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EDUCATION

- 1996 Ph.D. in Philosophy, University of Iowa.
- 1993 M.A. in Philosophy, University of Iowa.
- 1991 B.A. in Philosophy (with honors), University of Colorado, Boulder.

Areas of Specialization: Medieval Philosophy, Philosophy of Religion.

Areas of Research Interest: Metaphysics, Philosophy of Language, Ethics.

EMPLOYMENT

- 2005–*Present.* Associate Professor of Philosophy, Purdue University.
- 2000–2005. Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Purdue University.
- 1999–2000. Assistant Professor of Philosophy, University of St. Thomas.
- 1998–1999. Research Fellow, Center for Philosophy of Religion, University of Notre Dame.
- 1997–1998. Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Calvin College.
- 1996–1997. Postdoctoral Fellow, Valparaiso University.

PUBLICATIONS

Edited Book:

1. 2004. *The Cambridge Companion to Abelard*. (Co-edited with Kevin Guilfooy). Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Edited Journal Issue:

1. 2007. Special issue of *American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly* on Peter Abelard, with “Editor’s Introduction,” 81: 162-167.

Book Chapters:

1. Forthcoming. “Simplicity and Aseity.” In *The Oxford Handbook to Philosophical Theology*, eds. Michael Rea and Thomas Flint. (= 35 pages)
2. 2004. “Anselm’s Ethics.” In *The Cambridge Companion to Anselm*, eds. Brian Davies and Brian Leftow (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press), 222-256.
3. 2004. “Editors’ Introduction” (With Kevin Guilfooy). In *The Cambridge Companion to Abelard* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press), 1-12.
4. 2004. “Abelard on the Trinity.” In *The Cambridge Companion to Abelard* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press), 223-257.

Journal Articles:

1. In Press: “Aquinas on Mental Representation: Concepts and Intentionality” (with Susan Brower-Toland). *Philosophical Review* (= 55 pages)
2. In Press: “Making Sense of Divine Simplicity.” *Faith and Philosophy*. (= 44 pages)
3. 2007. “The God of Eth and the God of Earth.” (With Michael Bergmann). *Think: Philosophy for Everyone* 14: 33-38.
4. 2006. “A Theistic Argument Against Platonism (and in Support of Truthmakers and Divine Simplicity).” (With Michael Bergmann). *Oxford Studies in Metaphysics* 2: 357-386.

5. 2005. "Material Constitution and the Trinity." (With Michael Rea). *Faith and Philosophy* 22: 57-76.
6. 2005. "Aquinas's Metaphysics of Modality: Reply to Leftow." *Modern Schoolman* 83: 201-212.
7. 2004. "Understanding the Trinity" (with Michael C. Rea). *Logos: A Journal of Catholic Thought and Culture* 8: 145-157.
8. 2004. "The Problem with Social Trinitarianism: Reply to Wierenga." *Faith and Philosophy* 21: 295-303.
9. 2001. "Relations without Polyadic Properties: Albert the Great on the Nature and Ontological Status of Relations," *Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie* 83, 225-57.
10. 2001. "Medieval Theories of Relations," *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (Summer 2001 Edition), Edward N. Zalta (ed.), URL = <http://plato.stanford.edu/entries/relations-medieval/> (= 72 pages)
11. 1998. "Abelard's Theory of Relations: Reductionism and the Aristotelian Tradition," *The Review of Metaphysics* 51: 605-631.

Book Reviews:

1. 2006. Review of Thomas Williams, ed., *The Cambridge Companion to Duns Scotus*," *The Philosophical Review* 115: 259-262.
2. 2003. Review of John Haldane (ed.), *Mind, Metaphysics, and Value in the Thomistic and Analytical Traditions* (Notre Dame, IN: University of Notre Dame Press, 2002), *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* March 2003, URL = <http://ndpr.icaap.org/content/archives/2003/3/brower-haldane.html>. (= 4 pages)
3. 2001. Review of Richard Cross, *Duns Scotus* (Oxford University Press), *Philosophia Christi* 3: 310-11.
4. 2000. Review of Paul Vincent Spade (ed.), *The Cambridge Companion to Ockham* (Cambridge University Press), *Journal of the History of Philosophy* 38: 588-89.
5. 2000. Review of Simon Kemp, *Cognitive Psychology in the Middle Ages* (Greenwood Press), *Speculum* 75: 206-207.

