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Associate Professor of Religious Studies
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Date of Appointment to St. Norbert College Faculty: August 2001
Tenure Granted: Spring 2005

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:

<i>Boston College</i> , Chestnut Hill, MA	Ph.D. in Theological Ethics December 1999
<i>University of San Diego</i> , San Diego, CA	Master of Arts in Practical Theology, June 1995
<i>Santa Clara University</i> , Santa Clara, CA	Bachelor of Arts, Magna Cum Laude, June 1993

Phi Beta Kappa

COURSES TAUGHT:

RELS 114	Introduction to Theology
RELS 268	Sexuality, Intimacy and God
RELS 333	Christian Ethics: Theology and Society
RELS 318	Feminist Theology
RELS 310	Marriage and Family As Vocation
RELS 460	Religious Studies Capstone
THEO 504	Christian Ethics (Master's Level)
PEAC 400	Peace and Justice Capstone

Marriage and Family as Vocation in the Theological Institute (Summer 2004)

PUBLICATIONS/SCHOLARSHIP:

Book: *Project Holiness: Marriage as a Workshop for Everyday Saints*, with Julie Donovan Massey (Liturgical Press, 2015)

Peer Reviewed:

“Sexual Ethics at a Catholic College: Curricular and Extra-Curricular Challenges and Responsibilities,” with Julie Massey in the *INTAMS Review (Journal for the Study of Marriage & Spirituality)*, 2014, 20: 306-316.

“Feminism a Must: Catholic Sexual Ethics for Today’s College Classroom” chapter in *Women, Wisdom, and Witness: Engaging Contexts in Conversation* edited by Kathleen J. Dolphin, Ph.D. and Rosemary P. Carbine, Ph.D. Collegeville: Liturgical Press, 2012.

“Ministering to Moral Pioneers: Prenatal Testing and Christian Parenting” in *New Theology Review*, August 2011, 3: 61-72.

“Motherhood and Tenure: Can Catholic Universities Support Both?” in *Catholic Education: A Journal of Inquiry and Practice*, March 2005, 305-325. Co-authored with Karen Peterson-Iyer.

Other:

“Family Pope Pilgrimage Moving, Memorable,” *Green Bay Press-Gazette* (October 5, 2015)

“Come Follow Me: Our Lenten Invitation to Conversion” in *Liguorian* (March 2011), 8-12. Co-authored with Julie Donovan Massey.

“Come Follow Me: Beginning Our Easter Journey” in *Liguorian* (April 2011), 8-11. Co-authored with Julie Donovan Massey.

“Selling Ourselves Short: Marketing and Marriage” in *America Magazine* Sept. 20, 2004

SNC Research Project:

Faculty-Student collaborative project with Breanna Mekuly (Religious Studies Major). During the 2011-12 academic year, Breanna and I conducted interviews with relevant leaders at the College to gather information about on-campus, student programming related to sexuality, gender, and sexual choices. We wanted to find out what programs have taken place on campus in the last few years that were aimed at helping students think about sexuality, gender, and sexual choices. Moreover, we wanted to know if such programs had a theological component that might help students connect their faith commitments to their sexual behavior. When we concluded our interviews and analyzed the information gathered, we wrote a report that was given to relevant stakeholders at the College. Our hope is that the information will help inform campus leaders about: what kinds of programs have been successful and why; what some of the challenges in planning and implementing such programs have been, and how those challenges might be overcome; and what “gaps” might exist in programming based on a contemporary Catholic sexual ethic that is informed by feminism.

Invited Book Reviews:

- Ethics: A Complete Method for Moral Choice*. By Daniel C. Maguire. Minneapolis: Fortress, 2010. In *Theological Studies* (June 2011)
- New Wine, New Wineskins: A Next Generation Reflects on Key Issues in Catholic Moral Theology*. Edited by William C. Mattison III. Lanham: Rowman & Littlefield, Inc., 2005. In *Theological Studies* (September 2006)
- The Fragmentation of the Church and Its Unity in Peacemaking*. Edited by Jeffrey Gros and John D. Rempel. Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 2001. In *Horizons* (Fall 2003)
- Moral Discourse in a Pluralistic World*. By Daniel Vokey. Notre Dame, IN: University of Notre Dame Press, 2001. In *Theological Studies* (December 2002)

Invited Manuscript Review:

- Marriage and Family: A Christian Theological Foundation*. By Natalie Kertes Weaver. St. Mary's Press (Now Anselm Academic), Summer 2008.

