

Education

B.A. (Philosophy & Letters)	St. Louis U., 1960
M.A. (Greek & Latin)	St. Louis U., 1961
Ph.L. (Philosophy = M.A.)	St. Louis U., 1961
S.T.L. (Theology = M.A.)	St. Louis U., 1968
Ph.D. (Philosophy)	Yale Univ., 1974

Academic Honors & Awards

B.A., M.A., Ph.L., S.T.L. magna cum laude
Jacob Cooper Prize in Greek Philosophy, Yale, 1974 (dissertation)
SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching, 1980
Danforth Associate, 1980-84
New York State/UUP Excellence Award, 1991
SBU School of Professional Development: Bentley Glass Great Teacher Award, 1996
SBU Academy of Teacher-Scholars Award, 1999
SBU Commendation for Graduate Student Mentoring, 2002

Grants

SUNY/UAC Summer Research Fellowships: 1975, '77, '78, '79, '81
SBU Grant-in-Aid: 1978, 1982-83
SUNY Conversations in the Disciplines Grant: 1979
NEH Translation Grant: summer, 1983
NEH Summer Seminar for School Teachers Director's Grant: "Learning and Teaching in Plato's Protagoras and Meno." 1989, '91, '92, '93, '95, '96 (total = \$391,445)
SBU Academy of Teacher-Scholars Award, 1999

Teaching Positions

1961-64 Secondary School Teacher, St. John's College, Belize.
1972-73 Half-time Instructor, Yale Univ.
1973-74 Lecturer, Stony Brook University
1974-80 Assistant Professor, Stony Brook University
1980-2001 Associate Professor, Stony Brook University
2001 Professor, Stony Brook University
1980- Dissertation director for eight PhD. Candidates (currently 3 candidates)

Professional Societies

American Philosophical Association
American Catholic Philosophical Association
American Cusanus Society, Executive Board member
Eckhart Society
Society for Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy
Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy

PUBLICATIONS

Yale Dissertation: A Commentary on Plato's Protagoras. Ann Arbor, 1974.

Editor

Managing Editor, Theology Digest, 1967.

Book Review Editor, Cross Currents, 1975-85.

Editor, Acta XVIII (1993) "Old and New in the Fifteenth Century."

Monograph

Reading Cusanus: Metaphor and Dialectic in a Conjectural Universe. Washington, D.C.: Catholic Univ. Press, 2002.

Translated Books

Jean Gerson, *De consolatione theologiae--The Consolation of Theology*, with Introduction and notes. Norwalk, Ct.: Abaris Books, 1998.

Nicholas de Cusa, *Idiota de mente--The Layman: About Mind*, with Introduction and notes. New York: Abaris Books, 1979.

PUBLISHED PAPERS

Recent papers accepted for publication:

1-"The Cusanus Map and Nicholas of Cusa's *Cosmographicus*" to appear in *Mitteilungen und Forschungsbeiträge der Cusanus Gesellschaft 2018*. (The leading German journal devoted to Nicholas of Cusa)

2-"The Metaphor of Light and the Light of Metaphor in Nicholas of Cusa." Festschrift for Prof. Gerald Christianson, edited by Thomas Izbicki (probably 2018).

2-"Conjectural knowledge and metaphor—implications of Nicholas of Cusa's *De coniecturis*" Essays on medieval topics edited by Paul Szarmach & Joel Rosenthal (2018 or 2019)

1. "God as *Li Non-Aliud*: Nicholas of Cusa's Unique Designation for God," *Journal of Medieval Religious Cultures* 41 (2015): 24-40.

2. "Seeing and Being Seen in Nicholas of Cusa's *The Vision of God* (1453)," *The Downside Review* 131 (2013): 147-155.

3. "False Consciousness" in New Catholic Encyclopedia Supplement 2012-13: Ethics and Philosophy, ed. R.L. Fastiggi, 4 vols. Detroit: Gale, 2013. Vol. 2, pp. 552-554.

4. "Cusanus, Nicolaus [Nicolas of Cusa]" in *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, 2009.

Online: <<http://plato.stanford.edu/entries/cusanus>>. **revised 2013, 2017.**

5. "Nicholas of Cusa" in The Cambridge Dictionary of Christianity, ed., Daniel Patte. Cambridge, 2010, p.869.

6. "Form and Transformation: *Christiformitas* in Nicholas of Cusa," *Journal of Religion* 90 (2010): 1-14.

