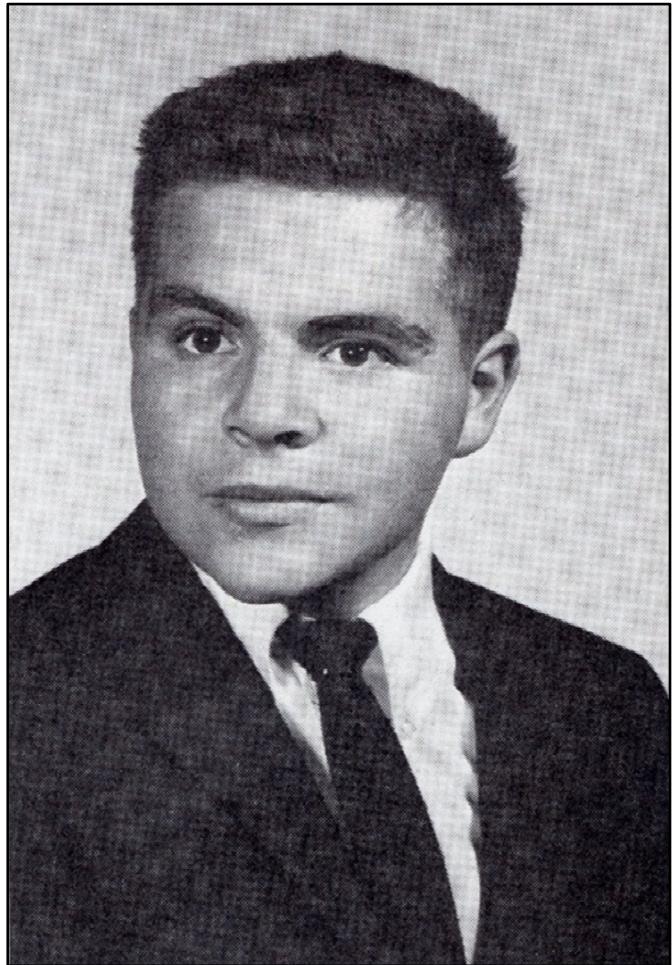


John Caviglia

John Lawrence Caviglia '64 is an alumnus of Wabash College. He is a Chilean immigrant, and he arrived in the United States at the age of eight¹. He lived in Crawfordsville and attended Crawfordsville High School. During his time in high school, he was member of the Senior council and the Spanish and Latin clubs. He was also president of the National Honors Society. He received an Honor Scholarship upon being admitted to Wabash².

During his first year at Wabash, Caviglia joined Kappa Sigma, where he stayed for the remainder of his time at the college³. He majored in English and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts. As a freshman, he was secretary of the Freshman Council⁴. He was also member of the Senior Council during his senior year⁵. He studied in Avignon,



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(*Wabash Yearbook 1964*. Wabash College, 1964, p. 136.)

¹ "John Caviglia." [Amazon](#).

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³ *Wabash Yearbook 1961*. Wabash College, 1961, p. 129.

⁴ "Frosh Council Elects Kriston President." *The Bachelor*, 12 Oct. 1960, p. 3. [The Bachelor Online Archives](#).

⁵ *Wabash Yearbook 1964*. Wabash College, 1964, p. 88.

France between his junior and senior years⁶. Caviglia was selected as a Fulbright Scholar; with the scholarship, he had another opportunity to study outside the United States. He traveled again to France, this time to the University of Toulouse to study French literature. He received other honors, including a Wilson Award, given to students seeking to further study the liberal arts, and a Danworth Fellowship, given to students planning a career in education⁷. He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa and was valedictorian of his class⁸.

After graduating from Wabash, Caviglia continued his studies at the University of Toulouse (1964-65), Yale University (1965-66), where he continued to study English, and Indiana University Bloomington (1966-69), where he studied comparative literature and obtained a Doctor of Philosophy⁹. He has taught Spanish and comparative literature as a professor. In 2013, he published *Arauco*, a historical fiction novel focused on the conquest and indigenous culture of Chile¹⁰. The novel's publication is presumably a result of his studies as an English scholar at Wabash and other institutions.

—Oscar Jacome Huesca '25

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