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Degrees:

Ph.D.: 1984 Graduate Theological Union at Berkeley: Religion and Society
M.A.: 1973 New School for Social Research: Sociology
B.A.: 1970 Stanford University: History (Phi Beta Kappa)

Professional Employment:

University of Redlands, Redlands, California:
Emeritus Professor of Sociology and Anthropology: 2020-present
(Professor: 2003-2020; Associate Professor: 1995-2003; Assistant Professor: 1989-1995)
Sociology and Anthropology Department Chair, 1994-1997
Organization Specialists, LLC, San Antonio, Texas: Managing Partner: 2006-2016
(Previously: McGuire & Spickard, Organizational Consulting, 1998-2005)
Fielding Graduate University, Santa Barbara, California:
Research Consulting Professor, School of Human & Organizational Development: 2000-09
Institute for Transpersonal Psychology, Menlo Park, California:
Visiting Asst. Prof.; Dissertation & Research Director: 1988-89
Cultural Development Institute, Aromas, California:
Research Director: 1986-1989
College of Notre Dame, Belmont, California:
Assistant Professor of Sociology & Anthropology: 1976-78, 1985-86
Lecturer in Sociology & Anthropology: 1973-75, 1978-80

Major Professional Association Offices: *(Full list on page 18)*

President, Association for the Sociology of Religion (ASR): 2021-22
President, Research Committee 22 (Sociology of Religion), International Sociological Assoc. (ISA-RC22):
2014-18
Council Representative for the U.S., International Association for the Sociology of Religion (ISSR): 2008-15
Council Member, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion (SSSR): 2011-14
Program Chair: ISA-RC22: 2014; ASR 2008; Religious Research Association (RRA) 1995

Teaching Areas: *(Course list on page 19)*

Sociology and Anthropology of Religion / Religion in Contemporary Society
Social Theory *(classic, contemporary, and non-Western)*
Social Science Research Methods & Design
Social Issues and Moral Commitments *(homelessness, hunger, poverty, ethnic conflict, human rights)*
Visual Ethnography

PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS:

Diversity, Inclusion, and Decolonization: Practical Tools for Improving Teaching, Research, and Scholarship.

Co-edited with Abby Day, Lois Lee, and Dave S.P. Thomas. Bristol University Press, 2022.

Despite progress, the Western higher education system is still largely dominated by scholars from the privileged classes of the Global North. This book presents examples of efforts to diversify points of view, include previously excluded people, and decolonize curricula. What has worked? What hasn't? What further visions do we need? How can we bring about a more democratic and just academic life for all? Written by scholars from different disciplines, countries, and backgrounds, this book offers an internationally relevant, practical guide to 'doing diversity' in the social sciences and humanities and decolonizing higher education as a whole.

Religion, Power, and Resistance: New Ideas for a Divided World. Co-edited with Anna Halafoff, Carolyn

Starkey, and Sam Han. MDPI Books, 2020

The world is currently gripped by pressing environmental, social, and economic challenges. We find ourselves in increasingly divided societies, riven by ideological battles for the future of the human and the more-than-human world. In its myriad forms, religion plays many roles in this picture. It can be an underlying source of divisions as well as a powerful means of addressing them.

The chapters in this book were revised from presentations at the July 2018 World Congress of Sociology in Toronto, Canada. The editors – the Program Chair, Program Committee, and President of the ISA's Research Committee on the Sociology of Religion (RC22) – invited both established and emerging authors to address the above themes and worked with them to deepen their contributions. The results were published in a special issue of the journal Religions (ISSN 2077-1444) and then issued as this book (ISBN 978-3-03936-948-9).

Alternative Sociologies of Religion: Through Non-Western Eyes. NYU Press, 2017.

This book explores alternatives to the standard concepts used in Western sociology of religion. After exposing the historical-cultural origins of those concepts, it asks what the sociology of religion would look like, had it developed among Confucians, or in 14th-century North African Islam, or among the Navajo of the American Southwest. It shows how a sociology based on each of these historical-cultural circumstances would highlight different aspects of religious life. I argue that a post-colonial age demands a plural approach to religion, one willing to draw conceptual resources from many traditions, not just one.

Research Basics: Design to Data Analysis in Six Steps. Sage Publications, 2017.

This textbook presents a 6-step process for designing social research projects. One chooses a topic and identifies a researchable question, chooses a logical research structure, identifies the type of data that will answer that question, chooses a method for finding that data and a location where it can be found, and then chooses a method of data analysis. The data type is central. Once this is identified, all the other elements of research fall into place. The book shows how this works, using lots of practical examples.

Religion Crossing Boundaries: Transnational Religious and Social Dynamics in Africa and the New African

Diaspora. Co-edited with Afe Adogame. E.J. Brill, Publisher, 2010

This collection of essays explores the recent growth of transnational religious networks that connect African peoples with each other and with other parts of the world. Topics include: the transnational spread of new African Christianity, transnational Pentecostalism, religion's role in transnational migration, tri- and multi-national religious trade networks, and the consequences of having transnational religious connections for Africa itself.

Thinking Through Statistics: Exploring Quantitative Sociology. Toroverde Press, 2005.

-- With accompanying Sociological Insights software.

A textbook for teaching quantitative sociology. The book teaches students how to solve sociological mysteries using basic statistics with both aggregate and survey data. Topics include: distributions, measures of central tendency and dispersion, correlation, multiple regression, cross-tabulation (with and without controls), t-tests, ANOVA, and standardized cross-tabulations. The book focuses on how to think sociologically; the accompanying software makes the process easy for students at all levels to do so. (*This volume and its software have been released for public use at <https://inspire.redlands.edu/oeer/1/>. Creative Commons 4.0 BY-SA-NC*)

Personal Knowledge and Beyond: Reshaping the Ethnography of Religion. Senior editor, with J. Shawn Landres and Meredith B. McGuire. NYU Press, 2002.

This collection critically assesses the ethnographic approach in the sociology and anthropology of religion. Both a dialogue and a manifesto, its contributors probe the implications for the study of religion of the contemporary transformation of ethnographic practice. Their epistemological diversity – ethnic, feminist, post-modernist, post-colonialist, and critical-philosophical – gives them special insights into a situation in which no one social group – least of all social scientists – can presume that their knowledge has privilege over others’.

World History from the World's Historians. Edited with Paul Spickard and Kevin Cragg. McGraw-Hill, 1998.

