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Administrative Experience

Director, Program in Applied Ethics, John Carroll University, 1997-2010
Chair, Department of Religious Studies, 1999-2003
Director, Tuohy Chair of Interreligious Studies, 1993-1997

Publications

Books:

The Ethics of Interrogation: Professional Responsibility in an Age of Terror (Forthcoming, Georgetown University Press, 2013).
Cloning and the Future of Human Embryo Research (New York: Oxford University Press, 2001). (Edited volume).
Medicine and the Ethics of Care (Washington, D.C.: Georgetown University Press, 2001). (Edited with Diana Fritz Cates).
Pursuing Parenthood: Ethical Issues in Assisted Reproduction (Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 1993).
Religious Belief and Emotional Transformation - A Light in the Heart (Lewisburg: Bucknell University Press, 1992).

Articles or Chapters in Books:

"Keeping Covenant: William F. May and the Crisis in Bioethics," *Commonweal*, February 2013: 10-13.
"Thinking Like a Mountain: Nature, Wilderness, and the Virtue of Humility," in *The Ideal of Nature: Debates about Biotechnology and the Environment*, ed. by Gregory Kaebnick (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, 2011): 114-129.
"Humming with Mystery: Synthetic Biology and Playing God," *Commonweal*, April 8, 2011.
"Oncofertility and the Boundaries of Moral Reflection," (with Andrea Vicini, S.J.), *Theological Studies* 72 (2011): 116-130.
"Technology and Wholeness: Oncofertility and Catholic Tradition," in *Oncofertility: Ethical, Legal, Social, and Medical Perspectives*, Teresa Woodruff, et al., editors (New York: Springer 2010).
"Ethics of the Everyday: a Profile of Gilbert Meilaender," *Commonweal*, May 21, 2010.
"Torture Warrants and Democratic States: Dirty Hands in an Age of Terror," *Journal of Religious Ethics* 38/1 (2010): 93-112.

