

**The Catholic University of America**  
**School of Philosophy**  
**PhD graduates, dissertation titles, and placement, 1997-2022**

**T = Tenured or the equivalent**  
**TT = Tenure track or the equivalent**  
**R = Renewable or ongoing position**  
**L = Term-limited**  
**PT = Part-time**

**Unless otherwise noted, academic positions are in a Department of Philosophy.**  
**Listed are the most recent placements known to us.**

## **2022**

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**Adam Jurkiewicz**

*Awareness of Place, Awareness of Self: The Embodied Mind in Kant's Refutation of Idealism*

Director: Michael Rohlf

Most recent placement: Lecturer (PT), George Washington University and Georgetown University

**Eric Pedersen**

*The Puzzle of Partiality: On John Cottingham's Aristotelian Approach*

Director: Angela Knobel

Most recent placement: Lecturer (PT), University of St. Thomas, Minnesota

**Aaron Halper**

*The Bridge between Nature and Freedom: The Unity of Kant's Third Critique*

Director: Michael Rohlf

Most recent placement: Lecturer (PT), US Naval Academy

**Paul Radich**

*Alasdair MacIntyre on the Common Good and the Role of the Economy in Fostering the Political Common Good*

Director: V. Bradley Lewis

Most recent placement: Assistant Professor (R), Busch School of Business, Catholic University of America

**Zane Zeigler**

*The Heart's Reason: Affective Scientia in the Epistemology and Philosophical Anthropology of St. Bonaventure*

Director: Timothy Noone

Most recent placement: Non-academic

## **2021**

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**Rev. John Mellein, O.P.**

*Thomas Aquinas on Substance: A Study Across the Philosophical Sciences*

Director: Gregory Doolan

Most recent placement: Assistant Professor (R), Dominican School of Philosophy and Theology, Berkeley, California

**David Grothoff**

*Aristotle on the Relation between Primary Matter and Extension*

Director: Richard Hassing

Most recent placement: Tutor (TT), Thomas Aquinas College, Santa Paula, California

**2020**

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**Bart Himel**

*The Possibility of Moral Science in the Philosophy of William Ockham*

Director: Timothy Noone

Most recent placement: Non-academic

**John Tardiff**

*Bernard Lonergan and the Order of the Universe as a Final Cause in Aquinas*

Director: Gregory Doolan

Most recent placement: Academic Dean, Immaculate Conception Academy, Post Falls, Idaho

**Thomas Howes**

*Religion as a Basic Human Good*

Director: Melissa Moschella

Most recent placement: Postdoctoral Fellow and Lecturer in the Department of Politics at Princeton University

**Jordan McFadden (Blank)**

*Aquinas on Moral Responsibility without Deliberation*

Director: Tobias Hoffmann

Most recent placement: Unknown

**Rev. David Vidal**

*Res as Transcendental in the Metaphysics of Thomas Aquinas*

Director: Gregory Doolan

Initial placement: Lecturer (R), St. John Vianney College Seminary, Miami, Florida

Most recent placement: Non-academic

**Matthew Pietropaoli**

*Types of Teleology in the Thought of Hans Jonas*

Director: Richard Hassing

Initial placement: Adjunct Professor (L), St. Bernard's School of Theology and Ministry

Most recent placement: Assistant Professor (TT), University of Providence, Great Falls, Montana

**Nicholas Kruckenber**

*Nature and Man in the Works of Francis Bacon*

Director: John C. McCarthy

Most recent placement: Non-academic

**Matthew Stolte**

*Kant's Transcendental Idealism and Analogical Predication*

Director: Michael Rohlf

Most recent placement: Non-academic

**2019**

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**Paul Metilly**

*Contrariety in Defense of the Principle of Non-Contradiction: An Interpretation of Metaphysics Gamma*

