

CURRICULUM VITAE: STUDIORUM ET OPERUM



I. Biographical Data

Surname : LOBO
Baptismal Name(s) : BRYAN RAJIT
Date of Birth : DEC 02, 1970
Place of Birth : MUMBAI
Date of Ordination : DEC 27, 2001
Diocese/Congregation : MUMBAI (SOCIETY OF JESUS)

II. Studies:

a. **Secular** : 1988-1991: Bachelor in Sociology, History, English - University of Mangalore.

b. Ecclesiastical

Degree/Diploma	Subject	Year of Graduation	University/Institute
Bachelor in Philosophy	Philosophy	1994-96	JDV Pune (India).
Bachelor in Theology	Theology	1998-2001	JDV Pune (India)
Licentiate in Dogmatic Theology	Theology	2002-04	Gregorian University Rome

c. Doctoral Dissertation

Title: TRINITARIAN THEOLOGY AS FIDES DOCENS INTELLECTUM: AN INFERENCE DRAWN FROM THE TRINITARIAN THEOLOGIES OF

THOMAS AQUINAS, BRAHMABANDHAB UPADHYAY AND KARL RAHNER

Place of Defense: Gregorian University Rome

Place of Publication: Rome

Year: 2009

III. Teaching Experience: 13 years

IV. Teaching material (English and Italian):

Courses

- a) The Christian Creed: A Historical and Hermeneutical Presentation in an Interreligious World (2011-2012).
- b) The Trinity in Mission: Toward an Encounter with other Religions (2012).
- c) The Trinity (2013 onwards – St. Pius X College, Goregaon, Mumbai India)
- d) Il Credo: Una Presentazione Storica ed Ermeneutica (2013).
- e) Trinità e Missione (2014).
- f) Filosofia Indiana: Tradizioni e Attualità (2015).
- g) Teologia delle Religioni II (2014-2015).
- h) Introduzione all'Induismo (2014).
- i) Teologia delle Religioni II: prospettive cristiane nel mondo contemporaneo
 - a. (2016).
- j) Filosofia Indiana: Tradizioni e Attualità (2016).

Workshops:

- a) New Challenges in the Catholic Encounter with World Religions (2012-2014).
- b) Christology and Mission (2013).
- c) Hindu Fundamentalism: An opportunity or threat to interreligious dialogue (2015).

V. Subjects taught from 2019 onwards (English and Italian)

- a) Introduzione alla Missiologia
- b) Teologia della Missione
- c) Teologia delle Religioni
- d) Theological Aspects of Mission
- e) Theology of Religions

- f) Trinity and Mission (Dharmaram College Bangalore – 2020 August)
- g) Religioni e Filosofie dell'India (parte Induismo) – 2021.

VI. Moderator of Doctoral Dissertations already defended and published

1. *The Church's Relations with Other Religions: An Investigation into the Historical Origin and Contemporary Relevance of Nostra Aetate Missiologia*
Student: Karackavayalil Anil Thomas - 14 January 2016 – Rome. Date of publication, 2016 – Rome.
2. *Paths of Evangelization in the Syro-Malankara Catholic Church with special reference to the Eparchy of Marthandam: Towards an application of the Vatican and Post-Vatican Conciliar proposals Missiologia*
Student: Dasaiyan Jose - 7 June 2016 – Rome. Date of publication, 2016 – Rome.
3. *Misticismo per il dialogo interreligioso: Una proposta attraverso gli studi di Raimon Panikkar e Thomas Merton Missiologia*
Student: Vujica Vikica - 28 June 2017 – Rome. Date of publication 2019 – Rome.

Moderator of Doctoral Dissertations not yet completed

4. *Vāc e il Verbo Divino – I raggi e I riflessi.*
Student: Virgilio Agostinelli.
5. *Interculturality as a Paradigm of Mission in the Church and its Implications for the Mission of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate (Post Vatican II Study).*
Student: Osvaldo Fernando Velázquez Sánchez omi.
6. *Religion according to P. L. Berger – A Critique.*
Student: Thomas Fernando.
7. *A Critico-Dialogical Engagement Between the Convictions of Gavin D'Costa and Aloysius Pieris on God's Universal Salvation Towards a Polyhedronic Theology of Religions.*
Student: Manoj Rasanjana.

