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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2015- **Associate Professor of Historical and Systematic Theology**
2017- *With Continuous Tenure*
2017-18 *Area Director, Historical and Systematic Theology*
2011-15 *Assistant Professor*
School of Theology and Religious Studies
The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C.

VISITING APPOINTMENTS

2019 **US Fulbright Scholar and Visiting Professor**
Department of Cultural and Religious Studies
Chinese University of Hong Kong, China

2016-17 **Visiting Professor**
Departments of History and Philosophy
Peking University, China

2014 **Visiting Fellow**
Department of Theology and Religion
Durham University, England

2010-11 **Visiting Fellow**
St Thomas Aquinas Institute for Theology and Culture
University of Fribourg, Switzerland

EDUCATION AND ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

2014 **Habilitation (Theology)**
University of Fribourg, Switzerland

2007-10 **Ph.D. (Theology)**
St John's College, University of Cambridge

1999-2005 **S.T.B., M.Div., S.T.L. (Theology)**
Dominican House of Studies, Washington, D.C.

1993-97 **B.A. (Philosophy)**
Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island

PUBLICATIONS

- 2020 est. **“What God Cannot Do: Divine Power, the Gratitude of Grace, and Henri de Lubac,”** *Modern Theology*, forthcoming.
- 2019 **“Deriving Natural Law from the Decalogue, Natural Inclination, and God’s Silence,”** *Scottish Journal of Theology* 72:3. 265-276.
- 2019 **“Evil, Suffering, and Original Sin.”** In *The Oxford Handbook of Catholic Theology*, edited by Lewis Ayres, Medi Ann Volpe, and Thomas L. Humphries, Jr. Oxford: Oxford University Press. 138-150.
- 2018 **“Emotion and Desire in the *Summa Theologiae*.”** In *Aquinas’s Summa Theologiae: A Critical Guide*. Edited by Jeffrey Hause. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. 111-130.
- 2018 **“Evolutionary Genetics and Theological Narratives of Human Origins.”** *The Heythrop Journal* 59:3. 523-533.
- 2017 **“Boredom and Modern Culture.”** *LOGOS: A Journal of Catholic Thought and Culture* 20:2. 36-59.
- 2016 ***20s/30s Ministry: A Guide for Parishes.*** Mahwah, N.J.: Paulist Press; Washington, D.C.: Paulist Evangelization Ministries; 128 pages.
- 2013 ***The Father’s Will: Christ’s Crucifixion and the Goodness of God.*** Oxford: Oxford University Press; 288 pages.
- Reviews:** *First Things* (February 2015); *Heythrop Journal* 55:1 (January 2015); *Horizons* 43:1 (June 2016); *Journal of Analytic Theology* 3 (May 2015); *Journal of Religion* 97:1 (January 2017); *Journal of Theological Studies* 66:1 (April 2015); *New Blackfriars* 96:1061 (January 2015); *Scottish Journal of Theology* 69:3 (August 2016); *Teologinen Aikakauskirja* 120 (2015); *Theology* 118:3 (March/April 2015); *The Thomist* 80:2 (April 2016).
- 2013 **“Thomas Aquinas on the Emotions,”** *Philippiniana Sacra* 48:145. 413-434.
Japanese translation, *Katorikku Kenkyu* 82. 91-127.
- 2013 **“Emotions and Psychological Health in Aquinas.”** In *Emotions and Health, 1200-1700*, edited by Elena Carrera. Leiden: Brill. 19-46.

2011

The Logic of Desire: Aquinas on Emotion. Washington, D.C.: The Catholic University of America Press; 319 pages.

Awarded John Templeton Award for Theological Promise (Heidelberg, May 2011)

Reviews: *Anamnesis* 4 (2014); *Choice* (August 2011); *Fellowship of Catholic Scholars Quarterly* 34:4 (Winter 2011); *First Things* (October 2011); *Gregorianum* 94:2 (2013); *Heythrop Journal* 53:4 (July 2012); *International Philosophical Quarterly* 53:4 (December 2013); *Journal of Theological Studies* 63:2 (October 2012); *Modern Theology* 28:2 (April 2012); *New Blackfriars* 93:1045 (May 2012); *Nova et Vetera* 10:2 (Fall 2012); *Pro Ecclesia* 23:4 (Fall 2014); *Review of Metaphysics* 65:4 (June 2012); *Theology* 115:2 (March/April 2012); *The Thomist* 77:1 (January 2013); *Zeitschrift für Katholische Theologie* 134:1 (2012).

WORK UNDER REVIEW

“Evil as the Negation of Desire”
“Scripture and Authorial Intention”
“Where Does the Holy Spirit Proceed To?”

