

I. BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

Name: Prof. Francesco Pica

Campus office address:

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EDUCATION

PhD	2022	Philosophy, Centre for Medieval Studies, University of Toronto Thesis: "John Duns Scotus on Cognitive Acts: Their Causes, Ontological Nature, and Intentional Character" Committee: Martin Pickavé (supervisor), Peter King, Deborah Black
MA	2013	Medieval Studies, Scuola Superiore di Studi Medievali e Francescani (Rome)
STD	2012	Theology, Pontifical University Antonianum (Rome)
M.A.	2009	Theology, Pontifical University Antonianum (Rome)
B.A.	2007	Pontifical University Antonianum (Rome)

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

CURRENT

St. Augustine Seminary of Toronto

Present appointment(s): Assistant Professor

Date and status of appointment: July 2021

PREVIOUS

Lecturer

Fall 2020/2023 Toronto Metropolitan University (ex. Ryerson), Department of Philosophy

Summer 2020 University of Toronto – Department of Philosophy

2017-2021 St. Augustine Seminary of Toronto

HONOURS & DISTINCTIONS

2013–18 University of Toronto Fellowship (x5), University of Toronto

2013–15 St. Joan Graduate Award in the Centre for Medieval Studies (x2), University of Toronto

2010–11 Graduate Award, Pontifical University Antonianum (Rome, Italy)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

2022–
present North American Patristic Studies

2022–
present Canadian Society for Patristic Studies

2017–
present Canadian Philosophical Association

2006–
present Co-editor - *Commissio Scotistica Internationalis* for the critical edition of John Duns Scotus's works, Antonianum Pontifical University (Rome, Italy)

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

Italian (native)

English (Superior; level C2 of European framework)

German (Advanced High; level C1 of European framework)

French (able to read literature in my field)

Spanish (Intermediate High; level B2 of European framework)

Latin (full professional knowledge, passed level 2 exam at Centre for Medieval Studies, Toronto)

Ancient Greek (able to read resources in my field)

II. SCHOLARLY AND PROFESSIONAL WORK

RESEARCH ENDEAVOURS

AOS: Medieval Philosophy – Medieval Theology

AOC: Bioethics, Free Will

PUBLICATIONS

Books (* = co-edited – joint editor)

- In press * *Indices Ordinationis et Lecturae B. Ioannis Duns Scoti (Opera Omnia 15.2)*. Vatican City. Co-editors: B. Hechich, I. Percan, S. R. De Loizaga, V. Salamon, S. Recchia.
- 2016 * *Indices Ordinationis et Lecturae B. Ioannis Duns Scoti (Opera Omnia 15.1)*. Vatican City, 2016. Co-editors: B. Hechich, I. Percan, S. R. De Loizaga, V. Salamon, S. Recchia.
- 2013 * Ioannis Duns Scoti. *Ordinatio* IV. Dist. 43–49 (*Opera Omnia 14*). Vatican City, 2013. Co-editors: B. Hechich, I. Percan, S. R. De Loizaga, V. Salamon, S. Recchia.
- 2011 * Ioannis Duns Scoti. *Ordinatio* IV. Dist. 14–42 (*Opera Omnia 13*). Vatican City, 2011. Co-editors: B. Hechich, I. Percan, S. R. De Loizaga, V. Salamon.
- 2010 * Ioannis Duns Scoti. *Ordinatio* IV. Dist. 8–13 (*Opera Omnia 12*). Vatican City, 2010. Co-editors: B. Hechich, I. Percan, S. R. de Loizaga, V. Salamon.
- 2008 * Ioannis Duns Scoti. *Ordinatio* IV. Dist. 1–7 (*Opera Omnia 11*) Vatican City, 2008. Co-editors: B. Hechich, B. Huculak, I. Percan, S. R. De Loizaga, V. Salamon.

Articles (* = peer reviewed)