VII. Publications:

Articles:

1. *Trinitarian Theology as Fides Docens Intellectum: An Inference Drawn from the Trinitarian Theologies of Thomas Aquinas, Brahmabandhab Upadhyay and Karl Rahner, Rome 2009 (Extract of the Doctoral Thesis).*
2. "St. Paul: From *Kristanubhava* to *Traikyanubhava*", *Paul for our Time*, A. Jesumani (ed.), Mumbai, 2008, pp. 57-64.

3. "Tripersonalising the Hindu God of Advaitā Vedānta – Parabrahman", *Gregorianum* 92 (2011), pp. 159-182.
4. "Crezul Niceo-Constantinopolitan Și Misiunea Bisericii De Astăzi. Să Arătăm Iubirea Lui Hristos, Spre A Celebra Plinătatea Lui Dumnezeu", in *Anuarul: Facultății de Teologie Ortodoxă*, Universitatea București, 2010, pp. 243-258. Original in inglese: "The Nicene-Constantinopolitan Creed in the Mission of the Church Today: Manifesting the Love of Christ to Celebrate the Fullness of God".
5. "Mother Teresa: Self-Kenotic Sanctity for Evangelization – A Christian-Hindu Reflection", *Studia Missionalia* 61 (2012), pp. 263-282.
6. "The Hindu Saints: Some Missiological Reflections", *Studia Missionalia* 61 (2012), pp. 411-443.
7. "L'Induismo: tra non-violenza e violenza", in *Religioni e conflitti*, R. Cipriani, T. Doni e P. Trianni (a cura di), Roma 2016, pp. 283-296.
8. "Aquinas' Trinitarian Theology: *Fides Comunicans Intellectum*", *Gregorianum* 98/2 (2017), pp. 237-258.
9. "Paradigms of Sport: Indian-Catholic Reflections", in *Catholics and Sport in a Global Context*, Patrick Kelly (ed.), *Journal of Religion and Society* 20 (2019), pp. 71-93.
10. "A cento anni della 'Maximum Illud': il percorso missiologico del Magistero cattolico", *La Civiltà Cattolica*, IV (2019), pp. 541-555.
11. "A Faith that Breathes: Toward a Missionary Impetus in Europe", in *Europe a Mission Continent? – European Mission Studies*, Warsaw: Cardinal Stefan University 2020, pp. 51-74.
12. "Hindu-Christian Collaboration: Some Theological Reflections", *Deepavali Messages – 1995-2020: Celebrating 25 years of Hindu-Christian Fellowship*, Pontifical Council for Interreligious Dialogue, Vatican City 2020, pp. 85-99.
13. "Il Logos cristiano e l'induismo", *Alla ricerca del Logos. Un percorso storico, esegetico e teologico*, Gabriele Palasciano (a cura di), Umbria: Tau Editrice, 2021, pp. 319-326.
14. "Five Foundations of Rahner's Trinitarian Theology: A Preliminary Presentation", *Gregorianum* 102/2 (2021), pp. 263-287.
15. "La 'salvezza' nell'Induismo e nel Buddhismo in dialogo con il Cristianesimo", in *Dialoghi* no. 84 (Ottobre-Dicembre 2021), pp. 52-60.
16. "Hinduism and Eco-Human harmony: In Dialogue with Laudato Si'", in *Foundations of Integral Ecology*, J. Azetsop, SJ. – P. Conversi (eds.), Rome: G&B Press 2022, pp. 549-572.
17. "Una Missione di Giustizia, Amore e Riconciliazione", *Magis – Gesuiti Missionari Italiani*, no. 98 (Giugno 2021), pp. 5-7.

