

# JEROME PATRICK BAGGETT

## Curriculum Vitae

### CURRENT ACADEMIC POSITION

Professor of Religion and Society  
Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University  
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Core Doctoral Faculty  
Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley

Endowed Chair Appointee  
The Ignacio Ellacuria, S.J. Professor for Jesuit Studies, 2015-2020  
Santa Clara University

### EDUCATION

**Graduate Theological Union / UC Berkeley**, Ph.D., Religion and Society; May 1998  
Dissertation: *Between Private Homes and Public Religion: Habitat for Humanity's New American Dream*

Comprehensive Examination Areas (passed with distinction), October 1995:  
History of Western Social and Ethical Thought  
Sociology of Religion: Theory and Method  
Sociological Theory: Class; Gender; American Religion  
Political Sociology and Civil Society  
Ethics: Social Ethics; Theories of Justice; Contemporary Ethical Theory

**Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley**, S.T.L., Ethics and Social Theory, May 1996

**Weston School of Theology**, M.T.S. (graduated with distinction), Systematic and Historical Theology; May 1991

**Boston College**, A.B., Theology and English Literature; May 1986

### HONORS AND AWARDS

Santa Clara University Hackworth Ethics Grant (\$4,300)  
Santa Clara University Faculty Research Grant (\$5,000)  
JST Religion and Science Grant (\$2,000)  
Sarlo Award for Teaching Excellence, Graduate Theological Union, 2008  
JSTB Faculty Grant for an Institute for Religion and Culture, 2008-10  
Invitee to the “Engaged Scholars Program Meeting,” Louisville, KY, November 2008  
Luce Fellows in Theology, one-year sabbatical program funded by the Henry Luce III Foundation, 2006-7 (\$63,000)  
An Award from the Louisville Institute’s General Grants Program for my “Catholic Parishes and Community” Project (\$38,335)  
GTU Faculty Travel Grant, August 2002 (\$750)  
Newhall Fellowship, for researching theories of civil society, Graduate Theological Union, 1996-97  
Newhall Fellowship, for researching and teaching in the area of sociology of work, Graduate Theological Union, 1995-96  
Research Fellow, Lilly Endowment Discipleship and Citizenship Project, Center for Ethics Social Policy, Graduate Theological Union, 1994-96  
Weber Fellow, Center for Ethics & Social Policy, Graduate Theological Union, 1994-95, 1995-96

## **PREVIOUS ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

### **University of California, Berkeley, CA**

Visiting Faculty, Department of Sociology, 2001-2018  
Classes Taught: Sociology of Religion; Political Sociology

### **Carroll College, Helena, MT**

Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Fall 1998 to Spring 2000  
Department Chair, Fall 1999 to Spring 2000  
Classes Taught: Introduction to Sociology; Social Science Research Methods; Racial and Ethnic Relations; Social Gerontology; Contemporary Issues in Rural and Urban Sociology; Modern Social Theory; Honors Scholars Seminar (Judeo-Christian and Medieval Thought); Political Sociology; Sociology of Religion

### **Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA**

Director, Center for Ethics and Social Policy, August 1997 to July 1998  
Faculty Director, Fall 2001 to May 2003

### **St. Patrick’s Seminary, Menlo Park, CA**

Adjunct Faculty, Catholic Social Ethics, Fall 1996 and Fall 1997

### **Dominican College, San Rafael, CA**

Adjunct Faculty, Department of Religion, Our Passion for Justice: Contemporary Liberation Theologies, Spring 1997

**Santa Clara University**, Santa Clara, CA

Adjunct Faculty, Religious Studies Department, Faith, Justice and Poverty, Fall  
1996

**Starr King School for the Ministry**, Berkeley, CA

Adjunct Faculty (with Prof. Clare B. Fischer), Work and Vocation in the Modern World,  
Spring 1996

**Graduate Theological Union**, Berkeley, CA

Research Assistant, Religious Commitment and Civic Participation (for Prof. John  
A. Coleman, S.J.), Spring 1996

**Pacific School of Religion**, Berkeley, CA

Teaching Assistant, Sociology of Religion (for Prof. Ai Ra Kim), Fall 1994

Teaching Assistant, H. R. Niebuhr Seminar (for Prof. Ai Ra Kim), Spring 1993

Teaching Assistant, Ritual Theory (for Prof. Ai Ra Kim), Spring 1993

**Arlington Catholic High School**, Arlington, MA

Teacher, Religious Studies, 1989-92

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Books:**

*The Varieties of Nonreligious Experience: Atheism in American Culture* (New York:  
NYU Press, 2019).

*Sense of the Faithful: How American Catholics Live Their Faith* (New York: Oxford  
University Press, 2009).

*Habitat for Humanity: Building Private Homes, Building Public Religion* (Philadelphia:  
Temple University Press, 2001).

### **Articles:**

“An Atheist Perception of Christianity in the U.S.” in the *Encyclopedia of Christianity in  
the United States*, forthcoming.

