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## **EDUCATION**

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**TRINITY COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OF DUBLIN**, Dublin, Ireland  
Ph.D. in Classics, 2005  
M.Litt in Classics, 2001  
Advisor: John M. Dillon

**THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO**, Chicago, Illinois  
B.A. in Classical Languages and Literature,  
(with Departmental and General Honors) 1998

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE AND APPOINTMENTS**

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**Professor of Classics**                      **Franciscan University of Steubenville**  
(2014-present)

**Director of Franciscan University Academic Press** (2015-present)

**Chairman of the Classics and Modern Languages Department** (2023-present)

**Associate Professor**  
(2010-2014)

**Assistant Professor**  
(2007-2010)

**Visiting Assistant Professor**                      **Creighton University**  
(2005-2007)

**Visiting Professor**                                      **Seton Hall University**  
(2004-2005)

**Adjunct Professor**                                      **Montclair State University**  
(2004-2005)

**Adjunct Professor**                      **Brooklyn College**  
(2005)

**Instructor**                                **Belvedere College, Dublin**  
(2002-2003)

**Instructor**                                **St. Andrew's College, Blackrock, Ireland**  
(2001-2003)

**Teaching Assistant**                      **Trinity College, Dublin**  
  
(1999-2003)

## **AREA OF SPECIALIZATION**

Ancient Philosophy (especially The Platonic Tradition)

## **PUBLICATIONS**

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### ***MONOGRAPHS, COMMENTARIES, AND VOLUMES EDITED***

#### **MONOGRAPHS**

##### ***The Teachings of Syrianus on Plato's Timaeus and Parmenides***

Ancient Mediterranean and medieval texts and contexts. Studies in Platonism, Neoplatonism and the Platonic tradition, 10. Leiden; Boston: Brill, 2011

Reviewed in the following:

*Classical Review*, 64, issue 1, April 2014, 103-5

*Bryn Mawr Classical Review*, vol. 39, November, 2011

*International Journal of the Platonic Tradition* 6 (1):154-156

*Aestimatio: Critical Reviews on the History of Science* 10 (2013) 154-162

*Ancient Philosophy*, vol. 35 (1), spring 2015

##### ***Despoiling the Hellenes: Pseudo-Dionysius and the Athenian School of Platonism***

Co-author with John M. Dillon

Studies in Philosophy and Theology in Late Antiquity, Routledge/Ashgate Publishing Company, 2007. Reviewed in the following:

*Journal of Ecclesiastical History*, vol. 60/1, Jan 2009

*Classical Review*, vol. 59.1, April 2009

*Speculum: A Journal of Medieval Studies*, 2009; 84 (2)

*The Heythrop Journal*, vol. 50, no.4, July 2009

*Journal of Theological Studies*, (2008), 59 (2)

*Australian Religion Studies Review*, vol. 24 (2011)  
*Phronesis*, 56 (4) 425-440 (2011)

## COMMENTARIES

***Patience and Salvation in Third Century North Africa: A Christian Latin Reader***  
(Washington, DC: Catholic University of America Press: Catholic Education Imprint: 2023)

*Theologische Revue*, 121 (2025): February

***Plotinus on Beauty and Reality (Enneads I.6 and V.1): A Greek Reader***  
Introduction, Greek Text, Grammatical and Philosophical Commentary, and Glossary.  
Designed for Intermediate Greek Students.  
(Mundelein, IL: Bolchazy-Carducci, 2017)  
Reviewed in the following:

*Greece and Rome*, vol. 64, issue 1, April, 2018

*Bryn Mawr Classical Review*, vol. 46, November, 2017

*International Journal of the Platonic Tradition*, vol. 12, issue 1, April 2018

*Midwest Book Review*, vol. 12, number 10, October 2017

## EDITED VOLUMES

### ***Platonic Principles***

Eds. Carl O'Brien and Sarah Klitenic Wear  
Theandrites. Byzantine Philosophy and Christian Neoplatonism  
Steubenville, OH: Franciscan University Press, 2025

### ***The Byzantine Platonists: 284-1453***

Eds. Frederick Lauritzen and Sarah Klitenic Wear  
Theandrites. Byzantine Philosophy and Christian Neoplatonism.  
Steubenville, OH: Franciscan University Press, 2021

*International Journal of the Platonic Tradition*, vol. 17 (1), 145-148 (2023)

*The Journal of Ecclesiastical History*, vol. 76, issue 1, March 2025

### ***Studies on Hermias' Commentary on Plato's Phaedrus***

Eds. John Finamore, Christina Panagiota-Manolea, Sarah Klitenic Wear  
Ancient Mediterranean and medieval texts and contexts. Studies in Platonism,  
Neoplatonism and the Platonic tradition. Leiden; Boston: Brill, 2019

*Classical Review* 70.2 362-5

*Bryn Mawr Classical Review* 2021 6.23

*Revue Philosophique de Louvain* 118 (1), 2021

### ***Defining Platonism: Essays on Plato and Platonism in Honor of the Seventy-Fifth Birthday of John M. Dillon***

Eds. John Finamore and Sarah Klitenic Wear

Franciscan University Press. Steubenville: Ohio, 2017

Reviewed in the following:

*International Journal of Platonic Tradition*, vol. 12, issue 2 (2018)

***Quaestiones Disputatae, vol. 2: Ancient and Medieval Commentaries on Aristotle's Categories***

Co-editor with Joseph Almeida

Includes submissions from Lloyd Gerson, Michael Griffin, Gregory Doolan, among others.

