

Curriculum vitae
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PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- 2016-present **Ave Maria University** *Ave Maria, FL*
Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy and Chair
- 2009-2016 **Ave Maria University** *Ave Maria, FL*
Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy
- 2003-2009 **Ave Maria University** *Naples, FL*
Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy
- 2002-2003 **Ave Maria College** *Gaming, Austria*
Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy
- 2001-2002 **Ave Maria College** *Ypsilanti, MI*
Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy

EDUCATION

- INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY OF PHILOSOPHY** Schaan, Liechtenstein
PhD philosophy, *summa cum laude*.
Dissertation: *Only Privation? The Ontological Foundation and Reality of Moral Evil*
Supervisors: Josef Seifert, John F. Crosby
- INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY OF PHILOSOPHY** Schaan, Liechtenstein
MA philosophy, *summa cum laude*.
Thesis: *The Moral "Grundhaltung" ("Fundamental Option") and Love in the Philosophy of Dietrich von Hildebrand*
- CHRISTENDOM COLLEGE** Front Royal, VA
B.A. Philosophy with minor in classical languages, *summa cum laude*.
Thesis: *Duns Scotus on the Nature of Freedom*

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

“God is Love”: Personal Plurality as the Completion of Aristotle’s Notion of Substance and Love as the Absolute Ground of the Divine Being” forthcoming in *Proceedings of the American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly*

“Finis Superabundant Operis: Refining an Ancient Cause for Explaining the Conjugal Act” in *American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly*, Vol. 90, no. 3, 2016, 477-498

“The Family: At the Heart of John Paul II’s *Theology of the Body*” in *Proceedings of the International Symposium John Paul II’s Theology of the Body 2011*

“A Metaphysics of Love and Embodiment: Abortion as the Retroactive Destruction of the Spousal Act” in *Life and Learning XVII: The Proceedings of The Sixteenth University Faculty for Life Conference (2007)*

“Metaphysics of the Person: Love as Foundation and Fulfillment” in *The Many Facets of Love: Philosophical Explorations*, ed. Thomas Jay Oord (Cambridge: Cambridge Scholars Press, 2006)

BOOK CHAPTER

“Only Union Plus Love Equals Fruitfulness: A Personalist Reflects on the Teaching of *Humanae vitae*” in *Why Humanae Vitae is Still Right*, ed. Janet Smilth. Ignatius Press. San Francisco: 2018

Forthcoming, proceedings of Symposium on *Humanae vitae (1968-2018)*, *Healing the Wounds in Human Sexuality and Marriage by Embracing God’s Vision for Love and Marriage: A Fiftieth-Year Anniversary*.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

“Love and Embodiment as Keys to Recent Church Teaching on Contraception: A Philosophical Reflection” (book manuscript)

“Human Sexuality is not Animal in the *Theology of the Body*”

ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES

“Philosophy of Love (Recent Catholic Developments)” in *New Catholic Encyclopedia Supplement 2012-13: Ethics and Philosophy*

TRANSLATIONS

Translation from German: “The Personality of Max Scheler”, by Dietrich von Hildebrand in *American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly*, vol. 79, Winter 2005, 45-55

ACADEMIC LECTURES BY INVITATION

May 2018 Faculty member of the *Dietrich von Hildebrand Legacy Project 2018 Summer Seminar: Love, Sex & the Human Person*. Two plenary lectures, 1) “Von Hildebrand’s Unique Vision of Human Sexuality”, 2) “Marriage as the Union of Man and Woman”, 3) Three-day course, “Metaphysics of Gender”

April 2018 by invitation of Archbishop Charles Chaput, Symposium on *Humanae vitae (1968-2018), Healing the Wounds in Human Sexuality and Marriage by Embracing God’s Vision for Love and Marriage: A Fiftieth-Year Anniversary*. Title of lecture: “Von Hildebrand, Love and Contraception”. Organized and sponsored by United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and Catholic University of America.