“Becoming Absence-Minded: Sociological Reflections on the Sense of the Faithful” in  
*Proceedings*, CTSA (2015): 1-26.

“Another Legacy of Vatican II: Cultural Dilemmas among American Catholics” in Paul  
Crowley, ed., *From Vatican II to Pope Francis: Charting a Catholic Future*  
(Maryknoll, N.Y.: Orbis Books, 2014), pp. 40-53.

“Been There, Done That: What Atheists Contribute to Discussions about Faith” in  
*Explore*, v. 17 (Spring 2014): 52-5.

- “Protagoras’s Assertion Revisited: American Atheism and Its Accompanying Obscurities,” *Implicit Religion* (Fall 2012): 257-94.
- “The Catholic Citizen: Perennial Challenge or Emergent Oxymoron?” *Social Compass*, vol. 53 (2), 2006: 291-309.
- “Habitat for Humanity,” in Dwight F. Burlingame, ed., *Philanthropy in the U.S.: An Encyclopedia* (Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2009).
- “The Poor Will Always Be With Us? Poverty in the Biblical Tradition and in Modern Society” in Ronald Y. Nakasone, ed., *The Transforming Spiritual Landscape: Buddhist-Christian Encounters* (Dharma Cloud Publishers, 2005), 123-33.
- “Housing the Poor: Habitat for Humanity” (with John Coleman) in John A. Coleman, et al., *Public Discipleship: Paradominational Organizations in the United States*, forthcoming from University of Illinois Press.
- “Another Look at Another Gulf War: War, Peace and the Prospects for Moral Discernment” *The Catholic Voice* (December, 16, 2002): 13-4.
- “Congregations and Civil Society: A Double-Edged Connection,” *Journal of Church and State* 44 (Fall 2002): 425-54.
- “The Irony of Parachurch Organizations: The Case of Habitat for Humanity,” in Dwight F. Burlingame, ed., *Taking Fundraising Seriously: The Spirit of Faith and Philanthropy* (San Francisco: Jossey-Bass, 2002): 55-78.
- “Religion and Welfare Reform: Ritualizing or Challenging the Status Quo?” *Ethics & Policy*, Winter / Spring 1998.
- “A Double Take on Modern Work: A Review Essay on its Myths and Meaning,” *Ethics & Policy*, Spring 1996.
- “The Independent Sector: The Crucible of Citizenship,” *Ethics & Policy*, Winter 1995.
- “A Chastened Hope: A History of the Center for Ethics and Social Policy,” *Ethics & Policy*, Fall 1995.

### **Book Reviews:**

- Benjamin T. Lynerd, *Republican Theology: The Civil Religion of American Evangelicals* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2014) in *Theological Studies*, forthcoming.
- Hans Joas, *Faith as an Option: Possible Futures for Christianity* (Stanford, Cal.: Stanford University Press, 2014) in *Theological Studies*, 2015.
- William V. D’Antonio Michele Dillon and Mary L. Gautier, *American Catholics in Transition* (Lanham, Md.: Rowman & Littlefield, 2013) in *Theological Studies*, 2014.
- Robert Wuthnow, *The God Problem: Expressing Faith and Being Reasonable* (Berkeley: University of California Press, 2012) in *The Christian Century*.
- John C. Seitz, *No Closure: Catholic Practice and Boston’s Parish Shutdowns* (Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 2011) in *American Catholic Studies*, 2012.
- Tricia Colleen Bruce, *Faithful Revolution: How Voice of the Faithful is Changing the Church* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2011), in *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*, 2012.
- Christian Smith, *What is a Person? Rethinking Humanity, Social Life, and the Moral Good from the Person Up* (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2010), in

- Sociology of Religion*, Fall 2011.
- Phil Zuckerman, *Society Without God: What the Least Religious Nations Can Tell Us about Contentment* (New York: NYU Press, 2008) in *Sociology of Religion*, Fall 2010.
- Paul J. Weithman, *Religion and the Obligations of Citizenship* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2002) in *Review of Religious Research*, Summer, 2004.
- Marcella Ridlen Ray, *The Changing and Unchanging Face of U.S. Civil Society* (New Brunswick, N.J.: Transaction Publishers, 2002) in *Contemporary Sociology*, Spring 2004.
- Jackson W. Carroll and Wade Clark Roof, *Bridging Divided Worlds: Generational Cultures in Congregations* (San Francisco: Jossey-Bass, 2002) in *Sociology of Religion*, Fall 2003
- N.J. Demerath, *Crossing the Gods: World Religions and Worldly Politics* (New Brunswick, N.J.: Rutgers University Press, 2001) in *Journal of the American Academy of Religion*, January 2003
- Simone Chambers and Will Kymlicka, eds., *Alternative Conceptions of Civil Society* (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2002) in *Review of Religious Research*, Fall 2002.
- Danièle Hervieu-Léger, *Religion as a Chain of Memory* (Cambridge: Polity Press, 2000) in *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*, Winter 2001.
- Robert Wuthnow, *God and Mammon in America* (New York: Free Press, 1994) in *Ethics & Policy*, Summer 1996
- José Casanova, *Public Religions in the Modern World* (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1994) in *Ethics & Policy*, Spring 1995

