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Personal Information

Born January 20, 1956 in St. Louis, Missouri; raised in Seattle, Washington; married to Dr. Paulette Kidder, with two children: Benjamin and Jane.

Current Position

Professor in the Department of Philosophy, Seattle University.

Education

Ph.D. in Philosophy, Boston College, Spring 1987.

M.A. in Philosophy, Boston College, Fall 1982.

B.A., *cum laude*, in Philosophy, University of Washington, Spring 1979.

Areas of Specialization and Concentration

Specializing in metaphysics, Continental philosophy, philosophy of art and architecture, and ethics, including ethics in urban affairs. Teaching competence in history of philosophy, political philosophy, and philosophical anthropology.

Research, Publications, and Presentations

Dissertation

The Relation of Knowing and Being in Lonergan's Philosophy. Boston College, 1987.
Readers: Patrick Byrne, Frederick Lawrence.

Books

Minoru Yamasaki and the Fragility of Architecture. London and New York: Routledge, 2021.

Gadamer for Architects. London and New York: Routledge, 2012.

Book Chapters

“The Right and the Good in Jane Jacobs’ Urbanism” in S. Hirt, ed., *The Urban Wisdom of Jane Jacobs*. London and New York: Routledge, 2012.

“Interpretation and the Speechless Image,” in A. Wiercinski, ed., *Between Suspicion and Sympathy: Paul Ricoeur's Unstable Equilibrium*. Toronto: The Hermeneutic Press, 2003: 460-8.

Articles

“The Point of View of Mister Rogers’ Work as an Author,” *Søren Kierkegaard Newsletter* 70 (October 2020), 13-16.

“Jane Jacobs: Subsidiarity in the City,” *Praxis: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Faith and Justice* 1:2 (Fall 2018), 156-69.

“Lonergan, Heidegger, and the Being of Question,” *Method: Journal of Lonergan Studies* New Series 6:1 (Spring 2015), 1-15.

“Lonergan, Liberalism, and the Good of Cities,” *Theoforum* 45 (2014), 81-99.

“Joseph Flanagan and the Philosophical Hermeneutic of Modern Art.” *Lonergan Workshop*, 25 (2013), 109-125.

“The Ultimacy of Question in Bernard Lonergan’s Philosophy,” *Ultimate Reality and Meaning* 31:4 (2012), 299-313.

“Philosophical Hermeneutics and the Ethical Function of Architecture,” *Contemporary Aesthetics*, Vol. 9 (2011).

“Being and Interpretation for Lonergan and Heidegger,” *Ultimate Reality and Meaning* 30:3 (2009) 134-145.

“The Urbanist Ethics of Jane Jacobs,” *Ethics, Place, and Environment* 11:3 (2008): 253-66.

“Thinking with Father Richardson,” *Lonergan Workshop* 19 (2006): 137-47.

“The Ontology of Interrogation in Lonergan and Merleau-Ponty.” *American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly*, 78:1 (2004): 69-82.

“The Lonergan-Heidegger Difference,” *Philosophy and Theology*, 15:2 (2003): 273-98.

“Four Faces of Urban Design Ethics.” *Arcade: Architecture/Design in the Northwest*, 21:3 (Spring 2003): 33-4.

“The Future of American Cities.” *Lonergan Workshop* 17 (2002): 125-39.

“Modern Architecture and Ignatian Vision.” *Lonergan Workshop* 15 (1999): 13-25.

“The Hermeneutic and Dialectic of Community in Development,” *International Journal of Social Economics* 24:11 (1997): 1191-1202.

“What Could Metaphysics Be? The Lonergan-Coreth Debate,” *The American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly* 69:4 (Autumn 1995): 557-72.

“Still Life and Landscape: The Sacred in Secular Attire,” *Lonergan Workshop* 11 (1995): 21-34.

“Painting as Spiritual: The Philosophical and Pedagogic Tasks,” *Lonergan Workshop* 11 (1995): 35-51.