7. "Cusanus, Nicolaus [Nicolas of Cusa]" in *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, 2009.
Online: <<http://plato.stanford.edu/entries/cusanus>>.
8. "The Future of Cusanus Studies: Some Proposals," *American Cusanus Society Newsletter* 25 (2008): 48-50.
9. "Knowledge and the Human Mind" in *Introducing Nicholas of Cusa*, ed. C.M. Bellitto, T. Izbicki, & G. Christianson. NY/Mahwah, NJ: 2004, pp. 299-318.
10. "Meister Eckhart in Nicholas of Cusa's 1456 Sermon: *Ubi est qui natus est rex Iudeorum?*" in *Nicholas of Cusa and His Age: Intellect and Spirituality*, ed. T. Izbicki & C. Bellitto. Leiden: 2002, pp. 105-125. (Includes translation of Latin sermon.)
11. "Albertus Magnus"; "Nicholas of Cusa," in *Medieval Germany: An Encyclopedia*, ed. J.M. Jeep. New York: 2001, pp. 8-10, 565-567.
12. "God's Presence: Some Cusan Proposals," in *Nicholas of Cusa on Christ and the Church*, ed. G. Christianson & T. Izbicki. Leiden: 1996, pp. 241-249.
13. "Nicholas of Cusa's *On Conjectures (De conjecturis)*," in *Nicholas of Cusa: In Search of God and Wisdom*, ed. G. Christianson & T. Izbicki. Leiden: 1991, pp. 119-140.
14. "The Icon and the Wall: *Visio* and *Ratio* in Nicholas of Cusa's *De visione Dei*," *Proceedings of the American Catholic Philosophical Association* 64 (1990): 86-98.
15. "Perception, Conjecture and Dialectic in Nicholas of Cusa," *American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly* 64 (1990): 35-54.
16. "Nicholas of Cusa's *The Vision of God*," in *An Introduction to the Medieval Mystics of Europe*, ed. P. Szarmach. Albany: 1984, pp. 293-312.
17. "Nicholas of Cusa's *De ludo globi*: Symbolic Roundness and Eccentric Life Paths," *Acta* 10 (1983): 135-147.
18. "A Road Not Taken: Nicholas of Cusa and Today's Intellectual World," *Proceedings of the American Catholic Philosophical Association* 57 (1983): 68-77.
19. "Nicholas of Cusa's *De ludo globi*: Symbolic Roundness and Eccentric Life Paths," *Acta* 10 (1983): 135-147.
20. "Irony and the History of Philosophy," *Poetics Today* 4 (1983): 465-478.
21. "Metaphor and Simile in Nicholas of Cusa's *Idiota de mente*," *Acta* 8 (1981): 47-59.
22. "Nicholas of Cusa and Philosophic Knowledge," *Proceedings of the American Catholic Philosophical Association* 54 (1980): 155-163.
23. "The Prometheus Theme in Plato's *Protagoras*," *Interpretation* 7 (1978): 22-32.
24. "Aristotelian *Natura* and Nicholas of Cusa," *Downside Review* 96 (1978): 13-20.
25. "Meister Eckhart's Ironic Orthodoxy," *Acta* 4 (1978): 33-43.
26. "World Hunger, Poverty and Ethics," *Cross Currents* 27 (1977): 308-320.
27. "Two Mid-points in Plato's *Protagoras*," *Modern Schoolman* 55 (1977): 71-79.
28. "Maimonides and Aquinas on Naming God," *Journal of Jewish Studies* 28 (1977): 65-71
29. "Union with the One: Ennead 6.9.8-11," *The New Scholasticism* 51 (1977): 182 -195.
30. "Rule by One Man and Its Rewards: Aquinas' *De regno* 1," *Acta* 3 (1977): 53-64.
31. "Ironic or Not?" *American Philosophical Quarterly* 13 (1976): 309-313.
32. "Religious Experience and Religious Mystique," *The Critic* 30 (1972): 19-26.