Books as Editor

1. *Enlightenment and Tantra: Hindus and Christians in Dialogue*, Rome: G&B Press 2018.
2. *Maximum Illud: La missione tra storia e attualità - Documenta Missionalia 40*, Rome: G&B Press 2020.

Reviews

1. Ivo Coelho (ed.), *Violence and its Victims. A Challenge to Philosophizing in the Indian Context*, Bangalore: Asian Trading Corporation (Association of Christian Philosophers of India 11), 2010. In *Gregorianum* 92 (2011), pp. 643-644.

2. Peter C. Phan (ed.), *Christianities in Asia*, Malden – Oxford – Chichester: Wiley – Blackwell (The Global Christianity Series), 2011. In *Gregorianum* 92 (2011), pp. 638-640.
3. Knut A. Jacobsen (ed.), *Brill's Encyclopedia of Hinduism*, Vol. 2: *Sacred Texts and Languages, Ritual Traditions, Arts, Concepts*, Leiden–Boston, Brill, 2010. In *Bibliographia Missionaria*, M. A. Rostowski (ed.), Vatican City, 2012, pp. 411-413.
4. Bina Gupta, *An Introduction to Indian Philosophy. Perspectives on Reality, Knowledge and Freedom*, Routledge, New York 2012. In *Gregorianum* 94 (2013), pp. 425-426.
5. Paul Hedges, *Controversies in Interreligious Dialogue and the Theology of Religions*, SCM Press, London 2010. In *Gregorianum* 94 (2013), pp. 869-871.
6. Knut A. Jacobsen (ed.), *Brills Encyclopedia of Hinduism*, Vol. 3: *Society, Religious Specialists, Religious Traditions, Philosophy*, Leiden – Boston, Brill, 2011. In *Bibliographia Missionaria*, M. A. Rostowski (ed.), Vatican City, 2013, pp. 405-407.
7. Nancy C. Ring (et al. eds.), *Introduction to the Study of Religion*, Maryknoll, NY, Orbis Books, 2012. In *Bibliographia Missionaria*, M.A. Rostowski (ed.), Vatican City, 2014, pp. 463-464.
8. Ambrogio Bongiovanni (et al. eds.), *Interfaith Spirituality: The Power of Confluence*, ISPCK Delhi, 2014. In *Gregorianum* 96 (2015), pp. 878-879.
9. Keith D'Souza (ed.), *Dynamics of Development: Negations and Negotiations*, Association of Christian Philosophers of India. Annual series 15, Bangalore 2014. In *Gregorianum*, 2/2016, pp. 420-422.
10. Raimon Panikkar, *Religion and Religions*, M. Carrara Pavan (ed.), Maryknoll New York, 2015. In *Gregorianum*, 98/4 (2017), pp. 869-871.

VII. Papers presented:

2010: "The Nicene-Constantinopolitan Creed in the Mission of the Church Today: Manifesting the Love of Christ to Celebrate the Fullness of God," International Symposium entitled: *Le Credo de Niceé-Constantinople – histoire, théologie et spiritualité*, the Faculty of Orthodox Theology Bucharest, 1 to 2 November.

2015: "Hinduism: between violence and non-violence", the National Conference on *Religions and Conflicts: Understanding the division to help meeting in a world of war in the name of God*, University Roma Tre, Rome, 3 to 5 December.

2016: "Christianity in India under attack: Hindu fundamentalism after Mahatma Gandhi and the response of the Indian Catholic Church". *Centro Studi Interreligiosi della Gregoriana, Las Uniones de Superiores y Superiores Generales*. Oct 16.

2018: "Culture – how it impacts perception and communication around Child Sexual Abuse and its Prevention", 18th June 2018. Anglophone Safeguarding Conference, *Culture as an Enabler or a Barrier to Safeguarding*, Rome, Pontifical Gregorian University 18th-21st June 2018.

2018: “A Faith that ‘Breathes’: A New Missionary Impetus for Europe”. *Europe a Mission Continent?* NIM Symposium 12 October, 2018, Radboud University, Nijmegen, the Netherlands.