This volume integrates non-Western and social-scientifically oriented historians into the traditional canon. It consists of passages from these historians and introductory comments on their significance. I was responsible for identifying, selecting passages from, and writing introductions to the works of Moslem, Indian, Latin American, African, and Native-American historians such as Ibn Khaldūn, Euclides da Cunha, and anonymous Aztec and Maya, as well as such social-scientifically oriented historians as Marx, Weber, Martineau, and Thompson.

UNDER REVIEW:

What is Happening to Religion? Six Stories about Religion’s Past, Present, and Possible Futures.

This volume explores six sociological stories about religion’s place in the contemporary world: increased secularization, resurgent fundamentalism, religious individualization, institutional reorganization, the workings of religious markets, and globalization. It describes and evaluates these stories, tracing each one’s general outlines, some of the reasons for its plausibility, and its potential usefulness for understanding religion’s role in the century to come.

JOURNAL ARTICLES and BOOK CHAPTERS:*

Areas of Interest:

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| 1. Theory in the Sociology of Religion | 6. Religious Experience and Religious Rituals |
| 2. Religion, Migration, Globalization, & Diversity | 7. Social Science Epistemology |
| 3. Non-Western Social Theory | 8. Various Aspects of Social Science Research |
| 4. Human Rights | 9. Mary Douglas’s Anthropology |
| 5. Social Inequality and Social Activism | 10. Other Topics |

THEORY IN THE SOCIOLOGY OF RELIGION

“Theorizing Religion for a Post-Colonial World.” To appear in Topographies of African Spirituality: Essays in Honor of Jacob Olupona, edited by Ebenezer Obadare, Wale Adebani, and Afe Adogame. Routledge, 2024.

“Sensitizing Blinders: Theorizing Theory in a Post-Colonial Era.” Sociology of Religion, 84/4: 359-82, 2023.

“Pay No Attention to That Man Behind the Curtain: A Critique of the Rational Choice Approach to Religion.” Co-authored with François Gauthier. Method and Theory in the Study of Religion, 35/2-3, 140-173, 2023.

“Who Worries about Religious Violence? Images of Religion in Politics under a Neo-Liberal Economic Regime.” Pp 3-24 in Fighting in God’s Name: Religion and Conflict in Local-Global Perspectives, edited by Afe Adogame, Olufunke Adeboye, and Corey Williams. Lexington Books, 2021.

“The Dark Side of Religious Individualism: A Marcusian Exploration.” Critical Research on Religion, 7/2, 130-146, 2019.

* I have archived pre-publication drafts of many of these articles and chapters at the University of Redlands’ open access site: <http://inspire.redlands.edu>. I note other open access options below.

- "The Sociology of Religion in a Post-Colonial Era: Towards Theoretical Reflexivity." *Religions (Special Issue on "Religion, Power, and Resistance"*, ed by Anna Halafoff et al.), 10/1, art. 18, 2018. Open access at <http://bit.ly/2Am7DK5>.
- "Six Narratives in Search of a Future: Current 'Theory' in the Sociology of Religion." Pp 204-212 in *Frontiers of Global Sociology: Research Perspectives for the 21st Century*, ed. by Markus S. Schulz. ISA Research, 2018.
- "Où est passé la «voix morale» de la religion? La troisième vague du marché et la montée de l'idéologie néolibérale" *Revue du M.A.U.S.S. (Mouvement anti-utilitariste dans les sciences sociales)*, No.49: 148-166, 2017. (Translated by François Gauthier: "Where is Religion's Moral Voice? Third-Wave Marketization and the Growth of Neoliberal Ideology.". Available online at <http://bit.ly/2Nju8o0>)
- "Making Religion Irrelevant: The 'Resurgent Religion' Narrative and the Critique of Neo-Liberalism." Pp 37-52 in *Religion in the Neoliberal Age: Political Economy and Modes of Governance*, edited by Tuomas Martikainen and François Gauthier. Ashgate, 2013.
- "Simulating Sects: A Computer Simulation of the Stark-Finke-Bainbridge-Iannaccone Theory of Religious Markets." Pp 131-152 in *Religion in Late Modernity: Essays in Honor of Pål Repstad*, edited by Inger Furseth and Paul Leer-Salveson. Trondheim: Tapir Academic Press, 2007. (Posted, with simulation software, at [Redlands InSPIRe](http://Redlands.InSPIRe))
- "What is Happening to Religion? Six Sociological Narratives." *Nordic Journal of Religion and Society*, 19/1: 13-29:2006.
- "Narrative versus Theory in the Sociology of Religion: Five Stories of Religion's Place in the Late Modern World." Pp 169-181 in *Theorising Religion: Classical and Contemporary Debates*, edited by James A. Beckford and John Walliss. Ashgate, 2006.
- "Four Narratives in the Sociology of Religion." Pp. 285-300 in *Religion: The Social Context*, 5th edition, by Meredith B. McGuire. Belmont, CA: Wadsworth, 2001.
- "Rethinking Religious Social Action: What is 'Rational' About Rational Choice Theory?" *Sociology of Religion* 59/2: 99-115, 1998. (Nominated for "Outstanding Article in the Scientific Study of Religion, 1998")
- "Transcending Marxism: Liberation Theology in the Light of Critical Theory." *Cross Currents: Religion and Intellectual Life* 42(3): 326-341, 1992. (A longer version appeared in Spanish in *Religiosidad y Política en México*, edited by Carlos Martínez Assád. Mexico City, 1992.)
- "Families and Religions: An Anthropological Typology." Pp. 324-342 in *The Religion and Family Connection: Social Science Perspectives*, edited by Darwin L. Thomas. Provo, Utah: Religious Studies Center, Brigham Young University, 1988. Open access at <http://goo.gl/GckqXW>.
- "Environmental Variation and the Plausibility of Religion: A California Indian Example." *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 26(3): 327-339, 1987.

RELIGION, MIGRATION, GLOBALIZATION, & DIVERSITY

- "Diversity vs. Pluralism: Reflections on the Current Situation in the United States." *Religions (Special issue on "Religious Diversity in a Pluralistic Society"*, ed. by Enzo Pace & Alberto da Silva Moreira), 8/9: art. 169, 2017. Open access at <http://bit.ly/2Sq9W61>.
- "Diversity vs Pluralism? Notes from the American Experience." Pp 133-144 in *Religious Pluralism*, edited by Giuseppe Giordan and Enzo Pace. Springer, 2014.
- "Global Migration." Pp 456-457 in *Encyclopedia of Global Religion*, edited by Mark Juergensmeyer and W. Clark Roof. Sage: 2011
- "Africa, the New African Diaspora, and Religious Transnationalism in a Global World." Co-authored with Afe Adogame. *Religion Crossing Boundaries: Transnational Religious and Social Dynamics in Africa and the New African Diaspora*. Brill 2010: 1-28 (see p2, above).
- "Religion in Global Culture: New Directions in an Increasingly Self-Conscious World". Pp 235-250 in *Globalization, Religion, and Culture*, edited by Peter Beyer and Lori Beaman. Brill, 2007.

