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*Timothy Renick is Vice President for Enrollment Management and Student Success, Vice Provost, and Professor of Religious Studies at Georgia State University in Atlanta. Since 2008, he has directed the student success efforts of the university, overseeing among the fastest improving graduation rates in the nation and the elimination of all achievement gaps based on students' race, ethnicity and income level. Dr. Renick has testified on strategies for helping university students succeed before the U.S. Senate and has twice been invited to speak at the White House. His work has been covered by the New York Times, the Wall Street Journal, and CNN and cited by President Obama. He was named one of 2016's Most Innovative People in Higher Education by Washington Monthly and was the recipient of the 2015-16 Award for National Leadership in Student Success Innovation. He currently is principal investigator for \$24 million in grants, including a \$9 million U.S. Department of Education grant to study the impact of proactive, predictive-analytics-based advisement on 10,000 low-income and first-generation students nationally. A summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Dartmouth College, Dr. Renick holds his M.A. and Ph.D. in Religion from Princeton University.*

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### Georgia State University:

Vice President for Enrollment Management and Student Success and Vice Provost, 2014-present  
Professor, Associate Professor and Assistant Professor of Religious Studies, 1986-present  
Vice Provost and Chief Enrollment Officer, 2012-2014  
Associate Provost for Academic Programs and Chief Enrollment Officer, 2008-2012  
Chair, Department of Religious Studies, 2005-2008  
Director of the Religious Studies Program, 1991-2005  
Director of the Honors Program, 2003-2005  
Associate Chair of the Department of Philosophy, 2000-2005

Princeton University: Teaching Assistant (Preceptor), Department of Religion, 1983-1984

Dartmouth College: Instructor, Department of English (Program for International Freshmen),  
Fall 1980 and Fall 1981

## EDUCATION

1986 Ph.D. Princeton University, Department of Religion

1984 M.A. Princeton University, Department of Religion

1982 B.A. Dartmouth College, 1982, Phi Beta Kappa, *summa cum laude* with High Honors in Religion and Government (double major)

## ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES

### Georgia State University

*Vice President for Enrollment Management & Student Success and Vice Provost,*  
2014 to present

*Vice Provost and Chief Enrollment Officer, 2012-2014*

*Associate Provost for Academic Programs and Chief Enrollment Officer, 2008-2012*

- Direct the university's admissions, enrollment, scholarship, financial aid, student success programs, and career services as well as serving as the second-ranking officer on academic issues
- Responsible for a division of 500 employees and a \$35 million annual budget
- Serve as a member of the President's Cabinet, the Provost Leadership Group, Administrative Council, Academic Programs Committee, and chair the University's Enrollment Management Committee and the Strategic Course Scheduling Committee
- Serve as chief academic liaison to the Board of Regents and guide new academic program proposals through the state approval process
- Currently serve as principal investigator for grants totaling \$26.5 million
- Oversaw the overhaul and centralizing of academic advising campus wide along with the implementation of a web-based advising tracking system using predictive analytics based on 2.5 million Georgia State grades; more than 51,000 one-on-one advisement sessions were conducted using the system over the past 12 months of operation
- Initiated new success programs including Panther Retention Grants, Keep Hope Alive, the Scholarship Resource Center, the Office of Latino/a Outreach and Support, the Military Outreach Center, Transition Advisors, the Student Financial Counseling Center,

and the E-Portfolio Initiative to document student career competencies.

- Since assuming the role in 2008, institutional graduation rates have increased by 11 points, success rates for underrepresented students have increased by 18 points, and degree conferrals have increased by more than 1,700 degrees annually (+30%)
- Last year, Georgia State was named one of the Top100 Hispanic Serving Universities in the U.S., ranked in the top 50 for degrees conferred to Asian Americans, and ranked 1<sup>st</sup> in the nation on degrees conferred to African Americans (with conferrals increasing 17% for the year) among all non-profit colleges and universities
- Since 2008, Georgia State has set new records each year for number of freshmen applications, size of freshmen class, and total university enrollments. Last year, over 50,000 students applied to Georgia State's various academic programs
- Accomplishments on student success has been featured in the *Wall Street Journal*, *Time*, *The New York Times*, *The Atlantic*, *National Journal*, and the *Chronicle of Higher Education*, and on NPR, PBS and CNN. They were featured in an address on college opportunity by President Barrack Obama at the White House, December 2014.

*Chair and Director, Department of Religious Studies, 1991-2008.* Founded the department and steered its growth from one junior faculty member to departmental status with nine full-time faculty lines, an endowed chair, B.A. and M.A. degrees, and over 90 majors. Directed student with graduate-studies acceptances to Oxford, Cambridge, Harvard, Yale, Brown, Princeton, Chicago, Virginia, Duke, Berkeley, and Columbia. Master's program had a 4-year graduation rate of 85% during this period.

*Director, University Honors Program, 2003-2005.* During tenure as director, student membership in Honors expanded by 84%, the number of Honors stand-alone sections and Honors course enrollments grew by more than 100%; Honors Faculty Affiliate Program was established.

*Chair, Committee of Academic Programs, 2002-2008.* Responsible for the approval of all proposed academic programs and the review/assessment of all existing programs campus wide.

#### University System of Georgia

- *Chair of the New Learning Models Consortium, 2013-2015.* A System-wide effort to infuse innovative and empirically-grounded learning practices across the USG's 31 institutions.
- *Chair of the Committee on Performance Analytics, 2012.* Committee was responsible for developing recommendations for the development of statewide performance-funding metrics in State of Georgia

- *Member of the General Education Council, 2008- 2014. Responsible for general education requirements for the 31 institutions in the University System of Georgia*

#### Other Organizations

- Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities (APLU). *Executive Committee of the Personalized Learning Consortium, 2014-present.*
- OneGoal, Member of the Board, Southeast Region, 2016-present.
- *Association for Institutional Research-Gates Advisory Board, 2014-2015.*
- Lumina Foundation. *Member of the Content Review Panel for Lumina’s Student Success Framework, 2014.*
- Complete College America, *Content Expert on Advising, Program Maps, IPAS, 2012-present.*

