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**EDUCATION**:

**Ph.D**. – Fordham University, Systematic Theology, 2013.

**S.T.L.** – Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas/Angelicum, Rome, Ecumenism, 2017.

**M.Phil**. – Fordham University, Systematic Theology, 2007.

**M.A**. – Boston College, Systematic Theology, 2004.

**B.A**. – University of Scranton, Dual Degrees, Theology and Philosophy, 2002, *magna cum laude*

withItalian Studies Concentration, including seven months of study in Florence, Italy.

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Loyola University Chicago, Chicago, IL

Assistant Professor of Systematic Theology and Ecclesiology, 2015-2021, Associate Professor [tenured], 2021-present

Co-Director, Miguel Pro, S.J., Pastoral Protagonism Initiative, $1 Million research grant from the Lilly Endowment Inc. focused on Latinx/Hispanic Ministry Formation.

Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas/Angelicum, Rome, Italy

Lay Centre at Foyer Unitas/Porticus Postdoctoral Fellow, 2014-2015

Lecturer, Pontifical Beda College, Rome, Italy 2014-2015

Postdoctoral Fellow, Centre for Catholic Studies, Department of Theology and Religion, Durham University, Durham, United Kingdom, 2013-2014

Research Coordinator, Fairfield University’s Center for Faith and Public Life, responsible for coordinating a $450,000 Ford Foundation grant studying immigration, undocumented students, and the Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities (in association with the Sociology and Law Faculties of Loyola University Chicago and Santa Clara University), 2010-2013

Lecturer, Fairfield University, Religious Studies Department, 2011-13

Lecturer, St. Joseph’s University, Theology and Religious Studies Department, 2011-13

Lecturer, Sacred Heart University, Theology, Philosophy, and Religious Studies Department, 2010-13

Research Assistant to the Laurence J. McGinley Chair of Religion and Society (Avery Cardinal Dulles, S.J., 2004-2008 and Patrick J. Ryan, S.J., 2009-10)

Reporter/Columnist, Catholic Star Herald newspaper, Diocese of Camden, 2007-present.

Freelance Editing and Indexing, St. Joseph’s University Press, 2006-present

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP**

National President, AJCU Conference on Pastoral, Theological, and Ministerial Education (Secretary and Executive Board Member, 2018-2020, National President, 2020-23).

Board of Directors, The Claret Center, Claretian wellness center for psychoanalysis, spiritual direction, and physical and mental health, Hyde Park, Illinois

American Academy of Religion (Mid-Atlantic Section Chair for *Contemporary Theology* 2005-2017, Elected Member of the Regional Executive Board, 2011-13, National Steering Committee, *Interreligious Perspectives on Immigration*, 2015-18, National Steering Committee, *Religion, Borders, and Immigration Seminar*, 2019-22).

College Theology Society (Editorial Referee for the Annual Volume of Proceedings, 2013-present)

Karl Rahner Society (Executive Board Member and New Member Coordinator, three terms, 2014-17, 2018-21, 2022-25)

Catholic Theological Society of America (Co-Founder and Steering Committee Member *Millennial and Post-Post-Conciliar Theologians* group, 2018-21).

Amici Della Lingua Italiana

New York CS Lewis Society

The Dante Society of America

Theta Alpha Kappa (Theology Honor Society)

Lifetime Member and Chicago Alumni Club Vice President for Events and Academic Programs, Alpha Sigma Nu (National Jesuit University Honor Society; open to top 4% of students at those schools demonstrating outstanding loyalty and service to higher education and the mission of the Society of Jesus).

Bibliographical Correspondent for Boston College’s *New Sommervogel Project*

Peer Reviewer, *Theological Studies*.

Peer Reviewer, *Modern Theology*.

Peer Reviewer, *Journal of Spirituality in Mental Health*.

**AWARDS AND RECOGNITION**:

Director, Holy See’s Pontifical Commission for Latin America, Cuatro Sueños Project, within the intercontinental Building Bridges Initiative, at the invitation of Dr. Emilce Cuda, Segretario PCAL.

