

curriculum vitae

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EDUCATION

Cornell University, 1994-2000
PhD conferred January 2000
MA conferred August 1997

Calvin College, 1990-1994
Bachelor of Arts with majors in Philosophy and Classical Civilization
Departmental Honors in both majors

DISSERTATION

“Metaphysical Amphibians: Aquinas on the Individuation and Identity of Human Beings”
Dissertation Committee: Scott MacDonald (chair), Terence Irwin, Sydney Shoemaker, (†
August 1998, Norman Kretzmann)

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Medieval Philosophy (emphasis on metaphysics, philosophy of mind, epistemology),
Philosophy of Gender, Philosophy of Religion

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Ancient Philosophy, Early Modern Philosophy, Philosophy of Mind and Metaphysics,

BOOKS

Thomas Aquinas, The Treatise on Happiness: Summa theologiae IaIIae 1-21, translation,
introduction, and commentary with Thomas Williams (Hackett Aquinas Series, in progress)

The Cambridge History of Medieval Philosophy, editor Robert Pasnau, associate editor
Christina Van Dyke (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2010)

Aquinas's Ethics: Metaphysical Foundations, Moral Theory, and Theological Context, co-authored with Rebecca Konyndyk DeYoung and Colleen McCluskey (Notre Dame, IN: University of Notre Dame Press, 2009)

PAPERS

“The End of (Human) Life as We Know It: Thomas Aquinas on Bodies, Persons, and Death” forthcoming in *The Modern Schoolman* (special invited issue on medieval philosophy of religion)

“Justice as a Mean: an Aristotelian Approach to Ethical Vegetarianism” in *Taking Philosophy to Dinner*, eds. A. Chignell, T. Cuneo, M. Haltemann, forthcoming with Routledge

“(Im)Perfect Happiness and the Limits of Human Nature: Aquinas on our Ultimate End” forthcoming in *Oxford Studies in the Philosophy of Religion*

“Discipline and the Docile Body: Regulating Hungers in the Capitol” in *The Hunger Games and Philosophy*, eds. G Dunn and N. Michaud, (Wiley, Blackwell Philosophy and Pop Culture Series, 2012).

“The Truth, the Whole Truth, and Nothing but the Truth: Robert Grosseteste on Universals (and the *Posterior Analytics*),” *Journal of the History of Philosophy* 48:2 (2010) 153-170.

“Mysticism,” in *The Cambridge History of Medieval Philosophy*, eds. Pasnau and Van Dyke (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2010) 720-34.

“Not Properly a Person: the Rational Soul and ‘Thomistic Substance Dualism,’” *Faith and Philosophy* 26:2 (2009) 186-204.

“A Divinely Aristotelian Theory of Illumination: Robert Grosseteste’s epistemology in his *Commentary on the Posterior Analytics*,” *British Journal for the History of Philosophy* 17:4 (2009) 685-704.

“Human Identity, Immanent Causal Relations, and the Principle of Non-Repeatability: Thomas Aquinas on the Bodily Resurrection,” *Religious Studies* 43 (2007) 373-94.

“The Problem of the Rich Man and the Rich Man’s Soul: Aquinas on Personhood and Disembodied Souls,” *Medieval Philosophy and Theology* (forthcoming).

“Aquinas’s Metaphysics of Human Nature,” in K. Clark and X. Xiangdong (eds.) *Reading Thomas Aquinas* (Beijing, Peking University Press, forthcoming).

“Eating as a Gendered Act: Christianity, Feminism, and Reclaiming the Body,” in K. J. Clark (ed.) *Readings in the Philosophy of Religion*, 2nd Edition (Peterborough: Broadview Press, 2008).

“The Beauty in Brokenness,” *Perspectives: a Journal of Reformed Thought* (March 2005).

