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EMPLOYMENT

- **Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary** Wake Forest, North Carolina
Associate Professor of Philosophy 2019 to Present
- **Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary** Fort Worth, Texas
Assistant Professor of Philosophy 2015 to 2019
- **Saint Louis University** Saint Louis, Missouri
Postdoctoral Fellow, The Philosophy & Theology of Intellectual Humility Project 2014-2015
- **University of Notre Dame** South Bend, Indiana
Analytic Theology Postdoctoral Fellow, Center for Philosophy of Religion 2013-2014

EDUCATION

- **Trinity College, Dublin** Dublin, Ireland
Ph.D., Philosophy 2013
 - Dissertation: *Substantial Priority: An Essay in Fundamental Mereology*
 - Supervisor: Peter Simons
 - Examiners: E.J. Lowe and Vasilis Politis
- **Biola University** La Mirada, California
M.A., Philosophy (*summa cum laude*) 2009
- **Biola University** La Mirada, California
M.A., Theology (*summa cum laude*) 2009
- **San Diego Christian College** El Cajon, California
B.A., Philosophy and Biblical Studies 2005

RESEARCH

- **Areas of Specialization**
 - Metaphysics, Analytic Theology, Philosophical Theology, Philosophy of Religion
- **Areas of Teaching Competence**
 - Philosophy of Mind & Persons, Ethics, Christian Apologetics, Ancient and Medieval Philosophy

BOOKS

- *Contemplating Divine Simplicity: Five Views*
(Bloomsbury Academic, April 2026), Editor
- *What is Reality? An Introduction to Metaphysics*
(IVP Academic, 2024)

- *Christian Philosophy as a Way of Life: An Invitation to Wonder*
(Baker Academic, 2023)
- *Substance and the Fundamentality of the Familiar: A Neo-Aristotelian Mereology*
(Routledge, 2018)

ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

- **“Omnipresence in Contemporary Analytic Philosophy of Religion: Occupation Accounts”**
The Oxford Handbook to Divine Omnipresence (Oxford University Press, 2025)
- **“On the Moral and Intellectual Habitus of the Christian Philosopher”**
Advice to Christian Philosophers: Reflections on the Past and Future of Christian Philosophy (Hanover Press, 2024)
- **“The Doctrine of God” (with Stephen Presley)**
Confessing Christ: An Invitation to Baptist Dogmatics (Be&H Academic, 2024)
- **“Theology in the Second-Person: Christian Dogmatics as a Mode of Prayer”**
Analyzing Prayer: New Theological Essays on Prayer (Oxford University Press, 2023)
- **“Grounding and Participation in God”**
Neo-Aristotelian Metaphysics and the Theology of Nature (Routledge, 2021)
- **“Divine Omnipresence and Immensity”**
The T&T Clark Handbook to Analytic Theology (T&T Clark, 2021)
- **“On Christian Theism and Unrestricted Composition” (co-authored with Alexander Pruss)**
American Philosophical Quarterly, Volume 56, Number 4 (2019)
- **“Beholding the Face of a Hidden God: Assessing the Argument from Divine Hiddenness”**
Southwestern Journal of Theology (2018) 60:2
- **“Against Constitutionalism”**
Blackwell Companion to Substance Dualism (Wiley Blackwell, 2018).
- **“Omnipresence and the Location of the Immaterial”**
Oxford Studies in Philosophy of Religion, Volume 8 (2017)
– Awarded the 2014 Sanders Prize in Philosophy of Religion (\$10,000 prize)
- **“Epistemic Temperance and the Moral Perils of Intellectual Inquiry”**
Philosophia Christi (2015) 17:2
- **“Neo-Aristotelian Plenitude”**
Philosophical Studies (2014) 168: 583-597
- **“De Re Essentialism, Species, and Modal Ambiguity”**
Metaphysica (2014) 15: 43-46
- **“Gratuitous Evil Unmotivated: A Reply to MacGregor”**
Philosophia Christi (2013) 15:2
- **“Essential Dependence, Truthmaking, and Mereology: Then and Now”**
Metaphysics: Aristotelian, Scholastic, Analytic, Lukáš Novák, Daniel Novotný, Prokop Soušedík, David Svoboda (eds.), Ontos Verlag, 2012. (With contributions by Peter van Inwagen, E.J. Lowe, and Michael Loux.)
- **“Why So Serious? Non-Serious Presentism and the Problem of Cross-Temporal Relations”**
Metaphysica (2012) 13: 55-63

