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CURRICULUM VITAE PERSONAL INFORMATION

- Married to Theodora van Gaal in 1994. My wife currently works as Director of Faith Formation in Northwest Baltimore, and is a PhD student in Mission and Immigration Studies at the Radboud University Nijmegen, the Netherlands
- We live in Baltimore, Maryland with three children; my two oldest children live in the Netherlands, together with three grandchildren

FORMAL ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

- B.A. in theology and religious studies, Utrecht State University, 1976
- M.A. in theology, Catholic Theological University of Utrecht, the Netherlands, 1980
- M.Div. in pastoral studies, Catholic Theological University of Utrecht, 1981
- Research Fellow, Catholic Theological University of Utrecht, 1982-1987
- Ph.D. in theology, Catholic Theological University of Utrecht, March 1990
- Assistant Professor of Dogmatic Theology, Catholic University of Nijmegen, the Netherlands, 1987-2001
- Associate Professor of Dogmatic Theology and Theology of Religions, Catholic University of Nijmegen (renamed 2006: Radboud University Nijmegen), 2001-2007
- Associate Dean of Education, Department of Theology and Religious Studies, Catholic University of Nijmegen, 1999-2004
- Visiting Professor of Theology, Loyola College in Maryland, Baltimore, 2006-2007
- Associate Professor of Theology, Loyola University Maryland, Baltimore, 2007-2011
- Ordinary Professor, Religion and Culture, The Catholic University of America, 2011-
- Cardin Chair (Jewish – Christian Relations) in Theology, Loyola University Maryland, Baltimore, 2017-18

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS Books Authored and Books Edited

- *No Power over God's Bounty: A Christian Commentary on the "People of Scripture" in the Qur'an*, Leuven: Peeters, 2021.
- *De religieuze wet in drie religies* (Tijdschrift voor Theologie 60 (2020), no.1) co-edited with Prof. Marcel Poorthuis.
- *Nostra Aetate: Celebrating 50 Years of the Church's Dialogue with Jews and Muslims* (Co-edited with Anthony Cirelli, Washington D.C.: Catholic University of America Press, 2016).
- *Renewing Islam by Service: A Christian View of Fethullah Gülen and the Hizmet Movement* (Washington D.C.: Catholic University of America Press, 2015).
- *World Religions: A Comparative Theological Approach* (Winona MN: Anselm Academic, 2013) Enhanced edition published in 2017.
- *Islam in Nederland: theologische bijdragen in tijden van secularisering*, Amsterdam: Boom, 2011.
- *Fethullah Gülen & de Vrijwilligersbeweging*, Budel: Damon, 2010.
- *Sharing Lights on the Way to God: Muslim-Christian Dialogue and Theology in the Context of Abrahamic Partnership* (Currents of Encounter, 26), Amsterdam – New York NY: Editions Rodopi, 2006.
- *Islam and Enlightenment: New Issues* (Concilium 2005/5), London: SCM Press, 2005.
- *Voorlopers in de vrede*, Budel: Uitgeverij DAMON, 2005.
- *The Three Rings: Textual Studies in the Historical Trialogue of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam* (Publications of the Thomas Instituut Utrecht, New Series vol. 11), Leuven – Dudley MA: Peeters, 2005.
- *In de voetsporen van Abraham*, Budel: Uitgeverij DAMON, 2004.
- *God en geweld*, Budel: Uitgeverij DAMON, 2002.
- *Words of the Living God: Place and Function of Holy Scripture in the Theology of St. Thomas Aquinas* (Publications of the Thomas Instituut te Utrecht, New Series, vol. 6), Leuven: Peeters, 2000.
- *Begaanbare wegen: Christologie en dialoog*, Kampen: uitgeverij Kok, 1998.
- *The Polemical Dialogue: Research into Dialogue, Truth, and Truthfulness* (Nijmegen Studies in Development and Cultural Change, 24), Saarbrücken: Verlag für Entwicklungspolitik, 1997.
- *Leeswijzer bij 'Mensen als verhaal van God' van Edward Schillebeeckx*, Baarn: Uitgeverij H. Nelissen – Nijmegen: Stichting Edward Schillebeeckx.
- *Did Not Our Heart Burn? Place and Function of Holy Scripture in the Theology of St. Thomas Aquinas* (dissertation Cath. Theol. Univ. Utrecht), Utrecht 1990.

