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EDUCATION

2005	St. Patrick's Pontifical Institute, Maynooth	Co. Kildare, Ireland
	<i>Doctorate of Philosophy in Theology</i>	
	Dissertation: <i>Diverging Understandings: Polarization in Interpretations of the Principle of Double Effect</i>	
	Rev. D. Vincent Twomey, Supervisor	
2000	Boston University School of Theology	Boston, MA
	<i>Master of Sacred Theology: Ethics</i>	
	Fr. Lucien Richard, O.M.I., Advisor	
1999	Boston University School of Theology	Boston, MA
	<i>Master of Divinity</i>	
1993	Union College	Schenectady, NY
	<i>Bachelor of Arts: English and Russian Language & Literature</i>	

EXPERIENCE

2011-present	Canisius College	Buffalo, NY
	<i>Associate Professor</i>	
2017-2018	Northeastern Seminary	Rochester, NY
	<i>Adjunct Professor</i>	
2011-2017	Canisius College	Buffalo, NY
	<i>Catholic Studies Program Director</i>	
2008-2011	Canisius College	Buffalo, NY
	<i>Assistant Professor</i>	
2005-2008	St. John's University	Queens, NY
	<i>Assistant Professor</i>	
2004-2005	Adirondack Community College	Queensbury, NY
	<i>Adjunct Professor of Philosophy</i>	

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

2002-present	American Academy of Religion
2002-present	The Catholic Theological Society of America
2002-2017	The Society of Christian Ethics
2005-present	The College Theological Society

PUBLICATIONS: BOOKS

Theological Literacy in the Twenty-first Century, Rodney L. Petersen & Nancy M. Rourke, eds. (Cambridge, UK: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 2002).

PUBLICATIONS: CHAPTERS AND ARTICLES

"Environmental Justice in the US." In Eli S. McCarthy, ed., *Becoming Nonviolent Peacemakers: A Virtue Ethic for Catholic Social Teaching and U.S. Policy* (Georgetown University, forthcoming 2019).

“Pope Francis’ Encyclical and Catholic Magisterial Statements on Ecological Ethics.” In Mohammed Shafiq and Nathan Kollar, eds., *Nature and the Environment in Contemporary Religious Contexts*. (Cambridge Scholars Publishing 2018), 101-122.

“Calling Forth the Invisible, Spreading Goodness: Virtue Ethics in *Laudato Si’*.” In Dan Delio, ed., *All Creation is Connected: Voices in Response to Pope Francis’ Encyclical on Ecology* (Anselm Academic, 2017), 159-223.

“The Consequences of Fossil Fuel Addiction in Schoharie County.” In *Laudato Si’ and Northern Appalachia: Journal of Moral Theology* 6, Special Issue 1 (March 2017), 125-143.

“Good Chaos, Bad Chaos, and the Meaning of Integrity in Both.” In Colleen Carpenter, ed. *An Unexpected Wilderness: College Theology Society Annual Volume* (Orbis Books, Spring 2016), 79-89.

“A Catholic Virtues Ecology.” In Christiana Peppard and Andrea Vicini, S.J., eds. *Just Sustainability: Ecology, Technology and Resource Extraction*. Catholic Theological Ethics in the World Church Series, vol. 3. (Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 2015), 194-204.

Paula Leslie, Nancy M Rourke and Tamara Sacks. “Doing What Works: A Discussion of Medical Futility” 23, No. 2 (April, 2014) *American Speech-Language and Hearing Association’s Special Interest Group (SIG) 13, Perspectives on Swallowing and Swallowing Disorders (Dysphagia)*.

“Sacramental Swallow: How Swallowing Informs Eucharistic Theology,” with Paula Leslie, PhD, FRCSLT, CCC-SLP, in *The National Catholic Bioethics Quarterly* 13, No 2 (Summer 2013), 253-262.

“Prudence Gone Wild.” *Environmental Ethics* 33 (Fall 2011), 249-266.

“The Environment Within: Virtue Ethics.” In Tobias Winright, ed. *Green Discipleship: Catholic Theological Ethics and the Environment* (Winona, MN: Anselm Academic Press, September 2011): 248-266.

“Where is the Wrong? A Comparison of Two Accounts of the Principle of Double Effect.” *Irish Theological Quarterly* 76, No. 2 (May 2011): 150-163.

