

ALISON LUTZ

Instructor of Ministerial Leadership
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EDUCATION

Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN

Ph.D. Candidate in Religion, Ethics and Society

Research area: Theological Social Ethics and Humanitarian Power

Committee: Melissa Snarr, chair; Emilie Townes; Victor Anderson; Ellen Armour

Yale Divinity School, New Haven, CT

Master of Sacred Theology, 2012

Certificate in Anglican Studies, Berkeley Divinity School at Yale, 2012

Emory University, Atlanta, GA

Master of Divinity, 2004

Bachelor of Arts with high honors, French and Comparative Literature, 1999

Smith College Junior Year Abroad, Geneva, Switzerland

Studied French language, literature, and human rights at the University of Geneva, 1997-1998

TEACHING

Wake Forest University School of Divinity

Instructor, Latin American Liberation Theology, Spring 2020

Three-credit theology and cross-cultural elective course for divinity and undergraduate students

Instructor, Who Is My Neighbor: Theological Anthropology in an Age of Inequity

Three-credit theology elective course for divinity students, Fall 2019

Instructor, Ethics of Service Missions

One-credit weekend ethics elective for divinity students, Spring 2016

Vanderbilt University

Guest Lecturer, Leadership & Change in International Organizations, Fall 2018

“Who is the Human in Humanitarian Aid?” for upper-level undergraduate seminar

Teaching Assistant, Modern Christian Political Thought, Spring 2018

Ethics elective for graduate and professional students at the Divinity School

Lectured on Latin American liberation theology. Graded analytical essays.

Provided feedback on students’ weekly online considered conversation posts.

Teaching Assistant, Constructive Christian Theology I, Fall 2015

Pre-requisite theology survey course for graduate and professional students at the Divinity School

Lectured on Theology in Ministry: Sexual Violence and Preaching. Graded position papers and final reflection papers. Led weekly colloquy discussion.

Lexington Theological Seminary

Teaching Assistant, Theological Anthropology: Made in the Image of God, Spring 2015

Online elective for seminary students

Engaged with students in online discussion forums.

Candler School of Theology

Colloquy Leader, Introduction to Christian Thought I & II, 2002-2004

Survey course for first-year school of theology graduate and professional students

Facilitated weekly colloquy discussion. Graded weekly reflection papers.

Emory University

Co-Instructor, Center for Ethics Servant Leadership Summer, 2003

Community-based internship with weekly reflection seminar for undergraduate and graduate students

Developed social justice internship opportunities for students

Gave input on seminar syllabus. Co-lead weekly reflection seminars. Helped design and lead opening and closing retreats.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

PIVOT

Training Specialist, May 2019

Ranomafana, Madagascar

Developed materials and taught mission and values trainings in French on health as a human right, theory of social change, and organizational health for 200-member Malagasy staff.

St. Augustine's Episcopal Chapel

Assistant Priest (part-time), September 2015-July 2019

Nashville, TN

Founded Global Partners for Young Adult Leaders with college students from Haiti and Nashville, including a retreat in the Dominican Republic on spiritual formation and leadership development for social justice. Guided high school students on Civil Rights pilgrimage.

Supervised seminary interns in field education placements at chapel and Thistle Farms social enterprise.

Partners In Health (PIH)

Field Education Supervisor for Harvard Divinity School, 2016-2017

Mission and Values Training Specialist, June & July 2015

Sierra Leone; Liberia

Facilitated workshops and trainings for over 850 members of PIH's ex-pat and local national staff and Ministry of Health partners in Sierra Leone and Liberia on the history of PIH's mission.

Senior Advisor, 2012-2013

Mirebalais, Haiti

Coordinated opening of 300-bed national teaching hospital in Haiti's Central Plateau.

Haiti Program Manager, 2008-2011

Haiti; Boston, MA

Managed work between US staff and donors with 5,500+ Haitian staff to implement health care, education, clean water, and nutrition projects for economically disadvantaged communities in Haiti.

Trinity Wall Street Episcopal Church

Consultant, Trinity Institute, 2015-2016

New York, NY

Developed content and designed small group breakout sessions for Trinity Institute's national theological conference "Listen for a Change: Sacred Conversations for Racial Justice."