- “Visual Bioethics,” *American Journal of Bioethics* 8/12 (2008): 50, and Response to Open Peer Commentaries on “Visual Bioethics,” *American Journal of Bioethics* 8/12 (2008): W2.
- “From Rescuing Frozen Embryos to Respecting the Limits of Nature: Reframing the Embryo Adoption Debate,” in Sara-Vaughan Brakman and Darlene Fozard Weaver, eds. *The Ethics of Embryo Adoption and the Catholic Tradition: Moral Arguments, Economic Reality and Social Analysis* (New York: Springer, 2007).
- “Daniel Callahan and Bioethics,” *Commonweal* (June 1, 2007): 8-15. (Commissioned profile of Callahan).
- “Stem Cell Research and Catholic Moral Theology: From Embryo Status to the Common Good,” *Memphis Theological Seminary Journal*, 46 (2006): 37-50.
- “Response to Richard B. Miller’s *Children, Ethics, and Modern Medicine*,” *Journal of Religious Ethics* 34/1 (March 2006): 151-61.
- “Holy Alliance? Politics and ‘Culture of Life’ Rhetoric,” *Commonweal* (March 24, 2006): 14-17.
- “Caring at the End: Lessons from the Schiavo Case,” *Commonweal* (March 10, 2006): 14-16.
- “Humanities and Atrocities: A Response to Sumner Twiss,” *Journal of the Society of Christian Ethics*, 25/1 (2005): 235-46.
- “Stem Cells, Biotechnology, and Human Rights: Implications for a Posthuman Future,” *Hastings Center Report*, 35/2 (2005): 25-33.
- “Report on the Ethics of Stem Cell Research.” Appendix G in *Monitoring Stem Cell Research: A Report of the President’s Council on Bioethics*, 237-72. Washington, D.C.: Government Printing Office, 2004.
- “Arguing with Life Stories: The Case of Rigoberta Menchu,” in *The Ethics of Life Writing*, ed. Paul John Eakin (Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 2004).
- “Preimplantation Genetic Diagnosis: Heating Up the Dialogue,” *The Lahey Center Medical Ethics Newsletter* 9/2 Fall (2002): 6-7.
- “Expanding the Debate Over Stem Cell Research,” *Dialog: A Journal of Theology* 41/3 (Fall 2002): 238-39.
- “Broadening the Debate on Cloning and Stem Cell Research,” *America* (February 4, 2002): 22-23.
- “The Gift of Life and the Common Good,” *Hastings Center Report* 31/1 (2001): 29-35. (With Michael McClure, Martin L. Smith and Andrew Trew).
- “Neither Person Nor Property: Embryo Research and the Status of the Early Embryo,” *America* (March 26, 2001): 20-23.
- “Adequate Images and Evil Imaginations: Ethnography, Ethics and the End of Life” in *Caring Well: Religion, Narrative, and Health Care Ethics*, Edited by David H. Smith (Louisville, Kentucky: Westminster John Knox Press, 2000): 64-88.
- “The Knowing Heart: Moral Argument and the Appeal to Experience,” *Soundings* 81/1-2 (Spring/Summer, 1998): 212-34.
- “Hear No Evil, See No Evil, Think No Evil: Ethics and the Appeal to Experience,” *Hypatia* 12/2 (Spring 1997): 83-104.
- “Ethics and Experience: The Case of the Curious Response,” *Hastings Center Report* 26/1 (January-February, 1996): 6-15.
- “Whose Bodies, Which Selves: Appeals to Embodiment in Assessments of Reproductive Technology,” in *Embodiment, Morality, and Medicine*, Edited by Lisa Sowle Cahill and Margaret Farley, (Dordrecht, The Netherlands: Kluwer, 1995): 113-26.
- “The Self and Its Discontents: Recent Work on Morality and the Self,” *Journal of Religious Ethics* 22/1 (Spring 1994): 189-210.
- “Listening to the Different Voices: Toward a More Poetic Bioethics,” in *Theological Analyses of the Clinical Encounter*, Edited by G.P. McKenny and J.R. Sande, (Dordrecht, The Netherlands: Kluwer, 1994): 151-69.
- “On Being Medieval Without Menace: Catholic Magisterial Teaching as a Source for Bioethics,” in *Religious Methods and Resources in Bioethics*, Edited by Paul Camenisch, (Dordrecht, The Netherlands: Kluwer, 1993): 301-22.
- “DI’s Dirty Little Secret,” *Politics and the Life Sciences* (August, 1993): 188-89.

- “Reflections on the Nether World: Some Problems for a Feminist Ethics of Care and Compassion,” *Soundings* 75/2-3 (Summer/Fall 1992): 383-402.
- “Experience as Truth? Feminist Ethics, Experience and Reproductive Technology,” *Bioethics News* 11/1 (October 1991): 8-19.
- “It Hain’t the Money, but the Principle o’ the Thing: Some Problems with Surrogate Motherhood” (Monograph published by The Poynter Center, Indiana University, 1991).
- “Pursuing Parenthood: Reflections on Donor Insemination” *Second Opinion* 17/1 (July 1991): 57-76.
- “Errors of an Ill-reasoning Reason: The Disparagement of Emotions in the Moral Life,” *The Journal of Value Inquiry* 25 January (1991): 5-21.
- “What Price Parenthood? Reflections on the New Reproductive Technologies,” *Hastings Center Report* 20/2 (March/April 1990): 38-46.
- “A Feminist Ethic and the New Romanticism - Mothering as a Model of Moral Relations,” *Hypatia* 4/2 (Summer 1989): 29-44.
- “Emotions and Religious Ethics,” *Journal of Religious Ethics* 16 (Fall 1988): 307-24.
- “Forgiveness: Moral Prerogative or Religious Duty?” *Journal of Religious Ethics* 15 (Fall 1987): 141-154.
- “Is ‘Narrative’ Really a Panacea? The Use of ‘Narrative’ in the Work of Metz and Hauerwas” *The Journal of Religion* 67/3 (July 1987): 322-39.
- “Philosophy of Religion and the Mirror of Nature: Rorty’s Challenge to Analytic Philosophy of Religion,” *International Journal for the Philosophy of Religion*, 16 (1984): 29-39.

