

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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## I. EDUCATION

- PH.D.**           **COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY**, Department of Religion, History of Christianity (2015)  
Dissertation: “Reception, Interpretation and Doctrine in the Sixth Century: John Maxentius and the Scythian Monks.”  
Dissertation Committee: John A. McGuckin (Director), Euan K. Cameron, Robert E. Somerville, Peter Awn, Joseph Lienhard (Fordham University)
- M.PHIL.**       **COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY**, Department of Religion, History of Christianity (2012)  
Comprehensive Exams: Early & Medieval Christianity | European Reformation
- S.T.M.**       **UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF NEW YORK CITY**, History of Christianity (2008)
- M.DIV.**       **FULLER THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY**, Church History & Biblical Studies (2004)
- B.A.**           **UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON**, Psychology (1999)
- A.A.**           **BELLEVUE COLLEGE**, Associate in Arts and Sciences (1997)

## II. ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

### **OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY**

TEACHING ASSISTANT PROFESSOR (Fall 2019 – Spring 2021)

*Religions of the Native Americans; Introduction to the World Religions; Classic Christian Writings; The New Testament and Its Study* (Spring, 2021)

*Introduction to the World Religions; The New Testament and Its Study* (Fall, 2021)

*Paul and the Early Church; Introduction to the World Religions* (Summer, 2020)

*New Testament & Its Study; Global Islam; Introduction to the World Religions* (Spring, 2020)

*Introduction to the World Religions; American Christianity through the Colonial Period* (Fall, 2019)

### **LOYOLA MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY**

POST-DOCTORAL FACULTY FELLOW & VISITING ASSISTANT PROFESSOR (2013–2019)

*God and the Human Experience* (Spring, 2019; Fall, 2018)

*In Search of a Way: Spirituality, Faith and Culture* (Spring 2019; Fall & Spring, 2018; Fall & Spring, 2017; Fall & Spring, 2016; Fall, 2015; Fall & Spring, 2014; Fall, 2013)

*History of Christianity: Middle Ages to the Present* (Spring, 2015; Fall & Spring 2014; Fall 2013).

## UPPER LEVEL COURSES (WRITING FLAG)

*Sex and the City of God: Sexuality, Sex, Gender and the Body* (Fall & Spring, 2017; Fall & Spring 2016; Fall & Spring, 2015)

## UPPER LEVEL SEMINAR (FOR MAJORS AND MINORS IN THEOLOGICAL STUDIES)

*Augustine of Hippo: History and Legacy in a Global Context* (Spring, 2018)

## FACULTY LEARNING COMMUNITIES

Intercultural Pedagogy Workshop (Spring, 2015; Fall, 2014)

Pedagogy of Argumentation Workshop (Fall, 2018; Spring, 2019)

**MARYMOUNT MANHATTAN COLLEGE | ADJUNCT INSTRUCTOR (2011-2013)**

## LOWER LEVEL COURSES

*Introduction to Judaism, Christianity and Islam* (Fall, 2012); *Introduction to the New Testament* (Spring, 2012); *Introduction to the New Testament* (Spring, 2011)

## UPPER LEVEL COURSES

*Bible as Literature* (Spring, 2013); *Religion and Literature* (Fall, 2012)

**COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY | TEACHING FELLOW (2009-2012)**

*Islam* with Peter J. Awn (Spring, 2012; Spring 2011; Spring, 2009); *Religion 101* with Paul Weinfeld (Fall, 2010); *Christianity* with Robert E. Somerville (Spring & Fall, 2009)

**BARNARD COLLEGE (2011)**

*Religion in America* with Randall Balmer (Fall, 2011)

**UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF NEW YORK CITY | TEACHING FELLOW (2008; 2012)**

*History of Christianity Part 2: Introduction to Western European Church History* with Euan K. Cameron (Spring, 2012); *The Seven Ecumenical Councils* with John A. McGuckin (Fall, 2008)

**FULLER THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY | TEACHING ASSISTANT (2004-2005)**

Teaching Assistant & Guest Lecturer for the following courses: *Early Christianity* (Fall, 2005); *American Church History* (Winter, 2005); *Medieval & Reformation History* (Spring, 2005); *Systematic Theology I* (Fall, 2004).

**III. PUBLICATIONS****BOOKS**

1. *Philanthropy and Social Compassion in Eastern Orthodox Tradition, The Sophia Institute: Studies in Orthodox Theology*, Vol. 2, ed. Matthew J. Pereira, New York: Theotokos Press (2010).

**REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES**

1. "Beholding Beauty in Nicetas Stethatos' *Contemplation of Paradise*," *Union Seminary Quarterly Review*, vol. 63:3-4 (2012), (In Honor of John Anthony McGuckin's Installation as the Ane Marie and Bent Emil Nielsen Professor in Late Antique and Byzantine Christian History), 51–61.

2. "The Internal Coherence of Cyril of Alexandria's Pneumatology: Interpreting the Seventh Dialogue of the Dialogues on the Trinity," *Union Seminary Quarterly Review*, vol. 62:3–4 (2010): 70–98.
3. "In the Name of the Three Headed Monster: The Contours of the Judicial Process in Michael Servetus's Trial," *Union Seminary Quarterly Review*, vol. 60 (2007): 11–34.

#### **CONTRIBUTIONS TO REFEREED EDITED VOLUMES**

1. "The Intertextual Tradition of Prosper's *De vocatione omnium gentium*," in *Studia Patristica XCVII. Papers of the Seventeenth International Conference on Patristic Studies at the University of Oxford* (2015), Leuven: Utigeverij Peeters (2017): 143–158.
2. "The Council of Chalcedon 451: In Search of a Balanced and Nuanced Christology," in *The Seven Icons of Christ: Introduction to the Oecumenical Councils*, ed. Sergey Trostyanskiy. Piscataway, NJ: Gorgias Press (2016): 179–242.
3. "Augustine and Social Justice in Calvin's Biblical Commentaries," in *Augustine and Social Justice*, eds. T. Delgado, J. Doody, K. Paffenroth. Augustine in Conversation: Tradition and Innovation. Lanham: Rowman & Littlefield (2015): 227–50.
4. "Augustine, Pelagius, and the Southern Gallic Tradition: Faustus of Riez's *De gratia Dei*," in *Grace for Grace: The Debates After Augustine and Pelagius*, eds. Alexander Y. Hwang, Brian Matz, and Augustine Casiday. Washington D.C.: Catholic University of America Press, (2014): 180–207.
5. "From Augustine to the Scythian Monks: Social Memory and the Doctrine of Predestination," in *Studia Patristica LXX. Papers of the Sixteenth International Conference on Patristic Studies at the University of Oxford* (2011), Leuven: Peeters (2013): 671–83.
6. "The Spoils of Egypt: An Exploration of Origen's Letter to Gregory," in *Origenianum Decima: Origen as Writer. Papers of the 10th International Origen Congress, University School of Philosophy and Education "Ignatianum" Krakow, Poland, 31 August - 4 September 2009*, Leuven: Utigeverij Peeters (2011): 221–48.

#### **CONTRIBUTIONS TO INVITED EDITED VOLUMES**

1. "The Art of Transmitting the Christian Tradition: From Scripture to the Scythian Monks," in *Orthodoxy and the Sacred Arts*, ed. John A. McGuckin (New York: Theotokos Press, 2016).
2. "St. Symeon the New Theologian & Nicetas Stethatos on the Contemplation of the Beautiful," in *Beauty and the Beautiful in Patristic and Byzantine Theology*, ed. John A. McGuckin. New York: Theotokos Press, (2013).
3. "The Virgin Mary & Asceticism," in *Women in the Orthodox Church: Past Roles, Future Paradigms. Sophia Studies in Orthodox Theology, volume 1* (2008) ed. J. M. Lasser, New York: Theotokos Press (2009): 80–95.

**CONTRIBUTIONS TO ENCYCLOPEDIAS**

1. Articles in *Encyclopedia of Medieval Philosophy: Philosophy Between 500 and 1500*, ed. Henrik Lagerlund, New York: Springer Publishing (2010; 2108; 2019).
  1. Bonaventure pp. 182-187.
  2. Maximus the Confessor pp. 732-735
  3. John Maxentius and the Scythian Monks (2019)
  4. Theopaschism (2019)
  
2. Articles in *Encyclopedia of Eastern Orthodox Christianity*, 2 vols., ed. John A. McGuckin, Oxford: Wiley-Blackwell Publishing (2011).
  1. Patriarchate of Alexandria pp. 16-26 (vol. 1)
  2. Ecumenical Councils pp. 205-8 (vol. 1)
  3. Parousia pp. 438-40 (vol. 2)

**BOOK REVIEWS & NOTES***Religious Studies Review:*

1. *Magistrates, Madonnas and Miracles: The Counter Reformation in the Upper Palatinate*, by Trevor Johnson. Vol. 37.2 (2011): 141.
2. *Philip Melancthon, Speaker of the Reformation: Wittenberg's Other Reformer*, by Timothy J. Wengert. Vol. 37.2 (2011): 143
3. *Calvin in Context*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, by David C. Steinmetz. Vol. 37, 3 (2011): 225-26.
4. *Galileo Goes to Jail: and Other Myths about Science and Religion*, ed. Ronald L. Numbers. Vol. 37.3 (2011): 225.
5. *Calvin*, by Bruce Gordon. Vol. 37.4 (2011): 289.
6. *The Encyclopedia of Eastern Orthodox Christianity*. Edited by John Anthony McGuckin. Vol. 41.2 (2015): 82.
7. *Witness of the Body: The Past, Present, and Future of Christian Martyrdom*. Edited by Michael L. Budde and Karen Scott. Vol. 41.2 (2015): 82.
8. Ane L. Bysted, *Crusade Indulgence: Spiritual Rewards and the Theology of the Crusades, c. 1095-1216*, forthcoming.