(Catholic University of America Press)

Spring, 2014

***Quaestiones Disputatae, vols.1 and 2: Neoplatonism and Its Legacy***

Co-editor with Jonathan J. Sanford

Includes submissions by John M. Dillon, Stephen Gersh, Wayne Hankey, Eric Perl, David Bradshaw, among others

(Catholic University of America Press)

Vols. 1 and 2, December, 2011

## ***ARTICLES***

**Cyril of Alexandria and Gregory of Nyssa on the Eucharist and Transubstantiation of the Body: Use of the Term *Metastoicheiōsis***

*Platonic Principles*

Eds. Carl O'Brien and Sarah Klitenic Wear

Theandrites. Byzantine Philosophy and Christian Neoplatonism

Steubenville, OH: Franciscan University Press, 2025: 273-287

***Platonic Friendship in the Lysis***

*International Journal of the Platonic Tradition* 19 (2025) 1-17

***Nous in the Akathist Hymn and Relations to Pseudo-Dionysius***

*Human and Divine Nous from Ancient to Byzantine and Renaissance Philosophy and Religion: Key Themes, Intersections, and Developments*

Ed. Ilaria Ramelli

Leiden: Brill: (forthcoming)

**Basilio de Cesarea, Gregorio Nacianceno, Gregorio de Nisa**

*Guía Comares de Neoplatonism*

Ed. José María Zomara Calvo

Albolte, Granada, Comares, 2024: 243-253

**The Tradition of Platonism in Byzantine Hymns from the Fourth to Sixth Centuries**

*The Legacy of Neoplatonic Philosophy: From Ancient Aesthetics to 20<sup>th</sup> Century Film*

Ed. Gina Zavota

New York, New York: Bloomsbury Academic Press, 2024: 77-93

**The Principle of Cosmic Unification in the Athenian School of Platonism**

*Participation in the Divine: A Philosophical History from Antiquity to the Modern Era*

Eds. Douglas Headly and Daniel Nolan

Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2024: 162-180

**Proclus, Hermias, and Cyril of Alexandria on the Embodied Soul**

*Soul Matters: Plato and Platonists on the Nature of the Soul*, edited by Sara Ahbel-

Rappe, Danniell A. Layne, and Crystal Addey

Atlanta, GA: Society for Biblical Literature, 2023: 463-484

**Syrianus and the Dialectical Cosmos**

*Ancient Greek Dialectic and its Reception*, in *Topics in Ancient Philosophy*, Vol. 10, De

Gruyter, edited by Melina G. Mouzala,

Berlin: De Gruyter, 2023: 397-412.

**Reception of Homer in Basil and Gregory Nazianzen**

In (ed. C. Manolea), *Reception of Homer from the Hellenistic Age to Late Antiquity*.

Leiden: Brill, *Companions to Classical Reception*, 2022: 399-415

**Language of Interaction in Cyril's Trinitarian Theology and Proclus's Theory of the Heands**

*The Byzantine Platonists*

Eds. Frederick Lauritzen and Sarah Klitenic Wear

Steubenville: Franciscan University Pres, 2021: 48-62

**Greek Paideia and Christian Virtue: Basil and Gregory Nazianzen on Hellenic Culture**

*Bildung und Paideia: Philosophical Models of Education*

Eds. M. Zovko and J.M. Dillon

New York: Routledge, 2021: 597-614.

**Pseudo-Dionysius**

*Cambridge History of Early Christian Theology*

Cambridge University Press

Ed. Lewis Ayres: Submitted, accepted for publication

**Neoplatonists from Julian to Damascius**

*Companion to Early Christian Philosophy*

Ed. Mark Edwards

New York: Routledge Press, 2021: 313-327

**Syrianus and the Athenian School of Neoplatonism**

*Athens in Late Antiquity – Transformations of Religion and Culture*

Eds. I. Tanaseanu-Döbler, S. Anghel

Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2020: 299-310.

**Hermias on the Activities of the Soul: A Commentary on Hermias, *In Phdr.* 135.14-138.9**

*Hermias's Commentary on the Phaedrus*  
Eds. J. Finamore, S. Klitenic Wear, C. Manolea  
Leiden: Brill, 2019: 100-114

**Syrianus's Reading of Plato**

*Brill Companion to the Reception of Plato in Antiquity*  
eds. Renaud, Tarrant, Baltzly, and Layne  
Leiden: Brill, Companions to Classical Reception, 2018: 170-184

**Syrianus on the Creation of the Universe**

*Light on Creation: Ancient Commentators in Dialogue and Debate on the Origin of the World*  
Eds. Johan Leemans, Geert Roskam, Peter Van Deun, Gerd Van Riel, and Joseph Verheyden (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2017), 17-29

