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EMPLOYMENT

Associate Professor of Religious Studies, The University of Texas at Austin, August 2012 to present

Assistant Professor of Religious Studies, The College of Wooster, August 2006 to July 2012

EDUCATION

Duke University, Graduate Program in Religion, Durham, NC
Ph.D. American Religious History, May 2006
Dissertation: "Christianity Imprisoned: Religion and the Making of the Penitentiary, 1797-1860." Director: Grant Wacker; Committee: Thomas Tweed, Stanley Hauerwas, Philip Gura, and Julie Byrne
Candler School of Theology at Emory University, Atlanta, GA
Master of Theological Studies, *magna cum laude*, 1999
Goshen College, Goshen, IN
Bachelor of Arts in Music, GPA 3.96, 1995

PROJECTS IN PROGRESS

Book manuscript – "Forged in Empire: Indian and American Religious Worlds, 1803-1903"

PUBLICATIONS: BOOKS

The Furnace of Affliction: Prisons and Religion in Antebellum America, The University of North Carolina Press, 2011

PUBLICATIONS: ARTICLES & ESSAYS

"'If A War It May Be Called': The Peace Policy With American Indians," in *Religion and American Culture: A Journal of Interpretation*, forthcoming Winter 2014.

"Religion in Kiowa Ledgers: Expanding the Canon of American Religious Literature," in *American Literary History*, special issue: American Literature/American Religion, forthcoming January 2014.

"Prisons and Religion in the Americas," in *Religion Compass* 7, forthcoming 2013.

"The Great Indian Pentecost: Providential Revisions and the Taking of the American West," in *Apocalypse and the Millennium: Providential Religion in the Era of the Civil War*, Louisiana State University Press, forthcoming 2013 [revision based on *Church History* article]

"Engaging the Trope of Redemptive Suffering: Inmate Voices in the Antebellum Prison Debates," *Pennsylvania History: A Journal of Mid-Atlantic Studies* 79:2 (May 2012): 209-233.

"A Mighty Upheaval on the Minnesota Frontier: Violence, War, and Death in Dakota and Missionary Christianity," *Church History: Studies in Christianity and Culture* 80:1 (March 2011): 76-108

"Social Reform," 10,000-word anchor essay in *The Encyclopedia of Religion in America*, edited by Peter Williams and Charles Lippy, CQ Press, June 2010

"When Friends Had the Management It Was Entirely Different": Quakers and Calvinists in the Making of New York Prison Discipline, *Quaker History* 97:2 (Fall 2008): 19-40

"Henry Purcell," "Ira D. Sankey," and "Church World Service," *Encyclopedia of Protestantism*, ed. Hans Hillerbrand, Routledge Press, December 2003

GRANTS, HONORS, and AWARDS

Participant, Seminar on Religion and U.S. Empire, Kripke Center for the Study of Religion and Society, Creighton University (2013-2015)

Research Grant, Charles Redd Center for Western Studies, Brigham Young University (2011-2012)

Henry Luce III Fund for Distinguished Scholarship Award, College of Wooster (2010-2011)

Young Scholars in American Religion, Center for the Study of Religion and American Culture at Indiana University – Purdue University Indianapolis (2009-2011)

Henry Luce III Fund for Distinguished Scholarship Award, College of Wooster (2009)

Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History Fellowship (2005)

Anne Firor Scott Research Award, History Department, Duke University (2005)

Summer Research Fellowship, Duke University (2005)

Day Dissertation Fellowship, Center for the Study of Philanthropy and Voluntarism, Terry Sanford Institute of Public Policy, Duke University (2004)

Woodruff Fellow for Theology and Ministry, Candler School of Theology at Emory University (1996-1998)

International Society of Theta Phi, Candler School of Theology at Emory University (1999)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

The University of Texas at Austin

Religion and Violence in the Americas (graduate seminar)
History of Religion in the United States
Native American Religions

The College of Wooster

American Religious Communities
Native American Religions and Cultures
Asian Religions in America (co-taught)
Junior Independent Study (Theories and Research in Religious Studies)
European Reformations
From Genesis to *Dianetics*: America's Holy Books
War and Religion in U.S. History
Global Catholicism in America

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

"Land Battles and Religious Experiments: Kiowa Indians in the Age of Allotment," Agricultural Historical Society meeting, Banff, Canada, 2013.

"Engaging Imperialist Policy, Facing Indian Violence: Or, How the Quaker Policy Unmade the Quakers," American Academy of Religion meeting, Chicago, November 2012

"Zotom is Busy Drawing a Book: Plains Indian Ledgers as an American Religious Literature," American Literature/American Religion conference, University of Illinois, Champagne-Urbana, October 2012.

