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PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- 2015-pres *Professor*, Department of Sociology, Wake Forest University
- 2009-2011 *Chair*, Department of Sociology, Wake Forest University
- 2005-2015 *Assistant Professor and Associate Professor*, Department of Sociology, Wake Forest University
- 2002-2003 *Postdoctoral Fellow*, Center on Religion and Democracy, University of Virginia
- 1998-2004 *Assistant Professor*, Department of Sociology, University of Notre Dame
- 1995-1996 *Lecturer*, Department of Sociology, University of Wisconsin at Madison
- 1994-1995 *Lecturer*, Department of Sociology, Edgewood College, Madison, Wisconsin
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EDUCATION

- 1998 *Ph.D. in Sociology*, University of Wisconsin at Madison. *Thesis*: "Religious Advocacy in Secular Society: A Neo-Secularization Perspective" (Gerald Marwell, advisor). *Doctoral qualifying examinations*: Social Organization (passed with distinction, August 1994); Sociology of Religion (passed with distinction, January 1994)
- 1994 *M.S. in Sociology*, University of Wisconsin at Madison. *Thesis*: "Ways of Seeing Ecstasy in Modern Society: Experiential-Expressive and Cultural Linguistic Views" (Richard Schoenherr, advisor). *Minor Field*: Educational Policy Studies (Michael R. Olneck, advisor)
- 1991 *B.A. in Sociology* with Highest Departmental Honors and High Distinction in General Scholarship, University of California at Berkeley. *Thesis*: "Challenging the Curricular Color Line: Movements for Ethnic Studies Requirements at UC-Berkeley and UW-Madison" (Jerome Karabel, advisor).
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BOOKS

David Yamane, Keith Roberts, and Jonas Hart, *Religion in Sociological Perspective*, 8th edition (Sage, 2025).

David Yamane, *Gun Curious: A Liberal Professor's Surprising Journey Inside America's Gun Culture* (Exposit Books, 2024).

David Yamane, Editor, *Handbook of Religion and Society* (Boston: Springer, 2016).

David Yamane, *Becoming Catholic: Finding Rome in the American Religious Landscape*. (Oxford University Press, 2014).

David Yamane and Sarah MacMillen, with Kelly Culver, *Real Stories of Christian Initiation: Lessons for and from the RCIA* (Collegeville, MN: The Liturgical Press, 2006).

David Yamane, *The Catholic Church in State Politics: Negotiating Prophetic Demands and Political Realities* (Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 2005).

David Yamane, Editor, *Goodbye Father: The Celibate Male Priesthood and the Future of the Catholic Church*, by Richard A. Schoenherr (New York: Oxford University Press, 2002). *Third Printing: February 2003; Paperback Edition: Summer 2004*

David Yamane, *Student Movements for Multiculturalism: Challenging the Curricular Color Line in Higher Education* (Baltimore, MD: Johns Hopkins University Press, 2001). *Paperback edition: 2002*

REFEREED ARTICLES

David Yamane (2023), "Gun Culture 2.0: Evolution and Contours of Defensive Gun Ownership in America," *The ANNALS of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*, 704:1 (June). DOI: 10.1177/00027162231156292.

David Yamane (2023), "Understanding and Misunderstanding American Gun Culture and Violence," *Journal of Lutheran Ethics*, Volume 23, Issue 2 (April/May).
<https://learn.elca.org/jle/understanding-and-misunderstanding-american-gun-culture-and-violence/>.

David Yamane, Jesse DeDeyne, and Alonso Octavio Aravena Méndez (2020), "Who Are the Liberal Gun Owners?" *Sociological Inquiry*, December 2020. DOI: 10.1111/soin.12406.

David Yamane, Paul Yamane, and Sebastian L. Ivory (2020), "Targeted Advertising: Documenting the emergence of Gun Culture 2.0 in *Guns* magazine, 1955–2019," *Palgrave Communications* 6, Article 61. DOI: 10.1057/s41599-020-0437-0.

David Yamane (2017), "The Sociology of U.S. Gun Culture," *Sociology Compass* 11:7 (July):1-10. DOI: 10.1111/soc4.12497.

- David Yamane (2016), "Awash in a Sea of Faith and Firearms: Rediscovering the Connection between Religion and Gun Ownership in America," *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 55:3 (September):622-36. DOI: 10.1111/jssr.12282.
- David Yamane (2012), "Ritual Initiation in the Contemporary Catholic Church: What Difference Does It Make?" *Review of Religious Research* 54:4 (December):401-20.
- David Yamane (2007), "Beyond Beliefs: Religion and the Sociology of Religion in America." *Social Compass* 54:33-48.
- David Yamane and Elizabeth Oldmixon (2006), "Religion in the Legislative Arena: Affiliation, Salience, Advocacy, and Public Policy-Making." *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 31 (August):433-460.
- David Yamane (2006), "Course Preparation Assignments: A Strategy for Creating Discussion-Based Courses." *Teaching Sociology* 34 (July):236-48.
- David Yamane (2000), "Naked Public Square or Crumbling Wall of Separation? Evidence from Legislative Hearings in Wisconsin." *Review of Religious Research* 42 (December):175-192.
- David Yamane (2000), "Narrative and Religious Experience." *Sociology of Religion* 61 (Summer):171-189.
- David Yamane (1999), "Faith and Access: Personal Religiosity and Religious Group Advocacy in a State Legislature." *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 38 (December):543-50.
- David Yamane (1997), "Secularization on Trial: In Defense of a Neo-Secularization Paradigm." *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 36 (March):107-120.
- David Yamane, (1996), "Collaboration and Its Discontents: Steps Toward Overcoming Barriers to Successful Group Research Projects." *Teaching Sociology* 24 (October):378-83.
- David Yamane and Megan Polzer (1994), "Ways of Seeing Ecstasy in Modern Society: Experiential-Expressive and Cultural-Linguistic Views," *Sociology of Religion* 55 (Spring):1-25. (Reprinted in *Sociology of Religion*, edited by S. Monahan, W. Mirola, and M. Emerson [Prentice-Hall, 2000]; Nominated for Outstanding Article Award, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion).

CHAPTERS, ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES, AND OTHER SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- David Yamane (2026), "Gun Curious: My Journey into Gun Culture and What I Learned," *Smith & Wesson Collectors Association Journal* 60:1 (Spring 2026):8-13.
- David Yamane (2025), "How I Fell for Guns," *Contexts* 24:3 (Summer):68-70.
- Trent Steidley and David Yamane (2021), Special Issue Editors' Introduction: "A Sociology of Firearms for the 21st Century," *Sociological Perspectives* 65 (1):5-11.