Magis Fellow, Invited Cohort of 8 potential future leaders at Loyola University Chicago, 2021-22, Co-Facilitator of Program for future cohorts across disciplines, 2022-present.

Ignatian Educator of Distinction, Awarded by Midwest Province of the Jesuits, 2020

Camden Catholic High School, Hall of Fame Inductee “Distinguished Arts and Academics Alumni,” Cherry Hill, NJ, April 2020

*Science and Catholicism*, “Best Regular Column Nationally – Spiritual Life,” Third Place, Catholic Press Association, 2018.

*People of the Book: Exploring Our Theological DNA*, “Best Regular Column Nationally – Scripture,” Honorable Mention, Catholic Press Association, 2011.

Annual Catholic Theological Society of America Convention Scholarship, Miami, FL, 2013

McGinley Fellowship, Fordham University, 2006-2010

Presidential Scholar, Fordham University, 2004-2006

Massachusetts Italian-American Police Officers Association’s Award and Scholarship, 2002 and 2003

Outstanding Student in Theology and Religious Studies, University of Scranton, 2002

**DISSERTATION (FORDHAM UNIVERSITY**)

“Francis A. Sullivan S.J.’s Hermeneutical Approach to Magisterial Documents: Its Method and Application.” Directed by Avery Cardinal Dulles, S.J. until his death. Completed under the direction of former College Theology Society and Catholic Theological Society of America President Bradford Hinze. First and Second Readers: Elizabeth Johnson and Terrence Tilley.

**PUBLICATIONS**

**BOOKS:**

*Francis A. Sullivan, S.J. and Ecclesiological Hermeneutics: An Exercise in Faithful Creativity.* Leiden, Netherlands: Brill, 2016.

*Living Christian Joy Daily: Everyone’s Call – Essays from Rome.* Co-edited with Donna Orsuto, STD. Foreword by Gianfranco Cardinal Ravasi. Libreria Editrice Vaticana, 2016.

*The Legacy of Avery Cardinal Dulles, S.J.: His Words and His Witness.* Co-edited with Anne-Marie Kirmse, O.P.Fordham University Press, 2011.

*The Survival of Dulles: Reflections on a Second Century of Influence,* peer-reviewed e-book available globally. Sole editor and authored chapter: “Vir Probatus:  Avery Dulles and the Forbearance of Things Not Seen,” Fordham University Press, 2021.

**OTHER:**

“Replacing a Culture of Disposability with One of *Disponibilidad*: An Ecclesiological Proposal for a World in Peril,” *Ecclesiology*: *The Journal for Mission, Ministry, and Unity.* Vol. 16. No. 16:3. (Fall 2020): 338-360.

“Ready to Pardon (cf. Neh 9:17): An Ecclesial Analysis of the Death Penalty and Catholic Abolitionism,” *Critical Theology*, Vol. 2. No. 3. (Spring 2020): 9-15.

“Pope of the Pueblo: Ecclesiological Visions From and For the New World,”in *Full, Conscious, and Active: Lay Participation in the Church’s Dialogue with the World,* ed. Donna Orsuto and Robert White, eds. Libreria Editrice Vaticana, 2020.

“‘Go Out to the Highways and Hedges’ (cf. Lk 1423): Peripheral Ecclesiology, the Art of Accompaniment and Street Homelessness,” *Journal of Vincentian Social Action* Vol. 4, Issue 1 (May 2019): 34-45.

“Immigration and Ecclesial Receptivity: Congar and Rahner as Resources for an Ecumenical and Philoxenical Ecclesiology of Reception,” in *The Meaning of My Neighbor’s Faith: Interreligious Reflections on Immigration*. Alexander Y. Hwang and Laura E. Alexander, ed. Lexington Books/Fortress Academic, 2019.

“The Church as Migrant: A New Model of the Church for a ‘Cross-ing’ People,” *The Ecumenist* 55, no. 3 (Summer 2018): 16-21.

“Alma Mater, Mater Exulum: Jesuit Education and Immigration. A Moral Framework and its Historical Roots,” in *In College and Undocumented: Students and Institutions in a Climate of National Hostility*. Terry-Ann Jones and Laura Nichols, ed. Fordham University Press, 2016.

