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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT

Assistant Professor of Law

August 2025 - Present

UNIVERSITY OF DETROIT MERCY SCHOOL OF LAW

Detroit, Michigan

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor of Law (2025–present)

Detroit Mercy School of Law, Detroit, Michigan

Courses taught:

Law 1070, 01: Comparative Legal Writing and Research I (F2025)

Law 1140, 01: Criminal Law (W2026)

Sessional Instructor (2019–present)

University of Windsor, Windsor, Ontario

Courses taught:

PSYC–3350: Human Sensation and Perception (F2024)

PSYC–3580: Cognitive Processes (F2022, W2023, F2024)

PSYC–2230: Child Developmental Psychology (F2022)

JWST–3700: Jews and the Modern World (W2022)

JWST–2350: To Auschwitz and Beyond (F2021)

INCS–2370: German, Italian and Spanish Literary Traditions (W2021)

PSYC–2560: Introduction to Brain and Human Behaviour (F2021, W2020, F2025, W2026)

GREK–1100: Introduction to Ancient Greek I (F2019).

Instructor (2011–2012)

Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, Brookline, Massachusetts

Courses taught:

Liturgical Greek (Spring 2012)

New Testament Greek II (Spring 2012)

New Testament Greek I (Fall 2011)

PUBLICATIONS**1. Books**

- Strubakos, C.D., & Rossini, A. (2022). *Repeating Words, Retelling Stories: Repetition, Variation, and Serial Significance*. Cambridge Scholars.
- Strubakos, C.D., (2018). *Non-Invasive Mitochondrial Modulation with Near-Infrared Light Reduces Brain Injury after Stroke* [PhD Thesis].
https://digitalcommons.wayne.edu/oa_dissertations/2128/

2. Articles

- Strubakos C.D., (2026). From Gödel to Brains: Neuroscience, Artificial Intelligence, and the Art of Legal Reasoning. *University of Detroit Mercy Law Review*. (forthcoming).
- Strubakos C.D., (2026). The Theater of Neutrality: Anonymous Juries, the Presumption of Innocence, and the Psychology of Judgment. *Washburn Law Journal* (forthcoming).
- Strubakos C.D., (2025). Legal Persuasion: Insights from Cognitive Psychology and Neuroscience. *University of Detroit Mercy Law Review*, 102(3).
- Strubakos C.D. (2025). Developmental Neurobiology and *Miller v. Alabama*: To What Extent Do Juvenile Brains Change? *Cleveland State Law Review*, 73(2).
- Strubakos C.D. (2024). Executive Branch Expansion is an Inevitable Consequence of the Madisonian Psychological Framework. *Stetson Law Review*, 54(1).
- Strubakos C.D. (2024). What Can Computational Neuroscience Teach Us About Cognition, Legal Reasoning, and Legal Pedagogy. *University of Detroit Mercy Law Review*, 101(3).
- Alionte, C., Notte, C., Strubakos C.D., (2024). The Efficacy and Methodology of Using Functional Near Infrared Spectroscopy to Determine Resting State Brain Networks. *Journal of Neurophysiology*, 131(4).
- Strubakos C.D. (2024). The Rules Against Hearsay: Their Historical Development Reflects the Functioning of Human Cognition. *Regent University Law Review*, 36(1).
- Strubakos C.D. (2023). Raze Out the Written Troubles of the Brain: The Constitutional Issues with Reading the Brain Waves of Domestic Terrorism Detainees. *Albany Law Journal of Science & Technology*, 33(2).
- Strubakos C.D., (2022). Forming a “Brain Print” – Using Cognitive Neuroscience and Brain Imaging as an Objective Measure of Criminal Insanity. *Lincoln Memorial University Law Review*, 10 (1). (Top 10 SSRN Downloads).
- Strubakos C.D., (2022). In What Furnace Was Thy Brain? Redefining Ethics, Cognition, and Tort Duty for Medical Artificial Intelligence. *University of Detroit Mercy Law Review*, 100 (1). (Top 10 SSRN Downloads).
- Alionte, C., Notte, C., Strubakos C.D., (2022). From Symmetry to Chaos and Back: Understanding and Imaging the Mechanisms of Neural Repair After Stroke. *Life Sciences*, 288. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.lfs.2021.120161>

- Strubakos, C. D., Malik, M., Wider, J. M., Lee, I., Reynolds, C. A., Mitsias, P., Przyklenk, K., Hüttemann, M., & Sanderson, T. H. (2019). Non-invasive treatment with near-infrared light: A novel mechanisms-based strategy that evokes sustained reduction in brain injury after stroke. *Journal of Cerebral Blood Flow & Metabolism*, 40(4), 833–844.
<https://doi.org/10.1177/0271678x19845149>
- Strubakos C.D., (2011). Iliadic Lion Similes: Rethinking Heroic Greatness, *Harvard University Center for Hellenic Studies*
<http://chs.harvard.edu/wa/pageR?tn=ArticleWrapper&bdc=12&mn=1304>

PRESENTATIONS

Internal Law School Presentation

Speaker and Panelist, “The Socio-Psychological Dimensions of Executive Expansion,” Venezuela Panel, University of Detroit Mercy School of Law, Detroit, Michigan (February 4, 2026).

