

Curriculum Vitae

Daniel Patrick Scheid, Ph.D.

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EMPLOYMENT

2016-Present Associate Professor, Department of Theology, Duquesne University
2009-2016 Assistant Professor, Department of Theology, Duquesne University
2007-2009 Instructor, Department of Theology, Duquesne University

EDUCATION

Ph.D. **Boston College**, Chestnut Hill, MA, 2008
Theological Ethics, Minor in Comparative Theology

Dissertation: *“Let All Creatures Praise the Lord”*: God, Creation, and Promoting
the Cosmic Common Good
Director: Stephen J. Pope
Committee: Lisa Sowle Cahill, Francis X. Clooney, S.J.

M.A. **Catholic Theological Union**, Chicago, IL, 2004
Systematic Theology

Thesis: *Paul Tillich and Thomas Berry on the Revelation of Nature*
Director: Robert Schreiter, C.P.P.S.

A.B. **Princeton University**, Princeton, NJ, 1998
History, Cum Laude

PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

American Academy of Religion
Catholic Theological Ethics in the World Church

Catholic Theological Society of America
College Theology Society
Society of Christian Ethics
Society for Hindu-Christian Studies

COURSES

Duquesne University

UCOR 143	Global and Cultural Perspectives
UCOR 152	Theological Ethics
THEO 203W	Hinduism and Buddhism (Writing Intensive)
THEO 201	Buddhist-Christian Dialogue
THEO 248	Religion and Ecology
THEO 261	Christian Social Ethics
IHP 261	Honors Christian Social Ethics
IHP 145	Honors: Theological Ethics for a Sustainable World
IHP 301	Honors: Hallows and the Holy: Harry Potter and Theology
THEO 540	Comparative Theology (Masters Level)
THEO 541	Theological Ethics (Masters Level)
THEO 694	Doctoral Seminar in Ecological Ethics
	Doctoral Seminar in Comparative Theological Ethics

AWARDS, GRANTS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

Awards

The Cosmic Common Good: Religious Grounds for Ecological Ethics

Selected by the *Society of Christian Ethics* as one of the three “Best First Books” published 2012-2017.

Grants for Scholarship

NEH Endowment: Symposium with Reverend Roshi Bruce Harris, “A Zen View of Suffering and the Transformation of Suffering.” 2019. \$2,000.

Presidential Scholarship Award, 2017. Duquesne University Research and Writing Grant, \$5000.00. Project: *Cosmic Belonging: Ecological Ethics and The Theologies of Creation in Thomas Aquinas and Vedanta Desika.*

NEH Endowment: Symposium with Dr. David Loy, “Personal, Social and Ecological Transformation: Buddhist and Christian Perspectives.” 2015. \$2,000.

Presidential Scholarship Award, 2014. Duquesne University Research and Writing

Grant, \$5000.00. Project: *The Cosmic Common Good: Religious Grounds for Ecological Ethics*.

NEH Endowment: Symposium with Dr. Paul Knitter, "The State of Roman Catholic Theology of Religions and Interreligious Dialogue." 2012. \$1,700.

Fr. Richard V. Paluse Mission-Related Research Award. Center for Catholic Social Thought, Duquesne University. 2009-2010. \$5,000. Project: "St. Thomas Aquinas and St. Augustine and a Fivefold Cosmic Common Good."

John J. and Margaret O'Brien Flatley Fellowship, Boston College. 2003-2007.

Cardinal Bernardin Scholarship, Catholic Theological Union. 2001-2003.

Fulbright Research Scholarship: Munich, Germany. 1998-1999.

Grants for Teaching

Interfaith Youth Core (IFYC) and the Council of Independent Colleges: "Teaching Interfaith Understanding." June, 2018.

Center for Community-Engaged Teaching and Research, "Pathways Grants: Catholic Social Thought." Member of the Catholic Social Thought Team. 2016-2020. \$10,000.

Lilly Fellows Network Exchange Program, "Service, Faith, and Higher Learning: The PULSE Program at Boston College." March, 2015.

Service Learning Course Development Grant. 2014. McAnulty College and Graduate School of Liberal Arts, Duquesne University. \$1,500.

Faculty funding for a Community Engagement Scholar. Office of Service-Learning, Duquesne University. 2013-2014.

Faculty Funding for Presentations on Multicultural College Teaching and Learning. Office of the Provost, Duquesne University. Fall 2012.

PUBLICATIONS

Books

The Cosmic Common Good: Religious Grounds for Ecological Ethics. Oxford University Press, 2016.

Peer Reviewed Articles and Book Chapters

“Teilhard de Chardin, Thomas Berry, The Journey of the Universe, and Evolutionary Wonder.” In *Teilhard Studies*. Forthcoming 2020.

