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EDUCATION

- 2014 Ph.D. Theology, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN, 2014
Dissertation: “An Ecological Theology of Liberation: Reconstructing Gustavo Gutiérrez’s Concept of ‘Integral Liberation’ in View of the Yahwist, the New Jerusalem, and the Human Ecology of Alf Hornborg”
Director: J. Matthew Ashley
- 2009 M.A., Systematic Theology, Washington Theological Union, Washington, DC,
M.A. Thesis: “Toward an Ecological Christology: A Theology of the Human Vocation”
Director: Ilia Delio
- 2002 B.A., History, with minor in Secondary Education, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

HONORS & AWARDS

- 2020-21 Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies (University of Notre Dame) Visiting Research Fellow, for *Confronting the Age of Cain: Christian Faith in the “Anthropocene”*
- 2020-21 Louisville Institute Sabbatical Grant, for *Confronting the Age of Cain: Christian Faiths in the “Anthropocene”*
- 2020 College Theology Society Best Book Awardee, for *An Ecological Theology of Liberation*
- 2019 Loyola University Maryland (LUM) Peace and Justice Studies Course Development Award (to develop course entitled “Violence and Holiness in 20th Century El Salvador,” co-taught with history department)
- 2019 Interdisciplinary Course Development Award from the Office of the Dean of Arts and Sciences, LUM (to develop “Violence and Holiness in El Salvador”)
- 2017–2018 Louisville Institute First Book Grant for Minority Scholars, for *An Ecological Theology of Liberation: Salvation and Political Ecology*
- 2015 Recipient of a Summer Research Grant from the Office of the Dean of Arts and Sciences, LUM

- 2015 LUM Peace and Justice Course Development Award (to develop course entitled “Justice, Peace, and the Integrity of Creation”)
- 2014 Grant from LUM’s Catholic Studies Program (this award was used to cover the expenses of the students in my Liberation Theology course who attended the 2014 Ignatian Family Teach-In on Justice and Solidarity) National Science Foundation-funded GLOBES (Global Linkages of Biology, Environment, and Society) Fellow
- 2013 Recipient of GLOBES Mini-Grant (this grant was used toward the construction of an urban perennial garden)
- 2012 Notebaert Professional Development Travel Grant Recipient, 2012 (used to fund travel to South Africa for the Christian Faith and the Earth International Conference)
- 2009–2010 Hispanic Theological Initiative Doctoral Fellow
- 2006–2009 Washington Theological Union Sister Katherine Drexel Service Scholar
- 1998–2002 National Hispanic Scholar Award Recipient

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Confronting the Age of Cain: Christian Faith in the “Anthropocene” (forthcoming)

An Ecological Theology of Liberation: Salvation and Political Ecology (Maryknoll: Orbis Books, 2019), (N.B. awarded College Theology Society’s 2020 “Best Book Award” and received “Honorable Mention” from the Catholic Press Association in the category of Catholic Social Teaching; trans. into Korean 2021)

Essays (Peer Reviewed or Commissioned)

“Sobre la Escritura, el método y el discipulado perspectivas del trabajo de Gustavo Gutiérrez,” trans. Carmen Lora de Gautier in *Teología de la Liberación: 50 Años*, ed. Andrés Gallego (CEP, forthcoming)

“On Grieving for the Garden of the World: Catholic Education and the Cultivation of an Ecologically Sensitive Conscience” in *Conscience and Catholic Education: Theology, Administration, and Teaching*, eds. David DeCosse and Kevin Baxter (Maryknoll: Orbis, forthcoming).

“On the Challenge of Singing a New Church and a New World into Being: Liturgical Space and Prayer Amidst the Planetary Emergency” *Yale ISM Review* 6.1 (2021): <https://tinyurl.com/na37m9h9>

“Hacia una Teología Ecológica de la Liberación: A partir de la obra de Gustavo Gutiérrez,” trans. Pedro De Guchteneere *Paginas*, 254 (2019): 22–28.

“The Tree of Christ and the Tree of Satan: Ignatian Discernment in a Time of Eco-Social Crisis” *The Other Journal*, 28 (2018): 93–98.

“Speaking Structurally: Medellín’s Conception of the Socio-Structural Dimension of Human Life” in *The Legacy of Medellín* (Miami: Convivium, 2018), 124–135.