- "Networks, Homes, or Congregations? Exploring the Locus of Immigrant Religiosity." Pp 23-41 in Religion in the Context of African Migration, edited by Afe Adogame & Cordula Weissköppel. Bayreuth African Studies Series, No. 75, 2005.
- "Globalization and Religious Organizations: Rethinking the Relationship between Church, Culture, and Market." International Journal of Politics, Culture, and Society, 18/1: 47-63, 2004. (Reprinted in Globalization and Culture, Vol 2, edited by Manfred Steger, Edward Elgar Publishing, 2012. A conference version of this article appeared as "Organizational Transformation in Global Religions", pp 109-127 in New Religions and Globalization, edited by Armin W. Geertz and Margit Warburg, Aarhus University Press, 2008.)
- "Religion and Globalization." Newsletter of the Sociology of Religion Section of the American Sociological Association, 8/1: 4, 2001. (Posted at the ASA website and at [Redlands InSPIRe](#))

NON-WESTERN SOCIAL THEORY

- "Learning from the Navajo: Rethinking Religion for a Post-Colonial Era." Philippine Association for the Sociology of Religion Journal, vol. 3, no. 1, 2023, pp. 1-10.
- "How Would a World Sociology Think? Toward Intellectual Inclusion." Pp 157-169 in Diversity, Inclusion, and Decolonization, edited by Abby Day *et al*, Bristol University Press, 2022.
- "Thinking Beyond the West: Seeing Religions with Unaccustomed Eyes." Pp 3-18 in Religiosity East and West: Conceptual and Methodological Challenges from Global and Local Perspectives, edited by Sara Demmrich and Ulrich Riegel. University of Münster, 2020.
- "Sommes-nous en train de piller les marbres d'Elgin? Les défis de la contestation de l'hégémonie intellectuelle occidentale." Revue du M.A.U.S.S.(Mouvement anti-utilitariste dans les sciences sociales). No. 51: 59-71, 2018. (Translated by François Gauthier: "Are We Stealing the Elgin Marbles? Unexpected Twists in the Effort to Challenge Western Intellectual Hegemony." Available online at <http://bit.ly/2zpoFpp>).
- "Accepting the Post-Colonial Challenge: Theorizing a Khaldūnian Approach to the Marian Apparition at Medjugorje." Critical Research on Religion. 1/2: 158-176, 2013.
- "Understanding Medjugorje: A Khaldūnian approach to a Marian apparition." Proceedings of the 2nd International Ibn Khaldūn Symposium. Istanbul: Fatih Sultan Mehmet University, 2013. (Republished in the Journal of Ibn Khaldūn Studies 1/2: 2016, 277-298, 2016. Open access at <http://bit.ly/2Jbu2qm>)
- "Cultural Context and the Definition of Religion: Seeing with Confucian Eyes." Religion and the Social Order 10: 189-199, 2003.
- "Tribes and Cities: Towards an Islamic Sociology of Religion." Social Compass: An International Review of Sociology of Religion, 48/1: 103-116, 2001.
- "Fashioning a Post-Colonial Sociology of Religion." Tidsskrift for Kirke, Religion og Samfunn [Journal of Church, Religion, and Society, Norway], 13/2: 113-127, 2000. (A previous version of this article appeared in Spanish as "Conformando una sociología de la religión postcolonial", Religiones y Sociedad N°9 (Mayo/ Agosto 2000): 123-140. Translated by Roberto Blancarte.)
- "Ethnocentrism, Social Theory, and Non-Western Sociologies of Religion: Towards a Confucian Alternative." International Sociology 13/2: 173-194, 1998.

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- "Religion, Human Rights, and Global Culture: A Dozen Years Later." Философски Алтернативи [Philosophical Alternatives, Bulgaria], 19/5: 120-134, 2010. (Translated to Bulgarian by N.B. Todorova. English version at [Redlands InSPIRe](#))
- "Human Rights through a Religious Lens: A Programmatic Argument." Social Compass 49/2: 227-238, 2002.
- "Human Rights, Religious Conflict, and Globalization: Human Values in a New World Order." International Journal on Multicultural Societies 1/1: 2-19, 1999. (Originally Management of Social Transformation, now called Diversities). Open access at <https://bit.ly/3DrOuYI>
- "Human Rights as World Religion: Reflections on the Ideologies of a Globalized Multicultural World." Философски Алтернативи [Philosophical Alternatives, Bulgaria] 7/2:62-70, 1998. (Translated to Bulgarian by N.B. Todorova. English version at: [Redlands InSPIRe](#))

SOCIAL INEQUALITY AND SOCIAL ACTIVISM

- "Talking About Homelessness: Shifting Discourses and the Appeal to Religion in America's Seventh Largest City." Pp. 49-71 in Land of Stark Contrasts: Faith-Based Responses to Homelessness in the United States, edited by Manuel Mejido Costoya. Fordham University Press, 2021.
- "Counting the Homeless." Pp. 326-353 in Research Basics Sage, 2017 (*see p2, above*).
- "Participatory Group Prenatal Education Using Photonovels: Evaluation of a Lay Health Educator Model with Low-Income Latinas." Co-authored with Susan Auger, Sarah Verbiest, Florence Siman, and Melida Colindres. Journal for Participatory Medicine 7 (Dec), 2015. Open access at <https://goo.gl/7iUsdE>
- ["Ritual, Symbol, and Experience: Understanding Catholic Worker House Masses." Sociology of Religion, 66/4: 337-358, 2005 – *also listed under "On Religious Experience and Rituals", below.*]
- "Narratives of Commitment: Social Activism and Radical Catholic Identity." Co-authored with Meredith B. McGuire. Temenos: Studies in Comparative Religion 37-38: 131-150, 2003.
- "The 'Other' Civil Religion and the Tradition of Radical Quaker Politics." Co-authored with Stephen A. Kent. Journal of Church and State 36(2): 373ff, 1994.
- "Health Care in Rural El Salvador: Healing the Wounds of War." Co-authored with Melissa Jameson. Pp. 213-229 in E.B. Gallagher and J. Subedi, eds: Global Perspectives on Health Care. Englewood Cliffs, NJ: Prentice-Hall, 1995.

