

# **Travis James Cooper, Ph.D. Candidate**

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## **Education**

### **The Catholic University of America (Washington, DC)**

Comprehensive exams and language exams completed (Fall 2006)

Ph.D. candidacy (May 2006)

Overall GPA: 3.96

M.A. in Philosophy (May 2005)

Thesis: "Does St. Thomas Aquinas Consider 'Beautiful' to be a Transcendental?"

Awards and Fellowships:

The Chancellor's List (2006)

Johnston Fellow (tuition scholarship for fourth and fifth years of graduate studies)

Bradley Fellow (2005-2006)

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Elizabeth Breckenridge Caldwell Fellow (2003-2004)

### **The College of St. Thomas More (Fort Worth, TX)**

B.A. in Liberal Arts (May 2003)

Valedictorian

### **St. Mary's College (St. Mary's, KS)**

A.A. in Liberal Arts (May 2001)

Valedictorian

## **Teaching Experience**

### **The College of St. Thomas More (Fort Worth, TX)**

Scholar Associate (2006-2007 academic year)

Courses currently teaching (Spring 2007):

Epistemology (PHIL 1332)

Latin II (LAT 1352)

Courses already taught (Fall 2006):

Philosophy of Nature (PHIL 2331)

Latin I (LAT 1351)

### **Institute of Reading Development (MD office)**

Reading Instructor (summers 2005, 2006)

Received rigorous teacher training in reading skills and in teaching skills

Taught reading skills (phonics, speed reading, and comprehension skills) professionally to students ranging from pre-kindergarten level to college level and adult professionals

**The Catholic University of America (Washington, DC)**

Teaching Assistant (2003-2004 academic year)

Assisted Dr. Kevin White in:

PHIL 354: Medieval Philosophy

PHIL 331: Philosophy of Knowledge

**Presentations**

“Thomas Aquinas on Angels and the Subject of Metaphysics.” 42<sup>nd</sup> International Congress of Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI, May 2007 (paper accepted, to be presented).

“St. Thomas Aquinas and ‘First’ Mover in the Infinite Regress Arguments.” Emory University Graduate Student Conference, April 2005.

**Languages**

Latin (fluent reading)

Spanish (conversational speaking and reading)

French (basic reading)

German (basic reading)