June 2013 “The Foundation in the Spirit of Spousal Desire in the *Theology of the Body*”. *Verbum caro factum est: 4th International Symposium on John Paul II’s Theology of the Body*, Fatima, Portugal

November 2011 “Family as the Key to the *Theology of the Body*”. International Symposium on the Theology of the Body, *Love: The Splendor of the Gift*. Pontifical Athenaeum Regina Apostolorum, Rome

June 2011 “The Family: At the Heart of John Paul II’s *Theology of the Body*”. A Timeless Catechesis on Life and Love: 3rd International Symposium on John Paul II’s Theology of the Body, St. Mary’s University College, Twickenham, London, UK

April 2010 “Contingency from a Personalist Perspective: A Metaphysics of Love”, Dominican School of Philosophy and Theology, Berkeley, CA

February 2007 “Edith Stein and the Vocation to Love” at The Edith Stein Project Conference, “The Edith Stein Project: Toward Integral Healing for Women and Culture”, Notre Dame University, South Bend, IL

PAPERS AT ACADEMIC CONFERENCES

November 2017 Invited Paper “‘God is Love’: Personal Plurality as the Completion of Aristotle’s Notion of Substance and Love as the Absolute Ground of the Divine Being” Annual conference of the American Catholic Philosophical Association: *Faith and Modernity*

November 2016 Parallel Session “A Response to Lee and George on the Foundation of Human Rights”. Annual conference of the American Catholic Philosophical Association: *Justice, Then and Now*. San Francisco, CA

November 2013 “The Foundation in the Spirit of the ‘Sexual Urge’: Metaphysical Underpinnings of the *Theology of the Body*”. The Notre Dame Center for Ethics and Culture conference *Fearfully and Wonderfully Made: The Body and Human Identity*

April 2011 “*Finis superabundant operis*: the Tradition and Dietrich von Hildebrand on the Fecundity of the Spousal Act”. Annual Conference on Christian Philosophy: *Early Goettingen and Munich Phenomenology*, Franciscan University of Steubenville, Steubenville, OH

June 2008 “Love and Embodiment as Keys to John Paul II on *Humana Vitae*”. All conference participants by invitation from the Dean. St. Paul School of Divinity at the University of St. Thomas, “*Humanae Vitae*, the Person and the Thought of John Paul II”, University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, MN

March 2008 “*Humanae vitae*: An Interpretation ‘From Above’”. Franciscan University of Steubenville Institute for Bioethics, “Issues in Marriage and Family”, Steubenville, OH

June 2007 “A Metaphysics of Love and Embodiment: Abortion as the Retroactive Destruction of the Spousal Act” at University Faculty for Life, Seventh Annual Meeting, Villanova University, Villanova, PA

March 2006 “Metaphysics of the Person: Love as Foundation and Fulfillment” at Wesleyan Philosophical Society Conference, *Love: Investigating its Meaning, History and Expressions*, Nazarene Theological Seminary, Kansas City, MO

July 2004 “Toward a New Hermeneutic: The Person as Gift” at ISCA VI World Congress, *Science and Religion: The Missing Link*. Sponsored by the Journal of Interdisciplinary Studies, Pepperdine University, Malibu, CA

SEMI-ACADEMIC LECTURES BY INVITATION

January 2018 “The Creative Power of Motherhood” Genuine Feminine Conference *Woman and Family: The Sanctuary of Love*. Ave Maria University, Ave Maria FL

January 2016 “The New Feminism: A Practical Guide” Genuine Feminine Conference “*The New Feminism*”. Ave Maria University, Ave Maria, FL

April 2015 “Dealing with Wounds in Relationships”. Hosted by the *Ave Maria Anscombe Society (A Chapter of the Love and Fidelity Network)*

March 2012 “Gender: What is it and Why Does it Matter?” Genuine Feminine Conference “*What is a woman and how does she affect her society and culture?*” Ave Maria University, Ave Maria, FL

November 2011 “Creation in Love”. *Annual Faith and Reason Lecture Series*, Cathedral of St. Paul, St. Paul, MN

August 2010 Third annual “Evangelium” summer conference: “John Paul II: the Human Person and Love”, and “Body and Soul: Catholic Marriage, Chastity, and Dating”. The Oratory School, Reading, England

April 2009 “The Life and Thought of Edith Stein” for the *Great Minds of the 20th Century* lecture series at Florida International University (Biscayne Bay Campus)

September 2008 “The Centrality of Love and the Teaching of *Humanae Vitae*” at Co-Creating with God: *Humanae vitae* Today, sponsored by Sacred Heart Major Seminary, Detroit, MI

June 2008 “The Human Person’s Creation in Love” for the *Quid est homo?* speaker series of the Personalist Project, Philadelphia, PA

September 2006 “The Human Person and the Paradox of Contingent Existence”. Hillsdale College, Hillsdale, MI

