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ACADEMIC POSITIONS:

2020 – Professor, UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS, St. Paul, MN
2018 – Assistant to Department Chair, UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS, St. Paul, MN
2015 – 2020 Associate Professor (with tenure), UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS, St. Paul, MN
2012 – 2013 Research Fellow, Center for Philosophy of Religion, UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME
2009 – 2015 Assistant Professor (tenure-track), UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS, St. Paul, MN

EDITORIAL POSITIONS:

2010 – Assistant Editor, *American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly*
2017 – 2020 Editorial Board and sub-section editor, *Encyclopedia of Medieval Philosophy*,
(sub-section on natural philosophy in Latin tradition)

EDUCATION:

PhD Philosophy, UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME, 2009
Dissertation: “Thomas Aquinas on Necessary Truths about Contingent Beings”
M.A. Philosophy, UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME, 2006
Candidacy Exam Topic: John Duns Scotus’s philosophy and natural theology
B.A. Philosophy, *Summa cum Laude*, THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA, 2004

AREAS OF RESEARCH:

Medieval philosophy; Early Modern Philosophy; Metaphysics; Philosophy of Religion; History of Science and Medicine

PUBLICATIONS: BOOKS

Aquinas on Causal Powers and Efficient Causation, (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press), under contract.

PUBLICATIONS: ARTICLES

10. “Aquinas on Passive Powers,” *Vivarium* (special issue on causal powers), conditionally accepted.
9. “What is an action? Peter Auriol vs. Thomas Aquinas on the metaphysics of causality,” *Ergo* 6.43 (2020): 1259-1285.

8. "Aquinas on the intension and remission of accidental forms," *Oxford Studies in Medieval Philosophy*, 7 (2019): 116-146.
7. "Aquinas's ontology of transeunt causal activity," *Vivarium*, 56 (2018): 1-36.
6. "Peter Olivi's Rejection of God's Concurrence with Secondary Causes," *British Journal for the History of Philosophy*, 22.4 (2014): 655-679.
5. "Aquinas and Scotus on the Source of Contingency," *Oxford Studies in Medieval Philosophy*, 2 (2014): 46-66.
4. "Thomas Bradwardine on God and the Foundations of Modality," *British Journal for the History of Philosophy*, 21.2 (2012): 368 – 380.
*Paper awarded *Society for Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy's* 2012 Founder's Prize.
3. "Thomas Aquinas on the perpetual truth of essential propositions," *History of Philosophy Quarterly*, 27.3 (2010): 197-213.
2. "John Duns Scotus on God's Knowledge of Sins: A test case for God's knowledge of contingents," *Journal of the History of Philosophy*, 48.1 (2010): 15-34.
1. "Thomas Aquinas on Truths about Nonbeings," *Proceedings of the American Catholic Philosophical Association*, 80 (2007): 101-113.

PUBLICATIONS: CHAPTERS IN EDITED BOOKS

5. "Medieval Conceptions of God's Concurrence," *Divine Causation*, ed. G. Ganssle, Routledge Press, forthcoming.
4. "Medieval Aristotelians on Congenital Disability and their Early Modern Critics," *Disability in Medieval Philosophy*, ed. S. Williams (Routledge Press, 2020), 51-79.
2. "Duns Scotus on God's Causation of Volitions," *Interpreting Scotus*, ed. Giorgio Pini (Cambridge University Press), forthcoming.
2. "Propositions," *Bloomsbury Companion to Aquinas*, eds. John Haldane and John O'Callaghan, submitted to editors.
1. "Truth," *Bloomsbury Companion to Aquinas*, eds. John Haldane and John O'Callaghan, submitted to editors.

PUBLICATIONS: TRANSLATION

1. "Gaunilo's reply to Anselm," *Reason and Responsibility*, 16th edition, ed. Joel Feinberg and Russ Shafer-Landau, (Cengage, 2015), pp. 33-36.

PUBLICATIONS: BOOK REVIEWS/CONFERENCE REPORTS

1. Report on Workshop on Medieval Natural Philosophy, *Bulletin de philosophie médiévale*, 58 (2016): 4-8.
2. Review of Joseph Koterski's, *Introduction to Medieval Philosophy: Basic Concepts* (Wiley-Blackwell, 2008), *American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly*, 84.4 (2010): 814-817.