“God, Grace and Creation: Shaping a Catholic Environmental Virtue Ethic.” In Philip Rossi, ed. *God, Grace and Creation: College Theology Society Annual Volume* 55 (April 2010): 222-234.

“Tuning in to Catholic Ecology.” *Intervom* (November 2009).

PUBLICATIONS: REVIEWS

Inspired Sustainability: Planting Seeds for Action, by Erin Lothes Biviano (Orbis Books, 2016), in *Journal of Catholic Social Thought* 15, No. 2 (Summer 2018), 39-381.

Cultivating Virtue: Perspectives from Philosophy, Theology, and Psychology, by Nancy E. Snow, ed (Oxford University Press, 2015), in *Theological Studies* 77, No 1 (March 2016): 273.

The Scandal of White Complicity in US Hyper-Incarceration: A Nonviolent Spirituality of White Resistance, by Alex Mikulich, Laurie Cassidy, and Margaret Pfeil (Palgrave Macmillan, 2013), in *Journal of the Society of Christian Ethics* 35, No. 2 (Fall/Winter 2015).

Cosmology, Ecology and the Energy of God, by Donna Bowman and Clayton Crockett, eds. (NY: Fordham University Press, 2012), in *Environmental Ethics* 35, No. 3 (Fall 2013), 381-382.

Defending Probabilism: The Moral Theology of Juan Caramuel, by Julia Fleming, and *The Pinckaers Reader: Renewing Thomistic Moral Theology*, by John Berkman and Craig Steven Titus, eds., in *The Journal of the Society of Christian Ethics* (Spring/Summer 2009): 260-263.

Loyal Dissent: Memoir of a Catholic Theologian, by Charles Curran, in *The Heythrop Journal* 48, No. 4 (July, 2007): 666-667.

Proportionalism And the Natural Law Tradition, by Christopher Kaczor, in *The Irish Theological Quarterly* 70, No. 2 (2005): 177-179.

PRESENTATIONS

“University Learning Gardens: Cultivating the Margins, on Borrowed Land and Time.” American Educational Research Association Annual Meeting, Toronto, ON (April 7, 2019) (co-author of work presented by Dr. Joshua Russell).

“An Ecology of Virtue: Integrating Systems Ecology into Virtue Theory.” Poster presentation. *Third International Conference of Catholic Theological Ethics in the World Church (CTWEC)*, Sarajevo, Bosnia & Herzegovina (July 26-29, 2018).

University of Rochester’s Department of Psychiatry Grand Rounds Presentation with Candace Lucas & Diane Morse. *The History of Medical Experimentation in Relation to Structural Racism and Health Disparities* (August 10, 2017).

Schoharie County and the Constitution Pipeline: Catholic and Reformed Theologies in Dialogue. Laudato Si’ in Northern Appalachia, St. Vincent College, Latrobe, PA (October 21, 2016).

Panel Presentation with Erin Lothes Biviano. “The Moral Case for Fossil Fuel Divestment.” *Caring for Creation by Divesting from Fossil Fuels and Reinvesting in Climate Solutions* (webinar) (September 7, 2016).

Pope Francis’ Encyclical and Catholic Magisterial Statements on Ecological Ethics. Sacred Texts and Human Contexts, Nazareth College’s Hickey Center for Interfaith Studies and Dialogue, Rochester, NY (May 23-25, 2016).

Theology, Ecology and Meanings of Participation. Participation in God’s Mission, Northeastern Seminary, Rochester, NY (March 18-19, 2016).

The Ethics Beyond Ugly Sweaters: Lying and Advanced Dementia. Monthly Clinical and Research Ethics Seminar, University of Buffalo Center for Clinical Ethics and Humanities in Health Care (January 19, 2016).

Good Chaos, Bad Chaos, and the Meaning of Integrity in Both. College Theology Society Annual Meeting, Portland University, Portland, OR (June 2015).

Panel presentation. *New Pedagogies and Spirituality of Learning. College Theology Society Annual Meeting*, Portland University, Portland, OR (June 2015).

Panel presentation. *Marriage and Forgiveness. LeMoyne College*, Syracuse, NY (March 2015).

