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Education

Vanderbilt University	1983-91	Doctor of Philosophy
Program Area: Religion and Personality		
Southern Baptist Theological Seminary	1979-82	Master of Divinity
Major: Pastoral Care		
Samford University	1974-78	Bachelor of Arts with Honors
Major: Religion	Minor: History	<i>summa cum laude</i>

Teaching Experience

Associate Professor of the Practice of Pastoral Theology and Counseling, Vanderbilt Divinity School, Nashville, Tennessee, 2016-Present

Assistant Professor of the Practice of Pastoral Theology and Counseling, Vanderbilt Divinity School, Nashville, Tennessee, 2010-2016

Assistant Professor of Religious Studies, Vanderbilt University (College of Arts and Science), 2010-Present (Adjunct faculty)

Lecturer in Pastoral Theology, Vanderbilt Divinity School, Nashville, Tennessee, 1998-2010 (Adjunct faculty)

Instructor in Psychology, Lipscomb University, Nashville, Tennessee, 2008-2010 (Adjunct faculty)

Clinical Supervisor and Instructor, Training Program, Pastoral Counseling Centers of Tennessee, Nashville, Tennessee; 1993-1998, 2006-2007

Assistant Professor of Pastoral Care, The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky, Spring, 1992 (Adjunct faculty)

Assistant Professor of Psychology, Belmont University, Nashville, Tennessee,
Spring, 1985 (Adjunct faculty)

Clinical and Ministry Practice

Executive Council, Co-Founder and Psychotherapist, The Pastoral Center for Healing,
Nashville, Tennessee, 2007-Present

Director of Education and Training, Pastoral Counseling Centers of Tennessee, Nashville,
Tennessee, 2006-2007

Private Practice in Pastoral Psychotherapy, Brentwood, Tennessee, 2006-2007

Director, The Turning Leaf Pastoral Counseling Service, Brentwood, Tennessee,
1999-2006

Clinical Services Director, Pastoral Counseling Centers of Tennessee, Inc.,
Nashville, Tennessee, 1996-1998

Director, Pastoral Counseling Center of Brentwood,
Brentwood, Tennessee, 1996-1998

Pastoral Counselor, Pastoral Counseling Centers of Tennessee, Inc.,
Nashville, Tennessee, 1988-1998

Chaplain, St. Thomas Hospital, Nashville, Tennessee, 1986-1992

Chaplain, Alive-Hospice of Nashville, Nashville, Tennessee, 1983-86

Pastor, Payneville Baptist Church, Payneville, Kentucky, 1980-83

Publications and Research

Books

Caring for Souls in a Neoliberal Age. (2016). New York, NY: Palgrave Macmillan.

Chapters

“Class Power and Human Suffering: Resisting the Idolatry of the Market in Religious Practice and Pastoral Theology.” (forthcoming, 2017). In *Pastoral Theology and Care: Critical Trajectories in Theory and Practice* (Nancy J. Ramsay, Ed.). Oxford, UK: Wiley Blackwell.

Articles

“Powers and Principalities: Initial Reflections Toward a Post-Capitalist Pastoral Theology.” *Journal of Pastoral Theology* 25 (2), (2015), 71-92.

“Blessed Are Those Who Mourn: Depression as Political Resistance.” *Pastoral Psychology*, 63 (4), (2014), 503-522.

“Pastoral Counseling in the Neoliberal Age: Hello Best Practices, Goodbye Theology.” *Sacred Spaces*, 5, (2013), 5-45.

“Best Practices in Pastoral Counseling: Is Theology Necessary?” *Journal of Pastoral Theology*, 23 (1), (2013), 1-24.

“The Social Trifecta of Human Misery and Problematical Constructions of the Self: Implications for Formation and Supervision,” *Reflective Practice: Formation and Supervision in Ministry*, 32 (2012), 206-223.