#### GRANTS (Renick is P.I. unless otherwise noted)

- The Goizueta Foundation, “College to Career: Using Analytics and Technology to Enhance Pathways to Careers,” 2016-present, \$6.65 million
- State Farm Foundation, “LIFT South DeKalb: Learning, Income and Family Transformation,” 2016-present, \$4.46 million
- The Association of Public and Land Grant Universities (APLU) through the support of The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, “Scaling Adaptive Learning in the Social Sciences,” 2016-present, \$515,000
- Department of Education/First in the World, “Monitoring Advising Analytics to Promote Success,” a four-year student of 10,000 students across 11 major universities to assess the impact of analytics-based predictive analytics, 2015-present, \$8.98 million
- Kresge Foundation in collaboration with ECMC, “Tracking the Impact of the Summer Success Academy on At-Risk Freshmen,” 2015-present, \$1.23 million
- The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation through Educause, “Integrating IPASS between Four-year and Two-year Institutions,” 2015-present, \$280,000
- The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation through the Coalition of Urban Serving Universities, “Transformational Change Collaborative,” 2015-present, \$640,000
- The SunTrust Foundation, “Student Financial Counseling: Helping the Next Generation of Students Find Affordable Solutions to the Costs of Higher Education,” 20015-present, \$2 million.
- The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, Next-Generation Data at the Frontier, 2015-present, \$480,000.
- The Kresge, Ford, Lumina, and Gates Foundation and USA Funds, Scaling Transformation through the University Innovation Alliance, 2014-present, \$1.4 million.

- The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation through the Coalition of Urban Serving Universities, “Creating the Next Stage of Transformational Change at Georgia State University, 2014-2015, \$275,000
- Lumina Foundation through AASCU, “Exploring Transfer Pathways Between Two-Year and Four-Year Institutions Using the Degree Qualification Profile,” 2012-2014, \$110,000
- Teagle Foundation, “Assessing the Long-Term Impacts of Liberal Education on Religious Studies Major,” project with the American Academy of Religion, 2012-2014, \$85,000
- Dixon, Dabney, P.I., and Renick, Timothy, Co P.I., National Science Foundation, “Recruitment and Retention Opportunities for Undergraduates in Chemistry and Biology (NSF0806748),” 2008-2013, \$599,474
- Dixon, Dabney, P.I., and Renick, Timothy, Co-P.I., University System of Georgia, “Retention and Progression of Undergraduates in STEM fields,” 2011-2014, \$366,000
- Teagle Foundation, “The Religion Major and Liberal Education,” in partnership with the American Academy of Religion, 2006-2008, \$75,000
- American Academy of Religion, Individual Research Grant, “Preemptive Justice: Just Cause, Unrealized Threats, and the Grounds of War,” 2006, \$3,000

## RECOGNITIONS & AWARDS

- Named One of the Sixteen Most Innovative People in Higher Education, *Washington Monthly*, September 2016
- 2016 American Marketing Association Award for Contributions to the Public Perception of Higher Education, American Marketing Association, September 2016
- 2015-16 National Award for Leadership in Student Success Innovation, University Innovation Alliance, April 2016
- Speaker at the White House, Closing the Achievement Gap in American Higher Education, April 2016, Evidenced-Based Innovations in Student Support, November 2016, and White House College Opportunity Day, December 2014,
- Named one of the Top 30 Transformers and Trailblazers, Center for Digital Education, 2015
- Invited Expert Testimony before the United States Senate on Innovative Student-Success Strategies, Committee on Health, Education and Labor, August 2015
- Most Visible Progress Award, Association of Public and Land Grant Universities, recognizing the greatest progress in increasing student success nationally, 2013
- Student Success Collaborative Partnership Award, Education Advisory Board, 2013
- Chair, Advisory Board to the Princeton Department of Religion, 2008-2015
- Outstanding Teacher Award, Golden Key International Honors Society, 2005

- Award for Teaching Excellence, American Academy of Religion (sole recipient of national award for organization with over 11,000 members), 2004
- Outstanding University Teacher Award for the State of Georgia (Research Universities), State of Georgia Board of Regents (state-wide award), 2002
- Distinguished Honors Professor Award, Georgia State University, 1995
- Outstanding Teacher Award, Blue Key National Honor Society, 1995
- Outstanding Teacher Award, College of Arts and Sciences, Georgia State University, 1994
- Association of Princeton Graduate Alumni Teaching Award (Department of Religion), 1985
- Princeton University Fellowship, 1982-1986
- Phi Beta Kappa, Dartmouth College chapter, 1982.
- Rufus Choate Scholar (top 5%), *summa cum laude* (top 2%), graduated ranked 6th in a class of 1,100, Dartmouth College, 1982

## SELECTED COVERAGE OF RENICK’S STUDENT-SUCCESS WORK

1. “What Can Stop Kids from Dropping Out,” by David Kirp, *The New York Times*, April 30, 2016, online edition; print edition May 1, 2016, page SR3.
2. “Georgia State University: Data-Driven Problem Solving for Student Success,” *U.S. Department of Education Higher Ed Supplement to the National Ed Tech Plan*, forthcoming January 2017.
3. “Colleges Raise Graduation Rates with New Statistical Tools,” by Peter Rathmell, *U.S. News and World Report*, November 14, 2016.
4. “The Sixteen Most Innovative People in Higher Education: How They’re Working to Make College More Accessible, Affordable and Effective,” *Washington Monthly*, September-October 2016.
5. “How One University Used Big Data to Boost Graduation Rates,” by Anya Kamenetz, National Public Radio, October 30, 2016,
6. “Georgia State University Showing Success at Raising Graduation Rates Via a Personalized Approach,” by Gary Stern, *Hispanic Outlook in Higher Education*, October 17, 2016.
7. “Study Finds Students Benefit from Waiting to Declare a Major,” by Carl Straumsheim, *Inside Higher Education*, August 24, 2016,
8. “Big Data; A Report on Algorithmic Systems, Opportunity, and Civil Rights,” The White

House, Executive Office of the President, May 2016, see pp. 16-17.

9. "Completion Grants Are Just One Part of the Student-Success Puzzle," interview with Renick by Eric Hoover, *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, February 22, 2016.
10. "Spread of Emergency Aid and Micro-Grants Show Strong Results," by Paul Fain, *Inside Higher Ed*, February 21, 2016.
11. "Completion Grants Best Way to Assist Students Lacking Cash" by Jamaal Abdul-Alim, *Diverse Issues in Higher Education*, February 22, 2016.
12. "Colleges Offer Micro-grants to Help Low-Income Student," by Tim Pratt, *U.S. News and World Report*, February 17, 2016
13. "Using Data to Make Better Bets at Georgia State University," *Higher Education Transformation: Case Studies*, The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, December 2015.
14. "Are Colleges Coddling Students or Just Leveling the Playing Field," by Jeff Selingo, *The Washington Post*, October 30, 2016.