**Pseudo-Dionysius And Proclus on *Parmenides* 137D: On Parts and Wholes**

*A Companion to the Reception of Proclus*  
eds. David Butorac and Danielle Layne  
Berlin: De Gruyter, 2017, 219-232

**Introduction: Investigating Platonism**

*Defining Platonism: Essays on Plato and Platonism in Honor of the Seventy-Fifth Birthday of John M. Dillon*  
Eds. John Finamore and Sarah Klitenic Wear  
Co-written with John Finamore  
(Washington DC: Franciscan University Press, 2017), 1-7

**The Figure of the Diadochos from Socrates to the Late Antique Athenian School**

*Defining Platonism: Essays on Plato and Platonism in Honor of the Seventy-Fifth Birthday of John M. Dillon*  
Eds. John Finamore and Sarah Klitenic Wear  
Co-written with Carl O'Brien  
(Washington, DC: Franciscan University Press, 2017), 253-270

**Aeneas, Zacharias, and Plotinus On Whether Causation Involves a Change**

in (eds. Eugenio Amato, Aldo Corcella, Delphine Lauritzen),  
*L'École de Gaza: Espace littéraire et identité culturelle dans l'Antiquité Tardive*,  
(Leuven: Peeters, 2015), pp. 117-130

**Syrianus the Platonist on Aristotle's *Categories* 8a13-b24: The Ontological Place of *Skhesis* in Later Platonic Metaphysics**

*Quaestiones Disputatae*, vol. 4, no. 2 (2014), pp. 58-72

**Another Link in the Golden Chain: Aeneas of Gaza and Zacharias Scholasticus on Plotinus, *Enn.* IV. 3.9-10**

*Greek, Roman, and Byzantine Studies* 53 (2013), pp. 145-165

**Neoplatonism.** In *Oxford Bibliographies in Philosophy*. Ed. Dee Clay. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013. Updated: 2019

REVIEWED IN *THE NEW YORKER* AT

[HTTP://WWW.NEWYORKER.COM/ONLINE/BLOGS/BOOKS/2010/05/THE-VERY-HUMAN-APPEAL-OF-OXFORD-BIBLIOGRAPHIES-ONLINE.HTML#IXZZ0OXWOTREJ](http://www.newyorker.com/online/blogs/books/2010/05/the-very-human-appeal-of-oxford-bibliographies-online.html#ixzz0oxWotREJ)

**The One in Syrianus' Teachings on the *Parmenides*: Syrianus on *Parm.*, 137d and 139a**

*The International Journal of the Platonic Tradition* 5 (2011), pp. 58-83

**Augustine and Marius on John 5:19: Being and Potency in the Trinity**

*Quaestiones Disputatae, vols.1 and 2*

vol. 1, no. 1 and 2 (2011), pp. 107-117

**Proclus and the Hymns of Ficino**

In (Ed. S. Clucas, P. Forshaw, and V. Rees,) *Laus Platonici Philosophi: Marsilio Ficino and His Influence* (Brill, 2011) 133-148.

**Syrianus' Teachings on the Soul in Proclus' *Commentary on the Timaeus***

"*Syrianus et la métaphysique de l'Antiquité tardive*". *Actes du Colloque international Syrianus et la métaphysique de l'Antiquité tardive, Université de Genève, 29 septembre-1er octobre 2006*

In (Ed. Angela Longo) *Bibliopolis* (Naples, 2009), 177-200.

**Syrianus the Platonist on Eternity and Time**

*Classical Quarterly* vol. 58.2, (2008), p. 648-660

**Oral Pedagogy and the Commentaries of the Athenian Platonic Academy**

*Dionysius XXIV* (2006), pp.7-20.

**Theurgy in Proclus and Pseudo-Dionysius**

*Yearbook of the Irish Philosophical Society: Voices of Irish Philosophy*, Thomas A. F. Kelly, ed. (IPS: 2001), pp. 114-126

## ***IN PROGRESS***

**Hesychios's use of Plato's Republic in On Watchfulness**

**Review of Hermias for IJPT**

**Reivew of Cyril Against Julian, JECL**

St. John of Palestine

Oxford Companion to Christian Philosophy

Ed. Ilaria Ramelli

Due: December 31, 2025 (5,000 words)

Review: Hermogenes

***MINOR WORKS (TRANSLATIONS, ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES, REVIEWS, POPULAR WRITING)***

**Matthew Crawford and Aaron Johnson: *Cyril of Alexandria: Against Julian***  
*Journal of Early Christian Studies. Forthcoming*

**Dirk Baltzly and Michael Share: Hermias, On Phaedrus 257c-297C and Syrianus, on Hermogenes.** *International Journal of the Platonic Tradition. Forthcoming*

**Mark Edwards, Dimitrios Pallas: *The Oxford Handbook of Dionysius the Areopagite***  
*Church History*, Volume 93, Issue 1, March 2024, pp. 146 - 148

**Alberto Rigolio: *Christians in Conversations: A Guide to Late Antique Dialogues in Greek and Syriac***  
*International Journal of the Platonic Tradition* 15.2 (2021) 257-260

**Dimitrios Vasilakis: *Eros in Neoplatonism and its Reception in Christian Philosophy: Exploring Love in Plotinus, Proclus, and Dionysius the Areopagite***  
*International Journal of the Platonic Tradition* 15.1 (2021) 117-119