Director: Jean De Groot

Most recent placement: Professor (R), St. John's Seminary, Boston

**Francis Petrucci**

*The Grammar of Goodness: An Essay on Human Nature and Human Action*

Director: Angela Knobel

Initial placement: Adjunct Professor, Rockhurst University

Most recent placement: Assistant Professor (TT), Benedictine College, Kansas

**Sr. Anna Wray, O.P.**

*Noetic Thinking in Aristotle's De anima III.6*

Director: Jean De Groot

Most recent placement: Clinical Assistant Professor (R), Catholic University of America

**Joseph Wood**

*Political Form in the Work of Pierre Manent*

Director: V. Bradley Lewis

Initial placement: Professor, Institute of World Politics

Most recent placement: Deputy Head of the School of Philosophy and Theology (R), University of Notre Dame  
Australia

**Kelly Doolan**

*The Question of Freedom in Heidegger*

Director: Michele Averchi

Most recent placement: Non-academic

**Benjamin Block**

*Thomas Aquinas on How We Know Essences: The Formation and Perfection of Concepts in Aquinas*

Director: Gregory Doolan

Most recent placement: Tutor (TT), Thomas Aquinas College, Santa Paula, California

**James Despres**

*The Logic of Lectures on Nature: Heidegger's Commentary on Aristotle's Physics II.1*

Director: Holger Zaborowski

Most recent placement: Chair (R), Department of Philosophy, St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Philadelphia,  
Pennsylvania

**David Pensgard**

*Hegel's Modal-Ontological Argument*

Director: Anton Barba-Kay

Most recent placement: Assistant Professor, Liberty University; Adjunct Professor, Northern Virginia Community  
College

**Mary E. Halper**

*Self-Deception and the City: A Political Interpretation of Plato's Protagoras and Gorgias*

Director: V. Bradley Lewis

Initial placement: Non-academic

Most recent placement: Tutor, St. John's College, Annapolis, Maryland

**2018**

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**Aaron Maddeford**

*Francis Bacon on Action, Contemplation, and the Human Good*

Director: John C. McCarthy

Initial placement: Headmaster, Veritas Preparatory School, Williamsburg, Virginia

Most recent placement: Assistant Professor, John Tyler Community College, Richmond, Virginia

**David Cory**

*Agency and Materiality in Aquinas's Soul Theory*

Director: Michael Gorman

Most recent placement: Assistant Teaching Professor, University of Notre Dame

**Daniel Gutschke**

*Justice and the Common Good According to St. Thomas Aquinas*

Director: V. Bradley Lewis

Initial placement: Visiting Lecturer, Christendom College

Most recent placement: Tutor (TT), Thomas Aquinas College, Northfield Campus

**Kevin Kambo**

*The Felicity of Goodness: Self-Knowledge, Self-Determination, and Self-Sufficiency in Plato's Philebus*

Director: John Rist

Initial placement: Assistant Professor (T), Hope College, Holland, Michigan

Most recent placement: Assistant Professor (TT), University of Dallas

**Colin Pears**

*Rousseau's Teleological Thought*

Director: Michael Rohlf

Initial placement: Director of Academic Support, Catholic University of America

Most recent placement: Founder and Executive Director, Highpoint Education

**Daniel Factor**

*St. Thomas Aquinas on the Principle that the Maximum in Any Genus is the Cause of All the Others in the Genus*

Director: John F. Wippel

Initial placement: Tutor, Thomas Aquinas College

Most recent placement: Professor (R), Our Lady of Guadalupe Seminary, Denton, Nebraska

**Ryan Williams**

*The End of Persuasion According to Aristotle's Rhetoric*

Director: Kevin White

Initial placement: Non-academic

Most recent placement: Unknown

**Patrick Rooney**

*Hylemorphism and Diachronic Identity: A Thomistic Approach*

Director: Michael Gorman

Initial placement: Non-academic

Most recent placement: Non-academic

**Francis Feingold**

*Divine Friendship-Love and Divine Impassibility: A Thomistic Response to Process Thought*

Director: Tobias Hoffmann

Initial placement: Assistant Professor (TT), St. Patrick's Seminary, Menlo Park, California

