

CURRICULUM VITAE
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Career Summary: Between college and graduate school I worked in a genetics lab and then for IBM south of Houston, Texas. After graduate school in Toronto, Ontario, I taught philosophy on the undergraduate and graduate levels for six years at the University of Saint Thomas in Houston, Texas and on the undergraduate level for three years at Carroll College in Helena, Montana. For the next three and a half years I worked as a technical writer and programmer in Puyallup, Washington and in Saint Paul, Minnesota. From 1989 to the present I have been teaching philosophy at Christendom College near Front Royal, Virginia. I began teaching as an Assistant Professor, became Associate Professor in the Fall of 1993 and Professor in the Spring/Fall of 2001. I was Academic Dean at the College from the Fall of 1990 until about 2001. I was Chairman of the Philosophy Department from December 16, 1991 until about 2000 and was Chairman from Fall 2008 until about 2012.

Education:

Degrees:

- BA - University of Saint Thomas, Houston, Texas. Major in philosophy
and minor in mathematics. 1962-66
- MA - University of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario. Medieval Studies,
concentration in philosophy. 1972
- LMS (Licentiate in Mediaeval Studies) - Pontifical Institute of Mediaeval
Studies (PIMS), Toronto. Major in philosophy. Degree awarded 1975.1969-72
- PhD - University of Toronto. Philosophy 1972-76

Non degree related:

- U. of Texas at Austin. One semester towards an MA in mathematics. 1966
- U. of Houston. Courses in political science. 1967-69
- Institute for the Psychological Sciences. Audited course on Psychology and Faith.
2000

Thesis information:

- LMS thesis: The status of the forms in the intellect for Aristotle and St.
Thomas.

Advisor: Rev. Joseph Owens

PhD thesis: Cognitive species in St. Thomas and Suarez: An Investigation into the
Ground of Their Differing Views

Director: Rev. Joseph Owens

Advisors: Rev. Armand Maurer
Prof. E. Kramer

Outside reader: Prof. Norman J. Wells (Boston College)

Graduate Awards:

PIMS: \$2,000

U. of Toronto: Mary H. Beatty Award, Toronto Open

Teaching Experience:

U. of Toronto, Teaching Assistant	1973-75
St. Michael's College, Teaching Assistant	1975-76
U. of St. Thomas (Houston), Instructor	1976-77
U. of St. Thomas, Assistant Professor	1977-82
Carroll College (Montana), Assistant Professor	1982-85
Christendom College (Virginia), Assistant Professor	1989-93
Associate Professor	1993-01
Professor	2001-

Courses Taught: Historical:

Intro/Greek Philosophy

Medieval Philosophy

Modern Philosophy

Contemporary Philosophy/ Recent

St. Augustine

Later Medieval Epistemology (graduate - UST)

Analytic Philosophy (Carroll)

Senior Seminar on Linguistic Philosophy (Carroll)

The Thought of John Paul II

Phenomenology

Transcendental Thomism

Phenomenology and the Thought of John Paul II

The Ethics of Dietrich von Hildebrand

Development of Husserl's Thought

The Ethics of John Paul II

Development of Natural Law

Plato

Courses Taught: Systematic:

Systematic Introduction to Philosophy (Carroll)

Formal Logic (Aristotelian) (Carroll)

Critical Thinking (Wittgensteinian) (Carroll)

Philosophy of Man

Philosophy of Nature (graduate - UST)

Ethics

Metaphysics

Epistemology

Philosophy of God

Social and Political Theory (Carroll)

Near Death Out of the Body Experiences (Elderhostel - Carroll)

The Will and the Virtues

Phil. of Education

Aesthetics/Philosophy of Art and Beauty

Phil. of Psychology

Masculinity and Femininity

Areas of Specialization: Ancient and Medieval Philosophy, Metaphysics, Epistemology, St. Thomas

Areas of Competence: History of Philosophy, Natural Philosophy, Ethics, Logic, Phil. of Man, Natural Law

Languages: Latin, passed both MA and PhD level Latin exams for Medieval Studies

French and German, passed language requirement for PIMS

Spanish, 3 years

Publications and Papers Read:

1. "A Problem Concerning Relation in Sensation", Atti del Congresso Internazionale: Tommaso d'Aquino nel suo settimo Centenario, 9 vol., Naples, 1974-78, v. 9, pp. 307-314.

2. "Immanence and Transcendence in Human Knowledge: the Illumination of a Problem in St. Thomas", New Scholasticism 53(1979)324-346.

3. "Intentionality and the Concept in Jacques Maritain, or, The Complexity of Maritain's Doctrine of the Concept. Criticism of Father Roland-Gosselin", in Jacques Maritain: philosophe dans la cite/ A Philosopher in the World, University of Ottawa

Press, 1985, pp. 93-102. (Read at the International Maritain Symposium in October, 1982.)

