

BRENDAN W. CASE

Curriculum Vitae

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CURRENT POSITION

Research Associate in Philosophy

Institute for Studies of Religion
Baylor University

EDUCATION

Doctor of Theology

GPA: 3.95

Dissertation: *The World in the Word: Creation as God's Speech in Bonaventure and Berkeley*

Advisor: Paul J. Griffiths

Committee Members: David B. Hart, Thomas Pfau, J. Warren Smith

Preliminary Exams: Systematic Theology, Patristic Theology, the Metaphysics of Creation

Duke Divinity School

March 22, 2019

Master of Theological Studies

GPA: 4.0 (*Summa cum laude*)

Thesis: "Trinitarian hermeneutics in the writings of St. Augustine"

Duke Divinity School

May 2012

Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics

GPA: 3.79 (*Magna cum laude*)

Thesis: "Freedom's Agonies: Locke and the Politics of Enclosure"

The King's College

December 2009

AREAS OF EXPERTISE & RESEARCH INTERESTS

Theology: The Doctrine of the Trinity, Christology, and the Doctrine of Creation; The Theology of Politics; The Doctrine of Revelation; St. Augustine; St. Bonaventure; St. Thomas Aquinas; Pascal; John Henry Newman; Christian-Hindu dialogue; Latin

Philosophy: Early modern metaphysics, esp. Spinoza, Leibniz, and Berkeley; Late-ancient Platonism, esp. Plotinus; Analytic philosophy of mind and language; Moral philosophy

Biblical Studies: The Septuagint; Pauline epistles and chronology; the Epistle of James; the Old Testament in the New; the Synoptic Problem; Canon Formation; Hellenistic Greek

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor: Duke Divinity School

Historical Theology 760/761 - Ecclesiastical Latin

Advanced Theology - The Person and Work of Jesus Christ

2018-2019

Preceptor: Duke Divinity School

New Testament (4 sections) Early and Medieval Church History (3 sections)

Modern European Christianity (2 sections)

Christian Theology (3 sections) Christian Ethics (2 sections)

2013-2019

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PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

- 2019 - "More Splendid than the Sun': Christ's Flesh among the Reasons for the Incarnation," *Modern Theology* (July 2019).
- 2019 - "Pauline Evidence for Markan Posteriority," under review at the *Journal for the Study of the New Testament* (1 March 2019).
- 2018 - "Relations in Creation and Christology: A Response to Porter." *New Blackfriars* (17 August 2018).
- 2016 - "Judging according to Wisdom: *Sacra Doctrina* in the *Summa Theologiae*." *New Blackfriars* (27 September 2016).
- 2015 - "Saying and Praying: Christian Holiness and the Practice of Theology." *Pro Ecclesia* (Fall 2015).
- 2013 - "Notions and Things in J. H. Newman's *Grammar of Assent*," *Newman Studies Journal* (Spring 2013).

BOOKS

Least of the Apostles: Paul and His Legacies in Early Christianity, with William Glass. Under deferred contract with Cascade Books, a division of Wipf & Stock.

SELECTED ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

- 2019 - "Our Gnostic Age: Exploring AI and Transhumanism with St. Bonaventure," presented at the Christian Study Center of Gainesville (1 April 2019).
- 2018 - "Center and Circumference: Bonaventure's Trinitarian Revisions of a Plotinian Trope," presented at the "Platonism and Neoplatonism Working Group" of the AAR Annual Meeting (19 November 2018).
- 2018 - "Faith and Reason in Bonaventure, Aquinas, and John Paul II," for "Contemporary Catholicism" at the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, North Carolina State University (21 October 2018).
- 2017 - "Breaching the Citadel: Augustine and the Stoics on the Passions." North American Patristics Society Annual Meeting, Chicago (25 May 2017).
- 2016 - "The Death of God and the Death of the Person: Hobbes, Spinoza, and Berkeley." 3rd Annual Notre Dame/University of Chicago Graduate Conference in Theology (October 2016).

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- 2015 - "Faith and Reason in Newman's *Oxford University Sermons*." Lumen Christi Seminar on J.H. Newman, Merton College, Oxford University (July 2015).
- 2015 - "To Gaze on the Son: the Doctrine of God as the Center of Christian Theology." Virginia Graduate Colloquium in Theology, Ethics, and Culture (20 March 2015).
- 2015 - "The Teachers, Paul, and Peter: The Synoptic Problem Revisited." Paper delivered to the Duke New Testament Colloquium (6 March 2015).
- 2014 - "James as the Origin of Paul's Doctrine of Justification." SBL Annual Meeting, San Diego, (27 October 2014).
- 2014 - "The Council of Trent," for Reformation and Modern Church History (Dr. Meredith Riedel), Duke Divinity School (March 2014).
- 2013 - "Doing Is Not Saying: Christian Holiness and the Practice of Theology." Mundelein Graduate Student Conference (23 October 2013).

