

*Curriculum Vitae*  
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**EDUCATION**

Ph.D. Harvard University, Study of Religion, 1993 (Thesis: *Building a Temple of God: Paul's Metaphor of the Community as a Temple in its Roman Corinthian Context*)  
M.A. Harvard University, Study of Religion, 1988  
M.Th. University of Notre Dame, Department of Theology, 1976  
A.B. New York University, Department of Classics, 1970  
(*magna cum laude*)

**HONORS AND GRANTS**

Phi Beta Kappa, NYU, 1970  
Perstare et Praestare Honor Society, NYU, 1969  
NYU Founders' Day Award, 1970  
Pfeiffer Scholarship in Biblical Archaeology, Harvard, 1987  
NEH Grant: Classical Archaeology in a Greek Context, 1994  
Stonehill College Merit Pay Bonus, 1995, 1997, 1999, 2002, 2004  
Stonehill College Small Grant, 1996  
Stonehill College Louise F. Hegarty Award for Excellence in Teaching, 1996  
Stonehill College Summer Grant, 1995, 1997, 1998, 2001, 2002, 2003  
Stonehill College Sabbatical Leave, Spring, 2000, Spring, 2006, Fall, 2012  
Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, Colloquy for Mid-Career Faculty Teaching, 2008-2009  
Stonehill College SOTL Research Grant, 2008-2009  
Stonehill College Center for Teaching and Learning Faculty Fellow, Spring, 2010-Spring, 2013  
Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, Mid-Career Faculty Fellowship, Summer, 2010

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

2005- Professor of Religious Studies, Stonehill College  
1998-2005 Associate Professor of Religious Studies, Stonehill College  
1992-1998 Assistant Professor of Religious Studies, Stonehill College

1990-1992	Lecturer in Latin, Stonehill College
1987-1988	Research Assistant, New Testament Department, Harvard Divinity School
1986-1987	Lecturer in Latin, Stonehill College, North Easton, MA
1982-1985	Instructor in Religious Studies, Notre Dame College, Manchester, NH
1981-1982	Teacher in Religion, Immaculate High School, Danbury, CT
1980-1981	Lecturer in Religion and Literature, Colorado Mountain College, Glenwood Springs, CO

## **OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

2010-	Co-Chair, the Archaeology of Religion in the Roman World Section of the Society of Biblical Literature
2010	Vice President, Stonehill College Faculty Senate
2010-	Member, Stonehill College Faculty Senate
2007	President, Wareham Library Foundation, Wareham, MA
2006-2007	Chairman, Board of Trustees, Wareham Free Library, Wareham, MA
2004-2005	Coordinator, Davis Grant Program on Teaching and Learning, Stonehill College
2003-2005	New England Regional Coordinator, Society of Biblical Literature
2003-2009	Trustee, Wareham Free Library, Wareham, MA
2002-2003	President, Stonehill College Faculty Senate
2002-2005	Member, Stonehill College Faculty Senate
1999-2000	Member, Presidential Search Committee, Notre Dame College, Manchester, NH
1997	Religion Consultant, <i>Life Magazine's</i> double issue on the Millennium
1995-2000	Chair, Academic Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees, Notre Dame College
1994	Associate Member, American School of Classical Studies at Athens (NEH Scholar)
1993-2000	Member, Board of Trustees, Notre Dame College
1992-1993	Campus Minister, Stonehill College
1990-1994	Spiritual Director, Holy Cross Associates, Brockton, MA
1989-1991	Director, Holy Cross Candidate Program, Stonehill College
1988-1990	Research Assistant to Helmut Koester, Harvard University
1988-1989	Member, Frothingham Chair Search Committee, Harvard Divinity School
1982-1985	Director of Campus Ministry, Notre Dame College

## **PUBLICATIONS**

“Elisabeth Schussler Fiorenza and the Rhetoric and Ethic of Inquiry,” in: [fill in] 2014.

