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### **ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

# Boston University, 2012-present

Boston, MA

NEH Distinguished Teaching Professor, 2020-present Associate Professor of Religion and Women's, Gender & Sexuality Studies, 2019-present Assistant Professor of Religion and Women's, Gender & Sexuality Studies, 2012-2019

### Administrative Roles:

Founding and Current Director, Health Humanities Program, 2020-present Director of Graduate Studies, Graduate Program in Religion, 2020-present Co-chair, GCWS, 2018-2019

Director of Graduate Studies, WGSS Program, 2017-2019

## Institute for Advanced Study, 2019-2020

Princeton, NJ

Member, School of Historical Studies

# New York University, 2010-2012

New York, NY

Assistant Professor/Faculty Fellow, Program in Religious Studies

### **EDUCATION**

# **Princeton University**

Princeton, NJ

Ph.D. in Religion, 2011 Graduate Certificate in Women and Gender Studies M.A. in Religion, 2009

# The University of Chicago

Chicago, IL

M.A. in the Social Sciences, 2004

## Georgia State University

Atlanta, GA

B.A. in Religious Studies, 2003 Minor in Anthropology Summa Cum Laude & Research Honors

### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### Monographs

- 1. Provoking Religion: Sex, Art, and the Sacred in the Modern U.S. (under contract with Oxford University Press)
- 2. After the Wrath of God: AIDS, Sexuality, and American Religion (New York: Oxford University Press, 2015)
  - 2016 Non-Fiction Book Award Finalist, Religion Newswriters Association

- Reviewed in: American Historical Review, American Quarterly, Reading Religion (AAR), The Revealer, The Guardian, Library Journal, Lambda Literary, Popmatters, A&U Magazine, Choice, Sociology of Health & Illness, e-misférica: Performance and Politics in the Americas, The Christian Century, Journal of Church and State, Theology and Sexuality, Religious Studies Review, Journal of Contemporary Religion, Journal of American Studies
- Topic of three "Author Meets Critics" Panels: Social Science History Association Annual Meeting (2015); the Association for Sociology of Religion Annual Meeting (August 2016); "Beyond Stonewall: New Histories of Religion and Sexuality in America" Symposium at Princeton University (March 2017)

## Refereed Essays and Book Chapters

- 1. "The Dinner Party's Gender Trouble: Feminist Politics, Religion, and the Performativity of Literalism," (under review for a roundtable called "Gender Trouble at 30" for the Journal of the American Academy of Religion)
- 2. "Bob Flanagan's Crip Catholicism, Transgression, and Form in Lived Religion," *American Religion* 1:2 (Spring 2020): 1-26
- 3. "U.S. Religious History, the Culture Wars, and the Arts of Secularity," *Journal of the American Academy of Religion* 87:4 (December 2019): 968-981
- 4. "Sex, Art, and Moral Panic," Modern American History 1: 2 (July 2018), 237-241
- 5. "Ray Navarro's Jesus Camp, AIDS Activist Video, and the 'New Anti-Catholicism," *Journal of the American Academy of Religion* 85: 4 (December 2017): 920-956
- 6. "Race, Gender, Sexuality, and Religion in North America," in *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Religion in America*, edited by John Corrigan (Oxford University Press, online in 2017, in print in 2018): 53-75
- 7. "Beyond Accountability: The Queer Archive of Catholic Sexual Abuse," Radical History Review, Issue 122 (Spring 2015): 160-176
- 8. "Celibate Politics: Queering the Limits," in *Queer Christianities*, edited by Mark Larrimore, Michael Pettinger, and Kathleen Talvacchia (New York: NYU Press, 2014): 37-47
- 9. "Religion, Gender, and Sexuality," in *The Columbia Guide to Religion in American History*, edited by Paul Harvey and Edward Blum (New York: Columbia University Press, 2012): 188-212

## **Book Chapters and Essays**

- 1. "Playing Pentecostal," Religious Studies Review (in production)
- 2. "Keyword: Religion," in Routledge History of American Sexuality, edited by Kevin P. Murphy, Jason Ruiz, and David Serlin (New York: Routledge Press: 2020): 290-300
- 3. "The Rhetoric of Crisis, the Chronic, and U.S. Religion," in *Proceedings: The 6th Biennial Conference on Religion and American Culture* (Indianapolis: Center for Religion and American Culture, 2019)
- 4. "Disability Studies and Religion," in *Embodied Religion*, edited by Kent Brintnall (Farmington Hills, Mich: MacMillan: 2016): 359-376
- 5. "The History of Religions and North American Religion," *Encyclopedia of Religion in America*, Charles Lippy and Peter Williams, eds. (Washington, DC: CQ Press, 2010): 993-1001
- 6. "Mainline Protestants & Homosexuality," *LGBTQ America Today: An Encyclopedia* (Westport, CT: Greenwood, 2008): 943-949