“Recovering Grief in the Age of Grief Recovery,” *Journal of Pastoral Theology*, 13 (1), (2003), 36-45.

Dictionary Entries

"Pastoral Office," *Dictionary of Pastoral Care and Counseling*, (Rodney J. Hunter, Ed.). Nashville: Abingdon (1990).

"Poimenics," *Dictionary of Pastoral Care and Counseling*, (Rodney J. Hunter, Ed.). Nashville: Abingdon (1990).

Dissertation

“Intersubjectivity as the Ground of Hope: Psychoanalytic and Theological Perspectives” (May, 1991). Vanderbilt University (Committee: Liston Mills, Volney Gay, Edward Farley, Paul Dokecki, Richard Zaner)

Editorial Responsibilities

Guest co-editor, with Ryan LaMothe, for a special issue of the journal *Pastoral Psychology* addressing political dimensions in pastoral care. [*Pastoral Psychology* 63 (4), (August 2014)].

Editorial Board, *Sacred Spaces: The e-Journal of the American Association of Pastoral Counselors*, 2009-Present.

Formal Papers and Presentations

“Addressing Social Injustice in the Psychotherapy Session & Beyond,” Panel presentation and discussion for psychotherapists and psychotherapy graduate students, co-sponsored by the Nashville Psychotherapy Institute Social Justice Committee and Vanderbilt Counseling CHI SIGMA IOA Honor Society, Nashville, TN, November 9, 2016.

“Masculinity and the Requirements of Privilege,” Panel presentation for a working group during the 20th Anniversary of the Carpenter Program on Gender and Sexuality, Vanderbilt Divinity School, Nashville, TN, April 2, 2016.

“Self-Worth, Faith, and Capitalism,” Presentation for the Wednesday evening adult education series *Current*, West End United Methodist Church, Nashville, TN, October 15, 2015.

“Comparing Postcolonialism, Globalization, and Neoliberalism as Interpretive Lenses for Pastoral Theology,” Panel presentation for the Postcolonialism, Globalization, and Pastoral Care Study Group of The Society for Pastoral Theology during its annual conference, Denver, CO, June 19, 2015.

“The Neoliberal Unconscious: Psychotherapy in a Traumatogenic Society,” All-day, four-part symposium conducted for the membership of the Nashville Psychotherapy Institute, Nashville, TN, May 2, 2015.

“Capitalism and its Discontents: Care of Souls in a Neoliberal World,” “Work in progress” presentation delivered to the full membership of The Society for Pastoral Theology during its annual meeting, Atlanta, GA, June 20, 2014.

“Are We Living in an Addicted World?” Presentation to the adult education program, Westminster Presbyterian Church, Nashville, TN, December 1, 2013

“Measuring Chaplain Efficiency: The End of Pastoral Care?” Presentation to the Tennessee Pastoral Care Association, a subsidiary of the Tennessee Hospital Association, Nashville, TN, October 31, 2013.

“Psychotherapy in the Neoliberal Age: Friend or Foe?” Presentation to the Nashville Psychotherapy Institute, Nashville, TN, August 9, 2013. (The response to this presentation led to an ongoing “salon” group within the Nashville Psychotherapy Institute dedicated to exploring the impact of sociopolitical context for mental health, human relationships, and the conduct of psychotherapy.)

“Ethical Considerations for Pastoral Counseling in the Neoliberal Age,” Workshop presented at the annual meeting of Tennessee Association of Pastoral Therapists, Nashville, TN, August 3, 2013.

“Is Capitalism Making Us Sick, Selfish, and Anti-Religious? Economics, Politics, and the Care of the Soul,” Two-part presentation to the congregation, Christ Church Cathedral, Nashville, TN, April 3 & 10, 2013.

“Ethics in Pastoral Counseling: Do We Need a Paradigm Shift?” Two-part workshop presented at the annual meeting of the Southeast Region of the American Association of Pastoral Counselors, Kanuga Conference Center, Hendersonville, NC, October 26-28, 2012.

