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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. The Catholic University of America, Washington, DC, May 2001
The Department of Religion and Religious Education
Dissertation Title: *The Role of Feelings in Decision Making According to Bernard Lonergan, S. J.*
- M.A. The Catholic University of America, Washington, DC, December 1996
The Department of Religion and Religious Education
- B.A. Berea College, Berea, KY, May 1993
Majors: Mathematics and Philosophy

SCHOLARSHIP

Books

- *The Green Mister Rogers: Environmentalism in Mister Rogers' Neighborhood.* University Press of Mississippi, 2022. Co-authored with Sara Lindey.
- *Love, Sex, and Families: Catholic Perspectives.* Liturgical Press, 2020. Co-Editor with Julie Hanlon Rubio. Won Catholic Media Association's 2021 first place award in Marriage and Family Living & Association of Catholic Press' 2021 first place award in Theology.
- *Faith with Benefits: Hookup Culture on Catholic Campuses.* Oxford University Press, 2017.
- *God has Begun a Great Work in Us: The Embodiment of Love in Contemporary Consecrated Life and Ecclesial Movements (Annual Volume of the College Theology Society).* Orbis, 2015. Co-Editor with Shannon Schrein. Won the 2016 Catholic Press Award, Gender Issues, Third Place.
- *Killing the Imposter God: Philip Pullman's Spiritual Imagination in His Dark Materials.* Jossey-Bass, 2007. Co-authored with Donna Freitas.
- *Save the Date: A Spirituality of Love, Dating, Dinner, and the Divine.* Crossroads, 2003. Co-authored with Donna Freitas.

Articles (Peer Reviewed)

- "Rethinking the Work of the Theologian in the Pandemic's Wake," *Horizons* 50.1 (2023): 1-31, doi: 10.1017/hor.2023.5. Co-authored with Kathy Lilla Cox.
- "The Pandemic, Contingent Faculty, and Catholic Colleges and Universities." *Academic Labor: Research and Artistry* 6.1 (2022) digitalcommons.humboldt.edu/alra/vol6/iss1/6/. Co-authored with Andrew Herr and Julia Cavallo.
- "Theological Education and the Dangers of Mentoring," *The Human in a Dehumanizing World: Reimagining Theological Anthropology and Its Implications.* College Theology Society Annual Volume 67, Jessica Coblentz and Daniel Horan, eds. (New York: Orbis Books, 2022) 116-119.
- "The Demanding Theology of Mister Rogers," *New Blackfriars* 103.1103 (2022) 62-76, doi: 10.1111/nbfr.12651.
- "Parenting for Environmental Care," *Human Families: Identities, Relationships, and Responsibilities.* College Theology Society Annual Volume 66 (2020) 124-135.

- “The Data and Ethics of Contingent Faculty at Catholic Colleges and Universities.” *Journal of Moral Theology* 9, Special Issue 2 (2020) 165-184. Co-authored with Andrew Herr and Julia Cavallo.
- “What Chairs Can Do for Contingent Faculty,” *Journal of Catholic Higher Education* 38.2 (2019) 177-192.
- “Appalachia and *Laudato Si'*: Developing the Connection between the Poor and the Environment,” *Horizons* 46.2 (2019) 246-269.
- “Mister Rogers’ Environmentalism: Children’s Spirituality in a Trash Apocalypse,” *International Journal of Children’s Spirituality* 24.2 (2019) 155-165.
- “Does Service and Volunteering Affect Catholic Identity?” *Praxis: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Faith and Justice* 1.2 (2018) 104-122. Co-authored with Andrew Herr.
- “Hooking Up, Contraception Scripts, and Catholic Social Teaching.” *Journal of Moral Theology* 7.1 (2018) 99-111. Co-authored with Kari-Shane Davis Zimmerman.
- “Whose Gradualism? Which Relationship?” *Horizons* 42.1 (2016) 86-105.
- “Does Catholic Identity Affect Students?” *Journal of Catholic Higher Education* 34.2 (2015) 195-209. Co-authored with Andrew Herr.
- “After *Ex corde Ecclesiae*: A Review Essay on Catholic Higher Education.” *Journal of Moral Theology* 4.2 (2015) 167-191.
- “Feelings and Decision Making.” *New Blackfriars* 97.1067 (2015) 39-51.
- “Trying Not to ‘Shove Religion Down Their Throats.’” *Religious Education* 110.2 (2015) 198-211.
- “Student Perception of and Role in Determining Catholic Identity.” *Journal of Catholic Higher Education* 33.2 (2014) 261-278.
- “The Exercise of Obedience and Authority in the *Rule of Saint Benedict*.” *American Benedictine Review* 65.3 (2014) 257-270.
- “Bernard Lonergan’s Theology of Marriage.” *Josephinum Journal of Theology* 14 (2007) 71-87.
- “Ecumenical Marriage as Leaven for Christian Unity.” *Journal of Ecumenical Studies* 42 (2007) 253-263.
- “Vatican II’s Ecclesiology and the Sexual Abuse Scandal.” *Vatican II: Forty Years Later*. College Theology Society Annual Volume 51 (2005) 145-162.
- “Sex, Time, and Meaning: A Theology of Dating.” *Horizons* 30 (2003) 25-40. Co-authored with Donna Freitas.