## RENICK'S PRESENTATIONS RELATED TO STUDENT SUCCESS

1. "Evidence-Based Student-Support Strategies," The White House Summit on Innovation in Higher Education," November 15, 2016.
2. "Demographics, Data and Transformative Change: Disruption in Higher Education," Association of Public and Land Grant Universities (APLU) Annual Meeting, Austin, TX, November 14, 2016.
3. "Scaling Innovations for At-Risk Student Populations," The Goizueta Foundation Board, Vinings, GA, November 4, 2016.
4. "Developing A Student-Centered Campus Culture," New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM, October 10, 2016.
5. "Using Data and Analytics to Transform Student Outcomes," University of Maine System Meeting of System Presidents, October 20, 2016.
6. "Leveraging the Potential of Predictive Analytics and Technology for Improving Student-Support Systems," Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, October 10, 2016.

7. "Student Success as a Path to Institutional Stability," Lumina HBCU Summit, Atlanta, GA, October 5, 2016.
8. "Stopping the Drop-Out Cycle: Changing the Campus Culture to Better Support Students," Tarleton State University, Stephenville, TX, September 28, 2016.
9. "Georgia's Workforce Pipeline and Need-Based Financial Aid," Metro Atlanta Chamber of Commerce, September 22, 2016.
10. "Diffusing Innovation: Analytics-Based Advising at Georgia State," NCAN National Meeting, Detroit, MI, September 21, 2016.
11. "Monitoring Advising Analytics to Promote Success," U.S. Department of Education site visit, Atlanta, GA, September 14, 2016.
12. "Using Data and Predictive Analytics to Transform Outcomes," Jones-Day Partners Meeting, Atlanta, GA, September 14, 2016.
13. "Closing Achievement Gaps Through Scaling Innovation," University of Texas San Antonio, San Antonio, TX, September 12, 2016.
14. "The Student-Centered University," Southern Regional Education Board (SREB) Leadership Webinar, August 16, 2016.
15. "Succeeding with Millennials through Personalized Support," Annual Meeting of the American Marketing Association, Atlanta, GA, August 7, 2016.
16. "Conversations on Student Success: Launching and Sustaining Transformative Change," Wright State University, Dayton, OH, August 4, 2016.
17. "What If Higher Ed Actually Took Data Seriously?" KIPP College Presidents Convening, Atlanta, GA, July 25, 2016.
18. "Creating and Sustaining a Culture of Change at a Large, Public University," New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM, July 18, 2016.
19. "Eliminating Achievement Gaps Using Data and Analytics," Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, KY, July 15, 2016.
20. "Rethinking the Student Experience: A Systemic Approach to Student Success," keynote address at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual International Siyaphumelela Conference, Durban, South Africa, June 29, 2016.



21. "Can Data Drive Decision Making and Transform Student Outcomes?" SUNY Executive Leadership Academy, New York, NY, June 15, 2016.
22. "Using Data to Improve Student Outcomes," interview with Radio Higher Ed, <http://radiohighered.com/2016/06/11/using-data-to-improve-student-outcomes/>, June 11, 2016.
23. "Redesigning the Public University to Serve Students," Raise D.C. Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., June 6, 2016.
24. "Demographics Are Not Destiny: Using Data to Close the Achievement Gap," United Negro College Fund Career Pathways Institute, Atlanta, GA, June 7, 2016.
25. "Rethinking the Student Experience Using Analytics," University of Maryland, College Park, MD, May 27, 2016.
26. "Data-Based Tracking and Decision Making to Improve Student Outcomes," Higher Education Data and Analytics Forum, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA, April 27, 2016.
27. "A Data-Based Approach to Student Success and Career Readiness," Georgia Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting, Oconee, GA, April 25, 2016.
28. "Using Data and Analytics to Transform Outcomes for At-Risk Students," Pueblo College, Pueblo, CO, April 22, 2016.
29. "What If Higher Education Actually Took Data Seriously?" Primetime Stage, ASU/GSV Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, April 18, 2016.
30. "What Fitbit Can Teach Higher Education," ASU/SGV Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, April 18, 2015.
31. "Monitoring Advising Analytics Across Ten Large Public Universities," White House Forum on First in the World Grants," Washington, D.C., April 4, 2016.
32. "Closing the Achievement Gap Using Data-based Interventions," Morgan State University, Baltimore, MD., March 30, 2016.
33. "Using Data to Drive Improvement in Student Outcomes," The Carnegie Foundation Summit on Improvement in Higher Education, San Francisco, CA, March 24, 2016.
34. "Driving Change in Higher Education Using Data and Change Management," Annual

- Meeting of the American Council on Education (ACE), San Francisco, CA, March 15, 2016.
35. "What If Higher Education Actually Took Data Seriously?" South By Southwest Edu, Austin, TX, March 7, 2016.
  36. "Using Guided Pathways and Predictive Analytics to Close the Achievement Gap," National Association of System Heads webinar, March 3, 2016.
  37. "Driving Change at Minority-Serving Institutions Using Academic and Career Data," plenary address at USA Funds National Summit of Minority-Serving Institutions and HBCUs, Atlanta, GA, February 23, 2016.
  38. "Reconceiving the Pathway from College to Career for First-Generation and Low-Income Students," and "Grounding Academic Program Redesign in Analytics," Kresge Site Visit for South African Educators, Atlanta, GA, February 22, 2016.
  39. "Targeting Financial Aid Using Analytics: Impact on At-Risk Populations," The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Forum on Emergency Aid," Washington, D.C., February 12, 2016.
  40. "Making a Difference with At-Risk Students through Data and Analytics," plenary address at Lumina Convening of Community Partnerships," St. Louis, MO, February 9, 2016.
  41. "Re-Imagining the First Year and Beyond through Program Redesign," plenary address at the American Association of State Colleges and Universities Winter Meeting, Austin, TX, February 5, 2016.
  42. "Data Fueling Scale and Change in Higher Education, *Impatient Optimists*, The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, January 27, 2016.
  43. "Data, Analytics and Innovation in Higher Education," 2016 Educate Georgia Summit, Georgia State Capitol, January 25, 2016.
  44. "Creating a Culture of Data-Based Campus Change" Lumina College-Completion Initiative, Washington, D.C., January 8, 2016.
  45. "Using Analytics, Meta Majors and Pathways to Increase Student Success," Governor's Symposium on Higher Education, Albuquerque, NM, December 14, 2015.
  46. "Eliminating the Achievement Gap Using Guided Pathways," Association of Public and Land Grant Universities (APLU) Annual Meeting, Indianapolis, IN, November 16, 2015.
  47. "Retention Grants: Implementation and Impacts," Urban Serving University Workshop,

Indianapolis, IN, November 16, 2015.

