### **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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## **Areas of Specialization:**

Ancient and Medieval Philosophy: Greek, Latin, and Arabic Thought, especially Aquinas, Albert the Great, Averroes; Metaphysics, Cosmology, Philosophical Theology, Philosophy of Language, Causality & Free Will

#### **Areas of Concentration:**

Semantics and Essentialism; History of Analytic Philosophy

### **Degrees:**

B.S.S., Cornell College, Greek and Latin (magna cum laude), 1979

M.A., University of Toronto, Medieval Studies, 1980

M.S.L., Pontifical Institute of Mediaeval Studies, University of Toronto: Philosophy, History of Science, Paleography (*summa cum laude*), 1987

Ph.D., University of Toronto, Joint Ph.D. Program in Philosophy and Medieval Studies, 1993

## **Academic Experience:**

University of Toronto, Teaching Assistant, Philosophy, Greek, Latin, 1982-1986 Oratory Philosophy Programme, Toronto, Ontario, Instructor, 1986-1991 Marquette University, Assistant Professor, 1991-1999 Marquette University, Associate Professor, 1999-present

#### Languages:

Reading Competency: Greek, Latin, Arabic, Hebrew, Portuguese Speaking and Reading Competency: French, Italian, German, Spanish

## **PUBLICATIONS**

## **Book (edited)**

[1] Co-Editor (with Richard C. Taylor & Michael Wreen), *Tolle, lege: Essays on St Augustine and Medieval Philosophy in Honor of Roland J. Teske, S.J.* Milwaukee: Marquette University Press, 2011. [364 pp.].

### **Book Chapters (in Print)**

- [2] "How Save Aquinas' 'Intellectus essentiae' Argument for the Real Distinction between Essence and esse?" Annals of Philosophy 67 (2019) 129-143.
- [3] "Whose Prime Mover Is More (un)Aristotelian, Broadie's, Berti's or Averroes'?" In J.-B. Brenet and O. Lizzini (eds), *La philosophie arabe à l'étude: Sens, limites et défis d'une discipline moderne*, pp. 347-392. Paris: Vrin, 2019.

- [4] Co-author (with Brian Carl, Mark F. Johnson and Francisco Romero). "Definition: Theism." In Graham Oppy and Joseph Koterski (eds), *Theism and Atheism: Opposing Viewpoints in Philosophy*, pp. 1-18. Farmington Hills, MI: Gale, 2018.
- [5] "¿Un Dios para para no-teístas? La definición pluralista de 'Dios' en Tomás de Aquino." In *La sabiduría en Tomas de Aquino. Inspiración y reflexión. Perspectivas filosóficas y teológicas.* Liliana Irizar (ed.). Bogotá: Universidad Sergio Arboleda, 2017, pp. 55-85.
- [6] "Arabic Cosmology and the Physics of Cosmic Motion." In Luis López Farjeat & Richard C. Taylor (eds), *Routledge Companion to Islamic Philosophy*, pp. 156-167. New York: Routledge, 2016.
- [7] "Aristotelian Cosmology and Causality in Classical Arabic Philosophy and its Greek Background." In Damien Janos (ed.), *Ideas in Motion in Baghdad and Beyond: Philosophical and Theological Exchanges between Christians and Muslims in the Third/Ninth and Fourth/Tenth Centuries*, pp. 312-433. Leiden: Brill, 2016.
- [8.0] Co-author and editor, "Albert's Physics," pp. 173-219. In Irven M. Resnick (ed.), *A Companion to Albert the Great: Theology, Philosophy, and the Sciences*. Leiden: Brill, 2013.
- [8] Co-author (with Stephen Baldner), "Introduction to Albert's Philosophical Work." In Irven M. Resnick (ed.), *A Companion to Albert the Great: Theology, Philosophy, and the Sciences*, pp. 165-172. Leiden: Brill, 2013.
- [9] "The Prime Mover in Albert's Physics." In Irven M. Resnick (ed.), *A Companion to Albert the Great: Theology, Philosophy, and the Sciences*, pp. 204-205, 208-219. Leiden: Brill, 2013.
- [10.0] Principal editor (with Bruno Tremblay), "The Metaphysics of Albert," pp. 541-721. In Irven M. Resnick (ed.), *A Companion to Albert the Great: Theology, Philosophy, and the Sciences*. Leiden: Brill, 2013.
- [10] Co-author (with Francisco Romero and Bruno Tremblay), "Albert's Metaphysics: Introduction." In Irven M. Resnick (ed.), *A Companion to Albert the Great: Theology, Philosophy, and the Sciences*, pp. 541-543. Leiden: Brill, 2013.
- [11] "Albert's Arguments for the Existence of God and the Primary Causes." In Irven M. Resnick (ed.), *A Companion to Albert the Great: Theology, Philosophy, and the Sciences*, pp. 658-687. Leiden: Brill, 2013.
- [12] Co-author (with Isabelle Moulin), "Causality and Emanation in Albert." In Irven M. Resnick (ed.), *A Companion to Albert the Great: Theology, Philosophy, and the Sciences*, pp. 694-721. Leiden: Brill, 2013.
- [13] "Where Is Averroes' Physical Proof of God's Existence?" In A. Hasnaoui (ed.), *La lumière de l'intellect: La pensée scientifique et philosophique d'Averroès dans son temps*, pp. 345-357. Leuven: Peeters, 2011.