“Bridging the ‘Great Divide’ in Undergraduate Religion: An Experiment in Faculty/Student

- Collaboration," *Teaching Theology and Religion*. 16.2 (2013) 152-164.
- "Early Christianity." *The Oxford Companion to Archaeology*, edited by Brian M. Fagan, *et al.*, Oxford University Press, 2012 [revision of 1996 article].
- "Mentoring Undergraduate Research," [with Lynn R. Huber] in Rebecca Todd Peters and Bernadette McNary-Zak, eds., *Teaching Undergraduate Research in Religious Studies* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2011) 33-49.
- "Transferring Undergraduate Research Pedagogies to the Classroom," in the American Academy of Religion's on-line *Spotlight on Teaching* (Summer, 2010; available on line at the AAR Site).
- "The Absent Professor: The Class Interview," [with Stacy Grooters] *Teaching Theology and Religion* 13.4 (2010) 378-379.
- Corinth B: Religion, Art and Architecture*, monograph in the series *Archaeological Resources for New Testament Studies*, published on CD-ROM as part of Helmut Koester, ed., *Cities of Paul* (Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2005).
- "There's Something More about Mary: The Post-Biblical Career of the Woman of Magdala," in *The Bible Today*, 43.5 (September, 2005) 293-299.
- Review of Webster T. Patterson, *Sacred Sites: Christian Perspectives on the Holy Land in spiritual life*.
- "There Certainly IS Something about Mary, But It's Not What You Might Think," *Connections [Newsletter of the National Association of Women in Catholic Higher Education]*, 13.2 (Spring, 2005) 8-10.
- "The Stones Don't Speak and the Texts Tell Lies: Corinth as a 'Sex Capital of the Ancient World,'" in *Urban Religion in Roman Corinth*, ed. Dan Schowalter and Steve Friesen (Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 2005) 205-220.
- "To Teach Without a Net: Toward a Pedagogy of Imagination and Collaboration," in *Wisdom's Children: The Impact of Feminism on the Study of the New Testament and Early Christianity*, ed. Shelley Matthews, *et al.* (Valley Forge: T and T Clark International, 2003) 58-73.
- Texts, Rocks, and Talk: Reclaiming Biblical Christianity to Counterimagine the World*. Collegeville: Michael Glazier/Liturgical Press, 2002.
- Review of John J. Kilgallen, *A New Testament Guide to the Holy Land* (2nd. ed.) in *Religious Studies Review*, 25.2 (April, 1999) 190.

"Keeping Pastoral Ministers," (with Mary Doyle Roche) in *Church*, 15.1 (Spring, 1999) 31-33.

Review of N. T. Wright, *What Paul Really Said: Was Paul of Tarsus the Real Founder of Christianity?* in *Church*, 14.1 (Spring, 1998) 54.

"On Mary." *Blessed Art Thou Among Women: Reflections on Mary in Our World Today*, edited by Vivette Porges, Joshua Simon, and Robert Sullivan, 9. New York: Macmillan, 1997.

*A New Temple for Corinth: Rhetorical and Archaeological Approaches to Pauline Imagery*. New York: Peter Lang Publishing, 1997.

Review of H. Koester, ed., *Ephesos: Metropolis of Asia. An Interdisciplinary Approach to its Archaeology, Religion, and Culture*, in *South East European Monitor* (Vienna, 1997).

"Early Christianity." *The Oxford Companion to Archaeology*, edited by Brian M. Fagan, et al., 146-148. Oxford University Press, 1996.

*Corinth B: Religion, Art and Architecture*, monograph in the series *Archaeological Resources for New Testament Studies*, edited by Helmut Koester and Holland Hendrix. Trinity Press International, 1994.

Review of Fikret Yegül, *Baths and Bathing in Classical Antiquity*, in *Journal of the History of Medicine*, 50 (April, 1995) 285-286.

## CONFERENCE PAPERS

"Of Gods and Demons at Corinth," paper presented at the meeting of the **Society of Ancient Mediterranean Religions**, San Francisco, 20 November 2011.

"Elisabeth Schussler Fiorenza and Rhetorical Analysis of the Bible," paper presented for the *Rhetoric and the New Testament Section* of the **Society of Biblical Literature**, San Francisco, 19 November 2011.

"From Critical Thinkers to Critical Actors: The Value of the Humanities [with Katie Conboy, Joe Favazza, Scott Cohen, and Anna Lannstrom] **The American Conference of Academic Deans/Phi Beta Kappa Society**, Charleston, SC, 12 November 2011.

