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**EDUCATION**

Ph.D.            Philosophy, University of Notre Dame, 2014  
M.A.            Philosophy, University of Notre Dame, 2003  
B.A.            Classics; B.A., Philosophy, University of Oklahoma, 2000  
B.S.            Management, Middle Tennessee State University, 1996

**PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS**

2017–Present    Assistant Professor, Brescia University  
2015–2016      Assistant Professor, Kazakh-British Technical University

**AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION**

Philosophy of Religion  
Metaphysics  
History of Philosophy

**AREAS OF COMPETENCE**

Logic  
Philosophy of Social Science  
World Religions

**PUBLICATIONS**

(Forthcoming, 2018) “Historicity and Theoretical Virtues in Analytic Theology,” *American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly* 93, No. 2 (Spring 2018)

(In Preparation)    “The Role of Scriptural Arguments in Philosophical Theology”

(In Preparation)    “Gregory of Nyssa’s Unity of Nature Argument As a Successful Defeater-Defeater”

(In Preparation) "Gregory of Nyssa's 'Theological Conjuring Trick'"

(In Preparation) "Solving the Logical Problem of the Trinity"

## CONFERENCES / PRESENTATIONS

### Presenter

- 2017 "Gregory of Nyssa's Solutions to the Logical Problem of the Trinity," *9<sup>th</sup> European Congress of Analytic Philosophy*, Munich, Germany, August 21-26
- 2017 "Gregory of Nyssa's Solutions to the Logical Problem of the Trinity," *North American Workshop in Platonic Philosophy*, Saint Paul, Minnesota, August 8-10
- 2017 "How to Solve the Logical Problem of the Trinity," *Tyndale-Fellowship Study Group in Philosophy of Religion*, Cambridge, UK, June 26-28
- 2017 "How to Solve the Logical Problem of the Trinity," *2<sup>nd</sup> World Congress on Logic and Religion*, Warsaw, Poland, June 18-22
- 2016 "Gregory of Nyssa's Two Solutions to the Logical Problem of the Trinity in the *Ad Ablabium*," *North American Patristics Society*, Chicago, May 26-28
- 2015 "Scriptural Arguments in Philosophical Theology," *Long Island Philosophical Society*, Jamaica, New York, April 18
- 2015 "Scriptural Arguments in Philosophical Theology," *South Carolina Society for Philosophy*, Spartanburg, South Carolina, March 27
- 2015 "Great Apostasy Theories in Philosophical Theology," *Southeast Philosophy Congress*, Marrow, Georgia, February 20
- 2015 "Great Apostasy Theories in Philosophical Theology," *Society of Orthodox Philosophers in America*, Kendaia, Texas, February 13
- 2010 "Could There Be a New Solution to the Logical Problem of the Trinity?" *Notre Dame Graduate Student Philosophy Colloquium*, October 4
- 2004 "Laws of Nature," *National Post-Graduate Analytic Philosophy Conference* (Plenary Session), Magdalen College, Cambridge University, UK, July 2
- 2004 "The Necessity for the Church Fathers in Christian Philosophy," *National Faculty Leadership Conference*, Washington, D.C. June 25

## **Respondent**

2010 Response to Luis Oliveira's "Positions, Objections & Good Health," *Wayne State University, Student Conference on Philosophy of Religion*, Detroit, Michigan, April 3

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### **Kazakh-British Technical University**

Introduction to Philosophy (Fall 2015, Spring 2015, Fall 2016)

Introduction to World Religions (Fall 2015)

Philosophy of Social Science (Fall 2016)

### **University of Notre Dame**

Introduction to Philosophy (Fall 2007 through Spring 2011: 8 semesters)

## **LIST OF SUBJECTS TAUGHT (\*) OR PREPARED TO TEACH**

(Sample Syllabi Available on Request)

History of Philosophy (Ancient to Early Modern)

\*Introduction to Philosophy

\*Introduction to Logic and Critical Thinking

\*Introduction to World Religions

\*Philosophy of Social Science

Metaphysics

Philosophy of Religion

## **SERVICE**

### **Professional**

Referee for *TheoLogica*

### **University**

Author, "Academic Honesty Policy," Kazakh-British Technical University

Designer, Online Academic Honesty Management System, Kazakh-British Technical University (Reduced per-assignment plagiarism rate from 35% to 3%)

### **Departmental**

Chair, Academic Honesty Committee, General Education Faculty, KBTU

## **LANGUAGES**

Ancient Greek

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

American Catholic Philosophical Association (ACPA), 2014

American Philosophical Association (APA), 2010

North American Patristics Society (NAPS), 2015

Society of Christian Philosophers (SCP), 2010

Society of Orthodox Philosophers in America (SOPHIA), 2010

## REFERENCES

Richard Cross, Rev. John A. O'Brien Professor of Philosophy  
University of Notre Dame  
USA

Peter van Inwagen, John Cardinal O'Hara Professor of Philosophy  
University of Notre Dame  
USA

Fr. Brian Daley, SJ, Catherine F. Huisling Professor of Theology  
University of Notre Dame  
USA

David O'Connor, Associate Professor of Philosophy (Teaching Reference)  
University of Notre Dame  
USA

Rossen Roussev, Associate Professor in Contemporary Philosophy  
Veliko Tarnovo University "St. Cyril and St. Methodius"  
Bulgaria

Alessandro Frigerio, Associate Professor  
Head of History and Social Sciences Sector  
Kazakh British Technical University  
Kazakhstan