Selected articles:

- "A Faithful Christian Interpretation of Islam," in: *Faithful Interpretations: Truth and Islam in Catholic Theology of Religions*, edited by Philip Geister, S.J., and Gösta Hallonsten (Washington D.C.: The Catholic University of America Press, 2021), 165-82.

- “People of Scripture: A Christian Response,” in: *Fine Differences: The Al-Alwani Muslim-Christian Lectures 2010-2017*, edited by Richard J. Jones (Herndon VA: IIIT, 1441AH/2020CE), 118-133.
- “*Nostra Aetate* and Encounters of Friendship,” *Concilium* 2020/4 (Signs of Hope in Muslim-Christian Relations), 13-21; Spanish: “*Nostra Aetate* y encuentros de amistad,” *Concilium* 387 (Septiembre 2020), 467-476; German: “*Nostra Aetate* und Begegnungen in Freundschaft,” *Concilium* 2020/4, 348-356; Italian: “*Nostra Aetate* e gli incontri di amicizia,” *Concilium* 56/4 (2020), 23-33.
- “De religieuze wet in drie religies,” *Tijdschrift voor Theologie* 60 no.1 (2020), 6-15 (with Marcel Poorthuis).
- “Verschuivende verhoudingen: Religieuze wetsystemen in plurale contexten,” *Tijdschrift voor Theologie* 60 no.1 (2020), 76-85 (with Marcel Poorthuis).
- “The Thomistic Roots of Schillebeeckx’s Theology,” in: *The T&T Clark Handbook of Edward Schillebeeckx*, eds. Stephan van Erp and Daniel Minch, (London: T&T Clark, 2020), 19-28.
- “The Missionary Purpose of the *Cribratio Alkorani*,” *Revista Española de Filosofía Medieval* 26 (2019) 15-28.
- “Joden en christenen in de Koran: de literaire gestalte van een polemische dialoog,” *Tijdschrift voor Theologie* 58 (2018) 239-58.
- “Christianity in the Qur’ān,” in: *Routledge Handbook on Christian – Muslim Relations*, ed. David Thomas (London – New York: Routledge, 2018), 33-41.
- “The Dynamics of the Qur’ānic Account of Christianity,” in: *Routledge Handbook on Christian – Muslim Relations*, ed. David Thomas (London – New York: Routledge, 2018), 49-56.
- “God in Muslim and Christian Thought” in: *Theological Issues in Christian – Muslim Dialogue*, ed. Charles Tieszen (Eugene OR: Pickwick, 2018), 1-14.
- “Poverty and Asceticism in Islamic Theology and Spirituality,” in: *Armut als Problem und Armut als Weg – Poverty as Problem and as Path*, eds. Willem Marie Speelman, Angelica Hulsebein, Bernd Schmies, Thomas Schimmel, Hgs. (Münster – St. Bonaventure NY: Aschendorff, 2018), 359-376.
- “Mission By Service: The Hizmet Movement” *Interkulturelle Theologie. Zeitschrift für Missionswissenschaft* 44 (2018) 167-183.
- “A Common Word or a Word of Justice? Two Qur’anic Approaches to Christian – Muslim Dialogue” in: *The Future of Interfaith Dialogue: Muslim – Christian Encounters through A Common Word*, eds. Yazid Said and Lejla Demiri (Cambridge and New York: Cambridge University Press, 2018), 192-203.
- “Prophets Muḥammad and Jesus: Models and Interpreters of Scripture – A Comparative Study,” *Australian Journal of Islamic Studies* 2/2 (2017) 82-95.
- “Comparative Criticism: The Qur’ān and Karl Barth” *Comparative Theology*, ed. Ulrich Winkler (Frankfurter Zeitschrift für islamisch-theologische Studien, Special Issue 1), Berlin: EBVerlag, 2017, 71-88.
- “*Nostra Aetate*: Historical Contingency and Theological Significance”, in: *Nostra Aetate: Celebrating 50 Years of the Church’s Dialogue with Jews and Muslims*, eds. Pim Valkenberg and Anthony Cirelli (Washington D.C.: The Catholic University of America Press, 2016), 6-26.

