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Education:

University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN

Ph.D. in Systematic Theology, 2000

Christ the Teacher in St. Thomas Aquinas: The Pedagogy of the Incarnation

Duke Divinity School, Durham, NC

Master of Theological Studies, 1996

Summa cum laude

Duke University, Durham, NC

Bachelor of Science in Engineering, 1993

Magna cum laude

Teaching Experience:

Fr. Matthew L. Lamb Professor of Catholic Theology, Ave Maria University, FL, 2021-

Professor of Theology, Ave Maria University, FL, 2018-2021

Associate Professor of Theology, Ave Maria University, FL, 2005-2018

Assistant Professor of Theology, Ave Maria University, FL, 2003-2005

Undergraduate Courses: Triune God; C. S. Lewis: Theological Apologetics; John Henry Newman; Humanities Seminar I & II; Moral Theology: Living in Christ; Sacred Doctrine; Sacred Scripture

Online Undergraduate Courses: Triune God; C. S. Lewis: Theological Apologetics; Moral Theology: Living in Christ;

Graduate Courses: Theology of Revelation; Triune God; Theological Ethics; Colloquium on Ancients and Moderns

Online Graduate Courses: Triune God; C. S. Lewis: Theological Apologetics

Mandatum to teach Catholic theology granted by the Ordinary of Venice, 2003.

Assistant Professor of Theology, Ave Maria College, Ypsilanti, MI, 2001-2003

Undergraduate Courses: Christ and His Church; Moral Theology: Living in Christ; Sacred Doctrine; Sacred Scripture

Assistant Professor of Theology, University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, MN, 2000-2001

Undergraduate Courses: Atheists and Apologists, Christian Belief Today, Christian Theological Tradition

Adjunct Instructor, University of Notre Dame, 1999-2000

Undergraduate Course: Foundations of Theology

Adjunct Instructor, Duke University, 1995-1996

Undergraduate Course: University Writing Course

Administrative Experience:

Ave Maria University, Florida

Chair of Department of Theology, 2015 – Present

Directed multiple degree programs offered by the department: B.A., M.A., and Ph.D.; directed the recruitment and admission of students for the graduate programs; oversaw the faculty evaluation and development process; organized orientations and retreats for the graduate students as well as lectures, conferences, and other academic events for the theology department and broader campus community.

Institutional Accreditation Liaison for Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC), 2011 – Present

Served as the primary means of communication between the University and SACSCOC. Consulted with the Vice President for Academic Affairs with respect to the principles of accreditation, reaffirmation cycles, fifth-year reports, the substantive change process, and other related items on an ad hoc basis.

Vice President for Academic Affairs & Dean of Faculty, 2012 – 2015

Led the multi-year reaffirmation process with the SACSCOC leading to a successful ten-year reaffirmation in December 2015; directed the development of multiple new majors in the areas of the health and life sciences, nursing, finance; oversaw the successful state licensure process for the nursing and education degree programs; oversaw the development on online education; coordinated the recruitment and evaluation of the faculty; expanded institutional effectiveness programs.

Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs & Dean of Faculty, 2011 – 2012

Directed the development of new majors such as accounting, education, political economy & government, humanities & liberal studies; expanded offerings in foreign languages.

Dean of Faculty, 2005 – 2011

Assisted with multiple aspects of the institution's relocation from Naples to Ave Maria, Florida; participated in the successful application for candidacy status and subsequent full membership in the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges; coordinated the addition of majors in business and psychology; oversaw institutional effectiveness across the academic programs of the university; led the

recruitment of faculty, approximately doubling the size of the full-time faculty; developed and managed budgets for the academic programs.

Associate Dean of Faculty, 2003 – 2005

Coordinated the recruitment of faculty and the transition of a number of faculty and programs from Ave Maria College, Michigan to Ave Maria University, Florida; assisted the development of a B.A. in music as well as an M.A. and Ph.D. in theology.

Ave Maria College, Ypsilanti, Michigan

Academic Dean, 2002 – 2003

Coordinated a successful review of the core curriculum and the philosophy of the curriculum; developed new majors programs in economics, politics, mathematics, and biology; assisted in the successful application for candidacy status of the institution in the regional accreditation association, North Central Association of Colleges and Schools The Higher Learning Commission (NCA-HLC).