Panel presentation. *Reflections on the Energy Crisis. Catholic Theological Society of America Annual Meeting* (June 2014).

The Human Role in Renewing Creation. New Creation: Scripture, Theology, Praxis, Northeastern

Seminary, Rochester, NY (October 19, 2013).

Swallowing Sacrament: Dementia and Eucharist. Monthly Clinical and Research Ethics Seminar, University of Buffalo Center for Clinical Ethics and Humanities in Health Care (May 21, 2013).

Swallowing Consistency: Patient Need, Catholic Doctrine and Speech-Language Pathology. National Conference on Medicine and Religion, Chicago (May 2012).

Swallow Consistency: Sacramentality and Today's Speech-Language Pathologists. Catholic Theological Society of America Annual Meeting (June 2012).

Ordinary and Extraordinary: On Swallowing Catholic Teaching. Swallow Evaluation of the Palliative Patients: A Clinical Conversation. University of Buffalo Center for Clinical Ethics and Humanities in Health Care (July 8, 2011).

The Ecology of Virtues: Wild Implications from a Catholic Environmental Virtue Ethic. Catholic Theological Society of America Annual Meeting (June 9-12, 2011).

Virtues Attuned: The Ecology Within. Eastern International Region of the American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting (May 6-7, 2011).

Food, Water and Catholicism: Traditions and Teachings. Ethics/Palliative Grand Rounds, University of Buffalo Center for Clinical Ethics and Humanities in Health Care (June 14, 2010).

Catholic Feminist Ethical Discursive Strategies: Women Speaking to Women Near the Magisterial Ear. Gender Across Borders IV: Globalisms, University of Buffalo, New York. (April 2-3, 2010).

The Principle of Double Effect, Canisius College Department of Philosophy Research Colloquium (February 20, 2010).

Building Bridges: Opportunities and Responsibilities of a Junior Moral Theologian. Interface International Conference, "Being a Young Theologian in the World," Maynooth College, Ireland. (November 6-7, 2009).

God, Grace and Creation: Virtue Ethics and Catholic Theological Anthropology. College Theology Society Annual Meeting, University of Notre Dame (May 28-31, 2009).

The Principle of Double Effect in Medical Ethics. Ethics/Palliative Grand Rounds, University of Buffalo Center for Clinical Ethics and Humanities in Health Care (March 9, 2009).

What Are They Thinking? Catholic Magisterial and Theological Ethics at the End of Life Ethics Grand Rounds, Rochester General Hospital (May 27, 2008).

Paradox in the Classroom: Where is the End? American Academy of Religion, Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting (March 27-28, 2008).

Theological Ethics at Life's End. The Greater Rochester Area-Finger Lakes Chapter of the American Association of Critical-Care Nurses (January 9, 2008).

Problems From Two Accounts of the Principle of Double Effect. The Society of Christian Ethics, Annual Meeting (January 4-7, 2007).

A Procreation Problem With Precedent? American Catholic Thought on Anti-miscegenation Laws. "Committed Relationships: Have They A Future? Marriage and its 'Substitutes' in Contemporary Society." A

conference sponsored by the *Irish Theological Association* and the Mary Immaculate College in Limerick, Ireland (March 24-25, 2006).

Just Not-War? Precedent in Applying Just War Theory to Non-traditional War. American Academy of Religion, Northeast International Regional Meeting (April 30-May 1, 2004).

Theological Ethics: The Principle of Double Effect. The Wellman Laboratories of Photomedicine, Massachusetts General Hospital, and the Dermatology Faculty of the Harvard Medical School (September 17, 2002).

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Member, Canisius College's Health Sciences Advisory and Recommendation Committee (Spring 2019-present).

Member, National Seminar on Jesuit Higher Education, *Conversations on Jesuit Higher Education* (Fall 2018-present).

Member, Advisory Board of Nazareth College's Hickey Center for Interfaith Studies & Dialogue's annual *Sacred Texts and Human Contexts* conference (Spring 2017-present).

Annual Conference's Ethics Section Coordinator, College Theology Society (Summer 2017-present).

Nominations Committee, College Theology Society (2017-present).

Annual Book Award Committee, College Theology Society (Spring 2016-Summer 2018).

Journal Editor, Editorial Team, *Journal of Critical Animal Studies* (2017-present).