- “The Academic Reception of *Nostra Aetate*,” in: *Nostra Aetate: Celebrating 50 Years of the Church’s Dialogue with Jews and Muslims*, eds. Pim Valkenberg and Anthony Cirelli (Washington D.C.: The Catholic University of America Press, 2016), 253-63.
- Geert Driessen and Pim Valkenberg, “Islamic Schools in The Netherlands: Compromising between identity and quality?” *The Empirical Science of Religious Education*, edited by Mandy Robbins and Leslie J. Francis (London and New York: Routledge, 2016) 173-85.
- “God(s) of Abraham: Sibling Rivalry Among Three Faiths” *The Christian Century* vol. 133 no. 14 (July 6, 2016), 28-31.
- “Scripture” *The Cambridge Companion to the Summa Theologiae*, eds. Philip McCosker and Denys Turner, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2016, 48-61.
- “Catholic-Muslim Dialogue in the United States and Europe: Public Space, Private Education, and the Common Good” Jaroslaw Pastuszak (ed.), *Religion and the Common Good: principles and starting points of interfaith dialogue in the context of contemporary social and political shifts*, Olomouc: Refugium, 2015, 203-226.
- “The Intellectual Format of the Hizmet Movement: A Discourse Analysis” *Gülen-Inspired Hizmet in Europe: The Western Journey of Turkish Muslim Movement*, eds. Gürkan Çelik, Johan Leman & Karel Steenbrink: Brussels: Peter Lang, 2015, 49-65.
- “Interreligious Responses to Climate Change: Some Suggestions” *Journal of Inter-Religious Studies* 16 (Winter 2015) 81-86.
- “Fethullah Gülen’s Contribution to Muslim-Christian Dialogue in the Context of Abrahamic Cooperation” *Hizmet Studies Review* 2/2 (Spring 2015) 51-66.
- “Una Religio in Rituum Varietate: Religious Pluralism, the Qur’an, and Nicholas of Cusa,” in: *Nicholas of Cusa and Islam: Polemic and Dialogue in the Late Middle Ages* (Studies in Medieval and Reformation Traditions, 183) eds. Ian Christopher Levy, Rita George-Tvrtković & Donald F. Duclow, Leiden – Boston: Brill, 2014, 30-48.
- “Can We Talk Theologically? Thomas Aquinas and Nicholas of Cusa on the Possibility of a Theological Understanding of Islam,” in: *Rethinking the Medieval Legacy for Contemporary Theology*, edited by Anselm K. Min, Notre Dame IN: University of Notre Dame Press, 2014, 131-166.
- “Foreword” in: Matthew A. Tapie, *Aquinas on Israel and the Church: the Question of Supersessionism in the Theology of Thomas Aquinas*, Eugene OR: Pickwick Publications, 2014, ix-xii.
- “How Others Bear Witness To Our Faith: Aquinas and *Lumen Gentium*,” *Jaarboek 2013 Thomas Instituut Utrecht*, Henk Schoot, ed., Utrecht: Thomas Instituut, 2014, 55-75.
- “One Faith, Different Rites: Nicholas of Cusa’s Awareness of Religious Pluralism,” in: *Understanding Religious Pluralism: Perspectives from Religious Studies and Theology*, edited by Peter C. Phan and Jonathan S. Ray, Eugene OR: Pickwick Publications, 2014, 192- 208.