Honors and Grants:

Faculty Speaker for the Honors Program Banquet, Spring 2019, Ave Maria University, Ave Maria, FL

Faculty Sabbatical, Spring 2019, Ave Maria University, Ave Maria, FL

Commencement Speaker for the Class of 2018, Augustine Institute, Denver, CO

Faculty Speaker for the Class of 2016, Ave Maria University, Ave Maria, FL

Book Award, Third Place in Theology, Catholic Press Association of the United States and Canada, for *Holy People, Holy Land: A Theological Introduction to the Bible*, 2006

Jacques Maritain Center Bradley Grant, 1999-2000

Publications:

Books Co-authored

The Wisdom of the Word: Biblical Answers to Ten Pressing Questions about Catholicism. Co-authored with Matthew Levering. Chicago, IL: Word on Fire Press. *Forthcoming*.

Holy People, Holy Land: A Theological Introduction of the Bible. Co-authored with Matthew Levering. Grand Rapids, MI: Brazos Press, 2005.

Knowing the Love of Christ: An Introduction to the Theology of St. Thomas Aquinas. Co-authored with Matthew Levering. Notre Dame, IN : University of Notre Dame Press, 2002.

* French edition published as: *À la découverte de l'amour de dieu. Une Introduction à la théologie de saint Thomas d'Aquin*. Trans. Giovanna Brianti. Paris: Parole et Silence, 2005.

Books Co-edited

Thomas Aquinas and the Crisis of Christology. Co-edited with Fr. Andrew Hofer, O.P., and Roger Nutt. Ave Maria, FL: Sapientia Press, *forthcoming*.

Thomas Aquinas Biblical Theologian. Co-edited with Roger Nutt. Steubenville, OH: Emmaus Academic, 2021.

- Aquinas and the Greek Fathers.* Co-edited with Fr. Andrew Hofer, O.P., and Roger Nutt. Ave Maria, FL: Sapientia Press, 2018.
- Mother Teresa and the Mystics: Toward a Renewal of Spiritual Theology.* Co-edited with Fr. Brian Kolodiejchuk, M.C., and Roger Nutt. Ave Maria, FL: Sapientia Press, 2018.
- Reading Romans with St. Thomas Aquinas.* Co-edited with Matthew Levering. Washington, D.C.: The Catholic University of America Press, 2012.
- Rediscovering Aquinas and the Sacraments: Studies in Sacramental Theology.* Co-edited with Matthew Levering. Chicago: Hillenbrand Books, 2009.
- Wisdom and Holiness, Science and Scholarship: Studies in Honor of Matthew L. Lamb.* Co-edited with Matthew Levering. Naples, FL: Sapientia Press, 2007.
- Aquinas the Augustinian.* Co-edited with Barry David and Matthew Levering. Washington, D.C.: The Catholic University of America Press, 2007.
- John Paul II and St. Thomas Aquinas.* Co-edited with Matthew Levering. Naples, FL: Sapientia Press, 2006.
- Reading John with St. Thomas Aquinas: Theological Exegesis and Speculative Theology.* Co-edited with Matthew Levering. Washington, D.C.: The Catholic University of America Press, 2005.

Articles & Essays in Books

- “Pantheistic versus Participatory Christologies: A Critical Analysis of Richard Rohr’s Universal Christ in Light of Thomas Aquinas’s Commentary on John,” in *European Journal for the Study of Thomas Aquinas*, 39 (2021), *forthcoming*.
- “The Role of Christ and the History of Salvation in Aquinas’s Theology of Revelation,” in *Angelicum*, Vol. 96, No. 3 (2019): 293-328.
- “The Ratzinger Option: Intellectual Apologetics in a Postmodern Age,” in *Ressourcement after Vatican II: Essays in Honor of Joseph Fessio, S.J.*, edited by Nicholas J. Healy, Jr. and Matthew Levering (San Francisco, CA: Ignatius Press, 2019).
- “Love as the Law of the Gift: Reading Paul with Barclay and Aquinas,” in *Nova et Vetera*, English Edition, Vol. 17, No. 1 (2019): 149–181.
- “The Splendor and Gift of the Christian Moral Life: *Veritatis Splendor* at Twenty-Five,” in *Nova et Vetera*, English Edition, Vol. 16, No. 4 (2018): 1261-1312.
- “In Memory of Father Matthew Lamb: *Pater et Magister*,” in *Nova et Vetera*, English Edition, Vol. 16, No. 2 (2018): 361-366.
- “Married Sexuality within the Drama of Creation and Redemption: *Humanae vitae* through the Lens of *Gaudium et spes*,” in *Nova et Vetera*, English Edition, Vol. 16, No. 1 (2018): 113-140.
- “Predestination as the Communication of Divine Goodness in Aquinas’s *Commentary on Ephesians*,” in *Thomism and Predestination: Principles and Disputations*, edited by Steven Long, Roger Nutt, and Fr. Thomas Joseph White, OP, (Washington, DC: Sapientia Press, distributed by The Catholic University of America Press, 2017), 127-151.
- “*Laudato Si*: A Natural Law Ethic of Care,” *Lex Naturalis: A Journal of Natural Law*, vol. 2 (2016): 87-110.
- “The Difference Divine Mercy Makes in Aquinas’s Exegesis,” *The Thomist*, 80 (2016): 341-53.

