

# Rafael Aguirre

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## EDUCATION

ABD. Humanities	The University of Texas at Dallas	2019
M.A. Humanities	The University of Houston Clear Lake	2006
B.A. Philosophy	Texas Lutheran University	1992

## DISSERTATION

*How to Read Plato's Republic*

Adviser

Dr. David Patterson

Using established methods of critical theory, my dissertation aims to critique Plato's *Republic* as an aesthetic object. By studying the *Republic* through an interdisciplinary approach, my dissertation breaks new ground, in Literary Study.

## AWARDS AND HONORS

UHCL School of Human Sciences and Humanities: Outstanding Graduate student for 2006.

## AFFILIATIONS

Rho Omega: The UHCL Chapter of Sigma Tau Delta, The International English Honor Society.

Alpha Psi Nu: The UTD Chapter of Sigma Tau Delta, The International English Honor Society.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Worked as a research assistant for Dr. Keith Parsons; University of Houston Clear Lake, 2010.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

<i>Richland College</i>	English I, English II.	2018- present.
<i>Amarillo College</i>	English, Ethics, World Religions.	2017-2018
<i>Univ. of Houston Clear Lake</i>	Humanities, Ethics, Technical Writing.	2007-2017
<i>Univ. of Houston Downtown</i>	Professional Ethics.	2007-2012
<i>Eastfield College</i>	English I, English II, ESL.	2011-2014
<i>San Jacinto College Central</i>	Introduction to Ethics.	2007-2012
<i>Lee College</i>	English (dual credit), Humanities, Ethics.	2007-2012
<i>Houston Community College</i>	Introduction to Ethics (dual credit.)	Summer 2007
<i>Lone Star College</i>	World Religions, Business Ethics.	2006-2007
<i>Galveston College</i>	Humanities, Ethics, History (dual credit).	2006-2012

## RECENT GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

at Univ. of Texas at Dallas; The Robert Plant Armstrong Endowed Fellowship; 2015, 2016, 2017.

## DOCTORAL FIELD EXAMS

Field 1: German Philosophy of Aesthetics

Field 2: American Philosophy of Pragmatism

Field 3: Literary Theory and Criticism

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Ancient Greek Literature

English and American Literature

History of the Holocaust