### **Book Reviews**

- 1. "Review of *Devotions and Desires*, edited by Bethany Moreton, Gillian Frank, and Heather White," *Reading Religion: A Publication of the American Academy of Religion* (July 2018): http://readingreligion.org/books/devotions-and-desires
- 2. "Reading Bodies, Writing Bodies," review of *Convulsing Bodies: Religion and Resistance in Foucault*, by Mark Jordan, *GLO* 24: 1 (January 2018): 151-153
- 3. "Review of Religion, Flesh, and Blood: The Convergence of HIV/AIDS, Black Sexual Expression, and Therapeutic Religion, by Pamela Leong," Nova Religio, 20: 4 (May 2017): 140-142
- 4. "Review of Religion and Medicine: A Historical Introduction, by Gary B. Ferngren," Social History of Medicine 28: 4 (November 2015): 953-955

- 5. "Review of North Carolina and the Problem of AIDS: Advocacy, Politics, and Race in the South, by Stephen J. Inrig," Journal of the History of Sexuality 23: 3 (May 2014): 308-310
- 6. "Review Essay: Domesticity and Spirituality in African American Religious History and Ethnography," Radical History Review 99 (Fall 2007): 260-266

### Online Essays and Interviews

- 1. "Camp Conviction and the Politics of Religion: Or, That Naked Public Square's Really a Drag," *The Immanent Frame*, Feb 21, 2018, https://tif.ssrc.org/2018/02/21/that-naked-public-squares-really-a-drag/
- 2. "What Are You Teaching," *The Immanent Frame*, Dec 14, 2017, https://tif.ssrc.org/2017/12/14/what-are-you-teaching/#Petro
- 3. "How Not to be a (Religious Demographic) Size Queen in an Epidemic," religion&culture forum, Martin Marty Center for the Advanced Study of Religion, University of Chicago, Feb 15, 2017, https://voices.uchicago.edu/religionculture/2017/02/15/scholars-roundtable-trumps-america-and-the-academic-study-of-religion/
- 4. "Reforming Sex," Cosmologics: A Magazine of Science, Religion, and Culture, July 19, 2016, http://cosmologicsmagazine.com/anthony-petro-reforming-sex/
- 5. "7 Questions with the Author," *Sacred Matters: Religious Currents in Culture*, Nov 25, 2015, https://scholarblogs.emory.edu/sacredmatters/2015/11/25/seven-questions-for-anthony-petro/
- 6. "AIDS, Sexuality, and American Religion: An Interview with Anthony Petro," *Notches: (Re)Marks on the History of Sexuality*, Oct 27, 2015, http://notchesblog.com/2015/10/27/aids-sexuality-and-american-religion-an-interview-with-anthony-petro/
- 7. "How AIDS Changed the Way American Christians Talk about Sex," Religion Dispatches, Aug 2, 2015, http://religiondispatches.org/how-aids-changed-the-way-american-christians-talk-about-sexuality/
- 8. "After the Wrath of God: An Interview with Anthony M. Petro," Religion in American History, June 7, 2015, http://usreligion.blogspot.com/2015/06/after-wrath-of-god-interview-with.html
- 9. "American Religion in the Age of Reagan: A Quiz," Oxford University Press Blog, June 6, 2015, blog.oup.com/2015/06/american-religion-age-reagan-quiz/
- 10. "Koop's Crusade," Slate, Feb 27, 2013, slate.com.
- 11. "Big Vampire Love: What's So Mormon about *Twilight?*" (with Samira K. Mehta) *Religion Dispatches*, Dec 4, 2009, religiondispatches.org.
- 12. "Smelling a Secular Funk: Debating the Power of Religion in the Public Sphere," Religion Dispatches, Oct 28, 2009, religiondispatches.org.

