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EDUCATION

HARVARD UNIVERSITY, Th.D: *with distinction*, 2005.

Fields: History of Christianity, American Religious History, History of Protestant Spirituality.

Dissertation: “‘The Lord for the Body’: Pain, Suffering and the Practice of Divine Healing in Late-Nineteenth-Century American Protestantism.”

GORDON-CONWELL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, M.A. Theology: *summa cum laude*, 1998.

Thesis: “The Puritan Doctrine of Vocation as Devotional Practice.”

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA, B.A. Political and Social Thought: *summa cum laude*, *Phi Beta Kappa*, 1991.

Honors Thesis: “Democratic Transition and the Military: The Case of Amnesty in Argentina.”

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, Department of Religion, Tufts University, 2007-

Adjunct Assistant Professor in History, Core Faculty in American Studies and International Relations

POSTDOCTORAL FELLOW, Harvard University, 2005-2007

LECTURER ON AMERICAN RELIGIOUS HISTORY, Harvard University, 2005

PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS:

Faith in the Great Physician: Suffering and Divine Healing in American Culture, 1860-1900 (Baltimore, MD: Johns Hopkins University Press, 2007). Winner of the Frank S. and Elizabeth D. Brewer Prize from the American Society of Church History for the best first book in the History of Christianity, 2007.

ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS:

“Religion and Community Structures 1803-1898” in *Religion in America History*, ed. John Corrigan and Amanda Porterfield (New York: Blackwell Press, 2010), 210-228.

“Houses of Healing: Sacred Space, Spiritual Practice and the Transformation of Female Suffering in the Faith Cure Movement, 1870-1890,” *Church History: Studies in Christianity and Culture* (September 2006): 598-611.

“‘Acting Faith’: Divine Healing as Devotional Practice in Late-Nineteenth-Century Protestantism,” in *Practicing Protestants: Histories of the Christian Life in America*, ed. Laurie Maffly-Kipp, Leigh Schmidt, and Mark Valeri (Baltimore, MD: Johns Hopkins University Press, 2006), 137-158.

“Children of the Heavenly King: Hymns in the Religious and Social Experience of Children, 1780-1850,” in *Sing Them Over Again To Me: Hymns and Hymn Books in America*, ed. Edith L. Blumhofer and Mark A. Noll (Tuscaloosa: University of Alabama Press, 2006), 214-234.

“Visions of Self, Success and Society among Young Men in Antebellum Boston,” *Church History Studies in Christianity and Culture* (September 2004): 613-634.

“Theologies of Evolution and Cooperation in Late-Nineteenth-Century America,” in *Evolution, Games and God: The Principle of Cooperation*, eds. Sarah Coakley and Martin Nowak (Harvard University Press, forthcoming).

“Healing, Belief and Interpretation in 19th-Century Protestant America,” in *Spiritual Healing: Science, Meaning, and Discernment*, ed. Sarah Coakley (Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, forthcoming).

“The International Character of Nineteenth-Century Divine Healing,” in *Global Pentecostal and Charismatic Healing*, ed. Candy Gunther-Brown with a forward by Harvey Cox (Oxford University Press, forthcoming).

ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES

“Healing,” in *Encyclopedia of Religion in America*, ed. Charles Lippy and Peter Williams (CQ Press, 2010).

“National Association of Evangelicals,” “Noyes, John Humphrey,” and “Ockenga, Harold John,” in *Religion in Geschichte und Gegenwart*, 4th Edition, Vol 6 (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2003).

“Keach, Benjamin” and “Keith, George,” in *Religion in Geschichte und Gegenwart*, 4th Edition, Vol 4 (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2001): 915, 918.

BOOK REVIEWS:

William Svelmoe, *A New Vision for Missions: William Cameron Townsend, the Wycliffe Bible Translators, and the Culture of Early Evangelical Faith Missions, 1917-1945* in *Church History: Studies in Christianity and Culture* (June 2010): 495-498.

Mark A. Noll, *The New Shape of World Christianity: How American Experience Reflects Global Faith* in *International Bulletin of Missionary Research* 33:4 (October 2009): 218-9.

James Opp, *The Lord for the Body: Religion, Medicine, and Protestant Faith Healing in Canada, 1880-1930* in *American Historical Review* (October 2008).

Amanda Porterfield, *Healing in the History of Christianity* in *Books and Culture* (May/June 2008): 34-5.

Tanya Luhrmann, “Learning Religion at the Vineyard: Prayer, Discernment and Participation in the Divine,” in *Religion and Culture Web Forum* (September 2006): <http://marty-center.uchicago.edu/webforum/index.shtml>.

Rick Ostrander, *The Life of Prayer in a World of Science: Protestants, Prayer and American Culture, 1870-1930* in *The Journal of Religion* 82 (July 2002): 459.

Sylia R. Frey and Betty Wood, *Come Shouting to Zion: African-American Protestantism in the American South and British Caribbean to 1830* in *Books and Culture* 5 (January/February 1999): 46.

AWARDS AND HONORS

Young Scholar in American Religion, Center for the Study of Religion & American Culture, 2009-2011.