"The Indians Have No West Point: Missionaries to the Lakota and the Meanings of Frontier Violence," American Society of Church History meeting, Chicago, January 2012

"Between Two Worlds: Kiowa Ledger Art and Cultural Catastrophe," American Academy of Religion meeting, San Francisco, November 2011

"'You Shall Live, You Shall Live': Religious Transformation and the Massacre at Wounded Knee," Bloody Days: Massacres in Comparative Perspective conference, McNeil Center for Early American History, Philadelphia, June 2011

"War and the Interpretation of Sacred Narratives," American Historical Association meeting, Boston, January 2011

"The Question of Suffering: Debating Religion in the American Prison, 1830-1850," American Historical Association meeting, Boston, January 2011

"The Great Indian Pentecost: Providential Revisions, Indian Evangelization, and the Taking of the American West," Millennialism and Providentialism in the Era of the American Civil War, Rice University, Houston, Texas, October 2010

"To Improve the Soul or Betray the Nation's Faith?: Inmate Reponses to Prison Theologies of Redemptive Suffering," Society of Historians of the Early American Republic meeting, Rochester, New York, July 2010

"Performance at the Gallows: Power, Loss, and Dakota Christianity," American Society of Church History annual meeting, San Diego, January 2010

"Memorials on the Move: Theorizing the Mankato 38 + 2," American Academy of Religion meeting, Montreal, November 2009

"The Furnace of Affliction: The Quest for Suffering Without Violence in Early American Prisons," Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture's Religion and Violence in Early America conference, Yale University, April 2008

"Reconsidering the Nation's Altars: Harry Stout's *Upon the Altar of the Nation*," American Society of Church History meeting, Washington, DC, January 2008

"Philadelphia and Beyond: The Fate of Quaker Prison Ideas in the New Republic," American Society of Church History meeting, Philadelphia, January 2006

"What's So Radical About Trans-Atlantic Radical Protestantism?" American Society of Church History meeting, Savannah, GA, April 2005

"Discipline, Not Punish: American Christians and the Penitentiary," Southeastern Commission on the Study of Religion meeting, Winston-Salem, March 2005

"Maud Ballington Booth: The Little Mother and Her Boys in Prison," American Society of Church History meeting, Washington, DC, January 2004

"Pax Christi, Pacifism, and the New Catholic Landscape of Richmond, Virginia," American Academy of Religion meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, November 2003

"Vincent Harding and the New Civil Rights Historiography," American Academy of Religion meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, November 2003

PUBLICATIONS: BOOK REVIEWS

Buried Lives: Incarcerated in Early America by Michele Lise Tarter and Richard Bell, editors – *Journal of American History* 99 (2013): 1231-1232.

The Color of Christ: The Son of God and the Saga of Race in America by Edward J. Blum and Paul Harvey – *Journal of Southern Religion* 14 (2012).

Faith in the Fight: Religion and the American Soldier in the Great War by Jonathan H. Ebel – *Religious Studies Review* 38:3 (September 2012): 185.

Setting Down the Sacred Past: African American Race Histories by Laurie F. Maffly-Kipp – *Religious Studies Review* 37:3 (September 2011): 231.

Good Punishment?: Christian Moral Practice and U.S. Imprisonment by James Samuel Logan – *Mennonite Quarterly Review* 84:1 (January 2010): 171-173.

Prison Religion: Faith-Based Reform and the Constitution by Winnifred Fallers Sullivan – *International Review of Modern Sociology* 35:2 (Autumn 2009): 346-348.

Mennonites, Amish, and the American Civil War by James O. Lehman and Steven M. Nolt – *Mennonite Quarterly Review* 83:1 (January 2009): 166-169.

Prophets of the Great Spirit: Native American Revitalization Movements in Eastern North America by Alfred A. Cave – *Religious Studies Review* 34:2 (June 2008): 120.

A Seat at the Table: Huston Smith in Conversation with Native Americans on Religious Freedom by Phil Cousineau – *Religious Studies Review* 34:2 (June 2008): 120-21.

Orestes Brownson and the Problem of Revelation: The Protestant Years by Arie J. Griffioen in *Journal of Ecclesiastical History* 56:2 (April 2005): 403-404.

INVITED LECTURES

"Christians, Prisons, and the Impulse to Reform Punishment," Spring Academy of Religion, The College of Wooster, April 2013.

"The Search for the Christian Prison in the Early American Republic," Dean's Lecture Series, Candler School of Theology at Emory University, February 2012

"Who Sins? Who Suffers? Religion in the Making of America's First Prisons," Faculty Research Luncheon, The College of Wooster, February 2008

"Citizen-Saints and Criminal-Sinners: Religion in the Making of America's First Prisons," Religious Studies Program, Colonial Williamsburg Foundation, Williamsburg, VA, April 2006

"Religion and the Antebellum Prison," Bridgewater College, Bridgewater, VA, April 2006

"Fires of Reform: Movements in Antebellum America," Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, VA, November 2005

"The Rise of the Religious Right," Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, VA, November 2005

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES and AFFILIATIONS

Council Member: American Society of Church History (2012-2014)

Editorial board: *Fides et Historia* (2010-2012) and Polyglossia Series for Herald Press (2010-11)

Reviewer: Minnesota Historical Society Press (2013), *Religion Compass* (2013), *Journal of the History of Medicine and Allied Sciences* (2010)

Academic blog contributor: Religion in American History (usreligion.blogspot.com), Imagined Prisons (www.imaginedprisons.org), History News Network (www.hnn.us), Religion Dispatches (www.religiondispatches.org)

Committee service at UT-Austin: Host Committee for Native American and Indigenous Studies Association conference (2013-14); Nease Fellow in Biblical Greek search committee (2012-13)

Member: American Academy of Religion, American Society of Church History, Native American and Indigenous Studies Association

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