- [14] "The Publications of Roland J. Teske, S.J." In Richard C. Taylor, David Twetten & Michael Wreen (eds), *Tolle, lege: Essays on St Augustine and Medieval Philosophy in Honor of Roland J. Teske, S.J.*, pp. 17-60. Milwaukee: Marquette University Press, 2011.
- [15] Co-author (with Richard C. Taylor), "Introduction; Writings," In Richard C. Taylor, David Twetten & Michael Wreen (eds), *Tolle, lege: Essays on St Augustine and Medieval Philosophy in Honor of Roland J. Teske, S.J.*, pp. 11-15. Milwaukee: Marquette University Press, 2011.
- [16] "Really Distinguishing Essence from *esse*." In Gyula Klima & Alexander Hall (eds), *Medieval Skepticism, and the Claim to Metaphysical Knowledge*, pp. 79-128. Newcastle upon Tyne: Cambridge Scholars, 2011. Printed version of [32] below, with a note added.
- [17] "To Which 'God' Must a Proof of God's Existence Conclude for Aquinas?" In R. E. Houser (ed.), *Laudemus Viros Gloriosos: Essays in Honor of Armand Maurer, CSB*, pp. 146-183. Notre Dame, IN: University of Notre Dame Press, 2007.
- [18] "Averroes' Prime Mover Argument." In J.-B. Brenet. (ed.), *Averroès et les averroïsmes juif et latin*, pp. 9-75. Textes et Études du Moyen Âge, vol. 40. Turnhout, Belgium: Brepols, 2007.
- [19] "Really Distinguishing Essence from *Esse*." In Peter Kwasniewski (ed.), *Wisdom's Apprentice: Thomistic Essays in Honor of Lawrence Dewan, O.P.*, pp. 40-84. Washington, D.C.: The Catholic University of America Press, 2007.
- [20] "Come distinguere in realtà tra esse ed essenza in Tommaso d'Aquino: qualche aiuto da Aristotele." In S. Brock (ed.), *Tommaso d'Aquino e l'oggetto della metafisica*, pp. 149-192. Rome: Armando Editore, 2004. This is an early Italian version of [19].
- [21] "Albert the Great's Early Conflations of Philosophy and Theology on the Issue of Universal Causality." In R. E. Houser (ed.), *Medieval Masters: Essays in Memory of Msgr. E. A. Synan*, pp. 25-62. Thomistic Papers 7. Houston: Center for Thomistic Studies, 1999.
- [22] "Why Motion Requires a Cause: The Foundation for a Prime Mover in Aristotle and Aquinas." In James Long (ed.), *Philosophy and the God of Abraham: Essays in Memory of James A. Weisheipl, O.P.*, pp. 235-254. Toronto: Pontifical Institute of Mediaeval Studies, 1991.

## **Book Chapters (Forthcoming or in Press)**

- [23] "The Emanation Scheme of Albertus Magnus and the Question of Divine Free Will." In A. Robiglio (ed.), *Albert before Aquinas and the 'Arabs'*. 30 pp.
- [24] "Why the Prime Mover Is Not an Exclusively Final Cause in Alexander of Aphrodisias and Averroes." In Luis López Farjeat (ed.), *Varia Mediaevalia*. 29 pp.
- [25] "Locke and Aquinas as Alternatives to Semantic Essentialism." In F. O'Rourke (ed.), *Symposium Thomisticum: Aquinas and Modern Philosophy*. 24 pp.
- [26] "Allanando una 'vía' hacia el Aquinate: Cómo la prueba del movimiento concluye en Dios." In Pedro Merizalde (ed.), *Pensamiento en la Alta Edad Media*. Brazil: Lumen Sapientiae. 30 pp. Translation of [38] below, with significant revisions and updated bibliography.

- [27] "How the Prime Mover Is an Efficient Cause in Aristotle, Alexander and Averroes." In J. Rachak (ed.), *Human Knowing in the Medieval Arabic and Latin Traditions*. 33 pp.
- [28] "A Defense of Essence-Realism as the Key to Aquinas' Arguments for the Essence-Esse Real Distinction." In Summa metaphysicae ad mentem sancti Thomae: Festschrift for Msgr. John Wippel. Eds. Therese Cory and Greg Doolan. Washington, DC: The Catholic University of America Press.

#### **Articles**

- [29] "Presentation of the Aquinas Medal [to Rev. Roland J. Teske, SJ]." *Proceedings of the American Catholic Philosophical Association* 83 (2009) 15-17.
- [30] "Really Distinguishing Essence from *Esse*." *Proceedings of the Society for Medieval Logic and Metaphysics* 6 (2006) 57-94. This is a revised e-version of [22] above.
- [31] "On Which God Should Be the Target of a Proof of God's Existence." *The Proceedings of the Twenty-First World Congress of Philosophy* 8: Philosophy of Religion, ed. William Sweet (2006) 75-80.
- [32] "Aquinas' Aristotelian and Dionysian Definition of God." *Thomist* 69 (2005) 203-250.
- [33] "Albert the Great, Double Truth, and Celestial Causality." *Documenti e studi sulla tradizione filosofica medievale* 12 (2001) 275-358.
- [34] "Albert the Great on Whether Natural Philosophy Proves God's Existence." *Archives d'histoire doctrinale et littéraire du moyen âge* 64 (1997) 7-58.
- [35] "Back to Nature in Aquinas." Medieval Philosophy and Theology 5.2 (1996) 205-243.
- [36] "Clearing a 'Way' for Aquinas: How the Proof from Motion Concludes to God." *Proceedings of the American Catholic Philosophical Association* 70 (1996) 259-278.
- [37] "Averroes on the Prime Mover Proved in the *Physics*." *Viator: Medieval and Renaissance Studies* 26 (1995) 107-134.

## **Articles (Under Review)**

- [38] "Aristotle Less Transformed: Averroes and the Prime Mover not as Artist but as Art." 31 pp.
- [39] "Is Nature an Efficient Cause? Aristotle's Answer and Aquinas' Departures." In F. O'Rourke (ed.), *Symposium Thomisticum: Aquinas and Greek Philosophy*. 17 pp.

## **Encyclopedia Article**

[40] "Natural Theology." In *New Catholic Encyclopedia*, vol. 13, pp. 921-923. 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. Detroit: Thomson/Gale; Washington, D.C.: Catholic University of America, 2002.

## Work in progress

- "Albert the Great's Arabic Cosmology: The Early Reversals Reconsidered." 30 pp.
- "Therefore, a God Exists': The Identification Stage in an Argument for a Non-Theistic 'God." 12 pp.
- "Nature and Cosmology in Roger Bacon: Arabic Philosophy in the Early Faculty of Arts at Paris." 21 pp.
- "Aquinas on Being as Act (*actus essendi*) and Its Antecedents in Greek, Latin and Arabic Philosophy." 35 pp.

#### **Editorial Work**

- 2007-14 Editor, Marquette Medieval Philosophical Texts in Translation Series, Marquette University Press, 2007-2014.
- 2006-09 Founding Editor, Philosophy Department Newsletter, 2006-2009.
- Editor of the annual published volume, the Aquinas Lecture. Marquette University Press: 1995-1996, 2001–2002, 2005-2006.
- 1992-05 Co-editor of the annual published volume, the Aquinas Lecture. Marquette University Press: 1992–1995, 1996-2000, 2002-2005.