## **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2020-2023	NEH Distinguished Teaching Professor, Boston University
2019-2020	Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, NJ. Member, School of Historical Studies
2018-2019	Art Writing Workshop, selected as a participant in the 2019 workshop, which is a
	partnership between the International ArtCritics Association/USA Section and the
	Creative Capital/Andy Warhol Foundation Arts Writers Grant Program
2018	Individual Research Grant Award (\$4600), for book project on Provoking Religion: Sex,
	Art, and the Sacred in the Modern U.S., American Academy of Religion
2016	Non-Fiction Book Award Finalist, Religion Newswriters Association, for After the
	Wrath of God
2016	Junior Faculty Fellowship (one semester research leave), Boston University Center for
	the Humanities
2015	Research Grant (\$1950) from the Historical Society of the Episcopal Church for archival
	research on religion and alcoholism
2014	Publication Production Award for After the Wrath of God: AIDS Sexuality, and American
	Religion, Boston University Center for the Humanities

2013-2015	Young Scholars in American Religion, Center for the Study of American Religion and Culture, Indiana University-Purdue University. 1 of 10 junior scholars selected for two-year series of workshops on research and pedagogy
2013-2014	Humanities Project Award for Faculty Gender and Sexuality Studies Group, with Erin
	Murphy, Boston University Center for the Humanities
2012	LGBT Religious History Award, LGBT Religious Archives Network
2009-2010	Graduate Fellow in Religion and Culture, Center for the Study of Religion, Princeton
	University
2008-2009	Joanne and Noah Cotsen Junior Fellowship, Princeton University
2008-2009	Graduate Fellow in Religion and Public Life, Center for the Study of Religion,
	Princeton University
2004	Kenneth W. Payne Prize, Association for Queer Anthropology, American
	Anthropological Association
2003-2004	University Scholarship, The University of Chicago
2003	Outstanding Scholar of Georgia State University
2003	Outstanding Student in Religious Studies Award, Georgia State University
1999-2003	Presidential Honors Scholarship, Georgia State University (tuition and living stipend
	for four years)

# CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS

# I. Invited Lectures

2021	Invited Lecture, "Moral Contagion: HIV/AIDS, Activism, and American Religion," Rex
2021	G. and Ina Mae Powell Lecture, <b>Elon University</b> , October 20 Invited Lecture, "Infamous Icons: <i>The Last Supper</i> and the Explicit Body with Judy Chicago and Renee Cox," Program in Gender and Sexuality Studies, <b>Princeton University</b> , March 30
2020	Invited Lecture, "Provoking Religion: The Aesthetics of Literalism and the Queer Arts of Myth in the U.S. Culture Wars," Center for Visual Culture, <b>Bryn Mawr College</b> , September 30
2019	Invited Lecture, "Provoking Religion: The U.S. Culture Wars and the Queer Arts of Offense," Martin Marty Center Series on Religions in the Americas, <b>University of Chicago</b> , October 28
2019	Invited Lecture, "Sex, Art, and the Sacred in the Age of Culture Wars," <b>University of Oregon</b> , March 14
2018	Invited Lecture, "Bob Flanagan's Crip Catholicism: Performing Bodies in Secular Times," <b>Haverford College</b> , February 20
2017	Invited Lecture, "Millennials, Politics, and American Religion," <b>St. Anselm College</b> , March 23
2016	Invited Lecture, "Reforming Sex: American Christianity and Public Health in the Age of AIDS," Department of History, <b>College of Staten Island, CUNY</b> , March
2016	Invited Lecture, "Stopping the Church: Catholicism and the Performance of AIDS Activism," Department of Classics, Philosophy, and Religion, University of Mary Washington, March
2016	Invited Lecture, "AIDS, Sexuality, and American Religion," Moral Voices Conversation Series, <b>Brown University</b> , February
2015	Invited Lecture, "Protest Religion! AIDS Activism, American Religion, and the Ethics of Sex," <b>Fordham University</b> , part of the E. Rhodes and Leona Carpenter Foundation Sexuality and Religion Lecture Series, November

2015	Invited Lecture, "The Sexual Politics of Religious Freedom: Protest and Secularism in the
	Age of AIDS," Colloquium on Religion, Law, and Social Thought, Osgoode Hall Law
	School, York University, Toronto, Canada, October
2015	Invited Lecture, "Sex and American Christianity in the Age of AIDS," Department of
	Religious Studies, Albright College, Reading, PA, October
2014	Invited Lecture, "ACT UP, AIDS, and American Religion," Department of Philosophy
	and Religious Studies, North Carolina State University, April 10
2012	Invited Lecture, "ACT UP and American Religion," GLBT Historical Society, San
	Francisco, CA, June 14
2012	Invited Keynote Speaker, "The Contemporary Evangelical Landscape in New York and
	the U.S." Anti-Defamation League, New York, NY