Op-eds:

- “Political Responsibility and Human Trafficking,” *National Catholic Reporter* November 9, 2011. (On the conflict between the US bishops and the Obama administration on services for victims of trafficking.)
- “Rules Must Apply to Public and Private Research,” *The Plain Dealer* May 20, 2005. (On the need to regulate all stem cell research).
- “Cleveland Must Open a New Front in War on Terror.” *The Plain Dealer*, 18 May 2004.
- “Regulate Stem Cell Research,” *The Plain Dealer*, August 14, 2003 (On the need to regulate stem cell research in both the public and private sphere)
- “War Must Be the Last Resort,” *The Plain Dealer*, September 27, 2002 (On use of pre-emptive military force in Iraq).
- “Should Intelligent Design Be Taught in Science Class? No: It Isn’t Even Good Theology,” *The Columbus Dispatch* March 8, 2002 (On the debate to include “intelligent design” in the science curriculum in Ohio).
- “It’s Bad Science – and Bad Religion” *The Plain Dealer*, March 8, 2002 (On the debate to include “intelligent design” in the science curriculum in Ohio).
- “Wrong Vocabulary, Wrong Focus,” *The Plain Dealer*, November 29, 2001 (On proposed ban on human cloning).
- “There’s No Logic in this Compromise,” *The Plain Dealer*, August 15, 2001 (On President George W. Bush’s policy on stem cell research).
- “Abortion: The Prequel?” *The Plain Dealer*, June 25, 2001 (On federal funding of stem cell research).

Reviews:

- Rev. of Adam Briggles’s *A Rich Bioethics: Public Policy, Biotechnology, and the Kass Council*. *Commonweal* (December 17, 2010).
- Rev. of Paul Lombardo’s *Three Generations, No Imbeciles* and Victoria Nourse’s *In Reckless Hands*, *Commonweal* (April 10, 2009).
- Rev. of Robert P. George’s and Christopher Tollefsen’s *A Defense of Human Life*, *Commonweal* (May 23, 2008).
- Rev. of Michael Sandel’s *The Case Against Perfection*, *Commonweal* (February 15, 2008).