## PARTICIPATION IN SCHOLARLY MEETINGS

#### **Presentations**

2019

- [75] "Philosophy's History via the Semantic Triangle and the Importance of Avicenna, Maimonides and Aquinas." Tikkun Olam. Bar-Ilan University, Tel Aviv. Invited.
- [74] "The Hope of Augustine's Stoic Semiotics and Its Fulfilment in Avicenna and Aquinas." Jerusalem Institute of Languages and Humanities.
- [73] "Aquinas' 'Being as Act' (*esse ut actus*) in Arabic Philosophy." Filosofia nelle tradizione di Abramo: Inteletto, esperienza e metafísica. Università di Pisa.
- [72] "How the Prime Mover Is an Efficient Cause in Aristotle, Alexander and Averroes." Dipartimento di Filosofia. Università del Salento, Lecce, Italy. Invited.
- [71] "What in Aquinas' Doctrine of *esse* as Act Is not Found in His Arabic and Latin Predecessors?" School of Philosophy. The Catholic University of America, Washington, DC.

#### 2018

- [70] "Knowing the Essence-Existence Distinction: al-Ghazālī as the Key to Aquinas' Teaching." Human Knowing in the Medieval Arabic and Latin Traditions. Marrakesh, Morocco.
- [69] "Why the Prime Mover Is Not an Exclusively Final Cause: Alexander of Aphrodisias and Averroes." Averroes' Thought: Sources and Influence. Le Fundation Aboubakr al-Kadiri pour la Culture. Rabat, Morocco.
- [68] "Is Nature an Efficient Cause? Aristotle's Answer and Aquinas' Departures." Symposium Thomisticum: Aquinas and Greek Philosophy, Athens.
- [67] "Why Aristotle's Prime Mover Is an Efficient Cause: The Best Argument and Why It Fails." "Principles, Cosmology, and First Philosophy in Aristotle and the Aristotelian Tradition," The Thirteenth Annual Marquette Summer Seminar on Aristotle and the Aristotelian Tradition, Marquette University.

#### 2017

- [66] "Aristotle's First Cause as Art: Why the Prime Mover is Neither an Exclusively Final Cause nor a Divine Artist for Averroes," Warburg Institute, London.
- [65] "Aquinas on Really Distinguishing Essence from Existence with Avicenna," Annual Convention of the American Catholic Philosophical Association, Dallas.
- [64] "The Source of Logos: Greek and Arabic Transformed into Latin Thought," Jerusalem Institute of Languages and Humanities.
- [63] "Averroes' Prime Mover as Efficient Cause and the Analogy of the Baths," International Workshop on Averroes, Marquette University.

#### 2016

- [62] "Locke and Aquinas as Alternatives to Semantic Essentialism," *Symposium Thomisticum:* Aquinas and Modern Philosophy, Paris.
- [61] "Albert the Great's Arabic Cosmology: The Early Reversals Reconsidered," Philosophy and Religion, Aquinas and 'the Arabs' International Working Group, Cordoba, Spain.

#### 2015

- [60] "How Prove the Real Distinction between Esse and Essence? Dewan and the '*Intellectus essentiae*' Argument," La philosophie de Lawrence Dewan: Métaphysique et éthique, Ottawa.
- [59] "A Defense of Classical Essentialism behind the Essence-Esse Real Distinction: Aquinas' Doctrine of Being," Aristotele e Tommaso d'Aquino: aggiornamento sulla ricerca, Rome.
- [58] "Aguinas on Higher Causality," Seminar, University of Bonn.
- [57] "Emanation in Albert the Great's Late Cosmology," Albertus Magnus Institut, Bonn.

2013

- [56] "The Historical Dependence of Jesuit Education on Islam," Engaging Islam and Muslims: Multidisciplinary Perspectives, Middle East and North Africa (MENA) Studies Conference, Marquette University.
- [55] "Ibn Sinā and Albert the Great at the Back of Aquinas' Doctrine of Being," Aquinas and Arabic Metaphysics, Würzburg, Germany.
- [54] "Averroes' Cosmology," International Workshop on Averroes, Marquette University.
- [53] "Aquinas' First Way Some Clarifications," International Aquinas Working Group, Guadalajara.
- [52] "Hints at How to Do Scholarly Work and Publication in the History of Philosophy," International Aquinas Working Group, Guadalajara.

2012

- [51] "The Power of Language and the Power of Reality: Philosophy of Language and Aquinas' Doctrine of Being," Aquinas Lecture, Providence University.
- [50] "Emanation as Aristotelian Cosmology in Albertus Magnus," Albert before Aquinas and 'the Arabs', Université Paris IV Sorbonne.
- [49] "Aquinas' Original Proofs of the Real Distinction between Being and Essence and Their Avicennian Source," XIII Congrès International de Philosophie Médiévale, Société Internationale pour l'Étude de la Philosophie Médiévale, Munich, Germany.
- [48] "A Classical Argument for God's Existence without Infinite Series," Society for Medieval Logic and Metaphysics. American Catholic Philosophical Association Annual Meeting, Los Angeles.

2011

- [47] "Aquinas' Essentialism as a Key to His Doctrine of Being," The Metaphysics of Aquinas and Its Modern Interpreters Program, Fordham University, New York.
- [46] "Ibn Gabirol and His Critics," Société Internationale pour l'Étude de Philosophie Médiévale, American Catholic Philosophical Association Annual Meeting, St Louis, MO.
- [45] "Aquinas' Early Essentialist Realism in its Avicennian and Albertian Background," "Thomas d'Aquin et ses sources arabes II," Bibliothèque du Saulchoir, Paris, France.
- [44] "Aristotle's Prime Mover: Contemporary Aristotle Scholarship versus Averroes?" Causation, Motion, and Change in Aristotelian Physical Science: Midwest Seminar on Ancient and Medieval Philosophy, Marquette University.