- “Faith and Reason in Catholic Higher Education,” in *Catholicism and America: Challenges and Prospects*, edited by Fr. Matthew L. Lamb (Ave Maria, FL: Sapientia Press, 2012): 149-156.
- “Christ and the Mystery of Baptism in the *Summa Theologiae* and the *Commentary on Job*,” in *Rediscovering Aquinas and the Sacraments: Studies in Sacramental Theology*, edited by Michael Dauphinais and Matthew Levering (Chicago, IL: Hillenbrand Books, 2009): 14-27.
- “The Need for the Intellect in Moral Realism,” in *Ethics without God? The Divine in Contemporary Moral and Political Thought*, edited by Fulvio Di Blasi, Joshua Hochschild, and Jeffrey Langan (South Bend, IN: St. Augustine’s Press, 2008): 67-71.
- “Knowledge Possessed and Desired: Aquinas and the Catholic University,” in *Wisdom and Holiness, Science and Scholarship: Essays in Honor of Matthew L. Lamb*, edited by Michael Dauphinais and Matthew Levering (Ave Maria, FL: Sapientia Press, 2007),
- “‘And They Shall All Be Taught by God’: Wisdom and the Eucharist in John 6,” in *Reading John with St. Thomas Aquinas: Theological Exegesis and Speculative Theology*, edited by Michael Dauphinais and Matthew Levering (Washington, D.C.: The Catholic University of America Press, 2005): 312-317.
- “Languages of Ascent: Gregory of Nyssa’s and Augustine of Hippo’s Exegeses of the Beatitudes,” *Nova et Vetera*, English Edition, 1,1 (2003): 141-163
- “Loving the Lord Your God: The *Imago Dei* in St. Thomas Aquinas,” *The Thomist* 63, 2 (1999): 241-267.

Book Reviews

- Review of Gilles Mongeau, S.J., *Embracing Wisdom: The Summa theologiae as Spiritual Pedagogy*, (Toronto, CA: Pontifical Institute of Mediaeval Studies, 2015). *The Thomist* 82, 2 (2018): 303-308.
- Review of Ellen T. Charry, *God and the Art of Happiness*. (Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 2011). *The Thomist* 78, 24 (2014): 638-642.
- Review of Michael Sherwin, O.P., *By Knowledge and by Love: Charity and Knowledge in the Moral Theology of St. Thomas Aquinas* (Washington, DC: The Catholic University of America Press, 2005). *The Thomist* 70, 2 (2006): 306-310.
- Review of Eric Springstead, *The Act of Faith* (Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 2001). *The Thomist* 67, 4 (2003): 649-651.
- Review of Romanus Cessario, O.P., *Introduction to Moral Theology* (Washington, DC: The Catholic University Press, 2001). *Nova et Vetera*, English Edition 1,1 (2003): 242-245.
- Review of Dorothy Day, *On Pilgrimage* (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Eerdmans Publishing, 1999). *The University Bookman* (2002 or 2003).
- Review of Gerhard Sauter, *The Question of Meaning* (Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 1995) and *Eschatological Rationality* (Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Books, 1996). *Pro Ecclesia* 8,3 (1999): 365-367.

Academic Presentations:

