

# Hans Svebakken

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## Education

- Ph.D.           New Testament and Early Christianity  
Loyola University Chicago, December 2009
- Thesis: "Philo of Alexandria's Exposition of the Tenth Commandment"  
Defended August 2009 "with distinction" – Thomas H. Tobin, S.J., Director
- M.A.           Biblical Languages and Literature  
Loyola University Chicago, May 2001
- M.A.           Ancient Greek  
Loyola University Chicago, January 1999
- B.A.           Theology (Biology Minor), *summa cum laude*  
Concordia University Chicago, River Forest, Illinois, May 1994

## Teaching

### FULL-TIME APPOINTMENTS

Senior Lecturer (Promotion), July 2019 – Present  
Department of Theology, Loyola University Chicago

Advanced Lecturer (Promotion), July 2015 – July 2019  
Department of Theology, Loyola University Chicago

Lecturer, July 2011 – July 2015  
Department of Theology, Loyola University Chicago

### COURSES TAUGHT

*Standard (S), Writing-Intensive (WI), Learning-Community (LC), and (or) Service-Learning (SL) Sections:*

Christian Theology (**S, LC**)  
Christianity through Time (**S, WI**)  
Church in the World (**S**)  
God, Evolution, and Human Origins (**S, SL**)  
Introduction to the Bible (**S**)  
Jesus Christ (**S, WI**)  
New Testament (**S**)  
Old Testament (**S**)

## Publications

*Philo of Alexandria's Exposition of the Tenth Commandment*. Studia Philonica Monographs 6. Atlanta: Society of Biblical Literature, 2012.

**REVIEWS:** J. Aitken, *Journal for the Study of the Old Testament* 38 (2014): 189; S. Mandell, *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 76 (2014): 124-25; J. Leonhardt-Balzer, *Journal for the Study of the New Testament* 36 (2014): 118; M. Niehoff, *Theologische Literaturzeitung* 140 (2015): 361-63; W. Wilson, *Studia Philonica Annual* 25 (2013): 228-30.

"Exegetical Traditions in Alexandria: Philo's Reworking of the *Letter of Aristeas* 145-149 as a Case Study." Pages 93-112 in *From Judaism to Christianity: Tradition and Transition: A Festschrift for Thomas H. Tobin, S.J., on the Occasion of His Sixty-fifth Birthday*. Edited by Patricia Walters. Novum Testamentum Supplements 136. Leiden: Brill, 2010.

Aune, David E., co-author. "Greece." Pages 528-32 in *Eerdmans Dictionary of the Bible*. Edited by David Noel Freedman. Grand Rapids, Michigan: Eerdmans, 2000.

"Theophilus of Antioch." Pages 542-43 in *The Dictionary of Historical Theology*. Edited by Trevor A. Hart. Grand Rapids, Michigan: Eerdmans, 2000.

## Presentations

"Oral Exams." Invited presentation for "Feedback in Online Classes" panel session at the Focus on Teaching and Learning Conference. Loyola University Chicago. August 13, 2020.

With Jane Currie. "Content Knowledge, Presentation Skills, and Information Literacy: Collaboration in Assignment Design." Breakout Session presentation at the Focus on Teaching and Learning Conference. Loyola University Chicago. August 16, 2017.

"Rethinking Class Participation in a Humanities Course." Breakout Session presentation at the Focus on Teaching and Learning Conference. Loyola University Chicago. August 13, 2015.

"Reacting to the Past: Using History in an Interactive Pedagogy." Invited presentation at the annual meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature (Midwest Region). Program Unit: Teaching the Bible. Bourbonnais, Illinois, February 7, 2015.

"Romans 7:7-25 and a Pauline Allegory of the Soul." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature. Program Unit: Pauline Epistles. San Diego, California, November 23, 2014.

"Middle-Platonic Moral Psychology as a Unifying Theme in Philo's Allegorical Interpretations of Genesis 2:21 and Deuteronomy 23:13." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature. Program Unit: Philo of Alexandria. Chicago, Illinois, November 18, 2012.

"Philo's Reworking of a Traditional Interpretation of 'Clean' and 'Unclean' Winged Creatures." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature. Program Unit: Philo of Alexandria. New Orleans, Louisiana, November 23, 2009.

## **Professional Development**

PARTICIPANT (INVITED) – Faculty Seminar – All Things Ignatian: Catholic Intellectual Life and the Common Good  
Hank Center for the Catholic Intellectual Heritage, Loyola University Chicago  
Fall 2017

CERTIFIED PARTICIPANT – Online Teaching Course  
Faculty Center for Ignatian Pedagogy, Loyola University Chicago  
Spring 2015

PARTICIPANT – Workshop: Best Practices for Online Tests  
Faculty Center for Ignatian Pedagogy, Loyola University Chicago  
June 12, 2014

REGULAR ATTENDEE – Fall Session (August) of Focus on Teaching and Learning Conference  
Faculty Center for Ignatian Pedagogy, Loyola University Chicago  
2013 – 2017

## **Service**

### *Service to Loyola*

Undergraduate and Core Learning Committee  
Department of Theology  
MEMBER (Fall 2017 – Spring 2020), CHAIR (as of Fall 2020)

MEMBER (INVITED) – Rank, Tenure, and Leave Committee  
College of Arts and Sciences  
Spring 2020

CHAIR (INVITED) – Search Committee for Two Lecturer Positions  
Department of Theology  
Spring 2019

MEMBER (INVITED) – Award Committee: Provost's Award for Excellence in Teaching Freshmen  
University-Wide Teaching Award  
August 2017

INTERVIEWER – Candidates for Ignatian Scholarship Competition  
University-Wide Scholarship for Incoming Freshmen  
2017 (April 7), 2016 (April 1), 2013 (APRIL 5)

MEMBER – Ad Hoc Committee for Undergraduate Learning  
Department of Theology  
Fall 2016 – Spring 2017

TEACHING MENTOR (INVITED) – Theology Graduate Student  
Department of Theology  
Fall 2016

MEMBER (INVITED) – Faculty Panel for New Faculty Orientation

University-Wide Orientation  
August 16, 2016

MEMBER (INVITED) – Promotion Committee for Advanced Lecturer Candidate  
Department of Theology  
December 2015

MEMBER – Search Committee for Lecturer Candidate (Theology)  
Arrupe College (Loyola University)  
Spring 2015

FACILITATOR – New Student Convocation Book Discussion  
2014 (Gregory Boyle: *Tatoos on the Heart*), 2011 (Colin Beavan, *No Impact Man*)

### *Service to Profession*

GRANT PROPOSAL REVIEWER (INVITED)  
Field: Influence of Greek Philosophy on Jewish & Christian Literature  
Israel Science Foundation, April 2016

MANUSCRIPT FINAL READER (INVITED)  
Interdisciplinary Field: Theology of Apostle Paul & Science (Emergence Theory)  
Oxford University Press, December 2015

## **Honors & Awards**

Hank Center for the Catholic Intellectual Heritage Course Development Grant  
THEO 280: God, Evolution, and Human Origins  
February 2017

Provost's Award for Excellence in Teaching Freshmen  
August 2016

Nomination – Provost's Award for Excellence in Teaching Freshmen  
August 2012

Arthur J. Schmitt Dissertation Fellowship  
August 2004 – August 2005

Pre-Doctoral Teaching Scholar Award  
August 2002 – May 2003

Tuition Scholarship – Department of Theology, Loyola University Chicago  
August 1998 – May 2002

Distinction Award – Master of Arts Greek Translation Exam  
May 1998

Tuition Scholarship – Department of Classical Studies, Loyola University Chicago  
August 1996 – May 1998