"Collaborating with Undergraduates as Co-Teachers," [with Magda Pederson and three students] **New England Faculty Developers Consortium Conference** at Holy Cross College, Worcester, MA, 20 May 2011.

General Respondent to the Papers, **Corinth in Contrast Conference** at the University of Texas,

Austin, 30 September-3 October 2010.

"Research Methods and Collaboration," paper presented as part of a panel discussion on "Mentoring Undergraduate Research in Religious Studies," sponsored by the *Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section* of the **American Academy of Religion**, November, 2007

"Using Mel to Teach Mary," at the 13<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the **Association for Core Texts and Courses**, Williamsburg, VA, 1 April 2007

"Refilling the Cup of Demons: Paul and People's Religious Culture in Roman Corinth," invited paper presented at the **Corinth in Context Conference** at the University of Texas, Austin, 10 January 2007

Facilitated an afternoon discussion of my work to date on the social situation of freedpersons in first-century Roman Corinth for the *Corinthian Working Group of the People's History of Early Christianity* group at the annual meeting of the **Society of Biblical Literature**, Philadelphia, PA, 18 November, 2005

Three papers delivered at the annual meeting of the **Society of Biblical Literature (SBL)**, San Antonio, TX, 20-23 November 2004:

- "Report on the New England Region," *Conference of Regional Coordinators, SBL*
- Response to two papers on "Negotiating Identity and Boundaries," for the *Paul and Politics Group* of the SBL
- Response to three papers on "Archaeology of Sickness and Health in the Ancient Mediterranean World," for the *Archaeology of Religion in the Greco-Roman World Section* of the SBL

"The Introductory Course in the Overall Curriculum of the Department and School," (panel member) at a conference on **Teaching the Introductory Course in Religious Studies**, Merrimack College, 16 April 2004

"Report on the New England Region," *Conference of Regional Coordinators*, annual meeting of the **Society of Biblical Literature**, November, 2003, Atlanta, GA

"Interdisciplinary General Education that Honors the Disciplines," presented at the **Network for Academic Renewal Conference** of the Association of American Colleges and Universities, Philadelphia, PA, 1 March 2003 (with S. Mooney, MJ V. Crowe, and students Kelsi Doscher and Jose Santiago).

"The Stones Don't Speak and the Texts Tell Lies: Corinth as a 'Sex Capital of the Ancient World,'" presented at a conference, **Urban Religion in Roman Corinth**, Harvard Divinity School, 8 January 2002.

"Teaching the Bible in the Core," workshop presented to the general education faculty of Queens

College, Charlotte, NC, 29 June 2001

- "Texts, Rocks, and Talk: Corinthian Archaeology and the Liberation of Peoples," paper presented at the annual meeting of the *Archaeology of Religion in the Greco-Roman World Section* of the **Society of Biblical Literature**, Boston, 21 November, 1999.
- "A Response to *Women in Place*, by Jorunn Okland," paper presented to the **Brandeis University Seminar on Ancient Judaism and Christianity**, 22 April, 1999.
- "The Construction of Corinth and the Building Language in 1 Corinthians 1-4," paper presented at the annual meeting of the *Archaeology of the New Testament World Section* of the **Society of Biblical Literature**, New Orleans, 1996.
- "Archaeological Perspectives on 1 Corinthians: Freedpersons at Corinth," paper presented to the **Brandeis University Seminar on Ancient Judaism and Christianity**, January, 1995.
- "The Community as a Temple: Another Look," paper presented to the **Brandeis University Seminar on Ancient Judaism and Christianity**, October, 1994.
- "Behind the Boasting: The Complex World of Freedpersons at Corinth," paper presented at the annual meeting of the *Pauline Epistles Section* of the **Society of Biblical Literature**, Chicago, 1994.
- "Freedpersons in First-Century Corinth," paper presented at the New England Regional Meeting of the **Society of Biblical Literature**, Boston, MA, 1992 (an early draft of "Behind the Boasting," above).
- "Transforming the Values of this Age," paper presented at the annual **Future of the American Church Academic Conference**, Washington, D.C., 1992.
- "Roman Eschatology in First-Century Corinth," paper presented at the annual meeting of the *Greco-Roman Religions Section* of the **Society of Biblical Literature**, San Francisco, CA, 1992.
- "Aphrodite at Corinth," paper presented at the annual meeting of the *Archaeology of the New Testament World Section* of the **Society of Biblical Literature**, Anaheim, CA, 1989.