2010

[43] "How Eternal Beings Are Caused: Three Un-Aristotelian Doctrines in Averroes Long Commentaries on Aristotle." "La cosmologie d'Averroès entre physique, métaphysique et théologie," Séminaire du Centre d'Histoire des Sciences et des Philosophies Arabes et Médiévales, Centre Nationale des Recherches Scientifiques, Université Paris-7, Paris.

[42] "The Identification Stage in an Argument for a Non-Theistic God." Metaphysics: Aristotelian, Scholastic, Analytic. Prague, Czech Republic.

2009

- [41] "Aquinas' Early Appropriation of Averroes: The *Summa contra gentiles*' Reading of Aristotle's *Physics*." Séminaire de recherche sur « Thomas d'Aquin et ses sources arabes. » Bibliothèque du Saulchoir, Paris, France.
- [40] "The Avicennian Realism of Essence in Aquinas." Society for Medieval Logic and Metaphysics. American Catholic Philosophical Association Annual Meeting. New Orleans, Louisiana.
- [39] "Introduction of the Aquinas Medalist for 2009: Roland J. Teske, S. J." American Catholic Philosophical Association Annual Meeting. New Orleans, Louisiana.

2007

- [38] "Epistemology as the Key to Causality in Averroes." The Muslim, Christian, and Jewish Heritage: Philosophical and Theological Explorations in the Abrahamic Traditions. Marquette University.
- [37] "The Proof of God's Existence in Averroes' Cosmology." Aquinas and the 'Arabs' Seminar, Marquette University.
- [36] "Aquinas' Definition of 'God' as a Foundation for a Pluralistic Natural Theology." XII Congrès International de Philosophie Médiévale, Société Internationale pour l'Étude de la Philosophie Médiévale, Palermo, Sicily.

2006

- [35] "Aristotelian Theology in Averroes and the Judaeo-Christian Averroean Tradition." Averroès, l'averroïsme, l'antiaverroïsme. XIVe Colloque International Annuel de la SIEPM. Geneva, Switzerland.
- [34] "Is God a Final Cause Only? The Renaissance Critique of the Averroean Position." Sciences et philosophie: Circulation des savoirs autour de la Méditerranée (IXe-XVIe siècle). 7ème Colloque International de la Société Internationale d'Histoire des Sciences et des Philosophies Islamiques. Florence, Italy.
- [33] "The Essence of Aquinas." Institute on Aquinas. Notre Dame University.
- "Where Does Aristotle Conclude to a Separate Mover (Which Turns Out to Be an Exclusively Final Cause)?" Aquinas and the 'Arabs' Text Seminar Series. Marquette University.
- [31] "Aristotle's *De motu* (and Averroes) as the Key to the Reconciliation of Aristotle's Texts on the Prime Mover." Conference on Issues on Motion and Mind. Marquette University.

2005

[30] "The Averroean Schema for the Prime Mover Argument and Its Medieval Latin Varieties." Averroès et les Averroïsmes Juif et Latin. Université Paris X.

- [29] "Proposed: A Non-Question-Begging Argument for the Real Distinction between Essence and *Esse.*" School of Philosophy. The Catholic University of America.
- [28] "Toward a Ground for Ethics: The Proof of the Existence of a Non-Theistic God." Praxis y Verdad, Universidad Panamericana, Mexico.

2003

- [27] "On Which 'God' Should Be the Target of a Proof of God's Existence: In Defense of a Non-Theistic God." 21st World Congress of Philosophy. Section: Philosophy of Religion. Istanbul.
- [26] "On Really Distinguishing Essence from *Esse* in Aquinas: Some Help from Aristotle." Holy Cross University.
- [25] "Proposed: A Non-Question-Begging Argument for the Real Distinction between Essence and *Esse*." Society for Medieval Logic and Metaphysics. American Catholic Philosophical Association Annual Meeting. Houston.

2002

- [24] "To Which 'God' Must a Proof of God's Existence Conclude for Aquinas?" Colloquium on Medieval Philosophy. Cornell University. Ithaca, New York.
- [23] "A God for Non-Theists? A Defense of Aquinas' Non-Theistic Definition of the Name 'God'." Society for Medieval Logic and Metaphysics. American Catholic Philosophical Association Annual Meeting. Cincinnati, Ohio.
- [22] "On Which 'God' Should Be the Target of a Proof of God's Existence." Gregorian University, Rome.

2000

- [21] "Averroes and Scotus on Self-Motion." International Congress on Medieval Studies. Kalamazoo, Michigan.
- [20] "Can God's Existence Be Proved?" University of Wisconsin, Whitewater.
- [19] "To What Attributes Must a Proof of God's Existence Conclude for Aquinas?" Congress 2000: Aquinas as Authority. Thomas Instituut. Utrecht, Netherlands.
- [18] "On Really Distinguishing Being from Essence." Institute on Aquinas. Notre Dame University.

1999

- [17] "Averroes' Non-Metaphysical Proof of God's Existence." Annual Convention of the Medieval Academy of America. Georgetown University. Washington, D.C.
- [16] "Where Does Averroes Prove the Existence of God?" International Congress on Medieval Studies. Kalamazoo, Michigan.

1998

[15] "Albert's Reversals on Universal Causality and Some Parisian Masters." International Congress on Medieval Studies. Kalamazoo, Michigan.

- [14] "Averroes' Non-Metaphysical Proof of God's Existence." International Colloquium on the Philosophical and Scientific Thought of Averroes in his Time. Cordoba, Spain.
- [13] "Albert's Un-Thomistic Correlation of Faith and Reason." Medieval Discussion Group. Philosophy Department, Marquette University.

1997

[12] "Albert's Aristotelian Deity." Ancient and Medieval Discussion Group. Philosophy Department, Marquette University.

1996

[11] "Clearing a 'Way' for Aquinas: How the Proof from Motion Concludes to God." American Catholic Philosophical Association Annual Meeting. Los Angeles.

1995

- [10] "Clearing a 'Way' for Aquinas: How the Proof from Motion Concludes to God." Department of Philosophy, Notre Dame University.
- [9] "The Dilemma of the *Summa contra Gentiles*' Aristotelian Proof of God." International Congress on Medieval Studies. Kalamazoo, Michigan.
- [8] "The Causality of the Prime Mover in *Metaphysics* Lambda." Ancient and Medieval Discussion Group. Philosophy Department, Marquette University.

