

Curriculum Vitae – 27 April 2014

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Family

Married to Karly Susanne Napier since 31 May 1997. We have two daughters.

Education and Degrees

(Years, Institution, Discipline, Degree)

2006-2010	Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam	Theology	Ph.D.	2010
2001-Present	Institute for Christian Studies (A.B.D. since comprehensive exams in Feb. 2005)	History of Philosophy	Ph.D.	cand.
1999-2000	Truett Theological Seminary	Divinity		
1998-2000	Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary	History of Theology	M.A.	2000
1995-1998	Austin Graduate School of Theology	Biblical Studies	B.A.	1998

Employment

2013-Present	Adjunct Doctoral Faculty Department of Counseling, Leadership, Adult Ed. & School Psychology Dissertation Committee Member	Texas State University (San Marcos, TX)
2012-Present	Assistant Professor of Theology	Austin Graduate School of Theology (Austin, TX)
2006-2012	Missionary / Lecturer in Philosophy and Theology	Biblijski Institut Kristova Crkva (Zagreb, Croatia) Turnpike Road Church of Christ (Santa Barbara, CA)
2003-2006	Senior Minister	Turnpike Road Church of Christ (Santa Barbara, CA)
2001	Interim Minister	Bayview Church of Christ (Toronto, ON)
1999-2001	Assistant Minister for Church Education	University Church of Christ (Austin, TX)

1999-2000	High School Religion Teacher (Bible, Ethics, Theology)	Brentwood Christian School (Austin, TX)
1997-1998	Associate Minister	Murray St. Church of Christ (Rockdale, TX)
1995-1998	Greek Tutor	Austin Graduate School of Theology (Austin, TX)
1993-1995	Missionary Apprentice	Church of Christ (Thessaloniki, Greece)

Courses Developed and Taught

Bachelor's Level Courses

Introductory Courses:

Biblijski Institut, Zagreb Croatia
Evandeoski teološki fakultet

Philosophy and Christianity in the West Part 1:
Ancient Philosophy as a Way of Life from Socrates to Augustine of Hippo
(Fall 2007, 2008, 2009, 4 ECTS credits)

Philosophy and Christianity in the West Part 2: Christendom to Kant
(Spring 2008, 2010, 4 ECTS credits)

Knowing God, Knowing Self: An Introduction to Christian Theology
(Fall 2007, 4 ECTS credits)

Aquinas, Bonaventure, Calvin and the Beginnings of Systematic Theology in
Western Christianity
(Spring 2008, 4 ECTS credits)

Coram Deo I: An Introduction to Christian Theology
Spiritual Knowledge, Doctrines of God, Creation, and Sin
(Fall 2009, 2010, 4 ECTS credits)

Coram Deo II: An Introduction to Christian Theology
Doctrines of Redemption, Spiritual Progress, and Eschatology
(Spring 2010, 2011, 4 ECTS credits)

Until Christ is Formed in You: An Introduction to Christian Spiritual Formation
(Spring 2011, 4 ECTS credits)

Upper Division Courses in Philosophy, Theology or Spiritual Formation:

Biblijski Institut, Zagreb Croatia
Evandeoski teološki fakultet

Spiritual Exercise: Philosophical Roots and Contemporary Christian Application
(Fall 2006, 4 ECTS credits)

Philosophical Reflections on Prayer and the Claim that God Speaks
(Spring 2007, 4 ECTS credits)

Discerning the Way of Wisdom: Reading Old Testament Wisdom Literature for
Spiritual Formation Purposes
(Fall 2008, 4 ECTS credits)

The Philosophy of Jesus: The Nazarene's Way amid the Ancient Philosophic Schools
(Spring 2009, 4 ECTS credits)

Confessions of St. Augustine
(Spring 2011, 4 ECTS credits)

Austin Graduate School of Theology

Until Christ is Formed in You: An Invitation to Christian Spiritual Formation
(Fall 2012, 3 credit hours)

Coram Deo: An Introduction to Theological Thinking
(Spring 2013, Spring 2014, 3 credit hours)

Jesus and the Philosophers: The Nazarene's Way among the Ancient Schools
(Spring 2013, 3 credit hours)

Christian Encounters with Other Cultures: Engaging the Great World Religions
(Spring 2013, Spring 2014, 3 credit hours)

Master's Level Courses

Institute for Christian Ministry and Theology

Eating the Word: An Introduction to Patristic Theology ca. 100-451 AD (November
– December 2005, 40hours lecture, 15 hours seminar)

Discerning the Way of Wisdom: Reading Wisdom Literature for Spiritual Formation
Purposes (August 2007, 30 hours lecture, 10 hours seminar)