Book Chapters

- “Casti Connubii,” in *Catholic Family Teaching: Commentaries and Interpretations*, eds. Jacob Kohlhass and Mary Doyle Roach. Georgetown University Press, Forthcoming.
- “Puppets are People, Too,” in *Mister Rogers and Philosophy*, eds. Eric Mohr and Holly Mohr, Open Court, 2020. With Sara Lindey.
- “Lust” in *Seven Deadly Sins*, eds. Jana Bennet and David Cloutier, Catholic University of America Press, 2019.
- “Phillip Pullman” in *Don’t Stop Believing’: Pop Culture and Religion from Ben-Hur to Zombies*. Craig Detweiler, Robert Johnston, and Barry Taylor, eds. Westminster John Knox Press, 2012.
- “Marriage and the Redemption of the World” in *Finding Salvation in Christ*, eds. Christopher McMahan and Christopher Denny, Wipf & Stock, 2010.
- “A Theology of Dating for a Culture of Abuse” in *Leaving and Coming Home: New Wineskins for Catholic Sexual Ethics*, ed. David Cloutier, Cascade Books, 2010.

- “Sex, Time, and Meaning: A Theology of Dating” reprinted in *Perspective on Marriage: A Reader*, eds. Kieran Scott & Michael Warren, Oxford University Press, 2007.

Grants, Awards, and Fellowships

- Catholic Media Association’s 2021 first place award in Marriage and Family Living for *Sex, Love, and Families: Catholic Perspectives*.
- Association of Catholic Press’ 2021 first place award in Theology for *Sex, Love, and Families: Catholic Perspectives*.
- Thoburn Teaching Award, Saint Vincent College, 2020.
- Faculty Fellow, Fred Rogers Center for Early Learning and Children’s Media, 2019-2020.
- Student Government Association, Faculty Teaching Award, Saint Vincent College, 2015 & 2020.
- Catholic Press Award, 2016, Gender Issues, Third Place for *God Has Begun a Great Work in Us* (Orbis, 2015).
- Participant, Colledgeville Institute Writing Workshop, *A Broader Public: Writing on Religion for a Secular Audience*, June 29-July 5, 2014. Room, board, and travel covered for participants.
- “Student Perceptions of Catholic Colleges and Universities Religious Identity.” Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities, 2013, \$1500 grant.
- New Wine, New Wineskins Symposium (as a Member of the Board of Directors)
 - Catholic Theological Society of America, 2013, \$5000 Grant.
 - Porticus, 2009-2011, \$23,000 (2009 - \$10,000, 2010 - \$8,000, 2011 - \$5,000)
- “The Renewal of Theology and the Redemptive Mission of the Church.” Louisville Institute Summer Stipend 2007, with Dr. Christopher McMahon, \$4500 grant.
- San Damiano Service Learning Faculty Recognition Award, Lourdes College, 2004.