“Creation/Cosmos/Ecology.” In *Routledge Handbook of Hindu-Christian Relations*. Ed. Michelle Voss Roberts and Chad Bauman. Forthcoming 2020.

“Land and Ecosystems.” In *T&T Clark Companion to Christian Ethics*. Ed. Tobias Winright. Forthcoming 2020.

“Tamil Saivism, Srivaisnavism, and Eco-Theology,” in the *Journal of Vaishnava Studies*. Forthcoming 2020.

“*Laudato Si*’ and the Development of Catholic Social Teaching,” in *All Creation Is Connected: Voices in Response to Pope Francis’s Encyclical on Ecology*, Edited by Daniel R. DiLeo (Winona, MN: Anselm Academic, 2018): 182-194.

“*Laudato Si*’: A North American Perspective,” *Bulletin of Ecumenical Theology*, 28, 2016: 88-103.

“Catholic Cosmic Common Good, Buddhist Interdependence, and the Practice of Interreligious Ecological Ethics,” in *The Journal of Inter-Religious Studies*, 16, 2015: 72-80.

“Co-Creator or Creative Predator? James Nash’s Contributions to Catholic Social Teaching on Ecological Ethics” in *Worldviews: Global Religions, Culture, and Ecology*, ed. Christopher Key Chapple, 18 (2014): 99–121.

Bidlack, Brecht, Krokus, Scheid, Locklin. “Teaching Comparative Theology from an Institution’s Mission,” *Teaching Theology and Religion*, Volume 17, Issue 4, October 2014: 369-387.

Scheid. “Teaching Comparative Theology from an Institution’s Mission: A Spiritan Perspective,” *Teaching Theology and Religion*, Volume 17, Issue 4, October 2014: 379-382.

“Common Good: Human, or Cosmic?” *Journal of Religion & Society*, Supplement Series 9: “The Greening of the Papacy,” edited by Ronald A. Simkins and John J. O’Keefe (The Kripke Center: 2013, <http://moses.creighton.edu/JRS/toc/SS09.html>): 5-15.

“Just Peacemaking Theory and the Promotion of Dignified Subsistence,” in *Violence, Transformation, and the Sacred: They Shall Be Called Children of God* (College Theology Society Annual Volume 2011), eds. Margaret R. Pfeil and Tobias L. Winright (Maryknoll, NY: Orbis, 2012): 175-189.

“Saint Thomas Aquinas, the Thomistic Tradition, and the Cosmic Common Good,” in *Green Discipleship: Catholic Theological Ethics & the Environment*. Ed. Tobias Winwright (Winona, MN: Anselm Academic, 2011): 129-147.

“Thomas Aquinas, the Cosmic Common Good, and Climate Change,” in *Confronting the Climate Crisis: Catholic Theological Perspectives*. Ed. Jame Schaefer (Milwaukee, WI: Marquette University Press, 2011): 125-144.

“Expanding Catholic Ecological Ethics: Ecological Solidarity and Earth Rights” in *Religion, Economics, and Culture in Conflict and Conversation* (College Theology Society Annual Volume 2010), eds. Laurie Cassidy and Maureen O’Connell (Maryknoll, NY: Orbis, 2011): 196-216.

“Vedānta Deśika and Thomas Aquinas on the Intrinsic Value of Nature” in the *Journal of Vaishnava Studies*, 18 (2010): 27-42.

“Common Good,” in *Berkshire Encyclopedia of Sustainability: Vol. I The Spirit of Sustainability*. Ed. Willis Jenkins (Great Barrington, MA: Berkshire Publishing Group, October 2009): 71-72.

Book Reviews

From Nature to Creation: A Christian Vision for Understanding and Loving Our World, by Norman Wirzba. *Journal of the Society of Christian Ethics*. Forthcoming.

Resisting Structural Evil: Love as Ecological-Economic Vocation, by Cynthia D. Moe-Lobeda. *Political Theology*, Vol 16:6, 2016: 586-587.

Ask the Beasts: Darwin and the God of Love, by Elizabeth Johnson. *U.S. Catholic*, February 2014: Vol. 79, No. 6: 43.

Theological Foundations for Environmental Ethics: Reconstructing Patristic and Medieval Concepts, by Jame Schaefer. *Theological Studies*, 71, 2010: 761.

Invited Scholarly Articles, Book Chapters, Blogs, and Essays

“Christian Ethics and the Ecological Emergency,” Co-author on public statement by Christian ethicists. <https://dailytheology.org/2019/03/12/christian-ethics-and-the-ecological-emergency-a-statement-from-christian-ethicists-without-borders/>

“Comparative Theology: Topic Session.” *CTSA Proceedings* 73/2018: 100-101.