WORKS IN PROGRESS

“The Communion of Saints”
“Original Sin and Bodily Death”

LECTURES AND INVITED PAPERS

2019

“How God Reveals the Natural Law through Our Natural Inclinations, Our Suffering, and His Silence,” Conference on the Philosophy of St. Thomas Aquinas: Natural Law, Virtue Ethics, and Human Flourishing, Fu Jen Catholic University, May 24-25, Taipei, Taiwan

“Natural Law, Virtue, and Philosophical Ethics,” Beijing Normal University, May 20, Beijing, China

“Theories of Scripture,” Zhejiang University, May 13, Hangzhou, China

“Natural Law, Virtue, and Philosophical Ethics,” Shanxi University, May 10, Shanxi, China

“Christ in Early Christian Art,” Shaanxi Normal University, May 8, Xi’an, China

“Catholic – Buddhist Ethics Dialogue: An Ethically Happy / Happily Ethical Life,”

Centre for the Study of Religious Ethics and Chinese Culture, Chinese University of Hong Kong, April 30, Hong Kong, China

“Sacredness and Visual Art: Images and Theologies,” Lecture series, Chinese University of Hong Kong, March 5, 12, 19, 26, April 2, 9, Hong Kong, China

“Faith and Reason and the Inspiration of Scripture,” Symposium on Fides et Ratio, University of Santo Tomas, February 27-28, Manila, Philippines

“The Doctrine of Original Sin: Historical Origins and Contemporary Theological Reflection,” Rosaryhill School, January 26, Hong Kong, China

2017 **“Emotions in Thomas Aquinas,”** Beijing Foreign Studies University, April 22, Beijing, China

“The Text of Sacred Scripture and the Intention of the Divine Author,” Radboud University, March 7, Nijmegen, Holland

“Deriving Natural Law from Mosaic Law, Human Desire, and God’s Silence”
Symposium on “Law as a Guide to Justice,” Faculty of Law, University of Cambridge, March 4, Cambridge, England

2015 **“What Was Jesus Intending? Reconstructing Jesus’ Historical Attitude toward His Death”**
2015 Aquinas Lecture, Providence College, March 16, Providence, Rhode Island

2014 **“The Crucifixion as Ransom and Jesus’ Historical Attitude toward His Death”**
Boston Colloquy in Historical Theology, July 31-August 2, Boston College, Massachusetts

Invited presenter, panel discussion on “Thomas Aquinas, Common Doctor: Whether and How”
Catholic Theological Society of America annual conference, June 5-8, San Diego, California

“Original Sin, Evolution, and Death”
Academy of Catholic Theology annual conference, May 20-22, Washington, D.C.

“Emotion and Virtue in Thomas Aquinas”
Wuhan University, April 24, Wuhan, China

“Crucifixion and Redemption in Early Christian Theology”

Chinese University of Hong Kong, April 22, Hong Kong, China

“Desire, Emotion, and Boredom”

China University of Political Science and Law, April 15, Beijing, China

“Original Sin, Evolution, and Death”

Durham University, February 11, Durham, England

2013

“Intending and Willing”

Peking University, June 7, Beijing, China

“How to Be Bored”

Washington College, April 15, Chestertown, Maryland

Providence College, February 6, Providence, Rhode Island

2012

“The Devil's Ransom Revisited: The Crucifixion in Patristic Theology,”

University of Edinburgh, November 22, Edinburgh, Scotland

University of St Andrews, November 21, St Andrews, Scotland

“‘To the Measure of Christ’s Full Stature’ (Eph 4:13): Aquinas on Emotion, Virtue, and Grace”

Durham University, November 20, Durham, England

“Religious Freedom: *Dignitatis Humanae*’s Place in Catholic Social Teaching, Historically Contextualized”

Vatican II Symposium: “Vatican II after Fifty Years,” September 26-29, The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C.

“Thomas Aquinas on the Emotions”

University of Santo Tomas, June 19, Manila, Philippines

Sophia University, June 15, Tokyo, Japan

Assumption University, June 6, Bangkok, Thailand

Fudan University, May 30, Shanghai, China

Peking University, May 24, Beijing, China

University of St. Joseph, May 22, Macau, China

Chinese University of Hong Kong, May 21, Hong Kong, China

Widya Mandala University, May 16, Surabaya, Indonesia

Catholic University of Leuven, May 9, Leuven, Belgium

St Edmund’s College, Cambridge University, May 3, Cambridge, England

“Theology of the Emotions”

Good Shepherd Seminary, May 12, Pontianak, Indonesia

“The Crucifixion in Patristic Thought”

Catholic University of Leuven, May 9, Leuven, Belgium

“Ransom, Redemption, and the Sign of Jonah”

Blackfriars Hall, Oxford University, May 1, Oxford, England

“Boredom and Its Discontents”

Blackfriars Hall, Oxford University, April 30, Oxford, England

Yale University Divinity School, April 10, New Haven, Connecticut

“Emotion in the Thought of Thomas Aquinas”

Georgetown University, April 17, Washington, D.C.

