

# Adam Rasmussen

## Curriculum Vitae

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### EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Historical Theology

The Catholic University of America: School of Theology and Religious Studies  
“How Basil and Origen Interpret Genesis 1 in the Light of Philosophical Cosmology”

Certificate of Advanced Study in Greek and Latin

The Catholic University of America: Department of Greek and Latin

M.A. in Religious Studies

Gonzaga University: Department of Religious Studies

“The Patristic Roots of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults”

B.A. Honors in Humanities (Religious Studies)

Washington State University: College of Liberal Arts

“Is Catholic Pentecostalism Catholic?” (passed with distinction)

### PUBLICATIONS

“‘A Vessel Divinely Molded’: Basil of Caesarea on the Goodness of Human Bodies” (under review)

*Genesis and Cosmos: Basil and Origen on Genesis 1 and Cosmology* (under review)

“Defending Moses: Understanding Basil’s Apparent Rejection of Allegory in the Hexaemeron,”  
*Studia Patristica* 95 (2017): 175-82

“Basil of Caesarea’s Uses of Origen in His Polemic against Astrology,” *Zeitschrift für Antikes Christentum (Journal of Ancient Christianity)* 18, no. 3 (2014): 471-85

### BOOK REVIEWS

Olga A. Druzhinina, *The Ecclesiology of St. Basil the Great: A Trinitarian Approach* (Eugene, OR: Pickwick Publications, 2016) in *Vigiliae Christianae*: forthcoming

Jennifer A. Rea and Liz Clarke, *Perpetua’s Journey: Faith, Gender, & Power in the Roman Empire*, Graphic History Series (New York & Oxford: OUP, 2018) in *Vigiliae Christianae* 72, no. 4 (2018): in press

### WORKS IN PROGRESS

“Theology and the Body: Basil of Caesarea on Physiology and Medicine”

“Breathing Together: Basil of Caesarea on Synodality”

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### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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**Georgetown University**, Department of Theology

*Professorial Lecturer*

Introduction to Biblical Literature (2017-18; 2016-17; 2015-16; Spring 2015)

Women in Christianity (Spring 2017; Spring 2016)

**Brescia University**, Division of Humanities (Online)

*Senior Lecturer*

Introduction to the New Testament (2017-18; 2016-17; Summer-Winter 2015; Fall-Winter 2014)

Introduction to the Old Testament (2017-18; Spring 2016; Spring 2014)

History of Christianity (to 1516) (Fall 2017; Spring 2015)

Catholic Faith: An Introduction to Theology (Spring 2014)

**The Catholic University of America**, School of Theology and Religious Studies

*Lecturer*: Theology, Science, and Technologies (Summer 2013)

*Teaching Fellow*: Faith Seeking Understanding (Spring 2012; Spring 2011; Spring 2010)

*Teaching Assistant*: Christianity and Culture (Spring 2009); Dynamics of Spirituality (Fall 2008)

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### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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“Breathing Together: Basil of Caesarea on Synodality”

Annual Meeting of the North American Patristics Society, May 24-26, 2018

“‘A Vessel Divinely Molded’: Basil of Caesarea on the Human Body”

Annual Meeting of the North American Patristics Society, May 25-27, 2017

“Defending Moses: Understanding Basil’s Apparent Rejection of Allegory in the *Hexaemeron*”

XVII. International Conference on Patristic Studies, August 10-14, 2015

“Origen on *Creatio ex Nihilo*”

Annual Meeting of the North American Patristics Society, May 22-24, 2014

“Basil on *Creatio ex Nihilo*”

4th Annual Symposium in Honor of Fr. Florovsky: Creation & Creaturehood, February 14-15, 2014

“Origen on Astrology”

Annual Meeting of the North American Patristics Society, May 23-25, 2013

“Negotiating between Genesis 1 and Scientific Cosmology”

Annual Meeting of the Mid-Atlantic Region of the Society for Biblical Literature, March 15-16, 2012

“What Exactly Is Basil the Great’s Attitude toward Allegory?”

Annual Meeting of the North American Patristics Society, May 27-29, 2010

————— GRANT AND FELLOWSHIPS ————

North American Patristics Society

2018: Small Research Grant for “Breathing Together: Basil of Caesarea on Synodality”

The Catholic University of America

2010-13: First Year Experience Fellowship

2007-10: Johannes Quasten Scholarship

————— ADMINISTRATIVE WORK ————

Tutoring Coordinator, 2012-13; Fall 2010

Center for Academic Success, The Catholic University of America

Academic Advisor, Summer-Fall 2011

Center for Academic Success, The Catholic University of America

Graduate Assistant (Programming in PeopleSoft Academic Advisement), 2009-12

School of Theology and Religious Studies, The Catholic University of America

————— ACADEMIC TRAINING ————

“Methods in Distance Education” online course, Summer 2013

Department of Instructional Technology, The Catholic University of America

————— ADDITIONAL TEACHING ————

Co-teacher in New Testament Greek, 2008-11

Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church, Washington D.C.

Catechist, 2008-10

St. Jerome Catholic Church, Hyattsville, MD

Catechist, 2006-07

Cathedral of Our Lady of Lourdes, Spokane, WA

————— RESEARCH LANGUAGES ————

French, German, Ancient Greek, Latin

————— PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP ————

North American Patristics Society (since 2009)