FELLOWSHIPS AND HONORS

- 2017 - Lumen Christi Rome Seminar on Medieval Philosophy & Theology
2015 - Lumen Christi Oxford Seminar on John Henry Newman
2015 - Cranmer Forum Seminar on Christ in the Old Testament
2012 - Duke Divinity Top Senior GPA
2012 - Duke Divinity faculty selection for "Excellence in Bible"
2010 - Ray C. Petry Scholarship for M.T.S. Students, Duke Divinity (full-tuition)

LANGUAGES

Exams passed: French, German, Latin
Reading competency: Greek (*koine* and classical), Hebrew (biblical), Italian, Spanish, Portuguese, Old English, classical Sanskrit

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Academy of Religion

SELECTED POPULAR PUBLICATIONS

"Curiosity's Lure from Dante to Melville," *Church Life Journal* (6 August 2019):

https://churchlifejournal.nd.edu/articles/curiositys-lure-from-dante-to-moby-dick/#_ftnref7

"Scholarship, Leadership, Citizenship," *Faith and Leadership* (27 February 2013):

<https://www.faithandleadership.com/scholarship-leadership-citizenship>

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“Ecosystems of Change,” *Faith and Leadership* (4 December 2012):

<https://www.faithandleadership.com/ecosystems-change>

“Innovation and the Bottom Line,” *Faith and Leadership* (29 November 2012):

<https://www.faithandleadership.com/innovation-and-bottom-line>

“The World, as Seen by Federer,” *Faith and Leadership* (13 October 2012):

<https://www.faithandleadership.com/world-seen-roger-federer>

“How to Think with the Early Church about Disagreement,” *Faith and Leadership* (5 October 2012): <https://www.faithandleadership.com/world-seen-roger-federer>”

“2020 in Focus: Science,” *Relevant Magazine* 43 (Jan/Feb 2010).

SELECTED POPULAR PRESENTATIONS

“Reading the Bible: A Canonical Approach,” St. Matthew’s Episcopal Church, Hillsborough, NC, 14 January 2018.

“Reformations: Anabaptism, Calvinism, and Catholicism,” St. Matthew’s Episcopal Church, Hillsborough, NC, 22 October 2017.

“Caravaggio’s Rome,” St. Matthew’s Episcopal Church, Hillsborough, NC, 17 September 2017.

“Prophet, Priest, and King: Three Approaches to the Atonement,” St. Matthew’s Episcopal Church, Hillsborough, NC, 5 March 2017.

“James as the Origin of Paul’s Doctrine of Justification,” St. Matthew’s Episcopal Church, Hillsborough, NC, 23 April 2017.

“Fasting and Penitence in Christian North Africa,” St. Matthew’s Episcopal Church, Hillsborough, NC, 1 March 2015.

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Co-Convener: Duke University Colloquium in Theology and Ethics 2017-2018

Planning Committee Member: Duke Graduate Conference in Theology 2015

Ambassador for Prospective Students: Duke Divinity School 2013-2017

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AND SERVICE

Research Assistant: Duke Divinity School 2013-2017

Dr. Jennie Grillo, Professor of Old Testament

Dr. Paul J. Griffiths, Warren Chair of Catholic Theology Emeritus

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Dr. David Marshall, Professor of Islamic Studies
Dr. Randy Maddox, Professor of Wesleyan and Methodist Studies
Middle School Language Arts Instructor: Durham Academy Summer 2014
Sunday School Teacher: St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, Hillsborough, NC 2013-Present
Tutor: The Hill Center, Durham (Reading, Math, Spanish, SAT/ACT prep) 2013-2014
Staff Blogger: *Faith and Leadership* 2012
Volunteer ESL Tutor: Church World Service, Durham, NC 2011-2012
Graduate Assistant: Duke University, Division of Student Affairs 2011-2012
Volunteer Academic Mentor: All Saints' Anglican Church, Durham, NC 2010-2011
Interim Youth Director: St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Lake Mary, FL 2009-2010

PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES

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Dr. David Bentley Hart
University of Notre Dame Institute for Advanced Study
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Dr. J. Warren Smith
Duke Divinity School
Associate Professor of Historical Theology
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Dr. Richard B. Hays
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