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Education

(PhD) in Theology - The University of Chicago Divinity School - anticipated 2010

Dissertation:

Horror and Its Aftermaths: A Fresh Perspective on Theological Appropriations of Psychology
Kathryn Tanner, advisor; Dwight Hopkins, Joshua Kelman, Richard Rosengarten, readers

Qualifying Exams:

History of Christian Thought I (Bernard McGinn, Susan Schreiner)
History of Christian Thought II (Kathryn Tanner, David Tracy)
Systematic Theology: Karl Barth (Kathryn Tanner)
Religion and Literature: Genre (Richard Rosengarten)

Languages (reading): French, German, Hebrew

Honors:

Martin Marty Center Fellowship (2008-2009)
Brauer Fellowship (2002)
Divinity School Fellowship (2001-2003)
Higgins Scholarship

MA - The University of Chicago Divinity School – 2001

MSW - University of Illinois (Chicago) - clinical research concentration - 1984

BA - with honors - Agnes Scott College, Decatur, Georgia - majors in English and Psychology - 1978
Institut d'études françaises d'Avignon, Bryn Mawr College – Summer, 1976

Honors:

Phi Beta Kappa
Dana Scholar (leadership)
Dexter Scholar (Psychology)

Research Interests and Teaching Competence

Research interests: theodicy; hiddenness in Christian theology; creation; nature and origin of evil; eschatology; theology and popular culture; intersections of human development and theology

Teaching competence: introduction to religion; introduction to Christian thought; constructive, systematic, historical theology; Christianity and social questions; religion and culture; religion and literature; psychology of religion; theological anthropology; Protestant Reformation; tragedy; psychanalytic theory; humanities; academic writing

Teaching and Research Experience

Lecturer, University of Chicago - Autumn-Winter, 2009-2010

- ***Human Being and Citizen*** (HUMA 123-124) – a two-quarter course sequence in the undergraduate Humanities Core, focusing on close reading and critical thought, covering a range of literary and philosophical texts from the Western intellectual tradition (*Genesis*, Homer, Plato, Aristotle, Augustine, Dante)

Lecturer, Lake Forest College - Fall, 2009

- ***Philosophy and Gender*** (PHIL 200/WOMN 200) – a course focused on engagement of philosophical questions related to gender identity and its theoretical and practical influence on human existence and human goods (including Plato, Aristotle, Sophocles, Locke, Rousseau, Mary Shelley, Freud, de Beauvoir, and Gilligan) - cross-listed in Women's and Gender Studies

Lecturer, Midland Lutheran College - Summer, 2009

- ***Development of Christian Thought*** (REL 120) – an introduction to key doctrines and their historical contexts, using sources from literature, theology, and popular culture – online format

Lecturer, Lake Forest College - 2008-2009

- ***Religious Values in Cultural Context*** (RELG 112) – an introductory survey of world religions focused on the intersection of culture and values, incorporating sources from history, literature, anthropology, and philosophy (Hinduism, Buddhism, Judaism, Islam, contemporary magic, and syncretism)
- ***Self and Salvation*** (RELG 114) – an introductory survey of the Abrahamic traditions engaging questions about the constitution of the self in relation to the divine and understandings of salvation, using sources from philosophy, history, archaeology, anthropology, theology, ethics, and literature
- **Senior thesis committee member** (Sociology and Anthropology thesis on nationalism and the Olympic movement)

Writing Intern/Teaching Assistant, University of Chicago - 2007-2009 (HUM 191-192-193/HUM 123-124-125) - for Herman Sinaiko, Professor in the Humanities, *Human Being and Citizen* – full responsibility for writing instruction and assignments; assistance with class discussion and student support; teaching responsibility for four weeks on Augustine's *Confessions* (2008); guest lecture on lyric poetry (2009)

Research Assistant, University of Chicago Divinity School - 2001-2002

Tikva Frymer-Kensky, Professor of Hebrew Bible and Jewish Studies

Faculty, Academy for Faith and Life - Fourth Presbyterian Church, Chicago - 2000-2002

theology track courses in contemporary theologies, historical theology, and religion and popular culture