#### **ACADEMIC PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS (partial listing)**

- Keynote Address, “Becoming Absence-Minded: Sociological Reflections on the Sense of the Faithful,” The Catholic Theological Society of America, Milwaukee, August 2015
- Critic, “Author Meets Critics Session for Christian Smith, et al., *Young Catholic America: Emerging Adults In, Out of, and Gone from the Church* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2014), Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Conference, San Francisco, August, 2014
- “Well, I’ll be Damned! Considering Atheism in the United States Today,” Bannan Institute Lecture, Santa Clara University, November 2013
- Discussant, “Religion in the South American Field,” Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Conference, New York, August, 2013
- Critic, “Author Meets Critics Session for William V. D’Antonio, et al.’s *American Catholics in Transition*, Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Conference, New York, August, 2013
- “Making a Living and Making a Life in Academia,” Convener and Presenter, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Conference, Milwaukee, WI, October, 2011
- “Reflexivity, Agency and Tradition: GLBT Catholics Today,” Panel Presentation, “More

- than a Monologue” Series Sponsored by Fordham University, September, 2011.
- “Sociology of Religion Meets Sociology of Culture: The Case of American Catholics,” Religion, Politics and Globalization Program, UC Berkeley Department of International Studies, February 2009
- “Keeping ‘Our Best Kept Secret’ a Secret? – The Political Hushing Effect within American Parishes,” Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Conference, Louisville, KY, October 2008
- “Dilemmas of Faithful Citizenship: Official Teachings and the Lived Religion of American Catholics,” Keynote Address, Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA, October 2008
- “Religious Reflexivity and its Limitations,” Paper Presentation, Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Conference, Boston, MA, August 2008
- “Living Tradition in a Post-Traditional Society,” Faculty Lecture, Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA, November, 2007
- “Taking the Sense of the Faithful Seriously – What it Would Look Like,” Luce Fellows in Theology Lecture, Pittsburgh, PA, November, 2007
- “Contemporary Issues Involving Church and State,” Religion in Public Life Series, University of Puget Sound, Tacoma, WA, November 2005
- Panelist for “Author Meets Critics Session” for David Yamane’s *Catholics in the Public Square*, Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA, August 2005
- “Producing Catholic Social Thought: Examining the Supply and Demand Sides,” Keynote Address, Ralph and Joan Lane Center for Catholic Social Thought, University of San Francisco, San Francisco, CA, February 2005
- “Catholic Institutions and Catholic Spirituality,” Keynote Address, Cunningham Lectures, Notre Dame De Namur University, Belmont, CA, October 2004
- Panelist for “Author Meets Critics Session” for Ruth A. Wallace’s *They Call Him Pastor*, Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA, August 2004
- Panelist for “Author Meets Critics Session” for Robert E. Beckley and Jerome R. Koch, *The Continuing Challenge of AIDS: Clergy Responses to Patients, Friends, and Families*, Religious Research Association Annual Conference, Norfolk, VA, October 2003
- “Catholic Parishes and Civic Engagement: An Update on Culture,” Paper Presentation, Association for the Sociology of Religion, Atlanta, GA, August 2003
- “Religious Culture, Civic Culture and the Culture of Commercialism: Which One Trumps and When?” Guest Lecture, University of New Mexico, Department of Sociology, Albuquerque, NM, February 2003
- “Congregations as Generators of Human, Cultural and Social Capital,” Paper Presentation, Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action Annual Conference, Montreal, Canada, November 2002
- “What Do Religious Institutions Institutionalize?” Guest Lecture, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, October 2002
- “Author Meets Critics Session,” a Response to Critics (Profs. D. Paul Douglas, Omar