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- "Three Phenomenologies of Ritual Experience: Time, Play, Embodiment." To appear in the Routledge International Handbook of Ritual Creativity, ed. by Katri Ratia and François Gauthier, 2024.
- "Centered in Time: A Sociological Phenomenology of Religious Rituals." Pp 154-167 in Understanding Religious Ritual, edited by John P. Hoffman. Routledge, 2012.
- ["Phenomenology." Pp 333-345 in Michael Stausberg and Steven Engler, eds., The Routledge Handbook of Research Methods in the Study of Religion. Routledge, 2012 – *also listed under "On Various Aspects of Social Science Research", below.*]
- "Does Taves Reconsider Experience Enough? A Critical Commentary." Religion 40/4: 311-313, 2010.
- "Ritual, Symbol, and Experience: Understanding Catholic Worker House Masses." Sociology of Religion, 66/4: 337-358, 2005.
- "Charting the Inward Journey: Applying Blackmore's Model to Meditative Religious Experience." Archiv für Religionspsychologie, 26: 157-180, 2004.
- "Religious Experience." Contemporary American Religion, edited by W. Clarke Roof. New York: Macmillan Reference, 1999.
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- "For a Sociology of Religious Experience." Pp. 109-128 in A Future for Religion? Trends in Social Analysis, edited by William H. Swatos. Newbury Park: Sage, 1992.
- "Experiencing Religious Rituals: A Schutzian Analysis of Navajo Ceremonies." Sociological Analysis (now Sociology of Religion) 52(2): 191-204, 1991. (Nominated for "Outstanding Article in the Scientific Study of Religion, 1991-1992")
- "Spiritual Healing among the American Followers of a Japanese New Religion: Experience as a Factor in Religious Motivation." Research in the Social Scientific Study of Religion 3:135-156, 1991.
- "Steps Toward a Sociology of Religious Experience: The Theories of Mihaly Csikszentmihalyi and Alfred Schutz." Co-authored with Mary Jo Neitz. Sociological Analysis (now Sociology of Religion) 51(1): 15-33, 1990.

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- "The Porcupine Tango: What Ethnography Can and Cannot Do for Theologians." Ecclesial Practices, 3/2: 173-181, 2016.
- "My Liberation Needs Yours: Ethics, Truth, and Diversity Work in Academic Life." Pp. 320-337 in Alternative Voices: A Plurality Approach for Religious Studies: Essays in Honour of Ulrich Berner. Edited by Afe Adogame, *et al*, Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 2013.
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- "Disciplinary Conflicts in the Study of Religions: Anthropology, Sociology, and 'Lines in the Sand'." Method and Theory in the Study of Religion 14/2: 141-169, 2002.

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- "Phenomenology." Pp 333-345 in Michael Stausberg and Steven Engler, eds., The Routledge Handbook of Research Methods in the Study of Religion. Routledge, 2012. (Also published in Portuguese in Revista de Estudos da Religião (Brazil) 14/1: 280, 2014; Portuguese version is open access at <https://goo.gl/mhvsAb>)
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- "Whither Ethnography? Transforming the Social-Scientific Study of Religion," co-authored with J. Shawn Landres. Pp. 1-14 in Personal Knowledge & Beyond, 2002 (*see p3 above*).

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The Battered Wife: How Christians Confront Family Violence, by N. Nason-Clark. 10/3: 201-3, 2000.

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Religion in Rebellions, Revolutions, and Social Movements, ed. by W.S. Goldstein and J-P Reed. 38/2: 368-70, 2023.

Sex, Death, and Witchcraft by D. Ezzy 30/1: 555-557, 2015.

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Religion in China: Survival & Revival under Communist Rule by F. Yang. 29/1: 62-64, 2014.

Religion and the State: A Comparative Sociology by J. Barbalet et al. 28/3: 530-531, 2013.

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The Cop and the Sociologist: Investigating Diversity in German Police Forces. By B. Thériault. 14/4: 525, 2014.

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The Healing Power of the Santuario de Chimayó, by B. Hendrickson. 79/3: 391-392, 2018.

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GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS:

Principal/Co-Principal Investigator

- Keys to the Kingdom: Thriving Multigenerational Mainline Protestant Congregations:
 Religious Research Association, Constant Jacquet Research Grant (2020-22).
 Co-P.I. with Erin Wiens St. John.
- Travel/Data Collection Grant for Interviews on Contemporary Spirituality:
 University of Redlands Faculty Research Grant (2012-13)
- Writing/Travel Grants for Book on Religious Experience (co-author: Géraldine Mossière)
 Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Jack Shand Grants Program (2011-13)
 University of Redlands Faculty Research Grant (2010-11)
- Grants for Ethnographic Research on Religiously Oriented Social Activists:
 Fielding Graduate Institute (2004)
 University of Redlands Faculty Research Grant (1990,1992, 2004-5)
 Society for the Scientific Study of Religion (1991-2, 2005)
 Farquhar Fund Research Grant (1990)
- Grant for Interview Research on the Johrei Fellowship:
 Fielding Graduate Institute (2002)
- Grants for Research on Human Rights in a Multi-Cultural World:
 Haynes Foundation (1995)
 University of Redlands Faculty Research Grant (1995).

Co-Investigator

- NIH SBIR Phase II Grant to fund development of a Lay Educator Prenatal Outreach Program for Low-Income Hispanics. Susan Auger, P.I., Auger Communications / University of North Carolina, 2010-2012. Role: Research Design / Methods Director / Statistician

Fellowships

- Center Scholar, Center for Religious Wisdom and World Affairs, Scholarly Project on Gratitude, Injury and Restoration in a Pandemic Age. Seattle University. Michael Trice, Director. 2021.
- Fulbright Specialist, U.S. State Department: Approved for funded participation in short-term projects supporting research design and the sociology of religion at foreign universities. 2018-2023
- Center Scholar, Center for Religious Wisdom and World Affairs, Scholarly Project on Homelessness. Seattle University. Manuel J. Mejido, Director. 2017-2018.
- Research Fellow, Institute for Latin American Studies, Univ. of Texas at Austin (1993-1996).
- Fellow of the Jameson Center for Religion and Ethics, University of Redlands (1991-95)

Curricular Grants

- Development Grant for New Methods of Teaching Statistics, U. of Redlands (2015-2016)
- Hewlett/Presidential Grant for Computer-based Curricular Development, U. of Redlands (1995-6)

Curricular Grant for Developing a Team-Taught Course on Hunger & Homelessness, Carol Franklin, Project Director (1991-92).

AWARDS:

Outstanding Faculty Scholarship Awards, University of Redlands (1994, 2017)
Faculty Innovative Teaching Award, University of Redlands (2014)

OTHER ACADEMIC WORK:

DISSERTATION

"Relativism and Cultural Comparison in the Anthropology of Mary Douglas: An Evaluation of the Meta-Theoretical Strategy of Her Grid/Group Theory." Supervisor: John Coleman, S.J., Graduate Theological Union, 1984.