# II. Invited Presentations

2022	Invited Presentation, Conference on "Post-American Catholic Studies," University of New Mexico, April
2021	Invited Presentation, Conference on "Religion and Excess," Religious Studies
	Department, Yale University, April 9-10
2020	Invited Presentation, "Provoking Religion," American Religions Workshop, Stanford
	University, January 8
2019	Invited Panelist, "Conversation with Ron Athey, Winner of the 2019 AAR Religion and the Arts Award," <b>American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting</b> , San Diego, CA,
	November
2019	Invited Panelist, "The Rhetoric of Crisis, the Chronic, and U.S. Religion," 6th Biennial
2019	
	Conference on Religion and American Culture, Center for the Study of American Religion
2010	and Culture, Indiana University-Purdue University, June 6-9
2019	Invited Presentation, "U.S. Religious History, Culture Wars, and the Arts of Secularity,"
	Religion and Critical Thought Colloquium, Department of Religious Studies, <b>Brown</b>
2019	University, April 23
2019	Invited Presentation, "Sexuality, Bodies, Crosses," Religion and Its Many American
2018	Publics, Lehigh University, April 6  Invited Presentation "Pob Flancon's Crip Catholicism" North American Policions
2010	Invited Presentation, "Bob Flanagan's Crip Catholicism," North American Religions Colloquium, Department of Religion, <b>Columbia University</b> , Dec 3
2018	Invited Panelist, "Religion in U.S. Media," Symposium on Religious Literacy and Business:
2010	Media and Entertainment, <b>Harvard University</b> , Sept 21
2018	Invited Presentation, "Taking Exception," Conference at Indiana University,
2010	Bloomington, dir. by Sarah Imhoff & Cooper Harriss, April 5-6
2018	Invited Presentation, "Habits of Seeing: Sex, Art, and American Religion's Normative
2010	Vision," for Religion and the American Normal Conference at <b>Princeton University</b> ,
	February 9
2017	Invited Presentation, "Sex, Art, and the Sacred," American Religions Colloquium, Florida
2017	State University, October 6
2017	Invited Presentation, "Religious Conviction and Intellectual Humility in Public Life,"
2017	Conference at the <b>University of Connecticut</b> , dir. by Ruth Braunstein, April 21
2017	Invited Presentation, "Taking Exception," Conference at Indiana University,
2017	Bloomington, dir. by Sarah Imhoff & Cooper Harriss, March 31
2017	Featured Panelist, "Beyond Stonewall: New Histories of Religion and Sexuality in
4U1/	America" (A Symposium on Anthony Petro's After the Wrath of God: AIDS, Sexuality, and
	American Religion and Heather White's Reforming Sodom: Protestants and the Rise of Gay Rights),
	Princeton University, March 11
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2016	Invited Presentation, "Convulsing Bodies: A Conversation with Mark Jordan, Carolyn
2046	Dinshaw, and Anthony Petro," New York University, Sept 22
2016	Invited Presentation, Science, Technology, and Religion Reading Group, Department of
2015	Religion, Columbia University, March 23
2015	Invited Talk, Conference on "Religion in the Public Sphere: Law, Rights, and the Struggle
	for the Body," <b>NYU Hemispheric Institute for Performance and Politics</b> , Buenos
2014	Aires, Argentina, June 18
2014	Invited Panelist, "Religion and Politics in the Americas," <b>NYU Hemispheric Institute</b>
2011	for Performance and Politics, Montreal, Canada, June 25
2014	Invited Presentation, "Queer Life after DOMA," Yale University, April 25
2013	Invited Presentation, "Beyond Accountability: The Queer Archive of Catholic Sexual
	Abuse," Religion in the Americas Workshop, <b>Princeton University</b> , Oct 17
2013	Invited Presenter, "Affecting Performances: The Media and Body Politics of
	Contemporary Christianity: A Conversation with Jill Stevenson and Anthony Petro,"
	Center for the Study of Gender and Sexuality, <b>New York University</b> , Nov 14
2012	Invited Presentation, "Contemporary Christians and Celibate Desire," Queer Christianities
•••	Conference, The New School, New York, NY
2011	Invited Speaker, "ACT UP, Religious Freedom, and the Ethics of Sex," LGBTQ Student
2044	Center Speaker Series, New York University
2011	Invited Panelist, "Religious Liberty and the American Creed," Institute on U.S. Culture &
	Society: The Reconciliation of American Diversity with National Unity, Multinational
2044	Institute of American Studies, New York University
2011	Invited Panelist, "Beyond Religion Lived and Represented," Talking about Religion:
2044	Contested Meanings, Manhattan Marymount University, New York, NY
2011	Invited Respondent for Richard Swinburne, "The Existence of God: Does God Exist?"
•••	New York University
2011	Invited Presentation, "Reforming Sex: C. Everett Koop and the Moral Politics of Public
2044	Health," Center for Religion and Media, New York University
2011	Invited Presentation, "Reforming Sex: C. Everett Koop and the Moral Politics of Public
•••	Health," American Religions Colloquium, Yale University
2010	Invited Presentation, "AIDS, American Religion, and the Bio-Politics of Pastoral Care,"
2005	Conference on the Politics of Religion, Macaulay Honors College, CUNY
2005	Invited Presentation, "Reconciling Agency: Gay and Lesbian Activism at a Chicago
	Methodist Church," Religion and Sexuality Consultation, Princeton University