- “The Universal Christ is the Particular Jesus and Vice Versa: What Fr. Richard Rohr Might Learn from St. Thomas.” Presented at “Aquinas and the Crisis of Christology,” Ave Maria University, Ave Maria, Florida, February 6-8, 2020.
- “The Role of Christ and the Biblical Narrative of Salvation in Aquinas’s Theology of Revelation.” Presented at “Aquinas the Biblical Theologian,” Ave Maria University, Ave Maria, Florida, February 7-9, 2019.
- “Response to Romanus Cessario’s ‘Mercy in Aquinas: Help from the Commentatorial Tradition.’” Presented at the Thomas Aquinas Consultation, 71st Annual Convention of the Catholic Theological Society of America, San Juan, Puerto Rico, June 9-12, 2016.
- “Mercy and Atheism: What Vatican II’s *Gaudium et Spes* Might Teach Us about Sexuality and Hope.” Presented at “Mercy and the Revolution: The Church’s Mission after the Sexual Revolution”, Benedictine College, Atchison, KS, 8-9 April 2016.
- “The Revelation of Sonship: Predestination in Aquinas’s *Commentary on Ephesians*.” Presented at the Conference, “Thomism and Predestination,” Ave Maria University, Ave Maria, Florida, January 25-27, 2016.
- “Christ and Revelation.” Presented at “Philosophy in Theological Education: A Conference in Honor of Ralph McInerny,” Ave Maria, Florida, February 10-12, 2011.
- “Christ and the Metaphysics of Baptism in the *Summa Theologiae* and the *Commentary on John*.” Presented at the Conference, “Sacraments in Aquinas,” Ave Maria University, Naples, Florida, February 1-3, 2007.
- “Aquinas, the Catholic University, and Engagement.” Presented at the Conference, “Joy in the Truth: Catholic Higher Education in the Third Millennium,” University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN, September 29, 2005.
- “Charity and Hope in Aquinas.” Medieval Studies Conference, Kalamazoo, MI, May 2004.
- “Response to John Rist’s *Real Ethics*.” Presented to a conference entitled “Ethics without God?”, University of Notre Dame, July 17, 2003.
- Participant, “The Anthropology Project,” Institute for Psychological Sciences, Arlington, VA, July 15-July 17, 2002.
- “Wisdom and the Eucharist in John 6,” Conference, “St. Thomas and the Gospel of John,” Ave Maria College, Dearborn, MI, October 5-6, 2001.
- “Languages of Ascent: Gregory of Nyssa’s and Augustine of Hippo’s Exegesis of the Beatitudes,” Annual AAR Conference, Nashville, TN, November 2000.
- “Christ the Teacher of the New Law,” Medieval Studies Conference, Kalamazoo, MI, May 1999.
- “Is Christ the Fulfillment of the Natural Law or the Old Law or Both? Peter Abelard’s *Dialogue of a Philosopher with a Jew and a Christian*,” Medieval Studies Conference, Kalamazoo, MI, May 1998.
- “East Meets West: The *Imago Dei* in St. Thomas Aquinas,” Midwest AAR Regional Conference, Chicago, IL, March 1998.

Graduate Dissertation Supervision:

Dissertation Director

Travis Dziad, *What is Scripture? A Thomistic Account in Light of the Incarnational Analogy*, 2019.

Joshua Madden, *St. Thomas Aquinas' Exposito super Isaiam ad Litteram: Translation and Introduction*, 2017.

Dissertation Reader (selected)

John O'Neill, *The Trinitarian Ecclesiology of Charles Cardinal Journet: The Great Mystery of Christ and the Church as the Visible Missions of the Son and the Holy Spirit*, 2019.

Arielle Harms, *Aquinas on the Role of Virtue and Natural Law in Public Discourse*, 2017.

Jared Staudt, *Religion as a Virtue: Thomas Aquinas on Worship Through Justice, Law, and Charity*, 2009.

Jason Fugikawa, *Sacramental Causality: The Approaches of St. Thomas Aquinas, Karl Rahner and Louis-Marie Chauvet*, 2011.

Marc Guerra, *Prudence and the Earthly City: The Rebirth of Catholic Political Wisdom*, 2007.

Journal:

Member of the Advisory Board of *Nova et Vetera: The English Edition of the International Theological Journal* (quarterly), 2009-2015, 2018-present.

Co-editor with Matthew Levering of *Nova et Vetera: The English Edition of the International Theological Journal* (quarterly), 2003-2009.

Professional Service:

Reviewed manuscripts for The Catholic University of America Press and Emmaus Academic Press.

Reviewed article submissions for *The Thomist*, *Nova et Vetera: The English Edition of the International Theological Journal*, and *International Journal of Systematic Theology*.

Academic Centers:

Co-founder and co-director of the *Aquinas Center for Theological Renewal* with Matthew Levering, 2002-2009, and with Steven Long and Roger Nutt, 2009-present. For further information, see www.aquinas.avemaria.edu.

Conference Planning and Organization:

Organizing with Fr. Andrew Hofer, O.P., and Roger Nutt a conference entitled, "St. Thomas Aquinas as Spiritual Teacher: Theology in a Culture of Grace," Ave Maria University, Ave Maria, Florida, 10-12 February 2022.

Organized with Roger Nutt a conference entitled, "Hope and Death: Christian Responses," Ave Maria University, Ave Maria, Florida, 11-13 February 2021.

Organized with Fr. Andrew Hofer, O.P., and Roger Nutt a conference entitled, "Aquinas and the Crisis of Christology," Ave Maria University, Ave Maria, Florida, 6-8 February 2020.

