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Education:

- Holy Cross Seminary, Dunkirk, New York 1959-1961 Associate of Arts Degree, 1961
- Passionist Monastic Seminary, Jamaica, New York, 1962-1965 Bachelor of Arts, Philosophy, 1965
- Saint Michael's Theologate, Union City, New Jersey, 1965-1969, Masters of Arts, Theology. Thesis: The Original Sin Debate
- Saint Louis University, St. Louis, Missouri 1971-1976, Master of Arts (Research), Philosophy, 1974. Thesis: The Ontological Argument: Model for Neoclassical Metaphysics
- Doctor of Philosophy, 1976. Dissertation: Hartshorne's Model for Neoclassical Metaphysics, Advisor, Leonard J. Eslick

Foreign Language Studies:

- Holy Cross Seminary, Dunkirk, New York, 1959-61, Classical Latin and Greek
- Trinity College, Hartford, Connecticut, Summer, 1966 German
- Columbia University, New York, N.Y. Fall, 1966, Spring and Fall, 1967 German
- Colby College, Waterville, Me. Summer, 1967 German
- Wells College, Aurora, New York, Summer, 1968 German
- Towson State College (University), Towson, Maryland, Summer, 1970 French

Areas of Specialization: Philosophy of Religion and Metaphysics

Areas of Competence:

History of Philosophy, Environmental and Business Ethics

Academic Positions:

- Lecturer and Teaching Assistant, Saint Louis University, 1974-1976
- Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Bellarmine College, Louisville, Ky. 1976-1981
- Associate Professor, Bellarmine College, 1981
- Professor, Bellarmine College, 1986
- Chairman of Philosophy Department, Bellarmine College, 1981-1989
- Chair and Associate Professor, Saint Louis University, 1989 to 2017

Pastoral Ministry:

- Assistant Retreat Director, Saint Joseph Spiritual Center, Baltimore, Maryland, 1969-1971
- Retreat Master, Baltimore and Washington area high schools, Baltimore and Washington
- Retreat Master, Sisters' Retreats, Saint Joseph Spiritual Center, Baltimore
- Retreat Master, Sisters' Retreats, Passionist Nuns, St. Louis
- Retreat Master, Clergy Retreats, Hartford, Baltimore, Pittsburgh, and St. Louis
- Missionary, Parish Mission Renewal, Baltimore
- Homilist, Lenten retreats, St. Louis
- Associate Pastor, St. Timothy's Catholic Church, St. Louis, 1971-76, 1989-
- Pastoral counseling (marriage counseling and grief counseling), Saint Joseph Spiritual Center, Baltimore; St. Timothy's Catholic Church, St. Louis; Passionist Monastery, Louisville

Grants Received:

- Kentucky Humanities Council, 1981, Lecture Series: Philosophy and the Professions
- National Endowment of the Humanities, 1986 NEH Institute Metaphysics and the Modern World: Whitehead and His Critics. Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA.
- Bellarmine College Summer Stipend Award, Summer 1986

Professional Societies:

- American Catholic Philosophical Association
- American Philosophical Association
- The Society of Christian Philosophers
- The Metaphysical Society of America
- The Society for the Philosophy of Religion

Other National Organizations:

• The Boone and Crockett Club (Ethicist for Boone and Crockett)

Publications:

- "A Question of Life or Death: Is 'Temporary Vocation' a Valid Concept?" Review for Religious, Vol. 30, No.1, 1971
- "The Peircean Influence on Hartshorne's Subjectivism," Process Studies, Vol. 7, No.4. Winter 1977
- "The Problem of Unity in Weiss' Philosophy: A Critique of Beyond All Appearances and First Considerations," The Review of Metaphysics, Vol. XXXIII, No.2, December 1979
- "Lewis S. Ford's Revision of Whitehead: God as the Future of All Actual Occasions, Encounter, Vol. 44, No.1, Winter 1983

- "The Ontological Argument: Model for Neoclassical Metaphysics." The Modern Schoolman, Vol. LVII, No.2, January 1980
- "Creativity, God, and Creation, God: The Contemporary Discussion. Ed. Sontag and Bryant, (Barrytown: New ERA, 1982). Also, The Modern Schoolman, Vol. LXII, no.2, January 1985
- "The Importance of the A Priori in Whiteheadian Theodicy," The Modern Schoolman, vol. XLII, No.4, May, 1985
- "The Ethics of Fair Chase," Kentucky Bowhunter, Vol. 7, No.19, August, 1986
- "The Ethics of Hunting: Killing as Life-Sustaining, " Reason Papers, No.12, Spring, 1987
- "William 'Esher' Ritchie (BDGINO) Best Damn Guide In Northern Ontario," The Chapleau Sentinel, November 5, 1987
- Critical Study: "Jorge Luis Nobo's Whitehead's Metaphysics of Extension and Solidarity," Process Studies, Vol. 16, No.1 Spring 1987
- "Norris Clarke and the Problem of Divine Relativity," Faith and Creativity, Ed. Nordgulen and Shields, (Saint Louis: CBP Press), 1987
- "Organicism, Evil, and Divine Redemption," Archivio di Filiosofia, Anno LVI, 1988 No.1-3
- "Sport Hunting: Moral or Immoral?" Environmental Ethics, vol. 12, No.1, 1990
- "The Dialectical Foundation of the Land Ethic", Governor's Symposium on North America's Hunting Heritage, Bozeman, Montana 1992
- "Vatican II and the Complexities of the Modern World," The Passionist, No.25, 1993
- "Why Fair Chase?", Fair Chase, Vol. 11, No.2, Spring, 1996, No.3, Summer 1996

