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Curriculum Vitae

University of North Carolina, Asheville
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AOS: Medieval Philosophy and Philosophical Theology, Philosophy of Mind and Will,
Philosophy of Religion

AOC: Ancient Philosophy, Metaphysics, Disability Studies, Ethics

EDUCATION

2011 D.Phil. **University of Oxford**
Medieval Philosophy and Theology

Thesis: “Henry of Ghent on the Trinity:
Metaphysics and Philosophical Psychology.”

Supervisor: Dr. Richard Cross (University of Notre Dame; formerly University of
Oxford)

Examiner: Dr. Cecilia Trifogli (All Souls College, University of Oxford)

Examiner: Dr. Russell Friedman (Katholieke Universiteit Leuven)

2006 M.St. **University of Oxford**
Medieval Philosophy and Theology

Thesis: “Henry of Ghent: The Divine Word and Divine Ideas.”

Supervisor: Dr. Richard Cross (University of Notre Dame; formerly University of
Oxford)

2003 M.A. *Cum Laude* **Trinity Evangelical Divinity School**
Philosophy of Religion
Church History

Thesis: “An Overstanding of Paul Ricoeur’s ‘Being-As’ Metaphoric by
St. Thomas Aquinas’s Doctrine of Creation and *Via
Transcendentia*.”

Supervisor: Dr. Kevin Vanhoozer (Trinity Evangelical Divinity School)

Examiner: Dr. Daniel Treier (Wheaton College)

EDUCATION continued

2001 B.A. *Cum Laude* San Francisco State University
English Literature

2001 B.A. San Francisco State University
Classics

1996 Certificate in Film New York University
School of Continuing and
Professional Studies

WORK EXPERIENCE

2015 Assistant Professor of Philosophy University of North Carolina,
Asheville
Dept. of Philosophy
Introduction to Philosophy
Introduction to Logic
Introduction to Metaphysics and
Epistemology
Medieval Philosophy

2013-2015 Visiting Assistant Professor of Philosophy Centre College
Dept. of Philosophy
Introduction to Ethics
Humanities (Ancient, Medieval,
Modern)
Philosophy Through Film
Philosophy and Disability Studies
Through Film
Philosophy of Religion

2012 – 2013 Visiting Assistant Professor of Philosophy Azusa Pacific University
Dept. of Philosophy and Theology
Introduction to Philosophy
Ancient Philosophy
*Medieval Philosophy (Jewish, Arabic,
and Scholastic Philosophy)*
*Seminar: "On the Trinity:
Philosophical Theology, Art, and
Literature"*

2011 – 2012	Visiting Scholar	University of Notre Dame Dept. of Philosophy
2011	Visiting Instructor	Bethel College Dept. of Philosophy <i>Applied Ethics</i>
2010 – 2011	Adjunct Instructor	University of Notre Dame Dept. of Theology <i>Foundations of Theology</i>
2008 – 2010	Adjunct Instructor	University of Notre Dame Dept. of Philosophy <i>Introduction to Philosophy</i>
2007 – 2008	Visiting Researcher	University of Notre Dame Dept. of Philosophy
2007	Tutor	University of Oxford Worcester College <i>Medieval Philosophy and Theology</i>
2006	Tutor	University of Oxford Hertford College <i>Early and Late Medieval Philosophical Theology</i>
2006 – 2007	Communications Officer	University of Oxford Graduate Theology Society

PUBLICATIONS AND PAPERS

Monograph Projects

Henry of Ghent on the Trinity: Metaphysics, Intellect, and Will. Revising Ph.D. dissertation.

Striving into God: Essays in Medieval Philosophy and Philosophy of Religion in Honor of Marilyn McCord Adams. Thomas M. Ward and Scott M. Williams (eds.), forthcoming.

Medieval Philosophy and Disability, ed. Scott M. Williams, in early stages of project

Book Chapters

“John Duns Scotus,” in *The Oxford Handbook of the Epistemology of Theology*, William Abraham and Fred Aquino (eds.), Oxford: Oxford University Press, forthcoming, 2015.

“Medieval Philosophy and the Trinity,” in *Routledge Companion to Medieval Philosophy*, Richard Cross and JT Paasch (eds.), Oxford: Routledge, forthcoming.

Refereed Articles

“Indexicals and the Trinity: Two Non-Social Models,” *The Journal of Analytic Theology* 1.1 (2013), 74-94.

“Henry of Ghent on Real Relations and the Trinity: The Case for Numerical Sameness without Identity,” *Recherches de Théologie et Philosophie Médiévales* 79.1 (2012), 109-148.

“God’s Knowledge of Individual Material Creatures According to Thomas Aquinas,” in *Medieval Skepticism and the Claim to Metaphysical Knowledge* v. 6. Gyula Klima and Alexander Hall (eds.). Newcastle upon Tyne: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2012. First published in *Proceedings of the Society for Medieval Logic and Metaphysics* 6 (2006), 108-120.

“Augustine, Thomas Aquinas, Henry of Ghent, and John Duns Scotus: On the Theology of the Father’s Intellectual Generation of the Word,” *Recherches de Théologie et Philosophie Médiévales* 77.1 (2010), 35-81.