“The Moral Vision of *Laudato Si'*: The Cosmic Common Good as a Common Ground for Interreligious Ecological Ethics,” in *Integral Ecology: Protecting Our Common Home*. Ed. Gerard Magill, Jordan Potter. Newcastle upon Tyne: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2018: 155-181.

“Vincible Ignorance and The Climate Change ‘Debate,’” *Political Theology Blog*, December 2016.

“*Laudato Si'* and Pursuing the Cosmic Common Good,” *Pittsburgh Catholic*, Spring 2016.

“The Integrity of Creation and the Cosmic Common Good,” in *The Urgency of Climate Change: Pivotal Perspectives*. Ed. Gerard Magill and Kiaresh Aramesh. Newcastle upon Tyne: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2016: 20-30.

“The Communion of Creation: From John Paul II and Benedict to Francis,” *America Magazine*, June 2015.

“*Laudato Si*: Appealing to Our Better Natures,” Political Theology Blog, June 2015.

Invited Presentations for Pastoral and Public Audiences

“Comments to EPA on Proposed Methane Standards.” *The Harvest*, Fall 2015.

Works in Progress

“Love Reconciles All Things: Trauma, Hope, and Reconciliation in Harry Potter.” In *The Theological World of Harry Potter*, ed. Taylor J. Ott and Shaun Brown.

“Integral Ecology, Just Peace, and Extractives.” Co-authored with Anna Floerke Scheid. Part of a project on extractives organized by Catholic Relief Services.

Book Manuscript: *Cosmic Belonging: Ecological Ethics and Theologies of Creation in Thomas Aquinas and Vedanta Desika*.

Under contract with Fordham University Press. Series: *Comparative Theology: Thinking Across Traditions*, Series Editors: Loye Ashton and John J. Thatamanil.

Article: “Towards Eco-Recovery: Ending Fossil Fuel Addiction.”

PRESENTATIONS AND LECTURES

Refereed Conference Presentations

“Integral Ecology, Just Peace, and Extractives.” With Anna Floerke Scheid. Catholic Theological Society of America, Baltimore, MD. Forthcoming June 2020.

“Toward Eco-Recovery: Ending Fossil Fuel Addiction,” Society of Christian Ethics, Washington DC. Forthcoming, January 2020.

“Introduction to Vedanta Desika and the *Rahaysatrayasara*,” Catholic Theological Society of America, Pittsburgh, PA. June 2019.

Plenary Address: “Best First Books,” Society of Christian Ethics, Portland, Oregon. January, 2018.

Respondent: “Comparative Theology and Ecology: Book Discussion of *The Cosmic Common Good*,” Catholic Theological Society of America, Albuquerque, New Mexico. June, 2017.

Breakfast with an Author: Discussion of *The Cosmic Common Good: Religious Grounds for Ecological Ethics*, Society of Christian Ethics, New Orleans, LA. January, 2017.

“Cosmic Belonging in Catholic and Hindu Theologies of Creation,” American Academy of Religion, San Antonio, TX. November 2016.

“Rethinking Progress Through the Voice of Puerto Ricans,” Catholic Theological Society of America, San Juan, Puerto Rico. June 2016.

“God at Play in Creation: Resources for Christian Ecological Ethics in Hindu *Lila* (Play) and *Bhoga* (Pleasure),” Society of Christian Ethics, Toronto, Canada. January 2016.

“*Just Sustainability* and Its Implications for Cross-Cultural Pedagogy,” College Theology Society, Portland, OR. June 2015.

“Pope Francis and the First Encyclical on Ecology: Solidarity, The Common Good, and The Preferential Option for the Poor,” College Theology Society, Portland, OR. June 2015.

“Catholic Common Good, Buddhist Interdependence, and the Practice of Interreligious Ecological Ethics,” American Academy of Religion, San Diego, CA. November 2014

“Catholic Theology and Catholic Engagement in Contemporary Environmental Issues: A Primer in Catholic Social Teaching,” Society of Catholic Social Scientists, Steubenville, OH. October 2013

“All My Relations: A Critical Appreciation of Lakota Spirituality for Christian Ecological Ethics,” Society of Christian Ethics, Chicago, IL. January 2013

“Teaching Comparative Theology from an Institution’s Spirituality and Mission: A Spiritan Perspective,” Panel participant, American Academy of Religion, Chicago, IL. November 2012.