- “Navigating Neuralgic Issues: The Art of David B. Burrell, C.S.C.,” *Modern Theology* 30/1 (January 2014) 146-152.
- “Gids tot vrede. Franciscus als voorbeeld in de hedendaagse interreligieuze dialoog,” in: *De volgeling die voorgaat: Leiderschap in het licht van Franciscus van Assisi*, red. Krijn Pansters, Nijmegen: Valkhof pers, 2014, 77-89.
- “Learning With and From Religious Others,” in: *Teaching Theology and Religion* 16/4 (October 2013) 391.
- “Introduction: Exploring World Religions through Dialogue,” and “Conclusion: Learning World Religions by Encountering Religious Others,” in: *World Religions: A Comparative Theological Approach*, Pim Valkenberg, ed. (Winona MN: Anselm Academic, 2013) pp. 7- 14 and 249-261.
- “Fethullah Gülen and Peace as Horizon of Tolerance and Dialogue,” in: *Preventing Violence and Achieving World Peace: The Contributions of the Gülen Movement*, edited by Ori Z Soltes and Margaret A. Johnson (Washington College Studies in Religion, Politics, and Culture, vol. 4), New York: Peter Lang, 2013, pp. 41-53.
- “The Hizmet Movement in the Dialogue between Muslim and Christian Religious Traditions” in: *The Gülen Hizmet Movement and its Transnational Activities: Case Studies of Altruistic Activism in Contemporary Islam*, eds. Sophia Pandya, Nancy Gallagher, Boca Raton FL: Brown Walker Press, 2012, pp. 35-54.
- “Learned Ignorance and Faithful Interpretation of the Qur’an in Nicholas of Cusa (1401- 1464), in: *Learned Ignorance: Intellectual Humility among Jews, Christians, and Muslims*, eds. James L. Heft, S.M., Reuven Firestone, and Omid Safi, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2011, pp. 34-52.
- “Sifting the Qur’an: Two Forms of Interreligious Hermeneutics in Nicholas of Cusa,” in: *Interreligious Hermeneutics in Pluralistic Europe*, eds. David Cheetham, Ulrich Winkler, Oddbjorn Leirvik, Judith Gruber (Currents of Encounter, 40) Amsterdam – New York: Editions Rodopi, 2011, pp. 27-48.
- “Die Schrift mit der Kirche lesen` : Joseph Ratzinger, die Tradition der Geheimnisse des Lebens Jesu und ‘theologische Exegese’ in Amerika,” in: *Der Jesus des Papstes: Passion, Tod und Auferstehung im Disput*, Hermann Häring (Hg.), Berlin: Litt Verlag, 2011, S. 37-54.
- “Abraham: Conflicting Interpretations and Symbol of Peaceful Cooperation”, in: *Encounters of the Children of Abraham from Ancient to Modern Times*, eds. Antti Laato, Pekka Lindqvist, Leiden: Brill, 2010, pp. 313-326.
- “Das Konzept der Offenbarung im Islam aus der Perspektive Komparativer Theologie”, in: Reinhold Bernhardt, Klaus von Stosch (Hg.), *Komparative Theologie: Interreligiöse Vergleiche als Weg der Religionstheologie* (Beiträge zu einer Theologie der Religionen, 7), Zürich: Theologischer Verlag, 2009, pp. 123-145.
- “Fethullah Gülen’s Contribution to Muslim-Christian Dialogue in the Context of Abrahamic Cooperation”, in: *Islam in the Contemporary World 1: the Fethullah Gülen Movement in Thought and Practice. Conference Proceedings November 12-13, 2005, Rice University, Houston, Texas*. Somerset N.J.: Tughra Books, 2009, pp. 1-10.