Conference Presentations (Recent)

- “The Last Decade of Moral Theology,” College Theology Society, 2023 Annual Meeting.
- “Theological Education and the Dangers of Mentoring,” College Theology Society, 2021 Annual Meeting.
- “Beyond Laboring: Fostering the Love of Learning and the Desire for God in Theological Education,” Catholic Theological Society of America, 2021 Annual Meeting.
- “Parenting for Environmental Care,” College Theology Society, 2020 Annual Meeting.
- “Contingent Faculty in Catholic Colleges and Universities,” Society of Christian Ethics, 2020 Annual Meeting.
- “Mr. Rogers’ Apocalyptic Environmentalism . . . for Children,” American Academy of Religion, 2018 Annual Meeting.
- “Appalachia, Catholic Social Teaching, and the Environment,” Catholic Theological Ethics in the World Church, Sarajevo, July 2018.
- “Contingent Faculty and the Business Model of Catholic Higher Education,” Society of Christian Ethics, 2018 Annual Meeting.
- “Hookup Culture, Contraceptive Scripts, and the Socially Marginalized,” College Theology Society, 2017 Annual Meeting. With Kari-Shane Davis Zimmerman.
- “Naming Lust,” College Theology Society, 2016 Annual Meeting.
- “Catholics and the Family, 2015 and Beyond,” Panelist, Marriage and Family Life Section, College Theology Society, 2015 Annual Meeting.

- “The 2014 Vatican Synod on Marriage & Family: Preliminary Ethical Assessments,” Panelist, Families and the Social Order Interest Group, Society of Christian Ethics, 2015 Annual Meeting

Invited Academic Talks (Recent)

- "Mister Rogers and Philosophy: Puppets are People Too," Panelist, Saint Francis University, October 28, 2021.
- “Sex, Love, and Families – Book Discussion,” Society of Christian Ethics – Midyear Virtual Meetings, August 5, 2021.
- “Catholic Higher Education and the Common Good,” Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA, April 30, 2021.
- “The Coming Apocalypse of Catholic Higher Education,” Saint Leo University, February 10, 2021.
- “The Green Mister Rogers,” (with Sara Lindey), Beatrice Institute, Pittsburgh, PA, March 2, 2021.
- “Appalachia and Laudato Si’.” Annual Catholic Social Teaching Lecture, Seton Hill University, September 15th, 2020.
- “Faith with Benefits: Hooking Up, Hanging Out, and Finding Relationships on Catholic Campuses.” Sister Maura Campbell Lecture Series, Caldwell University, November 5th, 2018.
- “Sexuality, Hookup Culture and Catholic Social Teaching.” Fontebonne University, 14th Annual Carondelet Lecture, October 19th, 2018.
- “Faith with Benefits: Hookup Culture on Catholic Campuses.” The Catholic University of America, April 11th, 2018.
- “Faith with Benefits: Hookup Culture on Catholic Campuses.” Cabrini University, February 12th, 2018.
- “Faith with Benefits: Hookup Culture on Catholic Campuses.” University of Notre Dame, Center for Gender Relations, November 28th, 2017.
- “Hookup Culture and Research Methods.” Seton Hill University, Psychology Department, November 15th, 2017.
- “Catholic Social Teaching for the Core Curriculum.” Seton Hill University, May 18th, 2017.
- “Faith with Benefits.” Theology and Religious Studies Student Association, The Catholic University of America, March 21st, 2016.
- “Hope because ‘the Holy ghost over the bent World broods’.” Mount Saint Mary’s University, Keynote Speaker for Delta Epsilon Sigma Honor Society Induction Ceremony, April 20th, 2015.

Book Reviews (Recent)

- *Divine Currency: The Theological Power of Money in the West* by Devin Singh, *Horizons* (June 2019).
- *College Hookup Culture and Christian Ethics: The Lives and Longing of Emerging Adults* by Jennifer Beste, *American Catholic Studies* (Fall 2018).
- *Mystery and Sacrament of Love: A Theology of Marriage and the Family for the New Evangelization* by Marc Cardinal Ouellet, *Horizons* (December 2017).
- *The Theology of Marriage: Personalism, Doctrine, and Canon Law* by Cormac Burke. *Horizons* (June 2016).
- *The Gospel of the Family* by Cardinal Walter Kasper *Horizons* (June 2015).
- *Shopping* by Michelle A. Gonzales. *Horizons* (Fall 2012).

- *God, Science, Sex, Gender: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Christian Ethics*, edited by Patricia Beattie Jung and Aana Marie Vigen. *Theological Studies* (June 2011).