Most recent placement: Associate Professor (R), Kenrick Glennon Seminary, St. Louis

**2017**

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**Carl Vater**

*Divine Ideas: 1250-1325*

Director: Timothy Noone

Initial placement: Assistant Professor (T), St. John Vianney Seminary, Denver, Colorado

Most recent placement: Assistant Professor (TT), St. Vincent Seminary, Latrobe, Pennsylvania

**Scott Roniger**

*How is Natural Law Promulgated? A Phenomenological Approach to Aquinas's Natural Law Theory*

Director: Robert Sokolowski

Most recent placement: Assistant Professor (T), Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles, California

**Rev. Paul Dudzinski**

*An Analysis of Intelligible Species in the Doctrine of Knowledge in a Manuscript Attributed to Antoninus Andreas*

Director: Timothy Noone

Most recent placement: Unknown

**Matthew Miner**

*Logic and Intentionality According to Hervaeus Natalis*

Director: Timothy Noone

Most recent placement: Professor (R), Byzantine Catholic Seminary of Saints Cyril and Methodius, Pittsburgh;

Adjunct Instructor, Mount St. Mary's College, Frederick Campus

**Rev. Ronald (Alcuin) Hurl, FHS**

*Ars Christiana Philosophandi: Etienne Gilson's Concrete Approach to the Christian Love of Wisdom*

Director: Timothy Noone

Most recent placement: Non-academic

**Gaston LeNotre**

*Thomas Aquinas and the Method of Predication in Metaphysics*

Director: Gregory Doolan

Initial placement: Assistant Professor (T), Dominican University College, Ottawa, Canada

Most recent placement: Assistant Professor, Ave Maria University

**Blaise Blain**

*Thomas Aquinas on How Habits Affect Human Powers and Acts*

Director: Tobias Hoffmann

Most recent placement: Tutor (T), Thomas Aquinas College, Santa Paula, California

**2016**

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**Andrew Hill**

*Forms as Active Causes in Plato's Phaedo and Timaeus*

Director: Jean De Groot

Initial placement: Assistant Professor (L), Department of Mathematics, Xavier University, Cincinnati, Ohio

Most recent placement: Teaching Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics, Xavier University

**Joseph Forte**

*Turning the Whole Soul: Platonic Myths of the Afterlife and Their Psychagogic Function*

Director: Matthias Vorwerk

Initial placement: Tutor and Academic Administrator (O), Northeast Catholic College, Warner, New Hampshire

Most recent placement: Assistant Professor (R), Rivier University, Nashua, New Hampshire

**Rev. John Winkowitsch, O.P.**

*W. Norris Clarke's Relational Metaphysics: Being and Person*

Director: Gregory Doolan

Most recent placement: Non-academic

**John Brungardt**

*The Primum Mobile in the Thomistic Aristotelianism of Charles de Koninck: On Natural Philosophy as Architectonic*

Director: Richard Hassing

Initial placement: Postdoctoral position at the National Fund for Scientific and Technological Development, Santiago, Chile

Most recent placement: Assistant Professor (T), Newman University, Wichita, Kansas

**John Schlachter**

*Myth and Truth in Heidegger's Lecture Course on Parmenides*

Director: Holger Zaborowski

Most recent placement: Director of Assessment, St. Meinrad Seminary, St. Meinrad, Indiana

**Andrew Romiti**

*Cartesian Mind and Its Concept of Space: A Contribution to the Project of Jacob Klein*

Director: Richard Hassing

Most recent placement: Tutor (T), St. John's College, Annapolis, Maryland

**Edmond Kotwick**

*The Politics of John Locke's Ethics of Belief*

Director: V. Bradley Lewis

Most recent placement: Non-academic

**Blue Bradford**

*Continuity in Wittgenstein's Philosophy*

Director: Jean De Groot

Most recent placement: Non-academic

**Michael Rubin**

*The Meaning of Beauty in its Transcendental Status in the Metaphysics of Thomas Aquinas*

