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Abbreviated Curriculum Vitae

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Current Position: Associate Professor (with tenure). Department of Theological Studies, Concordia University. 2008-

Past Positions Held:

Visiting Research Scholar, Blackfriars Hall, University of Oxford. (February – June, 2010)
Assistant Professor of Theological Studies 2003 – 2008. Concordia University
Term Appointment, Theological Studies 2002 – 2003. Concordia University

Scholarly Fields & Interests: Theological anthropology: sin, redemption, soul; Science-theology dialogue; theological method: Bernard Lonergan, history of Christian thought; philosophical / systematic theology; St. Augustine; faith and culture; political theology.

Education: Doctor of Philosophy in Theology (Ph. D.); University of Ottawa/Saint Paul University: Faculty of Theology, 2001 (Thesis successfully defended: February, 2001). Supervisor: Dr. James Pambrun. Thesis: *A Philosophical Framework Within the Science-Theology Dialogue: A Critical Reflection on the Work of Ernan McMullin*;
1993-94 Ratisbonne Institute for Jewish Studies, Jerusalem: Independent Study. (Scholarship)
1991 Master of Divinity (M.Div.), Faculty of Theology: University of St. Michael's College/University of Toronto, Toronto
1988 Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), Department of Political Science: Canadian Politics, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada.

Select Publications

Books

[*Theological Method: A Guide for the Perplexed* \(London: T & T Clark, 2012\).](#)
Catholicism and Science. Greenwood Guides to Science and Religion; co-authored with Peter M.J. Hess (Westport, CT: Greenwood Publishing Co., 2008). [Note: Equal responsibilities in writing and compilation: Paul Allen wrote chapters 4,5 and 6.]
Ernan McMullin and Critical Realism in the Science-Theology Dialogue (Aldershot, United Kingdom: Ashgate Publishing Co., 2006).

Refereed Journal Articles

“McMullin's Augustinian Settlement: The Consonance between Faith and Science” *American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly* vol. 86, no. 2 (Spring, 2012), 331-342.
“Upholding the Humanum: Science and Theology's Foundational Character.” *Heythrop Journal of Theology* 47, n.3 (July, 2006): 367-86.

Other Refereed Contributions

- “Curricular Heresy: Theological Religious Studies and the Assessment of Religious Pluralism in Canada” in *Religion in the Public Sphere* (pending, 2013).
- “The Natural State of Sin” *Studies in Science and Theology: Yearbook of the European Society for the Study of Science and Theology 2011-12* eds. Dirk Evers, Michael Fuller, Antje Jackelén, Taede A. Smedes (Tübingen: Forum Scientarum; London: T&T Clark, 2012), 43-55.
- “The Emergence of Human Dignity in Human Nature: The Soul at Work,” in *Understanding in Science and Theology Yearbook of the European Society for the Study of Science and Theology 2009-2010*, eds. Dirk Evers, Antje Jackelén, Taede A. Smedes, (Tübingen: Forum Scientarum; London: T&T Clark, 2010), 117-132.
- “Beyond Naturalism: Scientific Creativity and Theological Knowledge.” in *Religion and the Challenges of Science*, edited by William Sweet and Richard Feist. Aldershot, United Kingdom: Ashgate Publishing Co., 2007: 185-198.
- “Apologetics.” *Encyclopedia of Science and Religion*, edited by J. Wentzel van Huyssteen. New York: MacMillan Pub. Co., 2003: 24-26.
- “The Cosmos and Theological Reflection: The Priority of Self-Transcendence.” *Théologiques* 9, 1 (2001): 71-93.

