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EDUCATION

The Catholic University of America, Washington, DC

Ph.D. Candidate, Systematic and Historical Theology, 2009-present

Major Area: Systematic Theology. Minor Area: Liturgical Theology

Coursework: Theological Method, Philosophical Foundations, Christology, Soteriology, Hermeneutics, Secularization, Liturgical Catechesis, Theological Teaching Methods, Karl Rahner, Thomas Aquinas' *Summa Theologiae*, Eucharistic Theology, John Henry Newman, *La Nouvelle Theologie*

Comprehensive Examination: October 2013. Major area: Theology of God;
Six minor areas: Ecclesiology, Ecumenism, Sacramental Theology, Eschatology/Theology of History, Foundational Theology, Christology

Status: Candidacy (ABD)

Dissertation topic: Catholic Perspective on Anglican-Lutheran Ecumenical Dialogue, focusing especially on the topic of ecclesiology

Advisor: Dr. Michael Root, Ph.D.

Boston University, Boston, Massachusetts

Master of Divinity, Philosophy and Systematic Theology, 2009

Major Professors: Kirk Wegter-McNelly, Ph.D.; Karen Westerfield-Tucker, Ph.D.

Coursework: Foundational Theology, Conciliar Theology, Contemporary Theological Systems, Theology and Science, Mystical Theology, Old and New Testament, Worship, Preaching, Ministry, Pastoral Care, Church History, Liberation Theology, Theologies of Church Music

Boston University, Boston, Massachusetts

Master of Sacred Music, Choral Conducting, 2009

Major Professors: Ann Howard Jones, D.M.A.; Andrew Shenton, Ph.D.

Coursework: Choral Conducting Techniques, Orchestral Conducting Techniques, Music Theory, Choral Repertory, Hymnology, Music Pedagogy

Regis College, Weston, Massachusetts

Bachelor of Arts, Theology; Music, 2004, *cum laude*

Theology Coursework: Christology, Spirituality, Scripture, Religious Pluralism

Music Coursework: Theory, Harmony, Counterpoint, Composition, Music History,
Voice, Piano

PROFESSIONAL

Employment

Assistant Professor of Music

Regis College

January 2014-present

Graduate Teaching Fellow

The Catholic University of America School of Theology and Religious Studies

September 2011-August 2014

Graduate Teaching Assistant

The Catholic University of America School of Theology and Religious Studies

January 2011-August 2011

Courses Taught

MU316 “Glee Club”

Regis College School of Liberal Arts, Education, and Social Sciences

Assistant Professor – Choir Director

One Section

Spring Semester (January – May) 2014

MU 320 “Chamber Singers”

Assistant Professor – Choir Director

One Section

Spring Semester (January – May) 2014

TRS 360 “The Catholic Church Today”

Teaching Fellow – Course Instructor

One Section

Summer Session (June-August) 2014

TRS 201 “Faith Seeking Understanding”

The Catholic University of America School of Theology and Religious Studies

Teaching Fellow - Course Instructor

One section

Fall Semester (August – December) 2013

Teaching Fellow - Course Instructor

One section

Spring Semester (January - May) 2013

Teaching Fellow - Course Instructor

Two sections

Fall semester (August – December) 2012

Teaching Fellow – Course Instructor

Two sections

Spring Semester (January - May) 2012

TRS 260 “Christianity and Culture”

The Catholic University of America School of Theology and Religious Studies

Teaching Fellow - Course Instructor

One section

Summer intensive course (6-weeks July-August) 2012

Teaching Fellow - Course Instructor

One section

Fall semester (August – December) 2011

Teaching Assistant

One section

Summer intensive course (6- weeks May-June) 2011

TRS 280 “The Religious Quest”

The Catholic University of America School of Theology and Religious Studies

Teaching Assistant

One section

Spring semester (January - May) 2011

Papers Presented

Psychology and the Other. Conference.

Lesley University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, October 4-6 2013.

“The Fetus as ‘Other’”

Ecclesia and Ethics: An Eco-Friendly & Economically Feasible Online Biblical Studies & Theology Conference

University of St. Andrews, Scotland. Global Online Real-time Conference via Webinar.
May 18 and May 25, 2013.

“An Ecclesiology of Responsibility: The Catholic Church's Understanding of its Role
in Societal Moral Formation as Presented in *Gaudium et Spes* and *Fides et Ratio*”

Pacem in Terris at 50. Graduate Student Pre-Conference.

The Catholic University of America, Washington, DC, April 8, 2013.

“Vatican II and the Dignity of the Human Person: *Pacem in Terris*, *Gaudium et Spes*, and
Nostra Aetate in Dialogue.”

American Academy of Religion Upper Midwest Regional Meeting. Conference.

Luther Seminary, St. Paul, Minnesota, April 5-6, 2013

“A Pro-Life Science: Women’s Rights and the Interaction Between Science and Religion
in the Abortion Debate”

American Academy of Religion Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting.

Religious Experience Through the Senses. Conference.

The Sheraton Baltimore Center, Baltimore, Maryland, March 13-15, 2013

“Reflections on Music as a Sacramental” What it is and is Not.”