*Reformation & Renaissance Review:*

1. *What is a Lollard? Dissent and Belief in Late Medieval England*, by Patrick Hornbeck II. Vol. 12.2-3 (2010): 349-51.
2. *John Calvin, Myth and Reality: Images and Impact of Geneva's Reformer*, ed. Amy Nelson Burnett. Vol. 13.3 (2011): 398-400.

*The Sixteenth Century Journal:*

1. *Luther and the Beloved Community*, by Paul R. Hinlicky. Vol. 42.4 (2011): 1196-97.

*Theological Studies:*

1. *Divine Contingency: Theologies of Divine Embodiment in Maximus the Confessor and Tsong Kha Pa*, by Thomas Cattoi. Vol. 71.2 (2010): 465-66.
2. *Dualities: A Theology of Difference*, by Michelle Voss Roberts. Vol. 72.4 (2011): 910-12.

3. *Firmly I Believe and Truly: The Spiritual Tradition of Catholic England. An Anthology of Writings from 1483 to 1999*, eds. John Saward, John Morrill and Michael Tomko. Vol. 73.3 (2012): 910-12.

#### **IV. PUBLICATIONS IN PROGRESS | UNDER REVIEW**

1. *Reappraising Mystical Theology in Eastern Christianity: From the Early Church to Byzantium: Essays in Honor of John Anthony McGuckin*, eds. Matthew J. Pereira; Justin Lasser; Zachary Domach | Catholic University of America Press
2. *Borderland Monks and the Rewriting of Tradition: John Maxentius and the Scythian Monks*

#### **V. PAPERS PRESENTED AT ACADEMIC CONFERENCES**

##### **INVITED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

“From the Margins to the Mainstream: How a Borderland Community of Medieval Monks Reimagined the Christian Tradition,” at the College of William & Mary, Williamsburg, VA (April, 2018)

“The Question of Divine Suffering in Chalcedon, the Scythian Monks and Contemporary Theology,” for Panel on the Council of Chalcedon, at the *Mid-Atlantic Region of the American Academy of Religion*, New Brunswick, NJ (March 2016).

“Rhetoric and Ecumenism in Late Antiquity,” Keynote Address at the *Eighth Annual Sophia Institute Conference*, at Union Theological Seminary in New York City (December, 2015).

“The Intertextual Tradition of Prosper’s *De vocatione omnium gentium*,” for a Workshop on Prosper of Aquitaine, at the *Sixteenth International Conference on Patristic Studies*, University of Oxford, Oxford, England (August, 2015).

“Nicetas Stethatos and the Mystical Quest for the Beauty of God,” for panel titled: Being United to God as to One Unknown: Meditations with Nicetas Stethatos, Thomas Aquinas, and John of the Cross, delivered at the *Patristic, Medieval, and Renaissance Conference*, Villanova University, Philadelphia (Oct. 2013).

##### **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

“Borderland Monks: Hybridity at the Frontier Lands of the Sixth Century,” at *American Academy of Religion*, San Antonio, TX (November, 2016).

“Transmission and Tradition at the Borderlands: John Maxentius and the Scythian Monks,” at *North American Patristics Society*, Chicago, IL (May, 2016).

“John Maxentius and the Scythian Monks: Ecumenical Theologians?” at *Seventh Annual Sophia Institute Conference*, Union Theological Seminary in New York City (December, 2014).

“Cyril of Alexandria & Augustine of Hippo on the Family” at *Fifth Annual Sophia Institute Conference*, Union Theological Seminary in New York City (December, 2012).

"The Theopaschite Formula of John Maxentius and the Scythian Monks" at the *Patristic, Medieval, and Renaissance Conference*, Villanova University, Philadelphia, PA (October, 2012).

"Nicetas Stethatos and the Pursuit of Beauty," delivered at *Fourth Annual Sophia Institute Conference*, Union Theological Seminary, New York City (December, 2011).

"From Augustine to the Scythian Monks: John Maxentius's Doctrine of Grace" at *Sixteenth International Conference on Patristic Studies*, University of Oxford, England (August, 2011).

