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## EDUCATION

- Ph.D. Religious Studies (Medieval & Reformation Christianity)** 2004  
*University of Virginia* Charlottesville, VA  
*Ph.D. Dissertation: Peter of Verona: The Martyred Inquisitor*
- M.A. Theological Studies (Systematic & Historical Theology)** 1999  
*Notre Dame Graduate School of Christendom College* Alexandria, VA  
*M.A. Thesis: The Historical Development of Roman Catholic Doctrines of Soteriology*
- B.A. History Minor in Classics** 1999  
*Christendom College* Front Royal, VA  
Salutatorian, winner of Presidential Scholarship, Graduated *Summa cum Laude*.

## SCHOLARSHIPS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

- Visiting Fellow, Institute of Spirituality, Angelicum, Spring 2026  
Appointed Visiting Scholar at the Pontifical Institute of Medieval Studies, Fall 2025  
Honors College Teacher of the Year 2023-2024  
2<sup>nd</sup> place: Biography, Catholic Media Association for *Thomas Aquinas* (2021)  
Acton Institute, 2017 Mini-Grant  
DAAD Grant for Research in Munich, July 2017  
Jacksonville State University, 2019, Professional Development grant  
Jacksonville State University 2007-2019 Faculty Research Grant for travel to Italy  
University of Notre Dame 2003, 2008, 2013 Funding for research at the Ambrosiana Collection, Medieval Institute  
Earhart Fellow, 2014-2015  
American Academy of Religion, 2006-2007, Individual Grant for Research  
2010 Finalist - Distinguished Teacher Award (top teacher, Arts and Sciences), Jacksonville State  
2009 Faculty Scholar Lecturer Award (top researcher university-wide), Jacksonville State  
2009 Distinguished Research Award (top researcher - Arts and Sciences), Jacksonville State  
2008 ISI Faculty Mentor, ISI Honors Program, Quebec City, Quebec  
2008 Lehrman Center Fellow, Lehrman American Studies Center, Princeton, NJ  
2007-2008 Professor of the Year, Jacksonville State Phi Alpha Theta Chapter  
2006-2007 Professor of the Year, Jacksonville State History Club  
Richard Weaver Fellow, Intercollegiate Studies Institute 2002-2003  
St. Louis University 2003, Mellon Fellowship for Research in the Vatican Film Library

## ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

William K. Warren Professor of Catholic Studies Department of Philosophy and Religion, University of Tulsa	2019-Present
Assistant, Associate, Full Professor Department of History, Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville, AL	2005-2019
Post-Doctoral Fellow The Liberty Fund, Indianapolis, IN	2004-2005
Associate Professor of Theology and Church History (Summers) Christendom Graduate School, Alexandria, VA	2003-2022

## RESEARCH LANGUAGES

Latin, French, German, Italian, Spanish, and Koine Greek. Also skilled in medieval dialects and paleography. Accredited Researcher at Bayerische Staatsbibliothek, Biblioteca Apostolica Vaticana, Bibliotheque Nationale Paris, and the Biblioteca Nazionale Centrale Firenze.

## RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS

### BOOKS

*Omobono of Cremona: Merchant and Saint*, with Paul Voss (St. Augustine's Press, 2025)

*Governing Perfection: A Study of Sainthood and Administration* (St. Augustine's Press, 2024)

*The Stimulus Pastorum of Bartholomew of the Martyrs, O.P.* (St. Augustine's Press, 2022)

*The Vita sancti Petri martiris by Thomas Agni*. Edition and Translation (Oxford: Medium Aevum, 2022)

*Thomas Aquinas: A Historical, Theological, and Environmental Portrait* (Paulist, 2020)  
Winner of 2<sup>nd</sup> place, Catholic Media Association Awards 2021: Biography.

*Summa contra hereticos ad Petrum Martyrem attributa* (Oxford: Medium Aevum, 2020)

*Certain Sainthood: Canonization and the Origins of Papal Infallibility in the Medieval Church* (Cornell University Press, 2015)

*The Martyred Inquisitor: The Life and Cult of Peter of Verona (1252)* (Aldershot: Ashgate, 2008).

### EDITED VOLUMES

*Brill's Companion to the Roman Curia*, ed. Donald S. Prudlo (Boston and Leiden: Brill, 2025)

*Brill's Companion to Heresy Inquisitions*, ed. Donald S. Prudlo (Boston and Leiden: Brill, 2018)

*The Origin, Development, and Refinement of Medieval Religious Mendicancies*, ed. Donald S. Prudlo (Boston and Leiden: Brill, 2011).

