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EDUCATION

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

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

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

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Philosophy of Religion
History of Philosophy (Ancient and Medieval)
Metaphysics

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Formal Logic

EDITED BOOK

2020 *Introduction to Philosophy of Religion* (2020) Rebus (funded by the
Hewlett Foundation)

EDITED JOURNAL (GUEST EDITOR)

2020 *TheoLogica*, Special Issue on “Conciliar Trinitarianism.”

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

- Forthcoming “The Neglected Doctrine of the Monarchy of the Father and the Analytic Debate About the Trinity” in *Analytic Theology and the Tri-Personal God*. Leuven: Peeters. O. Riaudel & A. Perez, eds.
- 2020 “Chapter 1: The Intertwining of Philosophy and Religion in the Western Tradition,” in *Introduction to Philosophy of Religion*. Rebus (funded by the Hewlett Foundation). Beau Branson, ed.
- 2019 “No New Solutions to the Logical Problem of the Trinity,” *Journal of Applied Logic*, Vol. 6, No. 6, pp. 1051-1091
- 2018 “Ahistoricity in Analytic Theology,” *American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly* Vol. 92, No. 2, pp. 195-224

PAPERS PRESENTED AT ACADEMIC CONFERENCES

(* = Invited † = Paper Accepted, Conference Cancelled due to COVID-19 Pandemic)

“On the Impossibility of a Single Perfect Person”

- † 2020 *Tyndale-Fellowship Study Group in Philosophy of Religion*, Cambridge, UK, June 29-July 1
- † 2020 *71st Annual Meeting of the New Mexico-Texas Philosophical Society*, Waco, TX, April 3-4
- 2020 *Society of Orthodox Philosophers in America*, Kendalia, Texas, February 6-9

“Must God Have a Son?”

- 2019 *Illinois Philosophical Association Conference*, Normal, Illinois, November 8-9
- 2019 *Mountain-Plains Philosophy Conference*, Edmond, Oklahoma, October 11-13
- 2019 *Virginia Philosophical Association Conference*, Virginia Beach, Virginia, October 25-26

“An Ontological Argument for a Binity”

- 2019 *Meeting of the Midwest Region of the Evangelical Philosophical Society (EPS)*, Chicago, Illinois, March 29-30
- 2019 *Kentucky Philosophical Association Annual Meeting*, Lexington, Kentucky, March 22-23
- 2019 *South Carolina Society for Philosophy*, Columbia, South Carolina, March 8-9

“One God, the Father: On the Neglected Doctrine of the Monarchy of the Father and Its Implications for the Analytic Debate About the Trinity”

- *2018 *Analytic Theology and the Tri-Personal God: the Trinitarian Renewal in Analytic Tradition*, Universite Catholique de Louvain, Louvain, Belgium, Sept. 12-14
- 2018 *Joint Meeting of the South Carolina Society for Philosophy and the North Carolina Philosophical Society*, Rock Hill, South Carolina, March 23-24

“Gregory of Nyssa’s Solutions to the Logical Problem of the Trinity”

- 2017 *9th European Congress of Analytic Philosophy*, Munich, Germany, August 21-26
2017 *North American Workshop in Platonic Philosophy*, Saint Paul, Minnesota, August 8-10
2016 *North American Patristics Society*, Chicago, May 26-28

“How to Solve the Logical Problem of the Trinity”

- 2017 *Tyndale-Fellowship Study Group in Philosophy of Religion*, Cambridge, UK, June 26-28
2017 *2nd World Congress on Logic and Religion*, Warsaw, Poland, June 18-22

“Scriptural Arguments in Philosophical Theology”

- 2015 *Long Island Philosophical Society*, Jamaica, New York, April 18
2015 *South Carolina Society for Philosophy*, Spartanburg, South Carolina, March 27

“Great Apostasy Theories in Philosophical Theology”

- 2015 *Southeast Philosophy Congress*, Marrow, Georgia, February 20
2015 *Society of Orthodox Philosophers in America*, Kendalia, Texas, February 13

“Laws of Nature”

- 2004 *National Post-Graduate Analytic Philosophy Conference* (Plenary Session), Magdalen College, Cambridge University, UK, July 2

“The Necessity for the Church Fathers in Christian Philosophy”

- 2004 *National Faculty Leadership Conference*, Washington, D.C. June 25

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS / APPEARANCES

Appeared on 1.5 hour livestream of “Orthodox Shahada” discussing the Trinity in the Greek fathers. September 7, 2020

Appeared on 2 hour livestream of “Orthodox Shahada” reviewing a debate between Joshua Sijuwade and Mohammed Hijab. September 7, 2020 August 27, 2020

Appeared on 2 hour livestream of “Orthodox Shahada” discussing the Trinity and Muslim apologetics. July 17, 2020

Appeared on 3 hour livestream of “Orthodox Shahada” discussing the Trinity and Muslim apologetics. July 7, 2020

Appeared on 3 hour livestream of “Orthodox Shahada” discussing the Trinity and Muslim apologetics. July 5, 2020

Appeared on 1.5 hour livestream roundtable discussion with Carlos Xavier and Jay Dyer to discuss Trinitarianism and Unitarianism. July 1, 2020

