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EDUCATION

2004, Ph.D., Philosophy, Fordham University
1996, M.A., Philosophy (*magna cum laude*), Fordham University
1993, B.A., Philosophy (*summa cum laude*), University of Nevada, Las Vegas

DISSERTATION

The Problem of Induction: An Epistemological and Methodological Response
Director: John Greco
Readers: Dominic Balestra, Judith Green, John Drummond, and Michael Baur

CURRENT POSITIONS

Visiting Scholar, Center for Philosophy of Religion, University of Notre Dame
Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of Notre Dame

PREVIOUS POSITIONS

Postdoctoral Research Fellow, University of Notre Dame, Center for Philosophy of Religion,
Fall 2008 to Spring 2009
Visiting Assistant Professor, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Fall 2005 to Spring 2008
Part-Time Instructor, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Spring 1999 to Spring 2005
Teaching Fellow, Fordham University, Spring 1996 to Spring 1997

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Metaphysics
Epistemology
Philosophy of Religion

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Philosophy of Science
Philosophical Logic
Modern Philosophy
American Philosophy

PUBLISHED PAPERS

"Gratuitous Evil and Divine Providence," *Religious Studies* (forthcoming).
"Probability, Truth, and the Openness of the Future: Reply to Pruss," *Faith and Philosophy* (forthcoming).
"The Fivefold Openness of the Future," contribution to a forthcoming collection (title TBA) edited by William Hasker, Dean Zimmerman, and Thomas Jay Oord. The collection is concerned with the interaction of science, philosophy, and religion.
"Presentism, Truthmakers, and God," *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly* 90 (2009): 41–62.

"Beyond the Chessmaster Analogy: Game Theory and Divine Providence," in Thomas Jay Oord (ed.), *Creation Made Free: Open Theology Engaging Science*. Eugene, OR: Pickwick Publications, 2009.

"Fumerton's Principle of Inferential Justification, Skepticism, and the Nature of Inference." *Journal of Philosophical Research* 33 (2008): 215–234.

"Generic Open Theism and Some Varieties Thereof." *Religious Studies* 44 (2008): 225–234.

"The Philosophical Case for Open Theism." *Philosophia* 35 (2007): 301–311.

"Open Theism, Omniscience, and the Nature of the Future." *Faith and Philosophy* 23 (2006): 432–459. (coauthored with Gregory A. Boyd and Thomas G. Belt)

BOOK REVIEWS

James A. Keller, *Problems of Evil and the Power of God* (Ashgate, 2007). *Ars Disputandi* (forthcoming).

Richard Swinburne, ed., *Bayes's Theorem* (Proceedings of the British Academy, vol. 113), Oxford University Press, 2002. *International Philosophical Quarterly* 45 (2005): 269–270.

WORK IN PROGRESS

"The Problem of Variation over a Continuum" (under review)

"Peirce and Lonergan on Inquiry and the Pragmatics of Inference" (under review)

The Openness of the Future and the Openness of God (monograph, in preparation)

"Explanatory Independence, Infallible Forebelief, and Future Contingents" (draft)

"Five Roads to Fatalism and the Openness of the Future" (draft)

PRESENTATIONS

"Five Roads to Fatalism and the Openness of the Future", Group Meeting of the Philosophy of Time Society, APA Central Division, Chicago, IL, February 17–20, 2010.

"Four Types of Gratuitous Evil," Wesleyan Philosophical Society, Anderson, IN, March 5, 2009.

"Starting, Stopping, and the Continuity of Time," Group Meeting of the Philosophy of Time Society, APA Central Division, Chicago, IL, February 18–21, 2009.

Comments on Ernani Magalhaes, "Time without Change and without Persistence," Group Meeting of the Philosophy of Time Society, APA Eastern Division, Philadelphia, PA, December 27–30, 2008.

"Open Theism and the Openness of the Future," Valparaiso University, October 21, 2008. (invited)

"The Fourfold Openness of the Future," Open & Relational Theology Engaging Science, Azusa Pacific University, April 10–12, 2008.

"Indeterminism and Branching Time without Truth-Value Gaps," University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Philosophy Dept. Colloquium, April 20, 2007.

