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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Religion, September 2008.

Department of Religion, Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey.

Dissertation: "Habits in the Classroom: A Court Case Regarding Catholic Sisters in New Mexico." (Dr. Leigh Eric Schmidt, advisor and committee chair)

Masters of Arts in Religion, September 2005.

Department of Religion, Princeton University.

Bachelor of Arts, high honors, June 2001.

Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, Pennsylvania.

TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS

U.S. and North American Catholic History; U.S. Religious History; Religion, Law and Politics, Religion, Race and Colonialism; Religion and Sexual Abuse, Religion in the American West / Borderlands; History of New Mexico; Religion and Social Movements; Catholic Saints and Devotionalism.

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Director, August 2019-present.

Religious Studies Program, University of New Mexico.

Associate Professor and Endowed Chair of Roman Catholic Studies, June 2016-present.

Department of American Studies and Religious Studies Program, University of New Mexico.

Assistant Professor and Endowed Chair of Roman Catholic Studies, August 2012-June 2016.

Department of American Studies and Religious Studies Program, University of New Mexico.

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT (continued)

Assistant Professor, August 2008-August 2012.
Department of Theology and Religious Studies, Villanova University.

PUBLICATIONS: BOOK, SCHOLARLY ARTICLES, BOOK CHAPTERS

Religious Lessons: Catholic Sisters, Public Education and the Law in Mid-Century New Mexico.
New York: Oxford University Press, 2012 (paperback ed., 2016).

“The Trouble of an Indian Diocese: Catholic Priests and Sexual Abuse in Colonized Places,”
Religion and US Empire: Critical New Histories (eds. Tisa Wenger and Sylvester
Johnson), New York University Press (forthcoming Spring 2022).

“The Dignity of Motherhood Demands Something Different: A Catholic Experiment in
Reproductive Care in New Mexico,” *Working Alternatives: Experiments in Economic
Practice* (eds. Christine Firer Heinz and John Seitz). Fordham University Press, 2020.

“A Right No Power Can Take Away: Religious Freedom and the Fight for Catholic Schools
Among the Osage,” *The Catholic Historical Review* 106, no. 1 (Winter 2020).

“Separation,” *Religion, Law, U.S.A.* (eds. Joshua Dubler and Isaac Weiner). New York
University Press, 2019.

“Lay Workers in the Rural Churches of New Mexico: Vatican II, Memory, and Ministry,”
Catholics in the Vatican II Era: Local Histories of a Global Event (eds. Kathleen Sprows
Cummings, Timothy Matovina, Robert Orsi). Cambridge University Press, 2017.

“A Decision that Spits in the Face of Our History”: Catholics and the Mid-Century Fight Over
Public Prayer and Bible Reading” *The Catholic Historical Review* 102, no. 2 (Spring
2016): 340-368.

““This is how I remember the finest man I ever knew”: War Commemoration, the Politics of
Healing, and the Miraculous in the Cause of Emil Kapaun,” *U.S. Catholic Historian* 33,
no.1 (Winter 2015): 137-162.

“Contesting the Veil in America: Catholic Habits and the Controversy over Religious Clothing in
the United States,” *Journal of Church and State* 54, no. 1 (Winter 2012): 57-81.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

“The Problem of Priests on the Rosebud: Spiritual Dialogue, Sexual Abuse, and the Limits of US
Catholic Recognition,” article manuscript in progress.

“Desolate Country: Mapping Catholic Sex Abuse in Native America,” Henry Luce Foundation funded digital humanities project, focused on data visualization related to Catholic sex abuse in Native America.

“The Problem of American Catholicism in Indian Country: U.S. Colonialism, Native Resistance, and Catholic Possibility, 1870-1920.” Book manuscript in progress.

PUBLICATIONS: SHORT ESSAYS AND ONLINE COMMENTARY

“Catholic Friendship, Porosity, and the ‘Coloniality of Being,’” Forum on Brenna Moore’s *Kindred Spirits: Friendship and Resistance at the Edges of Modern Catholicism, Contending Modernities* (forthcoming Fall 21).

