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Research lines:

Political philosophy (Rawls, political liberalism, religion and politics, nationalism), pluralism, religious diversity, nationalism, Catalan philosophy.

Recent Publications:

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- Edition and translation from English into Catalan of *A Theory of Justice* by John Rawls (*Una teoria de la justícia*, Girona, Accent editorial, 2010).
- Vergés Gifra, Joan (2010). "Ciudadanía global y menosprecio de la nación". In Victoria Camps (ed.). *Democracia sin ciudadanos*. Madrid: Trotta.
- Vergés Gifra, Joan (2010). "Veritat i mentida en sentit electoral". In Josep M. Terricabras & Jordi Xifra (eds.). *Retòrica, màrqueting d'idees i legitimació política*. Girona: Documenta Universitaria.

Projects and other:

- 2018-2019. Joan Vergés Gifra. Main researcher. *Legitimacy, the day after the process: an analytical and comparative study* (competitive project financed by the Institut d'Estudis de l'Autogovern).
- 2016-2019. Joan Vergés Gifra. Full member. *Justice and democracy: towards a new model of solidarity* (competitive project financed by the Ministerio de Economía y Competitividad. Ref.: FFI2015-64858-P. Coordinator: Àngel Puyol, UAB).
- Director of the Master's Degree on *Religious Diversity: Thought, Reality, Governance*.
- Director and editor of the collection *Noms de la filosofia catalana* (Girona: Documenta Universitaria). Last books edited in the collection: *Pensament i llegat de Francesc Xavier Llorens i Barba* (2017), *Raimon Panikkar: intercultural and interreligious dialogue* (2017), *L'obra de Francesc Mirabent* (2017), *Joan Crexells: obra i pensament* (2016), *Dalí: escriptura i pensament* (2016).
- Main Researcher of the *Consolidated Research Group Catedra Ferrater Mora 2017 SGR 666*.