Professional Presentations and Involvement:

- "Marriage as a Workshop for Everyday Saints: Real Wisdom from Real Married Couples," Dallas Ministry Conference, Dallas, TX (October 2015)
- "Project Holiness: Wisdom from (Extra)Ordinary Couples," part of a selected session at the Catholic Theological Society of America entitled Say It Joyfully: Marriage, Family, *Sensus Fidelium*, and the Extraordinary Synod (June 2015)
- "Sexual Ethics at a Catholic College: Curricular and Extra-Curricular Challenges and Responsibilities," with Julie Massey at an INTAMS conference entitled Intolerable Dissent or Overdue Emancipation? Lay Perspectives on Marriage and the Family, Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium (November 2013)
- "Beyond the Impasse: Catholicism, Community, and Reproductive Health Care," with Paul Wadell at the Society of Christian Ethics (January 2013)
- "Reflections on Teaching Feminist Theology: The Thread of Naming," Wisconsin Women's Studies Consortium Conference (UW System, March 25, 2011). Panel on interdisciplinary teaching in Women's and Gender Studies at St. Norbert College, with Betsy Bauman and Victoria Tashjian.
- Facilitator, Book Discussion at the Society of Christian Ethics conference, *Children, Consumerism and the Common Good*, Mary Doyle Roche (January 2011)
- Moderator, Panel on "Legitimate Authority and War," Catholic Theological Society of America (June 2005)
- "Catholic Tradition and Women's Human Rights," Society of Christian Ethics (January 2005)
- "Reflections on the Vocation of the Theologian at a Catholic University," with Tom Reynolds, at the *Christianity and the Soul of the University Conference*, Baylor University (March 2004)
- "Work/Family Balance: What Can Institutions of Higher Education do to Promote it?," Wisconsin Women in Higher Education Leadership Conference at St. Norbert College (October 2002)
- "The Price of Motherhood: Are Christian Universities Willing to Pay It?" with Karen Peterson-Iyer at the Society of Christian Ethics, Vancouver, Canada (January 2002)

SERVICE/MINISTRY:

Presentations in the Local Community:

- "Homegrown Wisdom: Seven Sayings that Shaped Me"
Old St. Joe's/St. Norbert College Parish (September 2015)
St. Norbert Abbey Women's Morning of Reflection (January 2016)
- Presentations with Julie Massey, related to *Project Holiness*
Resurrection Parish (February 2015 and November 2015)
Old St. Joe's/St. Norbert College Parish (October 2015)
St. Norbert Abbey (January 2015 and October 2015)
St. Matthew's Parish (January 2016)
For Green Bay Diocese Pastoral Leaders, on implications of research for ministry (January 2015)
- "Racial Justice in Theological Perspective," SPIRET ecumenical group, St. Anne's Episcopal Church (April 2015)

“Christian Marriage in Modern Context,” Resurrection Parish (March 2014)
 “Living Rightly With One Another: Radical Hospitality,” *Abbey Lecture Series*, St. Norbert Abbey Spirituality Center (February 2014)
 “Beyond Juice and Cookies: Radical Hospitality and the Sanctity of Life,” St. Norbert College Parish (January 2014)
 “Virtues and the Good Life,” St. Mary’s/St. Joseph Parishes, Appleton (March 2013)
 “The Cost of Silence,” *Abbey Lecture Series*, with Howard Ebert and Paul Wadell, St. Norbert Abbey Spirituality Center (March 2011)
 “On Being a Catholic Feminist,” Bay Settlement Motherhouse, (March 2011)
 “Re-Imagining Women in the Church,” *Abbey Lecture Series*, St. Norbert Abbey Spirituality Center (February 2011)
 “Christian Ethics, Parenting, and Reproductive and Genetic Technologies,” St. Norbert Abbey Spirituality Center (January 2011)
 “Catholic Sexual Ethics: Contemporary Questions and Challenges” Newman Parish, Eau Claire (November 2010)
 “Christian Parenting and Reproductive and Genetic Technologies,” Resurrection Parish, GB (October 2010)
 “On the Holy Spirit” Generations of Faith Gathering, Old St. Joseph Parish, De Pere (April 2010)
 “Catholic Sexual Ethics: Contemporary Questions and Challenges,” St. Norbert Abbey Spirituality Center (Feb 2010)
 “Christian Parenting in a Technological Age,” St. Norbert Abbey Spirituality Center (March 2010)
 “Catholic Feminist: A Contradiction in Terms?,” St. Norbert Abbey Spirituality Center (January 2010)
 “Virtues and the Good Life,” for the GB Diocesan Leadership Convocation (October 2007)
 Presentation on “Honor” at Notre Dame Academy’s National Honor Society Awards (February 2007)
 “Christian Marriage and Family,” First Presbyterian Church (May 2005)
 “Sr. Helen Prejean: Heroine of Justice,” St. Norbert Abbey Spirituality Center (March 2005)
 “Woman at the Well,” Generations of Faith, Old St. Joseph Parish, De Pere (Lent 2005)
 “Preparing for Death,” Two sessions given at St. Norbert College for the Annual Conference for the Diocese of Green Bay (October 3-4, 2003)
 “Feminist Theology: History and Trajectory,” St. Anne’s Episcopal Church, East De Pere, WI (February 2003)