- Rev. of Amir Aczel's *The Jesuit and the Skull*, *The Plain Dealer* (October 14, 2007).
- "Learning from history and repeating it anyway" review of Jane Maienschein, *Whose View of Life? Embryos, Cloning, and Stem Cells*, *Medical Humanities Review* 18/1 & 2 (Spring and Fall 2004): 69-72.
- Rev. of Christine Rosen, *Preaching Eugenics*, *Commonweal* (May 7, 2004): 32-33.
- "Seeing Ourselves as Natural Objects" review of Holland, Lebacqz, and Zoloth eds., *The Human Embryonic Stem Cell Debate: Science, Ethics, and Public Policy*, *Medical Humanities Review*, 16/2 (Fall 2002): 76-78.
- Review Essay of Mary Lyndon Shanley, *Making Babies, Making Families* and Maura Ryan, *The Ethics and Economics of Assisted Reproduction*, *The Hastings Center Report* 32/5 Sep-Oct. 2002: 43-45.
- Rev. of Aaron Mackler's, *Life and Death Responsibilities in Jewish Biomedical Ethics*, *Theological Studies* 63/1 (Dec. 2001): 850-51.
- Rev. of Carson Strong's, *Ethics in Reproductive and Perinatal Medicine: A New Framework*, *Politics and the Life Sciences* 17/2 (September 1998): 221-22.
- Rev. of James w. Walters's, *What Is A Person? An Ethical Exploration*, *Theological Studies* 59/3 (September 1998): 560.
- Rev. of Susan Hekman's, *Moral Voices, Moral Selves: Carol Gilligan and Feminist Moral Thought*, *Religious Studies Review* 24/1 (January 1998): 52.
- Rev. of Ted Peters's, *For the Love of Children: Genetic Technology and the Future of the Family*, *Theological Studies* 58/4 (1997): 756-58.
- Rev. of Daniel Callahan et al., *A World Growing Old: The Coming Health Care Challenges*, *Ethics* 107/4 (July 1997): 779-80.
- Rev. of Ruth Macklin's, *Surrogates and Other Mothers: The Debates over Assisted Reproduction*, *Ethics* 102/2 (January 1996): 476-77.
- Rev. of Michael Walzer's, *Thick and Thin: Moral Arguments at Home and Abroad*, *Religious Studies Review* 21/2 (April 1995): 121.
- Rev. of Robert Louden's *Morality and Moral Theory*, *Religious Studies Review* 20/2 (April 1994): 134-35.
- Rev. of Alan Geyer and Barbara Green's *Lines in the Sand: Justice and the Gulf War*, *Religious Studies Review* 20/2 (April 1994), 136.
- Rev. of Claudia Card's *Feminist Ethics*, *Religious Studies Review* 19/1 (January 1993): 61.
- Rev. of Geoffrey Galt Harpham's *Getting It Right: Language, Literature and Ethics*, *Religious Studies Review* 19/1 (January 1993): 62.
- Rev. of James Walter and Thomas Shannon, ed. *Quality of Life: The New Medical Dilemma*, *Ethics* 102/4 (July 1992): 891-92.
- Rev. of Robert Blank's *Regulating Reproduction*, *Religious Studies Review* 18/2 (April 1992): 135.
- Rev. of Owen Flanagan and Amelie Rorty, ed. *Identity, Character, and Morality*, *Religious Studies Review* 18/2 (April 1992): 132.
- Rev. of J. Giles Milhaven's *Good Anger*, *Religious Studies Review* 17/4 (October 1991): 342.
- Rev. of Sharon Welch's *A Feminist Ethic of Risk*, *Religious Studies Review* 17/4 (October 1991): 341.
- Rev. of Edmund Pellegrino, John Collins Harvey, and John Langan, ed. *Gift of Life: Catholic Scholars Respond to the Vatican Instruction*, *Religious Studies Review* 17/3 (July 1991): 246.
- Rev. of Paul Ramsey ed., *Ethical Writings: The Works of Jonathan Edwards*, vol. 8, *Religious Studies Review* 17/2 (April 1991): 150.
- Rev. of Wayne Booth's *The Company We Keep: An Ethics of Fiction*, *Religious Studies Review* 17/1 (January 1991): 57.
- Rev. of Douglas Sturm's *Community and Alienation: Essays on Process Thought and Public Life*, *Religious Studies Review* 16/4 (October 1990): 335.
- Rev. of Linda Whiteford and Marilyn Poland ed., *New Approaches to Human Reproduction*, *Religious Studies Review* 16/4 (October 1990): 337.
- Rev. of Richard H. Bell ed., *The Grammar of the Heart: New Essays in Moral Philosophy and Theology*, *Religious Studies Review* 15/4 (October 1989): 349-50.

- Rev. of Edmund Santurri's, *Perplexity in the Moral Life*, *Religious Studies Review* 14/4 (October 1988): 363.
- Rev. of Wayne Meeks's, *The Moral World of the First Christians*, *Patristics* 16/1 (July 1987): 2.
- Rev. of Robert Veatch's, *The Foundations of Justice*, *Religious Studies Review* 13/4 (October 1987): 336-37.
- Rev. of Bonidell Clouse's, *Moral Development - Perspectives in Psychology and Christian Belief*, *Religious Studies Review* 12/2 (April 1986): 134.
- Rev. of Lawrence Blum's *Friendship, Altruism and Morality*, *Religious Studies Review* 9/2 (April 1983): 157.
- Rev. of William Neblett's *The Role of Feeling in Morality*, *Religious Studies Review*, 8/2 (April 1982): 170.