BOOK REVIEWS (since 2000)

1. *Masters of Learned Ignorance: Eriugena, Eckhart, Cusanus*, D.F. Duclow: *International Philosophical Quarterly* 48(2008): 263-264.
2. *Becoming God: The Doctrine of Theosis in Nicholas of Cusa*, N. Hudson, *Renaissance Quarterly* 60(2008): 1424-1425.
3. *Tracing Nicholas of Cusa's Early Development: The Relationship between De concordantia catholica and De docta ignorantia*, J. de Guzman Miroy, *Renaissance Quarterly* 63 (2010): 185-186.
4. *Interpreting Plato's Dialogues*, J. Angelo Corlett, *Review of Metaphysics* 64 (2010): 380.
5. *Logos and Revelation: Ibn 'Arabi, Meister Eckhart and Mystical Hermeneutics*, Robert Dobie, *International Philosophical Quarterly* 51 (2011): 125-126.
6. *Reform, Representation and Theology in Nicholas of Cusa and His Age*, H. Lawrence Bond and Gerald Christianson, *Renaissance Quarterly* 66 (2013): 276-277.
7. *Mathematical Theologies: Nicholas of Cusa and the Legacy of Thierry of Chartres*, David Albertson. *The Medieval Review* [online] 15.01.01.
8. *Nicolaus Cusanus on Faith and the Intellect: A Case-Study in 15th-Century Fides-Ratio Controversy*, K.M. Ziebart. *British Journal of the History of Philosophy*, 2017.

SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS (since 2000)

- 1-“Cusanus & Dionysius,” International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, May, 2000.
- 2-“Metaphor and Dialectic in Cusanus. Thoughts on *De li non aliud*,” Medieval Academy Annual Meeting, Tempe AR, March, 2001.
- 3-“Commentary on Wilhelm Dupre's ‘The Living Image of God’,” Conference on Nicholas of Cusa 1401-2001, Catholic Univ. of America, October, 2001.
- 4-“God as ‘*Finis sine fine*’ in Cusanus’ *De visione Dei*,” Greater Philadelphia Philosophy Consortium, March, 2002.
- 5-“Literal and Metaphorical in Cusan Perception,” Patristic, Mediaeval, and Renaissance Conference, Villanova Univ., Villanova, PA, September, 2002.
- 6-Respondent, Two Recent Books on Nicholas of Cusa, Renaissance Society of America Annual Meeting, Toronto, Canada, March, 2003.
- 7-“Literal and Metaphorical in Cusan Conjecture,” International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI, May, 2003.
- 8-“Nicholas of Cusa: A Neoplatonism of His Own,” Renaissance Society of America Annual Meeting, New York City, April, 2004.
- 9-“Conjecture and Metaphor in Cusan Thought,” Cultural Studies and Comparative Literature Department, SUNY/Stony Brook, October 2004.
- 10-Respondent, Philosophy Department Book Party for my monograph, *Reading Cusanus*, SUNY/Stony Brook, November 2004.
- 11-Respondent and Commentator, Miller's *Reading Cusanus* Session, Renaissance Society of America Annual Meeting, Cambridge, England, April, 2005.
- 12-“Two Christmas Sermons: Jean Gerson and Nicholas of Cusa on ‘*Verbum Caro Factum Est*’,” International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI, May, 2005.

- 13-“What Sort of Cusan Metaphor is the Coincidence of Opposites?” Renaissance Society of American Annual Meeting, San Francisco, March 2006.
- 14-“*Christiformitas* in Nicholas of Cusa” (Carl Arthur Piepkorn Keynote Lecture) American Cusanus Society Biennial Meeting, Gettysburg Lutheran Seminary, October, 2006.
- 15-“Power, Trust and Friendship,” Templeton Foundation Seminar Series on Trust in Science and Religion, SUNY Stony Brook, March, 2007.
- 16-“God as the *Non-Aliud* or Not-Other: Another Way to Cusan Mysticism,” Patristic, Medieval and Renaissance Conference, Villanova Univ., Villanova, PA, October, 2007.
- 17-“Does Nicholas of Cusa’s *De beryllo* Mark a New Direction in His Thinking?” Renaissance Society of America Annual Meeting, Chicago, March, 2008.
- 18-Panelist: “The Future of Cusanus Studies,” International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI, May, 2008.
- 19-“Cusanus and Aristotle,” Renaissance Society of America Annual Meeting, UCLA, March, 2009.
- 20-“The Conjectural Universe and the Coincidence of Opposites,” Texas A & M Philosophy Department, College Station, TX, March 2010.
- 21-TLT SB Video Interview: “Challenges in Teaching First-year College Students”:
- 22-“Aristotle in Nicholas of Cusa’s *De beryllo*,” Renaissance Society of America Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, March 2012.
- 23-“Nicholas of Cusa’s Mapmaker: Power & Vision in *Compendium* c.8,” International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI, May, 2012.
- 24-“Conjecture and Metaphor in Nicholas of Cusa,” International Conference on Ancient and Medieval Philosophy (SAGP/SSIP), New York, NY, October 2013.
- 25-“The Metaphor of Light and the Light of Metaphor in Nicholas of Cusa,” Renaissance Society of America Annual Meeting, New York, NY, March, 2014.
- 26-“The Cusanus Map and Nicholas of Cusa’s *Cosmographicus*,” Medieval Academy of America Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, CA, April, 2014.
- 27-“Metaphor and Conjecture in Nicholas of Cusa,” Meeting of Medieval Society with ACPA, Boston, MA, October 2015.
- 28-Two Recent Books on Nicholas of Cusa,” Cusanus Society Biennial Meeting, Gettysburg Lutheran Seminary, Gettysburg, PA, October, 2017.