**David Yount: *Plato and Plotinus on Mysticism, Epistemology, and Ethics***  
*Ancient Philosophy* 38 (2018)

***Teacher's Guide: Plotinus on Beauty and Reality (Enneads I.6 and V.1): A Greek Reader***: Translations of *Enneads* I.6 and V.1, Discussion Questions, Topical Bibliography  
Bolchazy-Carducci, 2017

**Ysabel de Andia, *Denys l'Aréopagite: Les Noms divins; la Théologie mystique***  
*International Journal of the Platonic Tradition*, [Volume 11, Issue 2](#), pages: 237 –239

**Stephen Clark, *Plotinus: Myth, Metaphor, and Philosophical Practice***  
*Classical World*, December 2016: 110.2

**Pieter D'Hoine, Gerd Van Riel (ed.), *Fate, Providence and Moral Responsibility in Ancient, Medieval and Early Modern Thought. Studies in Honour of Carlos Steel. Ancient and Medieval Philosophy – Series 1.***  
*International Journal of Platonic Studies*, Volume 10 (2016) Issue 1, pp 127 –129

**“Aeneas of Gaza”** in *the Routledge Encyclopedia of Ancient Mediterranean Religions*, edited by Eric Orlin, Michael Satlow and Lizbeth Fried. New York and London: Routledge, 2015

**“Basil of Caesarea”** in *the Routledge Encyclopedia of Ancient Mediterranean Religions*, edited by Eric Orlin, Michael Satlow and Lizbeth Fried. New York and London: Routledge, 2015

**“Syrianus”** in *The Encyclopedia of Ancient History* edited by Roger Bagnall  
London: Wiley Blackwell, 2015

***Wishing for God’s Will: The Fiat in Luke 1:38***  
*First Things* (online), December 8, 2015

***A Wilder Feminism***  
*First Things*, June 2015

**Ancient Embryology**  
*First Things*, April 2014

**Letter to Editor**, “Keeping Faith in Provo”, *First Things*, May 2014

**Stang, Charles M.** *Apophysis and Pseudonymity in Dionysius the Areopagite: “No Longer I”*  
*Medieval Review* 2013.01.06

**Heffernan, Thomas.** *The Passion of Perpetua and Felicity.*  
*Bryn Mawr Classical Review*, 2013.01.29

**Gertz, Sebastian Ramon Philipp.** *Death and immortality in late Neoplatonism: studies on the ancient commentaries on Plato's Phaedo*  
*Bryn Mawr Classical Review*  
2012.05.13

**Diapers and Diplomas**, *First Things*, December, 2013

**Ed. Gerson, Lloyd P.** *The Cambridge History of Philosophy in Late Antiquity*  
*Ancient Philosophy*, Volume 32, number 1, 2012

**eds. Steel, C.** *Procli: In Platonis Parmenidem Commentaria*  
*Bryn Mawr Classical Review*, March 2011. Issue 066

**eds. Coakley, S. and Stang, C.** *Re-Thinking Dionysius the Areopagite*  
*Church History: Studies in Christianity and Culture* (2010), 79: 687-690

**Arthur, R.A., *Pseudo-Dionysius as Polemicist: The Development and Purpose of the Angelic Hierarchy in Sixth Century Syria***

*Church History: Studies in Christianity and Culture*, (2010), 79: 687-690

**Slaveva-Griffin, S. *Plotinus on Number***

*Bryn Mawr Classical Review*, February, 2010

**Riordan, W. *The Divine Light: The Theology of Denys the Areopagite***

*Logos: A Journal of Eastern Christian Studies*, Volume 50, 3-4, 2009

**eds. Tarrant, H. and Baltzly, D. *Reading Plato in Antiquity***

*Bryn Mawr Classical Review*, May, 2009

**eds. Brunschwig, J. and Lloyd, G.E.R. *A Guide to Greek Thought: Major Trends and Figures***

*Scholia Reviews* ns 14 (2005) 39

**Liefferinge, C. , *La Theurgie: Des Oracles Chaldaïques à Proclus***

*Classical Review*, 1999

## **CONFERENCE PAPERS PRESENTED/TO BE PRESENTED**

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**Invited: Giuseppe Blasotta's *Hen Kai Polla***

Department of Philosophy, Colloquium in Honor of Lloyd Gerson

University of Toronto

Toronto, CA: November 14, 2025

**Hermias on the Parts of the Soul**

International Society for Neoplatonic Studies (Sara Ahbel-Rappe and Kevin Corrigan)

Dublin, Ireland: June 22, 2024

**Invited: Julian and Cyril of Alexandria on Christian Baptism**

NAPS seminar on Cyril's *Contra Julian* (Matthew Crawford and Aaron Johnson),

Chicago: May 2022

**Invited: Response to Han Baltussen, "Θεῖος in Eunapius' *Lives of Philosophers and Sophists*"**

Biblical and Early Christian Seminar, Australian Catholic University: December 1, 2021

