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EDUCATION

PhD Historical Theology

Graduate Biblical and Theological Studies

Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois, 2013

Dissertation – “Chastely I Live for Thee”: Virginitly as Bondage and Freedom in Origen of Alexandria, Methodius of Olympus and Gregory of Nyssa

Supervisor: George Kalantzis, Wheaton College

M.A. General History of Christianity

Graduate Biblical and Theological Studies

Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois, 2008

B.A. Historical and Theological Studies

College of Theology and Ministry

Oral Roberts University, Tulsa, Oklahoma, 2001

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor of Theology

Bible and Christian Ministries Department

Gordon College, Wenham, Massachusetts, Fall 2015–present

PUBLICATIONS

(with Lynn H. Cohick) *Christian Women in the Patristic World: Influence, Authority and Legacy* (350 pp., Grand Rapids: Baker, October 2017).

“The Legacy of the Feminine in the Christology of Origen of Alexandria, Methodius of Olympus, and Gregory of Nyssa” *Vigiliae Christianae* 69 (2015): 1–26.

“Agency, Restraint, and Desire: Virginitly and Christology in Methodius of Olympus,” in *Methodius von Olympus: State of the Art and New Perspectives*, Katharina Bracht, ed. *Texte und Untersuchungen zur Geschichte der altchristlichen Literatur* 178 ([forthcoming] Berlin: de Gruyter, November 2017).

(with George Kalantzis) “Early Christianity (100–500)” in *Reading Christian Theology in the Protestant Tradition*, Kelly M. Kapic and Hans Madueme, eds. (48,000 words, [forthcoming], New York and London: T & T Clark/Continuum, January 2018).

“Beholding the Beholder: Precision and Mystery in Gregory of Nyssa’s *Ad Ablabium*” in *Trinity without Tiers*, Michael F. Bird and Scott Harrower, eds. ([forthcoming] Grand Rapids: Kregel, 2018).

REVIEWS

Candida R. Moss, *Ancient Christian Martyrdom: Diverse Practices, Theologies, and Traditions* (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2012) and *The Myth of Persecution: How Early Christians Invented a Story of Martyrdom* (New York: Harper, 2013), in: *Books and Culture: A Christian Review* (November/December 2014).

Till Jansen, *Theodore von Mopsuestia, De incarnatione: Überlieferung und Christologie der griechischen und lateinischen Fragmente einschliesslich Textausgabe* (New York: de Gruyter, 2009), in: *Catholic Historical Review* 97 (2011), pp. 760–61.

John McGuckin, *St. Cyril of Alexandria: The Christological Controversy in History, Theology, and Texts* (Crestwood, NY: St. Vladimir's Seminary Press, 2004), on "For Christ and His Kingdom": A Blog by Doctoral Students of Wheaton College (2011), <http://wheatonblog.wordpress.com/2011/11/22/two-perspectives-two-reviews-one-book-part-one/>

Giulio Maspero, *Trinity and Man: Gregory of Nyssa's Ad Ablabium*, *Supplements to Vigiliae Christianae* 86 (Leiden: Brill, 2007), on "For Christ and His Kingdom": A Blog by Doctoral Students of Wheaton College (2011), <http://wheatonblog.wordpress.com/2011/10/20/review-trinity-and-man-gregory-of-nyssa%E2%80%99s-ad-ablabium/>

HONORS AND AWARDS

2008 Kenneth A. Kantzer Award, History of Christianity

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2016 Lilly Fellows Program Summer Seminar for College Teachers in Orvieto, Italy
2009–2013 Dale and Susan Kemp Fellowship, Wheaton College,
2011 Graduate Student Conference Presentation Grant

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY/PRESENTATIONS

2017 "The Virgin and the Trinity: Gregory of Nyssa on the 'Subjection' of the Son," North American Patristics Society Annual Meetings, Chicago, IL.
2016 "Equal to the Angels': Virginitas as Eschatological Hope in Gregory of Nyssa," North American Patristics Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
2016 Future of Theology Consultation, Yale Center for Faith and Culture, New Haven, CT.
2015 "Agency, Restraint, and Desire: Virginitas and Christology in Methodius of Olympus," "Methodius von Olympus: Forschungsstand und perspektiven" Conference, Friedrich Schiller University Jena.
2014 "Macrina and Materiality: Living into the Resurrection," North American Patristics Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, May 2014.
2013 "Virginitas as 'Performing' Christology in Methodius of Olympus," North American Patristics Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
2012 "'With Sober and Virile Heart': The Virginal Champion in Methodius's *Symposium*," North American Patristics Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
2011 "Blackness and the Bride in Origen's Commentary on the Song of Songs," 16th International Conference on Patristic Studies, Oxford, UK.

- 2010 “The Beautiful Bride: Origen on the Song of Songs,” North American Patristics Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
- 2010 ““Can You Hear Her Now?:’ The Woman’s Voice in Patristic Literature,” The New College Conference on Medieval and Renaissance Studies, Sarasota, FL.
- 2010 “Reclaiming Beauty: The Bride in Origen’s *Commentary on the Song of Songs*,” “Sex, Sexuality and Gender” Student Theological Conference at Garrett Theological Seminary, Evanston, IL.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Gordon College

- Christian Theology (Fall 2015, Spring, Summer, Fall 2016, 2017)
- Trinity and Christology (Fall 2016, Spring 2018)
- Historical Theology I: Ancient and Medieval Theology (Fall 2017)
- Historical Theology II: Reformations and Modern Theology (Spring 2017, 2018)
- Theological Anthropology (Spring 2015, Spring 2017, Fall 2017)
- Early Christian Histories (Fall 2015)

Aurora University

- Introduction to World Religions (Fall 2014, Spring 2015)
- The Christian Bible (Spring 2014)

Wheaton College

- Christian Thought (Fall 2013, Spring 2014)
- First Christian Histories – graduate (Spring 2014)

TA Experience – Wheaton College

- Historical Theology: Ancient and Medieval – undergrad/graduate (Fall 2008, 2009, 2011, 2013)
- Gospel, Church and Culture (Fall 2011, Fall 2012)

INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE

- 2017: Development of Summit Course
- 2016–present: Faculty Welfare
- 2015–2016: Chapel Committee

EXTRACURRICULAR INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE

- 2017–present: Faculty Advisor for Catholic Student Fellowship
- 2017: Symposium Day Panel: “Moving Beyond Differences: Addressing Common Misconceptions of the Catholic Church”
- 2017: Calling and Career Sophomore Professional Development Conference participant
- 2016: Chapel speaker: “Between Vessels: Facing Transition with the Face of Courage”
- 2016: Speaker for ALANA: “Theology and Social Movements”
- 2016: Crossing Borders Multicultural Club Convocation panel
- 2016–present: Bible and Christian Ministries Department Facebook page
- 2015–present: Mentored Life mentor
- 2016: Elevate faculty advisor

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT/OUTREACH

- 2005–2007 Secretary to the board of Servantworks, a non-profit organization dedicated to offering women and children an alternative to a life of prostitution in Thailand.
- 2014 Theology and the Trinity class, Warehouse Church, Aurora, IL
- 2010–2013 Volunteer 1st–5th grader teacher, Warehouse Church, Aurora, IL

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS/AFFILIATIONS

- Member of North American Patristics Society since 2009
- Member of the American Society of Church History since 2013
- Member of the American Academy of Religion since 2015

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

- English: reading, lecturing, writing
- French, German, Latin, and Classical and NT Greek: reading