Appeared on 2.5 hour livestream of “Jay’s Analysis” to discuss the Trinity and previous podcasts / screencasts, along with a recap of Jay Dyer’s debate with Muslim scholar Dr. Ally Shabir. June 11, 2020

Released 4 hour screencast series, “The Unfinished Business of Unitarian Theorizing” with Skylar McManus. June 2020. URL: <http://beaubranson.com/monarchyofthefather>. (Reposted on “Jay’s Analysis” and “Orthodox Shahada”)

Appeared on a follow-up 2-hour screencast of Sam Tideman discussing the Trinity and Analytic Theology. March 6, 2020

Appeared on a 2-hour screencast of Sam Tideman discussing the Trinity and Analytic Theology. December 13, 2019

Public lecture, “One God the Father, or One God the Trinity?” Brescia University, November 13, 2018

Released 6.5 hour podcast / screencast series “One God, the Father: the Neglected Monarchy of the Father, and the Analytic debate about the Trinity.” (Available at <http://beaubranson.com/monarchyofthefather>) (Also released in an edited 4-hour version on trinities.org as podcast episodes 239-242, with responses by Dale Tuggy in episodes 243-246. August, 2018)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Brescia University

Ancient Philosophy (Spring 2019)
Business Ethics (Fall 2017, Spring 2019, Spring 2020)
Ethics of Healthcare (Fall 2017)
Introduction to Ethics & Morality (Spring 2018, Spring 2019)
Introduction to Philosophy (Fall 2017 – Fall 2020: 6 semesters)
Logic and Critical Thinking (Fall 2017, Fall 2018, Fall 2019, Spring 2020, Fall 2020)
Metaphysics (Spring 2018, Spring 2020)
Philosophy of Religion (Fall 2018)

Kazakh-British Technical University

Philosophy of Social Science (Fall 2016)
Introduction to Philosophy (Fall 2015, Spring 2015, Fall 2016)
Introduction to World Religions (Fall 2015)

University of Notre Dame

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

List by Subject (Syllabi Available on Request)

Ancient Philosophy
Business Ethics
Ethics of Healthcare
Introduction to Ethics & Morality
Introduction to Philosophy
Introduction to World Religions
Logic and Critical Thinking
Metaphysics
Philosophy of Religion
Philosophy of Social Science

SERVICE

Professional

Vice President, *Kentucky Philosophical Association* 2019-2020
Editor, *Introduction to Philosophy of Religion* (Rebus)
Guest Editor, *TheoLogica* special issue on “Conciliar Trinitarianism”
Referee, *Faith and Philosophy*
Referee, *Forum Philosophicum*
Referee, *Journal of Applied Logic*
Referee, *Religious Studies*
Referee, *Sophia*
Referee, *TheoLogica*

University

Executive Committee Rep. for Humanities, Brescia University (Spring 2020 to present)

Search Committee Member, Brescia University, English (Spring 2020)

Search Committee Chair, Brescia University, Philosophy Adjunct (Spring 2019)

Student Retention and Success Committee, Brescia University (Fall 2018 to present)

QEP Implementation Committee, Brescia University (2018 to present)
(Multiple presentations to faculty and peer tutors on CT and pedagogy)

Search Committee Member, Brescia University, Computer Science (Fall 2018)

Search Committee Member, Brescia University, Chem Lab Coordinator (Fall 2018)

Release-time Contributor, Quality Enhancement Program Committee on Critical Thinking, Brescia University (Spring 2018)

Honors College Committee, Brescia University (2017 to present)

QEP Development Committee, Brescia University (2017 to 2018)

Author, "Academic Honesty Policy," Kazakh-British Technical University (2016)

Designer, Online Academic Honesty Management System, Kazakh-British Technical University (Reduced per-assignment plagiarism rate from 35% to 3%) (2016)

Departmental

Academic Advisor for Integrated Studies Majors, Brescia University (2017 to present)

Academic Advisor for Philosophy Minors, Brescia University (2017 to present)

Integrated Studies Area Coordinator, Brescia (2017 to present)

Philosophy Area Coordinator, Brescia (2017 to present)

Chair, Academic Honesty Committee, General Education Faculty, KBTU (2016)

HIGH IMPACT PRACTICES

Organized and led a two-day trip for Honors College students in Honors Philosophy of Religion (Cathedral of the Assumption and Archdiocesan History Center; Thomas Merton Memorial; Frazier History Museum; Muhammed Ali Center; Museum Row, Bardstown; Abbey of Gethsemani), Brescia University, Fall 2018.

Public lecture, "One God the Father, or One God the Trinity?" Brescia University, November 13, 2018

Presentation "Must God Have a Son?" *A Bite of Research*, Brescia University, February 22, 2019

LANGUAGES

Ancient Greek (Proficient)

Latin (Translation with dictionary)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Catholic Philosophical Association (ACPA), 2014

American Philosophical Association (APA), 2010

Ancient Philosophy Society (APS), 2017

Hellenistic Philosophy Society (HPS), 2017

International Orthodox Theological Association (IOTA), 2018

Kentucky Philosophical Association, 2019

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

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

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

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

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

Alessandro Frigerio, Dean of Business School
Almaty Management University

Stuart Squires, Associate Professor of Theology; Associate Director of the Center for Faith and Culture
University of St. Thomas (Houston)