## FORTHCOMING BOOKS

*To Light the World Ablaze: The Early History of the Friars Preachers*, (Catholic University Press has acquired right of first refusal)

*Bernard Gui's Vita sancti Petri martiris* (2026)

*Hugh of St. Cher's Speculum Ecclesiae: Edition and Translation*. With Anthony Lappin, (Tentative contract with Aracne Editrice, Rome)

## JURIED ARTICLES AND CHAPTERS

"Maria – medåterlöserska och nåderförmedlarinna" (Mary – Mediatrix and Co-Redemptrix?) *Signum* 4 (May 2022): 6-11.

"Speaking with the Saints: Healing and Miracles in the Middle Ages" *Christian History* 142: 16-18.

"Miracles and the Canonizations of Dominican Saints" in *Brill Companion to Medieval Miracle Collections*, Leiden: Brill, 2021.

"The Theology of Salvation at the Council of Trent," in *Christian Theologies of Salvation*, ed. Justin Holcomb, New York University Press, 2017.

"As primeiras canonizações dominicanas: construindo uma nova santidade" ed. Igor Texeira, *Proceedings of the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Seminar on Medieval Hagiography, July 2015, 2017*

"The Sacraments in Early Modern Catholicism," in *Christian Theologies of the Sacraments*, ed. Justin Holcomb, New York University Press, 2017.

"Monastic Prescriptions in the Mendicant Rules: An Examination of Hagiographical Exemplarity" in *Shaping Stability: The Normation and Formation of Religious Life in the Middle Ages*. ed. Krijn Pansters, Brepols, 2016.

"Women, Wives, and Mystics: The Unexpected Patronage of a Dominican Martyr" edited by Margaret Cormack for the *Journal of the History of Sexuality* 21.3, May 2012: 313-324.

"Martyrs on the Move: The Spread of the Cults of Thomas of Canterbury and Peter of Verona," in *Peregrinations* 3.2, Summer 2011.

"The Friars Preachers: The First Hundred Years of the Dominican Order," in *History Compass* 8.11, November 2010: 1275-1290.

"The Cult of Peter of Verona in the British Isles" in *The Friars in Medieval Britain: Proceedings of the 2007 Harlaxton Symposium*, ed. Nicholas Rogers. Donington, 2010.

"The Assassin-Saint: The Life and Cult of Carino of Balsamo" *Catholic Historical Review* 94.1, January 2008: 1-21.

"Scripture and Theology in Early Modern Catholicism," in *Christian Theologies of Scripture: A Comparative Introduction*, ed. Justin Holcomb. New York University Press, 2006.

"American Catholics and the Spanish Civil War" in *Faith and Reason* 31:2, Summer 2006, 243-273.

"The Authority of the 'Old' Pontifical Biblical Commission," in the *Fellowship of Catholic Scholars Quarterly* 27:3, Fall 2004.

## PENDING JURIED ARTICLES AND CHAPTERS

"The Conversions of St. Thomas Aquinas" (2026)

"The Iconography of Inquisition: The Depiction of St. Peter of Verona in Art" in *Inquisition, Iconography, and Memory* (2025)

"Dominican Ecclesiology before Thomas" (in preparation, 2026)

"Thomas Aquinas: A Life Burning in Every Moment," *Nova et Vetera* (2025)

"A Most Profitable Association: The Roman Curia and the Mendicant Orders in the Thirteenth Century," in *Brill's Companion to the Roman Curia* (2025)

"Representations of Inquisition in Dominican Hagiography" in *Proceedings of the Fourth International Symposium on the Inquisition*, Vatican Press, forthcoming 2025.

"Sermons about Peter Martyr in Schneyer's *Repertorium*"

## BOOK REVIEWS

"Fixing the Liturgy" in *Sixteenth Century Journal* (forthcoming)

"Francis of Assisi" in *Journal of Religion* (forthcoming)

"Suspect Saints and Holy Heretics" in *American Historical Review* 129 (2024)

"The Lay Saint" in *American Historical Review*, (March 2021)

"King and Emperor: A New Life of Charlemagne" in *Law and Liberty Journal*.

"S. Homebon de Crémone, « père des pauvres » et patron des tailleurs," in *Speculum* 94.4, Oct 2019

"Miracles in Medieval Canonization Processes," in *Church History*

"Debating Medieval Natural Law" in *Journal of Markets and Morality* 19.2, Spring 2017.

"Johannes Meyer, Das Amptbuch," in *Speculum* 91.2, Jan 2017.

"Religious Men and Masculine Identity in the Middle Ages," in *Catholic Historical Review* 100:2, Spring 2014.

"Heresy and Heretics in the Thirteenth Century," in *Catholic Historical Review* 98:2, April 2012.