2019: “Theologizing Dialogically: An Integral Part of Evangelizing Mission”. *Narrating the Story of Jesus in Sri Lanka*, International Seminar organized in Negombo by Movimento S. Francesco Saverio, (St. Francis Xavier Movement, Italy) & Conference of Major Religious Superiors – Sri Lanka – 22-26 July 2019.

2019: “Missiology at the Gregorian University Rome”. *Fifty Years of Missiology in Warsaw*, organized by Kluj Wojciech - Dyrektor Instytutu Dialogu Kultury i Religii Wydział Teologiczny UKSW – 11 October.

2021: “Christianity Spirituality in the Modern Age”. *Spirituality in the Modern Age*, International Zoom Workshop organized by Institute for Interdisciplinary Research in Fundamental Sciences (IRFS), Arak University Iran – 23 September.

2022: “The Church in Asia Proclaiming the Gospel: Reflections on *Evangelii Gaudium*”. *50th General Conference of the Federation of the Asian Bishops (FABC 50)*, Bangkok - Thailand, October 12-30.

2022: Participated as one of the speakers at the following conference “ ‘Siamo tutti Fratelli’ - Presentazione del numero 100 della rivista della Fondazione Magis ‘Gesuiti Missionari Italiani’, trimestrale dell’opera missionaria della provincia Euro-Mediterranea della Compagnia di Gesù”. My views were presented on two questions: 1. Missione e fratellanza, quale significato nel mondo contemporaneo? 2. Missione e accoglienza, quell’abbraccio verso l’altro?

2023: “Necessity and urgency of ‘Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam’ and ‘Fratelli Tutti’ to build a more fraternal and inclusive society – A Christian perspective”. *Hindus and Christians in Europe – Building together a ‘fraternity-based new humanism’*: Dicastery for Interreligious Dialogue, Rome - May 2.

VIII. Positions held

1996-1998: pastoral work as Coordinator of young people in the St. Michael's Parish, Vasai, Mumbai.

2011-2018: Consultor to the house of the Jesuit community at the Gregorian.

From 2012: Theological Consultor to TERE (Teacher's Enterprise in Religious Education) London.

2012-2015: Director of the Department of Theology of Religions in the Faculty of Missiology Gregorian University Rome.

2015-2018: Consultor to the Dean of Missiology.

2015-2018: Consultor to the Gregorian Library.

2015-2018: Consultor to the Faculty of Missiology.

2015-2019: Vice-Director of the Gregorian Centre for Interreligious Studies.

2016 April 21 – Appointed *Professore Straordinario* (Associate Professor)

From 2017: On the Editorial Board of the quarterly – *Gregorianum* published by the Gregorian University Rome.

2017: Appointed Coordinator of the European Continent of the *International Association of Catholic Missiologists* (IACM)

2018: Appointed - Dean of the Faculty of Missiology at the Gregorian University Rome.

2021: Re-appointed – Dean of the Faculty of Missiology at the Gregorian University Rome.

2022: Appointed Professore Ordinario (Full Professor)

Knowledge of languages:

English: very good (reading, writing and speaking).

Italian: very good (reading, writing and speaking).

Spanish: good (reading and speaking).

French: average (reading and for research purposes).

German: average (reading and for research purposes)

Portuguese: average (understand).

Greek: average (for research purposes).

Latin: average (reading and for research purposes).

Marathi: good (reading, writing and speaking)

Hindi: good (reading, writing and speaking).

Konkani: average (speaking).

Organization of Forums at the Gregorian University

1. As Director of the Department of Theology of Religions

2013, Oct 21: *Lo sguardo del Medio Oriente oggi*. Speaker, P. Wafik Nasry SJ.

2013, Nov 04: *Dialogo tra le religioni in India: opportunità e rischi*. Speaker, P. Michael Pavulraj SJ.