“Children’s graves in Canada reflect Catholic logic of Indigenous vanishment,” *National Catholic Reporter*, 22 June 2021:
<https://www.ncronline.org/news/accountability/canadian-native-childrens-graves-reflect-history-indigenous-vanishment>

“Priests That Moved: Catholicism, Colonized Peoples, and Sex Abuse in the U.S. Southwest,” *The Revealer*, March 1, 2020: <https://therevealer.org/priests-that-moved-catholicism-colonized-peoples-and-sex-abuse-in-the-u-s-southwest/?fbclid=IwAR1uEt6YgF3LBh9pYurHLH4slum8ZmPW9v6gsFiyewA0vWXUBddoGkQDg3A>.

“Teaching American Religion,” *Proceedings: Sixth Biennial Conference on Religion and American Culture*, The Center for the Study of Religion and American Culture Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, 2019: https://raac.iupui.edu/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/RAAC_6th-Biennial-Conference-Proceedings-2019.pdf.

“Clerical abuse – the colonial factor,” *The Tablet* (UK), April 4, 2019,
<https://www.thetablet.co.uk/features/2/15738/clerical-abuse-the-colonial-factor>.

“The Catholic Crisis,” *Religion and American Culture* 29, no. 1 (Winter 2019): 2-8.

“What Catholics Get Wrong About Native Dispossession” (co-authored with Jack Downey), *Religion and Politics*, January 31, 2019:
https://www.realclearreligion.org/2019/01/31/what_catholics_get_wrong_about_native_dispossession_280734.html.

Response to David O’Brien, “Reflecting on the Trajectory of American Catholic History,” *American Catholic Studies* 129, no. 3 (Fall 2018): 1-27.

“Colonialism and the Crisis Inside the Crisis of Catholic Sexual Abuse,” *Religion Dispatches*, August 27th, 2018: <https://rewire.news/religion-dispatches/2018/08/27/from-pa-to-new-mexico-colonialism-and-the-crisis-inside-the-crisis-of-catholic-sexual-abuse/>.

“Education in the Borderlands.” *The Borderlands: An Encyclopedia of Culture and Politics on the U.S.-Mexico Divide*. Ed. Andrew Wood. Greenwood Press, 2008.

PUBLICATIONS: REVIEW ARTICLES

Lead Remarks in Panel Review of Leslie Woodcock Tentler, *American Catholics: A History*, *Catholic Historical Review*, 107.2 (Spring 2021).

Review of Patricia Appelbaum, *St. Francis of America*, *Church History* 86.2 (June 2017).

Review of Anne M. Martínez, *Catholic Borderlands: Mapping Catholicism onto American Empire, 1905-1934*, *American Catholic Studies* 126.4 (Winter 2015).

Review of Arturo Madrid, *In the Country of Empty Crosses: The Story of a Hispano Protestant Family in New Mexico*. *American Catholic Studies* 24.4 (Winter 2013).

Review of Anne Butler, *Across God’s Frontier: Catholic Sisters in the American West, 1850-1920*. *New Mexico Historical Review* 89.2 (Spring 2014).

Lead Review in Panel Review of Thomas A. Tweed, *America’s Church: The National Shrine and Catholic Presence in the Nation’s Capital*. *American Catholic Studies* 122, no. 4 (Winter 2011).

“The *Converso* Families of New Mexico.” Review of Stanley Hordes, *To the End of the Earth: A History of the Crypto-Jews in New Mexico*. *H-Net: Humanities and Social Sciences Online* (August 2009).

PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITIONS AND HONORS

Fellow, “Gender, Sex, and Power: Toward a History of Clergy Sex Abuse in the U.S. Catholic Church,” three-year collaboration sponsored by the Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism, 2020-2022.

Elected President, American Catholic Historical Association (2019). The ACHA is the preeminent academic organization of scholars, archivists, and teachers of Catholic studies in the United States.

National Research Fellow, Center for the Study of Religion and American Culture (Summer 2019 – present).

Young Scholar of American Religion, Center for the Study of Religion and American Culture, Indiana University- Purdue University Indianapolis (2013-2015). Lilly Endowment-funded program recognizes ten emerging scholars in the field of American religion with seminar series and mentorship opportunities.

Dissertation Completion Fellow, Andrew R. Mellon Foundation / American Council of Learned Societies (2007-2008).

John Tracy Ellis Dissertation Award, American Catholic Historical Association (2007).