BOOK REVIEWS

- Fuqua & Koons (eds.), *Classical Theism: New Essays on the Metaphysics of God* (Routledge, 2023)
Southeastern Theological Review
- Rik Van Nieuwenhove, *Thomas Aquinas & Contemplation* (Oxford University Press, 2021)
Southeastern Theological Review
- W. Matthews Grant, *Free Will and God's Universal Causality* (Bloomsbury)
Southeastern Theological Review
- Andrew Davison, *Participation in God* (Cambridge)
Southeastern Theological Review
- Timothy Pickavance and Rob Koons, *The Atlas of Reality* (Wiley-Blackwell)
Southwestern Journal of Theology
- Thomas McCall, *An Invitation to Analytic Theology* (IVP Academic)
The Journal of Analytic Theology & Southwestern Journal of Theology
- Kathrin Koslicki, *The Structure of Objects* (Oxford University Press)
Philosophia Christi, Vol. 13, No. 1, 2011

UNDER REVIEW OR IN PROGRESS

- *Philosophical Theology: A Christian Introduction*
(In Progress with Baker Academic), Co-authored with Paul M. Gould
- "Anselm on Creation as Divine Similitude and the Aesthetic Perception of God"
(In Draft)

REFEREED PRESENTATIONS

- "Philosophy for Everyone: Christian Public Philosophy Beyond the Academy"
Moderator & Discussant, National Meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society
Fort Worth, TX
November 2021
- "Grounding and Creaturely Participation in God"
The National Meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society
Fort Worth, TX
November 2021
- "Anselm on Creation as Divine Similitude & the Aesthetic Perception of God"
The 2019 National Meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society
San Diego, CA
November 2019
- "Anselm on Creation as Divine Similitude & the Aesthetic Perception of God"
Weatherford College Philosophy of Religion Conference
Weatherford, TX
March 2019
- "Theology in the Second Person: Christian Dogmatics as a Mode of Prayer"
The 2017 National Meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society
Rhode Island
November 2017
- "You Are Fundamental"
The 2017 National Meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society
Rhode Island
November 2017
- "On the (Potential) Moral Perils of Intellectual Inquiry"
National Meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society
San Diego, California
November 2014
- "Christian Theism and the Metaphysics of Spatial Location"
National Meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society
Baltimore, Maryland
November 2013
- "On Theism and Unrestricted Composition"
National Meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
November 2012

- **“Neo-Aristotelian Plenitude”** St. Louis, Missouri
September 2011
- The 2011 Central States Philosophical Association Meeting
- **“Value-Driven Religious Epistemology”** London, England
January 2011
- Heythrop College, University of London
- **“Plato’s Mereology and the Unity and Structure of the Soul”** Dublin, Ireland
October 2010
- University College, Dublin, Symposium on Plato’s *Phaedrus*
- **“The Problem of the Many and Neo-Aristotelian Fundamental Mereology”** Durham, England
July 2010
- Durham University
- **“Essential Dependence, Truthmaking, and Mereology: Then and Now”** Prague
June 2010
- Metaphysics: Aristotelian, Scholastic, Analytic, Charles University
- **“Aquinas’ Metaphysics of Material Objects”** Riverside, CA
2008
- Society of Christian Philosophers, Pacific Regional Meeting, UC Riverside
- **“Supervenience and Ontic Dependence”** Memphis, TN
2008
- Evangelical Philosophical Society, Southeastern Regional Meeting
- **“Divine Source Incompatibilism”** Niagara, NY
2008
- Society of Christian Philosophers, Eastern Regional Meeting, Niagara University
- **“Divine Source Incompatibilism”** Lubbock, TX
2008
- Texas Tech University
- **“Divine Source Incompatibilism”** Houston, TX
2008
- Evangelical Philosophical Society, Southwestern Regional Meeting

