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EDUCATION	
Graduate Studies in Biblical Studies and Languages	Loyola University Chicago, Chicago, IL in progress
Dottorato in Philosophy (Doctorate) Magna Cum Laude	Pontificia Università Gregoriana, Rome, Italy, July 2017 Dissertation "Human Action as Text, the Quest for Justice: Contributions from Emmanuel Levinas and Paul Ricoeur for an Analysis of Corporate Action"
Licenza in Philosophy (Masters) Magna Cum Laude	Pontificia Università Gregoriana, Rome, Italy, 2010 Thesis "Love, going beyond the Subject-object relationship to the Subject-Subject relationship, man's transcendence to God: based on writings of Karl Rahner"
Baccelliarato in Philosophy (Bachelor) Cum Laude	Pontificia Università Gregoriana, Rome, Italy, 2008
Bachelor of Arts Communications & Spanish	Loyola University New Orleans, New Orleans, LA 2001

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION	AREAS OF COMPENTENCY	AREAS OF INTEREST
 20th Century Continental Philosophy Emmanuel Levinas Paul Ricoeur Metaphysics Hermeneutics/Phenomenology Ethics – Human Action Ontology – Person, Self and Human Relationship 	 Critical Race Theory Corporate Ethics Social-Political Philosophy Martin Heidegger Teleology Identity Mythology 	 Cosmology Space/Time Theory Theory of General Relativity Ontology of space/time
ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS		

Lecturer - Loyola University Chicago	2017-present
Lecturer - The University of Chicago	2018
Adjunct Instructor – Richland College, Texas	2016-2017

PUBLICATIONS

ARTICLES AND ABSTRACTS

- Smith, A. (2021). "Redefining the Subject of the Free Market for International Trade in the 21st Century" [Abstract]. *Proceedings*, 32nd IABD Conference 2021 of the International Academy of Business Disciplines
- Smith, A. (2021). "Making the Dollar Stretch in a Free Market: A case study of robbing Peter to feed Paul." [Abstract]. *Proceedings*, 32nd IABD Conference 2021 of the International Academy of Business Disciplines
- Smith, A. (2017). Human Action as Text and the Quest for Justice: Contributions from Emmanuel Levinas and Paul Ricoeur Towards a Hermeneutic of Corporate Action (Pontifical Gregorian University Press, Rome, Italy)

BOOKS

- Smith, A. (Under Contract) Black America and Existential Incompatibility, A Phenomenological Approach Toward Ethical Solutions for Problem Groups. Publisher Palgrave Macmillan. (Expected publication in 2024)
- Smith, A. (Under Contract) *Social and Political Philosophy*. Publisher Kendall Hunt. (Expected publication August 2024)
- Smith, A. (Under Contract) *Philosophy and Person*. Publisher Kendall Hunt. (Expected publication August 2024)
- Smith, A. (Under Contract) *Corporate Ethics from Levinas to Ricoeur: Personal Responsibility to and for the Other*. Publisher Lexington Books an imprint of Rowman & Littlefield. (Expected publication in 2025)

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• Smith, A. and Spako, J. (Under Contract) *The Working Class As Persons Against Corporate Personhood Granted By SCOTUS* Citizens United *Decision*. Publisher Lexington Books an imprint of Rowman & Littlefield (Expected publication date 2026)

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

• Smith, A. (2022). "Jesus as philosopher, Making the case using hermeneutics to understand the wisdom." *Nexus: Conversations on the Catholic Intellectual Tradition* (Journal for the Hank Center for the Catholic Intellectual Heritage)

WORKS IN PROGRESS

BOOKS WITH SECURED PUBLISHER INTEREST

- Smith, A. Phenomenology of the Other as a Problem, Applying W. E. B. DuBois' sociological question to the experience of marginalized groups An edited book Lexington Books is expecting the proposal in 2024
- Smith, A. *The Hermeneutics of the American Identity* An authored book Lexington Books is expecting the proposal in 2024
- Smith, A. *Philosophy as Advocacy: A Contemporary Approach to Understanding How To Live A Better Life In Community With the Other* An authored book Palgrave Macmillan is expecting the proposal in 2024

ARTICLES

- Smith, A. (2024). "American Cognitive Dissonance and Black American Identity: the struggle to see, believe and recognize vs. the fight to be seen, heard and human." (In progress)
- Smith, A. (2024). "Dismantling identity politics in the United States by re-examining the idea, history and promise of the *American* identity." (In progress)

ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS AND TALKS

- Smith, A. (Summer 2025). Co-organizer and commenter at the "Philosophy Symposium on Jesus as Philosopher." Académie Cor Iesu, Paray-le-Monial, France.
- Smith, A. (2024). Speaker at "Continental Philosophy Symposium" for the Hank Center for the Catholic Intellectual Heritage, Loyola University Chicago.
- Smith, A. (2023). Commenter at symposium on "Queering Early Modern Pride: Fittingness, Efficacy, and Networked pride in LGBT Liberation," by Lel Jones (UC Davis). American Philosophical Association, Central Division Conference.
- Smith, A. (2022). Commenter at symposium on Lisa McLeod's paper "Whiteness as Irrevocable License: W.E.B. Du Bois as a Philosopher of Race." American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division Conference.
- Smith, A. (2022). Chair of Colloquium: Aspiration and Depression. American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division Conference
- Smith, A. (2022). Chair of Colloquium: Psychiatry and Narrativity. American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division Conference.
- Smith, A. (2022). Chair of author-meets-critics session for Manon Garcia's book *We Are Not Born Submissive*. American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division Conference.
- Smith, A. (2021). "Anti-Racism in the age of COVID & Critical Race Theory." First Presbyterian Church of Wilmette, Wilmette, IL.
- Smith, A. (2021). "Disenfranchised, Neglected and Violated: The Black American's experience of the world." *Gruppo di Ricerca Filosofica*, Pontifical Gregorian University.
- Smith, A. (2021). "Philosophy as Activism." Minorities and Philosophy, LUC.
- Smith, A. (2021). "Jesus, the teacher, thinker and philosopher." Loyola University Chicago.
- Smith, A. (2021). "Redefining the Subject of the Free Market for International Trade in the 21st Century." International Academy of Business Disciplines, 32nd Annual Conference.
- Smith, A. (2021). "Making the Dollar Stretch in a Free Market: A case study of robbing Peter to feed Paul." International Academy of Business Disciplines, 32nd Annual Conference.
- Smith, A. (2020). "Care-taking during COVID-19. Black Women responding to the call for attention, kindness and validation in the age of pandemic." Collegium of Black Women Philosophers
- Smith, A. (2020). "Destroying the Temple for the Body of Christ, Catholicism and a Response to Critical

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- Race Theory." Loyola University Chicago
- Smith, A. (2020). "Redefining the Subject of the Free Market for International Trade in the 21st Century." International Academy of Business Disciplines, 31st Annual Conference. (Cancelled due to COVID-19)
- Smith, A. (2020). "Making the Dollar Stretch in a Free Market: A case study of robbing Peter to feed Paul." International Academy of Business Disciplines, 31st Annual Conference. (Cancelled due to COVID-19)
- Smith, A. (2017). "Dasein and Text: Interpretation to Meaning, from Being-in-the-world to Being-in-theproposed-world." Loyola University Chicago.
- Smith, A. (2017). "The Metaphysics of Time: From Phenomenology to Ontology, referring to St. Augustine and Paul Ricoeur to explore the human experience and nature of time." Richland College, Dallas, Texas.

ALTERNATIVE MEDIA APPEARANCES

•	"Justice & Truth at Catholic Universities" and	2022
	"Catholic Universities and the Church" for <i>Nexus</i> ,	
	Conversations on the Catholic Intellectual Tradition	
	(https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xj9uqtgLHWs and	
	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A9nHbgc3abI, respectively)	
•	"Racism in the U.S. and Europe" for Hey, Sal Podcast.	2020
	(http://youtube.com/heysalpod)	

TEACHING

•	Philosophy & Persons	2021-present
•	Philosophy of Culture & Civilization	2021-present
•	Social & Political Philosophy	2020-present
•	Americanism: The Development, Meaning & Diversity of the American Identity	2018
•	Corporate America & The Working Class: Exploring human action through	2018
	the hermeneutical lens	
•	Loyola's Mission: The Philosophical Tradition	2017-present
•	Introduction to Philosophy	2016-2017
•	Introduction to Ethics	2016-present
•	Introduction to Metaphysics	2014

AWARDS

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PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

American Catholic Philosophical Association	2021-present
Collegium of Black Women Philosophers	2020-present
Midwest Race Theory Group	2019-present
Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy	2018-present
American Philosophical Association – Central Division	2017-present

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UNIVERSITY SERVICE	
Philosophy Colloquium, Paray-le-Monial, France	2024
Catholic Studies Symposium	2022
Minorities and Philosophy – Loyola University Undergraduate Students Retreat	2021
Associate Lecturer for Hank Center for the Catholic Intellectual Heritage,	
Loyola University Chicago	2021-present
Health Professionals for a Healthy Climate Study Group	2020
Midwest Race Theory Workshop	2019-present
Phenomenology Research Group, Loyola University Chicago	2017

LANGUAGES

English, Italian and Spanish – fluent reading, writing and speaking French, German, Latin and Portuguese – reading