salamanca: educational, personal, cultural activities, and bureaucratic paperwork.

**# 1996: Regional Government of Castile and Lion (Spain) - FOREM**

Professor-Instructor: Course of Administrative Language. Course for professional that work for the Government.

**# 1994-1995: Colegio Don Quijote (Salamanca, Spain)**

Teacher of Spanish Language for international students

**# 1990-1992: Colegio Calasanz, Salamanca (Spain)**

Director: Residence of Students. Teacher High School. Spanish and International students.

**# 1986-1990: Colegio Calasanz, Salamanca (Spain)**

Deputy Director: Residence of Students. Teacher High School. Spanish and International students.

**# 1985: Spanish Government (Spanish Agency of International Cooperation)- SETEM (Servicio Tercer Mundo, a non profit organization), in Equatorial Guinea**

Teacher: Spanish Language and basic literacy. Volunteer. African people: Adults Education, teen ages, and kids. Community services: health education, basic constructions (houses, bridges, water system,...)

## **HONORS and AWARDS**

**1992-1993: University of Salamanca (Department: Literatura Española)**  
Scholarship.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

## BOOKS

*La obra homilética de Sancho Porta, O.P.*, La Página Ediciones, Santa Cruz de Tenerife. Printing.

## ARTICLES

- \* “Aproximación a un estudio comparativo de las *artes praedicandi* españolas”, *La Corónica* 34.2 (Spring, 06): 161-77. Williamsburg, VA.
- \* “*El arte de predicación medieval: estudio del manuscrito Uniuscuique sermocinantis initium sit tale si placet quedam doctrina ad formam praedicandi brevis*”. *Salmanticensis*, 50 (2003): 257-277, Universidad Pontificia de Salamanca.
- \* “El *ars praedicandi* de Sancho Porta, O.P. Estudio de un sermón: *Dies purgationis secundum legem* del manuscrito 30 del Burgo de Osma”, *Revista de Filología Románica* 15 (1998): 145-163 Universidad Complutense de Madrid.
- \* “Taberna Arequipa”, *Poesía zona peligrosa. Homenaje al profesor Julio Vélez*, Libertarias/Produfi, Madrid, 1993. (p. 61)
- \* “La memoria y la técnica de la imagen”, Suplemento cultural de *El Adelanto*, Salamanca, (8-Aug-93, p.1).
- \* “Centenario de un renovador. La actividad literaria de Zorrilla”, Suplemento cultural de *El Adelanto*, Salamanca, (15-Aug-93, p.1).
- \* “*La Celestina: una obra genial*”, Suplemento cultural de *El Adelanto*, Salamanca, (22-Aug-93, p.1).
- \* “Las nuevas tendencias en la narrativa hispanoamericana”, Suplemento cultural de *El Adelanto*, Salamanca, (22-Aug-1993), p.1).
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## REVIEWS

- \* “Perder para ganar: un sacrificio melancólico”, *La Página*, 31, Santa Cruz de Tenerife, 1998.
- \* “El corro del alifato poético”, *La Página*, 31, Santa Cruz de Tenerife, 1998.
- \* “Galería de los no ser”, *La Página*, 31, Santa Cruz de Tenerife, 1998.
- \* “¿El Quijote definitivo?”, *La Página*, 32, Santa Cruz de Tenerife, 1998.
- \* “Madrid, Madrid, Madrid”, *La Página*, 32, Santa Cruz de Tenerife, 1998.
- \* “La mar no está tan Linda”, *La Página*, 33, Santa Cruz de Tenerife, 1998.
- \* “Hablemos de Atxaga dijo la A”, *La Página*, 35, Santa Cruz de Tenerife, 1998.
- \* “La degradación actual del pícaro”, *La Página*, 35, Santa Cruz de Tenerife, 1999.
- \* “Reformadores en tiempos difíciles”, *La Página*, 36, Santa Cruz de Tenerife, 1999.
- \* “La bohemia: in memoriam”, *La Página*, 37, Santa Cruz de Tenerife, 1999.
- \* “Homo animalis”, *La Página*, 38, Santa Cruz de Tenerife, 2000.
- \* “Sic notus Ulises?”, *La Página*, 38, Santa Cruz de Tenerife, 2000.