WORK IN PROGRESS

1. Book: *Aquinas on Material Objects* (in progress)
2. Journal Article: "Aquinas on Lying." (33 pages)

INVITED TALKS

1. 2007. "Aquinas's Hylomorphism." Thomas-Institut, University of Cologne, Germany, June.
2. 2007. "Aquinas on Change and Hylomorphism." Trinity College, Cambridge, March.
3. 2007. "Aseity and Simplicity." Butler Society, Oriel College, Oxford, February.
4. 2006. "Aquinas's Hylomorphism." Department of Philosophy, Charles University, Prague, November.
5. 2006. "Aquinas on Simplicity." Czech Society of Thomas Aquinas, Dominican Convent at St. Giles, Prague, November.
6. 2006. "Aquinas on Material Substance." Central APA, Symposium ("Theories of Substance: Ancient, Medieval, and Modern"), April.
7. 2005. "Understanding the Trinity." Department of Philosophy, Hope College, Holland, MI, February.
8. 2004. Comments on Brian Leftow, "Aquinas on God and Modal Truth." *Medieval Metaphysics*, 6th Henle Conference, Saint Louis University, Saint Louis, MO, April.
9. 2004. "Aquinas on Lying." Moody Conference in Medieval Philosophy, University of California at Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA, February.
10. 2003. "Anselm on Ethics." Department of Philosophy, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, April.
11. 2002. Comments on Edward Wierenga, "Trinity and Polytheism." *The Kenneth Konyndyk Memorial Lecture*, Society of Christian Philosophers, Central Division Meeting, American Philosophical Association, April.
12. 2001. "Bernard of Clairvaux." Pew Traditio Seminar, University of Notre Dame, July.
13. 2000. "Real Distinctions in a Simple God." Founding session of the Society for Medieval Logic and Metaphysics, American Catholic Philosophical Association Meeting, University of Dallas, November.
14. 1999. Comments on Thomas Flint's "Molinism, Freedom and the Incarnation." 46th Annual Wheaton Philosophy Conference, Wheaton College, October.
15. 1997. "Abelard's Theory of Relations." Conference on the Thought of Peter Abelard, UCLA, February.

OTHER PRESENTATIONS

1. 2007. "Aquinas on Change and Hylomorphism." Midwest Conference in Medieval Philosophy, Saint Louis University, October.
2. 2006. "Aquinas's Basic Hylomorphism". Cornell Summer Colloquium in Medieval Philosophy, Cornell University, June.
3. 2004. "Aquinas on Lying." Cornell Summer Colloquium in Medieval Philosophy, Cornell University, June.
4. 2003. "Material Constitution and the Trinity" (With Michael Rea). Eastern APA, Symposium, December.
5. 2003. "Aquinas on Mental Representation" (with Susan Brower-Toland). Midwest Conference in Medieval Philosophy, Creighton University, September.
6. 2003. "Anselm on Ethics." Cornell Summer Colloquium in Medieval Philosophy, Cornell University, June.
7. 2003. "Anselm on Ethics." Mid-West Seminar on Ancient and Medieval Philosophy, Marquette University, March.
8. 2002. "Material Constitution and the Trinity" (With Michael Rea). Society of Christian Philosophers, Midwest Regional Meeting, Indiana University, September.
9. 2002. "Anselm on Ethics." Department of Philosophy, Purdue University, October 2002.
10. 2001. "Numerical Sameness without Identity: Abelard on the Trinity." Philosophy Department, Purdue University, November.
11. 2001. "Abelard on the Trinity." Cornell Summer Colloquium in Medieval Philosophy, Cornell University, June.
12. 2001. "Medieval Theories of Relations." Medieval Studies Colloquium, Purdue University, February.
13. 2000. "Real Distinctions in a Simple God." Cornell Summer Colloquium in Medieval Philosophy, Cornell University, June.
14. 2000. "Aquinas on the Trinity." 35th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Western Michigan University, May.
15. 2000. "Albert the Great on the Nature and Ontological Status of Relations." Purdue University, Department of Philosophy, February.
16. 2000. "Albert the Great on the Nature and Ontological Status of Relations." Cornell Summer Colloquium in Medieval Philosophy, Cornell University, May.
17. 1999. "Making Sense of Divine Simplicity." Cornell Summer Colloquium in Medieval Philosophy, Cornell University, June.
18. 1999. "Identity, Real Distinction, and the Categories: Aquinas on the Trinity." Center for Philosophy of Religion, University of Notre Dame, February.
19. 1997. "Albert the Great on the Nature and Ontological Status of Relations." Loyola University of Chicago, Department of Philosophy, March.
20. 1997. "Albert the Great on the Nature and Ontological Status of Relations." Calvin College, Department of Philosophy, February.
21. 1996. "Abelard's Commentary on *Categories* 7." 31st International Congress on Medieval Studies, Western Michigan University, May.
22. 1996. "Abelard's Theory of Relations." Calvin College, Department of Philosophy, March 1996.
23. 1996. "Abelard's Theory of Relations." University of Toronto, Department of Philosophy, February.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY

Co-organizer of the (first annual) Midwest Conference in Medieval Philosophy, Creighton University, September 2003.

Referee: (a) Book manuscripts: *Oxford University Press*, *Cambridge University Press*; (b) Journal articles: *Journal of the History of Philosophy*, *Faith and Philosophy*, *Medieval Philosophy and Theology*, *American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly*, *Journal of Philosophical Research*.

Survey respondent for *Philosophical Gourmet Report*.

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

1. 2006-07. Humboldt Research Fellowship. Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, Germany.
2. 2004. Summer Faculty Grant. Purdue Research Foundation, School of Liberal Arts, Purdue University.