**Invited: Cyril of Alexandria and Proclus of Athens on the Embodied Soul**

Alexandria to Constantinople

Scuola Grande, Venice, Italy: October 25-26, 2021

**Invited:**

Plato and His Inheritors: Conference in Honor of Harold Tarrant  
University of Toronto, Toronto, CA March 18-19, 2022

**Invited: Syrianus and Dialectic**

*Ancient Greek Dialectic and Its Reception*

University of Patras, Greece, June 2021 (virtual conference)

**Dionysian Language and Imagery in the Akathist Hymn**

International Society for Neoplatonic Studies Annual Meeting

Athens, Greece, June 2021 (virtual conference)

**Invited: The Healing Power of the Eucharist: Body and Soul in the Eucharistic Theology of Gregory of Nyssa and Cyril of Alexandria**

Healing and Medicine in Greek Thought

Venice, October 2020 (virtual conference)

**Invited: Cyril of Alexandria and Proclus on the Soul**

Society for Classical Studies Annual Meeting

Washington, DC January, 2020

**Invited: Neoplatonism and the Incarnation of Christ**

Soul Matters

Ann Arbor, MI, University of Michigan, November 2019

**“Neoplatonic Language of Mixture in Cyril’s Trinitarian Theology”**

Theandrites: Byzantine Platonists from Plotinus to Bessarion

Venice, October 2019

**“Neoplatonic Language of Mixture in Cyril’s Trinitarian Theology”**

International Society of Neoplatonic Studies Meeting

Ottawa, June 2019

**“The Use of Procline Language in the Trinitarian Theology of Cyril and Gregory”**

North American Patristics Society Conference

Chicago, May 2018

**Invited: Cyril of Alexandria’s Quod Unus Sit Christus and Neoplatonic Language of Mixture, Union, and Relationship**

North American Workshop in Neoplatonic Philosophy

Saint Paul, Minnesota, August 2017

**“United without Confusion in Two Natures: Platonist Foundations in the Council of Chalcedon and Early Church Discussions on the Natures of Christ”**

International Society for Neoplatonic Studies Annual Meeting

Seattle, June 2016

**“Hermias and Syrianus on the Charioteer”**

*Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy*  
New York, October 2015

**Invited: “Syrianus on the Creation of the Universe”**

*Light on Creation: Ancient Commentators in Dialogue and Debate on the Origin of the World*

Leuven, Belgium, February 2015: paper read *in absentia*

**Invited: “Syrianus and Late Antique Athens”**

“Athens in Late Antiquity – Transformations of Religion and Culture”

Göttingen, Germany, March 2015

**“Pseudo-Dionysius on *Philebus* 64A7-65A5: Experiencing the Beauty of God through Christ, as Proportion”**

*The Power of Beauty*

Steubenville, OH, October 2014

**“The Platonist as Teacher”**

Conference in Honor of John Dillon’s 75<sup>th</sup> birthday

Berkeley, CA, September 2014

**Invited: “Pseudo-Dionysius and Syrianus on Plato’s *Parmenides*”**

Department of Philosophy, Else Seminar

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, April 2014

**“Syrianus and Hermias’ Myth of the Charioteer”**

International Society for Neoplatonic Studies Annual Meeting

Lisbon, Portugal, June 2014

**Invited: “Zacharias Philoponus and Aeneas of Gaza Reading Plotinus”**

Centre d’Histoire et Civilisation de Byzance: L’étude de l’activité littéraire dans la Gaza des V et VI Centuries

Paris, France, May, 2013

**Invited: “Pseudo-Dionysius and the *Parmenides* Commentary Tradition”**

Proclus and his Abrahamic Interpreters

Istanbul, Turkey, December 2012

**“Syrianus on Aristotle’s *Categories*”**

Ancient and Medieval Interpretations of Aristotle’s *Categories*

Steubenville, OH, April 2012

**“Syrianus’s Comments on Plato’s *Phaedrus*”**

International Society for Neoplatonic Studies Annual Meeting

Atlanta, Georgia, June 2011

**“Proclus’ Teachings on the One”**

33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Ancient Philosophy Workshop  
University of Texas, Austin  
Austin, Texas, March 2010

**“Proclus and Syrianus: When the Student Disagrees with the Master in Proclus’  
*Commentary on the Timaeus*”**

International Society for Neoplatonic Studies Annual Meeting  
Madrid, Spain, June 2010

**Invited: “Syriaenus on Plato’s *Timaeus* and *Parmenides*”**

Notre Dame University, Workshop on Ancient Philosophy  
South Bend, IN October 2009

**“Augustine and Porphyry on Being in Augustine’s *Commentary on the Gospel of John*”**

North American Patristics Society Annual Meeting  
Chicago, IL, May 2009

**“Being and Potency in Augustine’s *Commentary on the Gospel of John*”**

*Neoplatonism and Its Legacy: 2009 Annual Conference on Christian Philosophy*  
Franciscan University of Steubenville  
Steubenville, OH, April 2009

**Invited: “The One and Syrianus’ Interpretation of Plato’s *Parmenides*”**

Dublin Centre for Neoplatonic Studies  
Trinity College, Dublin  
Dublin, Ireland, June 2008