48. "Diffusing Student Success Strategies Across Large Public Universities," Association of Collaborative Leadership," Atlanta, GA, November 5, 2015.
49. "Eliminating the Attainment Gap Using Guided Pathway Strategies," Colorado Department of Higher Education in conjunction with the Lumina Foundation, Denver, CO, November 3, 2015.
50. "Academic and Technology Partnerships to Support Student Success: Four Lessons," Educause Annual Meeting, Indianapolis, IN, October 29, 2015.
51. "Using Data and Analytics to Transform Student Outcomes," Keynote, Ad Astra National Meeting, Kansas City, MO, October 19, 2015.
52. "Overcoming Barriers to Success for At-Risk Students," Memphis Symposium for Community and Higher Education, Memphis, TN, October 22, 2015.
53. "Closing the Achievement Gap Using GPS: Central Lesson," Complete College America Annual Convening of the States, Denver, CO, October 13, 2015.
54. "Data and Analytics-Based Technologies to Increase Retention," University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham, AL, October 8, 2015.
55. "Validating the Impact of Analytic-Based Proactive Advising," National College Access Network Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL, September 28, 2015.
56. "A Multi-Pronged Approach to Better Student Outcomes," Metropolitan State University of Denver, Denver, CO, September 25, 2015.
57. "Strategies for Working with Low-Income Students," Council for Opportunity in Education Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, September 17, 2015.
58. "Moving Beyond Financial Aid: New Approaches to Addressing Student Financial Challenges," Lumina National Convening, Atlanta, GA, September 17, 2015.
59. "A Case Study in Transformative Change," The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation National Meeting, Seattle, WA, August 31, 2015.
60. "Making Difficult Decision to Promote Student College Completion," NACUBO/ACE Workshop for Chief Academic Officers and Chief Business Officers, August 3, 2015.
61. "Improving Student Success through Data and Analytics," Kentucky Council on

- Postsecondary Education, Lexington, KY, July 1, 2015.
62. "A Data-Based Approach to Increasing Learning Outcomes for Minority Students," APLU Summit of Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Atlanta, GA, June 24, 2015.
  63. "How Using Predictive Analytics Helps Boost Student Success," University Business Tech Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL, June 15, 2015.
  64. "Using Data to Achieve Parity Among Completion Rates for All Student Groups," Siyaphimelela Conference, Johannesburg, South Africa, May 14, 2015.
  65. "Using Data and Analytics to Support At-Risk Students," C21U Annual Meeting, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA, May 5, 2015.
  66. "Interventions and Analytics: Student Success for At-Risk Students," Mayor's Forum of the Higher Education Compact of Greater Cleveland, Cleveland, OH, April 29, 2015.
  67. "Creating A Culture of Student Success Grounded in Data and Analytics," WICHE Western Academic Leadership Forum, Boise, ID, April 23, 2015.
  68. "Proactive Interventions in Support of Student Success," SACS-COC College Initiative, College Park, GA, April 13, 2014.
  69. "Demographics are Not Destiny: Higher Education's Ability to Impact Student Outcomes," University of North Carolina System Student-Success Summit, Chapel Hill, NC, April 1, 2015.
  70. "Data-Informed Decision Making and Academic Redesign," University of Akron, Akron, OH, March 30, 2015.
  71. "The ROI of Student Success," Transformational Planning Grant Forum, Scottsdale, AZ, March 25, 2015.
  72. "Using Financial Analytics and Interventions to Improve Student Retention," NACUBO Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, March 2015.
  73. "Institutional Change and the Impact on Student Outcomes," Higher education Compact of Greater Cleveland, Cleveland, OH, March 19, 2015.
  74. "Data-Informed Decision Making to Improve Student Outcomes," University of West Georgia, March 2, 2015.
  75. "Data-Informed Decision Making to Enhance Student Success," Indian River State College, Fort Pierce, FL, February 27, 2015.

76. "Using Structured Pathways to Help At-Risk Students Succeed," Tennessee GPS Completion Academy, Nashville, TN, February 24, 2015.
77. "Building A Culture of Change Using Data," University Innovation Alliance Site Visit, Atlanta, GA, February 9, 2015.
78. "Using Data, Analytics and Structured Pathways to Transform Campus Culture, Idaho State University, Pocatello, ID, February 2, 2015.
79. "Game Changers in Practice: Changing the Way We Engage Students," New Hampshire, Vermont and Maine Leadership Summit, Manchester, NH, January 26, 2015.
80. "Using Data and Analytics to Achieve Student Success," Opportunity America, Washington, D.C., January 15, 2015.
81. "Evidence-Based Strategies for Increasing Completion," panelist, The White House College Opportunity Summit, Washington, D.C., December 4, 2014.
82. "The Impacts of Financial Interventions on At-Risk Students," Center for Postsecondary and Economic Success," Washington, D.C., November 20, 2014.
83. "Using Financial Analytics to Launch Early Interventions for Low-Income Students," United State Department of Education, presentation at the invitation of the Aspen Institute and the Lumina Foundation, Washington, D.C., November 18, 2014.
84. "Delivering on the Promise: Student Success with At-Risk Students," The Reinvention Center Annual Meeting, Arlington, VA, November 15, 2014.
85. "Closing the Achievement Gap: Succeeding with At-Risk Students," 2014 HBCU Student Success Meeting, Atlanta, June 20, 2014.
86. "Proactive Advisement and Program Maps As Drivers of Student Success, Complete College America, Boise State University, Boise, Idaho, June 6, 2014.
87. "Using Predictive Analytics and Data-Based Advisement to Increase STEM Success," Complete College America GPS Institute, Chicago, May 12, 2014.
88. Proactive Advisement and Program Maps As Drivers of Student Success, Complete College America, Boise State University, Boise, Idaho, June 6, 2014.
89. "Using Predictive Analytics and Data-Based Advisement to Increase STEM Success," Complete College America GPS Institute, Chicago, May 12, 2014.