Other Community Service:

Eucharistic Ministry, Old St. Joe’s Parish, 2003-current
 FOCCUS Marriage Preparation, Old St. Joe’s Parish (since 2007, my husband and I help prepare engaged couples for marriage; approximately six or seven couples a year)
 Member of the Ethics Committee, St. Mary’s Hospital, (Fall 2002 – 2008)

Committee Service at St. Norbert College (with years):

Faculty Personnel Committee (Fall 2015 – current)
 Religious Studies Coordinator (interim Spring 2013; 2010; 2005)
 Peace and Justice Minor Advisory Committee, Director (Fall 2011 – Spring 2014; Current)
 Committee for Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (2008 -- 2014)
 CEDI subcommittee to revise sexual misconduct policy (Spring 2012 – Spring 2014)
 CEDI subcommittee on Gender and Sexuality (Fall 2013 – Spring 2015)
 CEDI subcommittee to develop sexual misconduct policy grievance procedure (Spring 2015 – current)
 Master of Theological Studies Advisory Council (2008-current)
 Women’s and Gender Studies Advisory Council (2005-current)
 Peace & Justice Advisory Committee (2002-2006, 2008-2014)
 Mission and Heritage Council (2002–2009)
 Killeen Chair Committee (2001-2003, 2007-2009)
 Search Committee for Associate Dean for HFA (2007-2008)
 Search Committee for Associate Academic Dean (2005-2006)
 Advisory Committee for the Center for Norbertine Studies (2005)
 Office of Faith, Learning and Vocation Advisory Council (2004-2006)

Humanities and Fine Arts Council (2003-2005)
Harassment Resource Committee (2002-2004)

Other Service to the College:

Presentations and Panels:

Last Lecture (April 2015)

Campus Ministry discussion with Theology and Religious Studies majors/minors (March 2015; October 2015)

HFA Scholarship Presentation, with Julie Massey (November 2014)

Open Forum on LGBTQ Issues on Campus, Panel (November 2014)

“Exploring the Catholic Intellectual Tradition through C.S. Lewis’s *The Four Loves*,” Catholic Intellectual Tradition Panel, sponsored by Mission and Heritage and Faculty Development; two sessions with Rev. Andrew Ciferni, Julie Massey, and Paul Wadell (September 2013)

ALIVE team presentation and discussion on same-sex marriage (April 2013)

Presentation and Panel (Q & A) on Catholic Teaching, Homosexuality, and Relationships (April 2012), with President Kunkel and Julie Massey, Senior Director of Mission and Ministry

“Thinking Theologically about Relationships in a Hook-up Culture” presentation for Junior Knights and Days (February 2012)

“Naming Her Matters: God-talk from a Feminist Theological Perspective,” Women’s Enrichment Series Presentation (February 2011)

“Integrating Our Catholic and Norbertine Traditions in the Work We Do,” Catholic Intellectual Tradition Panel, sponsored by Mission and Heritage and Faculty Development; two sessions with Paul Wadell and Bill Hyland (Fall 2010)

Presentation on God Language at the Phenomenal Woman’s Conference (April 2010)

“Teaching Theology: Why I Love It,” Theology on Tap, sponsored by Campus Ministry (April 2010)

“Female Metaphors for God” presentation, sponsored by ALIVE Team (April 2009)

“The Just War and Pacifism” Catholic Intellectual Tradition Panel, sponsored by Mission and Heritage and Faculty Development; two sessions with Paul Wadell (Spring 2008)

“Religion and Politics” Catholic Intellectual Tradition Panel, sponsored by Mission and Heritage and Faculty Development; two sessions with Paul Wadell (Fall 2008)

“Ethical Implications of the Parables” presentation, sponsored by ALIVE Team (Spring 2008)

“Love in the Church” presentation for Campus Ministry Retreat (Spring 2008)

“The Bible and My Faith Journey,” presentation sponsored by Campus Ministry (February 2007)

Participant on panel on Civil Unions, sponsored by the Peace & Justice Center (October 2006)

Participant in panel during a break-out session for Faculty Development Conference (January 2005)

“The Consistent Ethic of Life,” Pizza with a Purpose Panel (February 2005)

Participant on panel of parents for Student Wisconsin Education Association (October 2005)

“Her Story” presentation, through the SNC Women’s Center (November 2005)

