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CURRICULUM VITÆ

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Degrees and Qualifications

Ph.D., University of Cambridge (Peterhouse) Faculty of Divinity (1995–1998) (examiners Rev'd. Dr. Fergus Kerr OP and Professor Nicholas Boyle); M.Phil. Theology (Modern Doctrine), University of Oxford (1992–1994); papers for the Postgraduate Certificate in Theology, University of Oxford (1991–1992); B.A. (M.A.) in Philosophy and Theology (1981–1984), University of Oxford (Oriental College).

November 2007 – to date: St. Mary's University College, London: School of Theology, Philosophy and History, Strawberry Hill, Twickenham TW1 4SX

Research Fellow This is primarily a (full-time) research role. I provide some support and assistance in research teaching and provision for the School. I offer some teaching at postgraduate level at University College London for the Philosophy Department and give lectures in phenomenology for the undergraduate University of London intercollegiate philosophy programme. I am currently supervising four PhD students for the University of London PhD.

October 1998 – February 2007: Heythrop College, University of London, Kensington Square, London W8 5HQ.

Dean of Research and Research Specialist (equivalent to Reader),
April 2004 – February 2007.

Dean of Research Students, September 2001 – April 2004.

Assistant Dean of Research Students September, 2000 – September 2001.

Lecturer in Theology, September 1999 – September 2000.

Research Fellow, October 1998 – September 1999.

I taught, supervised, and examined at all levels in the College from undergraduate to research students; my main focus was research. I chaired the College's Research Committee and Research Degrees Sub-Committee as well as sitting on the College's main administrative bodies. I continue to supervise four research students for the College.

I had oversight of all policies relating to staff research, and the College's research strategy. It was my role to prepare the draft (UK National Government) Research Assessment Exercise (RAE) submission for the College, and have oversight (including for the College's implementation of UK Government quality assurance requirements) of the conduct of the College's arrangements for teaching research degrees.

I organised research conferences and other inter-collegiate initiatives; I managed the appointment and oversight of the College's research fellows; and inaugurated a public lecture series for the College.

Other Academic Appointments and Activities

Staff governor of Heythrop College for 2000–2005. Member of the University of London Research Degrees Committee 2004–2007. Member of the College's Academic Board and Academic Management, as well as other committees.

External examiner for the Kings College, University of London D.Min 2004–2008. I have been a panel member for external validation panels.

Research Fellow and Guest Professor, Catholic University of Louvain, April 2002 – December 2003. Member of the *Research Group: Theology in a Postmodern Context*. Competitive awards from the *Fund for Scientific Research (Flanders)* and the *KU Leuven Research Council*. Lectured and gave seminars in the Faculty of Theology to students in the Masters and Doctoral programmes.

The research I undertook in Louvain resulted in the book, 'Devaluing God: Postmodernity's Transcending' (see publications) published by SCM Press and Notre Dame University Press in 2005. The Faculty of Dogmatic Theology organised a symposium on the book in October 2004, with speakers invited from the United States, United Kingdom, France, Belgium and the Netherlands, and the proceedings of this event have been published (see publications). My period as research fellow and Guest Professor received the formal evaluation 'excellent' by the University Research Council.

Allen Hall, Archdiocese of Westminster Diocesan Seminary, November 1998 – June 2000. I taught undergraduate courses in History of Philosophy and Contemporary Theology for the Catholic University of Leuven (external) STB.

Languages

(In order of competence) Latin, German, ancient Greek, French. A little Dutch and Italian.

Professional Associations and other Bodies

Co-Founder of the Society of St. Catherine of Siena (2000); British Society for the Study of Theology; Catholic Theological Association of Great Britain.