“Prophetic Mourning, Lament, and the Ecological Crisis” in *Our Fragile Earth*, ed. William T. Cavanaugh (Eugene: Cascade, 2018), 151–162.

“Against the Unity of Babel: Liberation Theology and the Language of Sustainable Development” in *Theology and Ecology Across the Disciplines*, eds. Celia Deane-Drummond and Rebecca Artinian-Kaiser (London: Bloomsbury/T&T Clark, 2018), 119–131.

“To Praise, Reverence, and Serve: The Theological Anthropology of Pope Francis” in *Everything is Connected: The Ecological and Theological Vision of Laudato Si’*, ed. Vincent Miller (London: Bloomsbury/T&T Clark, 2017), 95–107.

“Integral Ecology as a Liberation Concept,” *Theological Studies* 77.2 (2016): 353-376.

“The Dynamism of Integral Liberation: Reconsidering Gutiérrez’s Central Concept After the ‘End of History,’” *Political Theology* 18.1 (2017): 44-59.

“Agony in the Garden? Evaluating the Cosmology of Alejandro García-Rivera in View of the ‘Little Story’ and the ‘Principle of Foregrounding.’” *Diálogo* 16.2 (2013): 65-68.

“‘The Time of No Room’: Toward a Theological Critique of Contemporary Attempts at Earth Management.” *Scriptura* 111.3 (2012):312-322.

“To Cultivate and Care for Creation: The Human Vocation as the Unifying Principle for Ecological Theology and Soteriology.” *Koinonia: The Princeton Theological Seminary Graduate Forum*, XXII (2010): 66-81.

ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS & INVITED LECTURES

“Contagion, Fascism, and Fear: Imagining a Way Out of the Anthropocene with Ignatius of Loyola” an invited paper for the Center for World Catholicism at DePaul University, presented January 2021 (virtually).

“The Age of Cain: The Anthropocene, Extractive Colonialism, and the Production of Anti-Black Racism” an invited paper for the international symposium, “Vinte anos da Exortação Apostólica ‘Ecclesia in America,’” presented October 2019 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

“Gustavo Gutiérrez and the Option for the Poor” an invited paper for a plenary panel at the University of Notre Dame for the Option for the Poor Conference, presented March 2019 in South Bend, IN.

“The Preferential Option for the Earth and Poor: The Task and Possible Contribution of Theology” an invited paper at the University of Notre Dame for the opening of the Ansari Institute of World Religions, presented October 2018 in South Bend, IN.

“Behold the New Adam: Christ, the Gardener, and the Eco-Social Crisis” at the annual meeting of the Catholic Theological Society of America (CTSA), presented June 2018 in Indianapolis, IN.

“Toward an Ecological Theology of Liberation” an invited paper at the annual meeting of the Academy of Catholic Hispanic Theologians in the United States, presented June 2018 in Indianapolis, IN.

Invited Response to Andrew Davison’s Address “Symbiosis and Mutualism: A Scientific Survey” at the Convention of the International Society of Science and Religion, presented Nov. 2017, in Boston, MA.

Invited Response to Anne Clifford’s Plenary Address “An Ecofeminist Response to *Laudato Si*” at the annual meeting of the CTSA, presented June 2017, in Albuquerque, NM.

“Pope Francis’ Call for Eco-Social Conversion,” an invited lecture presented at the University of Villanova’s Mendel Symposium, March 2017, in Philadelphia, PA.

“Integral Ecology as a Liberationist Concept,” presented at the annual meeting of the CTSA, June 2016, in San Juan, PR

“To Cultivate and Care for Creation: Can Nature (Alone) Be Our Guide?” an invited lecture presented at John Carroll University, April 2016, Cleveland, OH

“The Eco-Theological Anthropology of Pope Francis,” an invited lecture presented at the University of Dayton, March 2016, Dayton OH

“The Gardener and the Image of God: Material Poverty, Ecological Degradation, and a Christian Understanding of the Human Person,” an invited lecture presented at the University of Utah, September 2015 in Salt Lake City, UT

“God, the ‘Gardener,’ and the Human Vocation: The Biblical Foundations of an Eco-Liberationist Theological Anthropology,” presented at annual meeting of CTSA, June 2015, in Milwaukee, WI

“The Crucified Peoples and the Tree of Life: Ignacio Ellacuría, the Spiritual Exercises, and Political Ecology” presented at the annual meeting of the College Theological Society (CTS), May, 2015 in Portland, OR.