1994

[7] "Albert the Great and the Prime Mover of the *Physics*." International Congress on Medieval Studies. Kalamazoo, Michigan.

1993

- [6] "Aristotle's Metaphysics: A Case of Incoherence?" Institute on Aquinas. Notre Dame University.
- [5] "The Concept of Nature in Thomas Aquinas." International Conference on Patristic, Mediaeval and Renaissance Studies. Villanova University.

1991

- [4] "On the 'God' of Aristotle: The Beginning or the End?" Department of Philosophy, University of Dallas.
- [3] "Motion Reconsidered: Can It Lead to God?" Department of Philosophy, Marquette University.

1989

[2] "Everything Moved is Moved by Another: The Last Word." International Congress on Medieval Studies. Kalamazoo, Michigan.

1986

[1] "Aquinas and the 'God' of Aristotle's *Physics*." International Congress on Medieval Studies. Kalamazoo, Michigan.

## Other Participation, Sessions Chaired, etc.

- 2018 Panel Discussant, "Aquinas on Divine Names," Mundelein, Illinois.
- 2017 Participated in the annual meeting of the Société d'études aristotéliciennes, Quebec City. Session Chair and Participant, "Soul and Nature in Aristotle," Eleventh Annual Marquette Summer Seminar on Aristotle and the Aristotelian Tradition, Marquette University.
  - Participant, "Christian-Muslim Relations in America Today," Marquette University.
  - Panel Discussant, "Aquinas on Grace," Mundelein, Illinois.
  - Participant, "Marquette Philosophy in the World: Putting Philosophy to Work," Marquette University.
- 2016 Session Chair and Participant, "Political and Ethical Philosophy in the Aristotelian Traditions," Tenth Annual Marquette Summer Seminar on Aristotle and the Aristotelian Tradition, Marquette University.
  - Session Chair and Participant, "Epistemology and the Abrahamic Religions." Aquinas and 'the Arabs' Annual Fall Conference, Marquette University.
  - Participant, International Workshop on al-Ghāzālī, Marquette University.
- 2014 Panel Discussant, "Greek Orthodox Readings of Aquinas," Mundelein, Illinois.
  - Panel Discussant, International Workshop on al-Fārābī, Marquette University.
- 2013 "Aquinas and the Arabs The Project," Conference Introductory Address: Thomas Aquinas and His Arab Sources / Thomas d'Aquin et ses sources arabes, Université Paris IV Sorbonne.
  - Session Chair and Participant, Thomas Aquinas and His Arab Sources / Thomas d'Aquin et ses sources arabes, Université Paris Sorbonne.
  - Session Chair and Participant, "Virtue, Emotion and Practical Reason in Aristotle and the Aristotleian Tradition," Seventh Annual Marquette Summer Seminar on Aristotle and the Aristotleian Tradition, Marquette University.
- 2012 "Albert before 'Aquinas and the Arabs' Conference Welcome," Albert before Aquinas and 'the Arabs', Institute of Philosophy, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium.
- 2009 Session Chair and Participant, Thomas Aquinas and His Arab Sources / Thomas d'Aquin et ses sources arabes, Marquette University.
- 2008 Session Chair and Participant, "A Research Seminar Conference on the Role of Arabic Philosophy in the Thought of Thomas Aquinas in his *Commentary on the Sentences*," Aquinas and the 'Arabs', Marquette University.

Participant, "Philosophy and Theology in the *Studia* of the Religious Orders and at the Papal Court," XVth Colloquium of the Société Internationale pour l'Étude de la Philosophie Médiévale, University of Notre Dame.

Participant, "Nature and Life in Aristotle and Aristotelian Thought," Third Annual Marquette Summer Seminar in Ancient and Medieval Philosophy, Marquette University.

Participant, "Philosophy in the Abrahamic Traditions: A Conference on Issues in Medieval Arabic / Islamic & Jewish Philosophy and their Influence on Medieval Philosophy and Theology in the European West," Research Seminar on Aquinas and the 'Arabs', Marquette University.

2007 Participant, Annual Convention of the American Catholic Philosophical Association, Milwaukee.

Participant, Midwest Seminar on Ancient and Medieval Philosophy, Marquette University.

Participant, Research Seminar on Aquinas and the 'Arabs'.

Participant, Conference on Aristotle's De anima, Marquette University.

- 2006 Participant, Conference on Aristotle's Analytics, Marquette University.
- 2005 Session Chair and Participant, Institute on Aquinas, University of Notre Dame.
- 2004 Participant, Annual Convention of the American Philosophical Association, Boston.

Session Chair, Society of Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy; Member of the Executive Committee of the Executive Council and Participant, Annual Convention of the American Catholic Philosophical Association, Miami, Florida.

- Participant, Annual Conference of the Centre Pierre Abélard, University of Paris IV.
- 2003 Participant, Conference on Intentionality, Marquette University.
- 2002 Member of the Executive Council and Participant, Annual Convention of the American Catholic Philosophical Association, Cincinnati, Ohio.
- 2001 Member of the Executive Council and Participant, Annual Convention of the American Catholic Philosophical Association, Albany, New York.
- 1999 Session Chair and Participant, Annual Convention of the American Catholic Philosophical Association, St. Paul, Minnesota.
- 1998 Co-organizer of three sessions on Aquinas, International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, Michigan.
- 1997 Session Chair and Participant, Aquinas, International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

1996 Session Chair and Participant, Aquinas, International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Participant in Institute on Aquinas, Notre Dame University.

1993 Session Chair and Participant, Aquinas, International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

# **TEACHING**

## **Dissertations Directed**

Nathaniel Taylor, 2018- The Problem of "A per se Existent" and Aquinas' Avicennian Metaphysics.

Rosa Vargas, *Thomas Aquinas on the Apprehension of Being: The Role of Judgment in Light of 13<sup>th</sup>-Century Semantics*, Marquette University, Department of Philosophy, 2013. Tenure-track since 2013, Jesuit University Antonio Ruiz de Montoya, Peru.

Dissertation cited by Stephen Brock, *The Philosophy of Saint Thomas Aquinas: A Sketch* (Eugene, OR: Cascade Books, 2015); Gregory Doolan, "Aquinas on The Distinction Between Esse and Esse: How the Name '*Esse*' Signifies Essence in *Metaphysics*  $\Delta$ .7" (forthcoming, Washington, DC: The Catholic University of America).

