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Education:

- Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ: M.L.I.S., January 2002. Omicron Chapter of Beta Phi Mu, with a G.P.A. of 3.958.
- Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, NJ: Th.M. (in lieu of dissertation), May 1998.
- Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, NJ: M.Div., 3rd in a class of 142, with a G.P.A. of 3.908, June 1990.
- Boise State University, Boise, ID: courses of interest, 1986-1987.
- George Fox College (now University), Newberg, OR: B.A., *magna cum laude*, History, May 1984 (1983).
- The Oregon Extension of Trinity College (Deerfield, IL), Lincoln Oregon: Fall 1982, on exchange. The Oregon Extension is now associated with Eastern University, St. Davids, PA.

Experience:

- Theology and Philosophy Librarian with responsibility for Special Collections, Seattle Pacific University Library, 1 July 2010- . As below, but for the areas of Philosophy and Theology (including Special Collections) only, with the addition of a lot of advisement, research, "collection development," and (through June of 2013) organization in support of the Center for Biblical and Theological Education.
- Theology/Humanities/Fine Arts Librarian with responsibility for Special Collections, Seattle Pacific University Library, Seattle Pacific University, Seattle, Washington: 9 September 2002- . *Broadly*, collection development, information literacy, reference, and liason work with relevant faculty colleagues in Theology, Communication & Journalism (-2006), English (-2010), Foreign Languages & the MA-TESOL program (-2006), Philosophy, Art (-2010), Music (-2010), and Theatre (-2006). Lead for Collection Development, 2005- .
- Serials Assistant, Historical Studies-Social Science Library, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, NJ: 1 February 1999-. *Sole direct* responsibility for a remarkable collection of some 1,200 active serials in many languages, most of them highly specialized, and many, extremely exotic.
- Youth Pastor, Boise Friends Church, Boise, ID: May 1984-June 1986. Long- and short-range planning, curricular development, and administration; volunteer staff recruitment and supervision; research and teaching; preaching; programming; fundraising; pastoral calling; etc.

Academic rank:

- Associate Professor, Seattle Pacific University, July 2011- .
- Assistant Professor, Seattle Pacific University, September 2002-June 2011.

- Instructor and member of the faculty, School of Theology, Seattle Pacific University, Winter 2006 (?)- , as reaffirmed in the Winter or Spring of 2013.

Languages read: French and German, plus, less fluently, Hebrew, Greek, and Latin.

Publications:

- “Here I fall: a blunder in Roland Bainton’s *Here I stand*,” [*Theological librarianship*](#) 12, no. 2 (October 2019) (forthcoming).
- “Irony in John Updike’s ‘Pigeon Feathers,’” *Notes on contemporary literature* 21 (1991): 7-11.
- “The structure of Flannery O’Connor’s ‘Revelation,’” *Notes on contemporary literature* 20 (1990): 5-7.

- Translation of Hanns-Helmut Schnebel, “Even the military musicians went hungry: Friedebald Gräfe (1840-1880) and his ‘Concerto for trombone,’” *International Trombone journal* 46, no. 3 (July 2018): 32-33.

- Review of James E. Bradley and Richard A. Muller, *Church history: an introduction to research methods and resources*, 2nd ed. (Eerdmans, 2016), *Calvin Theological Journal* 52, no. 2 (November 2017): 339-345.
- Review, Philosophy Research Index, Philosophy Documentation Center, *Journal of religious and theological information* 11:1/2 (2012): 68-76.
- Review, *Evangelical dictionary of theology*, 2nd ed., ed. Walter Elwell (Grand Rapids: Baker, 2001), *Calvin theological journal* 38:2 (November 2003): 375-377.
- ATLA Reference Review, Index of Christian Art, December 2001, http://www.atla.com/member/librarians_tools/reference_reviews/review1201.html, and *Newsletter - American Theological Library Association* 49:2 (February 2002): 28-33 (with Jim Snow).
- Review, Douglas W. Frank, *Less than conquerors: how evangelicals entered the twentieth century* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1986), *Calvin theological journal* 25:1 (April 1990): 75-82.
- Review, David E. Shi, *The simple life: plain living and high thinking in American culture* (New York: Oxford University Press, 1985), *The evangelical Friend* 9 (1986): 7-8.

- “Published works by Robert W. Wall, 1973-2015.” In *The usefulness of Scripture: essays in honor of Robert W. Wall*, edited by Daniel Castelo, Sara M. Koenig, and David R. Nienhuis, pp. xxi-xxxvii. University Park, PA: Eisenbrauns, The Pennsylvania State University Press, 2018.

- “Did they really say that?” Refo Thursday blog post, Christian History Institute, Autumn 2016, <https://www.christianhistoryinstitute.org/blog/post/did-they-really-say-that/>
- Miscellaneous contributions to *Ideas* (El Cajon, CA), c. 1985.

