

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

PhD CLASSICS, University of California, Santa Barbara, 1999
JD LAW, Villanova Law School, Villanova, PA, 1988
MA CLASSICS, Villanova University, Villanova, PA, 1985
MA ENGLISH LITERATURE, Middlebury College, Middlebury, VT, 1984
BA LIBERAL ARTS (Great Books), Thomas Aquinas College, Santa Paula, CA, 1981

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- Professor of Classics and Legal Studies, Franciscan University, 2004-present
- Associate Professor of Classics, Franciscan University, 2000 – present
- Director of Honors Program in Great Books of Western Civilization, Franciscan University, 1994-present
- Assistant Professor of Classics, Franciscan University, 1994-2000

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Greek political and legal theory; ancient philosophy; Greek literature (especially archaic poets and tragedy), Greek mathematics; influence of classical intellectual history on early and later Christian and western thought

COURSES GIVEN

Latin Language and Latin Reading Courses

- Elementary and Intermediate Latin
- Intensive Latin Workshop
(Ten week session: Moreland and Fleischer's *Latin: An Intensive Course*, Cicero's First Catalinian Oration and other prose and poetry)
- Latin Prose Composition (*Bradley's Arnold Latin Prose Composition*)
- Cicero (Orations, Philosophic Writings, and Letters)
- Latin Fathers of the Church (esp. St. Augustine and Tertullian)
- Roman Historians (Livy and Tacitus)
- Lucretius
- Latin Lyric Poetry (Catullus)
- Latin Epic Poetry (Virgil)
- Latin Love Elegy: (Ovid, Tibullus, Propertius)
- Latin Satire (Horace, Juvenal, Persius) (Spring 2003)

Greek Language and Greek Reading Courses

- Elementary and Intermediate Greek
- Intensive Greek Workshop
(Ten week session: Hansen and Quinn: *Greek: An Intensive Course*, Plato's *Crito*, *The Epistle of St. James* and other prose and poetry)
- Greek Prose Composition
(Developed from Denniston's *Greek Prose Style* with corresponding stylistic analysis of representative 5th and 4th century prose)
- Attic Orators (via Jebb's Selections)
- Plato (Socratic and later dialogues)
- Septuagint and New Testament (Luke, Acts, and Paul)
- Greek Fathers of the Church (esp. Gregory of Nyssa)
- Homer
- Lyric Poetry
- Greek Tragedy (esp. Sophocles and Euripides)
- Aristophanes (esp. *Clouds*)

Biblical Hebrew

- Elementary and Intermediate Biblical Hebrew
- Intensive (Summer) Biblical Hebrew

Great Books Seminars

- Early Greece : *Homer, Herodotus, Thucydides, Greek Tragedies, Aristophanes*
- Later Greece and Rome : *Plato, Aristotle, Lucretius, Cicero, Vergil, Roman Comedy, Senecan Tragedy, Tacitus, Plutarch*
- Church Fathers: *Ignatius of Antioch, Gregory of Nyssa, Clement of Alexandria, Irenaeus, Origen, Athanasius, Augustine, Boethius, Benedict*
- Renaissance: *Machiavelli, Castiglione, Pascal, More, Shakespeare, Cervantes, Moliere, Descartes, Milton, St. Theresa of Avila, St. Frances DeSales*
- Enlightenment: *Hobbes, Locke, Swift, Montaigne, Hume, Voltaire, American Founding Papers*
- 19th Century: *Kant (as an influence on the century), Tolstoy, Hegel, Austin, Kierkegaard, Marx, Freud, Darwin, Tocqueville, James, Flaubert*

English Literature

- Introduction to Poetry (based on Hugh Kenner, *The Art of Poetry*, New York, 1966.)
- Epic and Person (Eng 210 Core Course in FUS Core Curriculum: *Iliad*, *Aeneid*, *Divine Comedy*, Augustine's *Confessions*)

WRITINGS, PAPERS, PUBLICATIONS

Dissertation

- Justice as an Aspect of the Polis Idea in Solon: The Implications of δίκη in the Poetic Fragments from an Interpretative Perspective Provided by the Work of the New Classical Archaeologists

(Committee: Professors Robert Renehan and Borimir Jordan (Co-Chairs), Apostolos Athanassakis, Harold Drake, and Francis Dunn)