2013, Nov 18: *Vivere e testimoniare il Vangelo in Cina oggi*. Speaker Dr. Monica Romano.

2013, Nov 25: *Presentazione, analisi e discussione del film Bells of Europe*. Speaker, P. Germano Marani SJ.

2013, Dec 02: *Il mio lavoro per l'ecumenismo e il dialogo alla Conferenza Episcopale degli Stati Uniti*. Speaker, Dr. Francis Tiso.

2013, Dec 09: *Dualismi cinesi e occidentali*. Speaker, Prof. John Lagerwey.

2013, Dec 10: *Religione e politica in Cina*. Speaker, Prof. John Lagerwey.

2013, Dec 12: *L'alchimia simbolica: Yin e Yang, la mente e il corpo*. Speaker, Prof. John Lagerwey.

2014, March 10: *Cristiani senza frontiere: impossibilità o imperativo? Uno sguardo dall'Asia*. Speaker, Prof. José Mario C. Francisco SJ.

2014, April 7: *Europa: la mia esperienza*. Speaker Dr. Michel Praet, Councillor of the President of the European Union.

2015, March 16: *Theological Reflections on Pope Francis' visit to the Philippines*. Speaker, Prof. José Mario Francisco SJ.

2. As Incharge of Asian religions of the Gregorian Centre for Interreligious Studies

2015, Nov 09: *Religiosità in Cina*. Speaker, Monica Romano.

2015, Nov 23: *La vita consacrata - verso la liberazione dell'essere umano- Induismo*. Speaker, Prof. Paolo Trianni.

2015, Nov 24: *La vita consacrata - verso la liberazione dell'essere umano - Shintoismo*. Speaker, Prof. Tiziano Tosolini.

2015, Nov 25: *La vita consacrata - verso la liberazione dell'essere umano – Taoismo*. Speaker Rev. Li Xuanzong.

2015, Nov 26: *La vita consacrata - verso la liberazione dell'essere umano – Buddismo*. Speaker, Prof.ssa Maria Angela Falà.

2015, Nov 27: *La vita consacrata - verso la liberazione dell'essere umano – Sikhismo*. Speaker, Dr.ssa Katuscia Carnà.

2015, Dec 07: *Giappone: crocevia di divinità*. Speaker, Prof. Tiziano Tosolini

2016, Jan 11: *Tantrismo: sessualità e vita spirituale*. Speaker, P. Virgilio Agostinelli.

2016, Feb 22: *Il cuore dell'assassino*. Film and presentation by Catherine McGilvray.

2016, Feb 24: *Morte di un maestro del tè, di Kumai Kei (1989)*. Film and presentation by Prof. Maria de Giorgi mmx.

2016, Feb 25: *Dharam Sankat Mein*. Film and presentation by Fr. Bryan Lobo, S.J.

2016, March 14: *Religiosità in Giappone*. Speaker, Prof.ssa Maria De Giorgi mmx.

2016, April 11: *Religioni senza libri e senza templi*. Speaker, P. Linus Kujur SJ.

2016, May 02: *Non solo "Om Shanti": Esplorazioni personali dell'induismo enigmatico*. Speaker, P. Rolphy Pinto SJ.

2016, May 16: *Buddhismo da vicino: vivere il nirvāṇa?* Speaker, Dott. Roberto Coslovi.

2016, Oct 16: *Christianity in India under attack: Hindu fundamentalism after Mahatma Gandhi and the response of the Indian Catholic Church*. Speaker P. Bryan Lobo SJ.

2016, Nov 14: *Dio dell'Incarnazione: La prospettiva Indù*. Speaker Swāminī Hamsānanda Giri.

2016, Nov 28: *Dio e Vacuità (Śūnyata)*. Speaker Ven. Lama Geshe Gedun Tharchin.

2016, Dec 06: *Cristiani e induisti in dialogo: Luce di Pace*. This Conference was organised in collaboration with the then Pontifical Council for Interreligious Dialogue. Today it is called the Dicastery for Interreligious Dialogue.

