

Michael Hall
Curriculum Vitae

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Education

M.A., Philosophy, *Franciscan University of Steubenville*, 2022–Ant. Comp. 2025.

B.A., Theological Studies, Christian Thought Major, *Reformation Bible College*, 2017–2021.

Research

Graduate (MA)

Directed Study: PHL765 – Geach on Logic, Language, and Metaphysics, *Franciscan University of Steubenville*, Spring 2024 with Dr. Alex Plato.

Directed Study: PHL765 – Wittgenstein, Anscombe, and Geach, *Franciscan University of Steubenville*, Spring 2023 with Dr. Alex Plato.

Papers in Progress

- “Aquinas on Privations and Moral Evil: A Reply to Crosby,” preparing for submission to journals, target journal: *ACPQ*.
- “Reading Anscombe through Wittgenstein: Wittgenstein’s Neglected Influence on *Modern Moral Philosophy*,” research and drafting.
- “Aquinas Meets Davidson: Proposing an Actualist Truth-Conditional Semantics,” researching.
- “Does Tractarian Nonsense Make Sense? Reconsidering the Logical Function of Tautologies and Contradictions,” researching.
- “Compositionality and Contextuality? Puzzling Compatibility of two Fregean Principles,” researching.
- “Divine Exemplarism: An Alternative Solution to the Problem of God and Abstract Objects,” researching.

Undergraduate

Undergraduate Senior Research Project: “A Tautological Method of Human Life: Ethics, Language, and Activity in the Thought of Ludwig Wittgenstein.” *Reformation Bible College*, Fall 2020–Spring 2021.

Supervisor: Ass. Prof. Anthony Salangsang

Primary Examiner: Dr. Keith Mathison

Secondary Examiner: Dr. John Tweeddale

Independent Study: PHI355IS – Directed Readings in Aristotle, *Reformation Bible College*, Spring 2021 with Dr. Keith Mathison.

Independent Study: PHI456IS – Topics in Philosophy: Friendship, *Reformation Bible College*, Spring 2020 with Asst. Prof. Anthony Salangsang.

Independent Study: PHI450IS – Anthropology & Ethics, *Reformation Bible College*, Fall 2019 with Adj. Prof. L. M. Sacasas.

Independent Study: PHI454IS – Medieval Philosophy, *Reformation Bible College*, Spring 2019 with Dr. Christopher Cleveland.

Publications

“Tractarian Ethics: A Transcendental Vision,” *Wittgenstein-Studien* 15 (2024), *under review*.

“The Question of Wittgensteinian Thomism: Grammar and Metaphysics,” *Southwest Philosophy Review* 40, no. 1 (2024): 217-28.

“Instantiating a Transcendental Vision: Recontextualizing Tractarian Ethics,” in *What Can be Shown Cannot be Said: Proceedings of International Ludwig Wittgenstein Symposium*, eds. Ines Skelac and Ante Belić. Berlin: Lit Verlag, 2023.

Conference Presentations

“Actuality and Existential Quantity: Extending Geach’s Insight,” Society for the Study of the History of Analytic Philosophy, *University of Connecticut*, June 2024. (*Accepted*)

“Is There Existence Beyond the Quantifier? Extending Geach’s Frege-Aquinas Parallel,” American Maritain Association, *St. Bernard’s School of Theology*, April 2024.

“Aquinas on Privations and Moral Evil: A Reply to Crosby,” American Catholic Philosophical Association, Poster Session, *University of St. Thomas (Houston)*, November 2023.

“The Question of Wittgensteinian Thomism: Grammar and Metaphysics,” Southwestern Philosophical Society, *Baylor University*, November 2023.

“Eternally Present Singularities: A Boethian Reply to MacIntyre,” Philosophy Graduate Student Association, *Saint Louis University*, September 2023.

“Individuality, Personality, and the Common Good between Maritain and De Koninck,” American Maritain Association, *University of Dallas*, April 2023.

“Tractarian Ethics: A Transcendental Vision,” Harvard-MIT Graduate Philosophy Conference, *Harvard University*, April 2023.

“Instantiating a Transcendental Vision: Recontextualizing Tractarian Ethics,”
International Ludwig Wittgenstein Symposium, *University of Zagreb*, December 2021.

Other Presentations

“Does Geach’s Frege-Aquinas Parallel Secure Existence as a First-Order Predicate?”
Graduate Philosophy Student Colloquium, *Franciscan University of Steubenville*, April 2024.

“What’s Still Wrong with Tooley’s Argument from Evil,” Graduate Philosophy Student
Colloquium, *Franciscan University of Steubenville*, December 2023.

“The Interplay of Being and Goodness: A Thomist–Scotist Synthesis,” Hounds of
Heaven Philosophy Series, *Franciscan University of Steubenville*, March 2023.

“Eternally Present Singularities: A Boethian Reply to MacIntyre,” Graduate Philosophy
Student Colloquium, *Franciscan University of Steubenville*, March 2023.

“Wittgenstein’s Tractarian Ethics,” Hounds of Heaven Philosophy Series, *Franciscan
University of Steubenville*, February 2023.

“Evil as Privation and Vice as *Habitus* in Aquinas,” Graduate Philosophy Student
Colloquium, *Franciscan University of Steubenville*, September 2022.

“After Polity: The Simulacra of Politics and Genuine Polity,” Veritas Society, *Franciscan
University of Steubenville*, June 2022.

“Learning to Read Well: Critical Reading Seminar,” Study Center, *Reformation Bible
College*, September 2020.

“Research Methodology Seminar,” Study Center, *Reformation Bible College*, September
2020 and January 2019.

Teaching Experience

Assisted Teaching

PHL430B – Philosophical Texts: Texts of Anscombe, *Franciscan University of Steubenville*,
Fall 2024 (*in preparation*)

Substitute Lectures

PHL412A – Contemporary Philosophy, Undergraduate level. Two class sessions on
Ludwig Wittgenstein. *Franciscan University of Steubenville*, April 2024.

PHL306A – Epistemology, Undergraduate level. One class session on testimony.
Franciscan University of Steubenville, February 2024.

PHL301A – Logic. Undergraduate level. One class session on categorical syllogisms.
Franciscan University of Steubenville, October 2023.

PHL110C – Philosophy of the Human Person. Undergraduate level. Two class sessions on topics in philosophy of mind: materialism and dualism. *Franciscan University of Steubenville*, November 2022.

Professional Employment

Graduate Assistant to Dr. Brandon Dahm, *Franciscan University of Steubenville*, Ant. Start August 2023

Graduate Assistant Student Mentor, *Franciscan University of Steubenville*, August 2023–December 2023.

Writing Tutor, *Pear Deck Tutor* (formerly *TutorMe*), Remote, January 2022–June 2023.

Part-time Middle School History Teacher, *The Rock Academy*, Sanford, FL, August 2021–August 2022.

Teaching Assistant to Dr. Paul Helm, *Reformation Bible College*, Sanford, FL, October 2020–May 2021.

Tutor, Study Center at *Reformation Bible College*, Sanford, FL, January 2019–March 2021.

Teaching and Research Assistant to Dr. Keith Mathison, *Reformation Bible College*, Sanford, FL, August 2018–May 2021.

Memberships

American Catholic Philosophical Association
American Maritain Association
American Philosophical Association
British Wittgenstein Society
International Society for MacIntyrean Enquiry
Nordic Wittgenstein Society
Society for the European History of Ideas
Society for Medieval Logic and Metaphysics