PROJECTS IN PROGRESS

Medieval ‘Scientia’ and the Meaning of Life: Epistemology, Theology, and the Development of Modern Science (book-length project in progress)

“Defusing the Darwinian Dilemma: Adaptive Antirealism and Adequate Explanations”

“Material Individuation in Aquinas: Prime Matter, Corporeal Form, and Dimensive Quantity”

INVITED BOOK REVIEWS

“*The Specification of Human Actions in St. Thomas Aquinas*. Joseph Pilsner. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2006,” *Speculum* 83 (2008) 233.

“*Emotions in Ancient and Medieval Philosophy*. Simo Knuuttila. Clarendon Press, 2004. x + 342 pp.,” *Philosophical Books*, Apr 2006, Volume 47, Issue 2, pp. 155-165.

“*A Companion to Philosophy in the Middle Ages*. Ed. by Jorge J. E. Gracia and Timothy B. Noone. Oxford: Blackwell Publishing Ltd. 2003,” *Philosophia Christi* 8 (2006) 202-4.

“*The Cambridge Translations of Medieval Philosophical Texts, Volume Three: Mind and Knowledge*. Robert Pasnau (ed.). Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2002,” *The Philosophical Review*, Vol. 113, No. 4.

“*Theology at Paris 1316-1345: Peter Auriol and the problem of divine foreknowledge and future contingents*. By Chris Schabel. Ashgate Studies in Medieval Philosophy. Aldershot: Ashgate Publishing Limited 2000,” *Philosophica Christi* 5 (2003) 603-5.

“*Anselm: Three Philosophical Dialogues*, translated with introduction and glossary by Thomas Williams. Indianapolis: Hackett Publishing Company, 2001,” *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*, August 2002.

“*William of Auvergne’s The Soul*, translated from the Latin with an introduction and notes by Roland Teske, S.J. Milwaukee: Marquette University Press, 2000,” *The Philosophical Review* 111 (2002) No. 3.

“Scott MacDonald and Eleonore Stump (eds.). *Aquinas’s Moral Theory: Essays in Honor of Norman Kretzmann*. Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 1999,” *Journal of the History of Philosophy* 39 (2001) 143-4.

(Some) PAPERS PRESENTED

upcoming (through 2011-12 academic year):

“Glorified Bodies, Perfected Persons, and the Beatific Vision” (Logos “Minds, Bodies, and the Divine” Workshop in Philosophical Theology, Notre Dame, May 3-5, 2012)

“Don’t Get Your Panties in a Bunch: the Dilemma of Drawing Attention to the Absence of Women” (panelist, Addressing the Dearth of Women in the Philosophy of Religion, Pacific APA, April 4-7, 2012)

“The Hunger Games and Philosophy: Discipline and the Docile Body” (Western Washington University, April 2, 2012)

“I’ll Have a Salad and Diet Coke: Eating as a Gendered Act” (Forester Lecture Series, Huntington College, March 22, 2012)

past papers:

“Creating Character” (Values and Virtues seminar, co-directed with Linda Zagzebski, Rome, Italy, January 9-20, 2012)

“A Prior Puzzle about the *A Priori*: Knowledge and Science in the Middle Ages” (A Priori Workshop 2011, University of British Columbia, November 18-20, 2011)

“(Im)Perfect Happiness and the Limits of Human Nature: Aquinas on our Ultimate End” (Baylor-Georgetown-Notre Dame Philosophy of Religion Conference, October 6-8, 2011)

“Defusing the Darwinian Dilemma: Adaptive Antirealism and Adequate Explanations” (Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, August 4-7, 2011)

“I See Dead People: Disembodied Souls and Personhood in Aquinas’s Account of the Story of the Rich Man and Lazarus” (“The Metaphysics of Aquinas and Its Modern Interpreters: Theological and Philosophical Perspectives”, 31st Annual Conference of the Center for Medieval Studies, Fordham University, March 26-27, 2011)

“Science and Religion in the Middle Ages”, “Defusing the Darwinian Dilemma”, “Eating as a Gendered Act” (L’Abri Fellowship International, L’Abri, Switzerland, January 6-7, 2011)

“Living the Good Life: Aristotle and Aquinas’s Virtue Ethics” (5-day lecture series, Wuhan University, Wuhan, China, October 25-29)

