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AREAS OF RESEARCH AND INTEREST

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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Religious Studies, Marquette University	2002-2007
M.A. in Theology, Marquette University	2000-2002
Ph.D. Coursework in Patristics, University of Bucharest, Romania	1998-2000
M.A. in Biblical Studies, University of Bucharest, Romania	1998-1999
Studies in Orthodox Theology, University of Bucharest, Romania	1995-1998

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Assistant Professor of Theology, Duquesne University	2007-2012
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PUBLICATIONS

Books

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- "The Early Christian Reception of Genesis 18: From Theophany to Trinitarian Symbolism," *Journal of Early Christian Studies* 23 (2015): 245–72.
- "I Saw the Lord: Observations on the Early Christian Reception of Isaiah 6," Pro Ecclesia 23 (2014): 309–30.
- "Blinded by Invisible Light: Revisiting Luke's Emmaus Story (Luke 24,13-35)," *Ephemerides Theologicae Lovanienses* (2014): 685–707.
- "Justin Martyr's Exegesis of Old Testament Theophanies and the Parting of the Ways Between Christianity and Judaism," *Theological Studies* 75 (2014): 34–51.
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- Edith Humphrey, "And I Turned to See the Voice: The Rhetoric of Vision in the New Testament" (Baker Academic, 2007): Anglican Theological Review 91 (2009): 161–162.
- George E. Demacopoulos, *Five Models of Spiritual Direction in the Early Church* (Notre Dame University Press, 2007): *Journal of Eastern Christian Studies* 61 (2009): 149–51.
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- Henny Fiskå Hägg, *Clement of Alexandria and the Beginnings of Christian Apophaticism* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2006): *Theological Studies* 68 (2007): 921–922.
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- "Luke 24 on Genesis 3" (Society for Biblical Literature, San Francisco, 19-22 November 2011);
- Panelist, "Development of Early Trinitarian Theology: Use of the Old Testament in Early Trinitarian Theology" (SBL, San Francisco, 19-22 November 2011);

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- "Entering the Glory of God: Luke 24 as Christian Midrash on Genesis 3" (OTSA: Orthodox Theological Society of America, Boston, 14-17 September 2011).
- Panelist at the Holy Spirit Lecture and Colloquium (Duquesne University, 23 September 2011);
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