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EDUCATION

Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA, 2009
Doctor of Philosophy in Theological Ethics

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, 2002
Master of Theological Studies

Bryn Mawr College, Bryn Mawr, PA, 1998
Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics
Minor: Music

BOOK

Migrants and Citizens: Justice as Responsibility in the Ethics of Immigration, Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans Press, 2017.

PUBLICATIONS

“Ambivalent Solidarity” with Laura Johnston in Ahern et al., eds., *Public Theology and the Global Common Good: Essays in honor of David Hollenbach*. Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 2016, 120-130.

“The Rational Agent or the Relational Agent: Moving from Freedom to Justice in Migration Systems Ethics.” *Ethical Theory and Moral Practice*. 18 (2015): 355-369.

“Justice Not Benevolence: Catholic Social Thought, Migration Theory, and the Rights of Migrants.” *Political Theology*. 15(2014): 290-306.

“Migration in Catholic Social Teaching” in Haker et al, eds., *Concilium 2011/3: Human Trafficking*: 35-44.

“Citizenship, Responsibility and Catholic Social Teaching: Forming Consciences for World Citizenship.” *Journal of Catholic Social Thought* 6 (2009): 397-415.

“Sovereignty as Responsibility: A Model for Confronting the Problems of Irregular Migration,” in Heuser, Stefan, ed. *Political Ethics and International Order*. Munster: Lit-Verlag, 2007.

“‘The Tyranny of Caprice’: Absolutism and Relativism in the Thought of Joseph Ratzinger,” in Timmerman, Christine et al. *Faith-Based Radicalism: Christianity, Islam and Judaism between Constructive Activism and Destructive Fanaticism*. In: Gabriel Fragnière, *Gods, Humans, and Religions*, P.I.E.-Peter Lang: Brussels, 2006.

BOOK REVIEW

"Structures of Grace: Catholic Organizations Serving the Global Common Good. By Kevin Ahern . Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 2015. 224 Pages. \$35.00 (paper)." *Horizons* 44, no. 1 (2017): 238-39.

PAPERS

“Burdened Solidarity: The Virtue of Solidarity in Diaspora,” Society for Christian Ethics Annual Meeting, Portland, OR, January 4-7, 2018.

“A Story of a Border” invited panelist, Catholic Theological Society of America Annual Meeting, Albuquerque, NM, June 8-11, 2017.

“Immigration and Unjust Wages: How Wage Injustice Interrupts Solidarity,” invited presentation, Workshop on Just Wages, Higgins Labor Program, South Bend, IN, March 31, 2017.

“Agency and Coercion in the Ethics of Migration,” Plenary paper. Conference on Poverty, Coercion and Human Rights, Loyola University Chicago, Chicago, April 13-15, 2012.

“Haiti and the United States: Solidarity in the Context of Past Evil,” First Annual Richard J. McCormick, S.J. International Ethics Colloquium, Loyola University Chicago, November 11-12, 2011.

“Who has Burdened this Society?: A Critique of John Rawls’ Duty of Assistance,” Society for Christian Ethics Annual Meeting, New Orleans, January 6-10, 2011.

“Who is Our Brother’s Keeper?: Responsibility and Solidarity in the Context of Globalization,” Second Conference of Catholic Ethics in the World Church, Trent, Italy, July 24-27, 2010.

Theo 340: God, Evil and Suffering
Theo 340/480: Justice and Solidarity
Theo 300/400: Catholic Social Thought
Theo 340: The Ethics of Migration
Theo 570: Graduate Seminar in Social Ethics
ISET Doctoral Seminar: Tragedy and Ambiguity
HONORS: Moral Responsibility: Theological and Philosophical
Perspectives on Justice

Assistant Professor, University of St. Thomas, 2007-2010

Courses Taught: THEO 325 Catholic Social Traditions
THEO 215 Christian Morality,
THEO 101 The Christian Theological Tradition,
IDSC 480 Honors Seminar: Justice and Scarcity, team taught
with Matthew Kim, Department of Economics
with Matthew Kim, Department of Economics

Teaching Fellow, Boston College, 2006-2007

Course Taught: Religious Quest: Islam and Christianity

Instructor, Caritas Labouré College, 2004-2007

Course Taught: PH 101 Introduction to Ethics and Bioethics

Teaching Assistant, Boston College, 2004-2006

Biblical Heritage II: The New Testament under Professor John Darr, Spring 2006

Religious Quest: Judaism, Christianity, Buddhism under Professor John McDargh, 2004-2005

GRADUATE ADVISING

Master Program Advisor , 2017-present

Dissertation Committee Service: Rachel Hart Winter (defended 2014), Christopher Porter (defended 2014)

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Loyola University Chicago:

MA Advisor, Graduate Program Committee, Department of Theology, 2016-2018.

Elected Member, Department Advisory Committee, Department of Theology, 2011-2013, 2015-2018.

Committee Member, College of Arts and Sciences Faculty Leadership Team for the 2015-2020 University Strategic Plan, Fall 2014.

Faculty Member, EVOKE Center Pilgrimage to Rome, Summer 2011

Member, Committee for Intellectual Life, Department of Theology, 2010-present

University of St. Thomas:

Co-Moderator, New Faculty Seminar on the University of St. Thomas Mission Statement, 2007-2010

Member, Justice and Peace Council, University of St. Thomas (2008-2010)

Member, Assessment Sub-Committee, Justice and Peace Council, (2009-2010)

Member, Curriculum Committee, Department of Theology, (2009-2010)

Member, Assessment Committee, Department of Theology (2009-2010)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Referee, Society of Christian Ethics, 2010-2014, 2016-2017.

Member, Women's Council, Catholic Theological Society of America (June 2009-2010)

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Volunteer Minister, Catholic Chaplaincy, Suffolk County House of Corrections, 2005-2007.

Co-Chair, Catholic Students Association, Harvard Divinity School, Cambridge, MA 2001-2002

Member, Selection Committee for Divinity School Commencement Speaker, Harvard Divinity School, Cambridge, MA 2002

Volunteer English as a Second Language Teacher, Nationalities Services Center,
Philadelphia, PA 1998-2000

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Summer Research Stipend, Loyola University Chicago, 2012, 2016
Flatley Fellowship in Theological Ethics, Boston College, 2002-2006
Ernest Fortin Memorial Foundation Grant for Summer Research, Boston College, 2006
Summer Language Study Grant, Boston College, 2004

LANGUAGES

French (Proficient in Reading and Speaking)
German (Adequate Reading)