- 2026 **“Giovanni Duns Scoto e Charles Taylor sul desiderio naturale dell’Infinito”* [John Duns Scotus and Charles Taylor on the Natural Desire for the Infinite] *Antonianum* CI (2026) 419-473.
- 2025 – *submitted for publication* **“Helping Scotus Decide: Fabri and Vulpes on Scotus’s Synthesis of the Aristotelian and Augustinian Views of Intellectual Cognition,”* Scotism in the Reformation Era: Historical and Historiographical Questions. In: “Geneva Studies in the European Reformations – GSER” (Schwabe Verlag. *Forthcoming*.)
- 2022 **“Il cristocentrismo tra passato e presente: originalità e attualità della cristologia di Giovanni Duns Scoto”* [Christocentrism Between Past and Present: Originality and Relevance of John Duns Scotus’s Christology], *Antonianum* 97 (2022): 929–961.
- 2014 *“Giovanni Duns Scoto e l’intrinseca razionalità del volere divino”* [John Duns Scotus on the Intrinsic Rationality of the Divine Will], *Fides Quaerens* 5 (2014): 87–147.
- 2013 *“John Duns Scotus on God’s Will: Orderly and Most Reasonable,”* *Thaumazein: Revista online semestral do Curso de Filosofia* 11 (2013): 1–24.
- 2012 * *“La passione di Cristo nel pensiero del B. Giovanni Duns Scoto”* [The Passion of Christ in the Thought of John Duns Scotus], *Antonianum* 87 (2012): 182–215.
- 2010 * *“La teologia pratica di Guglielmo di Nottingham”* [The Practical Theology of William of Nottingham], *Studia Antyczne I Mediewistyczne [Ancient and Medieval Studies]* 8 (2010): 169–188.
- 2010 * *“Teologia come scienza pratica in Guglielmo di Nottingham: Edizione critica e analisi teologica della ‘Quaestio’ V del prologus in I Sententiarum”* [Theology as a Practical Science according to William of Nottingham: Critical Edition and Theological Study of Question 5 of his Prologue to the First Book of the *Sentences*], *Archivium Historicum Franciscanum* 102 (2010): 3–40.

Book reviews

- 2023 *La libertà innata. Volontà, amore e giustizia nel pensiero di Giovanni Duns Scoto*, by Marcella Serafini, Roma: Città Nuova 2022). Reviewed in *Archivium Historicum Franciscanum* 116 (2023): 305-308.
- 2019 *The Theology of John Duns Scotus*, by Antonie Vos (Studies in Reformed Theology - 34) (Leiden: Brill, 2018). Reviewed in *Journal of Reformed Theology* 13 (2019): 332-333.
- 2019 *La teoria modale di Giovanni Duns Scoto: Il caso della relazione tra creatura e creatore e la condizione di beatitudine; Italiano-Latino*, edited and translated by Ernesto Dezza (Studia Antoniana 56) (Rome: Antonianum, 2018). Reviewed in *Archivium Historicum Franciscanum* 112 (2019): 378–381.
- 2018 *John Duns Scotus: On Being and Cognition; Ordinatio 1.3*, edited and translated by John van den Bercken (Medieval Philosophy, Texts and Studies) (New York: Fordham University Press, 2016). Reviewed in *Antonianum* 82 (2018): 864–867.
- 2018 *Iohannis Duns Scoti Collationes Oxonienses*, edited by Marina Fedeli and Guido Alliney (Testi e studi per il Corpus philosophorum Medii Aevi 24) (Florence: SISMEL-Edizioni del Galluzzo, 2016). Reviewed in *Archivium Historicum Franciscanum* 111 (2018): 261–264.
- 2013 *Johannes Duns Scotus: Freiheit, Tugenden und Naturgesetz; Lateinisch-Deutsch*, edited and translated by Tobias Hoffmann (Freiburg: Herder, 2012). Reviewed in *Archivium Historicum Franciscanum* 106 (2013): 300–301.
- 2010 *Raimondo Lullo e la sua arte: Saggi di lettura*, by Frances Amelia Yates, edited and translated by S. Muzzi (Medioevo 18 – Centro Italiano di Lullismo 3) (Rome: Antonianum, 2009). Reviewed in *Frate Francesco* 76 (2010): 333–335.
- 2009 *Per conoscere Giovanni Duns Scoto: Introduzione al pensiero filosofico-teologico*, by Josè Antonio Merino (S. Maria degli Angeli: Porziunca, 2009). Reviewed in *Frate Francesco* 75 (2009): 653–654.
- 2008 *Il microcosmo Lulliano*, by Roberto D. F. Pring-Mill (Rome: Antonianum, 2007). Reviewed in *Fides Catholica* 3, no. 1 (2008): 333–335.
- 2007 *Francesco di Meyronnes: Libertà e contingenza nel pensiero tardo-medievale*, by Francesco Fiorentino (Rome: Antonianum, 2006). Reviewed in *Antonianum* 82 (2007): 586–587.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Articles/Book Chapters (* = peer reviewed)

In preparation *Book chapter*: “Measuring with the Right Tool. The Seventeenth- Century Debate between Scotists and Thomists on the Intension and Remission of Forms”.

