

## Education/Degrees

- M.A. **Philosophy.** San Diego State University (San Diego, CA). 2012. *Summa Cum Laude*.  
Thesis Title: *Excavating Plato's Cave*  
Thesis Access Link: <http://sdsu-dspace.calstate.edu/handle/10211.10/2034>
- B.A. **Philosophy and Psychology.** C.S.U. San Marcos (San Marcos, CA). 2002. *Cum Laude* (Major).
- A.A. **General Education.** Saddleback College (Mission Viejo, CA). 1996. *Cum Laude*.

## Credentials/Certificates

- L.B.T. **Logic-Based Therapy/Philosophical Counseling.** Advanced/Certified LBT Trainer/Mentor. *U.S. Institute of Critical Thinking: National Center for Logic-Based Therapy* (Port St. Lucie, FL). 2014.
- L.B.T. **Logic-Based Therapy/Philosophical Counseling.** Primary Certificate. *U.S. Institute of Critical Thinking: National Center for Logic-Based Therapy* (Port St. Lucie, FL). 2013.
- Mediation.** Basic Certificate. *Conflict Resolution Academy* (Smyrna, GA). 2013.
- Elder Mediation.** Basic Certificate. *Conflict Resolution Academy* (Smyrna, GA). 2013.

## Experience

- Adjunct Philosophy Instructor (Ethics 107A & B), *Carroll College*, Helena MT [2017 – Current]
- Founder & Executive Director, *Merlin CCC* (A philosophy-centered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization), Helena MT [2014 - Current]
- Executive Assistant (Website) & Certified Advanced LBT Trainer/Mentor & Philosophical Practitioner, *National Philosophical Counseling Association* & *U.S. Institute of Critical Thinking* [2013 - Current]
- Academic Manuscript Reviewer/Referee, *The Journal of Ethics: An International Philosophical Review* [2013 – Current]
- Trustee/Caretaker, Conservation Steward and Forest Management/Habitat Restoration Supervisor, *Merlin Nature Preserve* (in conjunction with *The Nature Conservancy* and *Natural Resources Conservation Services/USDA*), Helena MT [2010 – Current]
- Marketing Coordinator & Writer, Professional PUNCH (Freelance) [2010 – Current]
- Editorial Assistant, *International Journal of Applied Philosophy* & *International Journal of Philosophical Practice* [2013 – 2015]
- Journal Assistant to Editor-in-Chief, *The Journal of Ethics: An International Philosophical Review* [2010 – 2012]
- Graduate/Research Assistant to Dr. J. Angelo Corlett, *San Diego State University*, Philosophy Department [2008 – 2012]
- Tour Manager/Senior Field Manager/Client Liaison, ESPN Bassmasters and American Idol, *Steele Direct* & *Gigunda Group, Inc.* [2002 – 2008]
- Research Assistant to Dr. Sharon Hamill, *CSU San Marcos*, Psychology Department [1999 – 2002]

## Publications/Presentations

- Diaz-Waian, Marisa, “Philosophy in the Community.” Presented at the PLATO Teaching Hub Session, *American Philosophical Association*, 2018 Pacific Division Annual Conference, San Diego, CA. [Forthcoming]

- Houchard, Andrea and Marisa Diaz-Waian, “How Philosophy and Technology Can Help Us Reconnect With Nature,” *Public Philosophy Journal* (in conjunction with *The Department of Philosophy and the Rock Ethics Institute at Pennsylvania State University* and *The College of Arts & Letters and Matrix: The Center for Digital Humanities and Social Sciences at Michigan State University*; see *Andrew W. Mellon Foundation* in ‘Community Awards/Recognitions’). [Forthcoming]
- Diaz-Waian, Marisa, “Does Philosophy Have a Place in Slow Medicine?” Presented at the National Philosophical Counseling Association Meeting, *American Philosophical Association*, 2014 Eastern Division Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA. [Winter 2014]
- Diaz-Waian, Marisa, Paper presentation & coordination, *Purdue University Calumet-Northwest*, LBT Training Workshop. [Fall 2014]
- Diaz-Waian, Marisa, “How Philosophy Can Help Us Grieve: Navigating the Wake(s) of Loss,” *International Journal of Applied Philosophy* [Vol. 28:1, Spring 2014]
- Diaz-Waian, Marisa, “How Philosophy Can Help Us Grieve: Navigating the Wake(s) of Loss.” Presented at the National Philosophical Counseling Association Meeting, *American Philosophical Association*, 2013 Eastern Division Annual Conference, Baltimore, MD. [Winter 2013]
- J. Angelo Corlett and Marisa Diaz-Waian, “Liberating Liberation Theologies,” *Philosophy & Theology* [Vol 25:1, 2013]
- Diaz-Waian, Marisa, “How Philosophy Can Help Us Grieve: Redefining Ourselves in the Wake(s) of Loss.” Presented at the *Association of Death Education and Counseling, 35th Annual Conference*, Los Angeles, CA. [Spring 2013]
- Various Articles/Works, [House2Home Showcases Magazine](#) & [Washington Speakers Bureau](#) [2013]
- Diaz-Waian, Marisa and J. Angelo Corlett, “Kraut and Annas on Plato,” *Epoché: A Journal for the History of Philosophy*. [Vol 16:2, Spring 2012]
- Corlett, J. Angelo and Marisa Diaz-Waian, “The Methodology of Maurice Hauriou,” *The Review of Metaphysics*. [Vol 64:3, March 2011]
- Diaz-Waian, Marisa. *Colloquium: Plato*. Chair, Annual APA (*American Philosophical Association*), 2011 Pacific Division Conference. [March 2011]
- Diaz-Waian, Marisa, “Aristotle’s Pathē: Full Understanding and Virtuous Behavior.” Presented at the *Student Research Symposium*, San Diego State University. [March 2010]
- Hamill, Sharon, Marisa Diaz-Waian, Shannon Klauschie, Kristine Olivas, Korby Miller and Cassandra Klein, “College Students’ Willingness to Become Future Caregivers of the Elderly.” Presented at the *Western Psychological Association Conference*. [April 2002]
- Horlings, Jane E. (Author), and Marisa Diaz-Waian (Illustrator), [Introduction to Biology Laboratory Manual](#) and *Biology 1A Laboratory: Animal Diversity and Ecology* [1999]