“A Rahnerian Reading of *Sensus Fidei in the Life of the Church*,” in *Learning from All the Faithful: A Contemporary Theology of the Sensus Fidei*. Bradford Hinze and Peter Phan, eds. Pickwick/Wipf & Stock, 2016.

Major contributor to the *Immigrant Student National Position Paper* (2013), an extensive research/policy paper conducted with sociology, law, and theology faculties at Fairfield, Loyola Chicago, and Santa Clara Universities supported by the Ford Foundation. With Richard Ryscavage, S.J., crafted the moral framework for analyzing qualitative and quantitative analysis of data on undocumented students through the lens of Catholic Social Teaching and Jesuit mission. Drafted the Presidential Statement signed by 25 Jesuit university presidents. Presented in the United States Senate, February 2013.

“Undocumented Students Ask Jesuits: ‘Just Us’ or Justice?” with Richard Ryscavage, S.J. *New England Journal of Higher Education*. (April, 2013).

**UNDERWAY:**

“There Came a Man Sent by God: Pope Francis and the Johannine Ministry of the Papacy,” (forthcoming 2024).

*The Second Ignatius Speaks*, monograph on Pedro Arrupe, S.J.’s influence on the contemporary church, (forthcoming 2024).

Co-editor, with Mary Beth Yount, *A Church with a Young Face:* *Traversing Intergenerational Borders with Millennial and Post-Post-Conciliar Theologians,* agreement withFortress Press for an edited volume in their “Borders and Religion Series” (forthcoming 2025).

Co-editor, with Maureen O’Brien, *A View From The Vineyard: Assessing 15 Years of Co-Workers with Joy and Hope*, edited volume in association with the Association of Graduate Programs in Ministry (forthcoming 2024).

Wiley Blackwell Revised Companion to Catholicism, 2022 Edition. Co-authoring and updating two previous drafts of entries for the new edition, with Avery Cardinal Dulles, S.J. (“Church”) and Francis A. Sullivan, S.J. (“Holy See”), (forthcoming 2023)

**BOOK REVIEWS**

Review of *Seeds of Justice: Organizing Your Church to Transform the World*. By Alex Tindal Wiesendanger, *American Catholic Studies*, (forthcoming Fall 2021).

Review of *The Mystery of Evil: Benedict XVI and the End of Days* by Giorgio Agamben, *American Academy of Religion: Reading Religion*, (August 2018).

Review of *Scattered and Gathered: Catholics in Diaspora*, ed. Michael Budde, *American Academy of Religion: Reading Religion*, (June 2018).

Review of *Church, Faith, Future: What We Face, What We Can Do* by Louis. J. Cameli. *American Catholic Studies* 129, no. 2 (Summer 2018).

Review of *Will Pope Francis Pull It Off?* by Rocco D’Ambrosio. *The Way* 56, Oxford, (October 2017).

Review of *The Lives of Erich Fromm: Love’s Prophet* by Lawrence J. Friedman. *America* 209 (July15-22, 2013).

**MAJOR GRANTS**

$1MM Lilly Pathways for Tomorrow Phase II, Co-Principal Investigator and Project Director, Miguel Pro, S.J., Pastoral Protagonism Initiative

$50,000 Luce/Association of Theological Schools Council on Theological Research and Scholarship, Principal Investigator, collaborating with Holy See’s Pontifical Commission for Latin America and AUSJAL network of Jesuit universities across Central and South America

$8MM Lilly Pathways for Tomorrow Phase III, LUC team member in collaboration with University of Notre Dame and Boston College

**RECENT PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS**

Invited Participant

Holy See’s Dicastery for Culture and Education

Towards a Polyhedric Vision Conference

Vatican City, November, 2023

Invited Speaker

Ecclesiology and Ecology: Building Bridges Across Continents

Semana Científica VIII

Rafael Landívar University,

Guatemala City, Guatemala, October 2023

Karl Rahner Society/Catholic Theological Society of America Annual Conference

Panel on Richard Lennan’s Tilling the Church

Milwaukee, WI, June 2023

“Querida Amazonia and Contemporary Higher Education: An Intercontinental Case Study”