"Generic Open Theism and Some Varieties Thereof," APA Pacific Division, "Models of God" mini-conference, San Francisco, CA, April 4–6, 2007.

- "Fumerton's Principle of Inferential Justification, Skepticism, and the Nature of Inference," Group Meeting of the Society for Skeptical Studies, APA Eastern Division, Washington, D.C., December 28, 2006.
- "Peirce and Lonergan on Questions, Inference, and the Process of Inquiry," University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Philosophy Dept. Colloquium, November 3, 2006.
- "A Defense of Prior's 'Peircean' Tense Logic," Group Meeting of the Philosophy of Time Society, APA Pacific Division, Portland, OR, March 2006.
- "Presentism, Truthmakers, and God," EPS, Fort Worth, PA, November 2005.
- "Is the Future Settled or Open?" EPS, San Antonio, TX, November 2004.
- "The Hexagon of Opposition: Thinking Outside the Aristotelian Box." EPS, San Antonio, TX, November 2004 (with Gregory A. Boyd and Thomas Belt).
- "Inferential Internalism, Inductive Skepticism, and Two Conceptions of Inference," University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Philosophy Dept. Colloquium, October 2004.
- "A Peircean Response to Hume's Critique of Ampliative Reasoning," ACPA, Loudonville, NY, Spring 1997.
- "Chance vs. Design: Is God Really Superfluous?" EPS, Washington, D.C., November 1993.

COURSES TAUGHT

University of Notre Dame

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| Ethics | (lower-division, Fall 2009, 2 sections) |
| Agency, Responsibility, & Determinism | (lower-division, Spring 2009) |
| Philosophy of Religion | (lower-division, Fall 2008) |

University of Nevada, Las Vegas

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| Metaphysics | (upper-division, Spring 2007) |
| Philosophy of Religion | (upper-division/grad, Spring 2006, Spring 2008) |
| Inductive Logic and Probability | (upper-division, Fall 2007) |
| Free Will | (directed study, Fall 2007) |
| Reasoning and Critical Thinking | (lower-division, frequently taught) |
| Introduction to Philosophy | (lower-division, frequently taught) |

Fordham University

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| Philosophy of Human Knowledge | (lower-division Early Modern survey with epistemological emphasis, 3 sections) |
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HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2008–2009, appointed a Postdoctoral Research Fellow at the University of Notre Dame, Center for Philosophy of Religion
- 2006, invited (and paid) participant in a 3-week Templeton foundation summer seminar on "Open Theology and Science" at Eastern Nazarene College, Quincy, MA, June 17 – July 7, 2007
- 1993–1997, Presidential Fellowship, Fordham University
- 1993–1997, Bennett Scholarship, Fordham University
- 1993, Departmental Honors in Philosophy, University of Nevada, Las Vegas
- 1993, Award for Excellence in Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, University of Nevada, Las Vegas
- 1989–1993, Elardi–Wynn Scholarship, University of Nevada, Las Vegas
- 1989, Bird Scholarship, University of Nevada, Las Vegas
- 1989, Valedictorian, Las Vegas High School
- 1989, National Merit Semi-Finalist

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2008, Referee for *Faith and Philosophy*
2006, Referee for the *Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy*
2006, Referee for the Mountain–Plains Philosophy Conference
1995–1996, Teaching Assistant, Fordham University
1993–1995, Assistant Copyeditor, *International Philosophical Quarterly*

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

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| American Philosophical Association | Charles S. Peirce Society |
| Philosophy of Time Society | Society for Skeptical Studies |
| Society of Christian Philosophers | |

NON-ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

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| Network Manager, Webmaster | Production Editor |
| PCI Group of Nevada, Inc. | Plenum Publishing Corporation |
| August 1998 – August 2005 | June 1997 – July 1998 |

REFERENCES

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| John Greco Leonard and Elizabeth Eslick Chair in Philosophy Department of Philosophy Saint Louis University 3800 Lindell Blvd. Humanities 130 Saint Louis, MO 63108 314-977-7264 jgreco2@slu.edu | Michael C. Rea Professor of Philosophy Director, Center for Philosophy of Religion Department of Philosophy University of Notre Dame 100 Malloy Hall Notre Dame, IN 46556 574-631-5568 rea.3@nd.edu |
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