90. "Closing the Achievement Gap: Succeeding with At-Risk Students," 2014 HBCU Student Success Summit hosted by the APLU, Atlanta, June 20, 2014.
91. "Findings from the Use of Data-Based Advising Interventions," Ohio Completion By Design Summit, Columbus, OH, April 21, 2014.
92. "Closing the Achievement Gap Using Data and Analytics," Complete College America STEM Meeting, Boston, March 6, 2014.
93. "Achieving Success with At-Risk Students," Achieving the Dream Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL, February 24, 2014.
94. "Using Predictive Analytics to Structure Student Interventions," Annual Meeting of the American Association of State College and Universities," San Diego, February 7, 2014.
95. "The Degree Qualifications Profile as a Tool for Transfer Success," Annual Meeting of the American Association of State College and Universities," San Diego, February 8, 2014.
96. "Engaging 20<sup>th</sup>-Century Students with Personalized Information and Outreach," The Annual Meeting of the Association of Public and Land Grant Universities (APLU), Washington, D.C., November 10, 2013.
97. "First-Year Results of Advising Analytics in the Student Success Collaborative," The Education Advisory Board, Washington, D.C., November 8, 2013.
98. "Big Data and College Completion: New Strategies for Supporting Student Success with Technology," SUNY Annual Convening, New York, NY, October 29, 2013.
99. "Innovation Strategies for Student Success with At-Risk Populations," Annual Meeting of the Reinvention Center," Raleigh, NC, October 24, 2013.
100. "Using Financial Strategies for Bringing Pell and At-Risk Students to Graduation," 2013 State of Ohio Trustees Conference, Columbus, OH, October 21, 2013.
101. "Adding Financial Analytics to Academic Advisement," USG Incubator Grant Forum, Athens, GA., September 23, 2013.
102. "The Student Success Collaborative and Proactive Advisement," The Education Advisory Board," Washington, D.C., September 19, 2013.
103. "Interventions for Low-Income Asian-Americans Students," Asian and Pacific Islander

- American Scholarship Fund, Atlanta, GA, September 19, 2013.
104. "Structured Interventions and GPS Advising at Georgia State University," Towson University, Towson, MD., September 18, 2013.
  105. "Complete College Georgia and Student Success Initiatives at Georgia State University," Board of Regents, University System of Georgia, Atlanta, GA, August 14, 2013.
  106. "Using Analytics to Move the Needle on Student Completion Rates," USG Analytics Best Practices Meeting, Macon, GA., July 30, 2013.
  107. "Structured Pathways for At-Risk Students," Complete College America National Convening, Orlando, FL., July 29, 2013.
  108. "The University System of Georgia DQP Study: The Degree Qualification Profile as a Tool for Effective Transfer," American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) Summer Meeting, Baltimore, MD, July 27, 2013.
  109. "Structured Interventions and Their Impacts on Low-Income Students," The Aspen Institute, Aspen, CO., June 13, 2013.
  110. "GPS Advising and Structured Pathways at Georgia State University," APLU Urban Serving Universities Best Practices Forum, Miami, FL., April 3, 2013.
  111. "Risk Factors for Low-Income and Underrepresented Students and Data-based Responses," State of Georgia Complete College Leadership Council, Athens, GA., February 18, 2013.
  112. "The DQP as a Tool for Transitioning Students between Associate and Bachelor's-level Programs," American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) Annual Meeting, Mobile, AL, February 9, 2013.
  113. "Increasing Completion Rates for Underserved Students," American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) Annual Meeting, Mobile, AL, February 8, 2013.
  114. "Making A Difference: College Completion for Low-Income and Underrepresented Students," Complete College America Annual Convening, New Orleans, LA, December 2012.
  115. "The Goizueta Foundation-Georgia State University Partnership and Its Impact on the Success Rates of Latino Students," Southeastern Council of Foundations Annual Meeting, Charleston, SC, November 8, 2012.
  116. "Toward a Model for Latino Student Success: Georgia State University's Latino Leadership

Pipeline,” North Carolina Leadership Council of the Triangle Latino Success Project,” Raleigh, NC, June 19, 2012.

117. “The Impacts of Funding Policy on College Completion,” The Annual Meeting of the Marketing and Public Policy Association, Atlanta, GA, June 8, 2012.
118. “Using Metrics to Promote College Completion: Recommendations of the USG Metrics Group,” Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, Atlanta, GA, May 8, 2012.
119. “Metrics for College Completion: Preliminary Recommendations,” Regents Advisory Council on Institutional Research,” Macon, GA, March 29, 2012.
120. “The Importance of Metrics in Raising College Completion,” Complete College Georgia Summit, Athens, GA, March 19, 2012 and Regents Academic Affairs Committee, Macon, GA, February 22, 2012.
121. “Improving Retention and Graduation Rates in Higher Education through Data,” The Annual Meeting of the Association of Education Finance and Policy,” Seattle, WA, March 24, 2011.
122. “Striving For Success: Retention and Graduation,” Annual Meeting of the Association of Public and Land Grant Universities (APLU), Dallas, TX, 2010.

## ACADEMIC AREAS

Religion and Ethics; War, Peace and Violence (including the Just-War Tradition); Contemporary Religious Thought; Religion and Contemporary Politics; Thomas Aquinas; History of Christianity; The Religious Studies Major: Its Nature, Pedagogy, and Assessment

## PUBLICATIONS: RELIGIOUS STUDIES

### Book

*Aquinas for Armchair Theologians*, Westminster/John Knox Press, 2002 (eighth printing 2008); Audio editions, Hovel Audio, 2005, Blackstone, 2008; *Thomas von Aquin fur zwischendurch*, Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 2008 (German edition); *Tommaso d’Aquino*, Claudiana, 2010 (Italian edition).

### Articles and Review Essays



1. "Our Kids: The American Dream in Crisis," *The Christian Century*, 132, 25, November 2015, 39-41.
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10. "The Oxford Handbook of Theological Ethics" (Gilbert Meilaender and William Werpehowski), *The Journal of the Society of Christian Ethics*, 27, 1, Spring/Summer 2007, 313-315.
11. "Public Philosophy: Essays on Morality in Politics" (Michael Sandel), *Religious Studies Review*.
12. "Anthropocentrism and Its Discontents: The Moral Status of Animals in the History of Western Philosophy" (Gary Steiner), *Religious Studies Review*.
13. "Human Rights and Responsibilities in the World Religions" (Joseph Runzo, Nancy N. Martin and Arvind Sharma, eds.), *Religious Studies Review*, forthcoming.
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18. "The Sacred and the Sovereign: Religion and International Politics" (John D. Carlson and Erick Owens, eds.), *Religious Studies Review*, 30, 2-3, April-July 2004, 173.
19. "Elements of Ethics" (Adrian Peperzak), *Religious Studies Review*, 30, 2-3, April-July 2004, 169.
20. "Transformation Ethics: Developing the Christian Moral Imagination" (Thomas R. McFaul), *Religious Studies Review*, 30, 1, January 2004, 46.
21. "The Matrix: Charting an Ethics of Inheritable Genetic Modification" (Marilyn E. Coors), *Religious Studies Review*, 30, 1, January 2004, 47.
22. "The Just War: Force and Political Responsibility" (Paul Ramsey), *Religious Studies Review*, 29, 4, October 2003, 363.