Austin Graduate School of Theology

Sacra Doctrina: An Introduction to Christian Theology
(June 2011, Fall 2012, Fall 2013, 3 credit hours)

Theological Foundations for Christian Mission
(Fall 2012, 3 credit hours)

Christian Spiritual Formation
(Fall 2013, 3 credit hours)

Dallas Willard: The Phenomenology of Grace
(Spring 2014, 3 credit hours – combination of seminar and lecture)

Doctoral Level Courses

Texas State University

Moral Pedagogies in Antiquity: The Philosophical Schools and Early Christian Catechesis in Conversation
(Spring 2013, 3 credit hours – taught as a directed study)

Publications

Peer Reviewed Monographs:

En Route to the Confessions: The Roots and Development of Augustine's Philosophical Anthropology (Late Antique History and Religion 6, The Mystagogy of the Church Fathers 2; Peeters: Leuven, 2013)

Peer Reviewed Journal Articles:

“Paul’s Analysis of Sin and Torah in Romans 7:7-25” in *Restoration Quarterly* 44/1 2002

“Sacramental Spirituality for the Free Churches?: Pilgram Marpeck Considered” in *Kairos: Evangelical Journal of Theology* 5/1 2011

Peer Reviewed Articles in Conference Proceedings

“Becoming Part of the *Totus Christus*: Augustine’s Mystagogy in Confessions 13” (an invited paper read on 18 May 2011 in Utrecht at the first international conference on ‘Mystagogy in the Church Fathers’ sponsored by the Centrum voor Patristisch Onderzoek, which is to be included in the proceedings volume forthcoming from Peeters.)

Works in Progress

Shades of Eden: Literary Form, Conceptual Content, and the Hexaemeron in Augustine’s Confessions

(A follow up monograph to specific issues raised in *En Route to the Confessions*. This has also been accepted as a dissertation topic for the Ph.D. in the History of Philosophy at the Institute for Christian Studies, Toronto – 80 pages typescript completed)

“Christianizing *Commendatio* and *Perversio*: Augustine’s Theology of Infancy and Childhood in its Late Ancient Philosophical Context” (an invited paper read on 14 October 2011 in Brookline, Massachusetts at the Pappas Patristic Institute conference on Family and Children in the Patristic Tradition. The publication of a conference proceedings volume is yet to be determined.)

“Plato’s Mnemotechné of Love and Discourse in the *Phaedrus*” (to be submitted to journal – 20 pages of typescript.)

Teaching Competencies

Undergraduate Level: Theology, Philosophy, History of Theology, History of Philosophy, Spiritual Formation, Ministry and Missions, New Testament, Greek, and Latin.

Graduate Level: Theology, Historical Theology (specializing in Patristic and Medieval Developments), and History of Philosophy (especially traditions in Platonism, Stoicism and Christian adaptations thereof).

Research Agenda

My long-term research agenda involves tracing the various permutations of what I call the ‘Christocentric self’, along with the doctrines (theological and philosophical), pedagogical strategies, and spiritual practices pertaining thereto, from earliest Christianity to the present day. This project makes its contribution at the intersection of theology, philosophy and spirituality.

My primary academic specialization is the interaction between ancient philosophies, spiritual practices and early Christian theology. My interests and growing competency, however, stretch along the same thematic lines up to the present day.

Academic Service

Editorial Committee for *Kairos: Evangelical Journal of Theology* (2006-Present)

Library Development Committee for Biblijski Institut (2006-2012)

Coordinator for the Bachelor’s Program at Austin Graduate School of Theology (Fall 2012-Present)

Spiritual Formation Task Force at Austin Graduate School of Theology (Fall 2012-Spring 2013)

Honors and Awards

2006 Van Den Haak Foundation Grant for Research and Writing at Vrije Universiteit

2002-2003 Academic Dean’s Graduate Fellowship (Institute for Christian Studies, Toronto). Awarded annually to the Ph.D. student with the highest academic scores.

2001-2003 Full Tuition Scholarship (Institute for Christian Studies, Toronto)

1999-2000 Presidential Ministerial Scholarship (Truett Theological Seminary, Baylor University) Awarded in recognition of “academic excellence and ministerial promise.”

1998-2000 St. Paul Presbyterian Scholarship (Full tuition at Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary)

1995-1998 Full Tuition Scholarship (Austin Graduate School of Theology)

Memberships in Academic Societies

Centrum voor Patristisch Onderzoek (Centre for Patristic Research)

North American Patristics Society

American Academy of Religion

American Philosophical Association