Publications and Presentations

Entries on “Donum superadditum”, “Martyrdom”, “Merit”, “Pelagianism”, “Regeneration” – *New Westminster Dictionary of Christian Theology* (forthcoming, 2010)

Review: *Just Hospitality: God's Welcome in a World of Difference*, Letty Russell (2009) – *Anglican Theological Review* (forthcoming, Winter, 2010)

“When the Heathen Rage: Introducing Religion to the Skeptical and Misinformed”, Wabash Center roundtable discussion at the American Academy of Religion, Montreal, QU – November, 2009

Review: *Radical Hope: Ethics in the Face of Cultural Devastation*, Jonathan Lear (2008) – *Anglican Theological Review*, Summer, 2009

Review: *On the Mystery: Discerning God in Process*, Catherine Keller (2008) – *Anglican Theological Review*, Winter, 2009

Review: *Christ and Horrors*, Marilyn McCord Adams (2006) - *Anglican Theological Review*, Summer, 2007

“A Rock and Roll Theology” - University of Chicago Divinity School Public Theology Workshop - Spring, 2002

“The Hidden God” – University of Chicago Divinity School Student Ethics Conference - April, 2001

“Theology and *Romans*,” “Just War” - Winnetka Presbyterian Church Lecture Series - 2000-2003

Clinical presentation, Annual Conference of the American Academy for Psychoanalysis, Chicago, IL – May, 2000

“Infertility and Faith” - Annual Conference of Illinois RESOLVE - April, 2000

“When Worlds Collide: Transference Issues in Family Treatment” - Illinois Society for Clinical Social Work Seminar Series - February, 2000

Master class clinical presentation - International Conference on the Psychology of the Self, San Diego, CA - October, 1998

Additional Post-graduate Training and Professional Experience

Training in Pedagogy – University of Chicago: *Writing Pedagogy* (HUM 5000), Center for Teaching and Learning seminars “Leading Productive Discussions” and “Lecturing for Learning; Lake Forest College: faculty seminar “Teaching Students to Read for Writing”; Midland Lutheran College: advanced training in online strategies using the Moodle system

Senior Consultant - Grand Rounds program for Illinois Department of Children and Family Services - Juvenile Protective Association - 2002-2008

Psychoanalytic Psychotherapist - private practice - individual and family therapy with children, adolescents, and adults - consultant - educator - 1989-2008

Children’s Minister - curriculum design, teacher training, pastoral care for children and families in a large Christian education program - Winnetka (IL) Presbyterian Church - 2004-2005

Pastoral Intern – responsibility for a small English-speaking congregation in a bilingual church - administration, preaching, worship leadership, pastoral care - Ravenswood Presbyterian Church (Chicago, IL) - 2003-2004

Individual and group study and consultation: Christopher Bollas, PhD (Chicago seminar on object relations); Gene Borowitz, MD (psychoanalytic theory and practice); David Solomon, MD (self psychology); Marian Tolpin, MD (psychoanalytic psychotherapy) - 1996-2004

The Family Institute at Northwestern University, Evanston, IL - two year post-graduate program in family and systems therapy - 1995-1997

Staff Psychotherapist and Child Welfare Supervisor - multiple agencies - 1984-1990

Methods Analyst, Capital Planner, and Supervisor - Western Electric - 1978-1982

Professional Affiliations

American Academy of Religion - Presbytery of Chicago (candidate under care)
Academy of Certified Social Workers - National Association of Social Workers

References

Kathryn Tanner, Dorothy Grant Maclear Professor of Theology, University of Chicago (PhD advisor) - ketanner@uchicago.edu

Richard Rosengarten, Dean of the Divinity School and Associate Professor of Religion and Literature, University of Chicago (PhD dissertation reader) – raroseng@uchicago.edu

Louis Lombardi, Professor of Philosophy and Chair, Departments of Philosophy and Religion, Lake Forest College - lombardi@lakeforest.edu

Herman Sinaiko, Professor in the Humanities and the College, University of Chicago - hlsinaik@uchicago.edu