**“The Ontological Place of Evil in the Pseudo-Dionysian Universe”**

Evil and Suffering in the Patristic Period  
Pappas Institute of Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology  
Brookline, MA, October 2006

**Invited: “Syrianus the Platonist on Eternity and Time”**

Syrianus et la métaphysique de l’antiquité tardive  
Geneva, Switzerland, September 2006

**“Zacharias’ Use of Plotinus in *the de Opificio Mundi*”**

North American Patristics Society Annual Meeting  
Chicago, Illinois, May 2006

**“Porphyry and Syrianus on the Ensouling of Embryos”**

American Philological Association Annual Meeting

Boston, Massachusetts, January 2005

**“Zacharias’s *Ammonius*”**

International Conference on Ancient and Medieval Philosophy  
New York, New York, October, 2004

**Invited: “The Philosophical Hymns of Ficino”**

*Laus Platonici Philosophi*: Marsilio Ficino and His Influence  
London, England  
September 17-18, 2004

**“Ficino’s Commentary on Pseudo-Dionysius’ *Divine Names*”**

Centre for Medieval and Renaissance Studies  
Trinity College, Dublin, April, 2003

**“*Ab initio temporis* Debates in the Platonic School of Gaza”**

American Philological Association Annual Meeting  
New Orleans, Louisiana, January 2003

**“Cosmogonic Activity in Pseudo-Dionysian Theurgy”**

American Philological Association Annual Meeting  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, January 2002

**“Syrianus in the Athenian and Alexandrian Schools of Platonism”**

International Medieval Studies Congress  
Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, Michigan, May 2001

**“Chanting in the Renaissance Platonic Academy”**

The Seventeenth Barnard Medieval and Renaissance Conference  
Barnard College, New York, New York, December 2000

**“Orality in the Late Platonic Academy”**

*Epea and Grammata*: Conference on the Oral Tradition and the Ancient World  
The University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri, June 2000

**“The Relationship Between *Andreia* and *Sophrosune* in Plato’s *Statesman*”**

The University of Pennsylvania/Leiden University Colloquium on the Concept of  
*Andreia*  
Leiden University, Leiden, Netherlands, June 2000

**“The Neoplatonic Commentators and the Oral Tradition”**

Dublin Centre for the Study of the Platonic Tradition  
Trinity College, University of Dublin, Dublin, Ireland, May 2000

**“Theurgy in Pseudo-Dionysius and Proclus”**

The Future of Metaphysics  
National University of Ireland at Maynooth, Maynooth, Ireland, March 2000

**“Beyond Rationality: Ecstasy and *Eros* in Pseudo-Dionysius and Meister Eckhart”**

Madness in the Ancient World  
Cambridge University, Cambridge, England, May 1999

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

### *Referee*

*Oxford University Press, Catholic University of America Press, Ancient Philosophy, Journal of Early Christian Studies, American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly, Illinois Classical Studies, International Journal of the Platonic Tradition, Classical World, Logos: Journal of Eastern Christianity, Research Foundation Flanders, European Science Foundation, DAAD*

### *Conference Organization*

Co-organizer of Conference (with Frederick Lauritzen): Theandrites: Byzantine Platonists from Plotinus to Bessarion: October 3-4, 2019, Venice, Italy

Co-organizer of Conference (with John Finamore and Klaus Corcilius): “Defining Platonism: In Honor of John M. Dillon’s 75<sup>th</sup> Birthday”: September 13-14, 2014, The University of California at Berkeley

Co-organizer of Conference (with Paul Symington): “Ancient and Medieval Interpretations of Aristotle’s *Categories*”: April, 2011, Franciscan University of Steubenville: Keynote speaker: Lloyd Gerson (University of Toronto)

Assisted in Organization of Conference: “The Legacy of Neoplatonism”: April 2009, Franciscan University of Steubenville: Keynote speaker: John M. Dillon (Trinity College, Dublin), Stephen Gersh (Notre Dame University), Wayne Hankey (Dalhousie University)

### *Session Organization*

Session co-organizer with Frederick Lauritzen: International Society for Neoplatonic Studies Annual Meeting, Athens, Greece, 2021: “Byzantine Platonism”

Session Co-organizer with David Butorac: International Society for Neoplatonic Studies Annual Meeting, Ottawa, 2019: “The One in Neoplatonism”.

Session Co-Organizer with Sara Ahbel-Rappe: International Society for Neoplatonic Studies Annual Meeting, Seattle, 2016: “Christian Neoplatonism in the Greek, Latin, and Syriac Traditions”.

Session Co-organizer with Danielle Layne: Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy, New York, 2015: “Neoplatonists on the Soul”.