INVITED PRESENTATIONS & COMMENTS

- **“Getting Personal: Mereology and Personal Ontology”** Philadelphia, PA
January 2020
- American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division Meeting
- **“Pascal on Seeking the Face of the Hidden God”** Fort Worth, TX
March 2019
- 2019 Stand Firm Apologetics Conference
- **“Neo-Hylomorphism: Comments on Anna Marmodoro” (Invited)** Chicago, IL
February 2018
- Neo-Hylomorphism Symposium, APA Central Division Meeting
- **“Theology in the Second Person: Christian Dogmatics as a Mode of Prayer”** Pasadena, California
June 2016
- Fuller Theological Seminary, Analytic Theology for Theological Formation
- **“Philosophical Aikido: Using Atheism to Defeat Arguments for Atheism”** Fort Worth, TX
April 2016
- 2016 Southwestern Seminary Stand Firm Apologetics Conference
- **“Divine Hiddenness: The Apologetic Challenge”** Marietta, GA
November 2015
- The Evangelical Philosophical Society Apologetics Conference
- **“Omnipresence and the Metaphysics of Spatial Location”** South Bend, Indiana
February 2014
- University of Notre Dame, Center for Philosophy of Religion
- **Comments on Anna Marmodoro “Hylomorphism Un-Reconditioned”** Cambridge, England
March 2013
- Cambridge University, Neo-Aristotelian Philosophy of Physics Workshop
- **“Part-Priority and the Possibility of Gunk”** Dublin, Ireland
February 2013
- Trinity College, Dublin

- “**Substance, Naturalness, and the Location of Fundamental Powers**” Oxford, England
Oxford University, Power Structuralism in Ancient Ontologies Project *November 2012*
- “**Fundamental Mereology**” Oxford, England
Oxford University, Power Structuralism in Ancient Ontologies Project *May 2012*
- “**Substantial Priority and The Problem of the Many**” Dublin, Ireland
Trinity College, Dublin *March 2012*
- “**God, Contingency, and Consciousness**” La Mirada, C.A.
Biola University, Talbot School of Theology *Spring 2008*
- **Comments on “Possibilities of Self-Deception and Religious Insight”** Lubbock, TX
Texas Tech University *2008*
- “**Can God Be a Moral Agent?**” La Mirada, C.A.
Biola University, Talbot Philosophical Society *2007*
- “**God, Contingency, and Consciousness**” La Mirada, C.A.
Biola University, Talbot School of Theology *Fall 2007*

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- **Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary (2019-Present)** Wake Forest, NC
Graduate Courses
 - Body, Soul, and Human Persons (MA), Philosophy of Mind (MA, PhD), The Philosophical Theology of Anselm of Canterbury (MA), Philosophy of Science (MA, PhD), Metaphysics (MA, PhD), Philosophical Theology (MA, PhD), Christian Philosophy (MA), Christian Apologetics (MA), Doctrine of the Christian Life (PhD)
- **Judson College (2019-Present)**
 - Undergraduate Great Books College at Southeastern Seminary
 - Metaphysics, Philosophy of Mind, Great Books II, Great Books III, Great Books IV, Introduction to Philosophy, Philosophy of Science, Christian Apologetics, Theology and Culture
- **Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary (2015-2019)** Fort Worth, TX
Graduate Courses
 - Philosophy of Mind (MA, PhD), The Metaphysics of Classical Theism (MA), Analytic Theology (MA), The Philosophical Theology of Anselm of Canterbury (MA), Divine Omnipresence (PhD), Theistic Metaethics (PhD), Philosophy of Religion (MA, PhD), Problem of Evil (MA, PhD)
- **Texas Baptist College (2015-2019)**
 - Undergraduate Great Books College at Southwestern Seminary
 - Philosophy of Mind, Metaphysics, Great Books II (Late Antiquity), III (Renaissance and Reformation), and IV (Early Modern, Enlightenment)
- **Central Problems in Philosophy** Trinity College, Dublin
Undergraduate Tutorial Teacher *Fall 2010 to 2012*
- **Ancient, Medieval, and Early Modern Philosophy** Trinity College, Dublin
Undergraduate Tutorial Teacher *Fall 2010 to 2012*