Selected Lectures or Presentations

- "Synthetic Biology and Playing God," Fall Academy of Religion, College of Wooster, September 2011.
- "Professional Responsibility in an Age of Terror." Three-part lecture series. Northwestern University, May 2011.
- "Capacities and Human Rights: A Response to Nicholas Wolterstorff," Veritas Forum, Northwestern University, April 2011.
- "Humming with Mystery: Synthetic Biology and Playing God," Northwestern University, November 2010.
- "Reflections on the Embryo Adoption Debate," University of Connecticut, Spring 2009.
- "Technology and Wholeness: Ethical Issues Raised by New Fertility Preservation Techniques with Cancer Patients, The Cleveland Clinic Foundation, Spring 2009.
- "Stem Cell Research, Embryo Status, and Justice: Toward a Common Ground" Presentation at The International Seminar on "Dilemmas of Stem Cell Research," Sponsored by the Islamic Organization of Medical Sciences in collaboration with UNESCO and the WHO (EMRO), Cairo, Egypt, November 2007.
- "Piercing the Veil of the Familiar: 'Nature,' the new Grotesque, and the Bioethical Imagination," Presentation sponsored by the Poynter Center at Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana, March 2006.
- "Changing Course on End-of-Life Teaching? Catholic Teaching in the Aftermath of Schiavo," St. John's University, March 2006.
- "The Ethics of Medical Genetics: Pursuing Genomic Medicine without Reducing Ourselves to Artifacts," Presentation at a conference sponsored by the Pontifical Council for Health Pastoral Care, The Vatican, November 2005.
- "Viewing Stem Cell Research through the Lens of Contemporary Art," Keynote address, McGill Bioethics Conference, "Living Ethics: From Stem Cell to Life Extension," Montreal, November 2005.
- "Why Markets and Liberal Arts Education Don't Mix: Some Problems with Commodifying Higher Education," Presentation at a conference entitled, Ethics: The Guiding Light - The 12th Annual International Conference Promoting Business Ethics, New York City, October 2005.

“Stem Cells, Biotechnology, and Human Rights: Implications for a Posthuman Future,” Cleveland Mind/Brain Group, May 2005.

“From SOA to Abu Ghraib: Torture as Government Policy,” Social Justice Teach-In, Cleveland, March 2005.

“Cyborgs, Centaurs, and Other Hybrids: Ethical Issues in Stem Cell Research,” Presentation, Florida State University, October 2003.

“Ethical Issues in Stem Cell Research,” Neiswanger Institute of Bioethics, Loyola University (Chicago) School of Medicine, September 2003.

“Ethical Issues in Stem Cell Research” Presentation to the President’s Council on Bioethics, July 2003.

“The Ethics of Stem Cell Research and the Future of Assisted Reproduction,” Ob/Gyn Grand Rounds, Cleveland Clinic Foundation, March 2003.

“Where the Use of Placebos Puts Patients at Risk: What Price Knowledge?” (Lecture jointly sponsored by the Joseph Slifka Center and the Institution for Social and Policy Studies at Yale University).

“Parenthood and the Story of Our Lives: Reflections on the Future of Reproductive Technology” (Keynote address at a Conference on “New Conceptions: Test Tubes, Technology and the Pursuit of Parenthood,” Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon).

“Navigating the Ethical Land Mines” (Presentation at a Conference on “Insights Into Infertility: Challenges and Choices,” Columbus, Ohio).

“Secrecy and Donor Insemination: The Moral Issues” (Presentation to the Ethics Committee of MacDonald Hospital, Cleveland, Ohio).

Panelist (with Sidney Callahan, and Thomas Shannon) Symposium on Artificial Reproduction and the Family, Trinity College, Hartford, Connecticut.

Panelist (with Margaret Farley, Timothy O’Connell, and Margareta Stokes Tucker), Catholic Theological Society of America, Topic: Sexual Ethics and the Experiential Criterion.

Panelist (with Randy Kandel, Sheila Kuehl, and Sandi Fischer), Conference “Families by Design,” jointly sponsored by the Bioethics Institute of UniHealth America, The Pacific Center for Health Policy and Ethics, The Hastings Center, and the Alyce Vrolyk Center for Bioethics, Topic: Being a Family: Defining Ourselves.

“On Being Medieval Without Menace: Catholic Magisterial Teaching as a Source for Bioethics,” The University of Pittsburgh.

Panelist (with Warren Reich and Rosemarie Tong), The Deemer Symposium, Hiram College, Hiram, Ohio. Topic: Surrogate Motherhood and Reproductive Technology.

“Experience as Truth? Feminist Ethics, Experience, Ethics, and Reproductive Technology,” Centre for Human Bioethics, Monash University, Melbourne, Australia.