“Alongside Waterfalls: Thomas Berry and the Sacramentality of the Universe,” Catholic Theological Society of America, St. Louis, MO. June 2012

“Just Peacemaking and Sustainable Subsistence,” College Theology Society, Iona College, NY. June 2011

“Care of Creation as Our Cosmic Common Good,” Catholic Theological Ethics in the World Church, Trento, Italy. July 2010

“Ecological Solidarity and Climate Change,” College Theology Society, University of Portland, OR. June 2010

“The Life Contributions of James Nash: A Catholic Perspective,” Society of Christian Ethics, San Jose, CA. January 2010

“‘Bless the Lord, You Works of the Lord’: Thomas Aquinas and the Cosmic Common Good,” Catholic Theological Society of America, Halifax, Canada. June 2009

“Deny Yourself and Be Happy: What the Desert Fathers and the *Vivekacudamani* Can Teach a Modern World,” the Annual Convention of the College Theology Society, University of Dayton. June 2007

“The Universe as the Body of God: Thomas Aquinas, Vedanta Desika, and Eco-Theology,” Engaging Particularities V: New Directions in Comparative Theology, Interreligious Dialogue, Missiology, and Theology of Religions, Boston College. March 2007

“You Are What You Eat: Perspectives on Food and Human Life,” Engaging Particularities II: New Directions in Comparative Theology, Interreligious Dialogue, Missiology, and Theology of Religions, Boston College. March 2004

“Love of Creation and an Ethic of Sacrifice: The Catholic Church’s Teaching on Ecology and Proposals for Development,” The Mid-Atlantic Region American Academy of Religion Conference, Baltimore, MD. February 2004

Invited Academic Presentations

“Teilhard de Chardin, Thomas Berry, The Journey of the Universe, and Evolutionary Wonder.” Thomas Berry and the “Great Work” Symposium, Georgetown University, Fall 2019.

“The Cosmic Common Good and Interreligious Dialogue.” 2018 McNulty Lecture on Religion in the Modern World at Niagara University. Fall 2018.

“The Moral Vision of *Laudato Si’*: The Cosmic Common Good as a Common Ground for Interreligious Ecological Ethics.” Plenary Address at the 2nd Annual Integrity of Creation Conference, Duquesne University. Pittsburgh, PA. September 2016.

“God At Play in All Creatures: Reading *Laudato Si’* Through Hindu Ecotheology.” Los Angeles Hindu-Catholic Dialogue Group, Loyola Marymount University. Los Angeles, CA. April 2016.

“*Laudato Si’* and the Development of Catholic Social Teaching.” United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. November 2015.

“The Journey of the Universe and the Cosmic Common Good.” Panel Speaker at the Forum on Religion and Ecology, American Academy of Religion, Atlanta. November 2015.

“Caring for Planet Home: The Vision of *Laudato Si’*.” Siena College. November 2015.

“*Laudato Si* (Praise Be): On the Care of Our Common Home.” Association of Pittsburgh Priests. October 2015.

“Biblical Dimensions of Stewardship,” Lilly Endowment Sustainability Group, Duquesne University. September 2014.

“The Cosmic Story and Animals.” Panel speaker in “Animals, Ethics, and Christian Theology: A Roundtable Discussion,” Duquesne Department of Theology. April 2014.

“Paul Knitter: Without Buddha I Could Not Be a Christian: A Dialogue on the Question of Multiple Religious Belonging: The Perspective from Ethics.” Panel Speaker at a symposium at Duquesne University. April 2012.

“The Greening of the Papacy.” Panel Speaker at a symposium presented by The Kripke Center and the Center for Catholic Thought at Creighton University. February, 2012.

“Women Scholars in Christian Ethics and the New Role for Fathers,” Feminist Theology Discussion Group. Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA, November 2011.

“Gulf Oil Spill: An Ethical Disaster.” Panel Speaker at a conference presented by the Center for the Study of Catholic Social Thought: “Oil Spill: Ecological, Economic and Ethical Disaster: Toward a Long Term Systemic Solution.” Duquesne University, Pittsburgh PA, November 2010.

“Care of Creation as Our Cosmic Common Good,” Second Annual Paluse Lecture Series, Duquesne University, Pittsburgh PA. September 2010.

“Thomas Aquinas and Vedanta Desika on the Intrinsic Value of Nature,” Philosophy of the Environment Roundtable, Duquesne University. April 2008

“Thomas Aquinas and Ecological Ethics,” lecture for Work, Family, Environment, at Weston Jesuit School of Theology. April 2007

“The Ramayana and Hindu Ethics,” lecture for Religious Quest: Comparative Perspectives II, at Boston College. February 22, 2006

“Ecology in the Christian Tradition,” lecture for Comparative Ethics: Hindu-Christian, at Boston College. November 17, 2004

Invited Presentations for Pastoral and Public Audiences

Moderator: “Sharing Common Ground: An Interfaith Panel Discussion.” Hosted by Welcoming Everyone, a Pittsburgh based community organization. January 2020.