# III. Conference Papers and Presentations

Presenter, "Sexuality, Art, and the Culture Wars," Society for U.S. Intellectual History
Annual Conference, March 1
Presenter, "Provoking Religion," Religion in the Americas Workshop, Princeton
University
Presenter, "Bob Flanagan's Crip Catholicism and the Queer Art of Public Confession,"
UCR Conference and Queer and Transgender Studies in Religion, Riverside, CA,
February 23
Presenter, "Critical Terms of the ACHA: A Roundtable on Catholic," American Catholic
Historical Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, January 3-6
Presenter, "Race, Disability, and Evangelical Affect in the Work of Joni Eareckson Tada,"
for panel on "Governing Health," co-sponsored by the North American Religions Unit
and Secularism and Secularity Unit of the American Academy of Religion Annual
Meeting, Denver, CO, November

2018	Presider and co-organizer, "Author-Meets-Critics Panel on R. Marie Griffith's <i>Moral Combat</i> ," co-sponsored by the Religion and Politics Unit and Religion and Sexuality Unit
2017	of the American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, November Presenter, "Bob Flanagan's Crip Catholicism," for panel on "Making Difference: Religion and Disability in the United States," sponsored by the North American Religions Unit, American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, November 19
2017	Presenter, "Is Dissent Secular? Religion, Disruption, and the Liberal State," American Studies Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, November 11
2016	Roundtable Discussant, "Author Meets Critics: Mark A. Smith, <i>Secular Faith,</i> " <b>Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Meeting</b> , Seattle, WA, August
2016	Featured Respondent, "Author Meets Critics Panel on After the Wrath of God: AIDS, Sexuality, and American Religion," Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA, August
2016	Roundtable Discussant, "Author Meets Critics: Mayra Rivera, <i>Poetics of the Flesh</i> ," <b>American Philosophical Association</b> , San Francisco, April
2016	Roundtable Discussant, "Author Meets Critics: Janet Jakobsen, Why Sex?," American Philosophical Association, San Francisco, April
2015	Presenter, "Protesting Catholics: The 'New Anti-Catholicism' and the Politics of Public Religion in North America," <b>American Academy of Religion, North American Religions Section,</b> November
2015	Respondent, "Author Meets Critics Panel on After the Wrath of God: AIDS, Sexuality, and American Religion," Social Science History Association Annual Meeting, Baltimore, MD, November
2015	Chair, "Religious Cultures of U.S. Imperialism," American Studies Association Annual Meeting, Toronto, Canada, October
2015	Presenter, "Journeying into Evangelicalism: Twenty-Five Years of Traveling with Randall Balmer's Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory," American Society of Church History/AHA Annual Meeting, New York City, January
2014	Presenter, "Protest Religion! ACT UP, AIDS, and the Ethics of Sex," <b>American Academy of Religion</b> , Global Perspectives on Religion and the HIV/AIDS Epidemic Seminar, San Diego, CA, November
2014	Presenter, "Religion, Health, and the Body in North America," Department of Religion at Western Michigan University, May 15-17
2013	Panelist, "Public/Private," Sexual Binaries/Religious Histories: A Roundtable Discussion, American Academy of Religion, Baltimore, MD, November
2013	Panelist, "Roundtable on Seeking the Straight and Narrow," Popular Culture Association/American Culture Association Annual Conference, Washington, D.C., March 30
2011	Presenter, "After the Wrath of God: American Christian Sentiment and the Bio-Politics of AIDS," <b>American Religion in the Age of AIDS, American Academy of Religion</b> , San Francisco, November
2011	Presenter, "Reforming Sex: C. Everett Koop and the Moral Politics of Public Health,"  American Society of Church History Winter Meeting, Boston, January
2009	Presenter, "Writing Barbin: Religion, Feminist Theory, and the Body," Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Section, American Academy of Religion, Montreal, November
2009	Presenter, "Reading Barbin: Autobiography, Religion, and the Body," Radical Intersections: Performance across Disciplines, Northwestern University
2009	Presenter, "After the Wrath of God: The History of Christian AIDS Activism,"  American Society of Church History/American Historical Association Annual  Meeting (Joint Session), New York City