Public Theology

- "Is any person's reason competent to make laws?": Thomas Aquinas and Law", *Continue Legal Education Series*, Latrobe, PA, August 21st, 2022.
- "The Green Mister Rogers," Webinar, Fred Rogers Center for Early Learning and Children's Media, May 26, 2022.
- "Laudato Si' Five Years Out: Five Themes from a Scholarly Review of Its Impact," *National Catholic Reporter: EarthBeat*, June 12, 2020.
- "Does hookup culture differ on Catholic campuses?" *The Conversation*, June 19th, 2017. This essay was reprinted in *Salon* and *Business Insider*.
- "Hookup Culture Varies at 3 Types of Catholic Colleges," *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, March 26th, 2017.
- "Faith with Benefits: Hookup Culture on Catholic Campuses," *Bearings Online*, Collegeville Institute, June 8, 2017.
- Podcasts
 - Words and Numbers, March 16, 2022
 - Wolf-Kuhn Ethics Institute, October 26, 2020.
 - Bookworm Games, June 20, 2019.
 - Daily Theology, Episode 32, November 10, 2017.
 - Fishers of Men, Episode 19, September 19, 2016.
- "Sex, Privilege, and Catholic Social Teaching." *Spirituality of Sex Series*, Patheos, October 7, 2016.
- "Catholics and the Modern Family." *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, Opinion Page, October 15, 2014.
- "Wrestle a Bear: And Four Other Experiences that Improve Your Writing." *Bearings Online*, The Collegeville Institute's Blog, January 2015
- Catholic Moral Theology Blog, Board Member, <http://catholicmoraltheology.com/>
- Church Talks (Recent)
 - "Don't be Afraid of Aliens, Monsters, and Superheroes," *The Well: Men's Conference*, Diocese of Greensburg, Greensburg, PA, March 25, 2023.
 - "The Morality of Magic in Literature," *Conversations with Caffeinated Catholics*, Irwin, PA, October 23rd, 2021.
 - "Banquets and Beatitudes," *E-Prayer*, Saint Vincent Basilica Parish, Latrobe, PA, October 21st, 2020.
 - "Hook-Up Culture Alternative," *Faith & Sexuality*, St. Dominic Church, Washington, DC, August 11th, 2019.
 - "God, Work, and Money," *The Well: Men's Conference*, Diocese of Greensburg, Greensburg, PA, March 30, 2019.
 - "Catholic Marriage and Divorce," *Theology on Tap*, Mother of Sorrows Parish, Monroeville, PA, February 27th, 2018.
 - "The Last Jedi: Awesome or Awful?" *Theology on Tap*, Saint Vincent College Campus Ministry, Latrobe, PA, January 18th, 2018.
 - "What Makes Relationships Work," Saint Camillus Parish Youth Group, New Castle, PA February 12th, 2017.
 - "Why Relationships are More Like Fighting Fires than Shopping," *Theology on Tap*, Lawrence County Young Adult Ministry, PA, April 27th, 2017.

EMPLOYMENT

- Beirne Chair of Catholic Studies and Director of the Center for Catholic Studies, St. Mary's University in San Antonio, TX, Summer 2023-Present
- Irene S. Taylor Endowed Chair for Catholic Family Studies, St. Vincent College, Latrobe, PA, Fall 2005 – Spring 2023
- Assistant Professor, Lourdes College, Sylvania, OH, Fall 2002 – Spring 2005
- Visiting Assistant Professor, Marymount University, Arlington, VA, Fall 2000 – Summer 2002

ADMINISTRATIVE WORK

Journal of Moral Theology

- Editor Emeritus, 2022-Present
- Editor, 2016-2021
- Associate Editor, 2015-2016
- Editorial Board, 2013-2015

Catholic Theological Ethics in the World Church

- Planning Committee Meeting, Munich, Germany, October 11-13, 2019
- North American Forum Contributor, Fall 2018 – Present

College Theology Society

- Board Member, Spring 2016- Spring 2019
- Chair, Committee of the Monika Hellwig Award for Excellence in Teaching, Fall 2016-Spring 2018
- New Pedagogies and the Spirituality of Learning Convener, 2015-2016
- Annual Conference Volume Editor, 2014
- Awards Committee, 2013-2014
- Nominations Committee, 2010-2011
- Arts, Literature, and Religion Convener, 2004-2006.

Society of Christian Ethics

- Advisory Committee on Non-Tenure Track Faculty, 2021-2022
- Families and the Social Order, Co-Convener, 2015-2017

New Wine, New Wineskins (a society for Pre-Tenured Catholic Moral Theologians)

- Board Member, 2009-2012
- Ran Pedagogy Pre-Conference, New Wine, New Wineskins, Summer 2008