“Christian Marriage and Modern Culture,” Junior Knights and Days Presentation (Spring 2005)

Participant on panel on Mel Gibson’s *The Passion* (March 2004)

Participant on panel on Same-Sex Marriage, sponsored by Amnesty Int. and P&J (April 2004)

Participant on panel on Women’s and Gender Studies for students in Feminist Theory and Intro to WAGS (April 2004)

“Mary, Mother of Jesus: Past, Present and Future,” Presentation for Phenomenal Woman Conference, St. Norbert College (February 2004)

MLK day presentation with Scott Geis, “Hope in the Gospel of Freedom” (2003)

Teaching and Mentoring:

Guest speaker (via Skype) in a class, Christian Ethics & HIV/AIDS, Santa Clara University (November 2013)

McNair Scholar Mentor (Summer 2012)

MTS Thesis Director (Projects completed: 2012, 2009, 2005)

MTS Thesis Reader (Projects completed: 2013 (2 projects), 2012 (3 projects), 2005)

MTS Comprehensive Exam Evaluation (Since 2010, regularly evaluate essays for MTS comprehensive exams in Ethics)

Independent Study: RELS 268 (Fall 2011); RELS 433 (Fall 2011); PEAC400 (Spring 2009)

Mentor/Advisor to a Lilly Leader or ALIVE Team Member (2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2007-08, 2011-12, 2012-13, 2013-14)
Mentor for New Faculty Member (through Faculty Development, 2008-09, 2012-13, 2014-2015)
Faculty Advisor, FUVIRESE (2006-2009)
Guest lecturer, Religion and Politics, "Economic Justice for All," (September 2005)
First Year Experience Advisor (Fall 2002, 2003, 2004)
Advisor to a "Three Ships" Student Group in New Residence Hall (2002-03)

Other Service and Professional Development:

Offered a reflection on radical hospitality at the Mass of the Holy Spirit, Old St. Joseph Church (August 2014)
Organized and led prayer service for the dedication of the Cassandra Voss Center (September 2013)
Planning committee for college-wide programming on "Race, Society and Church" (Fall 2011 – current)
Common Prayer Leader, "Mary: God-Bearer," (December 2010)
Participant, "Do More, Work Less" Writing Across the Curriculum Workshop (November 16, 2010)
Participant, FLV Institutional Vocation Retreat, St. Norbert Abbey (Summer 2008)
Participant in ongoing conversations between the local bishop and Religious Studies faculty (2006-current)
Participant in discussions about revision of mission statement (2007)
Common Prayer Facilitator, "Learning to See," (January 2007)
Facilitator of discussion following the *Vagina Monologues*, (February 2007)
Led two book discussions on the book *Good Catholic Girls*—comprised of students, faculty, staff and community members (February 2006)
Participant, Faculty Reading/Discussion Group on Vocation, sponsored by Program for Faith, Learning and Vocation (2004-05)
Short reflection on student survey results regarding religion/spirituality at SNC in *OIE Assessment News* (Spring 2005)
"Motherhood and Academia: Time for a New Perspective" in *St. Norbert College Magazine*, Summer 2005, Vol. 37. No. 3, pp.14-15.
Attended Conference sponsored by Lilly on "Enhancing Theological Conversation on Vocation," Indianapolis (October 2004)
Offered a reflection on scripture at Old St. Joe's College Parish (November 23, 2003)
Working Group to develop a Women's Studies Program (2003-05)
Working Group to develop a Catholic Studies Program (2003-05)
Participant in the Vocation Retreat Seminar (Spring 2003)
Co-led a Faculty Development book discussion (2003)
Co-led a discussion on a film in the Women's Center with Laurie MacDiarmid and Karlyn Crowley for National Womens' History Month, (March 6 and March 23, 2003)
Intersections (newsletter for Program of Faith, Learning, and Vocation) article on marriage as a vocation (Spring 2003)
Attended *Religion and the Feminist Movement* Conference, November 1-3, 2002, Harvard University

Religious Studies Student Trips:

Ireland, May 2009
Rome, Spring 2005
New York, Spring 2002

Memberships in Professional Associations, offices held and recent meetings attended (with years):

Participated, by invitation, in *New Voices Seminar* (a gathering of new, female voices in theology) at St. Mary's College, Notre Dame (April 2012, April 2010, October 2008, April 2007, April 2006)
Catholic Theological Society of America (2015, 2011, 2010, 2005, 2003, 2000)
Society of Christian Ethics (2015, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2009, 2005, 2004, 2001, 2000, 1999)
National Women's Studies Association (2004)
College Theology Society (2003)

AWARDS:

St. Norbert College Founder's Award, 2011

Leonard Ledvina Award for Excellence in Teaching, 2013