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**EDUCATION:**

**Ph.D., Systematic Theology, 2003**

The Catholic University of America, Washington, DC

**Dissertation:** *The King Returns to His City: An Interpretation of the Great Week and Bright Week Cycle of the Orthodox Church*

**Director:** Robin Darling Young, Ph.D.

**Synopsis:** Treating the typicon of Orthodox Christian liturgy as the matrix through which the ecclesial polity both emerges and perpetuates itself as “New Jerusalem,” the dissertation employs complexity theory and the complexity-based urbanism of Jane Jacobs to compare the self-organizing processes generating liturgical, ecclesial, and city order. This interdisciplinary approach clarifies the dogmas generating the repetition of theo-liturgical fractals now seen to be evident throughout the hymns and rituals of the Week. This method also provides a key for reading the theological, commercial, and gender markers encoded within the Cycle’s observance. The dissertation closes by suggesting a reconciliation of tradition with development in the form of a “Liturgical Economics” and a “Liturgical Political Science,” systematizing the new economic science discovered by Jane Jacobs.

**M.Div., 1994**

Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, Brookline, MA

**B.S.F.S., 1988**

Georgetown University School of Foreign Service, Washington, DC

Area of Concentration: Science, Technology, and International Affairs

Minor Work: International Economics      Language Certification: German, Modern Greek

**FELLOWSHIPS:**

Acton Institute for the Study of Religion and Liberty, October - December, 2014.

Researching and writing monograph on the social ethics of Jane Jacobs.

**HONORS:**

Teacher of the Year, Holy Cross, 2010, 2011,

Johannes Quasten Full-tuition Scholarship, Catholic University, 1994

Faculty Award in Systematic Theology, Holy Cross, 1992

Phi Beta Kappa and Summa Cum Laude, Georgetown University, 1988

Alpha Sigma Nu Jesuit Honor Society, 1988

NASA Funded Internship in Space and International Affairs, 1986

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

**Assistant Professor of Christian Ethics, Fall 2005 - present.**

Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, Brookline, MA  
Ethics, Social Ethics, Bioethics, Theological Aesthetics, Social Action

**Special Envoy for the St. Helen's Pilgrimage, 2007 – present.**

Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, Brookline, MA

A program of study-travel in Greece, Mount Athos, and Constantinople.

Responsible for strategic planning, project planning, administration, and leading the annual four-to-nine week study abroad program of the seminary.

**Adjunct Professor for Business Law and Ethics, and Religious Studies, Fall 2005 - present.**

Hellenic College, Brookline, MA

**Adjunct Professor of Religion and Philosophy, Spring 2001 & Spring 2002**

Marymount University, Arlington, VA

**FIELD WORK:**

2001 – Studied Holy Week as celebrated on the islands of Rhodes, Kalymnos and Patmos.

2003-04 – Observed Christian monastic mystical practice for twelve months in Greek Orthodox monasteries in the Greek islands and elsewhere.

2011 – One month of service at an orphanage for disabled children in Pskov Oblast in the Russian Federation to study models of social outreach.

**PUBLICATIONS:**

“In Whole and in Part: An essay on moral luck, the Jesus Prayer, and the idea that hubris is first of all a failure of the aesthetic sense.” To be published in the proceedings of St. Catherine's Vision.

“Theophany, Liturgy, and the Appearance of Marriage at Three Fractal Levels,” with Melissa Likiardopoulos. St. Tikhon's Seminary Press. Pending

“Chastity and Empathy: Eros, Agape, and the Mystery of the Twofold Anointing: An Interview in Three Parts,” in *A Journal of Orthodox Faith and Culture Road to Emmaus* Vol. XVI, No. 1 Winter 2015 (#60) p 3-62.

They who Give from Evil: The Response of the Eastern Church to Moneylending in the Early Christian Era (Brenda Llewellyn Ihssen). In *The Journal of Theological Studies New Series* Vol. 65 Part 2 October 2014 ed. Dr. Graham Gould & Dr. Katherine Dell p 731-733.

“A Feeling for Beauty: The Aesthetic Ground of Orthodox Ethics” in *A Journal of Orthodox Faith and Culture Road to Emmaus* Vol. XV, No. 2 Spring 2014 (#57) p 3-41.

“The Opposite of War is not Peace: Healing Trauma in the *Iliad* and in Orthodox Tradition” in *A Journal of Orthodox Faith and Culture Road to Emmaus*, Vol. XIV, No. 1 Winter 2013 (#52).

“The Hospitality of Abraham: Orthodox Ethics and Reproduction” in *A Journal of Orthodox Faith and Culture Road to Emmaus*. Vol. XIII, No. 2 (Spring 2012 #49).

“Remembering Tikas: A Pilgrimage to Loutra” in *A Journal of Orthodox Faith and Culture Road to Emmaus* Vol. XII, No. 3 Summer 2011 (#46) p 56-62.

“Organic Complexity and the Healing of Our Epistemology,” in *Holistic Healing in Byzantium*, ed. John T. Chirban, 2010.

“The City as Liturgy: An Orthodox Theologian Corresponds with Jane Jacobs About a Gentle Reconciliation of Science and Religion,” in *Legacy of Achievement: Metropolitan Methodios of Boston, Festschrift Volume of the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his Consecration to the Episcopate*, ed. George Dion. Dragas, 2008.

“St. Basil’s Philanthropic Program and Modern Microlending Strategies for Economic Self-Actualization,” in *Wealth and Poverty in Early Church and Society*, ed. Susan R. Holman, 2008.

“The Marriage of Priests: Towards an Orthodox Christian Theology of Gender,” *St. Vladimir’s Theological Quarterly*, 51:1, 2007.

“The Current Planning Process: Its Roots and Results,” 2001 on the website of Christopher Alexander, [patternlanguage.com](http://www.patternlanguage.com/townplanning.timpatitsas.htm) at <http://www.patternlanguage.com/townplanning.timpatitsas.htm>

#### **PUBLICATIONS FOR THE POPULAR PRESS:**

“The Grammys and the Church’s Beacon of Light.” *The Orthodox Observer February/March 2014*, pp. 11.

#### **FURTHER TRAINING:**

“Publishing 101: What to Expect, What to Do,” ATS Webinar for New faculty February 20, 2015.

#### **CURRENT COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS:**

Curriculum and Assessment; Field Education; Th.M. Program; Technology

#### **MEMBERSHIPS:**

American Academy of Religion  
Society of Christian Ethics

#### **BOARD WORK:**

The Missions Institute of Orthodox Christianity  
The Russian Orphan Opportunity Fund  
The Center for Byzantine Material Arts

#### **LANGUAGES:**

Georgetown University fluency in **Modern Greek** and **German**  
Some spoken and written proficiency in **Russian**  
Catholic University reading proficiency in **Classical Greek, Latin, and French**