ACTIVITY & MEMBERSHIPS

- Editor of *Philosophia Christi*, The Journal of the Evangelical Philosophical Society (2018-)
- Member of the Analytic Theology Committee, Evangelical Theological Society (elected) (2018-)
- Executive Committee Member, The Evangelical Philosophical Society (elected) (2013-).
- Member of The American Philosophical Association
- Member of the Society of Christian Philosophers
- Invited Participant, *St. Thomas Summer Seminar in Philosophy of Religion* University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, Minnesota (June 2014).
- Invited Participant & Commentator, *Neo-Aristotelian Philosophy of Physics Workshop*, Cambridge University, UK (March 2013).
- Invited Participant, *Hylomorphism Workshop* Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, North Carolina (July 2014)
- Invited Visiting Graduate Student, *Power Structuralism in Ancient Ontologies* Project, Oxford University (In Residence for Michaelmas 2012 term and Invited Visiting Graduate Student for the 2011-2012 Academic Year.)
- Invited Participant (one of eight), *2011 British Postgraduate Philosophical Association Masterclass in the Philosophy of Religion* directed by Richard Swinburne, University of London (Heythrop College).

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- **External Examiner for PhD in Divinity (2024-Present)**
University of St. Andrews, Logos Institute for Analytic and Exegetical Theology
- **Journal Editor (2018 to present)**
Philosophia Christi, Journal of the Evangelical Philosophical Society
- **Journal Referee**
Journal of Philosophy, Mind, Synthese, Journal of Analytic Theology, Philosophia Christi, Modern Theology
- **Book Manuscript Referee**
Routledge, Ashgate

AWARDS, GRANTS & HONORS

Research Affiliate, Martin Institute's Dallas Willard Research Center at Westmont College . . . 2024-
Fellow, The Center for Faith and Culture, Southeastern Seminary 2020-
Fellow, The Center for Baptist Renewal 2021-
Southeastern Faculty Summer Writing Grant (\$4,000) Summer 2021
Alvin Plantinga Reading Group, Stipend Award, SCP & Templeton Foundation (\$3,000) . . 2017-2018
Analytic Theology Course Development Award (\$18,000), Fuller Theological Seminary 2016
Classical Theism Project, Summer Stipend Award (\$3,000) 2015
Awarded The 2014 Sanders Prize in Philosophy of Religion (\$10,000) 2014
Templeton Research Fellowship (\$45,000), Saint Louis University 2014-2015
Templeton Analytic Theology Fellowship (\$60,000), University of Notre Dame 2013-2014
St. Thomas Seminar in Philosophy of Religion (\$2,000), Invited Participant 2014
Travel Research Grant, Trinity College Dublin 2012
Trinity College Dublin, Full Research Studentship & Annual Stipend 2009-2013
Graduated with Highest Honors, M.A. Philosophy (Talbot School of Theology) 2009
Graduated with Highest Honors, M.A. Theology (Talbot School of Theology) 2009
Distinguished Graduating Honor Student, Talbot School of Theology 2009
Undergraduate Academic Scholarship 2003 - 2005
Undergraduate Award for Excellence in Language Study (Greek) 2004

ACADEMIC REFERENCES

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