“Adaptive Antirealism and Adequate Explanations” (Evolution and Ethics Conference, Peking University, Beijing, China, October 22-24, 2010)

“The End of (Human) Life as We Know It: Thomas Aquinas on Bodies, Persons, and Death” (5th Annual Philosophy of Religion Conference, San Antonio, Feb. 4-6, 2010)

“Science, Knowledge, and Religion in the Middle Ages” (5-day lecture series, Sun Yat Sen University, Guangzhou, China, October 19-23, 2009)

“Moral Veganism: Sexist, or Feminist ‘Must’?” (Poster Session, Rocky Mountain Ethics Conference, August 6-9, 2009)

“The End of (Human) Life as We Know It: Thomas Aquinas on Bodies, Persons, and Death” (Tenth Anniversary UC-Boulder Summer Seminar Reunion Conference, July 24-5, 2009)

“Philosophy Meets Dr. McSteamy: the Metaphysics of Metrosexuality” (Keynote Lecture, West Virginia University Undergraduate Conference, March 27-8, 2009)

“Mysticism and Medieval Philosophy” (Cornell Colloquium in Medieval Philosophy, May 29-31, 2008)

“Ethical Vegetarianism: Feminist Requirement or Patriarchal Burden?” (Center for Ethics, University of Colorado at Boulder, January 18, 2008)

“Jackets of Veins and the Lactating Christ: Vivid Imagery and Philosophical Theology in Medieval Mysticism” (Work in Progress Departmental Talk, University of Colorado at Boulder, December 7, 2007)

“Ethical Vegetarianism: Feminist Requirement or Patriarchal Burden?” (University of Wyoming, November 30, 2007)

“Not Properly a Person: the Rational Soul and ‘Thomistic Substance Dualism’” (Fifth Annual Midwestern Conference in Medieval Philosophy, St. Louis University, October 4-5, 2007)

“Negotiating Tenure: Female Professors in Philosophy” (APA Panel on the Status of Women in Philosophy, Pacific APA, April 4-8, 2007)

“Stitch ‘n Bitch and the Happy Hooker: Feminism and Handcrafts in the United States” (co-presented with Ruth Groenhout for Calvin College’s Women’s History Month Lecture Series, February 2007)

“I’ll Have a Salad and a Diet Coke: Eating as a Gendered Act” (Westmont College, January 12, 2007)

“Robert Grosseteste, Divine Illumination, and Aristotelian Epistemology” (Baylor University, November 3, 2006)

“Eating as a Gendered Act: Reclaiming the Body through the Practices of Fasting and Feasting” (Baylor University, November 2, 2006)

“Robert Grosseteste’s ‘*principia essendi et cognoscendi*’ in *Commentary on Posterior Analytics I.7*” (Fourth Annual Midwestern Conference in Medieval Philosophy, Loyola University, October 13-14, 2006)

“Aquinas’s Metaphysics of Human Nature” (Beijing International Symposium in Medieval Philosophy and Society of Christian Philosophers Conference, July 4-6, 2006)

“An Aristotelian Theory of Divine Illumination: Robert Grosseteste’s Commentary on the *Posterior Analytics*” (The *Posterior Analytics* and Aristotelian Sciences Marquette Summer Seminar in Ancient and Medieval Philosophy, June 8-9, 2006)

“Robert Grosseteste on the Principles of Universal Cognition: Platonic Ideas, Aristotelian forms, and “*principia essendi et cognoscendi*” (Cornell Colloquium in Medieval Philosophy, June 1-3, 2006)

“I’ll Have a Salad and a Diet Coke: Eating as a Gendered Act” (West Michigan Women’s Council and Calvin College Gender Studies’s Women’s History Month Lecture Series, March 6, 2006)

“A Divinely Aristotelian Theory of Illumination: Robert Grosseteste’s epistemology in his *Commentary on the Posterior Analytics*” (Cornell Colloquium in Medieval Philosophy, June 2-4, 2005)