Books

- *Justice as an Aspect of the Polis Idea in Solon's Political Poems*. Mnemosune Supplementa v. 243. Leiden, Brill, 2003. (Completely reconceived, reworked, and augmented version of dissertation)

Articles

- *Simplicius on Cat. 1^a16-17 and 1^b25-27: An Examination of the Interests of Ancient and Modern Commentary on the Categories*. *Quaestiones Disputate* 4 (2014): 73-99.
- *Constitutionalism in Burke's Reflections: As Critique of Enlightenment Ideas of Originative Political Consent and the Social Compact*. *CSSR* 17 (2012), 197-
- Augustine of Hippo in *Encyclopedia of Catholic Social Thought Social Science and Social Policy*. Ed. M. Coulter, S. Krason, R. S. Meyres, J. Varacalli. Vol. 1 A-J. Scarecrow Press, 2007, pp. 62-64.
- Gregory of Nyssa in *Encyclopedia of Catholic Social Thought Social Science and Social Policy*. Ed. M. Coulter, S. Krason, R. S. Meyres, J. Varacalli. Vol. 1 A-J. Scarecrow Press, 2007, pp. 484-485.

Book Reviews

- Review: T. Burke, *Aristotle and the Natural Law*. (forthcoming in *BMCR*)
- Review: A. Lanni. *Law and Justice in the Courts of Athens*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2006. *Classical Bulletin* 84.2 (2008), 124-26
- Review of *The Cambridge Companion to Ancient Greek Law*. M. Gagarin and D. Cohen eds. *BMRC* 2007.01.09.

- Review of *Solons politische Elegien und Iamben (Fr. 1-13; 32-37 West): Einleitung, Text, Übersetzung, Kommentar* by Christoph Mülke. *Ordia Prima*, 4 (2005): 159-163.
- Review of *Plato's Symposium* by Richard Hunter. *BMRC* 2005.04.54
- Review of *Happy Lives and the Highest Good: An Essay on Aristotle's Nicomachean Ethics*, by Gabriel Richardson Lear. *BMRC* 2004.06.46.

Conference Papers and Lectures

- An Introduction to Greek Lyric Poetry (Paper delivered at Franciscan University Core Lecture Series, Sept. 17, 2015)
- An Undergraduate Primer for Reading the *Iliad* (Paper delivered at Franciscan University Core Lecture Series, Feb. 3, 2015)
- Privation Theory of Evil in Arist. *Metaph. Θ*, 9? Response to J. Sanford, "Aristotle and the Privation Theory of Evil," (Paper delivered in Franciscan University MA Philosophy Program Lecture Series, February 15, 2013)
- Simplicius on *Cat.* 1^a16-17 and 1^b25-27: An Examination of the Interests of Ancient and Modern Commentary, Conference: Ancient and Medieval Interpretations of Aristotle's *Categories*, Franciscan University, Spring 2012.
- Constitutionalism in Burke's *Reflections*: A Critique of the Enlightenment Ideas of Originative Political Consent and the Social Compact, Annual Conference SCSS, 2011.
- A Return to a Sapiential Dimension in Education: Radical Philosophy, The Religious Sense, and the Great Books, Baylor: Institute for Faith and Learning, Conference on Educating for Wisdom in the 21st Century, 2011.
- The Sculptor as a Point of Difficulty in Plato's *Ion*, Annual Conference, Classical Association of Atlantic States, 2011.
- The Greek Sophists on Natural Law: Defining Antitheses between Law with Nature, Annual Conference SCSS, 2008.
- Classics and Law: Franciscan University Classics Colloquium, January 24, 2007
- Non-Technical Rational Discourse on Poetry: A Reading of Plato's *Ion* (with an Afterthought on Aristotle's Conception of Metaphor). International Conference on Ancient and Medieval Philosophy, October 20-22, 2006
- An Introduction to Plato's *Ion*. Lecture. Ave Maria University. Classics Colloquium. March 23, 2006.
- The Reading of Great Books as Education. Public Lecture. Franciscan University. April 7, 2006.
- Telling the Truth about Love: Observations on Poetry and Philosophy in Plato's *Symposium*. Classical Association of Atlantic States, Wilmington, DE, Oct. 7, 2005.