Featured Speaker, The National Bioethics Conference Sydney, Australia. Topic: Surrogacy and Donor Insemination.

“It Hain’t the Money but the Principle: Some Problems for Surrogate Motherhood,” The Poynter Center, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana.

Invited Speaker, The Philosophy Club, Wooster College Wooster, Ohio. Topic: Ethical Issues in Reproductive Technology.

Respondent, “The Ethic of Care and the Ethic of Rights,” Eighteenth Annual Philosophy Colloquium, The University of Dayton, Dayton, Ohio. Conference Topic: Moral Agency and the Fragmented Self: Feminism and Moral Psychology.

Teaching Experience

1996- Professor, John Carroll University
1991-95 Associate Professor, John Carroll University
1987-90 Assistant Professor, John Carroll University
1985-87 Visiting Assistant Professor, John Carroll University

Courses Taught

After 9/11: Literature and Ethics in an Age of Terrorism (with colleague from English)
Christian Sexuality
Introduction to Bioethics
Introduction to Human Rights
Introduction to Religious Studies
Justice and Democracy in a Global Context (with colleagues from History and Political Science)
Literature and the Moral Imagination (with a colleague from English)
Moral Decision Making
Poverty and the Human Condition
Religion, Ethics, and the Environment
Religion, Ethics, and Genetics
Religion, Ethics, and Public Policy
Religion, Violence, and Liberal Thought

Professional Activity

2011- Associate Editor, *Journal of Religious Ethics*
2011- Editorial Board, *Soundings*
2009-10 Board Member, Bioethics Network of Ohio
2007-12 Ethics Advisory Committee, Oncofertility Project, Northwestern University
2006-11 Editorial Board, *Journal of Religious Ethics*
2002-03 Member, Working Group on Genetics, Catholic Health Association
2001-02 Member, Working Group on the Ethics of Life Writing, Poynter Center, Indiana University
2000-05 Co-Editor, the *Journal of the Society of Christian Ethics*

- 1999-03 Chairperson, Dept. of Religious Studies, John Carroll University
- 1998-99 Editorial Board, *The Annual*, The Society of Christian Ethics
- 1997-10 Director, Program in Applied Ethics, John Carroll University
- 1996-00 Ethics Review Essay Editor, *Religious Studies Review*
- 1995-00 Member, Institutional Review Board, The Cleveland Clinic
- 1993-97 Director, Tuohy Chair of Interreligious Studies, John Carroll University
- 1988-96 Ethics Book Note Editor, *Religious Studies Review*
- 1986-90 Chair, Ethics Section, AAR, Midwest Region

Academic Awards

- 2010-11 Brady Distinguished Visiting Faculty Member, Northwestern University
- 2007-08 Distinguished Faculty Award Winner, John Carroll University
- 2005-06 Chairholder, Paul E. McKeever Chair in Moral Theology, St. John's University
- 2003-04 George E. Grauel Faculty Fellowship, John Carroll University
- 1995-96 George E. Grauel Faculty Fellowship, John Carroll University
- 1993-94 Summer Research Fellowship, John Carroll University
- 1991-92 NEH Fellowship for College Teachers
- 1991 Summer Research Fellowship, John Carroll University
- 1989-90 George E. Grauel Faculty Fellowship, John Carroll University
- 1988-89 Humanities and Medicine Institute Fellow, Hiram College (NEH sponsored Summer Institute)
- 1987-88 Summer Research Fellowship, John Carroll University
- 1986-87 Summer Research Fellowship, John Carroll University

Professional Associations

- American Academy of Religion
- American Society for Bioethics and Humanities
- Association for Practical and Professional Ethics
- Bioethics Network of Ohio
- Psychologists for Social Responsibility
- Society of Christian Ethics

Education

- 1980-85 Brown University, Ph.D., Religious Studies (Western Religious Thought: Ethics; Philosophy of Religion)
- 1977-80 University of Virginia, M.A., Religious Studies
- 1973-77 University of Virginia, B.A. cum laude, Government and Foreign Affairs/Religious Studies