“The Resurrection of the Body and the Life Everlasting: Thomas Aquinas on Human Identity” (Hong Kong Baptist University, November 25, 2005)

“Life and Death: Thomas Aquinas on Human Identity” (University of Hong Kong, November 26, 2005)

“Vegetables are People, Too...or Not: Aquinas on Human Beings and the End of Life” (Midwestern Conference in Medieval Philosophy, University of Iowa, September 17-18, 2004)

“Grosseteste on Divine Illumination” (Midwestern Conference in Medieval Philosophy, Creighton University, September 19-20, 2003)

“The Problem of the Rich Man and the Rich Man’s Soul: Personhood and Disembodied Souls” (St. Louis University, Aquinas’s Ethics: Metaphysical Foundations, Moral Theory, and Theological Context, April 11-12, 2003)

“Aquinas on Human Bodies, Persons, and the End of Human Life” (Wheaton College Philosophy Conference: Immortality and the Philosophy of Mind, October 25-27, 2001)

“Human Bodies, Beings, and Persons in St. Thomas Aquinas” (Society of Christian Philosophers, Pacific Meeting, April 5-8, 2001)

“Human Beings and Human Bodies” (Cornell Colloquium in Medieval Philosophy, June 1-3, 2000)

“Aquinas on Human Identity” (St. Louis Faculty Colloquium, November 12, 1999)

“Human Identity and the Principle of Non-Repeatability: *Summa contra gentiles* IV. 80-81, first objection and reply” (Cornell Colloquium in Medieval Philosophy, June 3-5, 1999)

“Corporeal Form and Interminate Dimensions: Aquinas’s Debt to Avicenna and Averroes” (Yale University Graduate Conference in Medieval Studies, April 17, 1999)

“Metaphysical Amphibians: Individuation and the Separated Soul” (Cornell Philosophy Discussion Club, November 20, 1998)

“Individuating Aquinas’s Metaphysical Amphibians” (Cornell Colloquium in Medieval Philosophy, May 28-30, 1998)

“How Many Angels Can Dance on the Head of a Pin: Aquinas’s Theory of the Individuation of Immaterial Substances” (Cornell Annual Medieval Studies Colloquium, February 8, 1997)

(Some) SESSIONS CHAIRED

Paulo Santorio, “Reference and Monstrosity” (Bellingham Summer Philosophy Colloquium, August 1-5, 2010)

Ross Cameron, “Truthmaking for Presentists” (Bellingham Summer Philosophy Colloquium, August 2-6, 2009)

Author-Meets-Critics Session for Terence Cuneo’s *The Normative Web* (Central APA, February 19-21, 2009)

Robert Pasnau, “The Scholastics and Secondary Qualities” (The University of Toronto Colloquium in Medieval Philosophy, September 19-20, 2008)

Helen Steward, “Is There an Ontology of Causation?” (Perspectives on Ontology Conference at Leeds, September 5-7, 2008)

Jonathan Schaffer, “The Internal Relatedness of All Things” (Bellingham Summer Philosophy Colloquium, August, 2008)

Alexander Pruss, “A New Way to Reconcile Creation with Evolutionary Biology” (Third Annual Baylor Philosophy of Religion Conference, February 2008)

Augustin Rayo, “Vague Representation” (Bellingham Summer Philosophy Colloquium, August, 2007)

Ted Sider, “Neofregeanism and Quantifier Variance” (Bellingham Summer Philosophy Colloquium, August 2006)

Eleonore Stump, Author-Meets Critics Session on *Aquinas* with Scott MacDonald and Richard Cross (Central APA, May 2005)

Fred Feldman, “Actual Utility, the Objection from Impracticality, and the Move to Expected Utility” (Bellingham Summer Philosophy Colloquium, August 2004)

Andy Egan, “Second-Order Predication and the Metaphysics of Properties” (Bellingham Summer Philosophy Colloquium, August 2003)

Jessica Wilson, “The Many in One Problem” (Bellingham Summer Philosophy Colloquium, August 2002)