- McRoberts, and Richard Wood) of *Habitat for Humanity: Building Private Homes, Building Public Religion*, Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, August 2002
- “Religious Identities: Beyond Ascription and Achievement,” Panel Presider and Respondent, American Sociological Association Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, August 2002
- “Who Cares? Faith, Philanthropy and All That,” Guest Lecture, The Center on Philanthropy at Indiana University Annual Conference, “Taking Fund Raising Seriously: The Spirit of Faith and Philanthropy,” Indianapolis, IN, October 2001
- “Varieties of Religious Involvement,” Panel Convener and Respondent, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Conference, Columbus, OH, October 2001
- “Religious Differences,” Panel Convener and Respondent, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Conference, Columbus, OH, October 2001
- “Church, Volunteerism, and Outreach,” Panel Respondent, Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Conference, Anaheim, CA, August 2001
- “Christian Perspectives on Poverty,” Paper Presentation, Graduate Theological Union – Mahidol University Christian Buddhist Dialogue Conference, Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA, April 2001
- “Institutional Isomorphism and Other Organizational Threats to Civil Society,” Paper Presentation, Citizenship / Discipleship Conference, Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA, September 2000
- “The Past as Present: Shifting Religious Economies and Individual Meanings in the Modern World,” Lecture, The Century that Made 2000 AD Conference, Carroll College, Helena, MT, April 2000
- “Catholic Liberal Arts Education: A Response to Dr. James Heft,” Lecture, Walsh Lecture Series, Carroll College, Helena, MT, December 1998
- “Being Attentive to Passionate Conversation,” Commencement Address, Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA, May 1998
- “Civil Society, Democratic Citizenship and Religion: A Reflection on the Work of Robert N. Bellah,” Paper Presentation, American Academy of Religion Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA, November 1997
- “Habitat for Humanity: Observations on a Paradenominational Organization in the Public Sphere,” Paper Presentation, Society for the Sociological Study of Religion Annual Conference, Nashville, TN, November 1996
- “Between Private Homes and Public Religion: Habitat for Humanity’s New American Dream,” Paper Presentation, Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Conference, New York, August 1996
- “Render Unto God, Render Unto Capitalism: Religious Volunteerism and the Rationalized Logic of the Market,” Paper Presentation, The Pacific Coast Theological Society Biannual Meeting, Berkeley, CA, April 1996
- “Paradenominational Organizations and the Welfare State,” Paper Presentation, Society for the Sociological Study of Religion Annual Conference, St. Louis, MO, October 1995
- “Models of Discipleship in the Public Sphere,” Paper Presentation, Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Conference, Los Angeles, CA, August 1994

## PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS FOR THE WIDER COMMUNITY (partial listing)

- “Modernity and Meaning: Zero-Sum?” WINGS group, St. Theresa’s Parish, November 2016
- “Understanding Religious Change in the United States,” Two-Day Workshop, Archbishop Mitty High School, San Jose, September 2016
- “Religion and Culture in Dialogue,” Two-Session Guest Lecture, Diocese of San Jose Lay Leadership Program, April 2013, March 2015
- “Culture and Catholicism” and “Catholic Parishes and Civic Dilemmas,” Lectures at the Archdiocese of San Francisco and Diocese of San Jose, Monterey, Oakland and Stockton Faith Formation Conference, November 2013
- “In the Wake of Vatican II: Cultural and Institutional Dilemmas among American Catholics,” Lecture at Stanford University, May 2013
- “Changes in American Catholicism,” Workshop for Deacons, Diocese of San Jose, March 2013
- “In the Wake of Vatican II: Cultural and Institutional Dilemmas among American Catholics,” Lecture at Notre Dame de Namur University, March 2013
- “The Emerging Church of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century,” Keynote Address, National Association of Priests Councils, St. Louis, March 2012
- “Those Who Can Teach Do: What One Teacher Did,” Conference for Tenured Faculty, Association of Theological Schools, March 2012
- “American Atheists: Myths and Realities,” Theology on Tap, St. Leo’s Church, Berkeley, May 2012
- “Generational Change and New Trends in American Catholicism,” Guest Lecture, Bay Area Priests’ Working Group, January 2012
- “Living Tradition in a Post-Traditional Society,” Guest Lecture in the Adult Studies Program, St. Ignatius Parish, San Francisco, September, 2011
- Guest Respondent to Religious Studies Majors’ Honors Theses, Department of Religious Studies, Santa Clara University, May 2011
- “Social Change, Political Power and the Arab Spring,” Panel Presentation to the JST Community, April 2011
- “You Could Use Some Culture! Thinking about Catholicism in a New Cultural Context,” Presentation to JST’s New Directions Students, April 2011
- “I’m Not Really Religious, I’m More Spiritual’: Self, Society and the Transformation of American Religion,” Four-Week Adult Studies Series, First Mennonite Church of San Francisco, March, 2011
- “Key Themes in *The Sense of the Faithful*,” Guest Lecture in Prof. Denise Carmody’s Theology class, Santa Clara University, April and November 2009
- “The State of the Catholic Church in the United States,” Keynote Address, Form / Reform Conference, San Jose, CA, July 2009
- “Christians and Culture,” Discussion with Parishioners at Christ the Light Cathedral, Oakland, CA, May 2009
- “Cultural Power in Local Churches,” Guest Lecture in Prof. Gina Hens-Piazza’s Bible