Director: John F. Wippel

Initial placement: Adjunct Instructor, Christendom College; Adjunct, Mary Washington College

Most recent placement: Tutor (T), Thomas Aquinas College, Santa Paula, California

**Rev. Jean Robert Bonenge**

*Thomas Hobbes on Commodious Living*

Director: V. Bradley Lewis

Most recent placement: Chaplain and Instructor (PT), Niagara University, Lewiston, New York

**2015**

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**Brian Carl**

*The Order of the Divine Names in the Writings of Thomas Aquinas*

Director: John F. Wippel

Initial placement: Assistant Professor (R), Pontifical Faculty of the Immaculate Conception, Dominican House of Studies

Most recent placement: Assistant Professor, University of St. Thomas, Houston, Texas

**Jonathan Krause**

*The Political Theology of David Hume*

Director: John C. McCarthy

Initial placement: Visiting Assistant Professor (L), St. Peter's University, Jersey City, New Jersey

Most recent placement: Assistant Professor (R), St. John Vianney Seminary

**Sr. Mary Julian Ekman, RSM**

*Thomas Aquinas on Self-Love as Perfective of the Human Person*

Director: Gregory Doolan

Most recent placement: Lecturer, University of Notre Dame Australia

**Jordan Watts**

*Natural Final Causality at the University of Paris from 1250-1360*

Director: Timothy Noone

Initial placement: Visiting Assistant Professor (L), Loyola University, New Orleans, Louisiana

Most recent placement: Assistant Director, Ryan Center for the Study of Free Institutions and the Public Good, Villanova University

**Daniel Pierson**

*Thomas Aquinas on the Principle Omne Agens Agit Sibi Simile*

Director: Kevin White

Most recent placement: Assistant Professor (T), Benedictine College

**Matthew Alexander Schimpf**

*The Theory of the Person in Robert Spaemann's Ethical Assessments*

Director: Robert Sokolowski

Initial placement: Assistant Professor (T), St. Gregory's University, Shawnee, Oklahoma (closed); Assistant Professor (L), University of St. Thomas, Houston

Most recent placement: Non-academic

## 2014

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### **Margaret Ross (Cecere)**

*Aristotelian Final Cause in Nature, Poiesis, and the Moral Life*

Director: Jean De Groot

Most recent placement: Assistant Professor (R), Lord Fairfax Community College, Virginia

## 2013

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### **Carrie (Stibora) Gross**

*Jacques Maritain and Alasdair MacIntyre on Human Rights*

Director: V. Bradley Lewis

Most recent placement: Faculty (PT), Pontifex University

### **Paul Higgins**

*Speaking and Thinking about God in Rosenzweig and Heidegger*

Director: Holger Zaborowski

Most recent placement: Non-academic

### **Peter Furlong**

*Indeterminism and Freedom of Decision in Aquinas*

Director: Tobias Hoffman

Initial placement: Assistant Professor (L), University of North Carolina-Asheville

Most recent placement: Assistant Professor (T), Valencia College, Florida

### **Jeong Hwan Kim**

*Demonstrative Knowledge and Epistemic Continuity in Aristotle's Posterior Analytics*

Director: Jean De Groot

Most recent placement: Unknown

### **Rev. Patrick Lafon**

*The Concept of Virtue and its Role in Political Life in the Writings of Yves Simon*

Director: Robert Sokolowski

Most recent placement: Dean of the Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences, Catholic University of Cameroon

### **Sean Cunningham**

*Natural Inclination in Aquinas*

Director: Kevin White

Most recent placement: Tutor (T), Thomas Aquinas College, New England

## 2012

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### **Rev. Ignacio de Ribera-Martín, DCJM**

*The Continuity of Substantial Change in Aristotle's Physics*

Director: Jean De Groot

Most recent placement: Assistant Professor (T), Catholic University of America



**Travis Cooper**

*One Truth or Many Truths? Two Medieval Accounts of Truth: Anselm of Canterbury and Robert Grosseteste*