Manager for Congregational Development, 2005-2008

Established systems and relationships to encourage close collaboration on community development between 1,000-member congregation and 150-person staff.

Christ Church of the Ascension

Assistant Priest, 2013-2014

Paradise Valley, AZ

Led mission engagement of parish and day school with partners in Haiti. Developed Lenten adult education series on spiritual formation. Assisted the Rector as needed to plan and lead worship, preach, make pastoral visits, and officiate at pastoral offices.

L'Arche Community

House Assistant, 1999-2000; 2004

London, U.K.

Supported adults who have intellectual disabilities in all aspects of daily life in community.

Emory Center for Ethics/Ethics and Servant Leadership Summer Internship

Georgia Justice Project Intern, 2002

Atlanta, GA

Developed job readiness curriculum and employment leads for people exiting prison.

Catholic Charities Refugee Resettlement Services

TOEFL Instructor, 2001-2002

Decatur, GA

Refugee Employment Services Manager, 2001

Somerville, MA

Oversaw employment training and job placement for over 100 refugees.

CityYear AmeriCorps

Corps Member, 1994-1995

San Jose, CA

Designed and implemented free day camps for year-round elementary school students.

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

"Technical Knowledge as Moral Force: Religion, Science, and the Legitimation of Western Humanitarian Power" (American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, November 2019)

"Paul Farmer and Religious Ethics: Countering Failures of Imagination in Global Health" (Global Health Grand Rounds, Vanderbilt Institute for Global Health, February 2018)

"Whose Imagination, Whose Failure?: The Agency of the Dispossessed and Global Health Equity" (American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, November 2017)

"Bearing Witness to Resurrection in Haiti" (Faith and Culture Symposium, Belmont University, February 2016)

"Economic Inequality as God's Law?: Considering the Nature of Economic Life." *Anglican Theological Review* 95.2 (2013): 251-274.

“Partners In Health at 25: A Generation of Solidarity and Partnership”
(Unite for Sight Global Health and Innovation Conference, New Haven, CT, April 2013)

“How A 'Preferential Option for the Poor' Ensures Effective Service Delivery in Haiti”
(Unite for Sight Global Health and Innovation Conference, New Haven, CT, April 2012)

“A Human Rights Approach to Relief and Rebuilding in Haiti”
(Community, Participation, Development: Toward Improved Practice Conference, Candler School of Theology, September 2010)

SKILLS AND QUALIFICATIONS

Ordained priest in the Episcopal Church Diocese of New York, September 2012

Language skills: French (fluent); Haitian Creole (proficient); Spanish (basic)

Certificate in Humanities Teaching and Learning, Vanderbilt University Center for Teaching, April 2017

Clinical Pastoral Education (one unit), The Hospital of the Good Samaritan, Los Angeles, CA, 2012

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Flourish+Reach Strategic Planning Initiative, Wake Forest University School of Divinity, 2019-2020

Curriculum and Academic Policy Committee, Wake Forest University School of Divinity, 2019-2020

Graduate Diversity & Inclusion Committee, Vanderbilt University, 2016-2019, Co-chair, 2017-2019

Graduate Student Housing Committee, 2018-2019

Graduate Department of Religion Ethics Colloquy Co-Chair, 2018-2019

Vanderbilt Institute of Global Health Case Competition Judge, 2017

Dean of Religious Life's Development Council, Emory University, 2012-2013

Student Marshall at Commencement, Yale University, 2012

Chair of the Social Concerns Network, Emory University, 2003-2004

Woodruff Scholar selection committee, Emory University, 2003

Alcohol Board of the University Conduct Council, Emory University, 1996-1997

HONORS AND AWARDS

Theology and Practice Fellow, Vanderbilt University, 2014-present

American Academy of Religion Political Theology Network Dissertation Writing Workshop, 2018

Organization of Black Graduate and Professional Students' Graduate Student Council Distinguished Service Award, Vanderbilt University, 2017

Woodruff Scholar, Candler School of Theology, 2001-2004

Award for Academic Excellence for the graduate with the highest academic record, Candler School of Theology, 2004

Claude H. Thompson Award for concrete expression of the Gospel of Christ through acts of justice and reconciliation, Candler School of Theology, 2004

Phi Beta Kappa, Emory University, 1999

Bray Prize for Outstanding Senior in French Studies, Emory University, 1999