Theology Responding to the Challenge of Synodality International Conference

Gregorian University, Rome, Italy, April 2023

“Immigration and Interfaith Conversations Across Borders”

American Academy of Religion Annual Conference

Denver, CO, November 2022

Refugee and Migrant Education Network Conference

“Reimagining Agere Contra: Ignatian Formation and “Acting Against” Global Tendencies in Education Both Of and About Migrants”

Pontifical Gregorian University, Rome, Italy, October 2022

“Pope Francis, the Johannine Ministry, and *Co-Workers in the Vineyard*”

Association of Graduate Programs in Ministry

Tampa, Fl, [held virtually due to COVID-19], March 2022

“Immigration and Higher Education Roundtable”

American Academy of Religion Annual Conference

San Antonio, TX, November 2021

“The Second Ignatius Speaks: Pedro Arrupe Reads the Signs (and Sighs) of Our Times

College Theology Annual Conference

Mobile, AL [held virtually due to COVID-19], June 2021

“Pope Francis and Community Organizing: Faith in Action”

International Conference on Politics Rooted in the People

London, England [held virtually due to COVID-19], April 2021

“Sonoran Bones and Political Afterlife –The Question of the Remains, Remains: A Response to Bryan Ellrod”

American Academy of Religion Annual Conference

Boston, MA [held virtually due to COVID-19], November 2020

Invited Speaker

25th Anniversary Conference Roundtable

Evangelicals and Catholics Together

Coordinated through the Moody Biblical Institute and the Aqueduct Project, Chicago, IL

Kinship Across Centuries: The Second Hundred Years of Avery Dulles’s Influence

College Theology Society

Mobile, AL, May 2020

Convener: Karl Rahner Society Annual Consultation

Catholic Theological Society of America

Baltimore, MD, June 2020 [postponed to 2021 due to COVID-19]

Pastoral and Theological Studies Moving Forward

University of San Diego/American Academy of Religion AJCU Presentation

San Diego, CA, November 2019

Immigration Developments and Restorative Justice

Loyola University Chicago Restorative Justice Conference, with Immigration Attorney Kiki Mosley

Chicago, IL, October 2019

“Avery Dulles, Vir Probatus and the Forebearance of Things Not Seen”

Centenary Symposium for Avery Cardinal Dulles, S.J.

Fordham University, NY, April 2019

Respondent: Interreligious Reflections on Immigration Seminar

American Academy of Religion Annual Conference

Denver, Colorado, November 2018

“Avery Dulles and Disputed Questions of Human Dignity”

Remembering Avery Dulles Conference

Fordham University, NY, September 2018

Invited Keynote:

Loyola’s Final Four: Ignatian Insights for a Global 21st Century Church

Fourth Annual Ignatian Spirituality and Leadership Conference

St. Joseph’s University, Philadelphia, PA, August 2018

“The Pope and the Nones’ New Habits: Pope Francis, the Millennial Generation, and the Post-Post-Conciliar Church”

Pope Francis Fifth Anniversary Conference

Villanova, PA, April 2018

“Disponible” not Disposable: Ignatian Spirituality, Teologia del Pueblo and a Throwaway Culture

Catholic Theology in the Public Academy

Durham University, UK, April 2018

Convener: Karl Rahner Society Annual Consultation

Catholic Theological Society of America Annual Conference

Indianapolis, IN, June 2018

“Go Out to the Highways and Hedges” Peripheral Ecclesiology, the Art of Accompaniment and Street Homelessness

DePaul Institute of Global Homelessness Symposium

Vatican City, December 2017

Invited Keynote:

Institutional Responses to Immigrant Students in Catholic Higher Education

College Theology Society, Regional Meeting,

Cabrini University

Philadelphia, PA, October 2017

Moderator: Gathered in My Name – Ecumenism and the World Church

DePaul University, Chicago, IL, May, 2017

Moderator: Culture and Christian Ethics

College Theology Society Annual Convention

Salve Regina University, Newport, RI, May 2017

Respondent: Migration and Interfaith Pedagogy:

Crossing the Borders of Classrooms, Cultures, and Religions

Interreligious Perspectives on Immigration Seminar

American Academy of Religion

San Antonio, TX, November 2016

“Amoris Laetitia and its Interpretation”

St. Joseph Parish, Libertyville, IL, October 2016

“The Right to Have Rights and the Contributions of Pope Francis”

The Refugee Crisis: Hospitality in a the Midst of Global Indifference

IPS/Lampedusa Project of the Jesuit Refugee Services,

Chicago, IL, October 2016

“Reimaging Soundings and Echoes: Francis A. Sullivan and the Teaching, Learning, and Believing Church.”

Catholic Theological Association of Great Britain Annual Conference

Swanwick, England, September 2016

Invited Panelist

Institute for Religion and Critical Inquiry, Australian Catholic University

Conceiving Change in the Church: An Exploration of the Hermeneutics of Catholic Tradition (first biannual research seminar)

Rome, Italy, September 2016

Keynote Speaker

College Theology Society and Lay Centre Academic Conference

Full, Conscious, and Active: Lay Participation in the Church’s Dialogue with the World

Rome, Italy, June 2016

Moderator: Karl Rahner Society Annual Meeting

Catholic Theological Society of America Annual Conference

San Juan, Puerto Rico June 2016

“The Syrian Refugee Crisis and Resettlement in America: Legal Realities and Moral Concerns”

Loyola University Chicago School of Law, March 2016

“Ecclesiology for Healthcare Professionals”

Presence healthcare Ministry Leadership

Quinlan School of Business, Executive Education Program

Loyola University Chicago, January 2016

Respondent: Immigration and Religion Today: Crossing Boundaries

Interreligious Perspectives on Immigration Seminar

American Academy of Religion

Atlanta, GA, 2015

“‘Patiently and Prudently Purified’ or ‘Evangelizing Power’: Popular Piety in the Pontificate of Pope Francis”

The Tablet 175th Anniversary Conference

Durham University, Durham, UK, 2015

“Immigration and Ecclesial Receptivity”

Interreligious Perspectives on Immigration Seminar

American Academy of Religion

San Diego, CA, 2014

“A Rahnerian Reading of *Sensus Fidei in the Life of the Church*”

Catholic Theological Society of America National Conference

Milwaukee, WI, 2015

“International Perspectives on Receptive Ecumenism: Reflections and Goals”

Durham University Catholic Theology Research Seminar

Durham University, UK, 2014

“Receptive Ecumenism and Immigration”

International Receptive Ecumenism Conference III

Fairfield University, Fairfield, CT, 2014

“The Church and the *Comitium*: Finding a Via Media Between Laicité and Theocracy: An American Case Study.”

Rethinking Political Catholicism: Empirical and Normative Perspectives Conference

John Cabot University, Rome, Italy, 2014

“Undocumented Students in American Jesuit Institutions of Higher Education and Resultant Ecclesiological Issues”

Migration, Faith, and Action: Shifting the Discourse

University of Oxford, UK, 2014

Convener and Conference Organizer:

*Catholicism and Critical Theory* Postgraduate Study Day

Durham University, 2014

“Catholic Theology in the Public Academy: The Ecumenical Work of the Centre for Catholic Studies in its British Context.”

Mid-Atlantic AAR, Newburgh, NY, 2014

“Religious Faith and Political Life: Strange Bedfellows or Bitter Divorcees?”