Director: Timothy Noone

Initial placement: Assistant Professor, Thomas More College, Fort Worth, Texas

Most recent placement: Tutor (T), Thomas Aquinas College, Santa Paula, California

**Daniel Shields**

*Aquinas and the Kantian Principle of Treating Persons as Ends in Themselves*

Director: Tobias Hoffman

Initial placement: Assistant Professor (R), Josephinum Seminary, Ohio; Visiting Assistant Professor (L), Xavier University, Ohio

Most recent placement: Assistant Professor (R), Wyoming Catholic College

**Yang Yu**

*A Phenomenology of Having*

Director: Robert Sokolowski

Most recent placement: Assistant Professor (T), Shenzhen University, China

**2011**

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**Gregory Canning**

*The Eternal Recurrence of the Same: A Historical Account of Nietzsche's Philosophy of History*

Director: Holger Zaborowski

Initial placement: Part-time Adjunct Instructor (O), Metropolitan College, Catholic University of America

Most recent placement: Non-academic

**Micah Tillman**

*Empty and Filled Intentions in Husserl's Early Work*

Director: Robert Sokolowski

Initial placement: Assistant Professor (L), George Washington University; Instructor (PT), University of Maryland; Instructor (PT), Catholic University of America

Most recent placement: Non-academic

**Brian McAdam**

*Narrative, Truth, and Relativism in the Ethics of Alasdair MacIntyre*

Director: V. Bradley Lewis

Most recent placement: Non-academic

**2010**

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**Jamie Spiering**

*An Innovative Approach to Liberum Arbitrium in the Thirteenth Century: Philip the Chancellor, Albert the Great, and Thomas Aquinas*

Director: Tobias Hoffmann

Most recent placement: Associate Professor (T), Benedictine College, Kansas

**Michael Sullivan**

*The Debate over Spiritual Matter in the Late 13th Century: Gonsalvus Hispanus and the Franciscan Tradition from Bonaventure to Scotus*

Director: Timothy Noone

Most recent placement: Non-academic

**Elizabeth Shaw**

*William James on Human Nature and Evolution*

Director: Jean De Groot

Most recent placement: Associate Editor, Review of Metaphysics; Instructor (PT), Catholic University of America; Catholic Distance University

**Kyongsook Kim**

*The Passivity and Activity of a Human Being as Revealed in the Passions of the Soul in Thomas Aquinas*

Director: Tobias Hoffmann

Most recent placement: Adjunct Professor, Loyola University Maryland; Freelance Translator and Interpreter of Korean and English; Managing Translator, American Journal Experts

**2009**

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**Shawn P. Loht**

*Hegel, Nietzsche, and Heidegger: German Philosophy's Interpretation and Appropriation of Heraclitus*

Director: Richard Velkley

Initial placement: Visiting Assistant Professor (L), Tulane University; Instructor (PT), Mercer College

Most recent placement: Director of Institutional Information Processes, Baton Rouge Community College; Instructor (PT)

**Jeffrey Wilson**

*From Concrete to Concept: How Greek Philosophers Conceptualized Homeric Depiction*

Director: Matthias Vorwerk

Most recent placement: Clinical Associate Professor (R), Catholic University of America

**Jacob Niel Rosen**

*On the Teleological Structure of Medicine: A Phenomenological Contribution*

Director: Robert Sokolowski

Initial placement: Scholar in Residence, American University

Most recent placement: Director of the Program in Professionalism, Ethics and Humanities, Rowan School of Osteopathic Medicine, Assistant Professor of Family Medicine

**Therese Scarpelli Cory**

*Thomas Aquinas and the Problem of Human Self-Knowledge*

Director: John F. Wippel

Initial placement: Assistant Professor (T), Seattle University

Most recent placement: Associate Professor (T), University of Notre Dame

**Annie Hounsokou (-Lefler)**

*Nature Gives the Rule to Art: Kant's Concept of Genius*

Director: Richard Velkley

Most recent placement: Lecturer, University of Scranton

**Patrick Alan Harmon**

*"A Gift of the Gods": The Education of the Phronimoi in Plato*

Director: Thérèse-Anne Druart

Most recent placement: Full-time Adjunct, Valdosta State University, Florida

**Christine Neulieb**

*The Mimetic Soul: Philosophical Anthropology in Plato's Writings on Theater, Performance, and Representation*