“The Cosmic Common Good: Finding Our Place in Creation.” St. Scholastica Parish, Pittsburgh PA. September 2016.

Media Consultant: National Expert on Pope Francis's encyclical on ecology, *Laudato Si*. 2015..
Pittsburgh Post- Gazette
NBC-Philadelphia
National Catholic Reporter
KDKA-TV
National Public Radio: Allegheny Front
WBVP Radio
KQV Radio
Daily Theology: Video Discussion

“The Spirituality Behind *Laudato Si*’,” Central Catholic High School, Inaugural Speaker for the lecture series Contemporary Spiritual Topics. November 2015.

“The Moral Vision of *Laudato Si*’,” for the annual regional meeting of the Christian Life Community. October 2015.

“Catholic Theologies of Creation as Foundations for Catholic Climate Activism,” Panel Speaker at, “Catholic Ecology: Faith-Based Advocacy and the EPA’s Proposed Greenhouse Gas Regulations,” Catholic Climate Covenant and the Sisters of St. Joseph of Baden, PA. October 2014.

“Fracking and Catholic Social Teaching,” St. Anne Church. August 2014.

“How to Integrate Service In Your Life,” at the Diocese of Pittsburgh, Symposium for Catholic Young Adults. October 2013.

November 2011: “Women Scholars in Christian Ethics and the New Role for Fathers,” Feminist Theology Discussion Group

“Henri Nouwen and a Spirituality of Waiting,” at the “Spiritian Day of Recollection,” Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA. December 2010

“St. Thomas Aquinas and His Importance for the Twenty-first Century,” St. Scholastica Parish, Pittsburgh, PA. April 2010.

“Social Justice in Everyday Life,” St. John Neumann Parish, Pittsburgh, PA. February 2010.

“To Care for Earth: Becoming a Green Parish,” St. John Neumann Parish, Pittsburgh, PA. October 2009.

“Ignatian Spirituality,” Theology on Tap, Pittsburgh, PA. April 2009.

SERVICE AND OTHER EXPERIENCE

Duquesne University

Committee Member, Annual Presidential Conference on the Integrity of Creation (APCIC): 2015-Present

Director of Undergraduate Studies for the Theology Department: 2017-Present

Theology Department Committee: Graduate Program; Undergraduate Program

Duquesne Presidential Scholarship: Review Committee Member, 2016

Panel Member, Judge of Student Awards, Center for Catholic Social Thought

Select Events organized at Duquesne:

1) Coordinated with Spiritan Campus Ministry (Linda Donovan) to arrange a Climate Change Awareness activity in conjunction with the Feast of St. Francis. October 2019.

2) Coordinated with the Division of Mission and Identity and the Center for Environmental Research and Education to host two guest speakers at “Climate Change 101: Scientific, Catholic Activist, and Spiritan Perspectives.” Guest Speakers: Dan Misleh, Executive Director of the Catholic Climate Covenant; and Fr. John Kilcrann, director of JPIC for the Spiritan Fathers.

3) Coordinated with Spiritan Campus Ministry to screen the film “Sun Come Up,” as part of a national campaign by the Catholic Coalition on Climate Change. October 2014

Center for Teaching Excellence: Panel member presenting on “Contemplative Pedagogies.” Fall 2019

Society of Christian Ethics

Convener, Climate Justice Interest Group: 2019-Present

Catholic Theological Society of America

Delegate to the U.S. Catholic Bishops, “Committee on Doctrine,” Annual Meeting of Catholic scholarly societies and bishops. March 2020.

Co-Convener, Comparative Theology: 2016-2018 (Lead Convener 2017-2018)

College Theology Society

Co-Convener, *Theology, Ecology, and the Natural Sciences* Section: 2007-2011; 2014-2015

Membership Task Force: 2013-Present

Professional Service: Referee for Peer Reviewed Journals and Book Manuscripts

Annual Volume of the College Theology Society

Columbia University Press, Book Manuscript

Horizons

Journal of the Society of Christian Ethics

Zygon

Journal for the Study of Religion, Nature and Culture

Religions

Boston College

Planning Committee Member for “Engaging Particularities: New Directions in Comparative Theology, Interreligious Dialogue, Missiology, and Theology of Religions.” 2005-2007.

St. Bede’s Parish

Children’s Liturgy Leader: 2017-Present.
Adult Faith Formation Committee. 2010-2013.