“Hunger and the Human Good: Ethics of Value in the Context of Philippine Rural Development,” *Humanomics* 9:4 (1993).

“Lonergan’s Negative Dialectic,” *The International Philosophical Quarterly* 30:3 (September 1990):299-309.

“What Is a Thing for Lonergan?” *Method: Journal of Lonergan Studies* 17:1 (March 1989): 1-17.

“Husserl’s Paradox,” *Research in Phenomenology* 17 (1987): 227-42.

“Lonergan and the Husserlian Problem of Transcendental Intersubjectivity,” *Method: Journal of Lonergan Studies* 4:1 (March 1986): 29-54.

“Laughter and Thought in Kant and Bergson,” *Concept: An Interdisciplinary Graduate Journal* (Villanova University) 11 (Spring 1986): 86-106.

Reviews

Review of *Concepts of Nature: Ancient and Modern*, ed., R.J.Snell and S.F. McGuire, VoegelinView

Review of *The Eclipse and Recovery of Beauty: A Lonergan Approach*, by John Dadosky, *Method: Journal of Lonergan Studies*, 4:2 (Fall 2013): 143-6.

Review of *Communication and Lonergan: Common Ground for Forging the New Age*, ed. T. J. Farrell and P. A. Soukup, *American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly*, 69:1(Spring 1995):104-106.

Review of *Bergsonism*, by Gilles Deleuze, *The Review of Metaphysics* 63:1 (September 1989): 152-4.

Lectures and Conference Presentations

“Healing and Creating in Architecture,” Lonergan Workshop, Boston College/Online, June 2021.

“Symbolizing Democracy in the Masculist Mid-Century: The Curious Case of Yamasaki,” International Society for the Philosophy of Architecture, Colorado Springs, July 2018.

“Individualism and the Single Individual: The Relevance of Kierkegaard for Tocqueville’s America,” American Political Science Association Meeting, San Francisco, September 2017.

“The Second Realities of *Madame Bovary*,” Eric Voegelin Society Roundtable at the American Political Science Association Meeting, San Francisco, September 2017.

“The Philosophical Hermeneutics of Economic Development Assistance,” Pacific Association for the Continental Tradition Conference, University of Hawaii at Hilo, September 16, 2016

“Minoru Yamasaki and the Fragility of Architecture,” Edwin L. Weisl Lectureship in the Arts, Carleton College, May 6, 2016.

“Culinary Hermeneutics.” Pacific Association for the Continental Tradition meeting, Seattle University, September 2015.

“Configurations of History.” Eric Voegelin Society Panel at the American Political Science Association Meeting, San Francisco, September 2015.

“Elemental Meaning in Architecture.” Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Vancouver, B.C., April 2015.

“Tocqueville and the Tension between Liberty and Equality,” Eric Voegelin Society Panel at the American Political Science Association Meeting, Washington, D.C., September 2014.

“Public Housing and the Human Good.” West Coast Methods Institute, Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles, April 2013.

“Three Philosophical Interpretations of the Chapel of St. Ignatius.” Philosophy Department Quarterly Lecture, Seattle University, June 2012, and Gonzaga University, Spokane, April 2013.

“Symbolic and Vital Placemaking.” Pacific Association for the Continental Tradition meeting, University of San Francisco, September 2013.

“Finality and Healing: The Psychotherapeutic Practice of Faith Smith.” West Coast Methods Institute, Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles, April 2012.

“Political Hermeneutics and ‘Urban Husbandry’.” Pacific Association for the Continental Tradition meeting, Seattle University, October 2011.

“Joseph Flanagan and the Philosophical Hermeneutic of Modern Art.” Lonergan Workshop, Boston College, June 2011.

“Philosophical Hermeneutics and the Ethical Function of Architecture.” Architecture+Philosophy Conference, Boston University, April 2011.

