

Curriculum Vitae

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Short Bio:

Mario Solís is Philosophy professor and Director of the Graduate Program in Philosophy at the University of Costa Rica (UCR) where he currently teaches moral and political philosophy. He holds a PhD in Philosophy from the University of Essex, UK. He has served as a visiting researcher at the Uppsala University, Sweden, and a Visiting Research Associate at UCL, London, UK. His interests include global justice, human rights, and moral and political philosophy. He has published several articles on issues of justice, equality and development ethics (including the entry on Latin America in the *Routledge Handbook of Development Ethics*, 2019). Solís is the author of *Justicia Situacional: Racionalidad, Normatividad y Teoría Crítica Latinoamericanista*, 2016 [Situational Justice: Rationality, Normativity and Latin American Critical Theory], which advances what he calls a “situationist approach to justice”, an approach to the normativity of justice “crafted” from situations to the rest: to context, to community, to principles, to normativity as such. He is a member of the International Development Ethics Association (IDEA) and currently serves as member of its executive board. He is also part of the Instituto de Investigaciones Filosóficas, UCR (the Research Committee), as well as the Asociación Latinoamericana de Filosofía Analítica (ALFA) and the UK-Latin America Network for Political Philosophy (UKLANPP).

2005-2009 **PhD. In Philosophy**

University of Essex, United Kingdom

▪ Political Philosophy, Theories of Justice, Social Philosophy, Ethics.

2001-2005 **Magister Scientiae in Sociology**

Universidad de Costa Rica

▪ Grounded Theory, Identity Theory, Sociology of Religion.

1996-1999 **Licenciatura in Philosophy**

Universidad de Costa Rica

▪ Moral and Political Philosophy, Theories of Justice, Normativity, Latin American Philosophy,

Research Areas

Mother tongue Spanish

Other language(s)

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
English	C2	C2	C2	C2	C1
French	A2	B2	A1	A1	A1

Levels: A1/2: Basic user - B1/2: Independent user - C1/2 Proficient user
Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

Academic updating

--LASPAU, affiliated with Harvard University. Educational Program: The University In The 21st Century: From Teaching to Learning. Cambridge, 2010.

--The Summer University Program of the Central European University (CEU, Budapest) A course entitled "Justice: Theory and Applications" (2011) [SUN Scholarship]. 2011.

--Postdoctoral Research Uppsala University, Sweden. 2014 [Erasmus Mundus Scholarship].

--Visiting Research (as Visiting Research Associate)UCL, London, UK. 2015.

Conferences and Academic activities

- The Graduate Conference in Political Philosophy: "Brave New World", Manchester. Presentig a paper: "Global Justice and the Sufficiency Threshod", 2008.

- 12th International Graduate Conference in Philosophy, "How Not to Do Philosophy", University of Essex. Chair of the Talk "Rethinking Dialogue in Philosophical Practice", by Lauren Hesse (SUNY Stony Brook). 2009

- Ninth IDEA International Conference: "Gender Justice and Development", Bryn Mawr College, Pennsylvania, U.S. Paper presentation: "Global Justice and the Priority of Basic Goods to Basic Freedoms: Reflexions on Amartya Sen's Development and Freedom" (2011)

- II Latin-American Analytical Philosophy Conference, Buenos Aires. Paper: "El valor de la igualdad en la teoría de la justicia en los contextos global, doméstico y local" ("The value of equality in the theories of global, domestic and local justice). 2012.

- Encuentros Latino Americanos de Filosofía Analítica. Encuentro III (Brasil-Costa Rica): Paper title: "The Relationship Between Human Rights, Citizenship Rights and Justice". 2014.

- Research Colloquium, Uppsala, Sweden. Paper: "Justice as Situation". (2014).

- 10th International Conference and 30th Anniversary of the International Development Ethics Association (IDEA). *Development Ethics Contributions for a Socially Sustainable Future* San José, Costa Rica [person responsible for the Conference]

- II Conference UK-Latin America Network for Political Philosophy (UKLANPP) ["Segundo Congreso de la Red Reino Unido-Latinoamérica"]. México. Topic: La filosofía de los derechos humanos, sociales y económicos". Paper: "Human Rights and the Practice-Dependent Claim". 2018.

- Charla de inicio de lecciones, Escuela de Humanidades: Universidad del Rosario, Bogotá, Colombia : « La verdad juega en verdad: Racionalidad normativa, verdad y razón pública ». 2018.

- Congreso Colombiano de Filosofía, en Bucaramanga. Bucaramanga, Colombia. Paper presentation: "La tesis práctico-dependiente, los derechos humanos y la racionalidad normativa" (2008)

- Jornadas de Filosofía, UCR, San José, Costa Rica. Título de la presentación: "Racionalidad normativa, verdad y razón pública" (2018)

- Terceras Jornadas de Filosofía, Estudios Políticos y Diferencia Facultad de Filosofía y Humanidades. Topic: Arte, Humanidades y Justicia Social: un reto inaplazable Universidad de La Salle. Keynote speech: "Nunca se es demasiado humano: pluralismo, deliberación democrática y justicia". (2019).

- Workshop UCLouvain (Hoover chair of economic and social ethics) and –UCR (Escuela de Economía y Programa de Posgrado en Filosofía). San José, CR. Paper presentation: "Theories of Justice: the Situationist Approach". (2018).