"The Lord as their Portion: The Story of the Religious Orders and How They Shaped Our World" in *Theological Studies* 72, 2011.

"A Companion to Clare of Assisi" in *Francia-Recensio* 2012, No. 1.

"Charisma and Religious Authority: Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Preaching, 1200 – 1500" *Catholic Historical Review* 98:1, January 2012.

"Inquisitori lombardi del duecento" in *Journal of Ecclesiastical History* 61, 2010.

"A Most Holy War: The Albigensian Crusade and the Battle for Christendom" in *The Historian* 72:2, June 2010.

"Passion and Order: Restraint of Grief in the Medieval Italian Communes" in *English Historical Review* 124, 2009.

"The Dominicans and the Pope: Papal Teaching Authority in the Medieval and early Modern Thomist Tradition" in *The Medieval Review*.

"Heresy and the Persecuting Society in the Middle Ages: Essays on the Work of R. I. Moore," in *Theological Studies* 68:1, March 2007.

"Selecting the Pope," in the *Fellowship of Catholic Scholars Quarterly* 27:1, Spring 2004.

"Exiles from Eden," in *Faith and Reason* 28:3-4, Fall-Winter 2003.

## PAPERS AND LECTURES

"Councils for Christendom and Beyond: Ecumenical Councils in the Middle Ages" Stillman Lecturer, Milwaukee, WI, September 2025

"The Significance of the Creed in Early Dominican Life" invited keynote, Academy of Catholic Theology, Washington DC, May 2025

"The Conversions of St. Thomas" invited Keynote at "Saint Thomas Aquinas, a Figure of Evangelical Renewal: Between Foolishness, Tradition, and Reason, the Uncomfortable Position." Luxembourg, March 2025

"Where Would Thomas Aquinas Live in Middle Earth?" Annual John Paul II Lecture at the University of Dallas, Sep 2024.

"Catholic Studies in a Secular University" at Seton Hall, Conference of Catholic Studies, September 2024.

"Gianlorenzo Bernini: Impresario of the Baroque" at Clemson University, April 2024 (invited lecturer).

"Legends Surrounding the Creation of the Feast of Corpus Christi" Tulsa Conference on St. Thomas Aquinas, March 2024

"Thomas Aquinas: A Life Burning in Every Moment" Keynote for Tulsa Conference on St. Thomas Aquinas, March 2024

"Thomas Aquinas: Model of Dominican Life" Angelicum, Rome, Nov 2023 (invited Keynote for celebrations of the 700<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his canonization)

"Thomas Aquinas: Master of the Sacred Page" University of Dallas, Oct 2023 (invited lecturer)

"Interpreting the Inquisition" University of Dallas, Feb 2023 (invited)

"Incarnational *Phronesis*: The Constitutions of the Friars Preachers" Society of Catholic Social Scientists, St. Vincent's College, Latrobe, October 2022.

"Learning in the Benedictine Tradition" Clear Creek Monastery, October 2022

"A Most Profitable Association: The Roman Curia and the Mendicant Orders in the Thirteenth Century," *Istituto Damaso*, Rome, Italy, May 2022 (conference organizer).

"The Dominican Order and the Jews in the Thirteenth Century" National Holocaust Museum, Budapest, Hungary, March 2021. (Invited lecturer)

"Lectio and Disputation in the Medieval Dominican Order," Providence College, Feb 2022

"Philosophy of Beauty: Michelangelo and Bernini" with David Alvis, University of Dallas, Feb 2022.

"The Medieval Roots of American Order," Tocqueville Institute, Jacksonville State, Oct 2021 (invited lecturer)

"Thomas Aquinas: An Incarnational Life" Alcuin Institute, Tulsa, January 2021

"Thomas Aquinas in his Context" Dominican School of Philosophy and Theology, GTU Berkeley, Fall 2020 (invited lecturer)

"Medieval Origins of American Constitutional Order" University of Dallas, 8 Nov 2019 (invited lecturer)

"Newman, Canonization, and the Development of Doctrine" Newman Center, Tulsa, 6 Oct 2019 (invited lecturer)

"The Papacy in History" Legatus, Green Bay, WI, 15 March 2018 (Invited Lecturer)

"Natural Law in the Classroom" Institute for Faith and the Academy, Faulkner University, 19 Oct 2018

"The Radical Call of the Early Dominicans," Providence College Western Civilization Program, 20 January 2017 (Invited Lecturer)

"The Canonization of Dominican Saints in the Thirteenth Century,"  
2nd International Congress on Medieval Hagiography at Porto Alegre, Brazil  
13-16 October 2015 (Invited Lecture)

"Inquisition and History," February 2015, Wofford University (Invited Lecture)

"Freedom and the Liberal Arts," Lecture at JSU Dec 2014 as part of the Antigone Lecture Series.

