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Robert M. Birmingham Chair in Humanities

Professor Philosophy  
Director, Villanova Center for Liberal Education

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**PERSONAL** Born: November 7, 1943 in Philadelphia, PA.

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**EDUCATION** Ph.D., Philosophy, University of Notre Dame, 1974

B.A., Mathematics, LaSalle College, 1965.

# ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

**September 2011-Present**

**Director Villanova Center for Liberal Education**

**June** **2010 - 2011**

**INTERIM DEAN COLLEGE Liberal Arts and Sciences**

**January 1992-2010**

**FOUNDING DIRECTOR,** Augustine and Culture Seminar Program, Villanova University  
An interdisciplinary liberal education program required of all first year students at Villanova

**September 2008 - 2010**

**ASSOCIATE DEAN,** First Year Studies **September 2000 - 2008**

**ASSOCIATE DEAN,** Core Curriculum, College of Arts and Sciences, Villanova University

## September 1995 - 2000

**ASSISTANT DEAN,** Core Curriculum, College ofArts and Sciences, Villanova University

## January 1992 - 1995

**DIRECTOR**, Core Curriculum, College of Arts and Sciences, Villanova University

**September 2002 - December 2003**

**ACTING CHAIR,** Department of Humanities and Augustinian Traditions.

Responsible for the initial development of a new interdisciplinary Humanities program.

**September 2001 - December 2001  
 ACTING CHAIR,** Philosophy Department

#### 1985 - 1992

**CHAIRPERSON**, Department of Philosophy Villanova University

**1978 - 1984**

**DIRECTOR** and **CHAIRPERSON** of Founding Committee

Master of Liberal Studies Program Villanova University

An interdisciplinary graduate level program of studies in the arts, humanities and social sciences.

**1977 - 1982**

**DIRECTOR**, Honors Program Villanova University

An interdisciplinary liberal arts and science program serving 100 majors and offering 50 courses per year within the College of Arts and Sciences.

### ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

#### September 1993 - present

**PROFESSOR**, Philosophy Department Villanova University

**August 2019- 2020**

**Visiting Senior Scholar Benson Center Colorado University**

#### August 1989 - December 1989

**VISITING ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR**, Philosophy Department University of Notre Dame

#### September 1985 - 1993

**ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR**, Philosophy Department Villanova University

#### September 1984 - 1985

**VISITING ASSISTANT PROFESSOR**, Philosophy Department Haverford College, Haverford, PA

#### September 1974 - 1985

**ASSISTANT PROFESSOR**, Philosophy Department Villanova University

#### September 1969 - 1974

**INSTRUCTOR**, Philosophy Department Villanova University

### PROFESSIONAL

### AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Contemporary Social and Political Philosophy; Alasdair MacIntyre; Philosophy of Sport

### AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Habermas and Critical Theory; Philosophy of Science; Epistemology; Metaphysics; Aristotle; Aquinas

### AWARDS AND HONORS

Presidential Scholarship, LaSalle College, 1961 - 65

NROTC Scholarship, 1961 (declined)

University of Notre Dame Awards:

University Fellowship, 1965 - 66

Graduate Assistant, 1966 - 68

Dissertation Fellowship, 1968 – 69

Carnegie Foundation Fellowship Grant, Summer 1971

Villanova University Summer Research Grant, 1973

Lindback Distinguished Teaching Award, 1984

L.C. Gallen Distinguished Faculty Service Award, 1994 (inaugural recipient)

John Templeton Foundation Grant for Freedom Project, Co-recipient with Colleen Sheehan, 1998 – 2001  
Grant for Teaching Catholic Social Thought Across the Curriculum, Todd Whitmore, Director, University of Notre Dame, 2000 – 2001, Co-recipient with William Werphowski, 1998 – 2002  
Pew Grant for Outcomes Assessment, American Academy for Liberal Education, 2001 – 2002

Lily Fellows Grant 2017

**OFFICES HELD**

National Collegiate Honors Council:

Northeast Region Vice-President, 1978-79

President, 1979-80

# PUBLICATIONS

“Hanson and Radical Observation Thesis,” Fifth International Congress of Logic, Methodology, and Science Proceedings, 1975. Paper delivered at conference at Western Ontario University, London, Ontario, Canada.

“Sports, Language, and Reality,” Proceedings of Alpha Kappa Delta Sociological Research Symposium, 1977. Paper delivered at conference held at Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, Virginia.

“The Persistence of the Four Temperaments,” Soundings, Fall 1983. Co-authored with John Immerwahr.

“Recent Reconstructings of Political Philosophy,” Philosophy Today, Fall 1984.

“Radical Hermeneutics, Critical Theory and the Political,” International Philosophical Quarterly, Summer 1991.