Book Reviews:

- Paul Weiss, Philosophy in Process, Vol. VII, The Review of Metaphysics, Vol. XXXII, No.1 September 1978
- George L. Goodwin, The Ontological Argument of Charles Hartshorne, The Review of Metaphysics, Vol. XXXV, No.4, June 1982
- George Lucas, The Genesis of Modern Process Thought, Transactions of the Charles Sanders Peirce Society, Vol. XX, No.2, Spring 1984
- Paul Grimsley Kuntz, Alfred North Whitehead, Transactions of the Charles Sanders Peirce Society, Vol. XXVII, No.3 Summer 1986
- Victor Lowe, Alfred North Whitehead. The Man and His Work, The Transactions of the Charles Sanders Peirce Society, Vol. XXVII, No.2 Spring 1991
- Richard Gale, On the Nature and Existence of God, The Modern Schoolman, Vol. LXXI, No.3, March 1994.

Papers and Colloquia:

- "The Peircean Influence on Charles Hartshorne," Faculty Forum, Catholic University, December 5, 1977
- "Creativity and the Doctrine of *Creatio ex nihilo*," The Society of Christian Philosophers, April 1979
- "Lewis S. Ford's Revision of Whitehead," The Society of Christian Philosophers, April 1981
- "Creativity, God, and Creation," New ERA, Maui, 1981
- The Doctrine of Eternity and the Problem of Evil in Classical Theology," Bellarmine College Faculty Forum, April 16, 1986
- "The Importance of the A Priori in Whiteheadian Theodicy," Process Theology: A Critical Appraisal. Saint Louis University, March, 22-23, 1985
- "Religious Tradition from a Whiteheadian Perspective," Passionist Life and Heritage Institute, Sierra Madre California, August 5-15, 1985
- "The Metaphysics of a Suffering God." Passionist Life and Heritage, Sierra Madre, California, August 5-15, 1985
- Invited Participant, "Contractarianism, Libertarianism, and Social Order," George Mason University, The Center for the Study of Public Choice, June 25-July 2, 1986
- Invited Participant, Liberty Fund Socratic Dialogue, "The Social, Economic, and PoliticalThought: Hayek and the Papacy--Contrasts and Comparisons." March 6-7, 1986
- "Contemporary Perspectives on the Problem of Evil," Philosophy Colloquium, Kentucky State University, November 21, 1986
- "The Ethics of Sport Hunting," Keynote Address, The League of Kentucky Sportsmen Annual Meeting. Morehead, Kentucky June 13, 1987
- "The Ethics of Privacy in College Admissions Procedures," KACRAO, Annual Meeting, October 8-10, 1987 Louisville, Kentucky
- "Organicism, Evil, and Divine Redemption," Enrico Castelli Colloquium, University of Rome, Italy, January 3-6, 1988
- Invited Participant, Liberty Fund Seminar, "Wealth, Virtue, and Liberty," Louisville, KY, March 1991
- Invited Participant: "The Hunting/Anti Hunting Controversy." A national teleconference sponsored by the Public Policy Research Institute, The University of Montana, April 7, 1992
- "The Dialectical Foundation for the Land Ethic," The Governor's Symposium on Hunting", Bozeman, Montana, July 16-17, 1992
- Invited Participant, Liberty Fund Seminar, "Liberty and *The Morals of Markets*, Indianapolis, Indiana, April 16-18, 1993
- Invited Participant, Liberty Fund Seminar, "The Tower of Babel and the Architecture of Liberty,
- "The Ethics of Hunting and Conservation," Keynote Address: Wisconsin Department of Conservation Annual Meeting, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, March 1993

- "The Ethics of Fair Chase," Keynote Address, The Boone and Crockett Club Annual Meeting, Denver Colorado, December 1993
- Invited Participant, Liberty Fund Seminar, "The Prophets and Liberty," Indianapolis, November 1995
- Invited Participant, Liberty Fund Seminar, "Liberty and Sensibility: Jane Austen and the Act of Virtue," Seattle, June 15-18, 1995
- Co-organizer and participant, The German Bishops Colloquium on Pluralism, (co-sponsored by The Catholic University of America and Anton Rauscher of the *Katholischen Sozialwissenschaftlichen Zentralstelle,* Monchengladbach, Germany) Saint Louis University, September 1995
- "The Ethics of Fair Chase in Trophy Hunting," Keynote Address, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation Annual Regional Meeting, Saint Louis Missouri, February 10, 1996
- "Why Fair Chase?", Keynote Address, Annual Hunter Education Instructor Workshop, Lake of the Ozarks, Febrary 23-25, 1996
- "The Idea of Wildness and the Theory of Emergent Possibility," faculty colloquia at University of Bonn, May 16, 1997 and University of Frankfurt, May 20 1997
- "The Importance of Whitehead's Philosophy for the Philosophy of Religion," Instituts fur Religionsphilosophische Forschung, University of Frankfurt, May 23, 1997
- Invited Participant, Deutsch-Amerikanisches Kolloquium, June 23-27, 1998, Augsburg, Germany, "Beruf, Ethik und Politsche Kultur." Cosponsored by Katholische Sozialwissenschafliche Zentralstelle (Monchengladbach, Germany), The Catholic University of America, and the Konrad Adenauer-Stiftung
- Invited Participant, Liberty Fund Seminar, "Markets and Morality," San Diego, February10-12, 2000