August 2021

2005 Presenter, "Reconciling Agency: The Politics of Hate Speech and Memory at a Chicago

Methodist Church," Religion, Ethics, and Society Section, Southeastern Regional

Meeting, American Academy of Religion, Wake Forest

# IV. Lectures and Panels at Boston University

2019	Invited Panelist, "Religion, Spirituality, and Politics: A Boston University Student-Faculty
	Forum," <b>Howard Thurman Center</b> , April 10
2017	Invited Speaker, "Stop the Church? Religion and Politics in the American Culture Wars,"
	Rhett Talk, Boston University, September 6, 2017
2016	Featured Speaker, "Reforming Sex: Religion and Sexuality in Modern America" (A
	Conversation between Anthony Petro and Heather White), Department of Religion,
	Boston University, December
2016	Faculty Roundtable Discussant, "Protest, Public Religion, and Social Change," Boston
	University Graduate Conference on Religious Studies, October
2016	Roundtable Panelist, "Douglas Crimp: Before Pictures," Gender and Sexuality Studies
	Faculty Group, Boston University, October
2014	Invited Speaker, "Disability across the Disciplines," Center for Gender, Sexuality, and
	Activism / Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, Boston University, Dec 3
2013	Invited Lecture, "Beyond the Culture Wars? American Evangelicals Today," Evergreen
	Program, Boston University, Oct 23
2013	Invited Panelist, "AIDS, Sexuality, and the Catholic Church," Panelist for Catholic
	Vocations in a Time of Change, Boston University School of Theology, 3/21
2012	Presenter, "American Evangelical Sentiment and the Bio-politics of AIDS," Social

Science and Religion Network, Boston University, Sept 13

Presenter, "American Christians and the Politics of AIDS," Conference on Religion,

Social Movements, and Zones of Crisis, Institute on Culture, Religion, and World

Affairs, Boston University

# **ACADEMIC PROJECTS and WORKING GROUPS**

2018	Invited Participant, Reporting on Religion, Northeastern University, organized by
	Elizabeth Bucar, March
2017-2022	Participant, Religion and Families in North America Seminar, American Academy of
	Religion (five-year workshop)
2012-2016	Co-chair, Global Perspectives on Religion and the HIV/AIDS Epidemic, Five-Year
	Seminar Unit, American Academy of Religion
2014-2015	Invited Participant, Managing Religious Diversity in the Neoliberal Americas, NYU
	Hemispheric Institute for Performance & Politics, Conferences in Montreal, Canada (June
	2014) and Buenos Aires, Argentina (June 2015); Ann Pellegrini, director
2011	Invited Participant, Sex Abuse and the Study of Religion Seminar, Yale University,
	New Haven, CT; Kathryn Lofton and Robert Orsi, directors
2009-2010	Participant, Bio/Geo-Politics of Religion Seminar, Macaulay Honors College at

CUNY, New York, NY; Lee Quinby and Sylvia Tomasch, directors

2009 Participant, Religion and Sexuality Initiative, Emory University, Atlanta, GA;

Mark Jordan, director

## **TEACHING & ADVISING EXPERIENCE**

# **Boston University**

2012

Religion, Health, and Medicine Christianity

Multireligious America Humanities Approaches to Religion (grad seminar) American Evangelicalism Introduction to Religion Religion and Sexuality Unmaking Modernity (Core Curriculum class) Sexuality and Religion in the U.S. Global Christianity (directed reading, graduate level) Vatican II (directed reading, graduate level) Sex, Art, and the Sacred in the Modern U.S. Religion, Secularism, and Power

# **New York University**

American Evangelicalism Religion in the U.S. since the Civil War Identity & Desire in American Religion (grad seminar) Religion, Health, and Medicine "Experience" in American Religion (grad seminar)