<https://doi.org/10.1177%2F07311214211040933>

- David Yamane, Riley Satterwhite, and Paul Yamane (2021), "A Woman's Place in Gun Advertisements: The American Rifleman, 1920-2019," in Craig Hovey and Lisa Fischer, eds., *Understanding America's Gun Culture*, 2nd Edition (Lanham, MD: Lexington Books).
- David Yamane (2021), "Understanding and Misunderstanding America's Gun Culture," in Craig Hovey and Lisa Fischer, eds., *Understanding America's Gun Culture*, 2nd Edition (Lanham, MD: Lexington Books).
- David Yamane (2021), *Concealed Carry Revolution: Liberalizing the Right to Bear Arms in America* (Shades Creek Press).
- David Yamane, Sebastian L. Ivory, and Paul C. Yamane (2019), "The Rise of Self-Defense in Gun Advertising: *The American Rifleman*, 1918-2017," pp. 9-27 in Jennifer Carlson, Kristen Goss, and Harel Shapira, eds., *Gun Studies: Interdisciplinary Approaches to Politics, Policy, and Practice* (New York: Routledge).
- David Yamane (2019), "'The First Rule of Gunfighting is *Have a Gun*': Technologies of Concealed Carry in Gun Culture 2.0," pp. 167-93 in Jonathan Obert, Andrew Poe, and Austin Sarat, eds., *The Lives of Guns* (New York: Oxford University Press).
- David Yamane (2017), "What's Next? Understanding and Misunderstanding America's Gun Culture," pp. 157-68 in Craig Hovey and Lisa Fischer, eds., *Understanding America's Gun Culture* (Lanham, MD: Lexington Books).
- David Yamane (2017), "Sociology of Religion," pp. 297-304 in Kathleen Odell Korgen, ed., *The Cambridge Handbook of Sociology*, Volume 1 (New York: Cambridge University Press). DOI: 10.1017/9781316418376.030
- David Yamane (2016), "Sport," pp. 67-87 in David Yamane, ed., *Handbook of Religion and Society* (New York: Springer).
- David Yamane (2016), "Introduction," pp. 1-7 in David Yamane, ed., *Handbook of Religion and Society* (New York: Springer).
- David Yamane, Charles E. Mellies, and Teresa Blake (2010), "Playing for Whom? Sport, Religion, and the Double-Movement of Secularization in America," pp. 81-94 in Earl Smith, ed., *Sociology of Sport and Social Theory* (Champaign, IL: Human Kinetics).
- David Yamane (2007), "Introduction: *Habits of the Heart* at 20," for a symposium on the 20th anniversary of *Habits of the Heart: Individualism and Commitment in American Life*. *Sociology of Religion* 68(2):179-87.
- David Yamane (2006), "Religious Advocacy in the Wisconsin Statehouse," pp. 151-76 in Edward Cleary, ed., *Representing God at the Statehouse: Religion and Politics in the American States* (Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield).

- David Yamane (2006), "Civil Religion," pp. 506-7 in George Ritzer, ed., *The Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology*, Volume II (Oxford: Blackwell Publishing).
- David Yamane (2004), "Nuevos Pasos Hacia una Sociología de la Experiencia Religiosa: Comprensión del Significado a Través de la Narrativa," pp. 51-72 in José Pérez Vilariño, ed., *Religión y Sociedad en España y los Estados Unidos: Homenaje a Richard A. Schoenherr* (Madrid: Centro de Investigaciones Sociológicas, 2004).
- David Yamane (2002), "Editor's Introduction," pp. xi-xxvi in Richard Schoenherr, *Goodbye Father: The Celibate Male Priesthood and the Future of the Catholic Church*. New York: Oxford University Press.
- David Yamane (1998), "A Sociologist Comments on Sommerville: The Whole is *Less* Than the Sum of Its Parts," *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 37 (June):254-256.
- David Yamane (1997), "Religious Experience," "William James," "Robert N. Bellah," "Pentecostals," "Charismatic Movement," and 10 other entries in William Swatos, Jr., ed., *Encyclopedia of Religion and Society*. Walnut Creek, CA: Alta Mira Press.
- David Yamane (1996), "The Battle of the Books at Berkeley: In Search of the Culture Wars in Debates Over Multiculturalism" in James L. Nolan, Jr., ed., *The American Culture Wars: Current Contests and Future Prospects*. Charlottesville, VA: University Press of Virginia.

MISCELLANEOUS WORKS, OPINIONS, AND OCCASIONAL ESSAYS

- "Guns in America: A Liberal Gun-Ownning Sociologist Offers 5 Observations to Understand America's Culture of Firearms," *The Conversation*, 1 May 2025.
- "Guns are not just for conservative white men," *The Hill*, 9 February 2025.
- "Guns are Normal and Normal People Use Guns," University of Wyoming Firearms Research Center Forum, 14 August 2023.
- "Taking Students to the Range to Learn About Gun Culture Firsthand," *Uncommon Courses, The Conversation*, 26 June 2023.
- "Stand Your Ground laws do not allow you to 'shoot first and ask questions later,'" *The Hill*, 21 April 2023.
- "What We Talk About When We Talk About 'Gun Safety,'" *The BulletPoints Project*, California Firearm Violence Research Center at UC Davis, 18 October 2022.
- "It's Time to Retire the NRA's 'Good Guy with a Gun' Slogan," *Charlotte Observer*, 15 June 2022.
- "Guns are Normal and Normal People Use Guns," *The Reload*, 14 June 2022.

“Kyle Rittenhouse does not represent American gun owners today,” *The Hill*, 23 November 2021.

“Gun Culture 2.0 and the Great Gun-Buying Spree of 2020,” *Discourse*, 2 February 2021.

YouTube Channel “Light Over Heat with Professor David Yamane” (www.lightoverheat.com)
(launched 5 January 2022)

- 2025 statistics: 82 videos posted, 43,084 views
- 2024 statistics: 73 videos posted, 30,309 views
- 2023 statistics: 38 videos posted, 20,672 views
- 2022 statistics: 64 videos posted, 46,021 views

Light Over Heat Substack (lightoverheat.substack.com) (launched 22 February 2025)

- Inception to date (2025): 48 posts, 39,026 views

Principal author of Gun Culture 2.0 blog (www.gunculture2point0.com) (2012-present)

- 2025 statistics: 24 posts published, 13,526 visitors, and 26,967 page views
- 2024 statistics: 115 posts published, 22,346 visitors, and 47,694 page views
- 2023 statistics: 142 posts published, 27,561 visitors, and 52,903 page views
- 2022 statistics: 120 posts published, 25,919 visitors, and 56,116 page views
- 2021 statistics: 124 posts published, 42,095 visitors, and 78,509 page views
- 2020 statistics: 133 posts published, 68,134 visitors, and 168,966 page views
- 2019 statistics: 99 posts published, 64,666 visitors, and 196,285 page views
- 2018 statistics: 126 posts published, 117,301 visitors, and 197,568 page views
- 2017 statistics: 170 posts published, 79,007 visitors, and 151,354 page views
- 2016 statistics: 107 posts published, 43,507 visitors, and 79,171 page views
- Lifetime statistics (through December 31, 2025): 1,380 posts published, 587,469 visitors, and 1,203,623 page views since inception.

Principal author of Gun Curious blog (www.guncurious.com) (2019-2023)

- 2024: Discontinued and folded into Gun Culture 2.0 blog
- 2023 statistics: 66 posts published, 9,273 visitors, and 17,360 page views.
- 2022 statistics: 81 posts published, 13,193 visitors, and 24,535 page views.
- 2021 statistics: 67 posts published, 19,983 visitors, and 34,548 page views.
- 2020 statistics: 76 posts published, 19,915 visitors, and 34,824 page views.
- 2019 statistics: 37 posts published, 12,318 visitors, and 21,401 page views.
- Lifetime statistics (through December 31, 2023): 328 posts published, 74,684 visitors, and 132,714 page views since inception.

“On Race, Victimization, and Gun Violence,” *Winston-Salem Journal*, 6 February 2018.