“The Future of American Cities as a Moral Question.” St. Mary’s University Center for Professional Ethics, San Antonio, March 2011.

“Merleau-Ponty between Van Gogh and Gauguin.” Pacific Association for the Continental Tradition meeting, University of San Francisco, October 2010.

“The Ontological Valence of the Abstract Picture.” North American Society for Philosophical Hermeneutics meeting, Seattle University, September 2010.

“Hermeneutics and Global Human Development.” Wismer Global Thinking Conference, Seattle University, April 2010.

“Method in the Madness of West Coast Architecture.” West Coast Methods Institute, Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles, April 2010.

“Postmodern Architecture and the Greening of American Cities.” Pacific Association for the Continental Tradition meeting, Seattle University, October 2009.

“Ethics and the Ethos of Architecture.” Seattle University Philosophy Club Conference, May 2009.

“Robert Moses and the Common Good,” Lonergan Workshop, Boston College, June 2008.

“Spiritual Meaning in Architecture.” Spiritual Life Institute, St. Martin’s University, 2007.

“Thinking with Father Richardson.” Lonergan Workshop, Boston College, June 2006.

“Voegelin, Heidegger, and the Configuration of Historical Ontology.” American Political Science Association Conference, Washington, D.C., September, 2005.

“Eric Voegelin’s Philosophical Hermeneutic.” Lonergan Workshop, Boston College, June, 2005.

“Towards an Ethics of Urban Design.” Philosophy Colloquium, Seattle Pacific University, November, 2004.

“Method in Urban Studies.” International Lonergan Conference, Regis College, Toronto, June, 2004.

“Indirect Communication in Plato, Kierkegaard, Gadamer, Voegelin, and Lonergan.” West Coast Methods Institute, April 2004.

“The Public Good, the Private Good, and the Human Good.” Lonergan Workshop, Boston College, June, 2003.

“Contemporary Challenges for Philosophy in Jesuit Education.” American Catholic Philosophical Association, November, 2002.

“The City as Work of Art.” Lonergan Workshop, Boston College, June, 2002.

“Existenz and Symbol for Jaspers and Voegelin.” Jaspers Society of North America, January, 2002.

“Lonergan and Merleau-Ponty: Points of Intersection.” Lonergan Philosophical Society, November, 2001.

“Dwelling in Modernity.” Seattle University Philosophy Club Conference, 2001.

“The Future of American Cities.” Lonergan Workshop, Boston College, June, 2000.

“Urban Ethics: Theory and Malpractice.” West Coast Methods Institute, 1999.

“Meaning, Time, and Architecture.” Ernest Becker Foundation and Seattle University College of Arts and Sciences, Spring 1999.

“The Dance of Death in Art.” Ernest Becker Foundation and Seattle University College of Arts and Sciences, Spring 1998.

“Economic Development Ethics and the Mediation of Culture,” West Coast Methods Institute Conference, Santa Clara University, November 1997.

“Kandinsky’s Confidence.” International Merleau-Ponty Conference, Seattle University, September 1997.

“The Banality of Famine.” West Coast Methods Institute Conference, Santa Clara University, November 1995.

“Existential Meaning in Abstract Art.” Seattle University Philosophy Department Colloquium presentation, Spring 1992.

“World Hunger: Obligations to Assist Versus Respect for Cultures.” Northwest Conference on Philosophy, November 1991.

“Lonergan in Debate,” Lonergan Workshop, Boston College, 1990.

“Economic Progress and Decline, and Lonergan.” West Coast Methods Institute Conference, Univ. of Santa Clara, Spring 1990.

“Teaching the Aesthetic Pattern of Experience.” West Coast Methods Institute Conference, Univ. of Santa Clara, Spring 1989.

“Painting as Spiritual: The Philosophical and Pedagogical Tasks.” Lonergan Workshop, Boston College, Summer 1989.

Commentaries

Commentary on Bradley Warfield, “In Praise of (Awkward) Silence,” Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, April 12, 2017.