## Professional/Scholarly Contributions

- Contributor, *Public Philosophy Journal (PPJ)* [2015 – Current]
- Proofreading/Editing, Elliot D. Cohen and Samuel Zinaich, eds. *Philosophy, Counseling, and Psychotherapy* (Newcastle, UK: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2013) [2013]
- Proofreading/Editing/Indexing/Research, J. Angelo Corlett, *Errors of Atheism* (New York: Continuum International Publishing Group/Bloomsbury, 2010). [2009 - 2010]
- Proofreading/Editing/Indexing/Research, J. Angelo Corlett, *Heirs of Oppression: Racism and Reparations* (Lanham, Maryland: Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, Inc, 2010). [2008 – 2010]
- Proofreading/Editing/Indexing/Research, J. Angelo Corlett, *Race, Rights & Justice* (New York: Springer Publishers, 2010). [2008 - 2009]

## Awards/Recognitions

- *Andrew W. Mellon Foundation* Scholarly Communications Program and *Public Philosophy Journal* Collaborative Writing Workshop Participant/Grant Recipient, San Francisco CA [2015]
- *Natural Resources and Conservation Services/USDA* Conservation Stewardship Grant Recipient [2015 – Current]
- Lee B. Waian Memorial Scholarship/Stipend, Donor/Founder, *Saddleback College*, Mission Viejo CA [2011 – Current]
- *Natural Resources and Conservation Services/USDA* Forest Management Grant Recipient [2010 – 2015]
- Seaside Preservation Movement, CEO/Founder and Grassroots Recognition, *North County Times*, San Diego CA [2010]  
[<http://www.utsandiego.com/news/2010/dec/02/group-forms-preserve-oceansides-seaside-neighborho/>]
- *Citizens Hero Award*, Cities of Oceanside CA and San Diego, CA, *TIPS (Trauma Intervention Program Services)* [2009]

## Professional Development

- His Holiness the 14<sup>th</sup> Dalai Lama, *Compassion Without Borders Symposium*, San Diego CA, *Attendee* [2012]
- ADEC (Association for Death Education and Counseling), *Annual Conference*, Atlanta GA, *Attendee* [2012]
- APA (American Philosophical Association), *Annual Conference - Pacific Division*, San Diego CA, *Attendee* [2011]
- AAR (American Academy of Religion), *Annual Conference*, San Diego CA, *Attendee* [2007]

## Personal Development

- Volunteer, Community Garden/Special Olympics/Assisted Living Facilities/Other, Helena MT [2015 – Current]
- Caregiver/Hospice Aid, Grandmother [2011 - 2012]
- Primary/Sole Caregiver, Father (*who struggled with Parkinson's*) [1998 - 2010]
- Civilian Athlete, United States Marine Corps Women's Basketball Travel Team, Camp Pendleton CA [1999 - 2002]
- High School Basketball Coach [1998 - 2000]
- Scholar-Athlete (Multi-Sport, Nationally Ranked) [1987 - 1998]

## Affiliations/Memberships

- PLATO (Philosophy Learning and Teaching Organization) [2018 - Current]
- NPCA (National Philosophical Counseling Association) [2012 - Current]
- ADEC (Association for Death Education and Counseling) [2012 - Current]
- Phi Kappa Phi (National Honors Society) [2010 – Current]
- APA (American Philosophical Association) [2008 - Current]
- Psi Chi (National Honors Society, Psychology) [1999 - Current]
- The Philosophy Laboratory© and Team Ethics© (San Diego State University, Philosophy Department) [2008 - 2012]
- Psi Beta (National Honors Society, Psychology) [1994 – 1996]

## Areas of Proficiency (Academic/Other)

Academic research and technical writing, program development and design, lesson plans and implementation, instruction/teaching (philosophy, ethics), coaching/mentoring (athletics, other), academic lecture coordination, public speaking, community outreach programs and development, philosophy in the community, public philosophy, philosophical counseling/logic-based therapy (therapeutic), philosophical consulting (ethical), grief/bereavement studies, caregiving, end-of-life issues, thanatology, bioethics, ethics, applied philosophy, theoretical philosophy, basic and elder mediation, editorial (i.e., copywriting, proofreading, editing, indexing), speech and content writing, art (illustration, painting, and graphic design), website development, nonprofits, fundraising, marketing (digital, print, event and communications), public relations, operations management, strategic planning, management (event, tour, project and account), conservation stewardship, wildlife conservation, habitat management and restoration, natural resource management, sustainability, solar/alternative energy, and business/office and social media platforms.

## Attributes

Intelligent, honest, hard-working, self-motivated, loyal, reliable/dependable, detail-oriented, conceptual thinker, quick learner, energetic, efficient, strong communicative and multi-tasking skills, extremely organized, team player, leader, great aptitude for creatively and fairly addressing/solving problems, work well under pressure, adaptable, conscientious, courteous, professional.