

# CARLOS DEVIN FERNANDEZ

Brooklyn College, CUNY  
Department of Global Languages, Literatures, and Cultures

## EDUCATION

Ph.D., Italian Studies, University of Texas at Austin, 2025.

M.A., Italian Studies, Florida State University, 2018.

B.A., Classics, Florida State University, 2016.

## ACADEMIC POSITIONS AND EMPLOYMENT

Adjunct Assistant Professor, Brooklyn College, CUNY, 2026-*Present*.

Lesson Author and Research Assistant, Linguistics Research Center, UT-Austin, 2020-2022.

Assistant Instructor (Italian), University of Texas at Austin, 2020-2021.

Teaching Assistant (Italian, Dante), University of Texas at Austin, 2019-2020.

Graduate Student Instructor (Italian), Florida State University, 2016-2018.

Teaching Assistant (Dante), Florida State University, 2018.

## TEACHING AND TEACHING ASSISTANT EXPERIENCE

### Brooklyn College, CUNY

- *Italian - Basic Language Skills II* (ITAL. 1020), Fall 2026.
- *Italian - Basic Language Skills I* (ITAL. 1010), Fall 2026.
- *Italian - Basic Language Skills I* (ITAL. 1010), Fall 2026.
- *Italian - Basic Language Skills II* (ITAL. 1020), Summer 2026.
- *Italian - Basic Language Skills I* (ITAL. 1010), Spring 2026.
- *Italian - Basic Language Skills I* (ITAL. 1010), Spring 2026.
- *Italian - Basic Language Skills I* (ITAL. 1010), Spring 2026.

### University of Texas at Austin

- *Beginning Italian I* (ITL 601 C), Spring 2021.
- *Beginning Italian I* (ITL 601 C), Fall 2020.
- *Dante's Hell and its Afterlife* (UGS 303) (TA), Spring 2020.
- *Beginning Italian II* (ITL 611 C) (TA), Fall 2019.
- *Beginning Italian I* (ITL 601 C) (TA), Fall 2019.

### Florida State University

- *Italian Reading and Conversation* (ITA 2220), 2018.
- *Dante's Inferno* (ITT 3114) (TA), Fall 2017.
- *Elementary Italian II* (ITA 1121), Fall 2017.
- *Elementary Italian II* (ITA 1121), Fall 2017.
- *Elementary Italian I* (ITA 1120), Spring 2017.

- *Elementary Italian I* (ITA 1120), Spring 2017.
- *Elementary Italian I* (ITA 1120), Fall 2016.

## RESEARCH

### PhD Dissertation

“Dante’s Italy and Martí’s Cuba.” Co-Supervisors: Guy Raffa, Douglas Biow. University of Texas at Austin, Department of French and Italian, 2025.

### Linguistics Research Center

Old Italian (Tuscan-Florentine) Lesson Series. Supervisor and Co-Author: Cinzia Russi. *Early Indo European Online*, Linguistics Research Center, University of Texas at Austin, 2020-2022.

### Senior Honors Thesis

“The Historicity of Homeric Warfare: Battle in the *Iliad* and the Hoplite Phalanx, c. 750-480 BCE.” Supervisor: James Sickinger. Florida State University, Department of Classics, 2016.

## TALKS

January 2027. “Dante *Mambi*: Dante’s Emancipatory Legacies in Nineteenth-Century Cuban Independence.” Modern Language Association (Annual Convention). Los Angeles, CA.

June 2026. “Dante *Mambi*: Politicizing Dante in Nineteenth-Century Cuban Independence.” American Association for Italian Studies (Annual Conference). University of Sassari, Sardinia, IT.

May 2026. “Dante *Mambi*: Dante’s Legacy in Nineteenth-Century Cuban Independence.” 61<sup>st</sup> International Congress on Medieval Studies. Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI.

September 2025. “‘Y cayeron ... como caían los cuerpos muertos del Dante’: José Martí’s Alliterative Adaptation of Dante’s *Inferno* in ‘El presidio político en Cuba.’” New Perspectives on Alliteration in Poetry and Cultural History. University of East Anglia, Norwich, UK.

March 2018. “Language and the Humanist Tradition of Trecento and Quattrocento Italy.” New College Conference on Medieval and Renaissance Studies, New College of Florida, Sarasota, FL.

## HONORS AND AWARDS

Summer Research Award, UT-Austin, 2025.

Graduate School Summer Fellowship, UT-Austin, 2023.

Full Semester Fellowship (Fall), UT-Austin, 2022.

Graduate School Continuing Fellowship, UT-Austin, 2022.

Texas Foreign Language Teaching Excellence Award (Nominee), UT-Austin, 2021.

Mentoring Recruitment Fellowship (Nominee), UT-Austin, 2019.  
Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award (Nominee), Florida State University, 2018.  
*Summa cum laude* (M.A.), Florida State University, 2018.  
Outstanding Graduate Student, Florida State University, 2018.  
Outstanding Undergraduate Student, Florida State University, 2016.  
*Cum laude* and Honors in the Major (B.A.), Florida State University, 2016.  
Beth H. Ward Honors Thesis Award, Florida State University, 2015.

## **DEPARTMENTAL AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

Moderator, French and Italian Spring Book Series (Cinzia Russi), UT-Austin, 2021.  
Tutor of Greek, Latin, and Italian, Florida State University, 2015-2018.  
Advisor, Gamma Kappa Alpha (Italian Honor Society), Florida State University, 2016-2017.  
Vice President, Eta Sigma Phi (Classics Honor Society), Florida State University, 2015-2016.  
Secretary, Eta Sigma Phi (Classics Honor Society), Florida State University, 2014-2015.

## **LANGUAGES**

English (native)  
Spanish (native)  
Italian (near-native)  
Latin (reading)  
French (reading)  
German (reading)  
Ancient Greek (reading)