INVITED CHAPTERS IN PROGRESS:

"Essence in Medieval Philosophy," *Routledge Handbook of Essence*, ed. K. Koslicki and M. Raven

"Aquinas on the participation of substances in their accidents," Festschrift for Msgr. John Wippel, ed. T.S. Cory and G. Doolan

INVITED PRESENTATIONS (COLLOQUIUM, CONFERENCE AND KEYNOTE):

- "Aquinas on Active Power," *Invited Symposium: New Directions in Medieval Philosophy*, American Philosophical Association Eastern Division Meeting, January 9, 2020 (read in absentia)
- "Aquinas on Causal Powers," Keynote Address at *Causal Powers in 13-14th century philosophy*, KU-Leuven, Leuven, Belgium, June 1-2, 2018
- "Naturalizing Impaired Bodies and Affirming Their Goodness: Medieval Aristotelians on Congenital Disability," Universität Bonn, Germany, May 30, 2018.
- "Naturalizing Impaired Bodies and Affirming Their Goodness: Medieval Aristotelians on Congenital Disability," *Demonstration, Experience and Science in Ancient and Medieval Thought*, Georgetown University, April 18, 2018.
- "Challenging Contemporary Assumptions: Causation in Medieval and Contemporary Philosophy," Canadian Philosophical Association Annual Meeting, Ryerson University, Toronto, Canada, May 29-31, 2017.
- "Aquinas on Causal Powers," *The Metaphysical Dimensions of Nature*, International Conference hosted by the University of Notre Dame and the Pontifical University of Santa Croce, Rome, Italy, February 23-25, 2017
- "Toward a Conception of Force: Peter Auriol's Rejection of the Aristotelian View that Action is Motion," Symposium on Post-Aristotelian Natural Philosophy, the *International Society for the History of Philosophy of Science (HOPOS)*, University of Minnesota, June 23, 2016
- "Causation as a Single Event: Aquinas on 'Action-Passion' Identity and Auriol's Critique," *Activity, Spontaneity and Agency in Later Medieval and Early Modern Philosophy*, University of Toronto, (Toronto, CA), June 9-10, 2016
- "The Metaphysics of Growth in Virtue: Aquinas on the Intension and Remission of Accidental Forms," keynote for *Society for Thomistic Personalism* Session, 2014 ACPA Meeting, Washington, DC, Oct. 12, 2014
- "Three Medieval Models of Primary and Secondary Causation," *University of*

Toronto Colloquium in Medieval Philosophy, University of Toronto, Toronto, CA, September 20-21, 2013

- “Aquinas and Scotus on the Cause of Contingency,” American Philosophical Association Eastern Division Meeting, *Society for Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy* Session, Atlanta, GA, December 2012
- “Aquinas and Scotus on the Cause of Contingency,” *Modal Logic and Modalities in Ancient and Mediaeval Philosophy*, Annual Ancient and Medieval Philosophy Colloquium, University of Western Ontario, Ontario, CA, October 18-20, 2012

OTHER CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS:

(* INDICATES REFEREED)

- “What is an action? Thomas Aquinas vs. Peter Auriol on the metaphysics of action,” Midwest Colloquium on Medieval Philosophy, University of Notre Dame, April 5-6, 2019
- “Naturalizing Impaired Bodies: Albert the Great on Congenital Disability,” Society for Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy satellite session, *American Catholic Philosophical Association*, Nov. 8-11, 2018
- “Aquinas on Causal Powers,” Morris Colloquium in Medieval Philosophy, University of Colorado, Boulder, April 5-7, 2018
- “Congenital Disability in Medieval Philosophy,” workshop on *Disability in Medieval Philosophy*, University of Notre Dame, April 27, 2018
- “Putting Hylomorphism to Work: Aquinas on the Causal Powers of Complex Material Substances,” workshop *Aristotelian Ontologies of the Material World*, University of Notre Dame, May 6, 2017.
- “Aquinas’s Ontology of Physical Action,” *Society for Thomistic Natural Philosophy*, 2016 ACPA meeting, San Francisco, CA, Nov. 7, 2016*
- “Aquinas on Change and Accidental Unities,” Author Meets Critics Session on Jeffrey Brower’s *Aquinas’s Ontology of the Material World*,” ACPA Meeting, Boston, MA, Oct. 9, 2015
- “Thomas Aquinas on God’s infallible causation of contingent effects,” *The Metaphysics of Aquinas and Its Modern Interpreters: Theological and Philosophical Perspectives*, 31st Annual Conference of the Center for Medieval Studies, Fordham University, March 27, 2011*
- “Thomas Aquinas on Truths about Nonbeings,” 2006 ACPA Meeting, Denison University, Granville, OH, October 28, 2006*
- “Naming a Transcendent God: A Problem of Language in the Middle Ages,” Graduate Student Conference on Language, Boston College, Boston, MA, April 7-8, 2006*