- and Postcolonial Theory class, JST, March, 2009
- “Catholic Parishes, Politics, and Civic Participation,” Theology in the City Lecture, Phoenix, AZ, October 2008
- “Living Tradition in a Post-Traditional Society,” Lecture to an Assembly of San Francisco’s Religious Leaders, San Francisco, February 2008
- “Theology and Sociology: Similarities and Differences,” Public Lecture, Congregational Church of San Mateo, San Mateo, CA, November 2006
- “I’m Not Really Religious, I’m More Spiritual’: Piety, Personhood and the Transformation of American Religion,” Theology in the City Lecture, Sacramento, CA, April 2006
- “I’m Not Really Religious, I’m More Spiritual’: Piety, Personhood and the Transformation of American Religion,” Theology in the City Lecture, Santa Clara, CA, February, 2006
- “Something Old, Something New: Christian Fundamentalism in a Secular Society,” Bible By the Bay Series, San Francisco, December 2005
- “I’m Not Really Religious, I’m More Spiritual’: Piety, Personhood and the Transformation of American Religion,” Theology in the City Lecture, San Francisco, CA, June 2005
- “I’m Not Really Religious, I’m More Spiritual’: Piety, Personhood and the Transformation of American Religion,” Theology in the City Lecture, Los Angeles, CA, May 2005
- “Producing Catholic Social Thought: Examining the Supply and Demand Sides,” Theology on Tap Series, Oakland, CA, March 2005
- “Institutional Carriers for Morality, Religion and Political Activism,” Keynote Address, Catholic Campaign for Human Development, Annual Conference, Rodondo Beach, CA, January 2005
- “Theology of Work Meets Business Ethics: A Match Made in Heaven?” Public Lecture, Lafayette-Orinda Presbyterian Church, Lafayette, CA, October 2004
- “National Culture, Catholic Culture and Forging a Culture of Peace,” Keynote Address, Pax Christi of Northern California Annual Retreat, San Jose, CA, October 2004
- “Contemporary Work: Sociological, Theological, Biblical and Spiritual Perspectives,” Four-Part Lecture Series, St. Perpetua Catholic Church, October 2004
- “Faithful Citizenship: Possibilities and Problems,” Public Lecture, St. Bonaventure Catholic Church, Concord, CA, September, 2004
- “Separation of Church and State: A Contested Notion Amidst a Contested Election,” Public Lecture, The Commonwealth Club, San Jose, CA, August 2004
- “Religion and Law: Should/Can/Will They Be Separated?” Public Lecture, St. Thomas More Society, San Francisco, CA, March 2004
- “Faithful Citizenship: Why and How the Catholic Church Matters,” Public Lecture, Catholic Charities of the East Bay, Oakland, CA, March 2004
- “Catholic Social Teaching: Key Themes, Critical Challenges,” Public Lecture, St. Raphael Church, San Rafael, CA, February, 2004
- “Church, Power, Justice: Lessons from Religious Ethnography,” GTU Faculty-Student Colloquium (with Lynn Gerber), Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA, February, 2004
- “Things Change: Ministering within a Church in Flux,” Day-Long Workshop, St.

- Perpetua Parish, Lafayette, CA, January, 2004
- “‘I’m Not Really Religious, I’m More Spiritual’ . . . and Other Discursive Artifacts Discovered from within the Depths of American Catholic Culture,” Public Lecture, Theology on Tap Series, Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley, Berkeley, CA, November, 2003
- “Fluid ‘Lines,’ Not Firm ‘Walls’: Church-State Issues in America Today,” Public Lecture, Lafayette-Orinda Presbyterian Church, Lafayette, CA, November, 2003
- “The Dignity of Work,” Public Lecture, Respect Life Series Sponsored by Concord-Area Parishes, St. Francis Catholic Church, Concord, CA, October, 2003
- “Generation X, Spirituality and the Catholic Church in Contemporary America,” Public Lecture / Workshop, Archdiocese of San Francisco Faith Formation Conference, San Francisco, CA, September 2003
- “Congregations and Public Life: What and How Local Religious Communities Contribute to Civil Society,” Guest Lecture, First Congregational Church, San Mateo, CA, August 2003
- “Generation X and the Transformation of American Catholicism,” Public Lecture, Theology on Tap Series, Sponsored by St. Leo Catholic Church, Oakland, CA, May 2003
- “Contemporary Challenges to a Theology of Work,” Guest Lecture, St. Bonaventure Catholic Church, Concord, CA, April 2003
- “Preparing Partners for Tomorrow’s Church,” Article, JSTB’s *Bridge*, Spring 2003
- “The Sociology of Spirituality: An Inquiry,” Guest Lecture, New Directions Program, JSTB, April 2003
- “Why Religion and Intellect Must Mix,” Presentation to the GTU Board of Directors, April 2003
- “Life and Death in a Culture of Choice,” Panel Presentation, Should We Legalize Physician Assisted Suicide? A Theological Symposium, The Hemlock Society, USA, Berkeley, CA, March 2003
- “Teaching as a Vocation,” Presentation and Discussion, JSTB Alumni Council’s Annual Dinner, Berkeley, CA, March 2003
- “Just War Theory: History, Theology and, Most Importantly, Application,” Guest Lecture, St. Bonaventure Catholic Church, Concord, CA, March 2003
- “Just War Theory: History, Theology and, Most Importantly, Application,” Public Lecture, Lafayette-Orinda Presbyterian Church, Lafayette, CA, March 2003
- “Volunteering as Education Toward – Not Always For – Justice,” Guest Lecture, Social Justice Club and Habitat for Humanity Chapter at St. Mary’s College, Moraga, CA, March 2003
- “The Transformation of American Catholicism,” Guest Lecture, St. Monica’s Parish, Moraga, CA, March 2003
- “War with Iraq? What Do You Think?” Public Lecture and Discussion, Tri-City Peace Action, Fremont Main Library, Fremont, CA, February 2003
- “Preparing Partners for Tomorrow’s Church: A Reflection,” Presentation to JSTB’s Board of Directors, Berkeley, CA, February 2003
- “Congregations and Public Life: What and How Local Religious Communities Contribute