Francisco Romero, *The Finality of Religion in Aquinas' Theory of Human Acts*, Marquette University, Department of Philosophy, 2009. Tenured, former Head of Faculty of Humanities, Pan Americana University, Guadalajara.

#### **Graduate Courses Taught**

Phil 6470: Metaphysics (Analytic)

Phil 6954: Text/Seminar on Early or High Medieval Philosophy: Language and Ontology – Scholastic and Analytic

Phil 6640: St. Thomas Aquinas

Phil 6680: Early Analytic Philosophy (Frege to Quine)

Phil 6620: Augustine: The Early Dialogues and Augustine's Sources

Phil 5930: Islamic Philosophy

Phil 6955: Text/Seminar on Later Medieval Philosophy: Scotus, Ockham and the 'Arabs'

Phil 222: Text/Seminar on Early or High Medieval Philosophy: Existential Metaphysics in the High Middle Ages

Phil 301: Seminar: Philosophical Theology in the Middle Ages

## At the University of Toronto

Introductory Greek (Centre for Medieval Studies)

The *Apology* of Xenophon and Plato (upper level Greek) (Centre for Medieval Studies)

M.A. Latin Tutorial (Centre for Medieval Studies)

# **Undergraduate Courses Taught**

Phil 1001: Philosophy of Human Nature

Phil 1001/050H: Philosophy of Human Nature: Honors

Phil 102: Metaphysics

Phil 104: Theory of Ethics

Phil 112: Ancient Philosophy

Phil 113: Early Medieval Philosophy

Phil 3620: Medieval Philosophy

Phil 114: Modern Philosophy

Phil 119: Late Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy

Phil 185: Contemporary Anglo-American Philosophy

Phil 3410: Metaphysics

Phil 3460: Philosophy of Language

Phil 3665: Existentialism

Phil 4931: Faith and Reason in the Three Abrahamic Traditions

Phil 4935: Islamic Philosophy (seminar)

Phil 4995: Independent Study

Phil 195: Independent Study Course: Medieval Philosophy from Augustine to Aquinas

ARSC 130: Misogyny: Medieval View of Women? (team-taught)

#### At the University of Toronto

Ancient Philosophy, Tutorial (Department of Philosophy)

## COMMITTEES AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE, ETC.

## **University Service**

Middle East and North African Studies Faculty Advisory Committee, 2011-2020.

Founder & Organizer, International Metaphysics Teleseminar for Philosophers and Theologians, 2015-2019.

Collaborated on new interdisciplinary major and minor in Global Middle East and North Africa (MENA) Studies, 2019.

Organized Aquinas and Arabic Seminar for Philosophers, Theologians and Political Scientists, 2018, 2019.

Provided room and board for conference participants from Israel, Aquinas and Arabic Seminar, 2018, 2019.

Co-organized the undergraduate conference Christian-Muslim Relations in America Today, 2017.

Delivered Introductory Address for the Aquinas Lecturer, Eleonore Stump, 2016.

Curriculum Committee, Helen Way Klinger College of Arts and Sciences, 2015-2016.

University Core of Common Studies Revision Sub-Committee, 2015-2016.

Founder and organizer, Interdisciplinary Faith-Reason Seminar, 2003-2014.

Mellon Scholarship Committee, Helen Way Klinger College of Arts and Sciences, 2012.

Host of Title VI Grant evaluator, Middle East and North Africa Grant Committee, 2011.

Alumni in the Classroom Program, Helen Way Klinger College of Arts and Sciences, 2011.

Smith Fellowship Committee, School of Graduate Studies, 2002, 2003, 2006.

Review Committee for MU proposals for NEH Summer Stipends, ORSP, 2004.

Committee on Faculty Nominating Convention, 2004.

Participant in Diversity Seminar, Arts and Sciences, 2004.

Schmidt Fellowship Committee, School of Graduate Studies, 2003.

Nominator, Presenter and Escort for Alasdair MacIntyre, Honorary Doctor of Letters Recipient, 2000.

Phi Beta Kappa Members in Course Committee, 1995-2000.

Freshman Advisor, 1993-1997.

Faculty Advisory Committee of the Haggerty Museum of Art, 1995-1996.

Participant in Arts and Sciences Scholarship Competition/Open House, 1996.

Participant in Students Invite Teachers, Associated Students of Marquette University, 1996.

Participant in Undergraduate Advising Seminars, 1993-1995.

Honor Societies Committee, 1993-1995.

Organizer for Honor Society's trip to Monet Exhibit, Art Institute of Chicago, Oct., 1995.

Participant in "Building Bridges to Learning," 1995.

Faculty Friend of Schroeder Hall, 1993-1994.

Referee for Center for International Studies Graduate Language Fellowship, 1994.

Phi Sigma Tau Representative at the Honor Societies Colloquium, 1994.

Phi Sigma Tau Representative at Scholarship Convocation, 1994.

Faculty Representative for Information Day, 1994.

### **Departmental Service**

Graduate Committee, 2002-2007, 2011-2013, 2017-2020.

Co-founder and collaborator, Aquinas and 'the Arabs' International Research Project, 2005-2020.

International Skype Seminar on Metaphysics and Semantics, 2020.

Supervised the research of a visiting Fulbright scholar, a Ph.D. student from Germany, 2019-2020.

Mentor in graduate student shadow teaching program, 2014-2020.

Chair, Ph.D. Proposal Defense Committee, three students, 2006-2019.

Member, Ph.D. Proposal Defense Committee, nine students, 1998-2019.

Departmental Host for Student Recruitment, 2016-2019.

Faculty Evaluator of graduate student instructors: annual, 2013-2019.

Member, Ph.D. Dissertation & Oral Defense Committee, eighteen students, 1993-2019.

Served as Chair or Committee member for six Dissertation Qualifying Papers and oral exams, 2016-2019.

Member, M.A. Comprehensive Exam Committee, 2001-2002, 2004-2005, 2009, 2011-2012, 2016-2019.

Member, Selection Committee, Marquette Annual Midwest Seminar Conference on Aristotle and Aristotleian Philosophy, 2012-2014, 2016-2019.