23. "Life's Worth: The Case Against Assisted Suicide," (Arthur J. Dyck), *Religious Studies Review*, 29, 4, October 2003, 364.
24. "The Ethics of Killing: Problems at the Margins of Life" (Jeff McMahan), *Religious Studies Review*, 29, 1, January 2003, 69.
25. "Burying the Past: Making Peace and Doing Justice After Civil Conflict" (Nigel Biggar), *Religious Studies Review*, 28, 4, October 2002, 353; revised addition reviewed in *Religious Studies Review*, 30, 2-3, April-July 2004, 173.
26. "Good and Evil After Auschwitz: Ethical Implications for Today" (Jack Bemporad, et. al, eds.), *Religious Studies Review*, 28, 4, October 2002, 352-353.
27. "Explorations in Global Ethics--Comparative Religious Ethics and Interreligious Dialogue" (Sumner B. Twiss and Bruce Grelle, eds.), *Religious Studies Review*, 25, 3, July 1999, 273.
28. "Welfare in America--Christian Perspectives on a Policy Crisis" (Stanley Carlson-Thies and James W. Skillen, eds.), *Religious Studies Review*, 25, 1, January 1999, 66-67.
29. "Through the Moral Maze--Searching for Absolute Values in a Pluralistic World" (Robert Kane), *Religious Studies Review*, 24, 2, April 1998, 182.
30. "Religion in Politics--Constitutional and Moral Perspective"(Michael J. Perry), *Religious Studies Review*, 23, 4, October 1997, 380.
31. "The Ethics of War and Peace: An Introduction to Legal and Moral Issues" (Paul Christopher), *Religious Studies Review*, 23, 2, April 1997, 160.
32. "Religion, Public Life and the American Polity" (Luis E. Lugo), *Religious Studies Review*, 23, 2, April 1997, 157-8.
33. "Ethics, Killing and War" (Richard Norman), *Religious Studies Review*, 23, 2, April 1997, 160.
34. "A Christian Perspective on Political Thought" (Stephen Paul Mott), *Religious Studies Review*, 23, 1, January 1997, 50.
35. "Willa Boesak: God's Wrathful Children--Political Oppression and Christian Ethics," *Religious Studies Review*, 23, 1, January 1997, 51.
36. "Richard B. Miller: Interpretations of Conflict--Ethics, Pacifism and the Just-War Tradition," *Religious Studies Review*, Vol. 20, no. 2, April 1994, 135-136.
37. "Conscientious Objectors and the Second World War--Moral and Religious Arguments in Support of Pacifism" (Cynthia Eller), *Religious Studies Review*, Vol. 20, no. 2, April 1994, 136.
38. "War in the Twentieth Century--Sources in Theological Ethics" (Richard B. Miller), *Religious Studies Review*, Vol. 20, no. 3, July 1994, 222-223.
39. "Harder Than War--Catholic Peacemakers in 20th-Century America" (Patricia McNeal), *Religious Studies Review*, Vol. 20, no. 1, January 1994, 44-45.
40. "The Recovery of Virtue--The Relevance of Aquinas for Christian Ethics" (Jean Porter), *Religious Studies Review*, Vol. 18, no. 2, July 1992, 221-222.
41. "Christianity Amid Apartheid" (Martin Prozesky), *Religious Studies Review*, Vol. 17, no.

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42. "God's Federal Republic" (William Johnson Everett), *Religious Studies Review*, Vol. 15, no. 3, July 1989, 250-251.
43. "Theology and Society," (Gregory Baum), *Religious Studies Review*, Vol. 15, no.1, January 1989, 63.

#### Dissertation

"Political Obligation and the Common Good: A Study in Theological and Philosophical Ethics," University Microfilms, 1986.

#### SELECTED PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS: RELIGIOUS STUDIES

1. "Rethinking the Value of the Religious Studies Major," Keynote address at the NEH Forum on the Academic Study of Religion, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, April 28, 2016.
2. "Data from the National Survey of Undergraduate Majors in Religious Studies," Annual Meeting of the American academy of Religion, Baltimore, MD, 2013.
3. "The Big Lie: The Mismatch of Job Expectations and Placement Reality," American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Montreal, 2009.
3. "Religion in Global Contexts," AAC&U Global Learning Forum, Philadelphia, March 2009.
4. "Assessment Challenges and Rubrics for the Religious Studies Major," Leadership Workshop, American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Chicago, October 2008.
5. "The Religious Studies Major: Challenges and Opportunities," American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Chicago, October 2008.
6. "Lessons from Aquinas on the War in Iraq," Annual Endowed Lecture of the Joyce McMahan Hank Chair of Catholic Theology, St. Mary's College, South Bend, Indiana, January 2008.
7. "Exploring the Role of Religion in Public Discourse," American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., 2006.
8. "Teaching Ethics: The Challenge of Ethical Discourse in the Classroom," American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting , Philadelphia, 2005.
9. "What's Wrong with Cloning?" Sexuality and Ethics Forum, Agnes Scott College, Spring 2004.
10. "Preemptive Justice: Unrealized Threats and the Grounds of War," Southeastern Regional of the American Academy of Religion (SECSOR), Chattanooga, 2003.
11. "Living Among the Fragments: Ethical Disagreement, Reconciliation, and the Languages of Morals," Seventh International Symposium on Trans-/Inter-Cultural Communication, University of Cairo, Egypt, December 2002.

12. "Is the War in Afghanistan a 'Just War'?" Middle East Center for Peace, Culture and Development, Georgia State University, Fall 2001.
13. "A Cabbit in Sheep's Clothing: Exploring the Roots of Our Moral Disquiet About Cloning," Annual Meeting of the Society of Christian Ethics, January 1998.
14. "Religious Liberty in America: Accommodation or Neutrality?" Georgia Interfaith Council, November 1997.
15. "The Changing Face of Religious Studies," Southeastern Commission for the Study of Religion, Annual Meeting, April 1994.
16. "The Justice of the Present War Examined, 1991," Conference on the Gulf War, Georgia Institute of Technology, January 1991.
17. "Freedom, Individuality and the Common Good: A Reply to Berlin and McBride," Conference on Free Will, Georgia State University, April 1990.
18. "Moral Decisions in the Wake of Divorce: A Theological Perspective," Society of Christian Ethics, Annual Meeting, Notre Dame, IN., January 1989.
19. "From Enemy As Neighbor to Enemy as Other: The Decline of Charity in the Just-War Tradition," American Academy of Religion, Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL., November 1988.
20. "Hollenbach, Lagan and Nuclear Deterrence: A Critique of Recent Catholic Just-War Thought," Religious Studies Group, University Center in Georgia, April 1987.