Hatfield College Epiphany Term SCR Lecture

Durham University, UK, 2014

“Alma Mater, Mother of Exiles? Higher Education, the Society of Jesus, and a Society of Immigrants”

American Catholic Historical Association National Conference

Washington, DC, 2014

Panel Member, “Immigration and Catholic Education”

On Fire at the Frontiers, National Jesuit Justice Conference

Creighton University, Omaha, NE, 2013

“They will Flourish Like the Palm Tree: A Lenten Reflection on Psalm 92 and Aging with Grace”

Heritage Woods Assisted Living Community Invited Lecture

Huntley, IL, 2013

“Cura Personalis -- y por Todas las Personas: Jesuit Higher Education, the Marginalized and Undocumented Students Today”

Mid-Atlantic AAR, Baltimore, MD, 2013

“Postconciliarism in Retrospect: Our Times Through Their Eyes”

Vatican II Reconsidered Conference

Walsh University, Canton, OH, 2012

“Polycentrism, Critical Theory, and Technology: Towards a Dialogical Ecclesiology of the Twenty First Century”

Mid-Atlantic AAR, New Brunswick, NJ, 2012

“Do All Interpretations Lead to Rome? John Henry Newman, Karl Rahner, and Francis A. Sullivan as Multidimensional Hermeneutical Interpreters of Vatican Texts.”

College Theology Society

Iona College, New Rochelle, NY, 2011.

“Being Holy and Wholly: Reflections on Suffering within the Christian Tradition”

Blessed Teresa of Calcutta Lecture Series

Diocese of Camden, NJ, 2011

“Karl Rahner and the Interpretation of Doctrine: Transcendental? Hermeneutical? Both? A Reply to Francis Schüssler Fiorenza and Jessica Wormley Murdoch”

Mid-Atlantic AAR, New Brunswick, NJ, 2011

“Preparing the Way of the Lord: Prophets and Prophetic Voices of the 20th Century”

Blessed Teresa of Calcutta Lecture Series

Diocese of Camden, NJ, 2010

“Paradigms of Theological Interpretation in the Twentieth Century”

Response by Barbara H. Andolsen,

Prof James E. Buckman Chair of Applied Christian Ethics

Fordham University TSGA Fall Colloquium

New York, NY, 2010

“Francis Sullivan, the Magisterium, and the Postconciliar Church”

New York Province of the Society of Jesus Murray Weigel Lecture Series,

Bronx, NY, 2010

“Is the Natural Law Within the Roman Catholic Church’s View of the Scope of the Secondary Object of Infallibility? Francis A. Sullivan’s Thoughts on the Matter”

Mid-Atlantic AAR, New Brunswick, NJ, 2010

“John Henry Newman’s Contribution to a Hermeneutical Approach to Magisterial Documents”

Mid-Atlantic AAR, Baltimore, MD, 2009

“Rahner’s Contribution to an Ecological Theology”

Mid-Atlantic AAR, Baltimore, MD, 2007

“Rahnerian Mariology: A Case Study in the Development of Dogma”

Mid-Atlantic AAR, Baltimore, MD, 2006

“Gasparo Cardinal Contarini: Early Ecumenist or Defender of Catholic Orthodoxy?”

Engaging Particularities Conference, Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA, 2005

“Justice and Mercy as Explored in the Contrapasso of Dante’s Divine Comedy” Philosopher’s Conference, King’s College, Wilkes-Barre, PA, 2001

**PASTORAL WRITING**

Weekly Series of Columns 2007-Present *Catholic Star Herald* Newspaper, Camden NJ

Themes include:

“The Theology of Benedict XVI”

“Great Christian Thinkers”

“The Thought of John Henry Newman”

“The Popes of History”

“People of the Book” (Award by Catholic Press Association, 2011)

“Catholics in America”

“The Seven Deadly Sins”

“In Many and Various Ways: Global Christians”

“Understanding Pope Francis”

“Catholicism and Science” (Award by Catholic Press Association, 2018)

“The Theology of Salvador Dalí”

“Prophets, Oracles, and Matriarchs: Seeds of the Word in the Ancient World”

**AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION AND RESEARCH**

Contemporary Systematic Theology and Ecclesiology

Immigration and Homelessness Studies

Ignatian Spirituality

Catholic Social Thought

Textual Interpretation and Hermeneutics

Ecumenism

The Pontificate of Pope Francis

**Courses Taught Elsewhere:**

Introduction to Religious Studies

Introduction to Classic Philosophical Problems

Introduction to Theology

The Human Search for Truth, Justice, & the Common Good (sections in both traditional format and Honors Capstone)