2016, Dec 16: *Il volto giapponese di Cristo nel romanzo «Silenzio» di Shūsaku Endō*. Speaker Prof. Tiziano Tosolini.

2017, Jan 9-13: Series of Conferences on *Cristo incontra Buddha*. Speaker, P. Bernard Senécal.

2017, Feb 27: *Il fondamentalismo indù contemporaneo*. Speaker, P. Jose Kuruvachira SDB.

2017, April 03: *Cosmologia buddhista e cosmologia cristiana in dialogo*. Speaker, Dr. Maria De Giorgi.

2017, May 15: *Tantra e Cristianesimo in dialogo: possibilità e sfide*. Speaker, Prof. John Dupuche.

2017, Sept 25-29: *An Introduction to Asian Religions in Dialogue with Christianity*. A series of lectures given on Hinduism, Buddhism and Jainism. Speaker P. Bryan Lobo, SJ.

2017, Nov 13: *Esicasm e tantrismo: tecniche psicofisiche a confronto*. Speaker, Catherina Greppi.

2017, Nov 17: *Bodhisattva e Discesa agli Inferi. Dialogo Cristiano-Buddhista sulla vita dopo la morte.* Speaker, Giovanni Cogliandro.

2017, Nov 11: *La non-dualità in Margherita Porete, mistica cristiana, e nel tantrismo kashmiro medievale.* Speaker, Gioia Lussana.

2018, Feb 26: *Dialogare con le religioni dell'Asia, sfide ed opportunità per la Missione.* Speaker, Ambrogio Bongiovanni.

2018, March 19: *La musica e il dialogo interreligioso tra Oriente e Occidente.* Speaker, Claudia Caneva.

2018, April 16: *Corpo di arcobaleno e risurrezione: narrative e interpretazioni.* Speaker, Francis Tiso.

2018, May 21-25: *Introduzione alle religioni dell'Asia, verso un incontro con il Cristianesimo.* Series of lectures by different professors.

2018, Nov 18: *"Domine, quo vadis?" La venerazione delle impronte dei Maestri e dei Santi nella tradizione Cristiana e Indiana.* Speaker, Dott.ssa Tiziana Lorenzetti Risponde: Dott. Paolo Trianni.

2018, Dec 10: *Guru Nanak: dall'incontro con Dio alla religione dell'uomo.* Speaker, Prof. Fabio Scialpi.

2019, Jan 21: *Religione, etnicità e nazione: il caso dello Sri Lanka.* Speaker, P. Indunil Kodithuwakku.

2019, March 04: *Daoismo e Cristianesimo: Quale opportunità di dialogo?* Speaker, Dott.ssa Monica Romano.

2019, March 18: *Proiezione e dibattito: Ukon il samurai La via della spada, la via della croce. Un docufilm di Lia Beltrami.* Speaker, Prof.ssa Maria De Giorgi.

2019, May 06: *Presentazione del volume: Enlightenment and Tantra.* Speakers: Rev. John Dupuche and P. Virgilio Agostinelli. Moderator: P. Bryan Lobo, S.J. Response: Dott. Gaetano Sabetta.

2019, May 13: *Encountering and Witnessing to the Christian Faith in China.* Speaker, Dott.ssa Tricia Bolle.

3. As Dean of the Faculty of Missiology

2019, Oct 16: Seminario di Studio in occasione del Mese Missionario Straordinario dal titolo "La lettera apostolica Maximum Illud: spunti per riflettere a 100 anni dalla sua promulgazione (1919-2019).

Organizer of International Conferences

2018, March 22-23: Christianity in the Chinese society: impact, interaction and inculturation.

2017, Oct 17: International Conference on: *Illuminazione e via tantrica Cristiani e Induisti in dialogo*. In collaboration with Ufficio Nazionale per l'Ecumenismo e il Dialogo Interreligioso della Conferenza Episcopale Italiana (CEI), Unione induista Italiana Sanatana Dharma Samgha.