- to Civil Society,” Pastoral Conference Workshop, Earl Lecture Series, Pacific School of Religion, Berkeley, CA, January 2003
- “Another Look at Another Gulf War: War, Peace and the Prospects for Moral Discernment” *The Catholic Voice* (December 16, 2002): 13-4.
- “Another Look at Another Gulf War: War, Peace and the Prospects for Moral Discernment,” Guest Lecture, Holy Redeemer Center, Oakland, CA, November 2002
- “The Situation with Iraq,” Panel Presenter (with Profs. O’Neill and Greiner), JSTB Teach-In on Iraq, Berkeley, CA, November 2002
- “Congregations and Civil Society: Much Promise, Many Perils,” Guest Lecture, JSTB President’s Council Address, San Francisco, CA, October 2002
- “Doing Socio-Cultural Analysis,” Guest Lecturer, Field Education Program, JSTB, Berkeley, CA, October 2002 and 2003
- “Religion and/as/of Technology,” Public Lecture, St. Cyprian Parish Public Forum Series, Sunnyvale, CA, October 2002
- “Congregations and Civil Society: A Double-Edged Connection,” Paper Presentation, JSTB Faculty Colloquium, Berkeley, CA, October 2002
- “Religion and Culture in Dialogue,” Day-Long Workshop, The California Diocesan Directors of Catechetical Ministry, Los Angeles, CA, May 2002
- Moderator, Panel Discussion of Charles McCoy et al.’s *Promises to Keep: Prospects for Human Rights*, Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA, May 2002
- “The Sociology of Spirituality: An Inquiry,” Guest Lecture, New Directions Program, JSTB, Berkeley, CA, April 2002
- “Authority, Discourse and Mobilization: Three Pressing Issues in American Religion,” Presentation to the GTU President’s Council, Berkeley, CA, March 2002
- “Things Change: Cultural, Institutional and Generational Change Among American Catholics,” Guest Lecture, Prof. Sandra Schneiders “Roman Catholic Religious Life II” class, JSTB, Berkeley, CA, March 2002
- “The ‘Good War’ and Those Who Refused to Fight It,” Discussion Facilitator, The GTU Students Committee, CDSP, Berkeley, CA, March 2002
- “Desperately Seeking Spirituality: Understanding Generation X,” Guest Lecture, Three-Week Course for Religious Educators, Diocese of San Jose, San Jose, CA, January 2002
- “Spirituality, Service and the Social Work Profession in America,” Guest Lecture, Spiritual, Religious and Cultural Roots of Service Project, The Shunryo-En Foundation, San Francisco, CA, January 2002
- “Religious Communities and Public Policy,” Radio Interview (with Samantha Spivack), K101’s “Your Town Hall” Program, November 2001
- Moderator, Paper Presentation by Mark Juergensmeyer on his, *Terror in the Mind of God: The Global Rise of Religious Violence*, Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA, November 2001
- “To Serve Others and to Tell the Truth,” Panel Presentation, “Why Do Graduate Work in Theology?” Informational Program for Prospective Students, Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA, October 2001
- Guest Speaker (with Sheri Hostetler) in Profs. Bruce Lescher and Clare Ronzani’s “Gender and Spirituality” class, GTU Summer Program, Berkeley, CA, August