# **Eugene Lang College**

American Religion in the Age of AIDS

## Graduate Advising and Dissertation Committees at BU (names redacted)

- 1. Adviser, "Pedagogies of Memory: Race, Religion, and the National Sacred in U.S. Literature," dissertation in progress, BU Graduate Division of Religious Studies
- 2. Second Reader, Title: TBA (ethnography of socially liberally, traditionally observant Jews in the northeast), dissertation proposal in progress, Graduate Division of Religious Studies
- 3. Committee member, "From the Inside: Personal Transformation and American Religion in Prison," dissertation proposal in progress, BU Graduate Division of Religious Studies
- 4. Committee Member, "Are Women More Religious? Feminist Approaches to Ritual Theory and Neuroendocrinology," dissertation in progress, BU Graduate Division of Religious Studies
- 5. Second reader, "In the Shadow of Ebenezer: A Black Catholic Parish in the Age of Civil Rights and Vatican II," dissertation in progress, BU Graduate Division of Religious Studies
- 6. Second reader, "White American Shaykhs of Controversy," dissertation in progress, BU Graduate Division of Religious Studies
- 7. Second reader, "Framing Nostalgia: Time and Affect in Contemporary Film and Protestant Christian Thought," dissertation in progress, BU Graduate Division of Religious Studies
- 8. Committee member, "Alternative Authorities: The Politics of Wellness in the Contemporary United States," BU Graduate Division of Religious Studies
- 9. Committee member, "Saving History: White Evangelical Identity and Christian Heritage Tourism in Washington, D.C.," BU Graduate Division of Religious Studies, 10/05/2017
- 10. Second reader, "Varieties of Embodied Yoga Practice," Doctoral Thesis Final Exam, BU Graduate Division of Religious Studies, 7/10/2017
- 11. Committee member, "Habits of the Hearth: Parenting, Religion, and the Good Life in America," Doctoral Thesis Final Oral Exam, BU Graduate Division of Religious Studies, 3/23/2015
- 12. Final Public Defense Presider and reader, "Black Gods of the Asphalt: Street Basketball, Power, and Embodied Spirit," Doctoral Thesis Final Oral Exam, BU Graduate Division of Religious Studies, 3/20/2014
- 13. Final Public Defense Presider and reader, "Love, Sex, and Marriage in the Global Mission of Walter and Ingrid Trobisch," Doctoral Thesis Final Oral Exam, BU Graduate Division of Religious Studies, 4/11/2013
- Second reader, "We Are Comrades! Tongzhi (Comrade) Theology and its Contribution to Christian Theologies of God in the New Millennium," Doctoral Thesis Final Oral Exam, BU School of Theology, 4/3/2013

# Qualifying Examination Committees at BU (names redacted) Exams Directed:

• Feminist Theory and Digital Religion (Spring 2021)

- Religion, Economy, and Politics in the Modern U.S. (Summer 2020)
- Religion in the U.S. (Summer 2019)
- Religion in the U.S. with focus on American Judaism (Summer 2019)
- Religion in the U.S. (Spring 2019)
- Gender, Sexuality, and Religion (Spring 2019)
- Religion, Memory, and Cultural Difference (Summer 2018)
- Race and Religion in the U.S. (Spring 2018)
- Religion and Politics in the U.S. (Fall 2017)

### Exams for which I have served as a reader:

- U.S. Religious History (Spring 2021)
- North American Religious History (Fall 2019)
- Social Theory and Religion (Spring 2019)
- Islam in the U.S. (Spring 2019)
- Religion, Gender, and Sexuality with focus on queer studies/Islam (Spring 2019)
- Religion and Social Theory (Spring 2019)
- Southern U.S. Religion (Spring 2018)
- Social Sciences Approaches to Religion (Fall 2017)
- Contemporary U.S. Religion (Fall 2017)
- Social Sciences Approaches to Religion (Summer 2017)
- American Religious History (Summer 2016)
- Islam, Gender, and Authority (Fall 2016)
- Religion and Social Theory (Fall 2016)
- Affect, Temporality, and Futurity (Fall 2016)
- Critical Theory and Religion (Summer 2016)
- Social Science Approaches to Religion (Spring 2014)
- Religion and Material Culture (Spring 2014)
- American Religious History (Fall 2013)
- Religion in America (Fall 2014)
- Religion and Film (Fall 2014)
- Religion and Science (Fall 2012)