- “De Dialoog tussen moslims en christenen – een theologisch perspectief”, in: Marianne Moyaert en Paul Kevers (red.), *Wanneer alteriteit realiteit wordt: Christendom en islam, Bijbel en Koran*, Leuven – Voorburg: Acco, 2008, 213-230.
- (with Harm Goris) “‘In Hem is Gods volheid lijfelijk aanwezig’: Jezus en de religies”, *Tijdschrift voor Theologie* 48 (2008) 403-421
- “Towards ‘Abrahamic Learning Communities’: How to Learn from Violence and Prejudices in Interreligious Polemics on Abraham and his Family”, in: *Your Heritage and Mine: Teaching in a Multi-Religious Classroom*, eds. Lena Roos & Jenny Berglund (Studies on Inter-Religious Relations, 43) Uppsala: Swedish Science Press, 2008, pp. 154-162
- (with Gürkan Celik), “Gülen’s Approach to Dialogue and Peace: Its Theoretical Background and Some Practical Perspectives”, *The International Journal of Diversity in Organisations, Communities and Nations* 7/1 (2007) 29-38
- “Being Found while Seeking: In Search of a Basic Structure of Root Metaphors in Muslim Spirituality”, *Studies in Spirituality* 16 (2006): 39-58.
- “Does the Concept of ‘Abrahamic Religions’ have a Future?”, in: *Islam and Enlightenment: New Issues* (Concilium 2005/5), eds. Erik Borgman, Pim Valkenberg, London: SCM Press, 2005, pp. 103-11
- “Aquinas and Christ’s Resurrection: the Influence of the *Lectura super Ioannem* 20-21 on the *Summa theologiae*”, in: *Reading John with St. Thomas Aquinas: Theological Exegesis and Speculative Theology*, eds. Michael Dauphinais, Matthew Levering, Washington D.C.: Catholic University of America Press, 2005, pp. 277-89.
- (with Marcel Poorthuis, Barbara Roggema) “Judaism, Christianity, and Islam: Three Related but Discordant Voices”, in: *The Three Rings: Textual Studies in the Historical Trialogue of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam*, eds. Barbara Roggema, Marcel Poorthuis, Pim Valkenberg, Leuven: Peeters, 2005, pp. ix-xxii.
- (with Adelbert Davids) “John of Damascus: the Heresy of the Ishmaelites”, in: *The Three Rings: Textual Studies in the Historical Trialogue of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam*, eds. Barbara Roggema, Marcel Poorthuis, Pim Valkenberg, Leuven: Peeters, 2005, pp. 71-90.
- “Polemics, Apologetics, and Dialogue as Forms of Interreligious Communication between Jews, Christians, and Muslims in the Middle Ages”, in: *Religious Polemics in Context*, eds. T.L. Hettema, A. van der Kooij (Studies in Theology And Religion, vol. 11), Assen: Van Gorcum, 2004, pp. 376-83.
- “Interreligious Dialogue as Polemical Conversation”, in: *Theology and Conversatiom: Towards a Relational Theology*, eds. Jacques Hears, Peter De Mey (Bibliotheca Ephemeridum Theologicarum Lovaniensium, 172), Leuven: University Press / Uitgeverij Peeters, 2004, pp. 475-85.
- “The Future of Religion: From Interreligious Dialogue to Multiple Religious Identity?”, *Studies in Interreligious Dialogue* 14 (2004) 95-107.
- (with H.J.M. Schoot) “Thomas Aquinas and Judaism”, *Modern Theology* 20 (2004) /1, 51-70. Also in: *Aquinas in Dialogue: Thomas for the twenty-first century*, eds. Jim Fodor, Frederick Christian Bauerschmidt, Malden MA / Oxford: Blackwell Publishing 2004, pp. 47-66.

- “Christian Identity and Theology of the Trinity”, in: *Identity and Religion: A Multi-disciplinary Approach*, eds. Ad Borsboom, Frans Jespers (Nijmegen Studies in Development and Cultural Change, 42), Saarbrücken: Verlag für Entwicklungspolitik, 2003, pp. 267-90.
- “Jacques Dupuis as a Theologian with a Reversed Mission: some remarks on his controversial theology of religious pluralism”, in: *Mission is a Must: Intercultural Theology and the Mission of the Church*, eds. Frans Wijzen, Peter Nissen (Church and Theology in Context, vol. 40), Amsterdam – New York: Editions Rodopi, 2002, pp. 147-58 .
- “John of Damascus and the Theological Construction of Christian Identity vis-à-vis Early Islam”, in: *Jaarboek 2000 Thomas Instituut te Utrecht*, Utrecht 2001, pp. 8-30
- “Confessing One God amongst Muslims and Jews: an ecumenical-theological conversation”, *International Review of Mission* 89 (2000) nr. 352, 105-14.
- “Christ and the Spirit: Towards a Bifocal Theology of Religions”, in: *The Myriad Christ: Plurality and the Quest for Unity in Contemporary Christology*, eds. Terrence Merrigan, Jacques Haers (Bibliotheca Ephemeridum Theologicarum Lovaniensium, 152), Leuven: University Press / Uitgeverij Peeters, 2000, pp. 121-29.
- (with Geert Driessen) “Islamic Schools in the Netherlands: Compromising between Identity and Quality?”, *British Journal of Religious Education*, 23/1, 2000, 15-26.
- “How to Talk to Strangers: Aquinas and Interreligious Dialogue in the Middle Ages”, in: *Jaarboek 1997 Thomas Instituut te Utrecht*, Utrecht 1998, pp. 9-47.
- “The Myth of a Dialogue between Equals: Who Needs Interreligious Dialogue in Western Europe?”, in: *The Polemical Dialogue: Research into Dialogue, Truth, and Truthfulness*, eds. Pim Valkenberg, Frans Wijzen, Saarbrücken: Verlag für Entwicklungspolitik, 1997, pp. 85- 104.
- “Christ and the Other Ways”, in: *Die widerspenstige Religion: Orientierung für eine Kultur der Autonomie?* (FS H.Häring), Kampen: Kok Pharos, 1997, pp. 377-96.
- “‘By the Power of the Passion of Christ’: The Place of Christ in Aquinas’ Theology of Penance”, in: *Tibi soli peccavi: Thomas Aquinas on Guilt and Forgiveness*, ed. Henk J.M. Schoot (Publications of the Thomas Instituut te Utrecht, New Series, vol. 3), Leuven: Peeters, 1996, pp. 151-74.
- “The Functions of Holy Scripture in Aquinas’ Theology on the Resurrection of Christ”, in: *Atti del IX Congresso Tomistico Internazionale*, vol. VI: *Storia del Tomismo, Fonti e Riflessi* (Studi Tomistici 45), Città del Vaticano: Libreria Editrice Vaticana 1992, 13-22.
- “Readers of Scripture and Hearers of the Word in the Mediaeval Church”, *Concilium* 1991/1, London: SCM Press, 47-57.