2001

- “Author Meets Critics Colloquium” for *Habitat for Humanity: Building Private Homes, Building Public Religion*, Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA, March 2001
- “Thinking New Thoughts: A First Year Teaching at JSTB,” Article, JSTB’s *Bridge*, Spring 2001
- “Sociology, Secularization and Spirituality: The Case of American Catholics” Guest Lecture, New Directions Program, JSTB, Berkeley, CA, February 2001
- “Income Inequality and the ‘New Economy’ in America,” Distinguished Alumni Lecture, Presidential Installation, Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA, January 2001
- “The Churches as Cauldrons for Social Justice: Prospects and Possibilities,” Guest Lecture, “Real Deal” Series, Pacific School of Religion, Berkeley, CA, December 2000
- “Religion and Civic Participation in the United States,” Guest Lecture, Prof. Eduardo Fernandez’s “Church: Mission and Cultures” class, JSTB, Berkeley, CA, November 2000
- “Religion and the Voluntary Sector,” Paper Presentation, JSTB Faculty Colloquium, Berkeley, CA, October 2000
- Piedmont Community Church Adult Studies Series, Four-Week Classes in “Religion and Sociology” (Spring 1997), “Work and Vocation” (Fall 1997), “Baby Boomer Spirituality” (Spring 1998), “Religion and Politics in the U.S.” (Spring 2001), and “Spirituality and the Postmodern Mind” (Spring 2002)
- “What has Jerusalem to do with Athens? An Update on Religion and Civil Society,” Carroll College Faculty Colloquium, Helena, MT, October 1999
- “Mennonites in the Mist: An Interview with Sociologist Jerome Baggett,” in *Mennonot: For Mennonites on the Margins*, Fall 1999
- “Social Justice in Everyday Life,” Radio Interview, Montana Human Rights Network, Helena, MT, February 1999
- “Religion and Welfare Reform: Ritualizing or Challenging the Status Quo?” Public Lecture, Bishop’s Policy Forum, Catholic Charities of the East Bay, Oakland, CA, March 1998
- “Religion, House-Building and Modernity: A Report on Recent Research,” Paper Presentation, Habitat for Humanity International, Americus, GA, October 1997
- “What’s Coming Between Us? Racial and Class Divisions in the United States,” Paper Presentation, Archdiocese of San Francisco, Oakland, CA, March 1997
- “Religion and Civic Participation in the United States,” Guest Lecture, Religion and American Culture graduate seminar, Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA, November 1995
- “Engaged Research and Solidarity: Possibilities for Scholarship,” Paper Presentation, Annual Spring Student-Faculty Lecture, Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA, March 1995
- “Status and Social Class in the Academy,” Panel Presentation, Academics for Social Responsibility, Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA, February 1994

## **SERVICE TO THE JST COMMUNITY**

### **Courses:**

RS 2701: Sociology of Religion  
RS 3160: Religion and Politics in the United States  
RS 3170: Religion in Contemporary American Culture  
RSSP 4730: Spirituality and the Religious Quest in America  
RS 5030: Social Theory and Religion  
RS 3120: Religion, Democracy and Civil Society  
RSCE 3910: Sociology of American Catholicism  
RS4426: The “New Atheism” in American Culture  
RSCE 3178: Religion and Cultural Analysis  
CE 5003: History of Western Social Thought II (one of the four required Ph.D. seminars  
in the Area of Ethics and Social Theory)  
RSCE 3048: Church, Power, Justice  
RS4077: Religion and Social Transformation  
RSCE 5027: Foundational Social Theory (one of the four required Ph.D. seminars  
in the Area of Ethics and Social Theory)  
RS5034: Self, Sacred and the Secular  
RS4041: Researching Lived Religion

### **Independent Reading Courses:**

Research Methods in Sociology of Religion  
Religion, Social Movements and Modernity  
Sociology of Spirituality  
Catholic Social Thought: Readings and Applications  
Classic Readings in Western Social Thought  
Theory and Method in American Religious Studies  
The Self: Contemporary Theories and Debates  
The Social Construction of Race, Ethnicity and Whiteness  
Sociological Analyses of American Religious Groups  
Sociology of Knowledge  
Religion, Volunteerism and Philanthropy  
Catholic Social Thought and Service Learning  
Ethnography and Religion  
Readings in Social Theory: Classical and Contemporary  
Church and State in Latin America  
Theories of Power and Ecclesial Application  
Racism, Society and Justice  
Civil Society and Morality  
Social Theory and the Self  
Congregational Studies: Classic and Contemporary Texts  
Religion and the Nonprofit Sector in the U.S.  
Religion and Immigration  
Sociology of the Parish  
Sociology of Catholic High Schools

## Social Justice and Contemporary Social Issues

### **Committees (partial listing and only for the past five years):**

2012-2013

Human Subjects Review Committee, Graduate Theological Union  
Student and Academic Affairs Committee  
JST Chair of the Faculty  
JST Faculty Colloquium Convener  
GTU's Ethics and Social Theory Area Convener  
JST Strategic Plan Steering Committee

2013-2014

Human Subjects Review Committee, Graduate Theological Union  
Human Subjects Review Committee, Santa Clara University  
Student and Academic Affairs Committee  
JST Chair of the Faculty  
JST Faculty Colloquium Convener  
GTU's Ethics and Social Theory Area Convener

2014-2015

Human Subjects Review Committee, Graduate Theological Union  
Human Subjects Review Committee, Santa Clara University  
Student and Academic Affairs Committee  
M.Div. Comps Writing Committee  
Director of the M.Div. Program  
Facilitator of the Third-Year M.Div. Student Comps Review Seminar  
JST Chair of the Faculty  
JST Faculty Colloquium Convener  
GTU's Ethics and Social Theory Area Convener