"Origen and Philanthropia" at *Second Annual Sophia Institute Conference*, Union Theological Seminary in New York City (December, 2009).

"Partakers of the Divine: Cyril's Doctrine of Deification in Dialogue VII of his Trinitarian Dialogues" at *Patristic, Medieval, and Renaissance Conference*, Villanova University, Philadelphia, PA (October, 2009).

"The Spoils of Egypt: An Exploration of Origen's Letter to Gregory," at *Colloquium Origenianum Decimum*, Krakow, Poland (September, 2009).

"Advancing a Hermeneutic of the Eucharist: Calvin's Interpretation of the Words of Institution" at *Calvin and His Influence, 1509 – 2009*, Geneva, Switzerland (May, 2009).

"Gleaning from Sheaves: John Hales Appropriation of the Church Fathers in the Sermon Abuses in the Hard Places of Scripture," at *Sixteenth Century Society and Conference*, Geneva, Switzerland (May, 2009).

"Preaching Mary: An Examination of Origen's Reflections on the Virgin Mary in the Homilies on Luke", at *North American Patristics Society*, Chicago, IL (May, 2009).

"The Servetus Affair: The Genevan Verdict Reconsidered," at *Patristic, Medieval, and Renaissance Conference*, Villanova University, Philadelphia, PA (October, 2008).

"The Economics of Salvation: The Rhetoric of Fundraising and Gregory Nazianzen's Social Mission in Oration 14," at *Archbishop Iakovos Graduate Student Conference in Patristic Studies*, Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, Brookline, MA (April, 2008).

Respondent for Mark Scott, "Origen the Christian or Origen the Platonist? Beyond the False Dichotomy," at *Archbishop Iakovos Graduate Student Conference in Patristic Studies*, Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, Brookline, MA (April, 2008).

"Gregory Nazianzen's Employment of *schesis* in Oration 29.16," at *Archbishop Iakovos Graduate Student Conference in Patristic Studies*, Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, Brookline, MA (March, 2006).

Respondent for Nadia Delicata, "The Ecclesiology of Irenaeus of Lyon: a Journey to our Ecclesiological Finality," at *Archbishop Iakovos Graduate Student Conference in Patristic Studies*, Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, Brookline, MA (March, 2006).

“Gregory Nazianzen’s Trinitarian Theology,” *Pacific Northwest American Academy of Religion Conference*, Seattle University, Seattle, WA (May, 2005).

#### **VI. ADVISING & MENTORSHIP | LOYOLA MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY (2014 - )**

- 2016–2019      Chaplain for Sursum Corda (Service Organization)
- 2015–2019      Faculty Advisor for Men’s Water Polo Team
- 2015–2016      Faculty Advisor for Mariajose Gomez, Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program  
Project Title: “Augustine on Teachers and Teaching: Reflections for the Intercultural Classroom.”
- 2014–2016      Faculty Advisor, National Society of Collegiate Scholars

#### **VIII. HONORS & AWARDS**

Honorary Member of the National Society of Collegiate Scholars, Loyola Marymount University (2015).

Nomination for Outstanding Teacher by Kappa Alpha Theta, Loyola Marymount University (2014).

GSAS Alumni Association Fund for Underrepresented Minority Students (2012-13).

Morton Smith Fellowship for Advanced Graduate Studies, Columbia University (2012-2013).

Teaching Fellow Scholarship, Department of Religion, Columbia University (2008-2012).

Graduate School of Arts & Sciences Minority (Summer) Fellowship (2008-2012).

Winner of Student Paper Competition at Union Theological Seminary (2007).

#### **IX. FURTHER CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE FIELD**

Huffington Ecumenical Institute Conference on "Orthodox-Catholic Dialogue." Respondent to Fr. Dr. Paul Gavrilyuk and Rev. Dr. Paul McPartlan, Loyola Marymount University (2015).

Delivered Plenary Address, “Scholarship and Service,” for Induction Ceremony of New Members of the National Society of Collegiate Scholars. Loyola Marymount University Chapter (2014).

Invited Lecture, “The Early Church and Slavery,” Immersion Course: *Abolition, Religion, & Social Movements: A Poverty Initiative Immersion*, Union Theological Seminary, New York, NY (2012).

#### **X. PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

- Society of Biblical Literature (2008 - )
- American Society of Church History (2008 - )
- Sixteenth Century Society (2008 - )
- American Academy of Religion (2005 - )
- North American Patristics Society (2004 - )

## **XI. LANGUAGES STUDIED**

Ancient | Koine Greek, Latin, Biblical Hebrew

Modern | French, German and Spanish

## **XII. ACADEMIC & PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES**

Douglas Christie  
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