Saving the World? The Changing Terrain of American Protestant Missions Research Grant, Institute for the Study of American Evangelicals, 2009-2010.

Summer Faculty Fellowship, Tufts University, Summer 2009.

Critical Thinking Course Development Grant, Tufts University, 2008-2009.

Frank S. and Elizabeth D. Brewer Prize for the best first book in the History of Christianity, American Society of Church History, 2007.

Science and the Spirit: Pentecostal Perspectives on the Science/Religion Dialogue Research Grant, John Templeton Foundation, 2006-2008.

Evolution and Theology of Cooperation Postdoctoral Fellowship, Harvard University, John Templeton Foundation, 2005-2007.

Center for the Study of Religion Christian Thought and Practice Postdoctoral Fellowship, Princeton University, 2005-2006 [declined].

History of American Christian Practice Project Associate, Lilly Endowment, 2002-2005.

Mary Baker Eddy Library Research Fellowship, Summer 2005.

Harvard Divinity School Dean's Dissertation Fellowship, 2004-2005.

Charlotte W. Newcombe Dissertation Fellowship, 2003-2004.

Center for the Study of World Religions Dissertation Fellowship, Harvard University, 2003-2004.

Louisville Institute Dissertation Fellowship, 2003-2004 [declined].

Religion, Health and Healing Initiative Summer Research Grant, Center for the Study of World Religions, Harvard University, Summer 2002.

Certificate of Distinction in Teaching, Harvard University, Spring 2001.

Institute for the Study of Evangelicals Hymnody Project Research Grant, 1999-2000.

Harvard Divinity School Grant and Stipend (three years full tuition and stipend), 1997-2000.

Chi Alpha Phi Honor Society, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary (GPA: 3.957), 1997.

Princeton Seminary Fellow, Princeton Theological Seminary (full-tuition fellowship), 1994-1995.

Adoniram J. Gordon Scholarship, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary (full-tuition scholarship awarded to one incoming student for academic excellence and leadership), 1994 [declined].

Phi Beta Kappa, University of Virginia, 1991.

PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED LECTURES

- “The Whole Gospel for the Whole Man in the Whole World”: Holiness Missionaries and the Healing of ‘Heathen’ Suffering,” American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Boston, MA (Jan 2011).
- “God is Not Effected by the Depression’: Pentecostal Missions during the 1930s,” American Society of Church History Annual Meeting, Boston, MA (forthcoming, Jan 2011).
- “Saving the World: Pentecostal Missions, Internationalism & Social Engagement since 1910,” Changing Terrain of Protestant Missions Final Conference, Duke University (forthcoming, Mar 2011).
- “Discerning the Spirits: Pentecostals and Psychology,” American Society of Church History Annual Meeting, Boston, MA (Jan 2010).
- Respondent to Jonathan M. Butler, “Portrait of a Lady: Ellen White as a Modern Victorian Woman,” Ellen Harmon White: American Prophet Conference, Portland, ME (Oct 2009).
- “Religion, Suffering and Healing in American History and Culture,” Visiting Scholar Lecture, Center for Spirituality, Theology and Health, Duke University Medical Center (Dec 2008).
- “Lived Religion,’ Past and Present: New Directions,” Conference on American Religious History Honoring the Career of David D. Hall, Harvard Divinity School (Oct 2008).
- Response to Harold Koenig, “Religion, Spirituality and Health: Are They Connected?” Society for Pentecostal Studies Annual Meeting, Duke University (Mar 2008).
- “Theologies of Evolution and Cooperation in Late-19th-century America,” Evolution and Theology of Cooperation Conference, Harvard University (May 2007).
- “Piety, Practice, Performance: Action and Embodiment in American Christianity,” American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Washington, DC (Nov 2006).
- “Faith Homes: Sacred Space and Spiritual Practice in the Divine Healing Movement, 1870-1890,” American Society of Church History Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA (Jan 2006).
- “Houses of Healing: Social Space, Physical Transformation, and the Gendered Dynamics of Spiritual Identity in the Faith Cure Movement, 1870-1890,” American Studies Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC (Nov 2005).
- “Acting Faith’: Practices of Religious Healing in Late-Nineteenth-Century Protestantism,” History of American Christian Practice Project Conference, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill (Oct 2004).
- “A Thorn in the Flesh: Pain, Illness and Sanctification in Late-19th-Century Protestantism,” American Society of Church History Annual Meeting, Washington, DC (Jan 2004).
- “Acting Faith’: Bodily Performance and Rituals of Religious Healing in Late-19th-Century Protestantism,” American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA (Nov 2003).
- “Women as Healers within the Evangelical Movement of the 19th Century,” Religion, Health and Healing Initiative Presentation, Center for the Study of World Religions, Harvard University (Oct 2002).

“Children of the Heavenly King: Hymns in the Religious and Social Experience of Children, 1780-1850,” American Society of Church History Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA (Jan 2002); Institute for the Study of American Evangelicals, Hymnody Project Conference, Wheaton, IL (May 2000).

“The Lord for the Body: Sickness, Health and Divine Healing in 19th-Century Protestantism,” American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Denver, CO (Nov 2001).