“Emotion and Virtue in Thomas Aquinas”

University of Notre Dame, March 6, South Bend, Indiana

University of Chicago, March 2, Chicago, Illinois

2011

“Redemption as Ransom: The Crucifixion in Patristic Theology”

Pontifical Gregorian University, November 25, Rome, Italy

“Boredom and Its Discontents”

Pontifical Gregorian University, November 23, Rome, Italy

2010

“Emotions and Psychological Health in Aquinas”

Symposium on “Emotions and Health 1200-1700” at the Queen Mary Centre for the History of the Emotions (University of London), June 26, London, England

CONFERENCE PAPERS

2016

“The Text of Sacred Scripture and the Intention of the Divine Author,”

conference on *Dei Verbum*, hosted by the Pontifical University of St Thomas Aquinas, February 25-27, Rome, Italy

2013

“The Philosophical Problem of Boredom,” conference on “Philosophy Today,” Xi’an Jiaotong University, December 21-22, Xi’an, China

“Globalization and Boredom,” conference on “Morality and Responsibility in Times of Global Change,” Fudan University, December 18-19, Shanghai, China

“The Metaphysics of Desire,” conference on “Metaphysics: East and West,” China East Normal University, December 16-17, Shanghai, China

“Philosophical Concepts and Cross-Cultural Communication,” conference on “Spiritual Foundations and Chinese Cultures,” Fu Jen University, December 13-14, Taipei, Taiwan

“God’s Will and Divine Intentionality,” conference hosted by Thomistic Institute, Dominican House of Studies, June 30-July 5, Washington, D.C.

2010 **“The Desire for Desires’: Boredom, Desire, and Joy,”** annual conference of the Notre Dame Center for Ethics and Culture, November 18-20, South Bend, Indiana

“Emotion in the *Summa theologiae*: Passion, Affection, and Ethics,” conference hosted by Thomistic Institute of Warsaw, June 30-July 5, Warsaw, Poland

2009 **“Thomas Aquinas’s Conceptualization of Emotion: Passion, Affection and His Theological Project in Historical Context,”** History of Political and Social Concepts Group annual conference, September 17-19, London and Oxford, England

“Aquinas’s Interpretation of Paul on Emotion, Sin, and Grace,” Catholic Theological Association of Great Britain annual conference, September 7-10, Ushaw College, Durham, England

“Desire as Natural Law and Divine Command,” postgraduate forum of the Society of the Study of Christian Ethics annual conference, September 4-6, Cambridge, England

“Anselm on God's Willing of Christ's Crucifixion,” conference on St Anselm of Canterbury sponsored by Durham University, April 22-25, Canterbury, England

2008 **“Boredom and the Beatitudes,”** postgraduate forum of the Society for the Study of Christian Ethics annual conference, September 5-7, Cambridge, England

“The Ethics of Self-Sacrifice and Christ’s Crucifixion,” conference on “The Grandeur of Reason” sponsored by the University of Nottingham, September 1-4, Rome, Italy

COURSES TAUGHT

Introduction to Theology
Christology
Christian Anthropology
History of Second Vatican Council
Theology of the Emotions
Thomas Aquinas on the Emotions

Theology of God
The Church: Community & Institution
Original Sin
Philosophy of the Emotions
Thomas Aquinas on the Triune God
Aquinas and Bonaventure

Fundamentals of Revelation and Faith Catholic Social Ethics
Christian Tradition in Art & Culture

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE

2017- Member, DMin Proposal Committee
2017-18 Member, Pastoral Degrees Committee
2012-16 Member, MDiv Committee
2012-16 Member, Steering Committee, Center for Medieval and Byzantine Studies
2012-16 Member, DMin Committee
2014-16 Member, Lecture and Visiting Scholar Committee
2014-15 Member, PhD Proposal Committee
2011-13 Member and Organizer, Historical & Systematic Area Faculty Seminar Committee

OTHER TEACHING

2009 **Adjunct Instructor**
Margaret Beaufort Institute of Theology, Cambridge, England

2006-07 **Adjunct Instructor**
Mount St. Mary's Seminary, Cincinnati, Ohio

PASTORAL WORK

2015 **Co-organizer, National Young Adult Ministry Summit**
Gathering of national leaders in Catholic ministry to those in their 20s and 30s,
May 5-7, Washington, D.C.

2009-15 **Invited Presenter, Bishops' Theological Forum**
Chinese Conference of Catholic Bishops, July 2009, June 2013, September 2015,
Beijing, China.

2004-07 **Associate Pastor**
St. Gertrude's Church, Madeira, Ohio

HONORS AND AWARDS

2019 US Fulbright Scholar, Chinese University of Hong Kong
2011- Corresponding Academician of the Pontifical Academy of St. Thomas Aquinas
(Appointed December 6, 2011)
2011 John Templeton Award for Theological Promise
2008 Overseas Research Studentship from the British Government (2008-10)
2007 Cambridge Overseas Trust Bursary (2007-10)