

Curriculum Vitae : Dr. M. L. Führer

I. Educational background.

- A. University of St. Thomas, B.A., 1964
- B. University of Minnesota, M.A. philosophy, 1968
- C. University of Minnesota, Ph.D. philosophy, 1974
- D. Postdoctoral Research Fellow in Medieval Studies, University of Pennsylvania, 1975
- E. Universiteit Leuven, Fulbright Scholar, 1994

II. Record of academic activity.

- A. Teaching fellow, University of Minnesota, 1968
- B. Faculty of Philosophy, Augsburg College, 1971 - the present. (Chairman of Philosophy Department).
- C. Guest lecturer in philosophy, College of St. Catherine, 1973-1974.
- D. Guest professor in Medieval Latin, College of St. Thomas, 1977 - 1979.
- E. Consultant to State of Minnesota, Humanities Commission, 1975.
- F. Member of Seminar on 15th Century Studies, Universität Regensburg, 1982/3
- G. Editorship of Volume 30 of Henry of Ghent's Opera Omnia. (Universiteit Leuven) 1990 - present.
- H. Regional Director, Trithemius Society 2006- 2008
- I. Trithemius Society, American National Secretary 2008 – the present.

I. Guest lecturer, Universität Bochum Conference on Dietrich of Freiberg, Freiberg Germany 1997 and 2001

III. Publications

1. Translation of Nicholas of Cusa's *Idiota de sapientia et mente* with Commentary and Notes. (Published by Centre for Reformation and Renaissance Studies, Victoria University, 1989).
2. "The Principle of Contractio in Nicholas of Cusa's Philosophical View of Man," *The Downside Review*, Vol. 93, Oct. 1975, pp. 289 - 296.
3. "Wisdom and Eloquence in Nicholas of Cusa's *Idiota de sapientia et mente*," *Vivarium*, Vol. 7, 1978, pp. 142 - 155.
4. "The Principle of Similitude in Hugh of St. Victor's Theory of Divine Illumination," *The American Benedictine Review*, Vol. 30, March 1979, pp. 80 - 92.
5. "Purgation, Illumination and Perfection in Nicholas of Cusa," *The Downside Review*, Vol. 98, July 1980, pp. 169 - 189.
6. "The Cosmological Implications of the Psychomachia in Alan of Lille's *Anticlaudianus*," *Studies in Philology*, Vol. 77, Fall 1980, pp. 344 - 353.
7. "The Evolution of the Quadrivial Modes of Theology in Nicholas of Cusa's Analysis of the Soul," *The American Benedictine Review*, Vol. 36, Sept. 1985, pp. 325 -

342.

8. "Ulrich of Strassbourg and Nicholas of Cusa's Theory of Mind," *Classica et Mediaevalia*, Vol. 36, 1985, pp. 225 - 239.
9. "The Metaphysics of Light in the *De Dato Patris Luminum* of Nicholas of Cusa," *International Studies in Philosophy*, Vol. 18, 1986, pp. 17 - 32.
10. "The Contemplative Function of the Agent Intellect in the Psychology of Albert the Great," in *Festschrift für Kurt Flasch*, ed. B. Mojsisch and O. Pluta (Amsterdam, 1989)
11. "The Theory of Intellect in Albert the Great and its Influence on Nicholas of Cusa," in *Nicholas of Cusa In Search of God and Wisdom* ed. G. Christianson & T. Izbicki (Brill: Leiden, 1991).
12. Dietrich of Freiberg, *On the Intellect and the Intelligible*, Transl. and Commentary by M. Führer (Marquette U. Press, 1992).
13. "The Consolation of Contemplation in Cusanus' *De visione Dei*" *Medioevo* vol. 20, 1994, pp. 205-231.
14. Contributing author of *Nicholas of Cusa on Christ and the Church* (Brill Publs.: Leiden, 1996).
15. "The Agent Intellect in the Writings of Meister Dietrich of Freiberg and its Influence on the Cologne School," (*Proceedings of Dietrich von Freiberg Symposium*, Freiberg, Germany, 1999).
16. "Henry of Ghent's Doctrine of the Superiority of the Will over the Intellect and the Paradox of Self Deception" (Presented at the University of Louvain, 2000).
17. "Conjunction of the Intellect: Averroes and Dietrich of Freiberg" (forthcoming, *Proceedings of Dietrich von Freiberg Symposium*, Freiberg, Germany).
18. A History of the Metaphysics and Epistemology of Light in the Middle Ages 2vols. In progress.
19. "Albertus Magnus' Theory of Divine Illumination" in *Albertus Magnus: Zum Gedenken nach 800 Jahren*, Berlin, 2001.
20. "Cusanus Platonicus" in *The Platonic Tradition in the Middle Ages*, (Berlin, 2002)
21. "Dietrich of Freiberg" in *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*.
22. "Albertus Magnus" in *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*.
23. "Cusanus' Platonism" in *A Companion to Nicholas of Cusa* (Brill, forthcoming).
24. "Lemma on the Relation of Isaac of Stella and Saint Augustine" in *The Oxford Guide to the Historical Reception of Augustine* (Oxford University Press, forthcoming -summer 2009).
25. "Albertus Magnus and Mystical Epistemology" in *A Companion to Albert the Great* (Brill, forthcoming, spring 2009).
26. Critical edition of Henry of Ghent, *Summa Quaestiones ordinariae*, art. 47-52 (Leuven University Press, 2007).
27. *Echoes of the Doctor Communis: The Influence of Saint Thomas Aquinas on the Writings of Nicholas of Cusa* (in preparation).

IV. Honors and Awards

- A. N.E.H. Fellow, University of Penn. Summer 1978.
- B. Grant for manuscript research on the Albertist School, American Philosophical Society, 1980.
- C. Grant for research on Mechthild of Magdeburg, Bush Foundation, 1984 - 1985.
- D. Faculty development grant to do research on David of Augsburg, American Lutheran Church, Summer of 1986.
- E. "Nicholas of Cusa's Use of the Medieval Quadrivium" research paper read at the Fifteenth Century Symposium sponsored by the University of Regensburg, West Germany, August 1982.
- F. Charter member and national secretary (1979-82) of American Cusanus Society.
- G. Fulbright Fellow, Universiteit Leuven, Institute for Medieval Philosophy, 1994.

V. Languages and Academic Skills

- German (modern (reading and speaking knowledge) and medieval)
- French (reading knowledge with some speaking ability)
- Italian (reading knowledge only)
- Medieval Dutch (reading knowledge only)
- Modern Dutch [Flemish] (reading and some speaking knowledge)
- Latin (Classical and Medieval)
- Classical Greek
- Paleography (Latin and Medieval German)

VI. Learned Societies

- Cusanus-Gesellschaft
- American Cusanus Society
- International Neoplatonic Society
- Medieval Academy of America
- Trithemius Society
- Minnesota Classical Society (Minnestoa)
- Internationale Gesellschaft für Theologische Mediävistik