### ADMINISTRATIVE & ACADEMIC SERVICE

#### I. General Service to the Field:

2020-present	Reviewer, School of Historical Studies, <b>Institute for Advanced Study</b> , Princeton, NJ
2019-present	Member, Religion and Arts Award Jury, American Academy of Religion
2019-present	Editorial Board, American Religion
2019-present	Editorial Board, Journal of the American Academy of Religion
2018-2019	Co-chair, Consortium for Graduate Studies in Gender, Culture, Women, and
	Sexuality, Boston
2017-2019	Member of the Board of Representatives, Consortium for Graduate Studies in Gender,
	Culture, Women, and Sexuality, Boston
2017-2019	Associate Editor, Signs: Journal of Women and Culture in Society
2015 and 2017	Coffee with a Faculty Mentor, American Academy of Religion

2011 Co-organizer (with Lynne Gerber), American Religion in the Age of AIDS, American

> Academy of Religion, jointly sponsored by five units: North American Religions; Religion & Sexuality; Queer Studies in Religion; Arts, Literature, & Religion; and

Religions, Social Conflict, & Peace, San Francisco

## II. Boston University (college and university-level service):

2020-preset Member, Humanities Task Force, College of Arts and Sciences, Boston University 2018-2019 Member, Provost's Task Force on LGBTQIA+ Faculty and Staff, Boston University

2017 (Jan-Dec) Member, Diversity and Inclusion Committee, College of Arts and Sciences 2016-present Executive Committee, Institute of Culture, Religion & World Affairs, Boston

University

2014-2017 Member, Humanities Curriculum Committee, Boston University (since Spring 2014,

except during sabbatical between 2015-2016AY)

2014-2015 Co-organizer, **Tertulia** (junior faculty workshop series), Boston University

Member (co-organizer for 2013-2014 and for 2016-2017), Faculty Gender and Sexuality 2012-present

Studies Group, Boston University

2014-2015 Member, Graduate Research Abroad Fellowship Committee, Boston University

# III. Boston University (departmental service to Religion and WGS):

2020-present Director of Graduate Studies, Graduate Program in Religion

2020-present Specialization Coordinator, Religions in Politics, Philosophy, and Society, Graduate

Program in Religion

2018-2019 Specialization Coordinator, Religions in American Culture Specialization, Graduate

Program in Religion

2017-2018 Member, Search Committee for tenured position in Religions of the African Diaspora,

Department of Religion

2017-2019 Director of Graduate Studies, Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Program

(starting January 2017)

2017 Member, Committee on Academic Programs (prospectus review), Graduate Division

of Religious Studies (Spring semester)

2016 Member, Doctoral Subfields Proposal Subcommittee, Department of Religion (Fall

semester)

2014 Co-organizer, TF Orientation, Graduate Division of Religious Studies, Boston

University, Spring

2012-2014 Graduate Career Development Mentor, Division of Religious and Theological Studies

(now GDRS), Boston University

#### REVIEWER

Book Manuscripts/Proposals:

Oxford University Press (x3) Fordham University Press (x2)

New York University Press Routledge

Columbia University Press Duke University Press

Journal Articles:

Journal of the American Academy of Religion

Journal of Social History Women's Studies Quarterly Theology & Sexuality Practical Matters Intl. In. of Comp Sociology

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Nova Religio Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion Church History Religion and American Culture U.S. Catholic Historian

Journal of Homosexuality

differences: A Journal of Feminist Cultural Studies

### SELECTED MEDIA WORK

Interviewed for *Vice* on the history of celibacy in Roman Catholicism, September 2018, https://www.vice.com/en\_us/article/bjax35/what-would-happen-if-roman-catholic-priests-were-allowed-to-have-sex

Interviewed for *New Books Network*, "After the Wrath of God," December 2, 2016, http://newbooksnetwork.com/anthony-m-petro-after-the-wrath-of-god-aids-sexuality-and-american-religion-oxford-up-2015/

Interviewed for *Boston Globe*, "How Richard Emmanuel became reverend of a church with a mission but no members," by Joseph P. Kahn, January 2, 2013

Interviewed for CBS Evening News – Weekend Edition, "The Elevation of the Cardinals and the State of the Catholic Church," February 18, 2012

Interviewed for Discovery News, "Religious Affiliations: On the Outs?" by Marianne English, March 28, 2011

## LANGUAGE SKILLS

Spanish (reading and writing) French (reading)

### **SOCIETY AFFILIATIONS**

American Academy of Religion American Society of Church History
American Studies Association American Catholic Historical Association
Society for the Scientific Study of Religion American Historical Association