Abstract

Mary Douglas has proposed a framework for analyzing the social factors in belief. In her theory, cosmological beliefs are selected and sustained by their role in social relations. The mediating factor between cosmology and social life is the individual experience of society, captured by the variables "grid" and "group", which for Douglas typify the differences between social environments. Roughly, as individuals experience, so they conceive. Individuals find one or another cosmology plausible depending on their experience of society.

Douglas has elsewhere appeared to adopt a radical relativism--the doctrine that knowledge and truth (including the sociologist's) are relative to the life of a particular society. This, however, subjects the sociologist's cosmology to the same social biases which the grid/group theory purports to explain. If Douglas is serious, the sociologist too is biased. How can sociology objectively weigh the biases affecting others?

In this study I situate Douglas's work in an ongoing debate over relativism in the social sciences. After examining several relativist and anti-relativist arguments I conclude that Douglas does not support relativism. Instead, she defends an epistemological position I call "internal realism", which recognizes the social relativity of knowledge, but grounds it in the consensus of the community of social scientists, to whose judgments what is accepted as true is relative. This community's commitment to revise its current findings is its antidote to the self-maintaining circularity to which normal relativism succumbs.

The question then becomes, does grid/group theory meet the standards of rational acceptability recognized by the community of sociological investigators? After reviewing the theory's four versions in detail, with some of the empirical work generated by them, I argue that Douglas's entire system is sociocentric to Western individualist culture. Using the writings of Louis Dumont and others, I contend that her constitution of grid and group as dimensions of individual experience, and her notion of society as a product of inter-individual negotiation and conflict both enshrine a value-judgement of the relationship between the individual and the social which prevents any objective cross-cultural comparison. As the community of social scientific investigators will not accept such a culture-bound statement, Douglas's work thus fails the test of her epistemology.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL WRITING

Memorial: "In Memoriam: Otto Maduro, 1945-2013," written with Laurel Kearns and Elias Ortega-Aponte Journal of the American Academy of Religion, 82/1: 22-29, 2014.

Edited for posthumous publication: Otto Maduro: "2012 Presidential Address: Migrants' Religions under Imperial Duress: Reflections on Epistemology, Ethics, and Politics in the Study of the Religious "Stranger." Journal of the American Academy of Religion 82/1: 35-46, 2014.

Computer Workbook for Introductory Sociology. 1994, 1997.

"Using Online Information Services." The Independent Scholar 2/2, 1988.

21 articles on various aspects of scholarly microcomputing, Profiles Magazine 1984-1988

INSTRUCTIONAL WEBSITES

- SOAN 232: Saints, Sects, and Society. <http://soan232.coolsociology.net>, 2016-2019
 SOAN 324: Hunger & Homelessness in America. <http://soan324.coolsociology.net>, 2013-2019
 SOAN/MVS 347: Visual Ethnography. <http://soan347.coolsociology.net>, 2015-2019
 SOAN 390: Classical Social Theory. <http://soan390.coolsociology.net>, 2016-2017
 EVST 399/SOAN 300: Research Methods and Design. <http://evst399.coolsociology.net>, 2013-2019.

PHOTOGRAPHY

For scholarly settings:

- Abby Day *et al.*, eds: Diversity, Inclusion, and Decolonisation: Practical Tools for Improving Teaching, Research, and Scholarship, Bristol University Press 2022 (Cover photograph: “Mosaic”.)
- Anna Halafoff *et al.*, eds: Religion, Power, and Resistance MDPI, 2020. (Cover photograph: “Church Candles”.)
- Elisabeth Arweck, ed: Young People’s Attitudes to Religious Diversity. Ashcroft Publishers, 2016. (Cover photograph: “Flying Colors”.)
- Meredith McGuire Lived Religion: Faith and Practice in Everyday Life, Oxford University Press, 2008. (Four photographs illustrating various chapter themes: A religious political protest, a home shrine, a roadside memorial, and religious jewelry.)
- Photographs on the website of the International Society for the Sociology of Religion (www.sisr-issr.org) (Eleven photographs have appeared at various times on various web pages: popular-religious shrines, various pieces of church/mosque architecture, a night-church, etc.)
- Photographs on the website of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion (www.ssrweb.org). (Two photographs at various times: “Great Buddha at Kamakura” and “Wall Shrine”.)
- Photograph on the website of the Association for the Sociology of Religion (www.sociologyofreligion.com) (“Great Buddha at Kamakura”)

For the University of Redlands:

- Photographs in Och Tamale, the University of Redlands Alumni Magazine.
 - Fall 2011 (87/3) Cover photo and photo of students working with children in a Nicaraguan slum project (p15). The accompanying article, “Life Transforming: May Term students encounter challenges and possibilities around the world” (pp12-16), is mostly focused on my 2011 travel course. Other photos from the trip are on p 19. <http://bit.ly/2Awdwac>.
 - Fall 2015 (91/3): Lead photograph (p7) to the report of the University’s May Term travel course to Cuba. <http://bit.ly/2voKfs1>
- University of Redlands Website:
 - Havana photography as banner on the Global Opportunities web page <http://bit.ly/2M9HphJ>

Art:

- Centered Vision Photography: <https://www.centeredvision.photography>

ARTICLES/INTERVIEWS/PODCASTS ABOUT MY WORK

“The Systemic Problem of Homelessness”: an online interview about my article “Talking About Homelessness: Shifting Discourses and the Appeal to Religion in America’s Seventh Largest City” (see p. 6), On the website of Seattle University’s Center for Religious Wisdom and World Affairs, 9/19.

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Podcast of my Keynote Address: “Why Reflexive Ethnography Matters to the Study of World Christianity.” 2nd Conference on World Christianity, Princeton Theological Seminary, 3/19. <http://bit.ly/2Gm6uEw>

“Proposing Alternatives to Western Sociologies of Religion”: an article on the University of Redlands website, 8/17. <https://bit.ly/3zmuSRn>

- Podcast of “Alternative Sociologies of Religion: A Conversation with Jim Spickard” Religious Studies Project, October 23, 2017. <http://bit.ly/2LQgNpj>
- “Member Interview” on Alternative Sociologies of Religion SocRel News, Issue 6, 2017 (the newsletter of the Sociology of Religion Section of the British Sociological Association). <http://bit.ly/2Olemat>
- “In Conversation with Jim Spickard” by Afe Adogame. Newsletter of the International Sociological Association’s Research Committee on the Sociology of Religion 10/11: pp 5-9, Jan 2013. <http://bit.ly/2O0wzuX>
- Podcast of my Plenary presentation “Agendas and Methods for Studying New Forms of Public Religion.” Conference on “New Forms of Public Religion”, Cambridge, England 9/12. <http://bit.ly/2KH7Cqs>
- “Hver Mand Sin Gud” (“Every Man His God”) by Tine Eiby Bragt in Weekendavisen (Denmark), 12/23/03 An extensive newspaper overview of my 2003 lectures at the University of Copenhagen. <http://bit.ly/2FAP0nN> (in Danish).