“‘Blessed Mourning’: The Church as a Site of Lament in the Midst of Ecological Crisis,” an invited paper presented at The Conference on World Catholicism at DePaul University, April 2015, in Chicago, IL

“‘My Eyes Have Seen You’: The Formation of the Christian Prophetic Imagination in the Theology of Gustavo Gutiérrez.” Presented at the annual meeting of CTS, Latrobe, PA, 2014

“Climate Change, Mourning, and Repentance.” Presented at the National Conference on Climate Change and the Common Good, Notre Dame, IN, 2013

“‘The Time of No Room’: A Theological Critique of the Totalized Fiscal Quantification of the Earth.” Presented at the Christian Faith and the Earth International Conference, Cape Town South Africa, 2012.

“‘Now and Forever Here’: Wendell Berry’s Port William Novels as Metzian Dangerous Narratives.” Presented at the annual CTS meeting, San Antonio, Texas, 2012.

“From Babel to Pentecost: An Eco-Theological Critique of the World Bank and the Language of ‘Sustainable Development.’” Presented at the annual CTS meeting in New Rochelle, NY, 2011.

“If Only You Had Eyes to See: The Threat of the ‘Mythologizing Cross’ in the Space of Empire.” Presented at the International conference of the Colloquium of Violence and Religion, Notre Dame, IN, 2010.

“‘To Cultivate and to Care’: The Human Vocation as the Unifying Principle for Ecological Theology and Soteriology.” Presented at the *Koinonia* Conference, Princeton, NJ, 2010.

COURSES TAUGHT

❖ Introduction to Theology

❖ Liberation Theologies

- ❖ Christian Environmental Ethics
- ❖ The Resurrection

- ❖ Justice, Peace, and the Integrity of Creation

- ❖ World Christianity
- ❖ Violence and Holiness in Twentieth Century El Salvador

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Completed Ignatian Pedagogy Workshop, Loyola University Maryland, May 2016

Peace and Justice Reading Group, Loyola University Maryland, 2014-Present

Interdisciplinary Working Group on the Environment, University of Notre Dame (2012-2014)

GLOBES Interdisciplinary Reading Group (2011-2014)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Associate Member, College Theology Society (2009-current)

Associate Member, American Academy of Religion (2010-current)

Associate Member, Academy of Catholic Hispanic Theologians in the United States (2013-current)

Associate Member, Catholic Theology Society of America (2012-current)

SERVICE TO ACADEMY & COMMUNITY

Director of M.T.S. Program at LUM, Spring 2020; Fall 2021–Present

Member of the Steering Committee for Sustainability Studies, 2021–present.

Member of the Steering Committee on Catholic Social Thought, 2018–present.

Instructor at Holden Village, July 2019

Member of Service-Learning Committee, 2018–2019.

Peer Reviewer for *Political Theology*, *Modern Theology*, and *Theological Studies*

Co-Convener of the “Theology, Ecology, and the Natural Sciences” section of College Theology Society’s Annual Convention, (2016-2018)

Public Lectures on Christian Environmental Ethics at Pius X Parish (Baltimore, Sept. 2015), St. Vincent de Paul Parish (Baltimore, May 2016), and All Saints’ Episcopal Church (Chevy Chase, Feb. 2016)

Member of the Advisory Council to the Dean of the College of Arts and Letters at the Notre Dame (Fall of 2016–2019)

Faculty Liaison to the Peace and Justice Club, Loyola University Maryland (2016-2017)

Lead organizer for day of reflection on “The Scandal of White Complicity in U.S. Hyper-Incarceration,” Loyola University Maryland, March 2016

Lead Organizer of Kelly Brown Douglas’s lecture “Jesus and Trayvon,” March, 2016

Lead Organizer of Willis Jenkins’s lecture “Rather than a problem to be solved...” Nov. 2015

Community member of Karen House, the St. Louis Catholic Worker House, St. Louis, MO, 2002 to 2004.

Jesuit Volunteer Corps, St. Louis, MO, 2002 to 2003.