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

A & S Curriculum Committee, ‘75-77
 Federated Learning Communities Program, Faculty Member ‘76-78, 80-82; Master Learner, ‘84-85
 Freshman Learning Communities Program--Community of Ideas,
 Course and Program Seminars ‘98-99,
 Seminar Director & Faculty Co-ordinator ‘98-99
 Chair, Senate Student Life Committee, ‘87-88
 Chair, Undergraduate Council (=Education & Teaching Policy Committee), ‘90-91
 Chair, Senate Nominations Committee, ‘91-94
 Faculty Advisor, Multidisciplinary Studies Program, ‘90-91,’97

Chair, Dean's Committee on Undergraduate Interdisciplinary Programs, '98
General Faculty Advisor, New Freshmen & Transfer Student Orientations, '97-'08
Advisory Committee on Freshman Orientation, '95-97, '04
Dean's Committee for Departmental Teaching Award, '00-01
Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs and Personnel, College of Arts & Sciences (CAS), '01-12:
 Advise Dean regarding faculty searches, tenure and promotion cases, merit and promotion
 raises, leaves and sabbaticals, miscellaneous personnel matters.
College of Arts and Sciences (CAS) AA/EEO Committee, '01-12
SBU President's Diversity Council, '01-09
Director, CAS Mentoring Program for New Faculty, '01-12
CAS Dean's Committee for Improving Faculty Salaries, '01-02
Keynote Speaker, Golden Key Honors Society, '01 & Alpha Tau Freshman Honors Society, '02, '03, '04
Author of Stony Brook Response to AAU Survey on the Humanities, '02
Member, Humanities Institute Executive Board, '01-12
Campus Officer and Co-ordinator, Selection Committee for SB Summer NEH Fellowship
 Candidates, '01-12
Member, Senate Committee on Research, '02-04
Chair, Search Committee for CAS Assistant Dean for Curriculum, '04
Member, Search Committee for CAS Advancement Officer, '05
Member, University Ray of Light Awards Committee for Community Giving, '06
Member, Provost's and Deans' Committee on Campus Climate, '07
Co-chair, First Year Matters Committee on Roles & Purposes, '07-08
Member, Task Force on New Faculty Orientation, '08
Presenter, Publication and Tenure, FDP Recipients, SUNY Central Office of Diversity, Albany, NY '10
ACLS New Faculty Fellows Post-Doc Program, Campus Co-ordinator, '10-12,
ACLS New Faculty Fellows Post-Doc Program, Referee '10-12
Member, Faculty Committee on Health Professions, '11-12
Member, Recruitment Committee for Hellenic Center Director, 2013-14
SPD Council, 1999-2016

DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

Chair, History of Philosophy Exam Committee, 1994-96, '99, 2013-present
Undergraduate Program Director, 1973-78, 82, 87-88
Acting Chair and Chair, 1984, 1988-89, 1993, 1999
Solzberg Library Committee, 1985-93
Director, Solzberg Philosophy Library, 1993-2001
Obtained Schievella Research Collection for Solzberg Library, 1993
Chair, Recruitment Committee, '87-88
Liaison with Main Library for Acquisitions in Philosophy, '80-present
UUP Department Representative, '95-01
Philosophy Department Job Placement Director, '99-01
Member, Working Group for Templeton Grant on Trust, '06-07
Strategic Planning Committee, '10
PhD. Prospectus Committee, '11