“Understanding the Social Life of Guns,” *American Sociological Association Medical Sociology Section Newsletter* 54 (Winter 2018):7.

- "Initiation into America's Original Megachurch," "Reinventing Rites of Passage in Contemporary America," and "Easter Rite of Initiation Bring Good News for American Catholics," OUPblog (blog.oup.com), April 18-20, 2014.
- "Thoughts on Teaching on the Occasion of Publishing a Sociology of Religion Textbook, or *Textbook Pedagogy*," *American Sociological Association Religion Section Newsletter* 12 (Summer 2011):6.
- "Representing Catholicism in the Statehouses," *American Catholic Studies Newsletter* 31 (Spring 2004):1, 7-10. (Published by the Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism, University of Notre Dame.)
- "Review of *The Transformation of American Religion: How We Actually Live Our Faith* by Alan Wolfe," *Commonweal* (7 November 2003):36-38.
- "Non-Hispanic Catholics in the 2004 Election," *Religion in the News* 6 (Fall 2003, Supplement): 5, 17. (Published by the Leonard E. Greenberg Center for the Study of Religion in Public Life, Trinity College, CT.)
- "The Bishops and Politics," *Commonweal* (23 May 2003): 17-20.
- "Where Angels Fear to Tread: Richard Schoenherr (1935-1996)," with Elizabeth Park. *The American Sociologist* 28 (Spring 1997):136-142.
- "Life as a Seamless Garment: Richard Schoenherr (1935-1996)," with Elizabeth Park. *Sociology of Religion* 57 (Fall 1996):319-21.
- "Professional Socialization for What?" *American Sociological Association Footnotes* (March 1994):7.
- "The View from Below: A Student's Response to *Profscam*," *Teaching Sociology* 22 (January 1994):81-86; and "Reply to Scheff," *Teaching Sociology* 23 (January 1995):54-55.
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RESEARCH FUNDING

- 2024 *Faculty Development Grants*, from the Gale Family Faculty Fund and Lloyd E. Bryant Faculty Fund at Wake Forest University for study of guns in America (\$4,332).
- 2020 *Supplemental Research Grant*, from the Louisville Institute to study safety and security in communities of faith (\$7,590).
- 2018 *Research Grant*, from the Louisville Institute to study safety and security in communities of faith (\$44,997).
- 2012 *Research Grant*, from Wake Forest University Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences Research Fund, to study the new American gun culture, especially new gun owners and concealed carry license holders (\$10,000).
- 2008 *Research Grant*, from The Teagle Foundation's RFP on "Controversial Conversations/The Religious Engagements of Today's Undergraduates," to study the connections between the religious, intellectual, and social engagements of undergraduates

- (\$3,500).
- 2004 *Conference Grant*, from the Valparaiso Project on the Education and Formation of People in Faith (\$8,345) and the John S. Marten Program in Homiletics and Liturgics (\$2,000), to hold a workshop at the University of Notre Dame on the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
- 2004 *Travel Grant*, from the Francis M. Kobayashi Research Travel Program to support research on religious lobbying in Wisconsin (\$1,000)
- 2003 *Research Grant*, from the Kaneb Center for Teaching and Learning Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Program at the University of Notre Dame, to study whether a discussion-based Introduction to Sociology course produces more desirable student outcomes than a traditional lecture course (\$5,000)
- 2002 *Postdoctoral Fellowship*, from the University of Virginia, Center on Religion and Democracy, to study the role of Conferences of Catholic Bishops in state legislative politics (\$35,000)
- 2001 *Research Grant*, from the Louisville Institute for the Study of American Religion, to study "Becoming Catholic: Ritual and Experience in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults" (\$49,670)
- 2001 *Research Grant*, from the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, to study conversion to the Roman Catholic Church through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (\$2,000)
- 2001 *Research Grant*, from the Religious Research Association, to study conversion to the Roman Catholic Church through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (\$1,000)
- 2001 *Travel Grant*, from the Francis M. Kobayashi Research Travel Program to support research on the role of Conferences of Catholic Bishops in state legislative politics (\$979)
- 2000 *Pilot Funds for Faculty-Student Research Teams in the Social Sciences*, from the University of Notre Dame Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts, to facilitate the development of a longitudinal study of conversion to the Roman Catholic Church through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (\$10,920)
- 2000 *Research Materials Grant*, from the University of Notre Dame Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts, to pay for indexing of *Student Movements for Multiculturalism: Challenging the Curricular Color Line in Higher Education* (\$750)
- 1999 *Research Grant*, from the University of Notre Dame Graduate School Office of Research Faculty Research Program, to facilitate the development of a longitudinal study of conversion to the Roman Catholic Church through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (\$7,500)
- 1999 *Travel Grant*, from the University of Notre Dame Graduate School Office of Research Francis M. Kobayashi Research Travel Program to support research for book, *Challenging the Curricular Color Line: Student Movements for Multiculturalism in Higher Education* (\$500)
- 1997 *Research Grant*, from the Archdiocese of Milwaukee Supporting Fund to study "Family Life Under Wisconsin Works (W-2)," on behalf of the Wisconsin Catholic Conference and Catholic Charities of Milwaukee (\$35,000)
- 1997 *Dissertation Fellowship*, from the Louisville Institute for the Study of American Religion to study "Religious Advocacy in Secular Society" (\$14,000)

1996 *Research Grant*, from the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion to conduct a survey of the Wisconsin State Legislature (\$2,000)

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2019 *National Research Fellow*, Center for the Study of Religion and American Culture, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis.
- 2015 *Catholic Press Association Award*, First Place, M21: Best Review, "Book Review Symposium – Young Catholic America."
- 2014 *Writing Associates Seminar*, Wake Forest University
- 2012 *Academic Community Engagement (ACE) Fellow*, Wake Forest University
- 2010 *Apple Pie Professor*, Delta Delta Delta Sorority, Wake Forest University
- 2007 *Kulynych Family Omicron Delta Kappa Award for Outstanding Contribution to Student Life* at Wake Forest University
- 2006 *Course Development Grant*, from the Lilly Vocation Initiative at Wake Forest University to develop a First Year Seminar on "the sociology of vocation"
- 2003-2004 *Young Scholar in American Religion*, Center for the Study of Religion and American Culture, Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis
- 2003-2004 *Faculty Seminar on Catholic Social Teaching*, Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts, University of Notre Dame
- 2002 *Faculty Fellowship*, Notre Dame Vocation Initiative, to develop a course on "Sociology of/as Vocation"
- 2001 *Summer Fellowship*, Pew Seminar in Christian Scholarship on "Morality, Culture, and the Power of Religion in Social Life" led by Christian Smith, Calvin College, Grand Rapids, Michigan
- 1997 *Award for Excellence in Teaching by a Lecturer*, Department of Sociology, University of Wisconsin at Madison
- 1995 *Graduate Fellow*, Collegium Institute on Faith and Intellectual Life, Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles, California
- 1991-1994 *Minority Graduate Fellowship*, American Sociological Association, Minority Affairs Program
- 1991-1992 *William Exum Minority Scholar*, Midwest Sociological Society
- 1990 *Minority Undergraduate Fellowship*, American Sociological Association, Minority Opportunity Summer Training (MOST) Program

