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Academic Appointments

2021– Florida Southern College, Associate Professor of Religion
2015–21 Florida Southern College, Assistant Professor of Religion
2014 Yale Divinity School, Lecturer in Christian Ethics
2013 University of Notre Dame, Graduate Instructor
2008–09 Messiah College, Adjunct Instructor

Education

2015 PhD in Christian Ethics, University of Notre Dame
2008 MTS in History of Christianity, University of Notre Dame
2005 BA in Peace and Conflict Studies (*summa cum laude*), Messiah College

Publications

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

2021 “It’s in You: Structural Sin and Personal Responsibility Revisited,”
Studies in Christian Ethics 34, no. 3.
2020 “Microaggressions as Violence,” *Practical Matters*, no. 13.
2020 “Poverty,” in *The Routledge Handbook of Economic Theology*, ed. Stefan
Schwarzkopf (New York: Routledge).
2019 “Navigating Moral Struggle: Towards a Social Model of Exemplarity,”
Journal of Religious Ethics 47, no. 3.
2015 “The Politics of Poverty: A Contribution to a Franciscan Political
Theology,” *Journal of the Society of Christian Ethics* 35, no. 1.

- 2010 "The Ground of Perfection: Michael Sattler on 'the Body of Christ,'" in *New Perspectives in Believers Church Ecclesiology* (Winnipeg: Canadian Mennonite University Press).

BOOK REVIEWS

- 2021 Review of Hak Joon Lee, *God and Community Organizing: A Covenantal Approach*, forthcoming in *The Journal of the Society of Christian Ethics*.
- 2015 Review of Giorgio Agamben, *The Highest Poverty: Monastic Rules and Form-of-Life*, in *Modern Theology* 31, no. 2.
- 2014 Review of Daniel Finn, ed., *The Moral Dynamics of Economic Life: An Extension and Critique of Caritas in Veritate*, and James Bailey, *Rethinking Poverty: Income, Assets, and the Catholic Social Justice Tradition*, in *The Journal of the Society of Christian Ethics* 34, no. 2.
- 2013 Review of Paul G. Doerksen and Karl Koop, eds., *The Church Made Strange for the Nations: Essays in Ecclesiology and Political Theology*, in *The Conrad Grebel Review* 31, no. 1.

Honors and Recognitions

FELLOWSHIPS

- 2009–14 Presidential Fellow, University of Notre Dame
- 2009–12 Lilly Graduate Fellow

TEACHING AWARDS

- 2021 Omicron Delta Kappa Teacher of the Year, Florida Southern College
- 2017 Excellent Teacher Award, United Methodist General Board of Education
- 2016 Excellence in Teaching Award, National Society of Leadership and Success, Florida Southern College Chapter
- 2014 Outstanding Graduate Instructor Award, University of Notre Dame Graduate School and Kaneb Center for Teaching and Learning

Research and Travel Grants

- 2017 Summer Research Grant, Florida Southern College
- 2014 Summer Stipend, Mellon Initiative for Religion across the Disciplines
- 2012 Full scholarship, *Seminario di formazione in storia religiosa e studi francescani*, Assisi, Italy
- 2011, '13 Professional Development Award, University of Notre Dame Graduate School
- 2011, '12, '13 Professional Development Award, Department of Theology, University of Notre Dame
- 2011 Professional Development Award, Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts, University of Notre Dame

Public Academic Lectures

- 2017 "Poverty and Power," Medieval and Renaissance History Colloquium, University of South Florida
- 2016 "Learning to Be Good," Omicron Delta Kappa Faculty Lecture Series, Florida Southern College
- 2016 "Re-Imagining the First Wave: Feminism, Religion, and Nonviolence in the 19th Century," Remnant Trust Lecture Series, Florida Southern College
- 2016 "Microaggressions and the Ethics of Violence," Inaugural Lecture, Department of Religion and Philosophy, Florida Southern College

Conference Presentations

- 2022 "Structural Ignorance," Society of Christian Ethics, Costa Mesa, CA
- 2017 "Microaggressions," Fellowship for Protestant Ethics, Princeton, NJ
- 2016 "Belonging, Visibility, Agency: The Power of Collective Exemplars," American Academy of Religion, San Antonio, TX
- 2015 "Barefoot and Angry: Poverty as Provocation in Twelfth-Century Religious Movements," American Academy of Religion, Atlanta, GA
- 2014 "Christ and the Secular Sword: The Ethics of Imitation in Medieval Political Theology," Patristic, Medieval, and Renaissance Conference, Villanova University
- 2014 "Poverty and Freedom: A Contribution to a Franciscan Political Theology," Society of Christian Ethics, Seattle, WA
- 2013 "Naturalizing Private Property: An Outline of a Medieval Legal Shift," American Academy of Religion, Baltimore, MD
- 2013 "The Betrayal of St. Francis?," Midwest Regional Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, Ohio Northern University
- 2011 "William of Saint-Amour: An Anti-Franciscan Theory of Property," International Medieval Congress, University of Leeds, UK
- 2010 "Voluntary Poverty and Political Theology: The Case of Bonaventure," International Congress of Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI
- 2008 "The Perfection of Christ: Michael Sattler's Ecclesiology," 16th Believers Church Conference, Canadian Mennonite University

Selected Informal Lectures

- 2021 "Three Cheers for the Undeclared," Convocation Lecture, Florida Southern College
- 2019 "The Philosophy of Impressionism," Polk State College Day, Polk Museum of Art at Florida Southern College

- 2018 “The Magical Hand of Mysticism: Chagall’s *Story of the Exodus*,” Point of View Gallery Talk, Polk Museum of Art at Florida Southern College
- 2018 “What Makes for a Good Life?”, Faculty Panel on Healthcare Ethics, Florida Southern College
- 2017 “The Ethics of Climate Change,” Faculty Panel on “Climate Change across the Disciplines,” Florida Southern College

Courses Taught

- 2021 Topics in Christian Ethics: Economic Ethics (Florida Southern)
- 2018–21 The Examined Life (Florida Southern)
- 2017, ‘19 Topics in Christian Ethics: Sexual Ethics (Florida Southern)
- 2017, ‘19 Intro. to Women’s and Gender Studies (Florida Southern, team-taught)
- 2017, ‘19, ‘20 Barth and Aquinas (Florida Southern, team-taught)
- 2015–18 What is Religion? (Florida Southern)
- 2015–22 Christian Ethics (Florida Southern)
- 2014 Theology, Gender, and Violence (Yale Divinity School)
- 2014 Theology of Poverty (Yale Divinity School)
- 2013, ‘15 Christian Perspectives on War, Peace, and Revolution (Notre Dame)
- 2008–09 Introduction to Christian Theology (Messiah College)
- 2009 Faith and Society (Messiah College)

Academic Service

FLORIDA SOUTHERN COLLEGE

- 2018–21 Director, College Honors Program; Chair, Honors Program Committee
- 2017–19 Diversity Initiative, Office of the President
- 2017–18 First-Year Experience Task Force
- 2018 Search Committee, Dept. of History and Political Science
- 2016–18 General Education Committee (Chair, Spring 2017)
- 2016–17 Religious and Student Life Committee
- 2015– Sexual Respect and Awareness Committee

SERVICE TO THE GUILD

- 2016– Referee, *Journal of Religious Ethics*
- 2016– Referee, *Practical Matters*
- 2016 Co-organizer, American Academy of Religion panel, “Social Exemplarity”
- 2015 Co-organizer, American Academic of Religion panel, “Political Asceticism”