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Educational History:

B.A., summa cum laude (philosophy major), Georgetown University, College of Arts and Sciences: June 10, 1963.

One year of postgraduate study at the University of Freiburg im Breisgau on a German government scholarship (1963/64)

S.T.B., The Catholic University of America, School of Sacred Theology: February 20, 1969.

M.A., The Catholic University of America, School of Sacred Theology: June 7, 1970.

S.T.D., The Catholic University of America, School of Religious Studies: May 12, 1979 (with a dissertation on the theme of love in the major treatise of the Flemish mystic Jan van Ruusbroec)

Academic positions:

Began teaching in the Department of Theology at The Catholic University of America as a visiting professor in the fall semester of 1985

Regular appointment as assistant professor, fall semester of 1986, teaching in both the systematic and historical theology divisions of the department

Promotion to rank of associate professor, with continuous tenure, beginning with the fall semester of 1992, and to rank of ordinary professor, beginning with the fall semester of 2007

Served as Chair of the Department of Theology from August 1995 till August 1998 and again from August 2001 to August 2003

Served as Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies in the School of Theology and Religious Studies from January 2006 through December 2007

Visiting associate professor in the Department of Religious Studies, Yale University, spring semester of 1999 and again in spring semester of 2000

Languages: reading knowledge of French, German, Dutch, Spanish, Latin, and New Testament Greek

Background in Benedictine Monastic Life:

Religious Profession: February 6, 1966, for St. Anselm's Abbey, Washington, DC

Priestly ordination: May 16, 1970

Served as abbot of St. Anselm's for one term (September 1975 to September 1983)

Served as novice master: from October 1983 to May 1994

Served as prior of the monastic community: from September 1990 to January 2006

Memberships

The Catholic Theological Society of America (since 1985)

The North American Board for East-West Dialogue (1985-1990)

Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality (since 1993)

Chairman, Monastic Interreligious Dialogue (1994-1999)

The American Academy of Religion (since 1997)

Center for Theology and the Natural Sciences (since 2000)

Other Activities or Honors:

Editor of the *Bulletin of Monastic Interreligious Dialogue* (since 1998)

Winner of a grant from the John Templeton Foundation in its 1999 Course Program Competition (for courses in science and religion) and of a development grant from the same foundation in 2000

Winner of the Catholic University of America's Alumni Achievement Award in the field of education, 1999

Co-winner of the Frederick J. Streng Book Award for 2002 for co-editing *The Gethsemani Encounter: A Dialogue on the Spiritual Life by Buddhist and Christian Monastics* (New York: Continuum, 1997). The award is given by the Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies and is named after a former president of the American Academy of Religion who was also a pioneer in Buddhist-Christian Dialogue.

Profiled in *Who's Who in America*, beginning with the 57th edition (2003)

Inducted into the Hall of Honors of St. Xavier High School, Louisville, Kentucky, October 2007

Winner of a Coolidge Research Fellowship, July 2008