PRESENTATIONS: [(I) = Invited (R) = Refereed]

- 2024 (I) “Measuring with the Right Tool. The Seventeenth- Century Debate between Scotists and Thomists on the Intension and Remission of Forms”, Online Scotistic Congress, sequencing the world in Scotisms, November 26-27 – December 3-5, 2024.
- 2024 (R) “Helping Scotus Decide: Fabri and Vulpes on Scotus’s Synthesis of the Aristotelian and Augustinian Views of Intellectual Cognition,” Scotism in the Reformation Era: Historical and Historiographical Questions, University of Geneva, 9-11 September 2024.
- 2023 (I) * “La Teologia di Giovanni Duns Scoto e le sfide dell’umanesimo contemporaneo” [John Duns Scotus’s Theology and the Challenges of Contemporary Humanism], Giornata di Studi su Duns Scoto a 30 anni dalla Beatificazione, Istituto Teologico di Assisi-Istituto Superiore di Scienze Religiose di Assisi, 10 May 2023.
- 2021 (I) “Il Cristocentrismo tra passato e presente: originalità e attualità della cristologia di Giovanni Duns Scoto” [Cristocentrism between Past and Present: Originality and Relevance of John Duns Scotus’s Christology], Giornata di studio: “Originalità e attualità del pensiero teologico del Beato Giovanni Duns Scoto”, Pontifical University Antonianum, Rome, 8-9 November 2021.
- 2019 (R) “Lording over the Flies: John Duns Scotus on the Freedom of the Intellect from the Material World,” International Medieval Congress, University of Leeds (UK), 1–4 July 2019.
- 2019 (I) “Duns Scotus’s *Quodlibet* and the Anonymous Opponent of Question 13: A Mystery (Perhaps) Solved,” John Duns Scotus’s Interlocutors at the University of Paris, University of Bonn, Bonn, Germany, 4–5 April 2019.
- 2018 (R) “Scotus’ Criticism of Peter John Olivi’s Conception of the Intellect as Total Cause of the Cognitive Act,” Colloque international: Pierre de Jean Olivi (1248–1298); La construction de la personne humaine, anthropologie, éthique, société, Rome, 4–6 October 2018.
- 2018 (R) “Touching the World: John Duns Scotus on the Intentional Relation between Mind and Reality,” 24th World Congress of Philosophy, Peking University, Beijing, 13–20 August 2018.

- 2018 (R) “John Baconthorpe on God’s Knowledge of the Reality: An Interpretation of Averroes,” Canadian Philosophical Association 2018, Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM), Montreal, 4–7 June 2018.
- 2018 (R) “John Baconthorpe on God’s Knowledge of the Reality: An Interpretation of Averroes,” American Philosophical Association 2018, Central Division Meeting, Chicago, 21–24 February 2018.
- 2017 (I) “Getting at Reality: John Duns Scotus on Mind and the World,” Toronto Colloquium in Mediaeval Philosophy, University of Toronto, 22–23 September 2017.
- 2015 (R) “John Baconthorpe on the Divine Knowledge of Individual Things: An Averroistic Approach,” Toronto-Cologne Graduate Student Colloquium, University of Cologne, Cologne, Germany, 19–21 November 2015.

III. TEACHING SUPERVISORY ACTIVITY

Undergraduate/Basic Degree courses taught:

Ryerson University

Philosophy of Religion I: (Fall 2022)

Ideas that Shape the World: Middle Ages (Fall 2020)

University of Toronto

Persons and Value (Summer 2020)

St. Augustine Seminary / Pontifical Faculty of Theology

Hellenistic Philosophy and the Fathers of the Church (2024-2026)

Medieval Philosophy (2024-2026)

Mystery of the Trinity (2024-2026)

Introduction to Metaphysics (2023-2026)

Methodology of Scientific Research (2023-2026)

Introduction to Metaphysics (Winter 2023)

Introduction to Ecclesiastical Latin II (Winter 2023)

Mystery of the Trinity (Winter 2023)

Introduction to Ecclesiastical Latin I (Fall 2022)
Introduction to Metaphysics (Winter 2022)
Introduction to Ecclesiastical Latin II (Fall 2022)
Mystery of the Trinity (Winter 2022)
Introduction to Ecclesiastical Latin I (Fall 2021)
Introduction to Thomas Aquinas (Online - Summer 2021)
Introduction to Metaphysics (Winter 2020)
Introduction to Thomas Aquinas (Online - Summer 2018)
Mystery of the Trinity (Winter 2017)