2015-2016

Human Subjects Review Committee, Graduate Theological Union  
Human Subjects Review Committee, Santa Clara University  
Student and Academic Affairs Committee  
Director of the JST M.A. Program  
M.Div. Comps Writing Committee  
JST Academic Council Convener  
JST Faculty Colloquium Convener  
JST Appointment, Rank and Tenure Committee  
Santa Clara University Strategic Plan Implementation Committee (Goal Four)

2016-present

Human Subjects Review Committee, Graduate Theological Union  
Human Subjects Review Committee, Santa Clara University  
Student and Academic Affairs Committee  
JST Faculty Colloquium Convener  
JST Statues and Curriculum Committee

### **Faculty Colloquium Presentations:**

“The Voluntary Sector and American Religion,” Fall 2000  
“Congregations and Civil Society: A Double-Edged Connection,” Spring 2003  
“The Catholic Citizen: Perennial Puzzle or Emergent Oxymoron?” Fall 2004  
“Paradox: Living Tradition in a Post-Traditional Society,” Fall 2008  
“Protagoras’s Assertion Revisited: American Atheism and Its Accompanying  
Obscurities,” Spring 2011  
“Well, I’ll be Damned! – Considering Atheism beyond the ‘Popular View’,” Winter 2014  
“Becoming Absence-Minded: Sociological Reflections on the Sense of the Faithful,” Fall  
2015

**Sociology of Religion Movie Nights:**

I have initiated and organized a few of these each academic year for several years.

**Religion and Culture Lecture Series:**

I have initiated and organized this series for several years; four lectures per year.

**Dissertation, Thesis, and Comprehensive Exam Committees:**

I have served on several of these committees per year since 2000

**Guest Lectures and Public Presentations:**

Every year I give a few lectures and presentations within colleagues’ courses or for the wider GTU community; these are typically related to culture, research methods, public speaking, pedagogy and the like

**SERVICE TO THE WIDER COMMUNITY**

Editorial Advisory Board Member, *Encyclopedia of American Christianity*, 2012-present  
Board Member, Association for the Sociology of Religion (ASR), 2011-2015.  
Board Member, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion (SSSR), 2010-2014  
Consultant, the University of Southern California’s Institute for Advanced Catholic  
Studies-Sponsored “American Parish Project,” 2014  
Steering Committee, UC Berkeley’s “Religion, Politics and Globalization Program,  
Winter 2011 to the present  
Member of the Religious Diversity Working Group, convened by UC Berkeley’s Provost,  
Summer 2011 to the present  
Book Review Editor, *Sociology of Religion*, the quarterly sociological journal of the  
Association for the Sociology of Religion (ASR), 2006-2011  
Committee Chair, Student Paper Award Committee, Society for the Scientific Study of  
Religion, 2010-2012  
Committee Member, Student Paper Award Committee, Society for the Scientific Study of  
Religion, 2007-2009  
Referee for various journals including *Sociology of Religion*, *Journal for the Scientific  
Study of Religion*, and *Social Forces*  
External Reviewer for publishers including Notre Dame University Press, New York  
University Press, University of California Press and Oxford University Press

Co-Founder (with Prof. William McKinney) of the Bay Area Religion Discussion Seminar (BARDS), Fall 2005 to present

Committee Member, Distinguished Article Committee, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Fall 2001 to present

Committee Member, Development Committee, Association for the Sociology of Religion, Fall 2001 to present (elected as Chair for 2003-4)

Committee Member, Summer Stipend Program Selection Committee, The Louisville Institute, Louisville, KY, Fall 2003 to present

Committee Member, Scholarly Article Review Committee, Religion and the Media Interest Group, Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communications, Spring 2002 to present

Consultant, Religion and the Common Good Project, Lafayette-Orinda Presbyterian Church, Lafayette, CA, March 2003 to present

Consultant, Interpreting U.S. and Community Census Data, Catholic Community of Pleasanton, September 2002

Advisory Board, First Be Reconciled, September 2002 to present

Faculty Director, Center for Ethics and Social Policy, Fall 2001 to May 2003

Consultant, "Some Assembly Required," a video production concerning "Pop Culture and Teen Spirituality," Loyola Press, Spring 2002

Consultant for the "Affordable Housing Initiative," Catholic Charities of the East Bay, Fall 2001

Consultant for the "Green Studies, Religion and Environmental Practice Survey," Theological Roundtable on Ecological Ethics and Spirituality, GTU, Fall 2001

Consultant for the Parish Survey Project, St. Columba's Church, Oakland, CA, Spring 2001

Committee Member, Canon Revision Committee for the Sociology Components of the Area IV Doctoral Examination Protocol, GTU, 2001-2002 (with Profs. Clare B. Fischer and Stephen Ellingson)

Committee Member, Ad hoc Advisory Committee for CESP, GTU 2000-2001

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

American Sociological Association  
 Association for the Sociology of Religion  
 Society for the Scientific Study of Religion  
 American Academy of Religion