- 1990 *Phi Beta Kappa*, Alpha chapter of California, University of California at Berkeley
- 1989 *Edward Booth and Berkeley Opportunity Scholarships*, University of California at Berkeley
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INVITED ACTIVITIES

- Invited Speaker*, “Escaping the Gun Debate Trap,” TEDxWakeForestU, 22 March 2026.
- Invited Speaker*, “Five Essential Observations on Guns in America,” Department of Family Medicine and Community Health, University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health” (virtual), 19 February 2026.
- Expert Panelist*, “Bridging the Divide: Bringing Gun Owners and Non-Gun Owners Together to Create an Actionable Roadmap to Prevent Gun Violence,” Tufts University Clinical and Translational Science Institute, December 2024-November 2025.
- Keynote Panelist*, “Shared Targets: Supporting Collaboration across Gun Experts and Firearms Researchers” Symposium, Center for the Study of Guns in Society, Arizona State University, 18 November 2025.
- Keynote Speaker*, “Guns in America: A Civil Conversation in Uncivil Times,” California Rifle & Pistol Association, San Luis Obispo Chapter, Atascadero, CA, 26 June 2025.
- Keynote Speaker*, “Gun Curious: My Journey Into Gun Culture and What I Learned,” Smith & Wesson Collectors Association National Conference, Concord, NC, 12 June 2025.
- Invited Panelist*, “A Gun is Not Fun: Strategies to Keep Children Safe from Gun Violence,” Wake Forest Center for Literacy Education, 24 March 2025.
- Invited Speaker*, “Five Essential Observations on Guns in America,” Brady United Team ENOUGH California Youth Advocacy Training Program webinar, 23 March 2025.
- Invited Speaker*, On Target Seminar Series, University of Connecticut ARMS (Advancing Research, Methods, and Scholarship in Gun Injury Prevention) Center, 11 February 2025.
- Keynote Panelist*, “Bridging Gun Divides, Elevating the Gun Debate” Symposium, Center for the Study of Guns in Society, Arizona State University, 30 January 2025.
- Keynote Speaker*, “The Agony (and Ecstasy) of Liberal Gun Ownership,” Liberal Gun Club National Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada, 19 October 2024.
- Invited Speaker*, “The Wicked Problem of Gun Violence,” Batten School of Leadership and Public Policy, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia, 10 October 2024.
- Invited Speaker*, “Gun Curious: A Liberal Professor’s Surprising Journey Inside America’s Gun Culture,” Delaware Firearms Law Seminar, Wilmington, Delaware, 8 October 2024.

Social Distance Learning Conversation on Gun Curious, The Liberal Gun Club, online, 20 June 2024.

Lunch Speaker, "What the Professor Learned in His Surprising Journey Inside Gun Culture," National Firearms Law Seminar, Dallas, TX, 17 May 2024.

Invited Panelist, "Conversations on Controversial Issues moderated by Clay Jenkinson: Gun Violence in America," Vail Symposium, Vail, Colorado, 13 June 2023.

Workshop Presenter, "Law: Liberalizing the Right to Bear Arms," 5th Annual Works-in-Progress Workshop, Duke Center for Firearms Law and University of Wyoming Firearms Research Center, Fort Worth, Texas, 7-8 June 2023.

Invited Speaker, "Understanding and Misunderstanding American Gun Culture and Violence," Lutheran Ethicist Network annual meeting, Chicago, Illinois, 5 January 2023.

Workshop Member, "The Ethics, Law, and Social Science of Firearms and Self-Defense," Saint Anselm College, Manchester, New Hampshire, 11-13 November 2022.

Invited Panelist, Deseret News Elevate Panel on "Gun Violence in America – Moving Beyond Partisanship," Salt Lake City, Utah, 18 October 2022.

Presentation on Gun Culture 2.0 and the Changing Face of Gun Owners in America, Outdoor Writers Association of America Annual Conference, Jay, Vermont, 6 October 2021.

Invited Webinar Panelist, "Race and Guns in America: A Conversation about Black Gun Ownership," Wake Forest University Law School (online), 31 July 2021.

Invited Panelist, "Guns in Crisis: Gun Culture, Gun Violence, and Coronavirus," University of Arizona (online), 23 March 2021.

Guest Expert, "COVID & Guns: A Conversation with David Yamane," Duke Center for Firearms Law (online), 5 June 2020.

Presentation on Gun Culture, Wake Forest University College Students for the Brady Campaign, 19 March 2020.

Lunch Speaker, "Gun Culture 2.0," National Firearms Law Seminar, Indianapolis, IN, 26 April 2019.

Moderator, "Enough: Speaker Panel on Gun Violence Prevention," Presented by College Students for Brady Wake Forest Chapter, 16 April 2019.

Guest Panelist, "The Source," live call-in program on Texas Public Radio, 14 November 2018.

Facilitator of "Deep Talk" on gun violence, Wake Forest University Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Delta Week, 12 April 2018.

Presentation on Gun Culture, Wake Forest University College Students for the Brady Campaign, 10 April

2018.

Gun Studies Symposium Presenter, "The Rise of Self-Defense in Gun Advertising: *The American Rifleman*, 1918-2017," University of Arizona, Tucson, October 20, 2017.

The Copeland Colloquium on "The Symbolic and Material Construction of Guns" Presenter, "'The First Rule of Gunfighting is *Have a Gun*': Technologies of Concealed Carry in Gun Culture 2.0," Amherst College, Amherst, MA, March 3-4, 2017.

Deitchman Family Lectures on Religion and Modernity, "Becoming Catholic," College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, MA, October 23, 2014.

Community Workshop Presentation, "Gun Violence as a Health Disparity," Goodwill Industries, Winston-Salem, NC, October 27, 2014.

Keynote Address, "Catholicism Today and Tomorrow: Reflecting and Refracting Social Change in American Society over the Past 50 (or so) Years," St. Edward's Catholic Church, Bloomington, MN, October 2010.

Distinguished Scholarly Book Award Selection Committee, American Sociological Association (2008-2010, committee chair in 2010).

First Book Minority Fellowship Reviewer, Louisville Institute for the Study of American Religion, 2005.

Program Chair, Annual Meeting of the Association for the Sociology of Religion, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, August 12-14, 2005.

Becoming Catholic: Finding Rome in the American Spiritual Marketplace, Hesburgh Lectures to the Notre Dame Club of the Mid-Hudson Valley, New York (13 May 2004) and the Notre Dame Club of Marion, Indiana (26 May 2004).

Law & . . . An Interdisciplinary Colloquium Series, Presenter on "Liberally Clothing the Naked Public Square," University of Notre Dame Law School, 14 April 2004.

The Sociological Imagination: Past, Present, and Future, Invited respondent to a presentation by Professor Delores Aldridge at the colloquium on the 55th anniversary of the founding of the sociology department, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana, 30 October 2003.

Catholics in the 2004 Election, Presentation at a conference for journalists sponsored by the Greenberg Center for the Study of Religion and Public Life at Trinity College and the Bliss Institute of Applied Politics at the University of Akron, Trinity College, Hartford, Connecticut, 15 September 2003.

Fashioning Faith with Scholarship in Sociological Research, Presenter on the role of faith in my academic work, Calvin College, Grand Rapids, Michigan, 25 July 2003.

Consultation on Public Square Implications of Sexual Abuse Scandal, Presenter on the legislative consequences of the scandal, The Pew Forum on Religion and Public Life, The Brookings

Institution, Washington, D.C., 13 May 2003.