## SELECTED PUBLIC LECTURES: RELIGIOUS STUDIES

- "Aquinas and his Contemporary Impacts," multi-week adult education course, Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Atlanta, 2009
- "Just War and Pre-emption," Columbus State University, Columbus, GA, 2008.
- "An Assessment of the Religious Studies Major Nationally," Chairs Workshop, American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, San Diego, November 2007.
- "Just War, Pre-emptive Acts, and the War in Iraq," College of Charleston, 2007.
- "Surviving the Campus Interview," Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, Washington, D.C., 2006.
- "Enlarging the Pie: Strategies for Managing and Growing Departmental Resources," Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion," Philadelphia, Fall 2005.
- "The Ethics of Warfare: Is the War in Iraq Just?" The Michael Ryan Lecture, Kennesaw State University, Fall 2004.
- "Rejuvenating Ethics in the Liberal Arts," Annual Meeting of the Association of American Colleges and Universities, Washington, D.C., Spring 2004.
- "When War Meets Religion," one-hour broadcast on National Public Radio (NPR), Spring

2003.

"The Bible and Homosexuality," Alliance for Sexual and Gender Diversity, Atlanta, Fall 2003, Fall 2004.

"The Ten Commandments and the Courts," Interfaith Alliance, Atlanta, Fall 2003.

"Abortion and 'St. Lucy' Eyes'," Alliance Theater Company post-show discussions, Spring 2003.

"Cloning Our Way into the Future?" and "Religion, Terrorism, and the 'Other'," Buckhead Business Association Annual Conference, Fall 2002.

"The Morality of Cloning," Department of Biology Colloquium, Georgia State University Spring 2002, 2003, 2004.

"Two Concepts of Violence: Uncovering Western Assumptions about the Use of Force," "Beyond Jihad: Islamic Attitudes Towards War and Peace" and "Justice and the War of Afghanistan: Challenging the Common Assumptions," Buckhead Business Association Annual Meeting, Fall, 2001.

"Who's Afraid of Cloning?" Baptist Student Union, Georgia State University, Fall 1998.

"The Catholic Church and Fundamentalism on Evolution," interview with Mark Pricard, Channel 11 (NBC) television, Fall 1996.

"What Is Hate Speech and Does It Belong at Georgia State: The Example of the Nation of Islam," Philosophy Forum, Georgia State University, March 1994.

"Social Conflict and Religious Conviction: Beyond the Dismissal of Belief," Agnes Scott College, March 1993.

"The Ethics of Physician-Assisted Suicide: A Religious Perspective," Ecumenical Council of Atlanta, November 1992.

"Leadership, the Public Good and the Problem of Dirty Hands," United States Government Management Development Seminar, Kings Point, New York, July 1990.

"The Myth of the Separation of Church and State," Philosophy Forum, Georgia State University, October 1989.

"Religious Ethics and the Terminally Ill," Symposium hosted by Hospice Atlanta and the Visiting Nurse Association of Metropolitan Atlanta, October 1989.

"Defining Religion: The State of the Debate," North Atlanta Senior Services, July 1989.

"Women and the Ministry: Protestant Attitudes," interviewed by WCNN Radio, March 1989.

"Praxis and Belief," Philosophy Forum, Georgia State University, January 1988.

## INSTRUCTION

Courses Taught (at Georgia State unless otherwise indicated)

Religion and Ethics

War, Peace, and Religion  
Religious Pluralism and Ethical Discourse (graduate seminar)  
Church and State  
Introduction to Religion  
World Religions  
Philosophy of Religion  
Augustine and Aquinas  
Early Christianity  
History of Christian Thought through the Reformation  
History of Christian Thought since the Reformation  
Contemporary Religious Thought  
Christian Ethics and Society  
September 11: Causes and Consequences  
20<sup>th</sup>-Century Religious Thought (graduate seminar)  
Ethics of Euthanasia (Honors seminar)  
Ethics of Animal Rights (Honors seminar)  
The Middle Ages (Honors seminar)  
Texts and Interpretation (Honors seminar)  
Perspectives on Comparative Religious Ethics  
Introduction to Philosophy  
Social and Political Philosophy  
Ancient and Medieval Philosophy  
Christian Ethics and Society (Princeton University)  
Freshmen English (Dartmouth College)

#### Masters Theses Directed

1. Zachary Ross, "Obama and Cone: Rethinking A Black Theology of Liberation," in progress.
2. Erika Dorland, "Story of Seekers: Narrative in the Local Context of the Atlanta Friends Meeting," in progress.
3. John Cadenhead, "The Significance of Jesus' Healing Miracles: A Study of their Role in the Synoptic Gospels and their Importance to Early Christianity," 2008.
4. Jeanelle Marie Carda, "Wiccan Marriage and American Marriage Law: Interactions," 2008.



5. Katherine A. Milby, "The Making of an Image: The Narrative Form of Ibn Ishaq's *Sirat Rasul Allah*," 2008.
6. Heather Abraham, "Our Lady of Ephesus: A Study of a Christian Shrine," 2008.
7. Damien Williams, "A Description of the Natural Place of Magic in Philosophy and Religious Studies," 2008.
8. Mitchell L. Leopard, "Loose Canon on Deck: How Contemporary Christians React to Media Influences on Faith, Beliefs, and Rituals," 2007.
9. Christopher Durante, "On the Viability of a Pluralistic Bioethics," 2007.
10. Jason Head, "Correct Ethical Relativism: Towards A Defense of Christian Ethical Relativism," 2007.
11. Brian Keith Kooy, "Between Being and Nothingness: An Exegetical Examination of the Metaphysical Foundations Underlying Augustine's Solution to the Problem of Evil," 2007.
12. Greg Keeter, "Gandhi and Hauerwas on Pacifism: The Utility of Religious Sources in Addressing Urgent Social and Political Issues," 2006.
13. Dax Carver, "Goddess Dethroned: The Evolution of Morgan LeFay," 2006.
14. Matthew Ryan McWhorter, "The Plasticity Between Teleology, Deontology and Normativity in Wojtyla's Meta-Ethical Anthropology," 2005.
15. Jeannine Grizzard, "Integralism and Objectivism on Form of the Mind/Body Dichotomy in Western Thought," 2005.
16. Kristen Hester, "Teaching Creation Science in Public Schools: An Examination of the Creation/Evolution Controversy," 2005.
17. Randy Howell, "The 'Unfolding' of Everlasting Torment in Hell? Assessing the Role of Outside Influence and Interpretive Assumptions in the Formation of the Traditional and Annihilationist Christian Views of Hell," 2004.
18. Cindy Smith, "The Theological Implications of Intelligent Life of Other Planets," 2004.