3. 2004. NEH Summer Seminar Participant, "Soul and Substance in Aristotle and the Aristotelian Tradition" with Christopher Shields and Robert Pasnau, University of Colorado at Boulder.
4. 2003. Participant in summer seminar on Aquinas, "Mind, World, and Representation" with John Haldane, University of St. Thomas.
5. 2001. Dean's Incentive Grant, School of Liberal Arts, Purdue University.
6. 1998-99. Research Fellowship, Center for Philosophy of Religion, University of Notre Dame.
7. 1998. Calvin Summer Seminar Participant, "Anselm: Faith Seeking Understanding" with Eleonore Stump, Calvin College.
8. 1996-97. Postdoctoral Fellowship, Lilly Fellows Program in Humanities and the Arts, Valparaiso University.
9. 1996-97. Outstanding Dissertation in Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, University of Iowa.
10. 1992-93. Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award, College of Liberal Arts, University of Iowa.
11. 1993. Honors *cum laude* in Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, University of Colorado, Boulder. (*Thesis title*: Aristotle's Theory of Universals; *Thesis Advisor*: Christopher Shields).
12. 1989-90. Trinity Institute Student Scholarship Award, The Trinity Institute, Dallas, Texas.

TEACHING AT PURDUE

Graduate:

Latin Philosophical Texts (= Reading group of faculty and graduate students meeting 2-3 hours per week to read medieval Latin philosophical texts in their original language): Fall 2000-Fall 2004
 Phil 590 (= Directed Readings in Philosophy): Spring 2003 ("Self-Deception" with S. Raskin); Summer 2001 ("Medieval Metaphysics" with J. Mulder)
 Phil 502 (= Studies in Medieval Philosophy): Fall 2004 ("Metaphysics of Material Substance"); Fall 2002 ("Philosophy of Aquinas"); Fall 2000 ("Medieval Problem of Universals").

Undergraduate:

Phil 402 (= Studies in Medieval Christian Thought): Spring 2006; Spring 2003 (honors section); Fall 2001
 Phil 302 (= History of Medieval Philosophy/Honors): Spring 2006; Fall 2004 (honors sections); Fall 2003 (honors section); Fall 2002 (honors section); Fall 2001 (honors section); Fall 2000 (honors section)
 Phil 120 (= Critical Thinking): Spring 2001
 Phil 111 (= Introduction to Ethics): May 2004, May 2002
 Phil 110 (= Introduction to Philosophy): Fall 2005 (large lecture); Spring 2003 (2 sections: one large, one small lecture); Spring 2003 (2 sections: 1 large, 1 small lecture); May 2002; Spring 2001 (large lecture)

Other:

IT Class (= "Endnote Basics: Citation Management for Liberal Arts Scholars): Summer 2004 (2 sections, both co-taught with Howard Zelaznik)

DISSERTATION COMMITTEES

Tully Borland, "Scotus on Ethics and Divine Commands", chair (in progress)
 Allan Hillman, "Leibniz on Perfection and Limitation" (in progress)
 Rebecca Lloyd, "Descartes's Account of Time" (in progress)
 Kevin Sharpe, "Functionalism, Dispositions, and Mental Causation" (in progress)
 Winship Varner "In Defense of a Hylomorphic Analysis of Material Objects" (in progress)
 Tad Robinson "Spinoza on Parts and Wholes" (defended 2007)
 James Madden, "Leibniz on Final Causation" (defended 2003)
 Justin Skirry, "Problem of Mind-Body Union in Descartes" (defended 2003)
 Louis Mancha, "Concurrentism: A Philosophical Investigation" (defended 2002)

AREA EXAMINATION COMMITTEES

History of Philosophy:

Fall 2005 (9 total): Erik Baldwin, Tavi Gabor, Allan Hillman, Rebecca Lloyd, Anthony Malagon, Shannon Nason, Alex Nuttall, Mike Thune, Chris Tucker
Fall 2004 (2 total): Tully Borland, Brad Sickler
Fall 2003 (5 total): Bertha Alvarez, Chris Martin, Tad Robinson, David Turpin, Winship Varner
Fall 2002 (5 total): Jack Mulder, Harrison Kleiner, Lee McBride, Joseph Long, Lazar Popov
Fall 2001 (2 total): Alex Carmical, Joon Kang
Fall 2000 (2 total): James Madden, Justin Skirry

OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Graduate Placement Director (2004-2006)
Educational Policy Committee (2003-2005)
Liberal Arts Honors Committee (2002-2003)
Undergraduate Committee (2002-2003)
Philosophy Department Strategic Planning Committee, Chair (Fall 2001)
PRF Research Grant Proposal Review Committee (Fall 2001)
Undergraduate Committee (Fall 2001)
Dean's Scholar Mentor (2000-2001)
Colloquium and Speakers (2003-2004, 2000-2001)
Search Committee for New Hires (Fall 2005, Fall 2001, Fall 2000)
Interview Committee for New Hires (Fall 2005, Fall 2001, Fall 2000)

PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

American Philosophical Association
Society for Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy
American Catholic Philosophical Association
Society of Christian Philosophers

LANGUAGES AND LANGUAGE SKILLS

Latin, Greek, German, Japanese
Medieval Latin Paleography