Director, Canisius College Catholic Studies Program (Spring 2011-Fall 2017).

Institutional Review Board member, Buffalo Catholic Health System (Spring 2014-Summer 2017).

Member at large, Continuing and Long-term Care Ethics Committee, Buffalo Catholic Health Care System (January 2009-2017).

Member, Catholic Theological Society of America's Moral Theology section administrative team (June 2011-June 2014).

Member, Canisius College Catholic Studies program advisory board (May 2011-present).

Board of Advisors member, Canisius College Ethics program (2010-present).

SERVICE

Member, Canisius College's Racial Diversity & Inclusion Team (Fall 2018-present).

Founding member, Canisius College's Sustainability Institute (Spring 2017-present)

Founding member, Canisius College's "East Meets West" Community Garden (Spring 2017-present).

Guest, "How Religion Intersects with Women and Gender Relations," on *Connections with Evan*

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Dawson, WXXI, Rochester, NY (July 18, 2017).

Student Mentor, Canisius Earning Excellence Program (Spring 2017).

Invited discussion leader, “*Sun Come Up: Movie, Discussion and Update.*” St. Mary’s Church, Rochester, NY (10/30/2016).

Press release, “Catholic Institutions Announce Fossil Fuel Divestment.” Global Catholic Climate Movement (10/4/2016).

Invited speaker, “The Moral Case for Fossil Fuel Divestment.” *Caring for Creation by Divesting from Fossil Fuels and Reinvesting in Climate Solutions.*” Global Catholic Climate Covenant (9/7/2016).

Fiddle player, Rochester’s *Sangrass* bluegrass band (2016-2017).

Invited instructor, “Reading *Laudato Si*,” 3-week class, Blessed Sacrament, Rochester, NY (August 2016).

Invited instructor, “Reading *Laudato Si*,” 3-week class, Blessed Sacrament, Rochester, NY (July 2016).

Keynote speaker, “Caring for Each Other and our Common Home in the Year of Mercy,” 2016 *Diocesan Social Ministry Conference*, Notre Dame Retreat House, Canandaigua, NY (May 7, 2016).

Guest, “When Faith and Climate Change Collide,” on *Connections with Evan Dawson*, WXXI, Rochester, NY (May 6, 2016).

Invited instructor, “Reading *Laudato Si*,” 5-week class, Church of the Transfiguration, Pittsford, NY (April 2016).

Member, Faculty Divestment group (1/2016-12/2016).

Guest, *Crossroads*, on WBUR, Buffalo, NY (October 4, 2015).

Invited presenter, “*Laudato Si*,” at St. Monica’s Church, Rochester, NY (September 20, 2015).

Guest, “How Do Religious Beliefs Tie to Climate Change?” on *Connections with Evan Dawson*, WXXI, Rochester, NY (September 8, 2015).

Invited presenter, “Pizza with the Professor and the Pope,” St. John the Evangelist of the Peace of Christ parishes, Rochester, NY (July 22, 2015).

Guest, *Crossroads*, on WBUR, Buffalo, NY (June 28, 2015).

Guest, “Pope Francis’ Climate Change Encyclical,” on *Connections with Evan Dawson*, WXXI, Rochester, NY (June 22, 2015).

Peer Evaluation Committee member for librarians’ annual review, Andrew L. Bouwhuis Library, Canisius College (Spring 2015).

Working Group Member, City of Rochester’s *Facing Race, Embracing Equity* Health Disparities Working Group (2014-2017).

Co-chair, Standard 12 Working Group, Canisius College 2015 MSCHE Reaccreditation Self-Study Steering Committee (Spring 2013-Spring 2015).

Invited panelist, *The Rights of Mother Earth: When Indigenous Take Charge*, Latin America Solidarity Committee Coffeehouse, Buffalo, NY (March 19, 2012).

Invited guest speaker, *Green Discipleship: Catholic Environmental Ethics*, Sacred Heart Cathedral, Rochester, NY (March 22, 2011).

Invited guest speaker, *The Principle of Double Effect: A Christian Tradition in Medical Ethics*, University Presbyterian Church, Buffalo, NY (February 8, 2008).

Invited guest speaker, *Traditional Just War Theory and Non-Traditional War*, Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, Forest Hills, NY (October 3, 2006).