Graduate Fellow, Center for the Study of Religion, Princeton University (2006-2007).

RESEARCH FUNDING

2020 “Desolate Country: Mapping Catholic Sex Abuse in Native America,” subaward of Henry Luce Foundation grant for the Religion and Sex Abuse Project. Project PI, collaboration with Dr. Jack Downey. \$21,000.

2012-2014 “Vatican II and the Experience of Priestly Authority in Rural New Mexico,” Lived History of Vatican II Project, Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism, University of Notre Dame. \$5,000 stipend plus research expenses.

2007-2008 Dissertation Completion Fellow, Mellon / American Council of Learned Societies. \$25,000 plus \$3,000 in research funds.

2007 John Tracy Ellis Dissertation Award, American Catholic Historical Association. \$600.

2006-2007 Graduate Fellow, Center for the Study of Religion, Princeton University.

INVITED ACADEMIC LECTURES AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Panel Respondent, “Blackness, Indigeneity and the Arts in North American Religion,” American Academy of Religion (AAR) annual meeting, held virtually, November-December 2020.

“No American Catholicism in Indian Territory: Religious Freedom and the Fight for Catholic Schools Among the Osage,” Presidential Address, American Catholic Historical Association (ACHA) annual meeting, New York, NY, January 2020.

Roundtable Participant, “Accountability and Relationship in the Study of Catholicism,” American Catholic Historical Association (ACHA) annual meeting, New York, NY, January 2020.

INVITED ACADEMIC LECTURES AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (cont'd.)

Participant, Author-Meets-Critic Session on *The Third Disestablishment: Church, State, and American Culture, 1940-1975*, American Academy of Religion (AAR) annual meeting, San Diego, CA, November 2019.

Roundtable Participant, “Decolonizing the Study of Religion,” American Studies Association (ASA) annual meeting, Honolulu, HI, November 2019.

“Disorderly Bodies and the Formation of Catholic-Colonial Space,” Symposium: “Religion in Place: Spaces Borders, Bodies,” St. Louis University, St. Louis, MO, October 2019.

“Teaching American Religion,” Sixth Biennial Conference on Religion and American Culture, Indianapolis, IN, June 2019.

Roundtable Organizer and Participant, “Critical Terms of the ACHA: ‘Catholic,’” American Catholic Historical Association (ACHA) annual meeting, Chicago, IL, January 2019.

Roundtable Organizer and Participant, “Critical Issues in the Study of Catholicism and Colonialism,” American Academy of Religion (AAR) annual meeting, Denver, CO, November 2018.

“Catholic Sisters, Hospitals, and the Legitimization of Public Work,” American Academy of Religion (AAR) annual meeting, Boston, MA, November 2017.

Roundtable Organizer and Participant, “Is Dissent Secular?: Religion, Disruption, and the Liberal State,” American Studies Association (ASA) annual meeting, Chicago, IL, November 2017.

Roundtable Organizer and Participant, “Race, Reproduction and American Religion,” American Academy of Religion (AAR) annual meeting, San Antonio, TX, November 2016.

Roundtable Organizer and Participant, “Protesting Catholics: The ‘New Anti-Catholicism’ and the Politics of Public Religion in North America,” American Academy of Religion (AAR) annual meeting, Atlanta, GA, November 2015.

“Vatican II and the Experience of Priestly Authority in Rural New Mexico,” International Conference on the Lived History of Vatican II, University of Notre Dame, April 2014.

Panel respondent. “New Paradigms in American Catholic Studies,” American Academy of Religion annual meeting, November 2013.

“School Prayer, Bible Reading, and the Catholic Vocabulary of Religious Freedom in Mid-Century America,” *New Worlds of Faith: Religion and Law in Historical Perspective*, University of Pennsylvania, June 2013.

INVITED ACADEMIC LECTURES AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (cont'd.)

Panel Moderator, "Exhibiting Latino Popular Religious Traditions: New Mexico in a Transnational Context," University of New Mexico, Santa Fe, NM, Spring 2013.

"Catholic Sisters, Public Schools: The Church-State Battle that Rocked New Mexico and Captivated the Nation," North American Academy of Liturgy (NAAL) Annual Meeting, January 2013.

