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Current Position

Assistant Professor of History, Aquinas College, Grand Rapids, Michigan

Education:

Ph.D., History, Boston College, May 2009

Dissertation: *The "Great Church Crisis," Public Life, and National Identity in late-Victorian and Edwardian Britain*

Advisor: Peter Weiler

B.A., History, Calvin College, May 2002

Teaching and Research Fields:

Modern British History, Early Modern and Modern European Intellectual History, British Empire/Colonial India

Publications:

[Bethany Tanis,] "Diverging Paths: *Fin-de-Siècle* Britishness and the Oxford Movement," *Anglican and Episcopal History* 77, no. 3 (September 2008): 287-317.

Awards and Fellowships:

Donald and Hélène White Award for Outstanding Dissertation in the Social Sciences, 2009

Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Academic Achievement Award, 2009

Donald J. White Teaching Excellence Award, 2008

Teaching Fellowship at Boston College, 2007-2009

Andrew Mellon British History Award, Summer 2007

Boston College Graduate Student Research Expense Grant, Spring 2007

Boston College Dissertation Fellowship, 2006-2007

Teaching Assistantship at Boston College, 2003-2006

University Fellowship at Boston College, 2002-2003

Dr. Peter D. Hoekstra Memorial Award in History, Calvin College, 2002

Earl Srikwerda Memorial Scholarship in History, Calvin College, 2002

First place winner in 2001 Beets Calvinism Paper Competition for "Paul's Ascent to Paradise: 2 Corinthians 12:1-4 in Its Ancient Context," 2001

Wallace and Marianne Bratt German Interim Abroad Scholarship, 2000

Calvin Presidential Scholarship, 1998-2002

Papers Presented:

“Religion, Culture, and Imperialism: The Oxford Movement in Late-Victorian and Edwardian Great Britain,” University of Maine—University of New Brunswick International Graduate Student History Conference, October 16, 2004.

“Never Trust a Clergyman in Black: The Long Life of British Anti-Catholicism,” First Biennial Boston College Conference on the History of Religion, March 24-25, 2006.

“The Persistence of British Religion: Fin-de-Siècle Anti-Catholicism,” New England Historical Association Conference, April 22, 2006.

“An Old Religion for a New Britain: Catholicism and Modernity in *Fin-de-Siècle* Britain,” American Catholic Historical Association Spring Conference, March 30, 2007.

Chair/Commentator for the panel “Public and Private Religion in the British Isles,” Second Biennial Boston College Conference on the History of Religion, March 15, 2008.

“Protestant Paranoia and Catholic Conspiracy: Protestant Perspectives on the Second Anglo-Boer War,” Northeast Conference on British Studies, November 15, 2008.

“Luther as Mirror and Hammer: The Lutheran “Other” among Victorian Britons,” Biennial Boston College Conference on Religion and History, March 19-20

“The Catholic Question and the Limits of British Liberty Revisited: The Fight for the Monarch’s Declaration against Transubstantiation, 1901-1910,” Northeast Conference on British Studies, September 24-25, 2010

Teaching Experience:

Assistant Professor, Aquinas College

Courses: History of Christianity (2010), Medieval and Early-Modern England (2010), History of China (2010), World History I and II (2009, 2010), Modern European History (2009), and Research Seminar on the Sacred and Secular in Modern Europe (2009)

Teaching Fellow, Boston College

Courses: Modern History I and II (2007-2008, 2008-2009)

Theology Tutor, Connors Family Learning Center, Boston College

Teaching Assistant, Boston College

Courses: Modern History I and II (2003-2004, 2004-2005, 2005-2006)

Languages:

Reading proficiency in German and French

Other Experience:

Radio Interview, “English Catholicism,” *Past is Prologue* with Dr. John C. Pinheiro, air date 3 Wednesday 2010, archived at

<http://www.publicrealityradio.org/programs/past-is-prologue>

Faculty Advisor, Aquinas College History Club, Fall 2009 – present

Graduate Member, Departmental Search Committee for a Candidate in Modern European Intellectual History, Fall 2008 – Spring 2009
Article reviewed for *Anglican and Episcopal History* – Winter 2008
Organizing Conference Committee for the Second Biennial Boston College Conference on the History of Religion, Fall 2007 – March 2008
Boston College Graduate Mentorship Program, Fall 2006 – Spring 2007
Graduate Member, Departmental Search Committee for a Candidate in Women's History, Spring 2006

Professional Memberships:

American Historical Association
North American Conference on British Studies
Conference on Faith and History

References:

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