“MacIntyre and Habermas on Practical Reason,” American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly, Spring 1991. This work in an earlier version also appears in Communitarianism, Liberalism, and Social Responsibility, ed. Peden and Hudson, The Edwin Mellen Press, Lewiston, N.Y., 1991.

“The Right Way to Think about the Rights of the Bill of Rights”, in Studies in Social and Political Theory: Social Philosophy Today, Number 8, ed. Yeager Hudson and Creighton Peden, The Edwin Mellen Press, Lewiston, N.Y., 1993.

“Fichte, Habermas and Luc Ferry”, in Political Theory: Selected Studies in Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy, ed. Lenore Langdorf and Stephen Watson, SUNY Press, 1999

# BOOKS

“Augustine and Politics”, co-editor with Kim Paffenroth and Kevin L. Hughes, Lexington Press 2005

“Augustine and Literature”, co-editor with Robert Kennedy and Kim Paffenroth, Lexington Press, 2006

"Augustine and History", co-editor with Christopher Daly and Kim Paffenroth, Lexington Press, 2007

"Augustine and World Religions", co-editor with Brian Brown and Kim Paffenroth, Lexington Press,   
 2008

“Augustine and Philosophy”, co-editor with Phillip Cary and Kim Paffenroth, Lexington Press, 2010

“Augustine and Psychology”, co-editor with Sandra Lee Dixon and Kim Paffenroth, Lexington Press, 2013

“Augustine and Science”, co-editor with Adam Goldstein and Kim Paffenroth, Lexington Press, 2013

“Augustine and Apocalyptic”, co-editor with Kari Kloos and Kim Paffenroth, Lexington Press, 2014

“Augustine and Social Justice”, co-editor with Teresa Delgado and Kim Paffenroth, Lexington Press, 2015

“Augustine and the Environment”, co-editor with Kim Paffenroth and Mark Smillie, Lexington Press, 2016

“Augustine and Kierkegaard”, co-editor with Kim Paffenroth and Helene Tallon Russell, Lexington Press, 2017

“Augustine and Wittgenstein”, co-editor with Kim Paffenroth and Alexander R. Eodice, Lexington Press, 2018

JOURNALS ***EXPOSITIONS*, Villanova University Founding Co-editor with Kim Paffenroth, 2007-Present**

BOOK REVIEWS

“Weber’s Positivism,” The Review of Politics, 1984. Book review of Anthony T. Kronman’s Max Weber.

Youth Sports and Spirituality: Catholic Perspectives. Edited by Patrick Kelly SJ

# PAPERS DELIVERED

“Undertaking the Road Not Taken, MacIntyre’s Thesis on Aristotle and Marx, Delivered to the St. Anselm’s College Philosophy Colloquim, September 2013

“MacIntyre, Practice and the Virtues.” Delivered to the University of Denver Honors Program, September 2002.

“Derrida and the Violence of Law.” Delivered at St. Anselm’s College, April 1995.

“Does Habermas’ Theory of Socialization Remain an Idealist Project?”, Delivered at Midwest Radical Activists and Scholars Conference, November, 1991.

“Fichte, Habermas and Luc Ferry,” Delivered to the Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy, October, 1991.

“I Believe in the Church of Baseball,” Delivered to The Philosophic Society for the Study of Sports, October, 1991.

“Luc Ferry and the Question of Human Rights,” Delivered to the 8th International Conference on Social Philosophy, August, 1991.

“Baseball in America: A Sociological Perspective,” Delivered to the Third Annual Cooperstown Symposium on Baseball and the American Culture, June, 1991.

“Habermas and Derrida: The Nature of Radical Politics,” Delivered at Midwest Radical Activists and Scholars Conference, October, 1990.

“The Debate between Liberalism and Communitarianism,” Delivered to the 7th International Conference on Social Philosophy, August, 1990.

“Radical Hermeneutics and Critical Theory: Beyond the Forms of Critique.” Delivered to Conference on Catholic Philosophy and Hermeneutics, Conception, Missouri, February, 1990.

“Marxism and Postmodernism.” Delivered to the Greater Philadelphia Philosophy Consortium, January, 1990.

“The Political as Moral: A Reexamination.” Delivered to the American Catholic Philosophical Association at its annual meeting in March, 1989.

“The Ideology of Work and Play.” Delivered to the American Cultural Association in March, 1988.

“Interpretive and Functionalist Social Science: Aristotle and Marx.” Delivered to the Philadelphia Area American Catholic Philosophical Association Meeting in October, 1987.

“Human Nature and Human History: Marx an Historicized Aristotelian.” Delivered to the Claremont Institute for Political Philosophy at their annual meeting at the American Political Science Association in September, 1987.

“What Can Business Do for Philosophy?” Delivered to the Mid-Atlantic Conference of Business College Deans in October, 1985.