Faith, Justice, and the Catholic Tradition

Introduction to the Study of Religion, Culture, and Community

The Theology of Hell

Heaven, Hell, and Human Destiny (SJU’s Faith and Reason in Dialogue curriculum)

Exploring Religion: Common Questions, Traditional Responses

Catholicism and Interfaith Dialogue (*Sacred Heart Adult Religious Education* program– through the Diocese of Bridgeport, CT)

Introduction to Ecclesiology

**Courses Taught at Loyola University Chicago:**

Introduction to Theology and Ministry

Church and Mission: Introduction to Ecclesiology (online, in-person, and JFRC)

Christian Doctrine

Theology at the Borderlands: Ecclesial Responses to Migration

The Teaching and Learning Church: Church Documents and Ecclesiological Hermeneutics

Social Context of Ministry: Ecclesiology and Exclusion

Introduction to Ignatian Spirituality

The Theology of Pope Francis

3-credit Guided Studies:

The Encyclical Tradition

*Teología del Pueblo* and Latinx Narrative Theology

Urban Isolation, Social Enterprise, and Extra-Parochial Responses to Community Crisis

**UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

**Departmental:**

Chair, IPS Global Engagement Committee (2021-present)

Chair, IPS Academic Awards Committee (2021-presesent)

Member, IPS Rank and Tenure Committee (2021-present)

Faculty Representative, IPS Student Engagement Committee (2015-18), Co-Chair (2019-2022)

IPS *ad hoc* Strategic Planning Committee (2015-2017)

IPS *ad hoc* Pedagogy Peer Review Committee (2019)

**University:**

Magis Leadership Fellow, for Future Leaders of Loyola University Chicago, funded by the National Science Foundation.

Participant: 2021-22. Co-Director of Magis Leadership Fellow Program with Jorgia Connor, Associate Dean of School of Nursing: 2022-present.

Hank Center for the Catholic Intellectual Tradition “All Things Ignatian” Faculty Seminar:

nine meetings per semester to introduce faculty across other disciplines to Ignatian Spirituality and the Jesuit Heritage.

Participant: Fall 2017.Seminar Leader and Facilitator Across All Departments: Spring 2018, Fall 2018, Spring 2019, Fall 2019, Spring 2020.

University Dreamer Committee, 2016-present.

University Task Force on the Future of “Religion, Theology, Ministry, and Pastoral Studies Across LUC Campuses” 2019-present, at invitation of Interim Provost M. Callahan.

**Wider Community/International:**

Coordinated the IPS Rome summer program since 2015. Taught overload graduate courses at the John Felice Rome Center each June, 2015-present.

One of four Principal Organizers of the Inaugural International Wolfhart Pannenberg Symposium, March, 2022.

University Consultation Team on Institutional Relationships with Australian Catholic University, 2019-present.

Online Instructor, IPS Certificate in Pastoral Ministry, Liverpool Archdiocese Partnership (helped found the program in the United Kingdom and taught sections in 2018, 2020, and 2022). Over 300 online participants from England and Wales.

Coordinated the annual IPS “Breakfast with the Bishops,” at the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Annual Convention each November in Baltimore, MD (2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020).

Co-coordinated the 2021 annual Association of Graduate Programs in Ministry Conference, with goal of serving as editor of the published volume of accepted presentations.

**MEDIA CONTRIBUTIONS**

Regular Columnist, “Letter From Rome,” The Tablet (UK), 2014-2015.

Interviewed by BBC Radio Newcastle, “Pope Francis After One Year,” March 2014.

Just Love national Sirius-XM Radio Program, One Hour Interview on Pope Francis and Fratelli Tutti, October 2020.

Talking Catholic Podcast, Camden, New Jersey: *The State of the Church in the 2020 Election Season*, October 2020 and *The Papacy, Synodality, and the Young Face of the Church*, August 2021.

The University of Scranton Modern Languages and Cultures Podcast, Why Study a European Language Today?, October 2020.

“Undocumented college students need financial aid now. They can’t wait for comprehensive immigration reform,” co-authored with Mary Beth Yount, *America* Media, March 23, 2021.