Garbage Cans and Tenure Tracks, Presentation on the Academic Job Market at University of Virginia, Institute for the Advanced Study of Culture, 20 February 2003.

Louisville Institute for the Study of American Religion Winter Seminar, outside evaluator, Louisville, Kentucky, January 18-20, 2002.

Lilly Endowment (Religion Division) Consultation on "Christian Faith and Life," Indianapolis, Indiana, November 8-9, 2001.

Commonweal Colloquium on "American Catholics in the Public Square," Discussant on the role of conferences of Catholic bishops in state-level politics, New York, New York, October 27-29, 2000.

Negotiating the Prophetic and the Political: Reflections on Faith-Based Public Policy Advocacy in Wisconsin. Keynote Address to the Wisconsin Interfaith IMPACT 20th Anniversary Year Consultation on Faith-Based Public Policy Work in Wisconsin, 12 November 1998.

Do Churches Represent Their Flocks? Presentation to the Wisconsin Catholic Conference Policy Advisory Group, Madison, Wisconsin, 29 October 1996.

BOOK REVIEWS

Review of *Outgunned No More: The New Era of Firearms Industry Accountability* by Linda S. Mullenix, *CHOICE* 63:11 (July 2026).

Review of *Unforgiving Places: The Unexpected Origins of American Gun Violence* by Jens Ludwig, *CHOICE* 62:7 (December 2025).

Review of *Gunlore: Firearms, Folkways, and Communities*, edited by Robert Glenn Howard and Eric A. Eliason, *CHOICE* 62:7 (March 2025).

Review of *Gun Rights Activists and the US Culture War: Embodied Fantasies of the Ethical Warrior in Contemporary Gun Culture* by Joe Anderson, *CHOICE* 62:3 (November 2024).

Review of *Race, Rights, and Rifles: The Origins of the NRA and Contemporary Gun Culture* by Alexandra Filindra, *CHOICE* 62:1 (September 2024).

Review of *Policing Gun Violence: Strategic Reforms for Controlling Our Most Pressing Crime Problem*, by Anthony A. Braga and Philip J. Cook, *CHOICE* 61:8 (April 2024).

Review of *The Gun Dilemma: How History is Against Expanded Gun Rights* by Robert J. Spitzer, *CHOICE* 61:4 (December 2023).

Review of *American Gun: The True Story of the AR-15* by Cameron McWhirter and Zusha Elinson,

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- On Democrats who own guns, *France Télévisions* (8 November 2024)
- On guns in the 2024 election, *20 Minutes* (21 October 2024)
- On bullet vending machines, *Slate* (12 August 2024)
- On defensive gun ownership, *CNN.com* (25 July 2024)
- On *Gun Curious*, *Gun Owners Radio* (21 July 2024)
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- On *Gun Curious*, *WSJS Radio*, Winston-Salem (4 June 2024)
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- On *Gun Curious*, *FM Talk 1065*, Mobile, Alabama (24 May 2024)
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- On LGBTQ+ gun owners, *The Washingtonian* (29 February 2024)
- On American gun culture, *Spectrum News 1* (13 December 2023)
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- On gun control legislation in Congress, *WXII Winston-Salem* (22 June 2022)
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- On pandemic gun-buying profits, *Rolling Stone* (27 May 2022)
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- On concealed carry licenses in Philadelphia, *Philadelphia Magazine* (16 March 2022)
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- On permitless carry, *Houston Chronicle* (21 January 2022)
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- On Kyle Rittenhouse, *The Associated Press* (14 November 2021)
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- Militarization of gun advertising, *NBCNews.com* (30 March 2019)
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- Gun ownership, *GunBlog VarietyCast Radio* (12 November 2017)
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- Gun culture on WFDD, Winston-Salem (6 October 2017)
- The gun lobby in *Le Monde*, Paris (25 July 2017)
- Road rage and guns in *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* (21 July 2017)
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- "Constitutional Carry" in *The Trace* (8 February 2017)
- Religion and gun ownership in *iTech Post* (18 January 2017)
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- North Carolina gun laws on WFDD, Winston-Salem (16 December 2015)
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- Mass shootings on WXII, Winston-Salem (4 December 2015)
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- Gun violence as a health disparity in *The Chronicle of Winston-Salem* (6 November 2014)
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- Resignation of Pope Benedict on WGHP TV (12 February 2013)
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- Catholic lobbying in Georgia in *The Georgia Bulletin* (2 April 2009)
- The American Religious Identity Survey in *Religion Dispatches* (17 March 2009) and *Boston Globe* (26 April 2009)
- Catholic priest shortage in *South Florida Sun-Sentinel* (11 August 2008)
- Catholic conversion in *U.S. Catholic* (December 2006)
- Catholic seminarians in the *Allentown Morning Call* (22 October 2006)
- *The Da Vinci Code* in the *Winston-Salem Journal* (19 May 2006)
- Scientists and spirituality in *Science and Theology News* (November 2005)
- Married and women priests, WLAD radio, Danbury, Connecticut (3 May 2005)
- Papal succession on the Morning Mess, WEKZ radio, Green County, Wisconsin (2 May 2005)
- Priestly celibacy on the Tony Booth Show, WCHV radio, Charlottesville, Virginia (26 April 2005)
- The implications of the priest shortage in the *Washington Post* (10 April 2005)
- The death of Pope John Paul II in the *Winston-Salem Journal* (2 April 2005)
- Religion in public life in the *Anderson Independent Mail* (26 February 2005)
- Religion and voting in the *Worcester Telegram & Gazette* (10 September 2004)
- Religion in the 2004 election on the Ben Merens show, Wisconsin Public Radio (24 December 2003)
- Religion and voting in the *Worcester Telegram & Gazette* (17 September 2003)
- The priest shortage for an AP wire story (14 May 2003)
- The priest sexual abuse scandal in the *Boston Herald* (10 March 2003)
- Religious lobbying in the *Austin American-Statesman* (3 February 2003)
- The Catholic priesthood in the *Allentown Morning Call* (21 October 2002)
- The future of the priesthood in *Notre Dame Magazine* (Autumn 2002)
- Priestly celibacy in the *Detroit Free Press* (20 April 2002)
- Title IX in the *South Bend Tribune* (25 March 2001)
- Christian initiation in the *National Catholic Reporter* (10 November 2000)
- Charismatic churches in the *Virginian-Pilot* (27 September 1999)

PODCASTS AND VLOGS

- "Researching Guns at ASU," with Margaret Kelley and John Correia, Active Self Protection Extra (1 April 2026).
- Bridging the Divide on Gun Rights and Public Safety on The Michael Dukes Show (13 March 2026)
- "Can the Divide Between 2A and Gun Control Advocates be Bridged?" on Bearing Arms' Cam & Co. (11 March 2026)

