## Giordano G. Cuatto

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"Mr. Cuatto has proven himself the highest caliber Latin instructor.

> Very Rev. Chrysostom Baer O. Praem. Prior, St. Michael's Abbey

Mr. Cuatto has accomplished very fine work with all our young men. They love the Latin program that he is developing here, and I know that his hard work will bear abundant fruit; it already is!"

Fr. Ambrose Criste, O. Praem. Former Novice Master St. Michael's Abbey

"Giordano is one of the most polished Latinists I have met...I think Mr. Cuatto most apt to teach anyone of any age thanks to his enthusiasm for the language... and on account of his ease of manner".

Jonathan Arrington, PhD
Former Adjunct Prof. of Latin at
Thomas More College, Rome
Campus
Teacher of Greek at Pontifical
University of St. Thomas Aquinas,
Rome, Italy

"Mr. Cuatto's knowledge of
Latin is enviable, and a real
source of his authority both in
the classroom and among the
teachers. He is consistently a
force for professionalism and
proper gravity, though without
being too stern, and maintains
one of the best run classrooms
in the school."

Dr. Robert Garrow
Principal
Golden View Classical Academy

"He was an excellent student, achieving near perfect marks.. and was the highest-scoring student in the class."

Joshua Hood, PhD Latin Instructor

"You've really changed [my son] for the better." Mr. Bob Vander Woude Parent of Former Student

### **Professional Profile**

Experienced career-educator committed to the Catholic Faith and the formation of students in Western Civilization through its principal language of Latin, and its wider literary patrimony.

- Dedicated to enthusiastic and dynamic teaching as a means of creating and nurturing a lifelong love of Latin, patristics, and the classics in students.
- Long experience in effectively using a variety of Latin textbooks and classical pedagogical approaches for students from 7<sup>th</sup> grade on through the college level.
- Active speaker of Latin, Italian, proficient in French, and ongoing student of Classical Greek.
- Maintains positive working relationship with colleagues, administration, and parents.

#### Education

Master of Arts in Classical Studies University of Wales, Trinity-St. David	(2015 - 2018)
Master Diploma in Latin University of Kentucky, Institute for Latin Studies	(2011 – 2013)
Bachelor of Arts in Theology Catholic International University	(2008 – 2011)
Associate of Arts, Humanities Associate of Arts, General Studies Salt Lake Community College	(2002 – 2006) (2002 – 2006)

### Experience

## Collegium Omnium Angelorum: Hagerstown, MD (Present)

- 'Professor of Latin' chosen to enhance the College's Latin program and integrate it further into the liturgical and Thomistic emphases of the school while transitioning it to include active Latin usage.
- St. Michael Abbey Seminary: Orange County, CA (2019 2023)
  - 'Professor of Latin Studies' selected as a content expert with unique Latin fluency to instill a sacerdotal *Latinitas* to the rigorous formation of seminarians. Employed an integral linguistic pedagogy to form Latin conversant seminarians with speaking, reading, writing, and listening skills.
  - Assisted in the on-going formation of ordained clergy by providing Latin language and Latin cultural instruction to those whose prior formation was incomplete.
- St. Michael's Abbey Preparatory School: Orange County, CA (2018-2019)
  - Lead Latinist at a rigorous and established all boys boarding school
    - O Duties include: formation of students from beginning Latin courses to upper courses in the full breadth of the Latin patrimony, serve as reference for all Latin related matters to the headmaster and wider abbey community, mentoring of students, panel member of humanities board student assessments, volunteer tutor of struggling students



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"Thanks for everything you've given our family this year; your high standards and concern for students' best interests are apparent and appreciated."

> Mr. Jason Mucci Parent of former students

"He is very kind. He definitely knows what he is teaching."

Mayteanna Williams Former Student

"I think Mr. Cuatto is a wonderful teacher and an excellent example of what and who a man should be."

> Simon Michalak Former Student

"I found that I was fascinated by everything I have learned so far. I think this is because I am being taught with such clarity."

> Hayley Puckett Former Student

"Mr. Cuatto is a gem, after the first week of class my son came home and remarked that, 'Mom Mr. Cuatto is not just a Latin teacher, he is a character teacher. He has high expectations but he believes we can do it.'"

Mrs. Jennifer Golden Parent of Former Student

"Thank you for being a teacher who actually teaches."

Joshua Gluckhoman Former Student

"You are such a great Latin teacher! Even though it is a hard language, you make it easy."

> Claire Miller Former Student

# Experience (continued)

## Golden View Classical Academy: Golden, CO (2015-2018)

- Founding Latin Instructor of a rigorous Classical Charter School
  - O Duties include: Implementing Hillsdale College's Barney Charter School Initiative Latin curriculum with a view to local circumstances and necessities, forming first-time families and students in the importance of classical languages and culture, maintaining positive relations with and educating potential donors ranging from state representatives to judges to local businessmen in the educational value of Latin. Serving as a senior mentor to the school's student house system.
- Instructor of Latin in grades 7 -12 using Wheelock's Latin supplemented by various ancillary texts (Lingua Latina Per Se Illustrata)

## Immaculata Classical Academy: Louisville, Kentucky (2011-2015)

- 'Head of Latin Instruction', grades 2 through 12
  - Duties include: curriculum development and assessment, supervising Latin instruction in classrooms to ensure consistency and accuracy, providing teacher support for questions and pedagogical practices.
- Instructor of all levels of Latin to students in grades 7 through 11 using a variety of textbooks including Latin for the New Millennium, Lingua Latina Per Se Illustrata, New Steps in Latin.
- 10<sup>th</sup> grade Dogmatic Theology
- 7/8th grade Humanities: Roman History, Literature, Logic I, Intro to Scripture

## Professional Affiliations & Awards

- Familia Sancti Hieronymi longstanding member
- Biduum Latinum Guest Faculty; St. Joseph College Seminary, Charlotte, N.C.
- Veterum Sapientia Institute Guest faculty for the Vinculum workshop promoting active Latin usage among Catholics, cleric and lay.
- Cenaculum Conference of Latin Speakers Requested Guest Speaker
- Hillsdale College Teacher Formation Symposia Attendee
- Aristotle Award First recipient of GVCA's board, administration and fellow faculty selected award to honor a "teacher who not only raises the intellectual caliber of the school and students but also displays a character that raises the moral tenor and culture of the school."