Commentary on Jeremy Mhire, “Strauss, Heidegger, and Voegelin on the Principle of Sufficient Reason,” and on M. Scott Robinson, “Political Religions in the 21st Century: The Second Reality of ISIS.” Philadelphia, PA: Eric Voegelin Society at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 3, 2016.

Commentary on “St. Augustine’s *Confessio* and the Possibility of Reason,” by Enrique Pallares, American Political Science Association, San Francisco, September 2015.

Commentary on “Tragedy of the Moderns,” by Kyle Dugdale, Architecture+Philosophy Conference, Boston University, April 2011.

Commentary on “Strange Interlude,” by Fred Sontag, Northwest Conference on Philosophy, Seattle University, October 2005.

Commentary on “A Shower of Insights,” by Richard Liddy, Lonergan Philosophical Society, November 2002.

Commentary on “Husserl on Essences,” by Richard Cobb-Stevens, Husserl Circle Conference, Seattle University, June 1991.

Commentary on “Plato’s Argument for Creation,” by Donald Graham, Northwest Conference on Philosophy, Lewis and Clark College, November 1989.

Courses Taught

Seattle University College of Arts and Sciences and Matteo Ricci College (1989-present):

- Philosophy 110: Introduction to Philosophy and Critical Thinking
- Humanities 150: Composition: Language and Thought (Matteo Ricci College)
- Humanities 260: Modes of Inquiry (Matteo Ricci College)
- Philosophy 220: Philosophy of the Human Person
- Philosophy 325: Philosophy of Art
- Philosophy 337: Social and Political Philosophy
- Philosophy 345: Ethics
- Philosophy 351: Business Ethics
- Philosophy 362: Existentialism
- Philosophy 3630: Hermeneutics
- Philosophy 370: Modern Philosophy
- Philosophy 449: Major Figure: Bernard Lonergan
- Philosophy 480/Humanities 400: Who Shall Eat? (Ethics and World Hunger)
- Philosophy 480/Humanities 400/Sociology 480: The Livable City
- Philosophy 485: Major Figure: Søren Kierkegaard
- Philosophy 492: Urban Ethics
- Public Administration 591: Urban and International Development Ethics
- Honors 1030: Humanities Seminar: Medieval Philosophy and Theology
- Honors 2020: Humanities Seminar: The Modern Age of Philosophy
- Honors 2400: Major Ethical Debates
- University Core 1400: Inquiry Seminar: Democracy and the Humanities
- University Core 1410: Inquiry Seminar: Modernism and the Arts

North Seattle Community College (1994 exchange program):

- Coordinated Studies: Global Emergency!

Regis University, Denver (1987-9):

- Introduction to Philosophy
- Ethics
- Rationalists and Empiricists
- History of Ancient Philosophy
- History of Medieval Philosophy
- Art and Meaning

Boston College (1983-7):

- Philosophy of the Person
- Perspectives II: Modernism and the Arts

Selected Service, Consultation, and Administration

- Center for Science and Innovation Oversight Committee, 2017-present
- College of Arts and Sciences Rank and Tenure Committee, 2015-17
- University Honors Program Curriculum Revision Committee, 2012-16
- Organizer, Honors Northwest Research Symposium, 2010 and 2014

Outside reviewer, University of Puget Sound Honors Program, 2010
Co-organizer, National Summit on Philosophy in Jesuit Education, April 2009
Core Policy Board 2008-9
Major Institutional Master Plan Community Advisory Committee 2007-13
Director, Core Honors Program, 2006-14
Department Chair, Department of Philosophy, 2000-06
Director, Northwest Lonergan Symposium, 2000-present

Professional Associations

American Philosophical Association (1982-present)
American Catholic Philosophical Association (1987-present)
Docomomo (2016-present)
Alpha Sigma Nu (elected 1986)
International Development Ethics Association (1993-2005)
Lonergan Philosophical Society (1994-present)