"A Decision that "Spits in the Face of Our History": Catholics, Protestants and the Changing Church-State Vision of 1960s America." American Historical Association (AHA) Annual Meeting, January 2012.

Participant. Catholic Women's History Roundtable. Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism, University of Notre Dame, November 2011.

"The Sister Danger: What "Captive School" Conflicts Can Tell Us About Mid-Century American Catholic History." Spring Meeting of the American Catholic Historical Society, Philadelphia, April 2011.

"Educating in a Catholic Vernacular: Lessons on Religion, Ethnicity and Law from the Sister-Taught Public Schools of New Mexico," University of Texas, Austin, TX, November 2010.

"A Doubled Higher Calling: American Catholics, Memory and Military Saints." American Academy of Religion (AAR) Annual Meeting, Atlanta, November 2010.

"Religion Along the American Frontier." Syllabus presentation. American Academy of Religion (AAR) Annual Meeting, Montreal, November 2009.

"Captured!: Catholic Sisters, Public Education and the Mid-Century Campaign Against 'Captive Schools,'" American Catholic Studies Seminar, Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism, University of Notre Dame, October 2008.

"Captured!: The Midcentury Debate Over Catholic Sisters in Public Education." Kalamazoo College, October 2008.

"The Weight of a Franciscan's Shadow: The Reconstruction of Hispano-Catholicism in Early Twentieth Century New Mexico," Center for Mission Effectiveness, Villanova University, Villanova, PA, October 2007.

"Classrooms on the Border: The Work of Catholic Sisters Between Cultures, Institutions and Ideas in the American Southwest," Conference on the History of Women Religious, University of Notre Dame, June 2007.

"'Tillers of the Soil' and German Nuns: Locating Ethnicity in the Religious History of Twentieth Century New Mexico," Through the Prism of Race and Ethnicity: Re-

INVITED ACADEMIC LECTURES AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (cont'd.)

Imagining the Religious History of the American West, Inaugural conference, Arizona State University, March 2006.

“Learning Civics, Learning Saints: The Litigation of Catholic Visual Culture in New Mexico’s Public Schools,” Southwest / Texas Popular Culture and American Culture Associations annual meeting, February 2006.

“Making Religion in the Courtroom: The Practical Implications of the Anthropologist Expert Witness,” American Academy of Religion (AAR) annual meeting, San Antonio, November 2005.

PUBLIC LECTURES AND OTHER PUBLIC APPEARANCES

“Native American Communities and the Clerical Abuse Crisis,” webinar sponsored by Taking Responsibility: Jesuit Educational Institutions Confront the Causes and Legacy of the Clerical Abuse Crisis, February 2021, available to view at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C4kOIWAP8Jw&t=2571s>.

Coverage of webinar at <https://www.ncronline.org/news/accountability/panelists-call-reckoning-abuse-native-american-children-catholic-boarding>.

“Beyond ‘A Few Bad Actors: Colonialism and Catholic Sexual Abuse in Indian Country,’” public webinar, 2019 Boarding School Healing Webinar Series, The National Native American Boarding School Healing Coalition, September 2019.

“Thinking Beyond ‘A Few Bad Actors: Colonialism and Catholic Sexual Abuse in Indian Country,’” session on “Injustice in Indian Country: The Names of Gender Violence and the Path to Truth Telling” (with Hon. Amber Crotty, Navajo Nation Council Delegate), sponsored by the Institute for American Indian Research (IFAIR) and the Kiva Club, University of New Mexico, April 2019.

“Catholics and American Freedom: A Short History,” Archbishop’s Invited Lecture, The Catholic Center of the Archdiocese of Santa Fe, August 2016.

“Pope Francis, the Catholic Church, and the American Imagination,” La Vida Llena Senior Living Community (sponsored by the Albuquerque International Club), Albuquerque, NM, November 2014.

Panel discussion, Pope Francis I: His First Year, Dominican Ecclesial Institute, Aquinas Newman Center at the University of New Mexico, 2 March 2014.

“Pope Francis, the Catholic Church, and the American Imagination,” Catholic Business Forum of the Dominican Ecclesial Institute, Albuquerque, NM, 19 February 2014.

PUBLIC LECTURES, REMARKS AND OTHER PUBLIC APPEARANCES (cont'd.)