- Organized with Scott Hahn and Roger Nutt a conference entitled, “Aquinas the Biblical Theologian,” Ave Maria University, Ave Maria, Florida, 7-9 February 2019.
- Organized with Fr. Andrew Hofer, O.P., and Roger Nutt a conference entitled, “Aquinas and the Greek Fathers,” Ave Maria University, Ave Maria, Florida, 25-26 Jan 2018.
- Organized with Roger Nutt a conference entitled “Mother Teresa and the Mystics: Toward a Renewal of Spiritual Theology,” Ave Maria University, Ave Maria, Florida, 10-11 February 2017.
- Organized with Catherine Pakaluk, Stephen Bullivant, and Brett Salkeld. “Re-Engaging *Humanae Vitae*” at Ave Maria University, Ave Maria, FL. February 24-25, 2016.
- Organized with Roger Nutt and Steve Long a conference entitled “Thomism and Predestination,” January 25-27, 2016, Ave Maria University in Ave Maria, Florida.
- Organized with Matthew Levering a conference entitled “Reading Paul with St. Thomas Aquinas: Ecumenical Explorations,” February 5-7, 2009, Ave Maria University in Ave Maria, Florida.
- Organized with Matthew Levering a conference entitled “*Humanae Vitae*: Forty Years Later,” February 1-2, 2008, Ave Maria University in Ave Maria, Florida.
- Organized with Matthew Levering a conference entitled “Sacraments in Aquinas,” February 1-3, 2007, Ave Maria University in Naples, Florida.
- Organized with Matthew Levering a conference entitled “Aquinas the Augustinian,” Ave Maria University, Naples, Florida on February 3-5, 2005.
- Organized with Matthew Levering a conference entitled “John Paul II and the Renewal of Thomistic Theology,” Ave Maria College in Ypsilanti, Michigan on August 8-9, 2003.
- Organized with Matthew Levering a conference entitled “Reading John with St. Thomas Aquinas: *Ressourcement* and the Fourth Gospel,” Hyatt Regency in Dearborn, Michigan, on October 5-6, 2001.

Other Courses Taught:

Videotaped Courses: Christology. 2003, International Catholic University, founded by Dr. Ralph McInerny. (home.comcast.net/~icuwweb/icu.htm)

Popular Presentations (Selected):

- “Courage and Hope amidst COVID: Lessons from C. S. Lewis and St. Thomas Aquinas,” Archbishop Edward McCarthy Catholic High School, Fort Lauderdale, FL, 22 April 2021.
- “How Mother Teresa Teaches Us to Love with Boundaries: True Mercy versus Counterfeit Compassion,” Mother Teresa Program, Ave Maria University, Ave Maria, FL, 11 March 2021.
- “Finding Hope in the Time of COVID: Lessons from C. S. Lewis and Thomas Aquinas,” The Thomistic Institute at St. Louis University, St. Louis, MO, 11 November 2020, (delivered via Zoom).
- “Faith Today: Why Listen to God? Why Listen to the Church?” Theology on Tap, Diocese of Venice, 14 November 2019.

- “Living with Hope: Insights from Thomas Aquinas and C. S. Lewis,” Faculty Member Voted to Address the Honors Program Banquet, Ave Maria University, Ave Maria, FL, March 2019.
- “*The Chronicles of Narnia* and the Catholic Imagination,” Homecoming and Family Weekend Faculty Lecture, Ave Maria University, Ave Maria, FL, 5 October 2018.
- “The Abolition of Man and Woman: What C. S. Lewis Might Teach Us About Authentic Complementarity and Synergy,” at *The 7th Annual Genuine Feminine Conference*, Ave Maria University, Ave Maria, Florida, 13 January 2017.
- “*Laudato Si*’ and C.S. Lewis: The Abolition of Man and the Abolition of the Environment.” The Diocesan Leaven Conference, Diocese of Venice, Ft. Myers, FL, February 20, 2016.
- “Newman’s Idea of a University: Then and Now.” The South Florida Leadership Forum, Coral Gables, FL, 16 January, 2016.
- “C. S. Lewis: Why Narnia Matters?” Faculty Speaker Series, Ave Maria University, 11 March, 2016.

Popular Writing (Selected):

- “*Laudato Si*’ and the Selling of Body Parts,” *Crisis Magazine*, 22 September 2015.
(<https://www.crisismagazine.com/2015/laudato-si-and-the-selling-of-body-parts>)
- “Courage, Dear Heart: Finding Courage amidst Fears and Anxieties with C. S. Lewis’s Narnia,” *Ascension Blog*, 24 March 2021.
(<https://media.ascensionpress.com/2021/03/24/courage-dear-heart-finding-courage-amidst-fears-and-anxieties-with-c-s-lewiss-narnia/>)

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