Revelation and Convergence: Flannery O’Connor Among the Philosophers and Theologians.
Conference.

Loyola University, Chicago, October 6-8, 2011.

“Rahner, Fries, and the Unified Church.”

What is Life? Theology, Science and Philosophy. Conference.

The Centre of Theology and Philosophy, Krakow, Poland, June 24-28, 2011.

“Religion ‘Versus’ Science: Past Issues and Possible Conversation Partners.”

American Academy of Religion Pacific Northwest Regional Annual Meeting. Conference.

Gonzaga University, Spokane, WA, May 13-15, 2011.

“Process Thought as a Systematic Synthesis: The Contribution of a Whiteheadian Metaphysics to the Creation of an Integrative Approach to Science and Religion.”

Faith Informing Scholarship. Conference.

The Catholic University of America, Washington, DC, March 31, 2011.

“Aquinas’ Treatment of Plotinus’ Metaphysics: A Case Study in Faith Informing Scholarship.”

Sermons Delivered (By Invitation)

“Eschatology and Economic Justice: Reflections on the Exodus Story”

(Four-part series). Tufts University, Medford, MA, September-November, 2008

“God’s Eye is on the Sparrow, God Watches Over Me: Human Agency and Suffering.”

Payson Park Church, Belmont, Massachusetts, May 11, 2008

“When Faith Strengthens our Capacity to Doubt.”

Payson Park Church, Belmont, Massachusetts, March 23, 2008

Tufts University, Medford, Massachusetts, April 9, 2009

“Behold, I Make All New Things.”

Payson Park Church, Belmont, Massachusetts, December 30, 2007

Edwards Church, Framingham, Massachusetts, December 28, 2008

“What is Love?: The ‘Great Commandment.’”

Marsh Chapel, Boston University School of Theology and Religious Studies

October 12, 2006

“Things We Just Can’t Explain: Reflections on Job.”

Phillips Congregational Church, Watertown, Massachusetts, October 1, 2006

Other Employment

Edwards Church U.C.C., Framingham, Massachusetts

Choir Director, 9/2008-6/2009

Tufts University, Medford, Massachusetts

Director of Music Ministry, Goddard Chapel’s Protestant Chaplaincy,

9/2007-5/2009

Regis College, Weston, Massachusetts

Assistant Conductor, 9/2006-5/2009; European concert tours 2006-present

Phillips Congregational Church, Watertown, Massachusetts

Ministerial Intern and Music Ministry Intern, 12/2005-9/2009

Payson Park Church, U.C.C., Belmont, Massachusetts

Church School Teacher, 5/2007-8/2009

Fourth Presbyterian Church, East Boston, Massachusetts

Music Teacher, Summer Meals Program, 6/2006-8/2006

HONORS AND AWARDS

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| 2011-2014 | First Year Experience Graduate Teaching Fellowship
Three consecutive academic years: Tuition, Annual Stipend of \$18,000
The Catholic University of America |
| 2009-11 | Graduate Scholarships for Merit
Two consecutive academic years: Half Tuition
The Catholic University of America |
| 2009 | Hoyt L. Hickman Award for Excellence in Liturgical Scholarship and Leadership |

2007	The Order of Saint Luke Roland D. Sundberg Scholarship for Merit Boston University
2006- 2008	William S. Studley Scholarship for Merit Boston University
2007	Berton E. Kile Scholarship for Merit The United Methodist Church
2007	C. Kenosian Endowed Memorial Scholarship Boston University
2006	Belle A. Floyd Scholarship Boston University
2005	J.L. Harvey Scholarship The United Methodist Church
2000-2004	Dean's Scholarship Regis College
2000	Arthur and Anna Thomas Memorial Scholarship Most Blessed Sacrament Parish
2000	Melrose Symphony Orchestra Endowed Scholarship for Musical Achievement Melrose Symphony Orchestra
2000	Girl Scout Gold Award Girl Scouts of the U.S.A.

LANGUAGES

Reading competency in Spanish, German, Greek, Latin (with appropriate reference tools)

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Catholic Systematic Theology, Sacramental Theology, Religion and Science, Christianity and its Relationship to Culture, Eschatology, Ecclesiology, Ecumenism, Christology

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

2004- present	Regis College Alumnae Chorus
2010-2013	Cantor, St. Vincent's Chapel, The Catholic University of America
2011-2013	Catechist- grades 2/8, St. Ambrose Catholic Parish, Cheverly MD
2007-2009	Boston University Chamber Chorus, Concert Choir, Women's Chorale, Symphonic Chorus
2001-2004	Regis College Music Ministry: Co-founder, Leader of Song
2001-2004	Regis College Liturgical Planning Committee
2000-2004	Regis College Handbell Choir, Glee Club, Chamber Singers
2000-2004	Regis College Campus Ministry Executive Board Chair, 2003-04 Secretary, 2002-03
3/01, 7/02, 3/03, 7/03	Sisters of Saint Joseph Volunteers in Mission Program
2000	Wellesley Symphony Orchestra(violin)
1996-2000	Melrose Symphony Orchestra (violin)
1997-1999	C.C.D. Teacher, Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic Parish