- Participation as a Member of Board of Examiners for the Doctoral Thesis "Parental Transmission of Ethical and Political Values: a Case for Children's Independence", by Mr.

Enric Bea i Seguí. Department Law from Pompeu Fabra University. (October, 2018)

- Universitat Pompeu Fabra 1) Doctoral Thesis report for public reading. Thesis: "Parental Transmission of Ethical and Political Values. A Case for Children's Independence." Doctoral candidate: Enric Bea i Seguí. 2) Book Review Presentation: Title of the book: Reconocimiento, Justicia y Democracia, by Pablo Aguayo Westwood, 3) Book Review Presentation. Book title: Relational Egalitarianism: Living Together As Equals, by Kasper Lippert-Rasmussen, (2019).
- Talk for The Research Institute of Convergence-Civilization, Korea University and The College of Liberal Arts, Korea University. "Philosophical Issues in (on) Latin America: Vindictory Critical Thinking". 2019. [Same talk at Seoul National University]
- Coloquio de epistemología, Escuela de Filosofía, UCR. Paper: "Los métodos de la filosofía" (2019).
- Jornadas de Filosofía (2019), INIF, UCR, San José, Costa Rica. Paper: "El avance moral". (2020)
- Tercera Jornada de Filosofía, estudios políticos y diferencia. La Salle University, Colombia: Keynote Speech: "Nunca se es demasiado humano: pluralismo, deliberación democrática y justicia". 2019.
- Teaching: a one week course at the Universidad del Rosario, Colombia, for the Humanities Graduate Program: "Justicia Situacional: racionalidad, normatividad y teoría crítica latinoamericanista" (2020).
- 1st International Congress of Logic, Epistemology and methodology, & 3rd Colloquium on Epistemology,. UCR. Paper presentation: 'Connectivity Between Reasons, Truth, Rationality and Normativity' (2021)
- XXVIII Jornadas de Filosofía, INIF, UCR, San José, Costa Rica. Paper: "Los riesgos de la abstención epistémica: a propósito de los 50 años de A Theory of Justice, by J. Rawls" 2021.
- Book Review: "Teoría y metateoría del derecho y la democracia", by Luigi Ferrajoli. Title of the presentation: "On Truth and Global Democracy". UCR, Facultad de Derecho. 2021.
- Participation as a member of Board of Examiners for the Doctoral Thesis "Globalisation in a World of Equals: a Normative Analysis of Trade Related Inequalities", by Mrs. Cristina Astier Murillo. Department Law from Pompeu Fabra University (March, 2022)

Some publications

- Chapter of a Book: *Ciencias Cognitivas en Costa Rica*. "Conectividad entre razones, racionalidad y normatividad" Editorial UCR. [en proceso]
- Pérez Sánchez, R., Solís Umaña, M., Jara Sanabria, F., & García Román, A. (2022). Tipos de argumentación moral y temas prototípicos de discusión en Facebook: Un estudio cualitativo. *Global Media Journal México*, 18(35), 95–112. <https://doi.org/10.29105/gmjmx18.35-5>
- "Latin America Inequality Provoking Critical Thought" *Routledge Handbook of Development Ethics*. 2019. Routledge, London and New York, 2019.
- "Enseñar para aprender. Tres métodos de enseñanza-aprendizaje en el contexto universitario. *Revista Praxis*, Número 77, Enero-Junio 2018.
- *Justicia Situacional: Racionalidad, Normatividad y Teoría Crítica Latinoamericanista* (Situational Justice: Rationality, Normativity and Latin American Critical Theory) . Editorial UCR, San José. 2016.
- Global Justice, Basic Goods and the Sufficiency Threshold Claim, *Ethique and Economique*, Montreal. 2013

- Global Justice and the Priority of Basic Goods to Basic Freedoms: Reflexions on Amartya Sen's Development and Freedom, *Journal of Philosophy of the Universidad Complutense de Madrid*. 2012
- *Making Sense of Global Justice: The Sufficiency Threshold. An Outline of a Conglomerate Theory of Justice*. Lambert Academic Publishing, Saarbrücken, Germany, 2011.
- "Ya no vivo yo": neopentecostalismo e identidad, un estudio microsociológico de la religión. Editorial Académica Española, Saarbrücken: 2011
- "Libertarismo y justicia social: la libertad como valor político". *En Revista Humanidades de la Escuela de Estudios Generales de la Universidad de Costa Rica*, N. 1: 2011, pp. 61-72.
- "Institutional Designs for Global Justice" en *Revista Intuición*, V. 2, n. 1: 2010, pp. 1-13. [<http://revistaintuicion.info/index.php/int/issue/view/3>]
- El debate sobre la Justicia Social global: Thomas Nagel y el argumento de la coerción legítima". *Revista de Filosofía de la Universidad de Costa Rica*, XLVI (119) setiembre-diciembre 2008, pp. 89-106.
- "Apuntes filosófico-políticos sobre cosmopolitismo y justicia social". *Revista de Filosofía de la Universidad de Costa Rica*, XLVIII (123-124), enero-agosto, 2010, pp. 115-123.
"Microsociología de la interacción y constitución del sí mismo en la vivencia comunitaria neopentecostal" *Actualidades en Psicología*. Núm. 22, 2008, pp. 19-42. "
- "Los subterfugios de la identidad" *Revista de Filosofía de la Universidad de Costa Rica*. Vol. XLIV, núm. 111-112, (Enero-Agosto), 2006, pp. 75-82.