

# JOSÉ E. BALCELLS GALLARRETA, Ph.D.

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## EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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### **Ph.D. in Biblical Studies and Ancient Near East Archaeology**

Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, California

Concentration: Hebrew Bible, Second Temple Period texts and ancient Near East archaeology of the Persian period.

### **Reflectance Transformation Imaging (RTI) Training**

West Semitic Research Project [www.usc.edu/dept/LAS/wsrp](http://www.usc.edu/dept/LAS/wsrp)

University of Southern California, Los Angeles, California

### **Online Course Development Training**

Santa Clara University and JesuitNET, Washington, DC

Competency Assessment in Distributive Education (CADE) methodologies for online and hybrid course development.

### **Master of Arts in Biblical Languages**

Jesuit School of Theology and Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, California

Concentration: Biblical languages, Early Judaism, ancient Near East, and Second Temple Period texts.

### **Certificate in Jewish Studies**

The Richard S. Dinner Center for Jewish Studies

Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, California

### **Executive MBA Program**

Amos Tuck Business School, Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire

### **Bachelor of Science, Microbiology**

Washington State University, Pullman, Washington

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## FIELD RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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### **Badè Museum of Biblical Archaeology**

Berkeley, California ([www.psr.edu/bade](http://www.psr.edu/bade))

March 2014 - July 2014

### **Tel Azekah Excavation Project**

Tel Azekah, Israel ([www.azekah.org](http://www.azekah.org))

July 2012 - August 2012

### **Badè Museum of Biblical Archaeology**

Pacific School of Religion, Berkeley, California ([www.psr.edu/bade](http://www.psr.edu/bade))

February 2011 - May 2011

### **Tel Akko Excavation Project**

Akko, Israel

July 2010

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## AWARDS, GRANTS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

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- Graduate Theological Union Commencement Student Speaker, Berkeley, California
- Hispanic Theological Initiative (HTI)-Luce Dissertation Year Fellowship, Princeton, New Jersey
- Hispanic Theological Initiative First to Third Year Scholar, Princeton, New Jersey
- William Randolph Hearst Doctoral Scholarship Award, GTU, Berkeley, California
- Minority Retail Firm of the Year Award, U.S. Department of Commerce
- U.S. SBA Award for MBA courses at Amos Tuck Business School, Dartmouth
- National Minority Small Business Person of the Year Award Nominee
- Minority Supplier of the Year Award, Class II Category, NW Minority Supplier Development Council

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## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### Conference Professor

August 2021 – 2022

Pontificia Universidad Católica de Puerto Rico  
Ponce, Puerto Rico

#### Courses:

- Evangelios Sinópticos (Synoptic Gospels)
- Pentateuco (Pentateuch)

### Executive Director/Faculty

July 2017 – present

Iodea  
Humacao, Puerto Rico

#### Courses:

- This Is The Way! digital tutor (DT) course
- Exploring the Kingdom of Heaven and the Kingdom of God (Ecumenical Catholic-Protestant encounter)

### Adjunct Professor

October 2016 - June 2017

Universidad Interamericana de Puerto Rico  
San Juan, Puerto Rico

#### Courses:

- Análisis Bíblico (Biblical Exegesis; graduate).
- Nuevo Testamento (New Testament; undergraduate).
- Introducción a la Biblia (Introduction to the Bible; undergraduate)

Chair of committee for doctoral dissertation.

2017- 2023

### Visiting Professor

July 2015

Instituto Hispano (Hispanic Institute Program)  
Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University  
Berkeley, California

#### Courses:

- Introducción a las Escrituras (Introduction to Scriptures; three year certificate program)
- Pentateuco (Pentateuch; three year certificate program)

### Quarterly Academic Lecturer

September 2012 - June 2013

Santa Clara University  
Santa Clara, California

#### Courses:

SCTR19 Religions of the Book (Fall 2012, Spring 2013, and development of an online version for Summer 2013).

### Co-Instructor and Teaching Assistant

Spring and Fall 2012

Graduate Theological Union  
Berkeley, California

#### Courses:

- BSRA 5420 Household Religions in Ancient Israel and the Near East (doctoral seminar; Spring 2012).
- BS5000 Qumran Literature (doctoral seminar; Fall 2012). Taught archaeology of Khirbet Qumran and caves 1-11 of the Dead Sea Scrolls.

### Adjunct Professor

February 2011 - June 2012

Seminario Evangélico de Puerto Rico (Evangelical Seminary of Puerto Rico)  
San Juan, Puerto Rico

#### Courses:

- EBAT 6005 Hebreo Bíblico I (Biblical Hebrew I; graduate). January 2012 two weeks intensive session.

- EBAT 6006 Hebreo Biblico II (Biblical Hebrew II; graduate). June 2012 two weeks intensive session.

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## CORPORATE EXPERIENCE

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**Founder and President**  
**Advanced Communication Services, Inc.**  
Port Orchard, Washington

February 1992 - March 2007

**Major Accomplishments:** entrepreneurial founder of information technology company that provided consultation, engineering, implementation, and support services to the educational, healthcare, and government markets. Developed functional areas in business development, marketing, finance, and technical services. Responsible for managing customer relationships with CXO and upper management. Led business development from proposal to project planning. Worked with finance staff to comply with federal, state, and local government Cost Accounting Standards and Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). Grew the company to 27 staff and \$1.8 million in revenue. Planned exit strategy and sold the company via intermediary to investors.

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## LANGUAGE SKILLS

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- Spanish, English, French, Hebrew, Aramaic, Greek

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## PUBLICATIONS

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“Este Es El Camino” digital tutor with AI in *¿Lo Conoces?: La Formación de un Discípulo*. Forthcoming February 2024, <https://iodea.org/index.php/language/es/course/este-es-el-camino/>

“Digital Tutor,” Hispanic Theological Initiative Open Plaza. Released November 21, 2023, <https://www.htiopenplaza.org/content/digital-tutor>

“This Is The Way” digital tutor with AI in *Do You Know Him?: The Making of a Disciple*. Released November 15, 2023, <https://iodea.org/index.php/language/en/course/this-is-the-way/>

“Archaeology and the Old Testament.” *The Jerome Biblical Commentary for the Twenty-First Century*. Donald Senior, John J. Collins, Barbara Reid, and Gina Hens-Piazza, Editors. London: T&T Clark, 2021.

*Household and Family Religion in Persian-Period Judah: An Archaeological Approach*. Ancient Near East Monograph Series. Atlanta, GA: SBL Press, 2017.

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## CONFERENCE PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

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“Household and Family Ritual and Religion in Persian Period Tell en-Nasbeh,” A Lecture at the Session “New Light on Persian Period Judah: The Archaeological Perspective,” of the American Schools of Oriental Research Annual Meeting, San Antonio, 2016

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## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

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- American Schools of Oriental Research (ASOR)
  - Asociación Bíblica Española (ABE; Spanish Biblical Association)
  - Society of Biblical Literature (SBL)
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