Book Chapters

- “Le role de l’explication dans le réalisme critique : une épistémologie pour la science et la théologie.” in Lefebvre, Solange, ed. *Raisons d’Être: Le sens à l’épreuve de la science et de la religion* LesPresses de l’Université de Montréal, 2008.
- “Scientific Rationality, Value and the Unity of Worldviews.” in *Science, Technology and Values: Science-Religion Dialogue in a Multi-Religious World*, edited by Job Kozhamthadham. Pune, India: ASSR Publications, 2003: 49-64.
- “Science and Spirituality: The Meaning of Cosmology for Theology.” in *Humanity and the Cosmos - Proceedings of the Brock philosophical Society Conference on Humanity and the Cosmos*, edited by Daniel McArthur and Corey Mulvihill. Binghamton, N.Y.: Global Academic Press (Binghamton University), 2003: 77-94.

Select Grants

- 2012-1013: Aid to Research Related Events Programme. With Dr. T. Smith (Political Science) and Dr. J. Carty (Liberal Arts College): *Implicating Augustine: Human Nature, God and Governance*. \$6952.50.
- 2012: Teaching Grant (Faculty of Arts and Science, Small Class Experience): \$5899.40.
- Jan., 2010 – June, 2010: Concordia University. Sabbatical research Leave Grant. \$2,000.
- Sept., 2008 – July, 2010: Concordia University. *River Ecology, Policies, and Values*. with P. Stoett (P.I.), P. Biron, J. Grant, R. Foltz, S. Dayanandan, and D. Matthews. \$19,179.26.

Books in Preparation

- Catholic Responses to Scientific Anthropology* (edited). Projected Publication: 2015.
- Creaturehood Ascendant: Sin and Science in Theological Anthropology*. In discussion with major university press. Projected Publication: 2016.

Refereed Articles Forthcoming

“Ernan McMullin and Augustinian Science” *Zygon* (March, 2013).

“Augustine and the Systematic Theology of Origins” in K. Paffenroth, ed. *Augustine and Science* (Rowman & Littlefield, 2013).

Refereed Articles Submitted and/or Under Revision

“Foundational Theology” and “Soul” in Nina P. Azari, ed. *Encyclopedia of Sciences and Religions* (Springer SBM, 2012).

“Pride, Envy and Human Nature: Beyond Darwinian Conservatism” (under revision).

“Natural Theology and a New Interpretation of Sin” (in process).

Select Recent Presentations

“Life and Trinity: Biology and Analogy”, European Society for the Study of Science and Theology (ESSSAT) Meeting. Tartu, Estonia. April 28, 2012.

“Covenant and Revelation in Benedict's Biblical theology”, McGill University Newman Centre. March 29, 2012.

“McMullin's Augustinian Settlement: The Consonance between Faith and Science” at the American Catholic Philosophers' Association Annual Meeting, Oct. 30, 2011.

“For and Against Conservative Darwinism” Debate with Dr. Larry Arnhart, March 17, 2011, Concordia University.

“The Natural State of Sin and the Renewal of Theology.” Ian Ramsey Centre, University of Oxford. May 6, 2010.

“The Natural State of Sin.” at the European Society for the Study of Science and Theology (ESSSAT) meeting, Edinburgh, UK. April 9, 2010.

Presentations Pending

“Theological Anthropology in *Gaudium et Spes* and *Lumen Gentium*” McGill University Fall 2012 Conference on the Second Vatican Council.

Master's Students Supervised & Graduated

Gene Gauzer, M.A. Defended: April, 2012.

Sabrina Tucci, M.A. Defended: December, 2009.

Greg Melchin, M.A. Defended: September, 2009.

Orit Shimoni, M.A. Defended: April, 2008.

Matthew Newland M.A. (Philosophy) Defended: April, 2008.

Dennis Lawrence, M.A. Defended: December, 2007.

Catherine Cherry, M.A. Defended: September, 2007.

Richard Bernier, M.A. Defended May, 2004.

Graduate Students Currently Under Supervision:

Martha Downey (Theology and Theatre, Ph.D.)

Rachelle Cournoyer, (Theology, M.A.)

Luke Walker (Theology, M.A.)

Natalia Marshall-Ryan (Theology, M.A.)

Erik Mamuri (Theology, M.A.)

Hélène Poisson (Theology, M.A.)

Elisa Pistilli (Theology, M.A.).