GRANTS, AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS

- Calvin Research Fellowship (two-course reduction, Spring 2013)
- Calvin Center for Christian Scholarship grant (Academic Year 2012-2013)
- Provost Interim Leave (January 2012)
- NEH Summer Seminar, “Descartes, Galileo, Hobbes: Philosophy and Science, Politics and Religion During the Scientific Revolution”, directed by Daniel Garber and Roger Ariew (Princeton, July 12-August 6)
- NEH Summer Institute, “Cultural Hybridities in the Medieval Mediterranean”, directed by Brian Catlos and Sharon Kinoshita (Barcelona, July 4-31, 2010), *declined*
- Calvin Research Fellowship (one-course reduction, Fall 2009)
- Calvin College Sabbatical Grant (September 2007- May 2008)
- Calvin Research Summer Fellowship (\$3000 stipend, Summer 2007)
- Lily Vocation Project Student Retreat Grant (November 2005-May 2007)
- Award of Distinction from The Communicator Awards for *Inner Compass* Episode #622: “Eating Like a Woman” (originally broadcast May 14, 2006)
- Anthony Diekema Calvin Research Fellowship (two-course reduction, Fall 2006)
- Calvin College Provost Travel Award (\$300 stipend, Summer 2006)
- NEH Summer Seminar, “Soul and Substance in Aristotle and the Aristotelian Tradition”, directed by Chris Shields and Robert Pasnau (Boulder, CO, June 26-July 23, 2004)
- Calvin Center for Christian Scholarship Grant (with Dr. Rebecca Konyndyk De Young and Dr. Colleen McCluskey, \$35,000 awarded December 2002 for the years 2003-2005)
- CCCU Initiative Grant (with Dr. Rebecca Konyndyk De Young and Dr. Colleen McCluskey, \$15,000 awarded April 2000 for the years 2000-2003)
- Calvin College Summer Seminar, “Anselm: Faith Seeking Understanding”, directed by Eleonore Stump (July 1998)
- Pew Younger Scholars Graduate Fellowship (1994-1998)

SIGNIFICANT SERVICE (COLLEGE AND PROFESSIONAL FIELD)

- *Upcoming*: Co-director (with Kevin Timpe), “Teaching Virtue” *Values and Virtues* Summer Seminar (June 25-July 20, 2012)
- *Current*: Interim Director of the *Values and Virtues* China project, a three-year \$3.3 million grant administered by the Nagel Institute and the Society of Christian Philosophers and funded by the John Templeton foundation
- Co-director (with Linda Zagzebski), “Creating Character” *Values and Virtues* January Seminar (Rome, January 2012)
- Executive Director of the Society for Christian Philosophers (July 2011-present)
- Director of Gender Studies, Calvin College (September 2010-August 2013)
- SCP China Committee Member (September 2010-August 2013)
- Kuyers Institute for Christian Teaching and Learning Governing Board, Calvin College (September 2010-May 2014)
- Executive Committee Member, Society of Christian Philosophers (September 2009-July 2011)
- Educational Policies Committee, Calvin College (one of three governance-intensive college committees, September 2008-May 2009)
- Executive Committee, Central American Philosophical Association (March 2008-February 2009)
- Faculty Mentor for Gender Discussion Group (November 2005-May 2007)
- Educational Policies Committee, Calvin College (one of three governance-intensive college committees, September 2005-May 2007)
- McGregor Sophomore Scholar Program Faculty Mentor (September 2003-May 2007)
- Center for Social Research Governing Board, Calvin College (September 2003-May 2005)
- Gender Studies Advisory Board, Calvin College (September 2002-present)
- Academic Writing Advisory Board, Calvin College (September 2001-May 2003)
- Academic Assessment Program Committee Member, St. Louis University (September 2000-May 2001)
- Referee for *Journal of the History of Philosophy*, *History of Philosophy Quarterly*, *Faith and Philosophy*, *Mind*, *Speculum*, *Medieval Philosophy and Theology*, Pontifical Institute of Medieval Studies, Notre Dame University Press, Routledge, Cambridge, Oxford University Press