

Daniel Pascoe Aguilar's Musical Bio



Daniel Pascoe Aguilar, PhD, MDiv, developed a passion for music since childhood, performing in a diversity of churches and religious and professional groups/choirs over the years. These opportunities led him to: a) compose dozens of reflective/inspirational songs and five musicals he put on stage with Mexican youth groups, b) record 6 albums of his songs and 7 albums of classical music, and c) focus recently on performing baritone and bass arias from various operas and oratorios.

Daniel's latest albums include opera arias from selected Classical operas, bass arias from Handel's Messiah and operas, Mendelssohn's Elijah, and Bach's cantata for bass. Earlier in his career, Daniel had the opportunity to play Swiss recorders with a Baroque music group, sing in the men's group ASAF and the AMEN choir, and begin his engagement with opera as part of Mexico City's Coro de la Catedral. Recently, Daniel has had the opportunity to sing Handel's Messiah and Orff's Carmina Burana at Carnegie Hall in New York City, as well as to sing at LUISS University in Rome, Italy, and at Santo Tomás University in Santiago, Chile.

Currently, Daniel is Excelsior University's founding director of the Center for Social Justice & chief diversity officer. Before this, he served as associate provost for immersive learning and career design at Drew University, director of the University of Oregon Career Center, director of Career Services at Seattle University, chair of career courses at Indiana University, director of the crisis center for homeless families of the SF County, and minister in diverse religious organizations in México and the US.

He completed a Bachillerato in Physics & Mathematics at the Escuela Moderna Americana in México, a Bachelor's degree in Industrial Design at the Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana in México, his Master of Divinity at Palmer Theological Seminary in Philadelphia, and his Master of Science in Education and PhD in Educational Systems Technology at Indiana University in Bloomington.

Academic Background

Education

- Bachillerato en Física & Matemáticas, Escuela Moderna Americana, México City
- Certificate in the Teaching of English (ESL), Instituto Anglo-Mexicano de Cultura, México City
- Bachelor of Arts, Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana, México City Licenciatura: Diseño Industrial
- Master of Divinity, Palmer Theological Seminary
- Master of Science, Indiana University, Bloomington
- Doctor of Philosophy, Indiana University, Bloomington

About Daniel Pascoe Aguilar

Daniel Pascoe Aguilar joined Excelsior in December 2021 as the founding director of Excelsior's Center for Social Justice and chief diversity officer. Pascoe Aguilar brings a holistic view of social justice and diversity, equity, and inclusion to this role and is committed to developing the next generation of leaders. He has extensive experience as a leader in higher education, and has served on think tanks and strategy groups like the Future Talent Council. His collaborative approach to both the student and employee will be important to the work of DEI and social justice at Excelsior.

Prior to joining Excelsior, Pascoe Aguilar was associate provost for Immersive Learning and Career Design at Drew University in Madison, New Jersey. He has also worked as director of career centers or career services at Ithaca College, the University of Oregon, Seattle University, University of North Texas, and Indiana University. He has also worked with youth and youth ministry.

Pascoe Aguilar has more than 30 years of leading and managing a diversity of higher-education, social service, and religious organization professional teams and programs, and more than 20 years of progressive performance in student development systemic leadership, proactive collaborations, tactical administration, strategic planning and assessment, technology innovation, and theory/data/practice-informed management and supervision of key areas and departments in state research and private universities of the United States.

He is member and co-chair of many organizations, including NACE's Strategic Positioning of Career Services Taskforce, Global Future Talent Council, Launch Center for Immersive Learning & Career Design Space Committee, and more, and is founder of Launch Integrated Platform (Launchpad) Design Team at Drew University (DU) Committee on Reimagining Undergraduate Experience (CRUE). He is a member and presenter of the American Association of Colleges and Universities, the National Career Development Association, and the National Association of Colleges and Employers, among other organizations. Pascoe Aguilar has also been published in many publications.

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