- Reflections on Thucydides as a Great Book, Lecture at Thomas Aquinas College, Santa Paula, CA, April 6, 2001
- Classical Studies and Catholic Liberal Education, Lecture at Ave Maria College, Ypsilante, MI, March 1, 2001
- Friendship, Contemplation and the Essential Communicativity of the Good in Aristotle's Nicomachean Ethics, Classical Association of Atlantic States, 2000 Meeting.
- The Idea of Natural Law: An Examination of Some Passages in the Hellenic Tradition, Seventh Annual Conference SCSS, 1999
- The Religious Sense of Lucretius and Augustine: Reflection on *De Rerum Natura* and the *Confessions* in light of *Fides et Ratio*, Mid-East Conference on Christianity and Literature, 1999
- Remarks on Solon's Legislation as an Aspect of Order in light of Eric Voegelin's Scheme for the Definition of Law, Meeting of Ohio Chapter of SCSS, 1999
- Remarks on the Treatment of the Gods in the *Oresteia* and in *Oedipus Rex*, Franciscan University Honors Symposium, 1998
- The Emergence of the City-State in Archaic Greece and the Implications for a Definition of Law, Annual Conference SCSS, 1996

Translations

- Gregory of Nyssa: *Ad Graecos ex communibus notionibus*: A Translation and Introductory Essay (under consideration at *The Aquinas Review*)
- Crowned with Twelve Stars (translation of excerpts of sermons of Lorenzo di Brindisi, 1559-1619), *Lay Witness*. September-October 2002, 54.
- Treasury of Heaven (translation of excerpts of the sermons of Lorenzo di Brindisi, 1559-1619), *Lay Witness*. July-August 2002, 54.
- The Nobility of the Mother of God (translation of excerpts of the sermons of Lorenzo di Brindisi, 1559-1619). *Lay Witness*. May-June 2002, 54.
- A Great Portent Appeared in Heaven (translation of excerpts of sermons of Lorenzo di Brindisi, 1559-1619). *Lay Witness*. March / April 2002, 54.
- The First Marian Apparitions (translation of excerpts of sermons of Lorenzo di Brindisi, 1559-1619), *Lay Witness*. Jan/Feb 2002, 54.
- Lenten Letter of the Orthodox Patriarch of Constantinople, Inside the Vatican, April 1998

Works in Progress

- *Notes to Plato's Ion: Aids to the Construction of Syntax* (Preface, Introductory Essay, and Commentary on Text)
- Translation of *Mariale* of Lorenzo di Brindisi
- Solon's "Hymn to the Muses:" The Intellectual and Spiritual Origins of Attic Tragedy

- Plato's contribution to the philosophy of language

Publications in Other Areas

- The Value of Independent Catholic Education, *Lay Witness*, March 1999
- Constitutional Law - Protective Orders Prohibiting Publication of Information Obtained through Discovery, *32 Vill. Law Rev.* (1987), 813

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2000 Edition of Who's Who among University Teachers (via student nomination)
- 1990-1992 University of California Regent's Graduate Fellowships
- 1988 Order of Coif Legal Honors Society
- 1987 Villanova Law Review, Articles Editor
- 1985 Phi Kappa Phi Humanities Honor Society

LANGUAGES

- French, Italian, German: good reading proficiency
- Hebrew (reading proficiency)

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

- Academic Standards Committee, 2002-2003
- Chair, Liberal Education Committee (designing integrated core curriculum), 2001-2002
- Core Curriculum Formation Committee, 1999-2000
- Fine Arts Committee, 1998-2000
- Academic Planning Committee, 1994-1998

OTHER APPOINTMENTS

- Curriculum Analyst, Accountability Works, Inc., Washington, D.C., 2002 - (on contract basis)
- Attorney, Allen and Kimbell, Santa Barbara, CA, General Civil Practice, 1990-1994
- Attorney, Cohen, England and Whitfield, Ventura, CA, General Litigation, 1988-1990
- Adjunct Professor, Santa Barbara College of Law, 1990-1994

REFERENCES

- Professor Robert Renehan, Department of Classics, University of California at Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, CA 93106, (805)893-3556,
- Professor Apostolos N. Athanassakis, Department of Classics, University of California at Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, CA 93106, (805)893-3556
- (Former) Dean Michael Healy, Franciscan University of Steubenville, Steubenville, OH 43952, (740)283-3771
- Dean Dominic Aquila, Arts and Sciences, University of St. Thomas, Houston, TX 77006, (713) 942-5049.

- Professor Richard Upsher Smith, Jr., Chair, Department of Classics, Franciscan University, Steubenville, OH 43952, (740) 284-5788.