Director: Thérèse-Anne Druart

Most recent placement: Non-academic

**Geoffrey Batehelder**

*Moral Corruption and Philosophical Education in Plato's Phaedrus*

Director: Thérèse-Anne Druart

Most recent placement: Part-time Lecturer (O), University of Maryland-University College

**Rev. Pratap Misal, C.M.**

*Martin Heidegger's Notion of the Self*

Director: Holger Zaborowski

Most recent placement: Non-academic

**2008**

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**Stanley Grove**

*Quantum Theory and Aquinas's Doctrine on Matter*

Director: William A. Wallace

Most recent placement: Assistant Professor (T), Wyoming Catholic College

**Joel Nimitz Steinmetz**

*Cognitive Arguments for the Immateriality of Mind*

Director: Michael Gorman

Initial placement: Lecturer (L), Gonzaga University

**Paul Stevens**

*Mathematics and Dialectic in Plato's Theaetetus*

Director: Kurt Pritzl

Most recent placement: Non-academic

**John Hersey**

*The Question of Ground and the Truth of Being in Heidegger's WS 1931/32 Lecture Course Vom Wesen der Wahrheit*

Director: Richard Velkley

Initial placement: Lecturer, Morgan State University

Most recent placement: Assistant Professor (T), Mt. St. Mary's University, Maryland

## 2007

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### **Thaddeus Julian Kosinski**

*John Rawls, Jacques Maritain, and Alasdair MacIntyre on the Possibility of an Overlapping Political Consensus*

Director: V. Bradley Lewis

Initial placement: Academic Dean, Campion College, Sydney, Australia

Most recent placement: Associate Professor of Philosophy and Humanities (R) and Academic Dean, Wyoming Catholic College

### **Joseph Patrick Rice**

*Karol Wojtyla on Acting Together with Others*

Director: John C. McCarthy

Most recent placement: Associate Professor of Philosophical Theology (R), Seton Hall University, Immaculate Conception Seminary Faculty

### **Rev. Mark Wenziger, O.S.B.**

*Michel Henry on the Nature of Human Self-Manifestation*

Director: Richard Velkley

Initial placement: Associate Professor (T), Saint Vincent College, Latrobe, Pennsylvania

Most recent placement: Associate Chaplain and Adjunct Professor, Christendom College

### **Molly Flynn**

*The Intentional Structure of Cultural Objects in the Philosophy of John Searle and Phenomenology of Edmund Husserl*

Director: Robert Sokolowski

Most recent placement: Associate Professor (T), Director of the Honors Program, Assumption College, Worcester, Massachusetts

### **David John Klassen**

*Thomas Aquinas and Knowledge of the First Principles of Natural Law*

Director: V. Bradley Lewis

Most recent placement: Assistant Professor, Corpus Christi College, Vancouver, Canada

## 2006

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### **Soojung Kim**

*Alasdair MacIntyre's Criticism of Modern Moral Philosophy: The Relationship of Moral Agency to Community*

Director: V. Bradley Lewis

Most recent placement: Ewha Institute for Law and Bioethics

### **Chad Engelland**

*Heidegger on Judgement in Leibniz and Kant: Overcoming Rationalism through Transcendental Philosophy*

Director: Richard Velkley

Initial placement: Assistant Professor (R), St. Charles Borromeo Seminary (John Carroll University, Ohio)