Co-organized "Principles, Cosmology, and First Philosophy in Aristotle and the Aristotelian Tradition," the 13th Annual Marquette Summer Seminar on Aristotle and the Aristotelian Tradition, Marquette University, 2018.

Co-supervised the research at Marquette of a visiting professor on a research grant from the Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey, 2018.

Director, Latin Reading Group, 1993-2004, 2010-2012, 2015-2017.

Member, Grade Appeals Committee, Philosophy Department, 2017.

Appointed host for visiting prospective undergraduate philosophy major, 2017.

Host for visiting Fulbright research scholar from Spain, 2017.

Host and tour guide for two visiting speakers to the Marquette Annual Midwest Seminar Conference, 2017.

Banquet host for conference participants: International Workshop on Averroes, Marquette University, 2017.

Provided room and board for a conference participant from Israel, Annual Midwest Seminar on Aristotle at Marquette, 2017.

Director, Greek Reading Group, 1995-1996, 1998-1999, 2003-2009, 2016.

Dinner host for the Aguinas Lecturer, 2016.

Committee Member, Doctoral Qualifying Essay Exam and Oral, three students, 2014-2016.

Dinner host and tour guide for visiting guest speaker to the Department of Philosophy 2016.

Mentor and host to visiting professors to Department of Philosophy from Turkey, 2015-2016.

Organized conference get-together: Aquinas and 'the Arabs' Annual Fall Conference, Marquette University 2016.

Coordinator for conference arrangements: 10th Annual Marquette Summer Seminar on Aristotle and the Aristotelian Tradition, Marquette University 2016.

Provided room and board for conference participant from Mexico: Aquinas and 'the Arabs' Annual Fall Conference, Marquette University 2016.

Mellon Committee, Department of Philosophy, 2015.

Marquette Colleagues' Faculty Program, 2015.

Volunteer, Community Health Food Co-op, 2015.

Hiring Committee: Kant, 2013-2014.

Member, Ph.D. Written Comps Committee: Ancient and Medieval, 2002-2003, 2009-2013.

Member, Ph.D. Oral Comprehensive Exam Committees, sixteen students, 1993-2013.

Host to numerous speakers, Midwest Seminar Midwest Seminars on Ancient and Medieval Philosophy, 2003-2011, 2013.

Mentor to two junior faculty members, 2004-2013.

Chair, Ph.D. Dissertation Oral Defense Committee, two students, 2008, 2013.

Bi-annual Faculty Evaluator of graduate student instructors, 1993-2012.

Second Reader, Ph.D. Dissertation, three students, 1998-2012.

Chair, Ph.D. Oral Comprehensive Exam Committees, eight students, 1999-2011.

Participant in Arabic Reading Group, Department of Philosophy, 2004-2010.

Co-organizer, Aquinas and the 'Arabs' Seminars and Conferences, 2004-2010.

Professional Development and Research Committee, 2005-2007, 2009-2010.

Chair, Ph.D. Written Comps Committee: Ancient and Medieval 2003-2007, 2008-2009.

Editor of the Aquinas Lecture, Marquette University Press, 1995-1996, 2001-2002, 2005-2009.

Founding Editor, Philosophy Department Newsletter, 2006-2009.

Philosophy Department Liaison Officer, Classical Languages, Greek and Latin, 2006-2009.

Co-organizer, Midwest Seminars on Ancient and Medieval Philosophy, 2003-2008.

Member, Organizing Committee, Midwest Seminars on Ancient and Medieval Philosophy, 2003-2008.

Organizer, Conference Banquet, Fifth Annual Summer Seminar on Aristotle and Aristotelianism: Nature and Life in Aristotle and Aristotelian Thought," Marquette University, 2008.

Host, "Philosophy in the Abrahamic Traditions: A Conference on Issues in Medieval Arabic Islamic and Jewish Philosophy and their Influence on Medieval Philosophy and Theology in the European West," Marquette University, 2008.

Co-editor of Aquinas Lecture, Marquette University Press, 1992–1995, 1996-2000, 2002-2005.

Chair, Research Committee, 2001-2005.

Hiring Committee, 2001, 2005.

Co-organizer, Third Annual Midwest Conference on Ancient and Medieval Philosophy, Marquette University, 2005.

First Year Graduate Advisor, 2001-2004.

Mentor for the teaching of four graduate students, 2001-2004.

Greek Language Committee, 1991-1992, 1998-1999, 2003.

Faculty Advisor, Philosophy Honor Society: Phi Sigma Tau, 1993-1995, 2000-2003.

Chair, Classical Languages Committee, 1998-1999, 2001-2002.

Evaluator for the teaching of three junior faculty members, 2001-2003.

Host to five job candidates, 2001-2003.

Chair, Ad hoc Committee for undergraduate grade challenge, 1997, 2003.

Faculty Advisor, Philosophy Club, 2001-2002.

Research Committee, 1999-2000.

Latin Committee, 1992-1999.

Undergraduate Committee, 1997-1999.

Chair, Ph.D. Comprehensive Exam Revision Committee: Ancient and Medieval, 1999.

Co-ordinator of the Ancient and Medieval Discussion Series, 1997-1998.

Colloquium Series Coordinator, 1994-1996.

Co-organizer of Philosophy Department Christmas Party, 1993.

## **Service to the Community**

"Foundations of Ethics," talk to student group, 2019.

"The Hebrew Words for 'God'," talk to student group, 2018.

"Said in Many Senses: How to Interpret a Text," talk to student group, 2018.

"Aquinas' Account of Belief," talk to professional group, 2018.

"Aquinas on Acting Badly," talk with honorarium to a student group, University of Wisconsin, 2017.

"The Question of Relativism," talk to student group, 2017.

"The Problem of Suffering," talk to student group, 2016.

"Anselm's Ontological Argument," talk to student group, 2016.

- Volunteer at an Organic Food Co-op; Marquette Colleagues' Faculty Program Service Day and Reflection, 2015.
- "The Question of Relativism," talk to student group, 2013.
- Guest Lecturer, Middle Eastern Studies Course, "The Origin in Islamic Thought of Aquinas' Understanding of the Soul," Marquette University, 2012.
- "Aquinas on the Foundations of Ethics," talk to high school group, Milwaukee, 2012.
- "Thinking about: How Do We Know God Exists?" Theology on Tap, Milwaukee, 2010.