“Faith Healing, Christian Science and Kindred Phenomena: Women and Healing in Nineteenth-Century Boston,” Religious Healing in Urban America Conference, Harvard University (May 2001).

“From Bonnets to Baseball Caps: Casual Clothing in Religious Culture,” Center for the Study of American Religion, Princeton University (Apr 1995).

Presenter/Critic, North American Religions Colloquium, Harvard University (1996-present).

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

TUFTS UNIVERSITY, Departments of Religion, History, American Studies; Assistant Professor
History of Christianity, History of Religion in America, Religion and American Politics, Global Christianity, Women and Religion in America (2007-2010)

HARVARD DIVINITY SCHOOL, Lecturer on American Religious History
Liberalism and Orthodoxy in American Protestantism, 1600-1880 (Spring 2005)
The Religious History of American Women (Spring 2005)

HARVARD UNIVERSITY, Comparative Study of Religion, Assistant Head Tutor
Assisted in administration of undergraduate concentration in the Comparative Study of Religion; served as concentration advisor for all seniors; trained senior thesis advisors; coordinated and participated in evaluation of all senior theses; designed syllabus and taught year-long seminar on thesis-writing and preparation for general examinations in theory and method in religious studies for all seniors (2001-2003)

HARVARD UNIVERSITY, Comparative Study of Religion, Tutor
Designed syllabi, taught group tutorials for undergraduates:
Evangelical Protestantism and Gender in America (Fall 2000)
Urchins, Oracles or Angels? Children in Western Christian Thought & Practice (Spring 1999)

HARVARD UNIVERSITY AND HARVARD DIVINITY SCHOOL, Teaching Fellow
Lectured; graded and led discussion section composed of undergraduate and graduate students:
History of Western Christianity, 1300-1600 (Spring 2001)
Ethnographic Imaginations (Spring 2001)
Liberalism and Orthodoxy in American Protestantism, 1600-1870 (Fall 2000)
The History of Religion in America, 1600-1870 (Spring 2000)

HARVARD UNIVERSITY, Senior Thesis Advisor. (1999-2000, 2000-2001, 2001-2002, 2002-2003, 2004-2005)

HARVARD UNIVERSITY, Bok Center for Teaching Programs
Graduate Writing Fellow: semester-long seminar on teaching undergraduate writing (Spring 2001).
Discussion Leadership Seminar: ten-week master Class for faculty and experienced teaching fellows to enhance discussion leading skills through the Case Method (Fall 2001).

AREAS OF TEACHING COMPETENCE

American Religious History; History of Christianity; Global Christianity; Religion and American Politics; Gender in U.S. Religious History; Religion, Health and Healing; Evangelicalism, Pentecostalism and Fundamentalism; History of Christian Spirituality; Method and Theory in the Study of Religion

UNIVERSITY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CHURCH HISTORY COUNCIL, Member (2009-2012).
MANUSCRIPT REVIEWER/REFEREE, Oxford University Press, University of California Press (2009-).
SEARCH COMMITTEE, Senior Scholar in Religion, Tufts University (2009-2010).
STEERING COMMITTEE, Pentecostal-Charismatic Movements Consultation, AAR (2006-2009).
CO-ORGANIZER, Conference on American Religious History Honoring the Career of David D. Hall, Harvard Divinity School (Oct 2008).
UNIVERSITY INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FACULTY LIASON, Tufts University (2008-present).
SUBCOMMITTEE ON THE EUROPEAN CENTER AT TALLOIRES, Tufts University (2008-present).
SEARCH COMMITTEE, Islamic Studies, Tufts University (2007-2008).
A.B. COMMITTEE ON THE STUDY OF RELIGION, Harvard University (2001-2003).
BOARD OF FRESHMAN ADVISORS, Harvard University (2002-2003).
EDITORIAL ASSISTANT, *Harvard Theological Review* (Spring 2001-Fall 2002).
DOCTORAL SUBCOMMITTEE, Committee on the Study of Religion, Harvard University (2000-2001).
SEARCH COMMITTEE, Warren Chair in American Religious History, Harvard University (1999-2000).
NON-RESIDENT TUTOR, Pforzheimer House, Harvard University (2000-2001).
ACADEMIC POLICY COMMITTEE, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary (1996-1997).

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Academy of Religion, American Historical Association, American Society of Church History, American Studies Association, Organization of American Historians, Society for Pentecostal Studies, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Berkshire Conference of Women Historians.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

ARTHUR D. LITTLE, INC., CAMBRIDGE, MA. BUSINESS MANAGER AND FINANCIAL CONSULTANT. Provided business and financial oversight for Technical Services department, assisted in strategic planning, managed major business process redesign effort, conducted performance reviews (Fall 1995-Summer 1996).
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS, BOSTON, MA. SENIOR FINANCIAL RESEARCH ASSOCIATE AND LEGAL-FINANCIAL RESEARCH ASSOCIATE. Assessed credit quality and investment potential for all types of tax-exempt bonds, analyzed market dynamics, helped formulate investment strategies (Summer 1991-Summer 1994).