Most recent placement: Full Professor (T), University of Dallas

**John Grioco**

*An Analysis of St. Thomas Aquinas's 'Third Way'*

Director: John F. Wippel

Initial placement: Non-academic

Most recent placement: Non-academic

**Charles McCarthy**

*Gabriel Marcel's Reflections on Ethics and Human Flourishing*

Director: Riccardo Pozzo

Initial placement: Full-time Lecturer, Washington Technology University

Most recent placement: Non-academic

**Michael Hector Storek**

*St. Thomas Aquinas on the Presence of Elements in Living Substances*

Director: Richard Hassing

Initial placement: Assistant Professor (T), Ohio Dominican University; Tutor (R), Magdalen College

Most recent placement: Non-academic

**2005**

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**Gretchen Gusich**

*Truth and Judgment in Husserl's Logical Writings*

Director: Robert Sokolowski

Most recent placement: Associate Professor (T), Loyola Marymount University (Bellarmine College of Liberal Arts)

**Stephen Grundman**

*The Role of Consuetudo (Custom) in St. Thomas Aquinas's Philosophy of Law*

Director: V. Bradley Lewis

Initial placement: Director of Distance Learning, Divine Mercy University, Arlington, Virginia

Most recent placement: Associate Vice President, Divine Mercy University, Arlington, Virginia

**Michael Edgar Rombeiro**

*Intelligible Species in Some Late Thirteenth-Century Theories of Cognition*

Director: Kevin White

Initial placement: St. Joseph's College, Maine

Most recent placement: Assistant Professor (R), St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Pennsylvania

**Randolph Wheeler**

*Kantian Form and Phenomenological Force: Kant's Imperatives and the Directives of Contemporary Phenomenology*

Director: Richard Velkley

Initial placement: Visiting Professor (L), Xavier University, Ohio

Most recent placement: Lecturer (R), Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, Towson University, Maryland

## 2004

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### **Patricia Pintado-Murphy**

*Kant's Concept of Culture*

Director: Richard Velkley

Initial placement: De Sales University; Josephinum Seminary, Ohio

Most recent placement: Assistant Professor (R), University of St. Mary of the Lake (Mundelein Seminary)

### **Michael Joseph O'Neill**

*The Intelligibility of Human Nature in the Philosophy of R.G. Collingwood*

Director: Richard Velkley

Most recent placement: Associate Professor (T), Providence College

### **Jolanta Jaskolowska**

*Aristotle's Poetics: Reason, Necessity and Plot*

Director: Virgil Nemoianu

Initial placement: Adjunct Professor, Lexington College, Illinois

Most recent placement: Lecturer, University of Houston

### **Christine Baur**

*Transcending Passages: Dante on the Relation of Reading to History*

Director: Riccardo Pozzo

Initial placement: Teaching Fellow at Fordham University

Most recent placement: Non-academic

## 2003

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### **Andrew J. Peach**

"Denken wir uns..." *Imaginative Scenarios in Wittgenstein's Philosophy*

Director: Jean De Groot

Initial placement: Assistant Professor (TT), Providence College

Most recent placement: Non-academic

### **Steven Gable**

*The Role of Inductive Generalization in Collingwood's Model of Historical Explanation*

Director: Riccardo Pozzo

Initial placement: Critical Reading and Writing Instructor

Most recent placement: Assistant Professor and Chair, Department of Philosophy, Trinity Washington University

### **Alexandra Parola**

*Heidegger's Phenomenological Interpretation of Aristotle: A Contribution to the Genesis of Heidegger's*

*Fundamental Ontology*

Director: Riccardo Pozzo

Most recent placement: Non-academic

**Gregory Doolan**

*St. Thomas Aquinas and Divine Exemplarism*

Director: John F. Wippel

Initial placement: Assistant Professor (R), Dominican House of Studies

Most recent placement: Associate Professor (T), Catholic University of America

**Matthew Walz**

*Thomas Aquinas on the Human Will and Freedom: Toward a Scientific Understanding*

Director: John F. Wippel

Initial placement: Tutor (TT) Thomas Aquinas College, Santa Paula, California

Most recent placement: Associate Professor (T), University of Dallas

**Peter Kwasniewski**

*The Ecstasy of Love in Thomas Aquinas*

Director: Kevin White

Initial placement: Professor of Philosophy and Theology (T), Wyoming Catholic College