Session Organizer and Chair: International Society for Neoplatonic Studies Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, 2011: “Neoplatonic Commentaries on Plato’s *Phaedrus*.” Speakers included Harold Tarrant (Monash University), Carl O’Brien (Humboldt

University), and Sarah Wear

Session Organizer and Chair, International Society for Neoplatonic Studies Annual Meeting: Madrid, Spain, 2010: “Syrianus the Platonist”. Speakers included: John Dillon (Trinity College, Dublin), Angela Longo (University of Geneva), and Sarah Wear

Session Organizer and co-Chair, International Society for Neoplatonic Studies Annual Meeting: Lisbon, Portugal, 2014: “Hermias’s Commentary on the *Phaedrus*”. Speakers include: Christina Manolea (Athens University), Sarah Wear (Franciscan University), Sebastian Gertz (Oxford University) Robert Zaborowski (University of Warmia & Mazury, Poland),

### *NATIONAL CLASSICS COMMITTEES, BOARDS*

National Mythology Exam, Review Committee Member: 2019-

Board member of Society for Classical Studies special committee, Calliope’s Library: Books for Young Readers  
2021-

Board member, *Theandrites: Byzantine Philosophy and Christian Platonism* (book series)

Recipient of Society for Classical Studies, Classics Everywhere Outreach Grant (\$500)  
Organizer of “Ancients in the Park! Roman Engineering” (displays featuring toys, educational instruction regarding Roman engineering and architecture in parks in Appalachia, summer 2019).

### *SERVICE TO DEPARTMENT*

Organizer of “Learn Biblical Greek!” at the Sycamore Center, downtown Steubenville (Classics majors teach Greek to area high school students) 2018-19

Organizer and founder of “The Latin Tutoring Project” (Classics majors teach Latin to area high school and junior high school students): 2008-

Organizer and founder of Aequora in Steubenville (Paideia Institute): 2023-

Developed and Annually Oversee: “Classics in the Classroom”: Teaching Presentations made by Classics students for area students:

February, 2013: Presentations made by FUS classics majors on the Punic Wars. Delivered to area junior high school students.

March, 2011: Presentations made by FUS classics majors on the Battle of Marathon. Delivered to area elementary school students.

February, 2010: Presentation made by FUS classics majors on “Reading Greek”. Delivered to area elementary and high school students.

Invited and organized for the following speakers to present papers to the Classics department at Franciscan University:

- 2013: John M. Rist (Catholic University of America); Matthias Vorwerk (Catholic University of America)
- 2012: Lloyd Gerson (University of Toronto)
- 2011: David Bradshaw (University of Kentucky)
- 2010: John Finamore (University of Iowa); Gretchen Reydam-Schils (Notre Dame University)
- 2009: John M. Dillon (Trinity College, Dublin); Stephen Gersh (Notre Dame University)
- 2008: Isabelle Torrance (Notre Dame University)
- 2007: Russell Reno (*First Things*); Rodney Whitacre (Trinity Episcopal Seminary)

English Department Search Committee: 2023-2024

Preservation and Cataloging of University Ancient Coin Collection: 2017-

Classics Search Committee: 2017-2018

Wrote draft of departmental standards for promotion and tenure review: 2012

Assisted in Departmental Assessment and Annual Report Writing: 2007-

## *SERVICE TO UNIVERSITY*

Director, Franciscan University Press (distributed press of Catholic University of America Press), Appointed by Vice President of Academic Affairs: 2015-

Duties include establishing production process for the new press: including, administering \$50,000 budget, selecting and overseeing copy-editors, book designers, overseeing bids for printing presses, corresponding with marketing directors at CUA, purchasing ISBN numbers, overseeing CIP numbers, developing language and design for copyright page, developing advertising, developed language for book contracts. Duties also include editorial decisions: making final decisions for the publications of manuscripts and overseeing series editors, overseeing final proofs, page templates, and cover design. Organizer of Colosseum Institute; guest readings by authors; annual Theandrites conferences.

Chairman, Department of Classics and Modern Languages 2024-present

Organizer of “God is Everywhere: Faculty Step in Faith Interdisciplinary Colloquium on Sacraments”, October 2020

Organizer and faculty representative for Veritas Society Student Concert Series (2021-) to encourage performance of classical music on campus.

English Department Search Committee: 2023-2024

Grievance Committee: 2021-2023

Strategic Planning Committee, Course Incubator Development: 2021

Academic Standards Committee: 2020-2023

Veritas Debate Society: Faculty Presenter, 2018-; Faculty advisor: 2019-; organizer of academic reading group, "Citizen and the Law".

Shared Governance Task Force, Appointed by Vice President of Academic Affairs and President of University: 2016

Publications Review Board, Appointed by Vice President of Academic Affairs: 2016-

Tenure and Promotion Board  
Various years

Academic Awards Board for Faculty Excellence in Scholarship, Teaching, and Service: 2015, 2017

University Personnel Committee, Elected by Faculty and Appointed by University President: 2015-2016

Academic Excellence Committee, Appointed by Vice President of Academic Affairs: 2014-2017

Invited by Vice President of Academic Affairs and University's President's Council: Strategic Planning Committee: 2011-2012

Educational Planning Committee: Chair 2007-2010; member: 2011-

Invited by Assessment Officer to give the presentation: "Teaching Writing Intensive Courses": 2009

***COURSES TAUGHT AT FRANCISCAN UNIVERSITY OF  
STEBENVILLE (DEPARTMENT OF CLASSICS)  
4/4 Course Load***

Greek:

Greek 101, 102 (GRK 101, 102)

Greek 201, 202 (GRK 201, 202)

Greek Drama: Sophocles' *Oedipus Rex* (GRK 320)

Greek Drama: Euripides' *Medea* (GRK 320)