”Political Science and Political Theory: Autonomous and Non-Autonomous Enterprises.” Co-authored and delivered with Justin Green to the American Science Association in August, 1985.

“The Individual and Community.” Delivered to the Conference of Philosophy and Social Science at Inter-University Centre, Dubrovnik, Yugoslavia, April, 1985.

“The Reconstruction of Political Theory.” Delivered to the Villanova University Social Science Forum, April, 1985.

“The Question of Marxism and Liberalism.” Delivered to the Villanova University Nineteenth Century Society, September, 1984.

“After Weber: Habermas or McIntyre?” Delivered at Duquesne University, November, 1983.

“Christopher Lasch on Narcissism and the Me-Too Generation.”

Villanova University Honors Junior Week Series, January, 1980.

“What Can Philosophy Do for Science?” Invited paper presented to National Physics Honor Society, St. Joseph’s University Chapter, April, 1976.

“Sellars and the Myth of the Given.” Delivered at the Villanova Philosophy Department Colloquia Series, 1975.

“Causality and Human Action.” Delivered at Villanova Philosophy Department Colloquia Series, 1973.  
  
**PRESENTATIONS (Recent)**

“Freedom: Ancient and Modern”, Association of Core Texts and Courses, Framingham, Mass., April 2018

“On Teaching Uncle Tom’s Cabin in the Twentieth First Century”, Association of Core Texts and Courses, Los Angeles 2014

“Rethinking Aristotle”, Association of Core Texts and Courses, Ottawa, 2013

"The Practice of Practices, MacInyre on Virtue," Association of Core Texts and Courses, Chicago, 2006

"Augustine, St. Clare and Uncle Tom in Augustine's, '*City of God*', Association of Core Texts and Courses, Vancouver, 2006  
  
“No Reply”, Association of Core Texts and Courses, Dallas, April 2004

Teaching Catholic Social Thought across the Curriculum, St. Thomas University, St. Paul, Minnesota, October 2003, co-presented with William Werpehowski

Incorporating Mission into the Curriculum, Annual AAUP Meeting, San Diego, March 2003

Invited Lecture on Marx and Human Labor in memoriam for Eugene FitzGerald, LaSalle University, April 2002

Marx and Weber on Work and Human Dignity: How Should I live My Life, Association of Core Texts and Courses, Notre Dame, April 2001

Establishing a Core Program, Plenary Session, Association of Core Texts and Courses, San Francisco, April 2000

# PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING

Accreditation Evaluator, St. Bonaventure University, Clare College Core Curriculum, September 2003

Accreditation Evaluator, Southern Virginia College, March 2001

Consultant to Human Organization Sciences Institute, Villanova University, as moderator and evaluator. Projects included Pennsylvania Department of Aging review of Family Caregiver Support Program, Pennsylvania Department of Transportation Program on Public Safety and Haverford Township School District Committee to develop a Philosophy of Sports, 1988-89.

Consultant to Public Agenda Foundation, New York City, as moderator and field work researcher. Projects included “Soviet and U.S. Relations on War and Disarmament” and “Criminal Justice and the Prison System in America”

Consultant to Gallaudet College, National University for Speech and Hearing Handicapped, Honors Programs Faculty Teaching Development, May, 1981.

Consultant to Mansfield State College, Honors Program Development, September, 1978.

# PROFESSIONAL PROJECTS

## CBS TELEVISION SERIES: “SPORTS: FACT AND FICTION”

Associate Producer, Lecturer and Host of this television series of 39 one hour shows which aired on CBS in Philadelphia. This originally aired from September to December 1977 and was repeated from March to June, 1978 and December 1978 to March 1979.

This series was based on my Philosophy of Sport course which I originally developed at Villanova in 1976-77.

**Co-Campaign Manager for 149th Seat in Pennsylvania House of Representatives**

Coordinated four races from March 1994 to November 1994. Candidate was successful in first three races. Co-coordinated mailing and publicity campaign. Organized precinct canvassing and four election day polling coverage.  
  
**SERVICE FOR VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY (SELECTED)**

University Rank and Tenure Committee

Arts and Sciences Rank and Tenure Committee

Arts and Sciences Strategic Planning Committee

University Senate Faculty Affairs Committee, past Chair

Faculty Council, past Chair and Vice-chair

Faculty Committee on Salaries and Fringe Benefits, past Chair

Middle States Committee on Mission, Goals and Objectives

Board of Trustees Committee on Academic Policy

University Senate Committee on Planning and Priorities

Freshman Orientation Seminar Program, past Chair

Presidential Scholarships for the Underrepresented Committee

Cultural Film Series

Lindback Committee, Chair

Connolly Center Board of Governance

Villanova Learning Community Committee (co-chair)