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Assistant Professor of Systematic Theology
Saint Paul Seminary School of Divinity

Education

Ph.D. in Church History, 2005, Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C. My dissertation was *St. Roberto Cardinal Bellarmino's Defense of Catholic Christology against the Lutheran Doctrine of Ubiquity*. I defended my dissertation with distinction (2004). My major field was the Renaissance and Reformation. My minor fields were Patristics and Ecclesiology.

M.A. in Theology, 1996, University of St. Thomas School of Divinity, St. Paul, Minnesota. My major field of study was Patristics.

Teaching Experience

2008-Present Assistant Professor of Theology, St. Paul Seminary, St. Paul, MN.
2005-2008 Assistant Professor of Theology and Church History, St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Overbrook.
2004-2008 Adjunct Faculty, Core Humanities, Villanova University.
2003-2005 Instructor, Systematic Theology, St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Overbrook.
2003 Instructor, Apologetics and Church History, EPS Program at Trinity College, Washington, D.C.
2002 Instructor, Apologetics, EPS Program at Trinity College, Washington, D.C.
2001 Teaching Assistant, Reformation History, Catholic University of America.

Courses Taught at St. Paul Seminary, St. Paul, MN

DVDT 101 Catechetical Foundations I
DVDT 201 Catechetical Foundations II
DVDT 530 Nature and Mission of the Church
DVDT 561 Christian Theology of God and the Human Person
DVDT 800 Ecumenism

Courses Taught at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Overbrook

CHH 601 Church History II: 1100 to the Present
HIS 101 History of Western Civilization I
HIS 102 History of Western Civilization II
HIS 333 History of the Reformation and Counter-Reformation in Europe
RS 241 Theology of the Church
RS 242 Theology of Christian Worship
RS 257 Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist
RS 601 Foundational Course in Systematic Theology
RS 613 Theology of Christ

RS 619	Theology of Grace
RS 620	In the Image and Likeness of God
RS 673	Reformations: Catholic and Protestant
RS 812	Liturgy and Christian Life
STH 508	Patrology
STH 606	Ecclesiology
STH 930	History of the Theology of Purgatory
THL 101	Perspectives of Catholic Belief
THL 103	Introduction to Liturgy
THL 303	Introductory Church History
THL 390	The History and Doctrine of the Council of Trent
THL 390	Late Medieval and Early Modern Theology & History
THL 390	Nominalism and Late Medieval Theology
THL 501	Practical Theological Concepts

Courses Taught at Villanova University

CHS 1000	Ancient, Medieval, and Renaissance Thought
ACS-1000	The Augustine and Culture Villanova Seminar

Courses Taught for EPS at Trinity College

Apologetics
Church History: Middle Ages to Reformation

Ecumenical Experience

2009-Present	Catholic Participant on International Lutheran-Roman Catholic Commission on Unity.
2009-Present	Archdiocesan Commission for Ecumenism and Interreligious Affairs
2005-Present	Catholic Participant on the U.S. Lutheran-Catholic Dialogue.
2005-2008	Catholic Participant on the U.S. Reformed-Catholic Dialogue.

Publications

Washburn, Christian D. "The Development of St. Robert Bellarmine's *Controversies* and his Defense of the Dignity of Man," *The Remnant Review*. Volume 4, Number 1 (2008): 73-100.

Washburn, Christian D. "Apologetics as Meant by Newman (review)," *Nova et Vetera*. Volume 6, Number 3 (2008): 703-705.

Washburn, Christian D. "The Saint as Censor: Robert Bellarmine between Inquisition and Index (review)," *The Catholic Historical Review*. Volume 92, Number 4 (October 2006): 665-666.

Papers Presented

- 2007 “The Impetratory and Satisfactory Efficacy of Intercessory Prayer in Catholic Theology,” for the Lutheran-Catholic Dialogue, St. Paul’s College, Washington, D.C. October 11, 2007.
- 2007 “‘This Book has Ruined Us’: The Development of St. Robert Bellarmine’s *Controversies*,” for Bellarmine University, Louisville, KY. April 12, 2007.
- 2007 Jack Reumann and Christian Washburn, “Ecumenical Convergence Flowing from Multiple Bilateral Dialogues: Implications for Lutheran-Catholic Relations,” for Lutheran-Catholic Clergy Dialogue of Philadelphia, Augustus Lutheran Church, Trappe, PA. January 18, 2007.
- 2006 “The Catholic Manualist Tradition and *De novissimis: 1850-1950*,” for the Lutheran-Catholic Dialogue, Embassy Suite Hotel, Phoenix, AZ. April 21, 2006.
- 2006 “The Council of Trent and the Reformed Tradition,” for the Reformed-Catholic Dialogue, Siena College, NY. April 28, 2006.
- 2006 “Is There Any Merit to Trent?: Trent’s Teaching on Merit,” National Honors Society Address, St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Wynnewood, PA. Dec. 5, 2006.
- 2006 “*Oratio pro defunctis*: From the Catacombs to Gregory the Great,” for the Lutheran-Catholic Dialogue, Embassy Suite Hotel, Baltimore, MD. Oct. 12, 2006.

Parish Talks

- 2009 Moderator for Dr. Robert Jenson and Dr. Christopher Malloy’s presentation on “The Joint Declaration on the Doctrine of Justification” Cathedral of St. Paul, St. Paul, MN. April 22, 2009.
- 2008 “Progress and Challenge in Ecumenical Dialogues,” Diocesan Workshop for Parish Ecumenical Representatives, St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Vianney Auditorium. March 1, 2008.
- 2007 “Tears of Repentance: The Sacrament of Reconciliation,” St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, Morrisville, PA. March 19, 2007.
- 2006 “Catholic Apologetics,” St. Ignatius of Antioch Catholic Church, Yardley, PA. February 25, 2006.
- 2005 “Parents as the First Heralds of the Gospel,” St. Katherine of Siena Catholic Church, Wayne, PA. October 22, 2005.

Other Academic Experience

- 2004 Awarded the John Tracy Ellis Dissertation Fellowship.
2000 Awarded the John Tracy Ellis Dissertation Fellowship.
1999 Awarded the John Tracy Ellis Dissertation Fellowship.
1997-1998 Assisted in the compilation of an index of proper names, topics, scriptural, Patristic and scholastic references for volume 84 of the *Collected Works of Erasmus*.
1997 Attended the Dietrich von Hildebrand Institute's conference in Italy on the Reformation. Awarded a full scholarship.

Committee Work at St. Paul Seminary, St. Paul

- 2008-Present MAPM Planning Committee
2008-Present Student Life Committee School of Divinity

Committee Work at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Overbrook

- 2007-2008 MSA-ATS Self-study Steering Committee
2007-2008 MSA-ATS Chair of the Self-study Subcommittee on Development
2006-2008 RSD Academic Affairs Committee
2006-2008 RSD Admissions Committee