CONFERENCE PAPERS, PRESENTATIONS, AND INVITED LECTURES (a partial list)

UPCOMING PRESENTATIONS

- “The Religion of Human Rights: Epistemology and Beyond.” Annual Meeting of the Association for the Sociology of Religion (ASR), Montréal, Canada, 8/24.

SELECTED KEYNOTE & PLENARY PRESENTATIONS

- “Learning from the Navajo: Rethinking Religion for a Post-Colonial Era.” Keynote Lecture, Philippine Association for the Sociology of Religion, Guimaras, Philippines 10/22.
- “Sensitizing Blinders: Theorizing Theory for a Post-Colonial Era.” Presidential Address, 83rd Annual Conference of the Association for the Sociology of Religion, Los Angeles 8/22.
- “Thinking Beyond the West: Seeing Religions with Unaccustomed Eyes.” Public Lecture in connection with the conference “Religiosity in East and West,” University of Münster, Germany, 6/19.
- “Why Reflexive Ethnography Matters to the Study of World Christianity.” Keynote at the 2nd Conference on World Christianity, Princeton Theological Seminary, 3/19. (Podcast posted at <http://bit.ly/2Gm6uEw>)
- “The Sociology of Religion in a Post-Colonial Era: Towards Theoretical Reflexivity.” Presidential Address, ISA Research Committee for the Sociology of Religion, XIXth World Congress of Sociology, Toronto 7/18
- Charles Strong Trust Memorial Lecture: “Is Pluralism Enough? Reflections on the Management of Religious Diversity in a Time of Social Division.” Australian Assoc. for the Study of Religion (AASR), Sydney 12/17.
- “Six Narratives in Search of a Future: Current ‘Theory’ in the Sociology of Religion.” Plenary, ISA 3rd Forum of Sociology, Vienna, Austria 7/16
- “Agendas and Methods for Studying New Forms of Public Religion.” Plenary Presentation, Conference on “New Forms of Public Religion”, Cambridge, England 9/12. (Podcast posted at: <http://bit.ly/2KH7Cqs>)
- “Who Worries about Religious Violence? Images of Religion in Politics under a Neo-Liberal Economic Regime.” Keynote, ISA Research Committee on the Sociology of Religion (ISA-RC22), Interim Conference on “Religion, Conflict, Violence, and Tolerance” Abuja, Nigeria 1/12.
- “Are We Stealing the Elgin Marbles? Exploring the Limits of a World-Conscious Sociology of Religion.” XVII World Congress, Presidential Panel, ISA-RC22, Gothenburg, Sweden 7/10
- “Ethnography, New Communication Spaces, and the Problem of Representation.” Plenary, Annual Conference of the Canadian Anthropological Society, Montreal, Canada 6/10.
- “Transforming Religion: Religious Change and the Emergence of Interdisciplinary Scholarship”, Keynote, Opening Conference of the Cross-Disciplinary Program on Religion in the 21st Century, University of Copenhagen, 11/03
- “Religion and Global Morality: The Case of Human Rights.” Plenary, 26th Biennial Conference of the International Society for the Sociology of Religion (ISSR), Ixtapán de la Sal, México: 8/01

"The Logic of Universal Human Rights, with Special Attention to Chinese Culture." Conference on Confucianism and the West, Trinity University, San Antonio, TX: 5/96.

"Are There Universal Human Rights? Reflections on the Ethical Implications of a Multicultural World." Inaugural Jameson Associates Lecture, University of Redlands: 5/94.

SELECTED GUEST LECTURESHIPS

One Lecture on Social Science Research, Closing Workshop of the "Engaging African Realities" Program, Abuja, Nigeria, (*virtual presentation*), 4/24

Two Lectures on Social Science Research, Opening Workshop of the "Engaging African Realities" Program, Cape Town, South Africa, (*virtual conference*), 8/21

Guest Lectures on the Sociology of Religion, University of Copenhagen (Denmark), University of Aarhus (Denmark) and University of Uppsala (Sweden) 10/15.

"Religion's Changing Role for the 21st Century" Invited Lecture, Chikushi Jogakuen University, Fukuoka, Japan, 7/14.

"The Sociology of Religion's Christian Roots: Is a 'Lived Religion' Approach Enough?" and "Ritual from a Navajo Point of View: Lived Religious Experience in Catholic Worker House Masses." Norwegian School of Theology, Oslo, Norway, 11/13.

Guest Lecturer, "What is Happening to Religion?" Nigerian Baptist Theological Seminary, Ogbomoso, Nigeria: 2/12.

Lectures on "The Future of Religions" and "Human Rights" at the Institut Européen en Sciences des Religions and the Groupe Société, Religions, Laïcités, Paris, France, 2/10.

"Healing, the Individual Search for Meaning, and Modernity." Seminar on Spirituality, Hope and Meaning in the Process of Healing, Program for Social Studies in Medicine, University of Southern Denmark, Odense 9/07

Guest Professor lecturing on "Religion in the 21st Century", Institute for Systematic Theology and Institute for Sociology of Religion, U of Copenhagen, Denmark: 11/03.

Invited Lecture: "On the Social Construction of History: Western and Non-Western Approaches to Writing the Past." University of California at Santa Barbara, 3/01.