Septuagint/New Testament Greek (GRK 360)

Greek Philosophy: Plato's *Apology* (GRK 203)

Greek Thought: Selected Readings in the Greek Intellectual Tradition (GRK 203)

Greek Fathers (GRK 360): Selected Readings

Greek Philosophy: Plotinus' *Enneads* and Plato's *Symposium* (GRK 350)

Maximus Confessor: Selected Readings (Reading Group)

Latin:

Latin 101, 102, 436 (LAT 101, 102)

Latin 201, 202 (LAT 201, 202)

Latin 202: Online

Latin 203: Vulgate Bible

Cicero: *In Catilinam* (Latin 202)

The Roman Historians: Suetonius and Tacitus (LAT 351)

Latin Fathers: Augustine's *Confessions* (LAT 380)

Latin Fathers: The African Fathers: Perpetua, Tertullian, Cyprian (LAT 380)

Latin Fathers: Augustine's *Confessions* and the *Passion of St. Perpetua* (LAT 380)

Latin Prose Composition (LAT 340)

The Fate of Man, the Fate of Rome (LAT 301): Caesar, Cicero, Tacitus, Augustine, Boethius, Aquinas, Dante

The Rise and Fall of Rome (LAT 301): Caesar, Cicero, Suetonius, Sallust, Tacitus, Seneca

Latin Poetry: Courtship and Marriage (LAT 350): Virgil, Ovid, Catallus, Horace

Latin Poetry: *Ovid, Metamorphoses, Heroides, and Fastii* (LAT 350)

Cicero: *De Amicitia* (LAT 341)

Cicero: *In Catilinam* and Sallust's *Bellum Catilinae* (LAT 341)

Roman Stoicism: Cicero's *Tusculan Disputations* (Book IV) and Seneca's *De Ira* (LAT 341)

Virgil: *Eclogues* and *Georgics* (LAT 311)

Roman Epistles (LAT 361)

Medieval Latin: Selections (LAT 390)

Spoken Latin (LAT 421)

The Neo-Latinists and Their Classical Foundation (LAT 350)

Roman Political Philosophy (LAT 361)

Roman and Medieval Historians (LAT 301)

Classical Civilization (in translation):

Honors (Great Books Program: Ancient Greek and Roman literature; early church): 101, 102, 201; 402 (HON 101: Ancient Epic, Ancient History); (HON 102: Ancient Philosophy); (HON 201 Early Church); (HON 402: modern age)

Epic and the Human Person (ENG 210: includes Homer, Virgil, and Dante)  
Texts of Neoplatonism (PHL 710)

***Courses Taught at Creighton University, Omaha (Department of Classical and Near Eastern Studies)***

***3/3 Course Load***

Greek:

Greek Historians: Readings from Herodotus and Thucydides (GRK 502)

Latin:

Latin 101, 102 (LAT 101, 102)

Latin 201, 202 (LAT 201, 202)

Silver Latin: Suetonius (LAT 610)

Latin Prose Composition (LAT 303)

Classical Civilization:

Selected Topics in Ancient Philosophy: Neoplatonism (CNE 460)

History of the Roman Republic (CNE 403)

History of the Roman Empire (CNE 404)

World Literature (World Lit)

***Courses Taught at Brooklyn College, Montclair State University, Seton Hall, and Trinity College, Dublin (Adjunct)***

Latin 101, 102, Latin 201, 202, World Literature, General Studies in the Humanities, Women in the Ancient World, Ancient Historians (in translation), Ancient Epic (in translation), Introductory Greek

## **AWARDS AND HONORS**

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**INSTITUTO HELLENICO (\$25, 000)**

**SOCIETY FOR CLASSICAL STUDIES, CLASSICS EVERYWHERE GRANT (\$475)**

**SPIRIT OF FRANCISCAN AWARD (\$50)**

2016, 2017

**FRANCISCAN UNIVERSITY EXCELLENCE IN SCHOLARSHIP AWARD (\$5,000)**

2015

**FACULTY DEVELOPMENT AWARD**

Franciscan University of Steubenville (ranges from \$500-\$1500): 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2018, 2019: includes grants to attend conferences,

indexing grants, grant to attend Paideia Institute.

**FRESHMAN FACULTY ADVISOR AWARD**

Creighton University, 2007

**CREIGHTON UNIVERSITY TRAVEL AWARD**

Creighton University (\$1000): 2006

**POSTGRADUATE STUDENTSHIP**

Trinity College, University of Dublin, 2001-2004

**HERZOG CENTRE (F.K.A. MIDDLE AND NEAR EASTERN CENTRE) FELLOWSHIP:**

Trinity College, University of Dublin, 2001-2003

**DUMBARTON OAKS READER**

Washington, DC, 2000-2001; 2008-2010

**CENTRE FOR THE STUDY OF THE PLATONIC TRADITION FELLOWSHIP**

Trinity College, University of Dublin, 1999-2000

**TRINITY TRUST TRAVEL GRANT**

Trinity College, University of Dublin, Spring 1999, Spring 2000, Winter 2001, Winter 2002

**DEAN'S LIST**

The College of the University of Chicago, 1994-1998