“Pope Francis, the Catholic Church, and the American Imagination,” Albuquerque International Club, 9 February 2014.

“The Vatican II Vision: 50 Years of Experience in the United States and New Mexico,” Archbishop’s Invited Lecture, The Catholic Center of the Archdiocese of Santa Fe, 4 February 2014.

Television appearance, “New Mexico in Focus,” New Mexico PBS, 4 February 2014.

“The Meaning of the New Pope for American Catholics,” remarks during weekend masses, The Aquinas Newman Center at the University of New Mexico, September 2013.

“The Experience of Vatican II in New Mexico,” remarks at summer meeting of Formation for Christian Service Program, Archdiocese of Santa Fe, Albuquerque, NM, August 2013.

Appearances on “The Archbishop’s Radio Hour,” Archdiocese of Santa Fe, Albuquerque, NM, Fall 2012, Spring 2013, Fall 2013, Spring 2014, Summer 2018, Spring 2020.

“Law and Religion,” Presentation for Incarcerated Villanova Students and Alumni, Pennsylvania State Correctional Institution – Graterford, Graterford, PA, October 2009.

“The Sister Danger: How the Dixon Case Shaped American Conversations About Church-State Separation,” Brainpower and Brown Bags Luncheon Series, Fray Angelico Chavez Historical Library, Santa Fe, New Mexico, June 2009.

CONSULTANT FOR JOURNALISM

Mary Annette Pember, “Documentary about Indigenous Catholics Short on Accuracy, Long on Spin,” *Indian Country Today*, June 29, 2021.

Jaweed Kaleem, “What Joe Biden Means for Catholics in America,” *Los Angeles Times*, February 12, 2021.

Christine Hauser and Concepción de León, “It’s Numbing: Nine Retired Nuns in Michigan Die of Covid-19,” *The New York Times*, January 31, 2021.

Mary Annette Pember, “The Catholic Church Siphoned Away \$30 Million Paid to Native People for Stolen Land,” *In These Times*, July 27, 2020.

Heidi Schlumpf, “Historians take ‘long view’ on Catholic sex abuse crisis,” *National Catholic Reporter*, January 10, 2019.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Secularism and U.S. Empire (graduate seminar), Spring 2015, Fall 2016, Spring 2018, Fall 2021.

Religion in New Mexico, Fall 2013, Spring 2016, Fall 2020.

Religion, Race, Revolution (graduate seminar), Fall 2019.

Catholicism in America, Spring 2009 (graduate seminar), Spring 2010, Spring 2011, Spring 2012, Fall 2012, Spring 2014, Spring 2015, Fall 2016, Fall 2017, Spring 2020.

Catholic Saints in North America, Spring 2015, Spring 2017, Spring 2018, Spring 2022.

Religion, Radicalism, and Social Change, Spring 2017.

Introduction to Southwest Studies, Fall 2017.

Growing Up Catholic in America, University of New Mexico, Fall 2013.

Religion(s) in the American West, Spring 2009, Fall 2012, Spring 2014.

Religion in America, Spring 2011, Spring 2012.

Catholics and American Freedom (undergraduate honors course), Fall 2010.

Latino Religion in the U.S., Fall 2009.

Christianity in History, Fall 2008, Spring 2010.

The History of the Study of Religion (as preceptor, with Dr. Leigh Schmidt), Princeton University, Spring 2006.

Practical Ethics (as preceptor, with Dr. Peter Singer), Princeton University, Fall 2005.

Independent Studies: Religion and Neoliberalism (Spring 2020, Spring 2021).

DOCTORAL AND M.A. STUDENT ADVISMENT

Melissa Bendt, Ph.D. student, Department of American Studies, University of New Mexico, Fall 2018 - present.

Caitlin Grann, Ph.D. student, Department of American Studies, University of New Mexico, Spring 2018 – present (co-advisor with Dr. Kristina Jacobsen). Dissertation prospectus defended Spring 2019.

Jillian Grisel, Ph.D. student, Department of American Studies, University of New Mexico, Fall 2019- present.

Elle Herman, Ph.D. students, Department of American Studies, University of New Mexico, Fall 2021- present.

Christine Shell, Ph.D. student, Department of American Studies, University of New Mexico, Winter 2016 – present. Dissertation prospectus defended Fall 2018.