WORKSHOPS ON SOCIAL-SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH DESIGN & METHODS

Research Methods and Design:

- University of Ghana, Accra: 11/19
- Princeton Theological Seminary: 11/18
- University of Western Sydney, Australia: 11-12/17
- Univ. of Bayreuth, Germany: 7/10, 7/15, & 10/17

Qualitative Methods:

- University of Western Sydney, Australia: 11-12/17
- Univ of Aarhus, Denmark: 9/07 & 10/15;
- Univ of Lausanne, Switzerland: 2/08

Ethnographic Research:

- University of Western Sydney, Australia: 11-12/17
- Uppsala University, Sweden: 10/15
- Drew University, Madison, NJ: 2/10

Interviewing Methods:

- Drew University, Madison, NJ: 2/10
- EPHE-CNRS, Paris, 2/10

SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- “Not Just an Issue of Justice: Why the Global South Matters to the Sociology of Religion” Association for the Sociology of Religion (ASR), Philadelphia 8/23.
- “Three Phenomenologies of Ritual Experience: Time, Play, Embodiment.” Annual Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion (SSSR), Baltimore 11/22.
- “Towards a Phenomenological Sociology of Religion: Tools from the Phenomenologies of W.E.B. Du Bois and Alfred Schutz.” Joint Session of the Association for the Sociology of Religion (ASR) and the American Sociological Association (ASA), Chicago (*virtual conference*), 8/21.
- “Lincoln, Bellah, and the Alt-Right: The Secular Power of Religious Imagination.” International Society for the Sociology of Religion (ISSR), Belfast, Ireland (*virtual conference*), 7/21
- “Talking About Homelessness: Shifting Discourses, Outsourcing Compassion.” International Sociological Association (ISA), 4th Forum of Sociology, Porto Alegre, Brazil (*virtual conference*), 2/21.
- “Four Philosophical Reflections on the Decolonization Paradigm.” Midterm Conference of the ISA Research Committee on the Sociology of Religion, Accra, Ghana 11/19
- “Ethnography and Theology.” Association for the Sociology of Religion (ASR), New York, 8/19
- “Celebrating Secularization: Fifty Years after Bryan Wilson’s Religion in Secular Society.” ASR, Philadelphia 8/18.
- “Learning from the Navajo: It’s About Time.” Australian Assoc. for the Study of Religion, Sydney, 12/17.
- “The Dark Side of Religious Individualism.” Society for the Scientific Study of Religion (SSSR), DC 10/17
- “How Do We Sustain This Life? Spiritual Narratives of Social Justice Catholics.” University of Redlands Symposium on Spirituality, Social Justice, and Disability, 3/17
- “Theory, Methods, or Data: Where Do We Really Start?” Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion (AAR), San Antonio 11/16.
- Training workshop on “Ethnography and Theology”, plus a (separate) talk: “Ethnography and Theology? An Epistemological Exploration.” AAR, Atlanta, 11/15
- ““You Can’t Get There from Here: On the Disconnect between Theory and Evidence in the Sociology of Religion.” 33rd Biennial Conference of the ISSR, Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium, 7/15.
- “Building a Congregation: The Effect of Architecture on Congregational Self-Conception. A Case Study” Annual Meeting of the SSSR, Indianapolis, 10/14

OVER 90 OTHER PAPERS presented at various topical conferences, scholarly societies’ annual meetings, etc.

SELECTED SESSIONS ORGANIZED AT PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES

- “What Can the Global South Teach Us About Religion?”, a multi-session ASR symposium, Montréal, 8/24; co-organized with Afe Adogame.
- “Taking the Global South Seriously in the Sociology of Religion”, a multi-session ASR symposium, Philadelphia 8/23; co-organized with Afe Adogame.
- “Religion through Du Boisian Eyes”, Joint Thematic Session of the ASR and ASA, Virtual, 8/21.
- “Towards a Post-Colonial Sociology of Religion”, Annual Meeting of the ASR, Virtual, 8/21.
- “Reflexive Ethnography: A Scholarly Discussion” Annual Meeting of the ASR. New York, 8/19
- “Presidential Session on Theoretical Reflexivity” ISA World Congress of Sociology, RC22. Toronto, 7/18.
- “Thinking Beyond the West: Exploring New Approaches to the Sociology of Religion”, AASR, Sydney, 12/17.
- “Presidential Session: Where Do We Go from Here? An Agenda for the Sociology of Religion”, ISA 3rd Forum of Sociology, Vienna, Austria 7/16.
- “Religion and Social Theory” and “Seeking Religious Experience”, ISSR, Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium, 7/15.
- “Listening for the Dog that Didn’t Bark: An Ethnographic Discussion.” Religious Research Association (RRA), Denver, CO 10/09.
- “Teaching the Hidden Curriculum: A Discussion.” ASR, Boston, MA 8/08.

MORE THAN 25 OTHER SESSIONS organized at meetings such as those listed above

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

University of Redlands, Redlands, California

Department of Sociology and Anthropology

- Emeritus Professor of Sociology, 2020-present
- Assistant Professor to Professor of Sociology and Anthropology, 1989-2020
- Department Chair, 1994-1997

The University of Redlands is a small, comprehensive liberal arts university that emphasizes teaching excellence and innovative, multi-disciplinary programs. During my 31 years there, I taught an assortment of courses, mostly in the Sociology and Anthropology Department but also in Environmental Studies, Religious Studies, and Visual and Media Studies (*see the list on page 19*). I also participated in the University's First-Year Seminar and Writing Across the Curriculum programs. I offered several May Term travel courses, including one to Nicaragua that was featured in the Fall 2011 Alumni Magazine (<http://bit.ly/2Awdwac>). I was known as a good, yet demanding teacher, winning the University's 2014 Hunsaker Innovative Teaching Award for my course "Hunger & Homelessness in America" (<http://bit.ly/2Q3NBdR>).

On the service front, I chaired my department for three years, during which time I led several searches and coordinated a major curriculum revision. I chaired or served on four university-wide standing committees and several ad-hoc committees, including the 2012-13 Online Task Force, which explored how the University can best use online and digital tools to enhance student learning. In 2010, I helped reconstitute the Redlands AAUP chapter to provide an additional avenue for faculty to contribute to university affairs. As part of a WASC evaluation, I designed a survey of faculty attitudes toward shared governance.

As my list of publications shows, I maintained an active research schedule. I received several internal and external grants in support of my various research projects (*listed on page 11*). I twice won the Outstanding Faculty Research Award (1994 and 2017) and was awarded five research sabbaticals.

Fielding Graduate University, Santa Barbara, CA

- Research Consulting Professor, Human & Organizational Development 2000-2009

Fielding is a distributed-learning graduate school serving mid-career adults seeking the PhD in applied and organizational research. It emphasizes the unity of scholarship and practice, using a mentorship teaching model. I served on doctoral committees, advised students and faculty about the best ways to carry out research, led workshops on research design and techniques, supervised student pilot projects, assessed doctoral-level competency in research methods, developed curricula, and taught an occasional online course. I also advised students in my content areas: sociology of religion, global studies, structural inequality, and social change. I left Fielding after a policy change reduced the resources that I needed to do my job well.