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS FOR GENERAL AUDIENCES:

- “Aquinas on evil and the goodness of God,” Texas A&M University, Veritas Forum, lecture sponsored by Thomistic Institute, February 25, 2019
- “Aquinas on evil and the goodness of God,” Williams College, lecture sponsored by

Thomistic Institute, September 19, 2018

- “Aquinas on evil and the goodness of God,” Vanderbilt Medical School, lecture sponsored by Thomistic Institute, March 15, 2018
- “Does God Exist? Aquinas’s Proof from Motion,” Columbia University, lecture sponsored by Thomistic Institute, February 23, 2018
- “Aquinas on the Problem of Evil,” Brown University, Providence, RI, April 3, 2017
- “Concurrentism,” University of Northwestern, St. Paul, MN, March 16, 2017
- Response to “The Solubility of Salt: A Divine Action Account” by Walter Schulz and Lianne Winslow, *Science and Theology Network* Public Lecture, University of St. Thomas, April 12, 2016
- “Did Thomas Aquinas *really* say that? Constituting Modern Texts from Medieval Manuscripts,” University of St. Thomas philosophy colloquium, St. Paul, MN, November 16, 2010

FELLOWSHIPS:

- Faculty Fellow, Terence J. Murphy Institute, University of St. Thomas, Summer 2017 (\$5, 500)
- Analytic Theology Fellowship, sponsored by the John Templeton Foundation and the Center for Philosophy of Religion at the University of Notre Dame, 2012-2013 (\$75, 000)
- “Distinguished Guest Fellow of the Notre Dame Institute for Advanced Studies,” Spring 2013 [declined]; 2015-2016 [declined]
- Post-Doctoral Researcher Fellowship, Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, awarded for 12 month research stay in Freiburg, 2011-2012 [declined]

GRANTS:

- Distinguished Early Career Grant, University of St. Thomas; supports a half-load teaching reduction to complete a major scholarly project; Fall 2018-Spring 2020
- Sabbatical Grant, Faculty Development, University of St. Thomas, Fall 2016
- “Perennial Conceptions of the Divine: An Analytic Investigation,” Co-Principal Investigator and Co-Director (with Tim Pawl); grant to support research projects and organize workshops on the classical conception of the divine advanced by the Christian, Judaic and Islamic traditions. Funding from the John Templeton Foundation, with additional support from the University of St. Thomas; 2015 – 2018 (\$200,000)
- Analytic Theology Summer Stipend, sponsored by the John Templeton Foundation and the Center for Philosophy of Religion at the University of Notre Dame, summer 2012; 2013 (\$5,000)
- Research Grant (to support a course release), Faculty Development Center, University of St. Thomas, 2010; 2012; 2015
- Aquinas Chair Grant, University of St. Thomas, 2009 (\$5,000)

- Graduate Student Professional Development Grant, *Institute for Scholarship in Liberal Arts*, University of Notre Dame, used for German language study in Freiburg, Germany, June 2007

AWARDS AND HONORS:

- Founder's Prize (for best paper by a recent PhD), *Society for Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy*, 2012
- Departmental nominee for university's Shaheen Award (for outstanding humanities graduate student), Department of Philosophy, University of Notre Dame, 2009
- Edward Braham Award for Academic Excellence (awarded to one graduating philosophy major), School of Philosophy, The Catholic University of America, 2004
- *Phi Beta Kappa*, inducted May 2004, The Catholic University of America

TEACHING RELATED ACTIVITIES/GRANTS:

- Network Member, Mellon-Notre Dame Philosophy as A Way of Life Project
- Online teaching certification courses, *STELAR* Center, University of St. Thomas:
 - Setting the Foundation: Best Practices in Online Teaching, Spring 2018
 - Design Elements, January 2018
- Teaching Enhancement Grant, Faculty Development Center, University of St. Thomas, for project "Engaging Students Through Animation: Employing New Technology for Enhancing Pre-Recorded Lectures," Summer 2018.
 - Link to Whiteboard animation videos produced through this grant: <https://www.youtube.com/user/gloriarfrost/>
- Teaching Enhancement Grant, Faculty Development Center, University of St. Thomas, for project "Flipping Philosophy: Cultivating Critical Thinking and Higher-Level learning through Outside the Classroom Technology," August 2016
- Funded Participant, *Writing Professionally—and Teaching Students to Write*, University of St. Thomas, August 11-15, 2014
- Teaching Enhancement Grant, Faculty Development Center, University of St. Thomas, for project "Teaching Philosophy through Film," July 2013
- Funded Participant, *Writing Across the Curriculum Summer Seminar*, University of St. Thomas, June 28-July 7, 2011

