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## EDUCATION

- 2016 Georgetown University, Washington D.C.  
Ph.D., Theology and Religious Studies  
Concentration: Christianity and Islam  
Dissertation Title: Clarifying Companionship: al-Sulamī's (d. 412/1021) *Kitāb ādāb al-ṣuḥba*  
Dissertation Director: Paul L. Heck
- 2009 Catholic Theological Union, Chicago, IL  
M.Div.  
Concentration: Interreligious Dialogue
- 2003 University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN  
M.T.S.  
Concentration: Systematic Theology
- 2001 St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN  
B.A., Magna cum Laude  
Majors: English, Religion; Concentration: Middle Eastern Studies

## PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- 2016- The Pontifical Institute for Arabic and Islamic Studies  
Visiting Professor

## PUBLICATIONS

### Refereed Journal Articles/Book Chapters:

- 2014 "The Status of Monks in Egypt under Early Mamlūk Rule: The Case of Ibn Taymiyya (With an Annotated Translation of Ibn Taymiyya's *Fatwā* on the Status of Monks)." *LOGOS: A Journal of Eastern Christian Studies* 55.1-2, 41-67.
- 2013 "Šūfi *Adab* Transcending Scruples: The Correspondence of Ibn 'Abbād of Ronda." *Islamochristiana* 39, 111-127.
- 2013 "The Evolution of the Assisi Gathering: To Humanism and Beyond?" *Journal of Ecumenical Studies* 48.3, 377-390.

### Book Reviews:

- 2014 *Inheriting Abraham: The Legacy of the Patriarch in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam*, by Jon. D. Levenson (Princeton: UP, 2012), in *Islamochristiana* 40, 349-350.
- 2014 *Islamic Theology, Philosophy and Law: Debating Ibn Taymiyya and Ibn Qayyim al-Jawziyya*, ed. by Georges Tamer and Birgit Krawietz (Berlin: De Gruyter, 2013), in *Islamochristiana* 40, 350-352.
- 2014 *Franciscanos y Sultanes en Marruecos: Relaciones entre el poder (al-sultān) y la obra religiosa y humanitaria de los Frailes Menores*, by Simeón Czesław Stachera O.F.M. (Granada: BTG, 2013), in *Archivum Franciscanum Historicum* 107.3-4, 539-542.
- 2013 *Between Heaven and Hell: Islam, Salvation, and the Fate of Others*, ed. by Mohammad Hassan Khalil (New York: Oxford, 2013), in *Journal of Ecumenical Studies* 48.3, 429-430.
- 2013 *History as Prelude: Muslims and Jews in the Medieval Mediterranean*, ed. by Joseph V. Montville (Lanham, MD: Lexington, 2011), in *Journal of Ecumenical Studies* 48.2, 268.

### Dictionary/Encyclopedia Entries:

"Sayyid Quṭb," "Christian Bible – Arabic Translation," "Miguel Asín Palacios" in *Cambridge Dictionary of Christian-Muslim Relations* (forthcoming, publication date undetermined).

### Non-academic Publications:

- 2014 "Do We Have an App for That?" *The Cord: A Franciscan Spiritual Review* 64.2, 165-177.

## INVITED TALKS AND PUBLIC APPEARANCES

- 2010            “Franciscans and Muslims”  
Lecture for Franciscan Heritage Week  
Cardinal Stritch University, Milwaukee, WI  
October 7
- 2010            “Francis, Clare, and the *Vita Apostolica*”  
Lecture for the Great Conversation Program  
St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN  
March 1
- 2009            “Bonaventure of Bagnoregio and the Early Franciscan Vision”  
Lecture for the Great Conversation Program  
St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN  
April 3

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2015            “Clarifying Companionship: How *Ādāb al-Ṣuḥba* Function for al-Sulamī”  
American Academy of Religion (Islamic Mysticism Group), Annual Meeting  
Atlanta, GA  
November 23
- 2014            “Anselm Turmeda: Model Mendicant or Recreant Renegade?”  
International Symposium: Religious Orders & Christian-Muslim Relations  
Benedictine University and DePaul University, Chicago, IL  
September 19
- 2014            “*Spe Salvi*: Will Francis Save Benedict’s Hope?”  
Ecclesiological Investigations Conference: Hope in the Ecumenical Future  
Ripon College, Oxford University, Cuddleston, U.K.  
April 10
- 2012            “The Status of Monks in Egypt under Early Mamlūk Rule: The Case of Ibn Taymiyya”  
Association for the Study of the Middle East and Africa Annual Conference  
Washington, D.C.  
October 12
- 2012            “The Evolution of the Assisi Gathering: To Humanism and Beyond?”  
Understanding Religious Pluralism Conference  
Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.  
May 23

- 2009 “A Common Word: How Common Have Christians Found It?”  
Engaging Particularities Conference  
Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA  
March 28
- 2007 Moderated Panel Discussion: “Perspectives on Interreligious Dialogue”  
Engaging Particularities Conference  
Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA  
March 31
- 2006 “*Dominus Iesus* and Comparative Methodology: Guidelines or Landmines?”  
Engaging Particularities Conference  
Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA  
March 17

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

The Pontifical Institute for Arabic and Islamic Studies, Rome:

“Islamic Tradition (*Sunna*)” (2014)

Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.:

“The Problem of God” (2015)

“The Morality of Institutions” (Teaching Assistant for Gerard Mannion, 2015)

### **RESEARCH ASSISTANCE/DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE**

- 2014-15 Organizing Committee for Conference, “Vatican II – Remembering the Future: Ecumenical, Interfaith and Secular Perspectives on the Council’s Impact and Promise,” The Ecclesiological Investigations Research Network, May 21-24, 2015, Washington, D.C.
- 2013-14 Mannion, Gerard, et al., eds. (The Ecclesiological Investigations Research Network), *Pathways for Dialogue* Series. Volume 1: *Thinking Outside the Ecumenical Box: The Quest for Dialogue in the Twenty-First Century*, forthcoming; Volume 3: *Pathways for Inter-Religious Dialogue in the Twenty-First Century*, forthcoming. Editorial assistance.
- 2012-13 Esposito, John L., *What Everyone Needs to Know about Sharia*, forthcoming. Data compilation and organization; editorial assistance.



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