Institute of Transpersonal Psychology, Menlo Park, CA

- Visiting Assistant Professor of Research Methods, Dissertation Director, Research Director, 1988-9

ITP was a small graduate institute dedicated to furthering the "4th force" in psychology: psychology that investigates the transformative processes in human life. Besides biological/psychological growth and development, this includes the study of various religious and spiritual traditions. Students are generally quite mature; many already have advanced degrees. At ITP, I developed and taught a series of courses on social research covering all the major research methods. I also directed the dissertation program: I helped students design their dissertation projects, choose their faculty committees, and improve their research skills. I was faculty liaison with the library, responsible for helping develop an adequate collection.

College of Notre Dame, Belmont, California (now Notre Dame de Namur University)

Department of Behavioral Science

- Assistant Professor of Sociology, 1976-78, 1985-86
- Lecturer in Sociology and Anthropology, 1973-76, 78-80

The College of Notre Dame is a teaching school, combining a heavy course load with the opportunity to work closely with students. I began teaching there part-time after finishing my master's degree. After three years, I was promoted to one of two full-time sociology positions, in which I taught eight semester courses in sociology and anthropology yearly. My teaching was divided between Day and Evening Divisions, the former attended by traditional college students, the latter attended by older persons (mainly police officers, nurses, and mature returning students). Besides teaching and advising, I

served on the College Computer Council, on the Education Department Oversight Committee, on the Faculty/Governance Board Liaison Committee and as a faculty salary negotiator.

APPLIED RESEARCH POSITIONS

Organization Specialists, LLC San Antonio, Texas

- Owner, 2006-2016
- Absorbed McGuire & Spickard: Organizational Consulting (1998-2005)

This small consulting group focused on institutional analysis, evaluation research, and grant writing in the areas of education, social services, medical systems, and religions. I undertook several small projects, including writing a successful \$1.6 million grant for the Detroit Public School System and designing and implementing an evaluation program for the San Antonio Children's Bereavement Center. We typically took on projects that promise to improve human life, especially for the disadvantaged. One of these was an evaluation research project for an NIH grant on pregnancy literacy for low-income Latinas (*see page 11*), which resulted in several reports (*see page 8*) and a peer-reviewed article (*see page 6*).

Cultural Development Institute, Aromas, California

- Research Director, 1986-1989

CDI was a partnership engaged in contract research and writing. As a founding partner and its research director, I was responsible for maintaining communication among the partners and overseeing the institute office, besides carrying out several research and writing projects. In my three years as research director, I personally completed 28 projects, resulting in 23 publications (both academic and popular).

PROFESSIONAL & CIVIC ACTIVITIES

Professional Organizations (*most significant roles boldfaced*):

Association for the Sociology of Religion (ASR)

- President, 2021-22** (*President-Elect, 2019-21; Past-President, 2022-23*)
- Program Chair, 2008 Annual Conference** (theme: "Religion Crossing Boundaries")
- Fichter Grants Committee 1999-2002 (Chair 2001-02)

International Sociological Association (ISA), Research Committee 22: Sociology of Religion

- RC22 President, 2014-18**
- North American Representative to the RC22 Board:** 2008-14
- Webmaster, 2010-2019 (www.isa-rc22.org)
- Co-Program Coordinator**, RC22 sessions, 2014 World Congress of Sociology, Yokohama, Japan (theme: "Religion and Inequality")

International Society for the Sociology of Religion (ISSR)

- U.S. Representative on Council: 2007-15**
- Webpage Creator and Webmaster, 1999-2000, 2001-02, 2011-13 (www.sisr-issr.org)
- Best Article Award Committee, 2018-19

Religious Research Association (RRA)

- Program Chair, 1995 Annual Conference** (theme: "Religion and American Pluralism")
- Nominating Committee, 1992-94

Society for the Scientific Study of Religion (SSSR)

- Council, 2011-14**
- Distinguished Book Award Committee, 2005-2006 (Chair 2006)
- Distinguished Article Award Committee 2001 (Chair)
- Membership Committee (2017-2018)

Presented over 100 papers at Conferences of the ASR, ISSR, ISA, SSSR, and RRA, plus the American Sociological Association (ASA), the American Academy of Religion (AAR), the Society for Biblical Liter-

ature (SBL), the Australian Association for the Study of Religion (ASSR), and many topical conferences.

Organized, convened, or served as discussant for sessions at over three dozen Conferences of the AAR, ASA, ASR, ASSR, ISSR, ISA, SSSR, and RRA. For several years, I coordinated sessions on the ethnographic study of religion and sessions on teaching at various conferences.

Publisher’s Editorial & Advisory Boards:

- Journal of Contemporary Religion (UK), ed. by Elisabeth Arweck, Univ of Warwick, UK
- MAUSS International: Anti-Utilitarian Interventions in Social Sciences, ed. by François Gauthier, Ilana F. Silber, Frédéric Vandenberghe
- Contemporary Sociology Monographs ed. by Sujata Patel, Univ of Hyderabad, India
- Springer book series on “Popular Culture, Religion, and Contemporary Society”, edited by Adam Possamai, University of Western Sydney, Australia

Outside referee for several journals, mostly in the sociology of religion.

Civic Service

Religious Society of Friends, various committees and roles, various dates 1981-present

Coalition for a Fair Water Policy, San Antonio, Texas 2015-17

Teach-In Speaker: “Why Protest? Let’s Look at the Data.” Occupy Redlands 12/11.

Member, Governance Board, Children’s Bereavement Center of South Texas, 2003-05.

Board Member, Salvador Medical Relief Fund, 1989-94.

Training in cross-cultural conflict resolution, Process Work Institute, summers, 1990-94.

Group facilitator, various national and international workshops

TEACHING REPERTOIRE

(before retirement)

Recent Repertoire

(Semester or Quarter Format)

Homelessness in America
 Research Methods & Design
 Reading Social Inequality: A Senior Capstone Seminar
 Saints, Sects, and Society (Sociology/Anthropology of Religion)
 Visual Ethnography
 Classical Social Theory

Other Courses

(Semester or Quarter Format)

Introductory Sociology
 Class and Inequality
 Contemporary Sociological Theory
 New American Society
 Quantitative Sociology
 Sociology of Human Rights
 World Hunger & International Development

Current Workshop Courses

(3-hour to 4-day intensives, depending on the topic)

Research Methods and Design	Qualitative Research (Overview)
Designing Quantitative Research	Ethnography
Survey Research	Interview Research and Skills
Discourse Analysis	Your Research Project: A Cooperative Workshop

Travel Courses

3 weeks

Encountering Aboriginal Australia *(May 2006)*
 World Hunger and International Development: Focus on Nicaragua *(May 2011)*
 Lens of the Soul: Contemplative Nature Photography *(May 2017, May 2021)*