- Gun Curious and American Gun Culture on The Michael Dukes Show (25 July 2026)
- 2025 National Rifle Association annual meeting experience with Rob Beckman of The Firearms Trainer's podcast (14 May 2025).
- "Exploring Gun Culture and Executive Power" with Mike and Alex Ooley of The Forge of Freedom (9 May 2025).
- On responsible gun ownership with Alex Ooley, Forge of Freedom podcast (3 March 2025)
- Being liberal and a gun owner with Mike and Keith of The Gun Experiment (10 December 2024)
- "Guns Unpacked" with Jennifer Carlson, Arizona State University BRIDGS Center (1 December 2024)
- 3-part series on *Gun Curious*, with Randy Miyan, Liberal Gun Owners Lens podcast (15-17 November 2024)
- Conversation about Gun Curious with Chris Dover of Clovertac Podcast (23 September 2024)
- Conversation about Gun Curious with Rob Beckman on The Firearms Trainer's Podcast (7 August 2024)
- David Yamane is Gun Curious: The Annex Sociology Podcast (29 July 2024)
- Conversation with Charlie Cook of Riding Shotgun with Charlie and Matt Mallory of Meet the Pressers (3 July 2024)
- On Episode #150 of Gunday Brunch with Caleb Giddings (16 June 2024)
- Exploring Gun Culture with David Yamane: Outdoor Crusade (6 June 2024)
- Gun Curious with Dr. David Yamane: Armed Citizens Legal Defense Network (30 May 2024)
- "Gun Curious" Author Offers Liberal Support for Gun Ownership: Cam & Co. (28 May 2024)
- Gun Curious: Bourbon and Barrels' Podcast (26 May 2024)
- Gun Curious with David Yamane: Gun Freedom Radio (24 May 2024)
- Gun Curious: The Best Part of the Book with Mark Perzel (24 May 2024)
- Gun Curious with David Yamane: Guns and Mental Health by Walk the Talk America (17 May 2024)
- Bridging the Divide in the Gun Debate with David Yamane: A Better Way 2A (10 May 2024)
- Is a world without firearms conceivable? Without podcast with Omar El Akkad (10 April 2024)
- On contemporary gun culture: EDC: Everyday Conversations podcast with Mekkos Beech (25 September 2023)
- On understanding guns and gun violence in America: "Listening to America," with public historian Clay Jenkinson (36 minutes into this hour-long podcast released on 29 May 2023)
- Fixing U.S. gun culture in the age of NRA dominance, The Chuck ToddCast: Meet the Press (21 April 2023)
- Violence in the Asian American Community, Liberal Gun Owners Lens (8-10 April 2023)
- On Sociology of Guns and hopes for better conversations in the future: Talking About Guns by 97Percent (23 February 2023)
- On every aspect of my work on guns: The Republican Professor podcast (28 December 2022).
- On guns and gun culture: Guns and Mental Health by Walk the Talk America (28 April 2022).
- On the Sociology of Guns: Arthuria Community podcast with Walt Anderson (25 April 2022).
- On shifting from studying religion to guns and gun culture: "The Reverend Hunter" podcast with Tony Jones (8 April 2022).
- 3-part series on the Liberal Gun Owners Lens Podcast with Randy Miyan, including my academic work (19 March 2022), my Sociology of Guns course at Wake Forest University (21 March 2022), and liberal bias in academia (especially with respect to guns) (23 March 2022).
- On the gun curious and Gun Culture 2.0: "One Thing or Another" podcast with Mark McNease (16 February 2022).
- On Gun Culture 2.0: "History Unloaded" podcast of the Cody Firearms Museum (27 August

2021)

- On the spread of gun carry in America: The Reload Podcast (13 August 2021)
- The liberalization of concealed carry: Ballistic Radio (11 August 2021)
- On Gun Culture 2.0, "Red, Blue, and Brady" podcast of Brady United (6 August 2021)
- On concealed carry revolution: Coffee with Rich (19 July 2021)
- On American gun culture: Black in Appalachia (3 July 2021)
- On Gun Culture 2.0 and the Great Gun Buying Spree of 2020: Policy Punchline (2 February 2021)
- Growing gun culture with better communication: Minnesota Gun Owners Caucus LIVE! (Episode 19, 18 November 2020)
- On advancing the conversation about guns: "American Diagnosis" with Dr. Celine Gounder (Season 3, Episode 36, 13 February 2020)
- Gun advertising and religion: Ballistic Radio (Episode #312, 1 February 2020)
- John Murphy of FPF Training: Civilian Carry Radio (Episode 100, 29 June 2019)
- Gun Culture 2.0: "In Sickness and In Health" with Dr. Celine Gounder (Season 3, Episode 4, 8 November 2018)
- Gun Culture 2.0: Practically Tactical (YouTube video, 29 March 2018)
- Gun Culture 2.0: Ballistic Radio (Episode #240, 4 February 2018)
- The evolution of gun culture and gun training: Handgun World Podcast, co-host with Karl Rehn (Episode #445, 7 January 2018).
- Gun Culture 2.0: Gun Blog VarietyCast (Episode #169, 12 November 2017)
- Religion and gun ownership: Polite Society Podcast (Episode #401, 19 February 2017)
- Gun Culture 2.0: Polite Society Podcast (Episode #322, 4 April 2015)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2026 "American Gun Culture in a Different Mirror," paper presented at Second Annual Guns in Society Symposium, Arizona State University, Phoenix, Arizona, 27 February.
- 2022 "Gun Culture 2.0: Roots, Contours, and Consequences of Defensive Gun Ownership in America," paper presented at ANNALS of the American Academy of Political and Social Sciences special issue authors workshop, University of Connecticut, Hartford, 6-7 April.
- 2019 "Armoring the Religious Body: Defending Against Gun Violence in U.S. Communities of Faith" (with Katie Day), paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, California.
- 2019 "Targeted Advertising: Documenting the Emergence of Gun Culture 2.0 in *Guns* Magazine, 1955-2019" (with Paul Yamane and Sebastian L. Ivory), paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, California.
- 2018 "Body Armor? Constructing Safety and Security in Communities of Faith," paper presented (with Katie Day) at the annual meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Las Vegas, Nevada.
- 2017 Commentator on Jennifer Carlson's *Citizen-Protectors: The Everyday Politics of Guns in an Age*

of Decline, author-meets-critics session at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, Montreal, Canada.

- 2015 "Loaded with Fear, Armed with a Cure: The Rise of Self-Defense in Gun Advertising, 1955-2015," paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Washington, DC.
- 2015 "'Praise the Lord and Pass the Ammunition': Religion and Gun Ownership," paper presented with Scott Desmond and Christopher Bader at the annual meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Newport Beach, California.
- 2014 "Clinging to Guns and Religion? Exploring the Connection between Firearms and Faith in America," paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, California.
- 2014 "Clinging to Guns and Religion? Exploring the Connection between Firearms and Faith in America," paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Indianapolis, Indiana.
- 2012 Presenter on "Religion, Sport, and Ethnographic Contests," at the annual meeting of the Pacific Sociological Association, San Diego, California.
- 2009 Invited presenter on "Mundane Conversion as Moral Action," at international conference on "Religion, Spirituality, and Everyday Practice," Italian Sociological Association – Section on the Sociology of Religion and Association for the Sociology of Religion, Assisi, Italy.
- 2009 "Becoming Catholic: Finding Rome in the American Spiritual Marketplace," paper presented at the annual meeting of the Association for the Sociology of Religion," San Francisco, California.
- 2008 Presenter at the Student Forum Professional Workshop, "Demystifying the Publication Process Part II: Editors of Sociology Journals Speak with Students," annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, Boston, Massachusetts.
- 2007 Invited presenter in a didactic session on teaching sociology of religion at the annual meeting of the Association for the Sociology of Religion, New York, New York.
- 2006 Invited presenter in a didactic session on publishing journal articles at the annual meeting of the Association for the Sociology of Religion, Montreal, Canada.
- 2005 Respondent on *The Catholic Church in State Politics: Negotiating Prophetic Demands and Political Realities*, author-meets-critics session at the annual meeting of the Association for the Sociology of Religion in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- 2004 Commentator on Ruth Wallace's *They Call Him Pastor: Married Men in Charge of Catholic Parishes*, author-meets-critics session at the annual meeting of the Association for the

Sociology of Religion in San Francisco, California.