Presentations:

- “Here I fall: a cautionary tale for the [(should have said an)] age of misinformation and fake news,” Seattle Pacific University Faculty Retreat, 11 September 2017.
- Invited presentation on THEO 3210 collaboration (with Dr. David Nienhuis), and discussion facilitator, “Information Fluency in Philosophy, Religious Studies, and the History of Ideas,” a conference sponsored by the Mellon Foundation and the Council of Independent Colleges, Baltimore, MD, 5-7 March 2015.
- Panel, “Great underappreciated works of theological reference,” Public Services Interest Group, American Theological Library Association Annual, Louisville, KY, 19 June 2010. A Power Point presentation (<http://myhome.spu.edu/sperisho/PSIGpresentationLouisville.pptx>) that constituted the first 30 minutes of the time allotted to a three-person panel, the other two members of the panel being Mr. David Stewart, Director, Bethel University Libraries, and outgoing President of the American Theological Library Association; and Dr. Jennifer Woodruff Tait, adjunct professor of church history at Asbury Theological Seminary, Huntington University, Southwestern College, and United Theological Seminary.

Consulting:

- Sultan Qaboos University libraries, Muscat, Sultanate of Oman, 7-11 November 2008. With Dr. Tom Trzyna of Seattle Pacific University (head of delegation) and Nancy Press of the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, assessed University libraries for His Eminence Dr. Ali bin Saud Al-Bemani, the Vice-Chancellor, and Her Highness Dr. Mona Fahad Al-Said, Assistant to the Vice Chancellor for External Cooperation. Trip was organized by David Woodward of the American Cultural Exchange and Rashid Al-Kiyumi, senior advisor to Sultan Qaboos University.

Grants:

- \$400 ATLA Professional Development Committee grant in support of a program of the fledgling Pacific Northwest Religious and Theological Library Association, Mt. Angel Abbey Library, 23 May 2012.

Awards: Member, Beta Phi Mu (Omicron Chapter), April 2002- ; Cyril F. Carr Memorial Scholarship, Newberg, Oregon, 1987-1990 (while a student at Princeton

Theological Seminary); Dean's List, Boise State University, 1986-1987; Baccalaureate Student Speaker, George Fox College, Spring 1983; Herbert Hoover Scholar, George Fox College, Winter and Spring, 1983; American Bible Society Award for scholarly achievement in Greek, George Fox College, Spring 1981; Benson Scholar, George Fox College, 1979-1983; Oregon Scholar, Spring 1979.

Memberships:

- American Theological Library Association, 2001- . Leadership in addition to the advanced reference work and research done over the ATLA listserv ATLANTIS:
 - Board of Directors, 2013/14- (three year term)
 - Secretary, 2014/15-2015/16.
 - Governance Committee, 2013- .
 - Annual Conference Committee, 2012/13 (one year; resignation due to election to the Board of Directors, above).
 - Public Services Interest Group
 - Vice-chair, Steering Committee, 2011/12-2012/13 (two years).
 - Member, Steering Committee, 2009/10- . Conference planning in two cases so far, and a presentation in one.
 - Secretary, Steering Committee, 2009/10.
 - Member, Steering Committee, 2004/05-2005/06 (two years).
 - College and University Interest Group
 - Chair, Steering Committee, 2006/07-2008/09 (three years). Conference planning in three cases.
 - Member, Steering Committee, 2005/06 (one year). Conference planning in one case.
- Organizer and founding member, Pacific Northwest Religious and Theological Library Association, 2011 (informal leadership from the mid-2000s)- .
- Association of College and Research Libraries, 2010-2013.
- American Library Association, 2002, 2010-2013.
- Music Library Association, 2005-2006 (?).

Orbis Cascade Alliance service

- Shared Content Team, 2016/17-2017/18 (two-year term).

University service

- Faculty Affairs Committee, Seattle Pacific University, 2011/12-2013/14.

Church-based service: Extraordinary minister, reader, and instructor in adult education, Saint Mary Magdalene Parish, Everett, WA, 2010- . Lector, lay eucharistic minister, and instructor in adult education, Trinity Episcopal Church, Everett, WA, 2003-2006. Adult teacher and/or seminar leader, and youth sponsor and junior and senior high Sunday school teacher, All Saints' Episcopal, Princeton, NJ;

Calvary Presbyterian Church, Riverton, NJ; Boise Friends Church, Boise, ID; and East Wenatchee Friends Church, East Wenatchee, WA; youth camp director, seminar leader, and counselor, Quaker Hill, McCall, ID, and Twin Rocks Friends Camp, Rockaway, OR.