

# **Roberto Dell'Oro**

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## **Biography**

In addition to his academic degrees, Roberto Dell'Oro studied philosophy & theology at the Catholic University of Milan (Italy), and the Hochschule für Philosophie in Munich (Germany). From 1993-1995, he was a post-doctoral fellow in bioethics at the Kennedy Institute of Ethics, Georgetown University -- with the late Edmund Pellegrino, former chair of the President's Council of Bioethics, as a mentor. In 1995, he became a Senior Scholar at the Center for Clinical Bioethics at Georgetown University, with teaching appointments in the Medical School & the Department of Philosophy. In the fall 2003, Roberto moved to the Department of Theological Studies at LMU, where he is a full professor.

Roberto has held clinical & research appointments in bioethics: from 2003-2006, he served as a clinical bioethicist at St. Francis Medical Center in Lynwood, CA, concentrating especially on ethical issues in obstetrics, perinatology & neonatology; from 2001-2007, he was the medical ethicist for the Data & Safety Monitoring Board at the National Institute of Child Health & Human Development at N.I.H. in Bethesda, Maryland; from 2007-2011, he chaired the bioethics committee at St. John's Medical Center in Santa Monica, CA. In 2010, he was selected for a sabbatical as Erasmus Mundus Professor of Bioethics at the University of Padua (Italy). Recently he was appointed to another Data & Safety Monitoring Board at N.I.H. In 2014 he became a member of the Theological Commission of the Diocese of Los Angeles.

Roberto teaches in the areas of bioethics, fundamental moral theology, & ethical theories, with a special interest in anthropological themes at the crossroad of theology and philosophy. Roberto has lectured internationally in five languages. He is the author/co-author of three books, *Health and Human Flourishing: Religion, Moral Anthropology, and Medicine* (Washington: Georgetown University Press, 2006), *Esperienza morale e persona* (Rome: Gregorian University Press, 1996) and *History of Bioethics: International Perspectives* (San Francisco: International Scholars Publications, 1996). He has translated two books from German, and published in national & international journals. He is currently working on a book tentatively titled *Method and Meaning: Hermeneutical Reflections in Bioethics*.

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## **Industry Expertise**

Education/Learning, Training and Development, Research

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## **Areas of Expertise**

Bioethics, Theological Studies, Anthropological

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## **Affiliations**

2003 Faculty Affiliate Kennedy Institute of Ethics Georgetown University, Associate Fellow International Institute for Hermeneutics Toronto (Canada)

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## **Education**

**Pontifical Gregorian University, Rome**  
Ph.D. Moral Theology

**Pontifical Gregorian University, Rome**  
M.A. Licentiate in Theology

**Facolta' Teologica dell'Italia Settentrionale, Milan**  
B.A. Theology

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