- 2004 Invited presenter on "Religious Advocacy in the Wisconsin Statehouse," at the Symposium on Religion and Politics, The Henry Institute, Calvin College, Grand Rapids, Michigan.
- 2004 "Becoming Catholic: Ritual and Experience in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults," paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion in Salt Lake City, Utah (with Sarah MacMillen).
- 2001 "Affiliation, Salience, Advocacy: Three Religious Factors in the Making of Public Policy," paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association in Anaheim, California.
- 1999 "Negotiating the Prophetic and Political: Faith-Based Political Advocacy in Wisconsin," paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association in Chicago, Illinois.
- 1999 "Faith and Access: Personal Religiosity and Religious Group Advocacy in a State Legislature," paper presented at the annual meeting of the Association for the Sociology of Religion in Chicago, Illinois.
- 1997 "Beyond the Secularization Debates: A Positive Heuristic for Neo-Secularization Theory," paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association in Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
- 1997 "Religion in the Statehouse: A Statistical Portrait," paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association in Toronto, Ontario, Canada (with Jessica Adler, Jose Luna, Anne C. Mentkowski, Sarah Peterson, and Christopher J. Thiel).
- 1997 "Secular Constraints on Religious Legitimations in a Public Arena: The Case of Legislative Hearings in Wisconsin," paper presented at the annual meeting of the Association for the Sociology of Religion in Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
- 1995 "A Liberal Communitarian Defense of Basic Income," paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association in Washington, D.C. (with Christopher H. Fasnacht).
- 1994 Invited presenter on "Theory in the Experience of Students," at the American Sociological Association Section on Theoretical Sociology Conference on "Practicing Theory" in San Diego, California.
- 1993 "Challenging the Curricular Color Line: Movements for Ethnic Studies Requirements at UC-Berkeley and UW-Madison," paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association in Miami, Florida.

- 1992 "Narrative and Religious Experience: A First Approximation," paper presented at the annual meeting of the Religious Research Association in Washington, D.C.
- 1992 "Ways of Seeing Religious Organization and Religious Experience," paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion in Washington, D.C.
- 1992 "The Melting Pot, the Color Line, and the Tossed Salad: Competing Discourses in the Racial (Re)Construction of Society," paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- 1992 "Ways of Seeing Religious Organization and Religious Experience," paper presented at the annual meeting of the Association for the Sociology of Religion in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- 1990 "Collective Resistance in Japanese Detention Centers in World War II America," paper presented at the annual meeting of the California Sociological Association in Carson, California.
- 1990 "From Bensonhurst to Berkeley: American Racial Attitudes, 1972-1982," paper presented at the 17th Annual Western Anthropology/Sociology Undergraduate Research Conference in Santa Clara, California.

TEACHING/COURSE AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

- Leadership and Character Course Development and Redesign Workshop (Summer 2025)
- Teacher-Scholar Forum, Center for the Advancement of Teaching, Wake Forest University (April 2025)
- Writing Associates Seminar, Wake Forest University (Spring 2014)
- ACE Fellows Program, Wake Forest University (2011-2012)
- Leadership Development Program, Wake Forest University (2009-2010)
- Managing Conflict, American Council on Education, Chicago, IL (July 12-14, 2009)
- Chairing the Academic Department, American Council on Education, San Diego, CA (February 18-20, 2009)

COURSES TAUGHT (ON LEAVE: FALL 2001, 2002-2003, SPRING 2007, FALL 2013, SPRING 2021)

- Catholicism in Contemporary America* (Notre Dame: Spring 2004, Fall 2003)

Sociological Theory (Wake Forest: Spring 2020, Fall 2018, Spring 2017, Spring 2016, Spring 2015, Spring 2014, Spring 2013, Spring 2012, Fall 2010; Notre Dame: Fall 2000, Spring 2000, Fall 1999)

Introduction to Sociology (Wake Forest: Fall 2026, Summer 2026, Spring 2026, Fall 2025, Summer 2025, Spring 2025, Fall 2024, Summer 2024, Spring 2024, Fall 2023, Summer 2023, Spring 2023, Summer 2022, Spring 2022, Summer 2021, Fall 2020, Summer 2020, Spring 2020, Fall 2019, Spring 2018, Fall 2018, Summer 2018, Spring 2018, Fall 2017, Fall 2016, Spring 2016, Fall 2015, Spring 2015, Fall 2014, Spring 2013, Spring 2011, Spring 2010, Fall 2009, Spring 2009, Summer 2008, Spring 2008, Spring 2006, Fall 2005, Spring 2005; Notre Dame: Spring 2004, Fall 2003, Spring 2001, Spring 2000, Spring 1999, Fall 1998)

Research Practicum: The Sociology of Conversion (Notre Dame: Fall 2000)

Sociology of Guns (Wake Forest: Fall 2026, Fall 2024, Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021, Fall 2020, Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017, Fall 2016, Fall 2015)

Sociology of Religion (Wake Forest: Fall 2017, Fall 2016, Fall 2014, Fall 2012, Fall 2011, Spring 2010, Fall 2008, Spring 2008, Fall 2006, Spring 2006, Fall 2005, Spring 2005; Wake Forest Divinity School: Summer 2006; Notre Dame: Spring 2002, Spring 2001)

Sociology of Sport (Wake Forest: Summer 2016, Summer 2015, Summer 2014, Summer 2013, Fall 2012, Summer 2012)

Sociology of Vocation (Wake Forest: Fall 2008, Fall 2007, Fall 2006; Notre Dame: Fall 2004)

University Seminar: Multiculturalism in Higher Education (Notre Dame: Spring 1999)

STUDENTS SUPERVISED

Senior Honors Theses:

Riley Satterwhite, 2020 (Chair)
Meghan Bayne, 2018 (Chair)
Eleni Angelides, 2015 (Chair)
Elizabeth Puett, 2015 (Chair)
Erin Hellman, 2014 (Chair)
Chelsea Ruskoski, 2012 (Chair)
Lauren Wright, 2010 (Chair)
Elizabeth Perkins, 2009 (Chair)
Kayla Landers, 2008 (Chair)
Teresa Blake, 2008 (Chair)
Emily Culp, 2005

Master's Thesis/Project Committees:

Emily Simpson, Psychology, Wake Forest University, completed 2014
Merry Placer, Master of Arts in Liberal Studies, Wake Forest University, completed 2009

Jerod Patterson, Master of Divinity, Wake Forest University, completed 2008
Erin Weeks, Master of Arts in Liberal Studies, Wake Forest University, completed 2008
Brandn Green, Master of Divinity, Wake Forest University, completed 2008
Matthew Loveland, Sociology, University of Notre Dame, completed 2001
Sarah MacMillen, Sociology, University of Notre Dame, completed 2002
Jamie McClintock, Sociology, University of Notre Dame, completed 2001