## **RETREATS, WORKSHOPS, AND CONFERENCES**

"How God Loves Us," **St. Cecelia's Church**, Boston, MA, 22 March 2012

"Why the Roman Catholic Church Needs Us," **St. Cecilia's Church**, Boston, MA, 19 April 2011

“Roman and Jewish Cultures in the First Century,” **St. Susanna’s Church**, Dedham, MA, 22 March 2010

“Conversations on St. Paul,” [with Mary Joan Leith], **St. Susanna’s Church**, Dedham, MA, 3, 10, and 17 November 2008

“The Dream of Church,” adult education program, **Our Lady of Sorrows Church**, Sharon, MA, 9 November 2008

“Disciples are Women and Men on the Move,” adult education program, **Our Lady of Sorrows Church**, Sharon, MA, 27 January 2008

Consultant on **Mentoring Undergraduate Education** at Elon University, North Carolina, as part of a grant from the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, April and October, 2007.

“The Importance of Religion in 21<sup>st</sup> Century Counseling Education,” College of Education, **Old Dominion University**, Norfolk, VA, August 2005.

"Biblical Foundations for Reconciliation in the Church Today," Lenten presentation, The Catholic Center, **Bridgewater State University**, 3 April 2003.

"Risking it All for Christ's Sake," adult education program, **Corpus Christi Church**, Auburndale, MA, 17 November 2002

"Who Are the New Pharisees?" adult education program, **Corpus Christi Church**, Auburndale, MA, 3 November 2002

"Cornered by Christ and his Greatest Commandment," adult education program, **Our Lady of Sorrows Church**, Sharon, MA, 8 September 2002

"The Samaritan Woman's Call to Counterimagination," adult education program, **Corpus Christi Church**, Auburndale, MA, 3 March 2002

"Why Christians Must Resist Conventional Wisdom," adult education program, **Our Lady of Sorrows Church**, Sharon, MA, 4 November 2001

"Can We Counterimagine the World?" adult education program, **Corpus Christi Church**, Auburndale, MA, 30 April 2001

"Come and Eat! Bringing the Church Home," adult education program, **Corpus Christi Church**, Auburndale, MA, 5 November and 10 December 2000

Planned and co-hosted "A Seminar in Greek and Roman Epigraphy," sponsored by the

Steering Committee of the Archaeology of Greco-Roman Religions Section of the Society of Biblical Literature, 23 November 1999

"Christian First Century Perspectives on the End of the World," presentation in series, "Retrieve the Sabbath," adult education program, **Corpus Christi Church**, Auburndale, MA, 9 November 1999

"What is Sacred Scripture?", Stoughton, MA branch of the **Massachusetts Catholic Women's Guild**, May 1, 1995.

Lenten Retreat, Marianite Sisters of Holy Cross, **Sts. Martin and Jude parishes**, Martin and Milan, TN, March, 1995.

Keynote Speaker and workshop leader, "Spring Catechetical Certification Workshop," **Diocese of Baton Rouge**, March 1995 (topics: "Some Bible Basics," "The Challenges of Fundamentalism," "A Workshop on St. Paul").

"Invitations from Scripture: A Retreat for Religious," **Holy Cross Sisters' Retreat Center**, West Franklin, NH, August, 1994.

"Holy Week Retreat," Holy Cross Brothers' **St. Joseph Spiritual Life Center**, Valatie, NY, Holy Week, 1993 and 1994.

"Holy Cross Final Vow Retreat," preached for the North American men preparing to profess perpetual vows within the **Congregation of Holy Cross**, North Dartmouth, MA, 1991.

"New Biblical Approaches to Justice and Peace," a week of presentations at the Holy Cross Brothers' **St. Joseph Spiritual Life Center**, Valatie, NY, 1989.

## **LANGUAGES**

Reading: Latin, Greek, Hebrew, French, German, Coptic

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

American Academy of Religion; Catholic Biblical Association; College Theology Society; Society of Biblical Literature.