

CURRICULUM
VITAE

GUILLERMO MENÉNDEZ SÁNCHEZ

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Born in Oviedo, Spain, 09/20/1993

EDUCATION

2018 – 2022

Joint PhD:

- Historical, Geographical and Anthropological Studies - University of Padua, Ca' Foscari University of Venice and University of Verona (IT).
- Religions and Systems of Thought - École Pratique des Hautes Études (FR).

Thesis: *La polemica antimanichea nel VI secolo alla luce delle principali fonti di lingua greca: tradizione, interpretazione, innovazione* (The 6th Century anti-Manichaean Polemic in the Light of the Main Sources of Greek Language: Tradition, Interpretation, Innovation).

Defended on August 29, 2022: *summa cum laude*.

Supervisor (IT): prof. Vittorio Berti.

Supervisor (FR): prof. Madeleine Scopello.

2015 – 2018

M.A. in *Sciences of Antiquity: Literature, History and Archaeology*.

Ca' Foscari University of Venice (IT).

Thesis: *Giovanni Filopono: cosmologia e il De opificio mundi* (John Philoponus: Cosmology and the *De opificio mundi*).

Tutor: prof. Antonio Rigo.

Co-Tutor: prof. Alessandra Bucossi.

Mark: 110/110 *cum laude*.

2011 – 2015

B.A. in *History*.

University of Oviedo (ES)

Dissertation: *Heterodoxia y ortodoxia en el cristianismo tardo antiguo: el debate subordinacionista* (Heterodoxy and Orthodoxy in Late Antique Christianity: The Subordinationist Debate).

Tutor: prof. María Amparo Pedregal.

Mark: 9,118/10.

EMPLOYMENT

2024 – 2027

FWO Junior Research Fellow.

Project: ‘Coexistence, Conflict, Persecution: The Revival and Extinction of Manichaeism in the Eastern Mediterranean World.’

Ghent University, Faculty of Arts and Philosophy, Department of History (BE).

VISITING POSITIONS

Sept. 2019 – June 2020

Visiting Ph.D. research fellow at École Pratique des Hautes Études (EPHE), Paris (FR).

RESEARCH COLLABORATIONS

2025 –

Research associate of the ERC Advanced Grant Project *New Politics. Political Thought in the First Millennium* (PI: Peter Van Nuffelen).

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

2024

Awardee of the FWO Junior Fellowships (success rate: 17,3%) (BE).

2023

Awardee of the Spanish Association of Byzantine Studies (*Sociedad Española de Bizantinística*) award “Best Doctoral Thesis on Byzantium of the 2021-2022 Academic Year”.

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| 2018 | PhD Scholarship, University of Padova (IT). |
| 2015 | Scholarship for Foreign Students, Ca'Foscari University of Venice (IT): scholarship awarded to the best Master's degree foreign student of the university. |
| 2014 | Cooperation Grant, University of Oviedo (ES). This scholarship, conceded by the Spanish Ministry of Education to one student for each degree, allowed me to develop a project consisting of a data base of patristic texts from the 4 th century. Likewise, I worked 3 hours per day during 8 months in various academic, supervising other students from the course History of Rome. |

PUBLICATIONS

Books:

- Menéndez Sánchez, Guillermo (accepted). *La polemica anti-manichea nel VI secolo alla luce delle principali fonti di lingua greca: tradizione, interpretazione, innovazione*. Milano: Mimesis (Indo-Iranica et Orientalia, Series Lazur), pp. 484.

Journal Articles:

- Menéndez Sánchez, Guillermo. 2025. "Manichaean Mythology in the Time of Justinian: Cosmogony, Anthropogony and the Myth of the Giants in the Third Anathema of the *Capita VII Contra Manichaeos*." *Gnosis: Journal of Gnostic Studies* 10/1: pp. 108-131.
- Menéndez Sánchez, Guillermo. 2024. "Manichaean Christology through the Lens of Late Antique Heresiology: between Stereotypes and Reality." *Journal for Late Antique Religion and Culture* 18/2, pp. 53-73.
- Menéndez Sánchez, Guillermo. 2023. "Polemica anti-manichea e commento filosofico: 'il manicheo' come avversario del neoplatonismo." *Rivista di Storia e Letteratura Religiosa*, LIX/2, pp. 213-237.
- Menéndez Sánchez, Guillermo. 2023. "Eracliano di Calcedonia contro i manichei: un tentativo di ricostruzione." *Studi e Materiali di Storia delle Religioni* 89/2: pp. 717-732.
- Menéndez Sánchez, Guillermo. 2022. "Le *Disputationes* di Paolo il Persiano con Fotino il manicheo: un dibattito fittizio all'epoca di Giustiniano." *Rivista di Studi Bizantini e Neoellenici* 59: pp. 3-39.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Courses:

2025	Co-teacher at OIKOS / University of Amsterdam – subject: “Exploring Late Antiquity”
2024 – 2025	Co-teacher at Ghent University – subject: “Byzantine History”

ACADEMIC SERVICES

2025	Member of the Selection Committee of two Post-doctoral fellows for the ERC Advanced Grant Project <i>New Politics. Political Thought in the First Millennium</i> , Ghent University.
2025	Member of the Selection Committee of four PhD students for the ERC Advanced Grant Project <i>New Politics. Political Thought in the First Millennium</i> , Ghent University.

SCIENTIFIC AFFILIATIONS

Sociedad Española de Bizantinística – Spanish Association of Byzantine Studies (SEB): 2023-
International Association of Manichaean Studies (IAMS): 2023-
Ghent Centre for Late Antiquity (GCLA): 2024-
Onderzoeks Instituut Klassieke Oudheid Studiën – National Research School in Classical Studies in the Netherlands (OIKOS): 2024-

LANGUAGES

	Speaking	Writing	Reading
Spanish	Native	Native	Native
Italian	Proficient	Proficient	Proficient
English	Proficient	Proficient	Proficient
French	Intermediate	Intermediate	Intermediate

Ancient Languages: Greek, Latin, Syriac, Coptic.