“Emergent Trends in Pastoral Care and Counseling,” Keynote address to an annual conference for Presbyterian (PCUSA) clergy responsible for pastoral care, Westminster Presbyterian Church, Nashville, TN, January 27, 2011.

“Recovering Grief in the Age of Grief Recovery: Then and Now,” Keynote address to the annual meeting of the Tennessee Association of Pastoral Therapists, Nashville, TN, August 14, 2009.

“Religion and Psychotherapy: Oil and Water?” Panel participant for presentation at the annual meeting of the Tennessee Psychological Association, Nashville, TN, November 4, 2005.

“On the Edge of the Abyss: Mourning Our Way into Life,” Keynote address delivered to the Annual Clergy Conference at the Medical Learning Center, St. Thomas Hospital, Nashville, TN, November 6, 2001.

“Psychotherapy with Fundamentalist Christians,” Seminar presented at the annual meeting of the Tennessee Psychological Association, Nashville, TN, November 14, 1998.

“Locating the Ground of Hope,” Workshop presented at the annual meeting of the Southeast Region of the American Association of Pastoral Counselors, Kanuga Conference Center, Hendersonville, NC, October 24, 1997.

“Does Suffering Build Character?” Presented at the annual meeting of The Society on Aging, Opryland Hotel, Nashville, TN, March 22, 1997.

“Toward an Understanding of Spiritual Care for the Terminally Ill,” Presented at an

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interdisciplinary conference entitled "Treatment of the Patient with a Life-
Threatening Illness," Medical Learning Center, St. Thomas Hospital, Nashville, TN,
October 25, 1985.

Courses Taught

REL 3760, Clinical Seminar (A practice-oriented two-hour seminar for Ph.D. students in the Religion, Psychology and Culture program, also open to Divinity students with clinical, ministry or community activism placements)

DIV/REL 7053, Contemporary Psychotherapy and Pastoral Counseling

DIV/REL 7042, Seminar in Death and Dying

DIV/REL 7003, Seminar in Theology and Personality: Hope and Despair

DIV/REL 7022, Men, Psychology, and Religion (eligible for credit in the Carpenter Program in Gender and Sexuality)

DIV/REL 7002, Pastoral Care and Global Capitalism

RLST 234; DIV/REL 3061, Post Freudian Theories and Religion (cross-registered with the College of Arts and Sciences)

Race and Class: Cultivating Radical Care (to be offered as an intensive, June 2017)

Academic Awards and Honors

Ph.D.: Qualifying Examinations with Honors, 1986; University Tuition Award, 1983-84

B.A.: Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges, 1977-78;
Honors Program; Phi Kappa Phi; Phi Eta Sigma

Professional Certification and Licensure

Licensed Clinical Pastoral Therapist (TN #CPT0000000034)

Fellow, The American Association of Pastoral Counselors

Certified Sex Addiction Therapist (CSAT® Certification No. 2009C-0743,
International Institute for Trauma and Addiction Professionals)

Professional Memberships

The Society for Pastoral Theology

American Academy of Religion

Tennessee Association of Pastoral Therapists
(Vice President, 1999-2003; President, 2003-2006)

The American Association of Pastoral Counselors

Nashville Psychotherapy Institute
(Board Member, 1997-1999)

Religious Participation

Ordained in 1981 in the Free Church tradition (Baptist)

Second Presbyterian Church (PCUSA), Nashville, Tennessee (Member 2005-Present;
Personnel Committee Member, 2010-2011)

Community Activities

Brentwood Baptist Church, Brentwood, Tennessee (Member 1999-2005; Consultant to
ministry staff, 1999-Present)

Advisory Board, Master of Pastoral Studies in Pastoral Counseling Program,
American Baptist College, Nashville, Tennessee, 2009-2011

Institutional Review Board (IRB), St. Thomas Hospital, Nashville, TN, 1998-2000