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Professional Experience

2016-Present Adjunct Instructor, Hillsborough Community College
2013-Present Adjunct Instructor, Polk State College
2011-2016 Graduate Instructor (Teaching Associate) University of South Florida

Education

2017 Ph.D. in Philosophy and Religious Studies, University of South Florida
Dissertation Topic: *The Genesis and Development of Concepts of Immutability as Applied to Divinity in the Ancient and Hellenic Period.*
Major Professors: Joanne Waugh & James Strange
Committee: Roger Ariew, Mor Segev, Michael DeJonge
2013 M.A. in Philosophy & Religion, University of South Florida
2008 B.A. in Philosophy, *magna cum laude*, Belhaven University

Areas of Specialization

Ancient and Hellenic Philosophy, Christianity,
Philosophy of Religion

Areas of Competence

History of Philosophy, History of Christianity,
Ancient Daoism & Confucianism, World Religions, Ethics

Teaching

Courses Taught

Undergraduate

Polk State College

Introduction to World Religions
Ethics
Introduction to Humanities

Hillsborough State College

Introduction to World Religions
Introduction to Philosophy
Ethics

University of South Florida

Introduction to World Religions
Biomedical Ethics
Aristotle

Graduate Teaching Associate (Assisted USF Faculty)

Introduction to Philosophy (Michael Morris)
Late Modern Philosophy (Doug Jesseph)
Introduction to World Religions (Dell deChant)
Online: Introduction to World Religions (Paul Schneider)
Early Modern Philosophy (Doug Jesseph)
Ancient Philosophy (Joanne Waugh)

Research

Publications

“Does God Repent? Philo Judaeus on the Theological Implications of Exodus 32:14” (Preparing for submission)

“Being and Knowing: Parmenides and the Fragment Three Principle.” (Preparing for submission)

Presentations (Peer Reviewed)

“Philo of Alexandria: Physics and Theology in the Torah.”
Interdisciplinary Center for Hellenic Studies
Nature and the Divine in Ancient Greek Thought. (March 2-3, 2017)

“Prophet, Poet, and Polymath”
Interdisciplinary Center for Hellenic Studies
Poetry, Philosophy, and Science in the Archaic Age (March 11-16, 2016)

Languages

Attic Greek (reading)

Honors & Awards

Belhaven College: Philosophy Award 2008-2009.
Belhaven College: President's List Fall 2006, Fall 2008.
Belhaven College: Dean's List Spring 2007, Fall 2007, Spring 2008.
United States Coast Guard: Commendation Medal, February 2004.

Dissertation Abstract

This project tracks and explains the development of the Doctrine of Divine Immutability from early mythological and scriptural source material that seems to indicate that divine entities are changeable into metaphysical systems that demand a perfectly consistent deity. The Doctrine of Divine Immutability is a philosophical and theological postulate that has long been a staple of systematic metaphysics and theology, but its function in robust and fully formed systems is different than its function when it is first generated in Ancient Greece and Judah.

Methodologically, mostly primary sources are studied and compared with interpretive help from relevant secondary sources. Once the generation and evolution of this doctrine is understood, a more holistic understanding of the relationship between religion and philosophy will be evident. Additionally a more robust understanding of Middle Platonism and 1st and 2nd century Christianity and their relationship to Roman Stoicism will be achieved. Of particular importance to contemporary scholarship this work will allow us to understand the doctrine in its context and will shield us from anachronistic readings of the arguments that are bound to cause fundamental errors in scholarship.

Professional Memberships

- Evangelical Philosophical Society
- International Society for Neoplatonic Studies
- Society for Classical Studies

References

Each of these references will provide letters of recommendation upon request

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