**2002**

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**Mark Nowacki**

*The Kalam Cosmological Argument in Contemporary Analytic Philosophy*

Director: Riccardo Pozzo

Most recent placement: Assistant Professor (T), Singapore Management University

**Douglas Fortner**

*The Doctrine of Virtue in the Philosophical Writings of Lucius Annaeus Seneca*

Director: Kevin White

Initial placement: Xavier University, Ohio; Aquinas College, Tennessee

Most recent placement: Associate Professor (R), Josephinum Seminary, Ohio

**2001**

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**Gregory Johnson**

*A Commentary on Kant's Dreams of a Spirit-Seer*

Director: Richard Velkley

Most recent placement: Visiting Assistant Professor (L), Pacific School of Religion

**David Christopher Schindler**

*The Dramatic Structure of Truth, in Dialogue with Hans Urs von Balthasar and Continental Philosophy from Kant to Heidegger*

Director: Riccardo Pozzo

Initial placement: Associate Professor, Villanova University

Most recent placement: Associate Professor (T), John Paul II Institute, Washington, DC

**Daniel John Dwyer**

*Reason and Rational Freedom in Husserl: Toward an Epistemology of Authenticity*

Director: Robert Sokolowski

Initial placement: Lecturer at Boston College

Most recent placement: Associate Professor (T), Xavier University, Ohio

**Sr. M. Regina van den Berg**

*Community in the Thought of Edith Stein*

Director: Robert Sokolowski

Most recent placement: Domus House of Studies, Council of Major Superiors of Women Religious, Rome, Italy

**William Joensen**

*Genetic Enhancement and the Ends of Medicine and Human Life*

Director: Robert Sokolowski

Initial placement: Dean of Spiritual Life (TT), Loras College

Most recent placement: Non-academic

**Giuseppe Butera**

*Thomas Aquinas on Reason's Control of the Passions in the Virtue of Temperance*

Director: David Gallagher

Initial placement: Postdoctoral position at the Pontifical Institute of Medieval Studies

Most recent placement: Associate Professor (T), Providence College

**2000**

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**Christopher Stephen Lutz**

*Tradition in the Ethics of Alasdair MacIntyre: Relativism, Thomas, and Philosophy*

Director: Brian Shanley, OP

Initial placement: Assistant Professor (L), Morgan State University

Most recent placement: Associate Professor (T), St. Meinrad's Seminary, St. Meinrad's, Indiana

**Jerrold Raymond Caplan**

*Philosophical Courage: A Study of the Platonic Conception of Courage*

Director: Kurt Pritzl

Most recent placement: Professor (retired), Moorpark College, California

**Seung Kee Lee**

*Determinate and Indeterminate Judgements and the Unity of Kant's Critical Philosophy*

Director: Riccardo Pozzo

Most recent placement: Professor (T), Drew University, New Jersey

**Christopher Oleson**

*Nihilism and the Eclipse of Beauty: Plato's Aesthetic Ontology and the Crisis of Meaning in Late Modernity*

Director: Eric Perl

Most recent placement: Tutor (T), Thomas Aquinas College, Santa Paula, California

**Peter Vedder**

*Science and Technology in Descartes' Meditations on First Philosophy*

Director: John C. McCarthy

Most recent placement: Adjunct Professor, Indiana University (New Albany)



**Christopher Cullen, S.J.**

*The Semiotic Metaphysics of Saint Bonaventure*

Director: Timothy Noone

Most recent placement: Associate Professor (T), Fordham University

**Stephen Riker**

*The Skepticism of Nicolaus of Autrecourt: A Forgotten Type of Skepticism*

Director: Timothy Noone

Most recent placement: Non-academic

**Jun Inoue**

*On the Development of St. Thomas Aquinas's Theory of the Knowledge of the Separated Human Soul*

Director: Kevin White

Most recent placement: Professor of Philosophy, Department of Christian Studies, Nanzan University, Japan

**1999**

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