Articles in Draft Stage

“Persons, Experiential Consciousness and the Trinity: A Quasi-Social Latin Model”

“Disability and Locke’s Concept of Person: A Critique”

“Friendship and Profound Intellectual Disability: Some Medieval Contributions”

“Friendship and Virtue: Thomas Aquinas, Henry of Ghent, and Peter John Olivi”

“Henry of Ghent on Common Natures and Individuation - Revisited”

“Doctrines of Univocity in the Religious Epistemology of Islamic and Christian Medieval Thought”

“The Ontology of Common Relations According to Henry of Ghent”

Book Reviews

Friedman, Russell L. *Intellectual Traditions at the Medieval University: The Use of Philosophical Psychology in Trinitarian Theology Among the Franciscans and Dominicans*, in *Vivarium*, 53.1 (2015) 123-125.

Friedman, Russell L. *Trinitarian Thought from Aquinas to Ockham*, in *Journal of Theological Studies*, 61.2 (2010), 833-836.

Flores, Juan Carlos. *Henry of Ghent: Metaphysics and the Trinity*, in *International Journal of Systematic Theology*, 10.1 (2008), 108-111.

Hütter, Reinhard, *Bound to Be Free: Evangelical Catholic Engagements in Ecclesiology, Ethics and Ecumenism*, in *Princeton Theological Review*, Autumn 2005.

Edited Publications

“Logica Scoti: De Formalitatibus,” Kent Emery, Jr., Gloria Frost, Andrew Rosato, Garrett Smith, Scott M. Williams (eds.). Timothy Noone (General Ed.). *Opera Omnia, John Duns Scotus*, forthcoming.

Papers Presented

2015 “Friendship and Profound Intellectual Disability: Contributions from Medieval Philosophy and Disability Studies,” UNC Asheville, Philosophy

2014 “Disability and Locke’s Concept of Person: A Critique,” Centre College, Philosophy

2014 “Persons, Experiential Consciousness, and the Trinity: A Quasi-Social Latin Model,” University of Notre Dame, Center for Philosophy of Religion

2013 “Friendship and Profound Intellectual Disability: Some Medieval Contributions,” Centre College, Philosophy Program

2010 “Henry of Ghent: On Being Conscious,” invited graduate student papers for the workshop for the volume, *Companion to Later Medieval Cognitive Theory*, Russell Friedman and Martin Pickavé (eds.). Leiden: Brill, forthcoming. Katholieke Universiteit Leuven: Leuven, Belgium, Feb. 18-20.

2010 “Henry of Ghent on Internal Divine Production: Produced Persons,” Center for Philosophy of Religion, University of Notre Dame.

2008 “Thomas Aquinas and Henry of Ghent: The Father’s Intellectual Generation of the Word,” *Patristic, Medieval and Renaissance Conference*, Villanova University.

2006 “Analogy to Hope: Duns Scotus on Freedom and Chaucer on ‘Trouthe’,” *Institute for Theology, Imagination and the Arts*, Spring Research Colloquium, St. Mary’s College, University of St. Andrews, Directed by Trevor Hart and Jeremy Begbie.

Papers Presented continued

- 2006 “Thomas Aquinas on the Divine Idea of Prime Matter,” *Society for Medieval Logic and Metaphysics*, Denison University, annual conference of the *American Catholic Philosophical Association*.
- 2001 “To Use or Receive, That is the Question: Thoughts on Spenser’s *Fairie Queene*,” *Northern California Renaissance Conference*, University California at Davis.

Manuscript/Archival Research

- 2009 Examined a 14th c. codex held at Balliol College, University of Oxford, that contains John Duns Scotus’s theological and philosophical treatise called “De formalitatibus,” which concerns the doctrine of God. This research was required for the critical editing of this text.
- 2006 Examined a 15th c. codex held at Christ Church College, University of Oxford, that contains works by Ralph Strode who, it is thought, is Geoffrey Chaucer’s philosophical friend. This research was vital for my paper presentation on Chaucer and Duns Scotus at St. Mary’s College, University of St. Andrews (see above).

SERVICE TO FIELD

Reviewer for *American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly* (Medieval Philosophy)

Reviewer for *Journal of Analytic Theology* (Trinitarian Theology)

Co-Organized Festschrift Conference for Professor Marilyn McCord Adams with Prof. Mark Henninger (Georgetown University) and Prof. Thomas Ward (Loyola Marymount University), Georgetown University, March 13-15, 2014

Co-Founding Member of *Schola Pro Bono*, which is a paper exchange group among junior Professors in medieval philosophy and philosophical theology

SCHOLARSHIPS AND HONORS

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| 2007 | James William Squire Bursary | University of Oxford
Faculty of Theology, Squire & Marriott Fund |
| | Scholarship for £3,000 | |
| 2002 | Dean’s Scholarship | Trinity Evangelical Divinity School |

1999 – 2001 **Dean's List**

**San Francisco State
University**

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

English (native speaker)

French (research proficiency)

Latin: Classical, Medieval (research proficiency)

Spanish (basic spoken)

Greek: Classical, Koine (research proficiency)

REFERENCES

Richard A. Cross

University of Notre Dame
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the Department of Philosophy; formerly Professor of
Medieval Theology, University of Oxford, Oriel College

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