Directed over 50 additional theses, 1987-2003.

### Other Student Accomplishments

Advised and sponsored a recipient of an NEH Young Scholar's Grant, Sandra Doby for a project on the theology of Franz Rosenzweig.

Advisees admitted to and enrolled in graduate work in religion at Oxford University, Cambridge University, St. Andrews University, Harvard University, Yale University, Princeton University, the University of Chicago, the University California-Berkeley, the University of Virginia, Princeton Theological Seminary, Brown University, Vanderbilt University, University of California at Santa Barbara, and Emory University, and in post-baccalaureate programs at Oxford and Cambridge.

### SERVICE

#### Offices Held in Professional Organizations/Service to the Discipline

Chair, Job Placement Task Force, American Academy of Religion, 2009-2011; member, 2007-present (Authored AAR policy on interviewing job candidates)

Chair, Board of Advisors to the Department of Religion, Princeton University, 2008-present

Steering Committee member, AAC&U Integrative Learning Forum, 2008-2009

Steering Committee member, AAC&U LEAP Forum on Liberal Education and the Professions, 2009

Editorial Board Member, *Journal of Ethics in Leadership*, 2005-present

Chair, Teagle Working Group, "The Religion Major and Liberal Education," American Academy of Religion, 2006-2009

Member, Teaching and Learning Committee, American Academy of Religion, 2004-2008

On-Site Evaluator, Department of Religious Studies, Occidental College, (2009);

Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, (2010), Princeton University, 2008; Towson University, 2008; University of North Carolina-Greensboro, 2007

Chair, Leadership Workshop, "The Religion Major and Liberal Education," Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, San Diego, 2007

Co-Chair, Chairs' Workshop, Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, Philadelphia, 2005

Program Unit Evaluator, Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section, American Academy of Religion, 2006

Chair, Religious Studies Group of the University Center in Georgia (an organization of over 140 scholars of Religious Studies from fourteen colleges and universities in the State of Georgia), elected to office by the membership, 1990-1992

Reviewer, *Annual of the Society of Christian Ethics*, 1999-present

Ethics book reviewer, *Religious Studies Review*, 1989-2006

Manuscript reviewer and evaluator, McGraw-Hill Publishers, 2001-2005

Manuscript reviewer and evaluator for Holt, Rhinehart and Winston Publishers, 2000-2003

Session Chair at various meetings of the American Academy of Religion, the Society of Christian Ethics, and Southern Society of Philosophy and Psychology

Panelist, "The Academic and Fiscal Health of Departments and Programs of Religion," Annual Meeting, Southeastern Commission for the Study of Religion, March 1994

#### Other Administrative Responsibilities

Member, University Senate, 1994-present.

Chair, Graduate Council (Academic Programs Committee), 1998-2004; member 1990-2004.

Member, Admissions and Standards Committee, University Senate, 2003-present.

Chair, Enrollment Management Group, 2008-present; member, 2003-2005

Member, President's Cabinet, 2012-present

Member, Administrative Council, 2008-present

Member, Deans Council, 2008-present

Member, Administrative Council on General Education, University System of Georgia, 2008-present

Member, Task Force on International Education, University System of Georgia, 2008-present

Co-chair, International Strategic Initiatives Committee, 2004-2007

Vice-chair, Georgia State University Animal Care and Use Review Committee, 2002,  
member 1990-2003

Member, Student Life and Development Committee, 1996-1998

Member, Cultural Diversity Committee, 2002-2003

Member, Honors Council, Honors Program, 1992-2005

Member, SACS Reaccreditation Committee, Georgia State University, 1996-1998, 2005-2008

Co-organizer and participant, University Scholars Day Selection Process, 2004 and 2005

Chair, Humanities Group, Research Initiation Grant Program, 1996; member 1995-1999

Faculty representative, INCEPT, 1999-2008

Faculty Advisor for the Marshall Scholarships, the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation  
Scholarships, the Goldwater Scholarships, and the Udall Scholarships, Georgia State  
University, 2003-2006

Member, Executive Committee, College of Arts and Sciences, 1997-2003

Chair, Dean's Triennial Evaluation Committee, 1998

Chair, Curriculum Committee, College of Arts and Sciences, 2001-2002, 1991-1992, 1992-1993; Vice-Chair 1989-1990; Committee Member, 2000-2001, 1987-1990

Chair, Faculty Awards Committee, College of Arts and Sciences, 1998; member 1997-1998

Chair, Chair Evaluation Committee, Department of Philosophy, 1998-1999; member 1988-89, 1991-1992

Member, Promotion and Tenure Review Board (responsible for rewriting the College P & T Manual), 1997-1999, 2002-2003

Member, Undergraduate Committee, College of Arts and Sciences, Georgia State University, 2003-2005

Committee on Religion, Board of Regents, University System of Georgia, 1994

Author, proposal for a Bachelor of Arts degree in Religious Studies, approved by the College of Arts and Sciences, Georgia State University, 1990; instituted 1992

Author, proposal for a Masters of Arts degree in Religious studies, approved by the College of Arts and Sciences, 2004, and the University Senate, 2004

Author, proposal for a Department of Religious Studies, approved by the College of Arts and Sciences, 2004

Chair, Search Committees in Religious Studies, College of Arts and Sciences, Georgia State University, 1987-1988, 1990-1991, 1995-1996, 1998-99, 2000-2001, 2003-2004, 2004-2005, 2008-2009, 2010-2011, 2013-14; Member, Search Committees in Philosophy, 1986-1987, 1991-1992, 1992-1993, 1994-1995, 1996-1997, 1998-1999

Faculty Adviser, Georgia State University Young Democrats, 2000-2006, Religious Studies Student Forum, 2001-present; Georgia State Buddhist Students, 1986-1996; Amnesty International, 1987-1994; Students of Objectivism, 1987-1991; Mortar Board Honor Society, 1988-1989, 1991-1994; Bahai Student Group, 1991-1995.

University System of Georgia

Member, University System of Georgia Task Force on International Education, 2009-2010

Member, University System of Georgia Special Committee on Residency, 2010

Member, University System of Georgia Task Force on Governor's Educational Initiatives,  
2009-2010.

Member, University System of Georgia General Education Committee, 2009-present

Georgia State Representative, Core Curriculum Design and Assessment Committee of the Board  
of Regents, 2008. Made presentation to the State of Georgia AAUP, March 2008.

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Academy of Religion

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