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TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2011- **Part-Time Faculty, Aurora University, College of Arts & Sciences, Aurora, IL**
Designed and taught undergraduate course in philosophical ethics that surveys major thinkers from Plato and Aristotle through the twentieth-century existentialists while engaging contemporary ethical issues. Designed reading assignments, class discussions, and papers to foster students' critical reasoning, speaking, and writing skills. Held full responsibility for course design, lectures, assignments, leading class discussions, and grading.
- 2005- **Instructor, Diakonia program, Metropolitan Chicago Synod of the ELCA, Schaumburg, IL, River Forest, IL, and Tinley Park, IL.**
Designed and taught five courses in Lutheran ethics and two courses in the Lutheran confessions and their Reformation historical and theological context. The courses explored contemporary applications of family and sexual ethics, environmental ethics, global economic relations, just war theory and pacifism. Held full responsibility for course design, lectures, composing case study assignments, leading class discussions, and grading.
- 2005-2006 **Adjunct Instructor, De Paul University, Department of Religious Studies, Chicago, IL.**
Designed and taught three undergraduate courses in business ethics, using case method to explore the interactions of Roman Catholic, Protestant, Jewish, Islamic, and secular forms of ethics practiced by managers in the pluralistic U.S. business environment. Held full responsibility for course design, lectures, composing case study assignments and examinations, leading class discussions, and grading.

Teaching Competencies:

- Christian ethics
- Religious ethics
- Philosophical ethics
- History of ethics
- Methods in ethics
- Modern and contemporary theology
- Reformation theology
- History of theology
- Theology of culture
- Political philosophy
- Ethics and the social sciences methods
- Political economy
- Economic ethics
- Business ethics

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Religious Ethics, The University of Chicago Divinity School, Chicago, IL, 2010.

Dissertation: "Shopping for Meaningful Lives: A Christian Existential Reinterpretation of the Moral Motivation of Consumerism Through the Theology of Paul Tillich"

Dissertation Committee:

William Schweiker, University of Chicago Divinity School, advisor
Jean Bethke Elshtain, University of Chicago Divinity School
Robert H. Frank, Cornell University, Johnson School of Management
Robert H. Nelson, University of Maryland, School of Public Policy

Qualifying Examinations:

Theological Ethics; examiner: William Schweiker
Ethics & Political Economy; examiner: Jean Bethke Elshtain
Philosophical Ethics; examiner: Franklin I. Gamwell
Modern & Contemporary Theology; examiners: David Tracy, Kathryn Tanner

Awards: Doolittle-Harrison Fellowship
Louisville Institute Dissertation Fellowship

M.A. Theology, Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA, religion and society concentration, affiliated with Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary.

Thesis: “Answering for Corporate Power: Information Symmetry as a Condition for Accountability in the Corporate Sphere,” with honors

Awards: Stuhr Prize for Ethics, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary
Chan Prize in Religion and Economics, Graduate Theological Union

M.B.A. The College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, VA.

B.S. Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University, Blacksburg, VA.

PUBLICATIONS

Conference Papers and Articles:

“Self-affirmation and Self-denial in the Ethics of Paul Tillich and Dietrich Bonhoeffer,” presented at the 2010 Annual Meeting of the North American Paul Tillich Society, Atlanta, GA, Oct. 2010, published in the *Bulletin of the North American Paul Tillich Society* 37, no. 1 (Winter 2011): 29-35.

“Assessing the Developing World’s Relationship with Global Governance Institutions in view of Paul Tillich’s Proposals for Justice and Peace in an Economically Integrated World,” presented at the 2007 Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, San Diego, CA, Nov. 2007; published in the *Bulletin of the North American Paul Tillich Society* 34, no. 2 (Spring 2008): 38-48.

“What Does It Mean to Tell the Truth About the Virginia Tech Killings?” *Currents in Theology and Mission* 34, no. 5 (Oct. 2007): 365-368.

“The Justice and Possibility of Corporate Taxation Under Globalization,” *Journal of Lutheran Ethics* 6, no. 4 (Apr. 2006).

Response to Franklin I. Gamwell, “The Widening Gap: Economic Inequality as a Religious Issue,” Religion & Culture Web Forum, Martin Mary Center, University of Chicago Divinity School, Jan. 2006.

Book Reviews:

Review of *The New Holy Wars: Economic Religion Versus Environmental Religion in Contemporary America* by Robert H. Nelson in *The Journal of Religion* (forthcoming).

Review of *Reviving Christian Humanism: The New Conversation on Spirituality, Theology, and Psychology* by Don S. Browning in *Currents in Theology and Mission* (forthcoming).

Review of *In Search of the Good Life: The Ethics of Globalization* by Rebecca Todd Peters in *The Journal of the Society of Christian Ethics* (forthcoming).

Review of *Climate Justice: Ethics, Energy, and Public Policy* by James B. Martin-Schramm in *Currents in Theology and Mission* (forthcoming).

Review of *Economic Compulsion and Christian Ethics* by Albino Barrera in *The Journal of Religion* 87, no. 3 (July 2007): 461-462.

Review of *Dietrich Bonhoeffer Works, Vol. 6, Ethics* by Dietrich Bonhoeffer in *Currents in Theology and Mission* 34, no. 3 (June 2007): 212-213.

Review of *Is the Market Moral? A Dialogue on Religion, Economics & Justice* by Rebecca M. Blank and William McGurn in *The Journal of Religion* 86, no. 1 (Jan. 2006): 133-134.

Review of *A World According to God: Practices for Putting Faith at the Center of Your Life* by Martha Ellen Stortz, in *Currents in Theology and Mission* 32, no. 5 (Oct. 2005): 384-385.

Review of *Angels & Demons* by Dan Brown, in *Currents in Theology and Mission* 31, no. 5 (Oct. 2004): 390.

Review of *The Battle for God* by Karen Armstrong, in *Gravitas* 2, no. 1 (Fall 2000).

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Academy of Religion

Society of Christian Ethics

North American Paul Tillich Society

LANGUAGES

Reading proficiency in German

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2006-2010 **Research Assistant, University of Chicago Divinity School**, Chicago, IL.

Edited book and article manuscripts, performed literature searches in English- and German-language publications, coordinated German translation study group, prepared and ordered course materials, corresponded and coordinated activities with prospective, current and past Ph.D. advisees.

1997-2000 **Consultant, Economic Consulting Services, KPMG Peat Marwick**, Atlanta, GA and San Francisco, CA.

1996-1997 **Team Leader, Forecasting and Market Research, Georgia Power Co.**, Atlanta, GA.

1993-1996 **Project Manager, ADM Associates, Inc.**, Sacramento, CA.

REFERENCES

William Schweiker, Edward L. Ryerson Distinguished Service Professor of Theological Ethics,
University of Chicago Divinity School

Jean Bethke Elshtain, Laura Spelman Rockefeller Professor of Social and Political Ethics, University
of Chicago Divinity School

Robert H. Nelson, Professor, University of Maryland, School of Public Policy