Jillian Grisel, “Unsettling Indian Health Services: Secularism, Modern Medicine & the Reproduction of the U.S. Settler Stage Through the 1954 Transfer Act,” thesis committee chair, M.A. in American Studies, Degree awarded Summer 2019.

Marthia Fuller, Ph.D. student, Department of American Studies, University of New Mexico, Fall 2013-Spring 2015.

STUDENT COMMITTEE WORK: COMPREHENSIVE EXAMS, DISSERTATIONS AND MASTERS THESES

Rodney Gonzales, comprehensive exam committee member, in process.

Joshua Heckman, comprehensive exam committee member, in process.

Nathan Leach, comprehensive exam committee member, in process.

Tania Garcia, “Haunting, Trauma, Memory, and Imagination: Images and Stories Along the Southwest Borderlands,” committee member, dissertation prospectus defended, Spring 2021.

Dina Barajas, “Danzantes Aztecas y Promotoras Tradicionales: The Ritual Performances and Identity Politics of a Mexican American Ceremonial Community.” Committee member, Ph.D. in American Studies. Degree awarded Fall 2020.

Nova Lira-Perez, Unsettling Imperial Myths: Queer of Color World-Making in the Art of Ade M. Cruz,” committee member, M.A. in American Studies, Degree awarded Summer 2020.

Linda Eleshuk Roybal, Exploration, Disruption, Diaspora: Movement of Nuevomexicanos to Utah, 1776 – 1950, committee member, Ph.D. in American Studies, UNM, Degree awarded Spring 2019.

Brendan Isaiah Nixon, “Engaging Sacred Space and Experiencing God in the Mountains: A study of the non-traditional worship space of Mountain Cathedrals,” committee member, M.A. in Geography, Degree awarded Spring 2019.

Lara Gunderson, *Relanzamiento* of Nicaragua's Christian Base Communities: Forging New Models of Church and Society for the Twenty-First Century," committee member, Ph.D. in Anthropology, UNM, Degree awarded Spring 2018.

Caroline Goodman, "Reclaiming the Land: Indigenous Articulations of Environmentalism at Bears Ears," committee member, M.A. in American Studies, Degree awarded Spring 2016.

Kevin Hathaway, "Re-Contextualizing the Patriarch: Understanding Fathers and Sons," M.F.A. in Theatre. Degree awarded Spring 2015.

STUDENT COMMITTEE WORK: UNDERGRADUATE HONORS THESES

Madeline D'Arezzo, "Woman, Wives, and Nuns: Nineteenth Century Anti-Mormon and Anti-Catholic Literature from the Female Perspective," Honors thesis advisor. B.A. in American Studies with high honors, Degree awarded Spring 2020.

Melissa Bendt, "Complicated Citizenship: New Mexico, The Sanctuary State," Honors thesis advisor. B.A. in American Studies with highest honors, Degree awarded Spring 2017.

Mikayla Jaramillo, "Pope Francis and His Application of the Trinity," honors thesis reader, B.A. in Religious Studies with honors, degree awarded Spring 2017.

Samantha Andrews, "Sexual Violence and Religious Institutions in the Colonial Southwest," honors thesis advisor, B.A. with honors, degree awarded Spring 2014.

SELECTED SERVICE: DEPARTMENT, COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY

Committee Member, Faculty Senate Curriculum Committee, Fall 2020 – present.

Committee Member, Dean's Hiring Strategy Committee, Spring 2021.

Reviewer for Luce Faculty Development Grant, Faculty Research Development Office, University of New Mexico, Fall 2019.

Committee Member, New Mexico Higher Education Department Common Course Numbering Committee, Spring-Summer 2017.

Advisory Committee Member, NEH Next Generation Challenge Grant, College of Arts and Sciences, University of New Mexico, 2016-2017.

Faculty Colloquium Respondent, "The Pope's Dilemma: the Power and Politics of Blood Libel in Early Modern Europe," Colloquium with Magda Teter, International Studies Institute, University of New Mexico, Spring 2016.

Convocation Speaker, Religious Studies Program, University of New Mexico, Spring 2016.

Executive Committee Member, Religious Studies Program, University of New Mexico, Fall 2012-present.