February 2006 “Pastoral Care with Strength and Compassion”. Ave Maria University Pastors’ Workshop *Priest, Prophet, and King: Pastoring in Today’s Church*, Naples, FL

NON-ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

Summer 2018 *Inside the Vatican* ““Love Alone Creates”: Love at the Heart of *Humanae vitae*”

“The Centrality of Love to the Teaching of *Humanae vitae*” for *Homiletic and Pastoral Review*, July, 2017

Article: “Gender: What is it and Why Does it Matter? And Some Reflections on Femininity”, *Homiletic and Pastoral Review*, November 2012

Small book: Spring 2010 *The Special Vocation of Women: for God the family and the World*, Catholic Truth Society Publications, United Kingdom (reprint of *The Gift of Woman* with slight modifications)

Small book: Fall 2008 *The Gift of Woman*, Knights of Columbus *Veritas* Booklet Series

Magazine article: Spring 2008 “The Gift of Falling in Love”, *Renew* (AMU Student Newsletter) February/March

PANELS ORGANIZED

February 2018 Does the Church’s Teaching on Love and Life Make Sense? A mini-symposium marking the 50th anniversary of *Humanae vitae*. Lecture delivered: “Why Not Contraception? It’s All About Love”

OTHER SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS BY INVITATION

Upcoming October 2018 “*Humanae vitae*: The Breathtaking Beauty of God’s Plan for Love and Family”. Diocese of Albany 50th Anniversary of *Humanae vitae* diocesan celebration, keynote speaker.

August 2018 “The Breathtaking Beauty of God’s Plan for Love and Family”. Diocese of Pittsburgh 50th Anniversary of *Humanae vitae* diocesan celebration, keynote speaker.

August 2018 “Love and Life in Marriage”. Dublin, Ireland. *Love and Life in Marriage – A Conference on Humanae vitae*. Dublin, Ireland

October 2017 By invitation of Archbishop Charles Chaput, main speaker at *Remain in My Love*, a series for the evangelizing and catechizing the Curia of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Title: “The Three Goods of Marriage: Unity, Indissolubility and Fruitfulness”

August 2016 “Love and the Liberal Arts”, Honors Orientation at Ave Maria University, Ave Maria, FL

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March 2012 “Creation in Love”, Credo Group, St. Louis, MO

May 2011 “Culture as a Ray of the Eternal”, High School Commencement Address at Holy Family Academy, Manassas, VA

December 2007 “Contingency from a Personalist Perspective: A Metaphysics of Love” at Ave Maria University Philosophy Department Colloquia series

September 2007 “Love in the Life of the Human Person”, Legatus, San Diego, CA

December 2004 “John Paul II and Person as Gift”, Ave Maria Founder’s Club, Naples, FL

TEACHING

COURSES

Nature and Person
Ethics
Metaphysics
Epistemology
Ancient Philosophy
Medieval Philosophy
Modern Philosophy
Recent and Contemporary Philosophy
Political Philosophy
Philosophy of Love
Franciscan Philosophy
Realist Phenomenology
Personalism

MINI-COURSES

May 2018 Faculty member of the *Dietrich von Hildebrand Legacy Project 2018 Summer Seminar: Love, Sex & the Human Person*. Two plenary lectures, 1) “Von Hildebrand’s Unique Vision of Human Sexuality”, 2) “Marriage as the Union of Man and Woman”, 3) Three-lecture course, “Metaphysics of Gender”.

June 2011 Two 3-hour modules 1) “Anthropological foundations of womanhood” 2) “Edith Stein and her message for the Church of today and tomorrow”. Annual International Summer Course on Women’s Studies, WOMEN AS KEY TO HUMANITY: Cazenovia, New York, June, 14-23 2011. Sponsored by the Institute for Advanced Women’s Studies Pontifical Athenaeum Regina Apostolorum – European University of Rome, organized by AVOW (Advocating the Vocation of Women)

March 2009 Five once-weekly course in Ethics at Moorings Presbyterian Church, Naples, FL

July 2007 Guest lecturer for summer course, “Aquinas and von Hildebrand on Deliberate Moral Wrongdoing”, the Gustav-Siewerth Akademie, *Weilheim, Germany*

July 2006 Guest lecturer for summer course, “Metaphysics of Love”, the Gustav-Siewerth Akademie, *Weilheim, Germany*

Summer 2002 *Gaming, Austria* Philosophy of the Human Person, Language and Catechetical Institute, Eastern European summer camp