4. "On Two Meanings of Good and the Foundations of Ethics in Aristotle and St. Thomas", Proceedings of the American Catholic Philosophical Association, 1984, pp. 56-74.

5. "In and Out of Idealism", Proceedings of the ACPA, 1985, pp. 340-347.

6. "Some Factors Inclining Berkeley to Idealism", read at the Northwest Philosophy Conference, Spokane, Washington, 1984.

7. "Natural Law and Natural Inclinations", New Scholasticism 60 (1986) 284-316. The first part of this paper was read at a philosophy colloquium at the U. of Montana in Missoula, Jan. 15, 1985.

8. "Philosophy in the World of Business: Taking Account of Human Nature in the Attempt to Increase Productivity", read as part of a symposium on philosophy out of the university and held in conjunction with the ACPA meeting in 1986 in Baltimore.

9. Review of Josef Pieper's Guide to Thomas Aquinas, Faith and Reason 18 (1992) 215-222.

10. "A Look at Near Death Experiences In the Light of the Thought of St. Thomas Aquinas", read at the Christendom Summer Institute, 1996, Front Royal, Va.

11. Review of Lubor Velecky's Aquinas' Five Arguments in the Summa Theologiae 1a 2,3, International Philosophical Quarterly 36 (1996) 122-123. (Reprinted in Faith and Reason 22 (1996) 215-218.

12. "What is the Natural Law", read at a symposium of the Natural Law Study Center near Washington D.C. Jan. 20, 1997.

13. "The Philosophical Importance of Fides et Ratio", read at Christendom Symposium on Fides et Ratio March 6, 1999.

14. "Was John Paul II a Thomist or a Phenomenologist?", Faith and Reason 31(2006)65-106.

15. "Is a Pluralistic Society Aimed at a Common Good?", read at Notre Dame (Ethics and Culture)

16. "Scholasticism and Politics: the Unity of the Work", read at Am. Maritain mtg, Oct. 2010

17. AThe Non-Abstractive and Non-Conceptual Character of Poetic Intuition in Maritain@ in Travis Dumsday, ed., The wisdom of youth: essays inspired by the early work of Jacques And Raissa Maritain (Washington, D C: CUA Press, 2016) (paper initially read at the American Maritain Association Meeting, 2014)
18. AThe Relation Between Reason and Goodness in John Finnis@, Persona y Derecho 82 (2020)

Conferences Attended:

1974, April: Rome and Naples - International Thomistic Congress

1977-82, 1984-86, 1995, 2001, 2003, 2005-06: American Catholic Philosophical Association conferences

1978, Summer: Norman, Oklahoma - Phenomenology and Sociology

1978, Oct.: Georgetown, Texas - Cosmology (Black Holes)

1979, Oct.: Houston, Texas - One Hundred Years of Thomism: Aeterni Patris and Afterwards

1980, Spring: Austin, Texas - Ancient Western Philosophy

1980, Fall: Dallas, Texas - Realistic Phenomenology, Christian Personalism and Metaphysical Integralism

1981, March: Houston - Foundations of Law and Morality (John Finnis)

1981, December: Philadelphia - American Philosophical Association Eastern Division

1982, October: Ottawa, Canada - International Maritain Symposium

1983, Oct.: Ogden, Utah - Mountain-Plains Conference on Relativism

1984, Nov.: Spokane, Washington - Northwest Philosophy Conference

1985, Jan.: Missoula, Montana - Philosophy Colloquium

1992, Sept.: Pittsburgh, Pa. - Fellowship of Catholic Scholars

1995, Sept.: Washington, D.C. - Wanderer Forum

1997, Jan 20 & Apr 4: Northern Va. - Natural Law Study Center conferences

1999, March 6: Fides et Ratio symposium

2000, Sept.: Atlanta, Ga. - Fellowship of Catholic Scholars

2005, Notre Dame - Catholic Education conf., and ACPA, and commemoration of some ND prof.

2008, Bioethics conference at UST Houston on Ethics of Organ Transplants

2009, Nov. 12-14 Ethics and Culture org. at Notre Dame

2010, Oct. 14-16: American Maritain Association, Walsh U., Canton, Ohio

2011, March 26-27: 31st conference of Fordham Center for Medieval Studies: **A**The Metaphysics of Aquinas and Its Modern Interpreters**@** at Lincoln Center campus

2014, Feb 27-Mar 1: American Maritain Association, Providence College, Providence, RI

Work Experience (non-teaching):

Library work both in college and in graduate school.

Laboratory technician in genetics working on drosophila melanogaster, two years part time, one summer full time (1964-66)

Assembly language programmer in the Telemetry dept. of IBM at the Manned Spacecraft Center south of Houston, Texas (Feb. 1967 - Aug. 1969)

Technical Writer and IDMS and COBOL programmer at Fairchild Semiconductor in Puyallup, Washington (Oct. 1985 - Aug. 1987)

Consulting programmer in COBOL and Assembly language for Analysts International Corporation in Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minnesota (Jan. 1988 - July 1989)