Other Presentations

- “Your Feeling Brain: Emotions and the Nervous System,” **Mental Health Professionals of Ottawa**, October 22, 2021
- “Imaging the brain in the clinic and research: usefulness and shortcomings,” **University of Windsor**, Department of Psychology Lecture to Neuropsychology Program and Graduate Students, April 22, 2021.
- “Neuroscience: The effects of anxiety on the brain and body,” **Ontario Association of Social Workers**, March 3, 2021.
- “Lionizing the Hero. The art of repetition in the case of a Homeric and Virgilian simile,” **University of Windsor**, CRRAR, Windsor, Ontario, September 18, 2020.
- “Non-invasive mitochondrial modulation with infrared light limits brain injury after stroke,” **American Heart Association**, November 2018, Chicago, Illinois (with M. Malik, J.M. Wider, I. Lee, C.A. Reynolds, P. Mitsias, K. Przyklenk, M. Hüttemann, T.H. Sanderson).
- “Functional connectivity in Resting-State fMRI: Emerging paradigms in stroke recovery,” **Wayne State University**, School of Medicine, Department of Physiology, Detroit, Michigan, May 30, 2018.
- “Pre-clinical study of therapeutic infrared light treatment for focal cerebral ischemia/reperfusion injury,” **University of Michigan**, Department of Emergency Medicine, Ann Arbor, Michigan, February 15, 2018.
- “Non-invasive mitochondrial modulation: a novel approach to reduce brain injury following cardiac arrest-resuscitation, poster at **American Heart Association**, Anaheim, California, November 2017 (with T.H. Sanderson, J.M. Wider, I. Lee, E. Gruley, C.A. Reynolds, K. Przyklenk, M. Hüttemann).
- “Specific Infarct Locations Define Troponin Elevation in Acute Ischemic Stroke,” poster at **International Stroke Conference**, Nashville, Tennessee, 2015 (with D.

Panayiotis, M.D. Mitsias, PhD, Ahmed Dakka, Patricia Penstone, RN, Kourosh Jafari, PhD, Lonni Schultz, PhD, Hamid Soltanian-Zadeh, PhD).

- “Evaluation of mitochondrial modulation in focal brain ischemia/reperfusion injury,” **Wayne State University School of Medicine**, Center for Molecular Medicine and Genetics, Detroit, Michigan, November 26, 2017.
- “Shedding new light on focal brain ischemia/reperfusion injury: Therapeutic intervention and imaging modalities,” **Wayne State University School of Medicine**, Department of Physiology, Detroit, Michigan, May 17, 2017.

EDUCATION

Juris Doctor (*magna cum laude* May 2023)

Detroit Mercy School of Law, Detroit, Michigan, September 2020 – May 2023.

Class Rank: Top 5%

Executive Editor of Online Articles, *Detroit Mercy Law Review*.

Research Assistant: Professor Julia Belian and Associate Dean for Faculty Research and Development J. Richard Broughton

Teaching Assistant: Criminal Law (Professor J. Richard Broughton); Evidence (Professor Louis Schulze)

Detroit Mercy Law Fellow: Full Academic Scholarship

Book Awards: Property I, Health Law, International Patent Law Clinic, Constitutional Law Seminar

Awarded to student who achieved the highest grade in the class.

Member of Justice Frank Murphy Honor Society for Academic Achievement.

Awarded to graduating students in the top 10% of their class who contributed to the Law School.

Stroke and Clinical Neurology Fellow (2018 – 2019)

Henry Ford Health System Department of Neurology, Detroit, Michigan.

Advisor: Dr. Panayiotis Mitsias, M.D., Ph.D

Post-doctoral training in human clinical neurology

Doctor of Philosophy (December 2018)

Wayne State University School of Medicine, Detroit, Michigan.

Department of Physiology

Dissertation: *Non-Invasive Mitochondrial Modulation with Near-Infrared Light Reduces Brain Injury after Stroke* [Defended August 30, 2018]

Advisors: Dr. Thomas Sanderson, Ph.D. and Dr. Maik Huttemann, Ph.D

Dissertation Committee: Dr. Donald DeGracia, Ph.D., Dr. Joseph Dunbar, Ph.D., Dr. Kwaku Nantwi, Ph.D., Dr. Karin Przyklenk, Ph.D.

Master of Divinity (*summa cum laude*, May 2012)

Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, Brookline, Massachusetts

Honors Bachelor of Arts, Classical Studies and Psychology (*cum laude*, June 2010)
University of Windsor, Windsor, Ontario
Board of Governor's Medal in Psychology (Highest Academic Average in
Graduating Class)

LEGAL EMPLOYMENT

Michigan Court of Appeals, Research Attorney (August 2023 – July 2025)

BAR ADMISSION

Michigan, Admitted: November 2023 (active, P87054)

PATENTS

Huttemann, Maik., Sanderson, Thomas H., Strubakos, Christos D, Non-Invasive
Mitochondrial Modulation Therapy for Focal Stroke, PCT/US2020/034052.

ACADEMIC SERVICE

University of Detroit Mercy School of Law

Honor Council (2025 – present)

Program Assessment Committee (2025 – present)