COURSES TAUGHT

- Introductory courses on World Religions, Nijmegen and Heerlen (1994-1998)
- Introductory courses on interdisciplinary approaches to the phenomenon of religion for students in religious studies, Nijmegen (1999-2004)
- Introductory courses on Christianity as local and global religion, Nijmegen (2005-2006)
- Undergraduate courses on Christology and ecclesiology for theologians, Nijmegen (1988-1992)
- Undergraduate courses on God in the dialogue between Abrahamic religions for students in religious studies, Nijmegen and Heerlen (1992-2006)
- Undergraduate courses on Christology and Savior Figures for students in religious studies, Nijmegen and Heerlen (1992-2005)
- Undergraduate course on the Theology of Non-Christian Religions, Leuven (1999-2000)
- Undergraduate course on Recent Models of Systematic Theology for students in theology, Utrecht (1990-1991)
- Graduate courses on the Theology of Creation for theologians, Nijmegen (1990-1994)
- (in English) Graduate courses on Contemporary Christologies for the M.Phil programme of St. Augustine College of South Africa, Johannesburg (2000, 2002)
- (in English) Graduate courses on Theological Hermeneutics in Intercultural and Interreligious Perspective for students of the Nijmegen Graduate School of Theology (2000-2003)
- (in English) Graduate course on Christology in Intercultural and Interreligious Perspectives for the students of the Nijmegen Graduate School of Theology (2002, 2005)
- (in English) Graduate course on Mission in Various Religious Traditions, for the students of the Nijmegen Graduate School of Theology (2002-2004)

- Introduction to Theology, Loyola University Maryland (Fall semester 2006-2010).
- Christian Theology and World Religions, Loyola University Maryland (Spring semester 2007 – 2010). Some of these courses are service-learning courses
- Christianity and Islam (seminar), Loyola University Maryland, Spring 2007, and Fall 2007– 2010)
- Honors Course: The Medieval World, Loyola University Maryland, Spring 2008. First Year Experience (with core advising), Loyola University Maryland, Fall 2008 & 2009
- Undergraduate seminar: The Mysteries of the Life of Christ in Theology and Music, Loyola University Maryland, Spring 2009.
- Ethics: Peace Ethics, Loyola University Maryland, Spring 2010.
- Alpha course “Children of Abraham: Polemical Encounters & Peaceful Coexistence”(Introduction to Theology with core advising), Loyola University Maryland, Fall 2010.
- At the Catholic University of America, I teach the following courses:

- TRS 290 World Religions
- TRS366 Mysteries of the Life of Christ in Theology and Music
- TRS 395 Christian-Muslim Relations
- TRS 398 Introduction to Islam
- TRS 491 Theology of World Religions
- TRS760C Theological Reading of Scripture
- TRS 780B Religion and Hermeneutics
- TRS 782B Interreligious Dialogue
- TRS 782E Encounters between Abrahamic Religions
- TRS 864C Muslim God, Christian God
- TRS 891B Comparative Readings of the Qur'an

MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND EDITORIALS

- Editorial Board, Jaarboek of the Thomas Instituut te Utrecht (1989- 2017)
- Faith and Order section of the Dutch Council of Churches, on behalf of the Dutch Roman Catholic Conference of Bishops (1990-2000)
- Steering Committee Churches in Solidarity with Women, Dutch Council of Churches and Dutch Roman Catholic Conference of Bishops (1994-2001)
- Senior Member, Netherlands School of Advanced Studies in Theology and Religion (1995- 2007)
- Member (1990-2007) and chair (1996-2001) of the Dutch Society of Catholic Theologians
- Editorial Board, Begrip Moslims– Christenen (1998-2007)
- European Society for Catholic Theology (1999-2017)
- American Academy of Religion (2004-)
- European Society for Intercultural Theology and Interreligious Studies (2005-)
- Editorial Board, Tijdschrift voorTheologie (2006-2020)
- Editorial Board, Studies in Interreligious Dialogue (2011-2019); Associate Editor (2020-)
- Learned Ignorance Trialogue Group, sponsored by the Institute for Advanced Catholic Studies at the University of Southern California (2006-2007).
- Member (2008-2011) and chairman (2010-2011) of the Steering Committee of the Comparative Theology group at the Catholic Theological Society of America.
- Mid-Atlantic Muslim – Catholic Dialogue, sponsored by Islamic Circle of North America and the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops (2008-2015); National Muslim – Catholic Dialogue (2017-)
- Special Interest Group on Christian-Muslim dialogue of the Catholic Theological Society of America (2008-2010)
- Maryland Clergy Initiative group, sponsored by the Institute for Christian and Jewish Studies and the Baltimore Jewish Council (2010-2012).
- Director of the Institute for Interreligious Studies and Dialogue, The Catholic University of America
- Advisory Board of RumiForum, Washington D.C. (2011-)
- Advisory Board of the Al-Alwani Chair, Washington Theological Consortium (2011- 2014)

- Steering Committee of the Comparative Theology Group, American Academy of Religion (2014-2021)
- Chair of the Comparative Theology Group, American Academy of Religion (2016-2021)
- Vaishnava – Christian Dialogue group (2014-)
- Advisory Board, Interreligious Studies and Intercultural Theology (Equinox, London, 2015-)
- Editorial Board, Currents of Encounter (Brill, Leiden, 2016-)
- Convenor and Founder (with Dr. Sidney Griffith and Dr. Zeki Saritoprak) of the Scholars in Dialogue group, a group of Catholic and Muslim scholars that meet twice per year at CUA and John Carroll University (Ohio) since 2017.
- Advisory Board, Center for Catholic – Jewish Studies, St. Leo University (2017-)
- Editorial Committee, The Catholic University of America Press (2019-)
- Academy of Catholic Theology (2019-)
- Interfaith Leadership Forum, Washington D.C. (2020-)
- College Theology Society (2021-)
- Editorial Board of Horizons, Journal of the College Theology Society (2021-)

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Pastoral work (adult education) for the Diocese of Breda in the Netherlands (1982-1984)
- Lecturer in Christology for Advanced Education of Laypersons in the Archdiocese of Utrecht (1986-1990)
- Study of Arabic language, Faculty of Arts, Catholic University of Nijmegen (1993-1995)
- Member of bilateral theological consultations between Dutch Council of Churches and Middle East Council of Churches (1995, 1999)
- Visiting lecturer, Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium (1999 Fall season)
- Visiting professor, St. Augustine College of South Africa, Johannesburg, 2000 & 2002
- Chairman of Interreligious Dialogue Foundation, Nijmegen, the Netherlands (2003-2006)
- Visiting scholar, University of Notre Dame (2004 Fall season) with study trips to Chicago (CTU) and Boston (BC)
- During my tenure at Loyola University Maryland, I convened a dialogue group of Muslim and Christian clergy in the city of Baltimore.
- For my courses on Christian Theology and World Religions I developed a model of partnerships with Jewish, Muslim and Buddhist communities in Baltimore in order to facilitate service-learning for my students in these courses.