COURSES TAUGHT (UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS):

Philosophy:

- Ancient Philosophy
- Introductory Ethics
- Introductory Ethics (online version)
- Philosophy of the Human Person
- Medieval Philosophy
- Philosophy of God (Senior Seminar)
- The Person and the Good

Interdisciplinary Honors Seminars (co-taught):

- Evil and Suffering
- Death and Resurrection
- Free Will and Grace

DEPARTMENTAL AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE:

- Member of Academic Curriculum Implementation Steering Committee; Co-Chair of the Integrating Humanities Sub-Committee, Spring 2019 – present
- Assistant to Department Chair (philosophy), Fall 2018 – present
- Departmental publicity committee, Fall 2018- present
- Search Committee, Dougherty Family College (philosophy instructor), Spring 2018
- Faculty Senate, College of Arts & Sciences Division II Senator, 2017- present
- Departmental Tenure Committee, 2015 – present
- Teaching Evaluator, for Departmental Tenure Cases, 2016; 2017
- Teaching Evaluator, for Non-Departmental Tenure Cases, 2016, 2018
- Mentor to untenured faculty, 2015- present
- Faculty Advisor for Student Club (SHINE), 2015- 2016
- Academic Advisor (for 22 first year students), 2011- present
- Student enrichment committee, 2014- present
- University Grievance Committee, 2010- 2014 (Chair, 2011- 2012; 2013-2014)
- Departmental Search Committee (‘AOS open’ positions), 2011-2012; 2013-2014
- Coordinator for Philosophy Department Tutors, 2009-2010

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE:

- Vice-President / President-Elect, Society for Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy, 2020- present.
- Executive Committee, American Catholic Philosophical Association, 2016-2017
- Sub-Committee on the role of philosophy in Catholic colleges/universities, American Catholic Philosophical Association, 2017-2018
- Planning Committee, American Catholic Philosophical Association, 2015-present
- Executive Committee, Society for Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy, 2015-2018
- Program Committee, Society for Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy, 2015-2018
- Executive Council, American Catholic Philosophical Association, 2014-2017
- Program Committee, “Aristotle: Now and Then,” ACPA annual conference hosted by Indiana University-Purdue University, Indianapolis, November 1-3, 2013
- Executive Committee, Society for Christian Philosophers, 2013-2016
- Consultant, Gale-Cengage Classical Medieval Literary Criticism series (John Duns Scotus entry), 2011
- Referee:
Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie; British Journal for the History of Philosophy; BJHP Graduate Essay Prize; Canadian Philosophical Association;

Faith and Philosophy; Ergo; History of Philosophy Quarterly; Journal of the History of Philosophy; Medieval Studies; Oxford University Press; Pickering & Chatto Publishers; Res Philosophica; Synthese; Tijdschrift voor Filosofie;

- External Reviewer:
KU Leuven (Senior BOFZAP position); Research Foundation—Flanders (FWO);
- Workshops Organized:
 - Classical Theism Workshop, University of St. Thomas, July 30- Aug. 1, 2015
 - Workshop on Medieval Natural Philosophy, University of St. Thomas, June 22, 2016
 - Classical Theism Workshop, University of St. Thomas, July 21-23, 2016

RESEARCH GROUPS:

- Groningen Centre for Medieval and Early Modern Thought, Member, 2016-present

THESIS/STUDENT RESEARCH SUPERVISION:

- External Reader
 - Zita Tóth, “Medieval Problems of Secondary Causation and Divine Concurrence,” PhD dissertation, Fordham University, defended April 2017.
- Faculty Mentor
 - Grant Pederson, Interreligious Research Fellowship, Sponsored by the Jay Phillips Center for Interfaith Learning, for project "Influence of Muslim Philosophers on Duns Scotus, 2019-2020.
 - Patrick Fisher, *Aquinas and Environmental Ethics*, undergraduate research project supported by a “Collaborative Inquiry Grant,” University of St. Thomas, Spring 2015.
 - Garrett D. Ahlers, "Whether God is in All Things? A Defense of Aquinas on God as the Source of Being," research paper awarded Georgetown University’s Edward A. Martin Prize Honorable Mention for best undergraduate paper on medieval philosophy, 2012.
- M.A. Thesis Supervisor
 - Cameron Thompson, *Thomas Aquinas on the Nature of the Union of Love*, M.A. in Catholic Studies, University of St. Thomas. Completed May 2011.

RESEARCH LANGUAGES AND SKILLS:

- Reading knowledge of French, German, Latin, and Spanish
- Competency in Latin paleography & text editing