Doctoral Dissertation Committees:

Courtney Slavin, History, Clark University, completed 2026
Callie Cleckner, Sociology, Indiana University-Bloomington, completed 2025
Sarah MacMillen, Sociology, University of Notre Dame, completed 2007
Jason Maki, Sociology, University of Notre Dame, completed 2004
Jerry Park, Sociology, University of Notre Dame, completed 2004
Yuri Chumakov, Sociology, University of Notre Dame, completed 2003
Neal Christopherson, Sociology, University of Notre Dame, completed 2000

Scholarship Recipients:

Laiyi Fan, Wake Forest Research Fellowship (2024)
Alyssa Klier, Wake Forest Research Fellowship (2020)
Kayla Landers, Pro Humanitate Scholar (Ghana, 2007)
Adam Blincoe, Wake Forest Research Fellowship (2006)

WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Advising

Lower Division Advising (13 students in Fall 2025; 101 total from 2005-present)

Faculty Advisor, Wake Forest Men's and Women's Club Tennis Teams (2010-present); Wake Forest Ducks Unlimited (2011-2013), Alpha Delta Pi sorority (2009-2010), Women's Club Rugby Team (2006-2007), XPRESS Step Dance Team (2005-2006)

Pro Humanitate Center Community Engagement/Nonprofit Summer Internship Program Vocational Reflection Facilitator (Summer 2009, Summer 2008)

Committee Service

Committee on Athletics (2019-2021)

Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) Committee (2015-2017)

Vice President for Campus Life Advisory Committee (2012)

William Louis Poteat Scholarship Committee (2015, 2011, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006)

Pro Humanitate Center Faculty Advisory Board (2009-2010)

Religion Speaker Series Organizing Committee (2007)

Outreach

Office of Academic Advising Lower-Division Advising Academic Success Fair (September 28, 2016)

Wake Forest Discovery Day Mock Class Presentation (2 April 2013, 26 October 2012, 21 September 2012, 19 and 30 March 2012, 11 November 2011)

Wake Forest International Baccalaureate (IB) Day Mock Class Presentation (March 2013, March 2012)

Wake Forest University MOSAIC Diversity Pre-Campus Day Panelist (April 2012)

Wake Forest Spring Open House Faculty Speaker (2009)

Presenter on "Course Preparation Assignments," Teaching and Learning Center (January 2008)

Faculty Escort for Commencement Speaker David Brooks (2007)

Guest Lecturer on "Religion in the Public Sphere" in Alessandra Beasley's "Communication and the Politics of Difference" course (Fall 2007)

Guest Lecturer on "Religious Advocacy in State Politics" in John Dinan's "State Politics" course (Spring 2007)

Faculty Guest Coach (Basketball, 2005; Football, 2006; Field Hockey, 2006, 2007; Women's Soccer, 2007 Men's Tennis, 2017, 2016, 2008; Women's Tennis, 2007; Volleyball, 2006)

Judge, Kappa Delta "Mr. Wake Forest" Competition (2006)

Late Night Breakfast Volunteer (2006)

WAKE FOREST SOCIOLOGY DEPARTMENT SERVICE

Advising

Sociology Major Advising (3 new students in 2025; 113 total from 2005-present)

Undergraduate Interns for Sociology of Religion Journal (18 total from 2005-2010)

Service

Chair of Ad Hoc Committee on Academic Program Evaluation Reports (APERs) (2024-current)

Merit Evaluation Committee (2025, 2024, 2019, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2012, 2011, 2010)

Faculty Mentor to Assistant Professor Andrea Gomez-Cervantes (2022-current)

Chair of Promotion Committee for Hana Brown (2022-2023)

Junior Faculty Search Committee (Chair, 2019, 2018)

Department Website Renovation Ad Hoc Committee (2019-2020)

Faculty Mentor to Assistant Professor Hana Brown (2013-2016)

SACS Accreditation Committee (Chair, 2015-2017)

Standing Curriculum Committee (2011-2015; 2008-2009)

Ad Hoc Curriculum Committee (2008, 2006)

Speaker's Committee (2014-2015; 2005-2006)

Outreach

Social Media (Twitter, Facebook) coordinator (2010-2023)

Wake Forest Student Government Major Fair Department Representative (2015, 2010)

Wake Forest Campus Day Sociology Department Representative (2023, 2018, 2015, 2011, 2009, 2006)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND AFFILIATIONS

Consulting

FrameWorks Institute project on narrative change and the gun debate in America, 9 August 2021.

Pew Research Center survey on guns in America, "America's Complex Relationship with Guns" report released 22 June 2017

Christian Erin-Madsen (MA student at Columbia School of Journalism) research on National African American Gun Association, March 2017

Editorial Responsibilities

Special Issue Co-Editor (with Trent Steidley) (2022), "A Sociology of Firearms for the 21st Century," *Sociological Perspectives* 65(1).

Associate Editor, *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* (2012-2015), official journal of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion. One of two associate editors, I was responsible for everything but the

final decision on submissions in the sociology of religion.

Editor, *Sociology of Religion: A Quarterly Review* (2007-2010), official journal of the Association for the Sociology of Religion. I oversaw increase in impact factor of the journal and transition to publication of the journal by Oxford University Press Journals in 2009.

Editorial Board, *Teaching Sociology* (2005-07)

Editorial Board, *American Sociological Review* (2002-04)

Editor, Instructor's Manual for David Newman's *Sociology: Exploring the Architecture of Everyday Life*, 4th edition (Thousand Oaks, CA: Pine Forge Press, 2002).

Ad Hoc Manuscript Reviewer: *American Journal of Sociology*, *American Sociological Review*, *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*, *Law & Society Review*, *Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly*, *Politics and Religion*, *Review of Religious Research*, *Social Currents*, *Social Forces*, *Social Problems*, *Social Science Quarterly*, *Sociological Forum*, *Sociological Inquiry*, *Sociological Quarterly*, *Sociological Perspectives*, *Sociological Theory*, *Sociology of Religion*, *Symbolic Interaction*, *Teaching Sociology*, Alta Mira Press, Broadview Press, Cambridge University Press, Johns Hopkins University Press, New York University Press, Oxford University Press, Pine Forge Press, Prentice-Hall, Routledge, Rowman & Littlefield, University of California Press, University of Toronto Press, University Press of Kansas, Wadsworth

Professional Organizations and Positions

American Sociological Association

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| 2008-2010 | Distinguished Book Award Selection Committee (committee chair in 2010) |
| 2004-2006 | Council Member, Religion Section |
| 2006 | Religion Section Student Paper Award Committee |
| 2000 | Religion Section Annual Meeting Roundtable Session Organizer |
| 1999-2001 | Religion Section Student Paper Award Committee (committee chair in 2000) |
| 1997-1998 | Student Representative to the Religion Section Council |
| 1995-1998 | Computer list manager for the Meaning and Measurement Workshop and the Working Group on Symbolic Boundaries of the Culture Section |

Association for the Sociology of Religion

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| 2007-2010 | Editor, <i>Sociology of Religion: A Quarterly Review</i> |
| 2004-2006 | Council Member |
| 2000-2003 | Membership Committee |

Religious Research Association

2015-2017 Publications Committee

Society for the Scientific Study of Religion

2015-2017 Finance Committee

2012-2015 Associate Editor, *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*