Education Committee, Catholic Memorial High School, 2003-2010.

- "Aquinas on the Foundations of Ethics," talk to Chicago professional group, 2009.
- "Aguinas on the Notion of the Good," talk to student group, 2009.
- "Aquinas' Account of the Human Act," talk to student group, 2009.
- "Socrates, Plato, and the Apriori Character of Geometry: Dialectical Introduction to Philosophy," talk to high school group, Milwaukee, 2009.
- "The Problem of Universals," talk to high school group, 2008.
- "How to Choose a College," talk to prospective college students, Marquette University, 2007.
- "Fit between Thought and Action," Elm Grove, 2007.
- "Philosophy at Work," talk to professional group, 2006.
- "Happiness and the Ultimate End," talk to Bellarmine Society. 2005.
- "Choosing Your College Curriculum," talk to high school group. 2005.
- "Aquinas on Natural Law," St Thomas More Legal Society, 2002.
- "The Life of Thomas Aquinas," talk to Milwaukee school, January, 1998.
- "An Ethic of Sincerity," talk to business group, Milwaukee, April, 1997.
- "Skills Needed for College," talk to high school group, Milwaukee, June, 1997.
- "Philosophy of Marriage," talk to student group, Milwaukee, May, 1996.
- "Aquinas on the Nature of Human Action," talk to legal group, Milwaukee, March, 1994.
- "Aquinas and the Grounds of Ethics," talk to business group, Elm Grove, June, 1994.

"Aquinas on the Notion of Prudence," talk to legal group, Milwaukee, October, 1993.

#### **Professional Service**

Book Evaluator for The Catholic University of America Press, 2019.

Article Evaluator for Documenti e studi sulla tradizione filosofica medievale, 2019.

Book Evaluator for Brepols Press, 2018.

Book Evaluator for Routledge Press, 2015.

Book Evaluator for Hackett Press, 2013.

Book Evaluator for Routledge Press, 2013.

Book Evaluator for The Catholic University of America Press, 2009.

External Reviewer for university promotion and tenure case, 2008.

Book Evaluator for Notre Dame Press, 2008.

Collaborator on Corpus thomisticum, web-based data base on Aquinas, 2001-2008.

External Evaluator for Canadian university promotion case, 2007.

Article Evaluator for Journal of the History of Philosophy, 2006.

External Evaluator for North American university tenure case, 2006.

Book Evaluator for The Catholic University of America Press, 2005.

Book Evaluator for the University of America Press, 2005.

Elected Member of Executive Council, American Catholic Philosophical Association, 2001-2004.

Reviewer of grant proposal for Canada Foundation: Albertus Magnus database, 2004.

Book Evaluator for Notre Dame Press, 2004.

Book Evaluator for The Catholic University of America Press, 2004.

Elected Member of Executive Committee of the Executive Council, American Catholic Philosophical Association, 2003-2004.

Book Evaluator for Longmans Press and Wadsworth Press, 2003.

Reviewer for National Endowment for the Humanities: Grant Proposal for Scholarly Editions Program, 2003.

Book Evaluator for The Catholic University of America Press, 2001.

Book Evaluator for Medieval and Renaissance Texts and Studies, Arizona State University Press, 2001.

Article Evaluator for The Thomist, 2000.

Article Evaluator for *Medieval Philosophy and Theology* 2000.

Article Evaluator for the Journal of the History of Philosophy, 1998.

Article Evaluator for *Philosophy and Theology*, 1998.

Article Evaluator for Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie, 1999.

President, Thomas Aquinas Society, 1997-1998.

Book Evaluator for Broadview Press, 1997.

Member of Program Committee for Society of Christian Philosophers, 1996.

Reviewer for Broadview Press, 1996.

## MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

Société International pour l'Étude de la Philosophie Médiévale

Society for Medieval Logic and Metaphysics

History of Early Analytic Philosophy Society

Society for Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy

Internationale Gesellschaft für Theologische Mediävistik

Société International d'Histoire des Sciences et de la Philosophie Arabes et Islamiques

International Committee for the History of Medieval and Renaissance Natural Philosophy

**International Thomas Aguinas Society** 

International Albertus Magnus Society

# **GRANTS** (funded)

2016 "Christian-Muslim Relations in America Today." Mellon Fund. Co-authored with Richard Taylor, Irfan Omar and Phil Naylor, Marquette University. \$5,940

- 2010 "Philosophy and Faith in the Three Abrahamic Traditions." "New Middle East and North Africa Course Development Grant." Sponsored by Title VI Undergraduate International Studies and Foreign Language (UISFL), Marquette University. \$3,500
- 2009 "Aquinas and the 'Arabs' Fall 2009 Conference." Edward D. Simmons Religious Commitment Fund. Co-authored with Richard Taylor, Marquette University. \$2,500
- 2006 Conference "The Muslim, Christian, and Jewish Heritage: Philosophical and Theological Explorations in the Abrahamic Traditions." Simmons Religious Commitment Fund. Coauthored with Richard Taylor, Marquette University. \$2,000
- 2000 Fundación BBV. Programa Cátedra. Project: Spanish Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy of God. \$10,000 [sabbatical fellowship]

Regular Research Grant, Marquette University. "Albert the Great and the Adoption of Averroes' Philosophical Theology." \$2,000

1996 Marquette University Summer Faculty Fellowship. \$1,900

## **HONORS, AWARDS**

Distinguished Scholar Recognition, Marquette University, 1997, 1998, 2002-2010

Advancement Award, School of Graduate Studies, Marquette University, 1997, 1998

Ontario Graduate Scholarship, 1981-1984, 1985-1986

Frederick Hudd Fellowship, Massey College, 1980-1982

Junior Fellowship, Massey College, 1980-1982

University of Toronto Open Fellowship, 1979-1981, 1984-1985

Elected to Phi Beta Kappa, 1979

Elected to Mortar Board, 1979

Horace Latin Prize, Cornell College, 1979

### **Student Awards**

Edward A. Martin Prize for the Best Undergraduate Paper in Medieval Philosophy 2012, Georgetown University [international competition]: Machessa Samz.

Review of Metaphysics Dissertation Essay Competition 2011: Francisco Romero (runner up).

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