## CONGRESS, COURSES AND SEMINARS ORGANIZATION

**\*Fall 2005: Embassy of Spain, Washington, DC** (Consejería de Educación)-  
**Georgetown University** (Department of Spanish and Portuguese):

“IV Centenario del Quijote: *Las novelas de caballerías y el Quijote*. IV Centenary of *Don Quixote*. Course of Permanent Education to High School teachers of Spanish Language in Washington-DC, Virginia, West Virginia, Delaware, and Maryland.

\*22-23, May, **1998**: *XIII Encuentro de de la Asociación de Jóvenes Linguistas*, University of Salamanca.

## LECTURES

**Fall 2008: George Mason University, Modern and Classical Languages Department: Faculty Research Forum:**

The sermon's structure in the Prólogo of the Libro del Buen Amor.

## CONGRESS, COURSES AND SEMINARS PRESENCE

\* **Summer 2008, ELI- Northern Virginia Community College:** Training on Blackboard system, and On-line courses.

\* **May 2008: William and Mary University. Regional Government of Galicia (Spain), and Embassy of Spain: Faculty Research Forum.**

\*May **2006**, International Congress of Medieval Studies, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI.

\*December **2005**, MLA Convention, Washington, D.C.

\*December **2004**, MLA Convention, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

\*December **2003**, MLA Convention, San Diego, California.

\*February-June, **2003**: *Curso General de Portugués Brasileño*, Nivel 2, Servicio de Cursos Extraordinarios y Formación Continua, University of Salamanca.

\***2002-2003**: Seminary about Spanish Medieval Spirituality. University of Porto. Portugal.

\*13-28, November, **2000**: *Curso de Educación de la Voz*, Consejería de Educación y Cultura de la Junta de Castilla y León, Salamanca.

\*23, May, **1998**: *XIII Encuentro de la Asociación de Jóvenes Lingüistas*, University of Salamanca.

\*19, December, **1997**: *XII Encuentro de la Asociación de Jóvenes Lingüistas*, Universidad de Jaén.

\*13-17, October, **1997**: *Seminario Internacional “Historia del libro: bibliófilos*. Fundación Duques de Soria.

\*January-June, **1997**: *Francés Nivel Elemental*, Servicio Central de Idiomas, University of Salamanca.

\*26, August, **1996**: *II Seminario de Formación de Profesores de Cursos Internacionales de la University of Salamanca*.

\*8-12, April, **1996**: *Curso de Formación para Profesores de Español-Lengua Extranjera*, University of Salamanca.

\*29 May- 2 June, **1995**: *Seminario Internacional “El libro. De la imprenta al lector II: los libros útiles (siglos XVI-XVIII)*. Fundación Duques de Soria.

\*3-7, October, **1994**: *Seminario Internacional “El libro. De la imprenta al lector I: formación, uso y proyección de bibliotecas*. Fundación Duques de Soria.

\*1-30, August, **1993**: *Curso Superior de Filología Hispánica*, University of Salamanca.  
\*19-26, April, **1986**: *Congreso de Literatura del Siglo de Oro*, Autonomic University of Madrid

## **OTHERS**

- \***2003-Present**: Membership of Modern Languages Association, New York.
- \***2005-Present**: Membership of American Pilgrims Camino. Orange, California.
- \***1993-Present**: Membership of Seminario de Estudios Medievales y Renacentistas (SEMYR). Salamanca (Spain).
- \***2002-Present**: Membership of Seminario de Espiritualidade e Mistica. Porto (Portugal).
- \***2008-Present**: Membership of the American Association of University Professors.
- \***1998-2003**: Director: Section “Propuestas”, *La Página* Review, Santa Cruz de Tenerife, Spain.
- \***2006**: CPR Training Certificate.
- \***2007**: Sexual Harassment Training Certificate (GMU)
- \***1993**: Title of Director for National Camping (Coordinador de Tiempo Libre), Regional Government of Castilla y León. School: Scouts de Castilla y León/MSC-Spain.
- \***1983-1993**: Educator and Chief of Cub: Boy-Scouts. Salamanca-Spain. Member of the Local and Regional Board of Scouts of Castilla y Leon. Provincial Advisor.
- \***1993-1996**: Chief of Boy-Scouts Camps: local, regional, and national. Member of the Board of several international camps (jamborees). Advisor in the National Board (Scouts- MSC Catholic Scout Movement-Spain).