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EDUCATION

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY, NASHVILLE, TN

Doctor of Philosophy

2021

Dissertation: "Who is the 'Human' in Humanitarian Aid: Latin American Liberation
 Theology, Decolonial Thought, and the Formation of a Moral Agent"

Committee: C. Melissa Snarr, chair; Emilie M. Townes; Victor Anderson; Ellen T. 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 and international human rights at the University of Geneva

1997-1998

TEACHING

CHURCH DIVINITY SCHOOL OF THE PACIFIC, BERKELEY, CA

Assistant Professor of Ministerial Leadership

2021 - present

Instructor in Ministerial Leadership

2020 - 2021

WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF DIVINITY, WINSTON-SALEM, NC

Pre-doctoral Teaching Fellow

2019 - 2020

Instructor, Ethics of Service Missions

Spring 2016

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY, NASHVILLE, TN

2015 – 2018

Graduate Assistant

LEXINGTON THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, LEXINGTON, KY

2015

Graduate Assistant (remote format)

EMORY UNIVERSITY, ATLANTA, GA

2003

Co-Instructor, Center for Ethics Servant Leadership Summer

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

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

"Health Systems, Equity, Theology" panelist

(Health and Liberation Theologies [HeaLTh] Symposium, online, April 2021)

"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)

"Who is the Human in Humanitarian Aid?"

(Guest Lecturer, Leadership & Change in International Organizations, Vanderbilt University, October 2018)

"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)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

PIVOT, RANOMAFANA, MADAGASCAR; NEW YORK, NY; BOSTON, MA

2019 - 2020

Training Consultant

Developed materials and taught mission and values trainings in French on health as a human right, theory of social change, structural violence, and organizational health for 200 members of PIVOT's Malagasy staff. Led day-long training-of-trainers workshop for 20 members of the staff from across all levels of the organization. Facilitated board meeting and staff conversation on mission, values, and decolonial thought.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S EPISCOPAL CHAPEL, NASHVILLE, TN Assistant Priest (part-time)	2015 - 2019
Founded Global Partners for Young Adult Leaders with students from Haiti and from Nashville, which included a retreat on spiritual formation and leadership development for social justice. Planned and led pilgrimage to Civil Rights sites. Developed adult Sunday School series on racial justice. Supervised seminary interns at chapel and Thistle Farms social enterprise.	
PARTNERS IN HEALTH (PIH), HAITI; BOSTON, MA; SIERRA LEONE; LIBERIA Field Education Supervisor for Harvard Divinity School	2016 - 2017
Mission and Values Training Consultant	2015
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
Coordinated opening of 300-bed national teaching hospital in Haiti's Central Plateau.	
Haiti Program Manager	2008 - 2011
Coordinated efforts between staff in Boston and 5,500+ Haitian staff in Haiti to implement health care, education, clean water, and nutrition projects in rural Haiti. Managed partnerships with wide variety of donors –individuals, corporate foundations, universities, UN agencies, and faith communities– who supported the program budget, which grew from \$18 million to \$50 million over 3 years. Led retreats and workshops on PIH's mission.	
TRINITY WALL STREET EPISCOPAL CHURCH, NEW YORK, NY Consultant, Trinity Institute	2015 - 2016
Developed content, recommended resources, 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
Facilitated community engagement for 1,000-member congregation and 150-person staff. Served on organization-wide strategic planning committee.	
CHRIST CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, PARADISE VALLEY, AZ Assistant Priest	2013 - 2014
L'ARCHE COMMUNITY, LONDON, UK House Assistant	1999 - 2000; 2004
Supported adults who have intellectual disabilities in all aspects of daily life in community.	
EMORY CENTER FOR ETHICS, ATLANTA, GA Ethics and Servant Leadership Summer Internship	2002
Developed job readiness curriculum and employment leads for people exiting prison.	

CATHOLIC CHARITIES ATLANTA REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT SERVICES, DECATUR, GA
TOEFL Instructor 2001 - 2002

CATHOLIC CHARITIES BOSTON REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT, SOMERVILLE, MA
Refugee Employment Services Manager 2001

SKILLS AND QUALIFICATIONS

Ordained priest in the Episcopal Church, September 2012
Language skills: French (fluent); Haitian Creole (proficient); Spanish (basic)
Certificate in Humanities Teaching and Learning, Vanderbilt University Center for Teaching, 2017

INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE

Worship Committee Chair, Church Divinity School of the Pacific, 2021 – present
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-present, 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, 2014-2020
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