Lecture Series Committee Chair, American Studies Department, University of New Mexico, Spring 2015.

Lecture Series Committee Member, American Studies Department, University of New Mexico, Fall 2013-Spring 2015.

Undergraduate Recruitment Committee Member, Department of American Studies, University of New Mexico, Spring 2014.

Presenter / Facilitator, American Studies Graduate Student Professional Development Workshop, Spring 2014, Fall 2016.

Committee Member, Ad Hoc Committee to explore NEH funding for Humanities Institute at UNM, Spring 2014.

Planning Committee Member, “Exhibiting Latino Popular Religious Traditions: New Mexico in a Transnational Context,” International Conference, University of New Mexico, Spring 2013.

SELECTED SERVICE: PROFESSIONAL

President, American Catholic Historical Association, Winter 2019 – Winter 2020 (vice-president Winter 2018 – Winter 2019; past-president Winter 2020 – Winter 2022).

Steering Committee Co-Chair, Spring 2017 – present.
North American Religions Unit, American Academy of Religion.

Associate Editor, *American Catholic Studies* (journal), Summer 2018 – present.

Steering Committee Member, Fall 2018 – present.
Contextualizing the Catholic Sex Abuse Crisis seminar, American Academy of Religion.

Steering Committee Member, Spring 2017-Fall 2018.
Roman Catholic Studies Unit, American Academy of Religion.

Steering Committee Member, Summer 2017-present.
North American Religions Unit, American Academy of Religion.

Steering Committee Member, Spring 2013-Summer 2016.

Religion in the American West Group, American Academy of Religion.

Steering Committee Member, November 2009-Spring 2013.

Cultural History of the Study of Religion Group, American Academy of Religion.

MANUSCRIPT READER / REFEREE

University of Chicago Press (Fall 2020), New York University Press (Spring 2018, Spring 2019), Oxford University Press (Spring 2018), Fordham University Press (Spring 2016).

Journal of Religious History (Spring 2020), *Radical History Review* (Summer 2018), *Religion and American Culture* (Spring 2018), *Religion* (Journal) (Summer 2017), *American Quarterly* (Fall 2015), *American Catholic Studies* (Journal) (Spring 2014, Spring 2015), *Journal of Church and State* (Fall 2010), *Journal of Peace and Justice Studies* (Spring 2010), *Journal of the American Academy of Religion* (Summer 2009),

TENURE AND PROMOTION – EXTERNAL REVIEWER

Case Western Reserve University (2020); University of Rochester (2019); St. Louis University (2019, 2021).

SELECTED SERVICE – PUBLIC AND COMMUNITY

Scholarly Advisor, “Acts of Faith: Religion in the American West,” New York Historical Society Traveling Exhibition (ongoing; Opening Fall 2022).

Advisory Board Member, Master of Theological Studies Program, St. Norbert College and the Ecumenical Institute for Ministry, Albuquerque, NM, Spring 2014-Spring 2020.

Member of Board of Directors, Dominican Ecclesial Institute, Albuquerque, NM, Summer 2013-Summer 2018.

Instructor, “Christian History,” Intensive one-day course sponsored by Camino de Fe (Peñasco, NM, Spring 2015; Chimayó, NM, Spring 2018).

Instructor, “Christian Missions in New Mexico,” Oasis Learning Community, Albuquerque, NM (Spring 2018).

Instructor, “Religion in New Mexico,” Oasis Learning Community, Albuquerque, NM (Fall 2014).

Expert Witness (on behalf of ACLU), *Felix v. Bloomfield*, Fall 2012- present (for more on the lawsuit, see <http://www.aclu-nm.org/aclu-sues-bloomfield-for-unconstitutional-display-of-ten-commandments/2012/02/>).

Volunteer, Trinity House Catholic Worker, Albuquerque, NM, Winter 2017 – present.

Volunteer Advocacy Organizer, CARE International, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, February 2006 – Spring 2012 (District Chair, 2008-10; State Chair 2010-Spring 2012).

Volunteer, Back on My Feet, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, May 2009 – October 2010.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS (PAST AND PRESENT)

American Academy of Religion, American Studies Association, American Historical Association, American Catholic Historical Association, American Society for Church History, American Catholic Historical Society.