"Canonization and Infallibility" Lecture at the Graduate Theological Union at Berkeley  
November 2013

"Unlocking the Conclave: Historical Reflections on the Papal Renunciation and Election of 2013" Wofford University, March 2013. (Invited Lecture)

"Community and History in Nisbett" ISI Summer Leadership Seminar, Samford University,  
July 2012 and June 2013. (Invited Lecture).

"*Admiratio* and *Imitatio*: Changing Theologies of Sainthood in the 13th Century" Lecture at the  
Graduate Theological Union at Berkeley, CA October 2011 (Invited Lecture)

"Heretics, Hemorrhages, and Herrings: Dominican Miracle Collections of the Order's First 100  
Years" at the Southeast Medieval Association, Roanoke, VA, November 2010. (Invited paper)

"Representations of Inquisition in Dominican Hagiography" at the 4th International  
Colloquium on the Inquisition, Rome, March 2009 (Invited paper)

"The Clash of Cultures in the Middle Ages: Faith and Reason in the Christian and Islamic  
Traditions." Invited lecture at ISI Honors Colloquium, Quebec City, July 2008

"Mendicancy in Dominican Hagiography," at the Sewanee Medieval Colloquium, April 2008.

"The Cult of Peter of Verona in the British Isles," at the Harlaxton Symposium, Lincolnshire,  
England July 2007. (Invited Paper)

"A Florentine Street Brawl," for the Study Abroad program of the University of West Florida  
and Georgia State University, May 2007, Florence, Italy.

"Medieval Concepts of Martyrdom," at the Annual Conference of the Alabama Association of  
Historians, 2 February 2007. (Panel Chair)

"The Inquisition: Separating Fact from Fiction." Invited lecture at Holy Spirit College, Atlanta,  
GA. 18 January 2007.

"Mapping Medieval Miracles," at a conference for the study of the geography of cults in Hólar,  
Iceland, 2006, (Invited Paper)

"Women, Wives, and Mystics: The Unexpected Patronage of a Dominican Martyr" at the  
National Meeting of the Medieval Academy of America, Boston, MA March 31-April 1, 2006  
(Invited Paper).

"Peter of Verona: Communal Patron of Milan" at the National Meeting of the American  
Historical Association, Seattle, WA January 9, 2005 (Invited Paper).

"Preaching the Preacher: The Construction of the Cult of Peter Martyr in Thirteenth Century  
Preaching" at the International Congress for Medieval Studies in Kalamazoo, MI, May 7, 2004

"A Medieval Passion Play: The Death of Peter of Verona" at the Southeast Regional Conference  
of the American Academy of Religion, Atlanta, GA, March 7, 2004

"Ius Commune electronicum: the presentation and editing of medieval manuscripts on the web" at the Ancient Studies; New Technology II, Rutgers University, NJ, December 6, 2002

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2019-	Introduction to Catholicism
2020-	New Testament
2020-	The Medieval Worldview
2019-	Honors, Ancient, Medieval, Renaissance
2019-	Dante and Thomas Aquinas
2012-	Introduction to Islam
2021	World Religions
2011-18	Reformation Historiography
2015	Cicero
2016, 2021	Augustine
2017	Medieval Thought
2009	Roots of the American Tradition
2008	Medieval Historiography
2008-18	History of Christianity I & II
2006-21	History of World Religions
2006-18	Europe in the Middle Ages
2006-18	Western Civilization I & II Honors
2005-18	Western Civilization I & II
2005-18	Ancient History
2006-18	Historiography
2006-20	History of Ideas: Ancient and Medieval
2011	Trinitarian Theology
2013	Patristics
2008-13	Saints and Sainthood
2003-05	Introduction to Theology
2006-21	Church History I & II

## REFERENCES

- Dr. Augustine Thompson, O.P., *Praeses*, Pontifical Institute of Medieval Studies, 416-926-7142  
Dr. M. Michèle Mulchahey, Leonard Boyle Chair at PIMS, University of Toronto, 416-926-7129  
Dr. William Fahey, President, Thomas More College, 603-880-8308  
Dr. David Burr, Department of History (emeritus), Virginia Tech, 540-951-3194  
Dr. Richard Kieckhefer, Department of History, Northwestern, 847-491-2614  
Dr. Duane Osheim, Department of History, University of Virginia, 434-924-6404  
Dr. Russel Lemmons, Department of History, Jacksonville State University, 256-782-5867  
Dr. Margaret Cormack, Department of Religious Studies, College of Charleston, 843-953-8033  
Dr. Mark Johnson, Department of Historical Theology, Marquette University, 414-288-7646

## ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Reader for: *The Thomist, Nova et Vetera, Oxford University Press, Cornell University Press, CUA Press, the Journal of Religious History, Signum, Traditio, Journal of Markets and Morality.*

2025	Faculty for Summer High School Honors Program – University of Tulsa
2025	Organizer and faculty, TU Jumpstart in Rome
2025	Organizer and convener of Boethius Conference – University of Tulsa
2024	Organizer and convener of Conference on Thomas Aquinas – University of Tulsa
2024-2025	University of Tulsa Faculty Senate Alternate
2023-Present	Honors College Fellow
2023-2024	University Committee on AI
2023-2024	Honors Curriculum Committee
2023	Chair, Lubell Search committee
2019-Present	Organized six Warren Lectures and three Faith, Reason, and Philosophy Lectures
2021-2025	Chair, Department of Philosophy and Religion
2023-2024	A&S Committee on Faculty Rights and Responsibilities
2023-2024	A&S Outstanding Teacher Committee
2023-Present	Faculty Advisor for Italian Culture Club
2023-Present	Faculty Advisor for Students for Life
2023	Search Committee member, Assistant Dean of Honors
2023	External Reviewer – 1 Contract and 2 Post-Tenure Reviews
2022-2024	Member of Faculty Senate – University Benefits Committee
2021-2022	Interim Chair, Department of Sociology
2022	Search Committee Member – Dean of the Honors College
2022	Organizer of international conference in Rome on the Papal Curia
2022	Chair, ad hoc A&S Awards Committee
2021-2025	Chair of A&S Chairs’ Council
2022, 2024	Faculty Led Study Abroad for TU in Rome
2022	Director for Liberty Fund Conference on Croce and Gramsci
2021-Present	Member of Classical Studies Certificate Board – Tulsa
2020-Present	Reader for the National Science Center of Poland
2019-22	Member of Faculty Senate – Student Affairs Committee
2019-Present	Faculty advisor for chapter of the Thomistic Institute
2019	Director for Conference <i>Roots of American Order</i> at Faulkner University
2018	Director of Liberty Fund Conference on Robert Bellarmine
2017	Chair of Asian history search committee
2017	Secured funding for 4 <sup>th</sup> annual lecture series and a grant for a class in Medieval Thought
2016	Secured funding for 3 <sup>rd</sup> annual five lecture series
2015-Present	Appointed to editorial board of <i>Signum</i> , Brazilian Medieval Studies Journal
2015	Director of Liberty Fund Conference on Medieval Spain
2015	Secured funding for 2 <sup>nd</sup> annual five lecture series
2014	Secured funding for a five-lecture series on the History of Liberty
2013	Accredited Journalist to the Papal Conclave, consultant to Vatican Radio
2013	Interviewed by Vatican Radio, Zenit, New York Times, The Atlantic, <i>Adventuras na História</i> , and NBC for Papal Renunciation.
2012-Present	Regular Announcer for Vatican Radio for Papal Canonization ceremonies
2007-2019	Coordinator for May Term in Rome for JSU students
2012	Revised Test Bank for <i>Western Civilization: Beyond Boundaries</i> for Cengage

2012-2018	Columnist for <i>Crisis Magazine</i>
2012-2020	Contributing Editor for the <i>Truth and Charity Forum</i>
2010-2012	Coordinator for JSU "Philosophy Club"
2010	Curriculum consultant for proposed College of St. Athanasius
2009	Appointed to Pearson Western Civilization Editorial Advisory Board
2009	Invited as commentator to the Northeast Political Science Association Annual Meeting
2005-2019	Jacksonville State University Faculty Council and Chair of the Faculty Merit Committee
2008-2019	Jacksonville State University Institutional Review Board
2009	Faculty coordinator for JSU study abroad trip "Shakespeare in Italy"
2009	Director for Liberty Fund Conference on Medieval Islamic Philosophy
2008	Director for Liberty Fund Conference on the Mendicant Orders
2008	Director for Liberty Fund Conference on the Medieval City
2008-2010	Reader for Pearson's Western Civilization textbooks
2007	Created online modules for Western Civ I and II for Jacksonville State University
2006	Director for Liberty Fund Conference on Freedom in Early Christianity
2006-2008	Assisted with planning for the annual conference of the Alabama Association of Historians
2006	Assisted with American History search, Department of History
2005-2006	History Department Committee on Western Civilization Outcomes and Assessments
2005-2019	Served as a periodic commentator and reviewer for <i>The Anniston Star</i>