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Faculty Roles

Associate Professor, Department of Ministry, Azusa Pacific Graduate School of Theology (2001-present)

- courses include Preaching and Worship; Advanced Preaching; Dynamics of Christian Formation; Church Leadership and Administration; Contemporary Issues in Ministry; Growing Healthy Churches; Field Education; Friends Theology, Worship and Leadership; Evangelical Friends History: Birth, Growth, and Organization

Director of the Friends Center at Azusa Pacific University (2001-present)

- reflects the partnership between Friends denomination and the School of Theology
- activities include recruiting, fund-raising, academic advising, administration, public relations, event coordination, networking with churches and other ministries, and denominational leadership

Academic Preparation

Doctor of Ministry, Graduate School of Theology, Azusa Pacific University (2003)

- concentration: Spiritual Formation
- project: *Work as Spiritual Discipline: Understanding the Role of One's Work as a Means of Spiritual Formation*

Master of Divinity, Graduate School of Theology, Azusa Pacific University (1991)

Bachelor of Arts in Religion and Philosophy, Friends University (1986)

Ministry Credential

Recorded (ordained) as a Friends Minister, Evangelical Friends Church Southwest (1990-present)

Professional Experience (Church)

Preaching Team Coordinator/Member, Rose Drive Friends Church, Yorba Linda, CA (2011-present)

Senior Pastor, East Whittier Friends Church, Whittier, CA (1989-2001)

Pastoral Staff, East Whittier Friends Church, Whittier, CA (1986-1989)

Professional Experience (Para-Church)

Field Staff member, Evangelical Friends Church Southwest (2001-present)

- working with superintendent giving leadership to denomination
- overseeing leadership development ministries for denomination

Board of Recording and Commissioning, Evangelical Friends Church Southwest (2001-present)

- advisement of credentialing process for denominational ministers

Council of Church Leaders, APU Graduate School of Theology (1999-2001)

- advisory role to Dean and School

Board of Directors, Friends Center at APU Graduate School of Theology (1998-2001)

- advisory to Friends Center Director
- chairperson, finance and development subcommittee

Chairperson, Board of Directors, *Let It Shine Ministries* (1999-2012)

- teacher training, children' ministry, evangelism

Academic Papers and Presentations

Evangelical Homiletics Society, October 2009. Topic of paper: "Recognizing and Overcoming Obstacles to Collaborative Preaching"

"Work as Sacrament: The Quaker Bridge from Sunday to Monday," *Quaker Religious Thought* 109 (December 2007) 46-55.

Quaker Theological Discussion Group, meeting in conjunction with American Academy of Religion, San Diego, CA, November 2007. Topic of paper "Work as Sacrament"

Evangelical Homiletics Society, October 2007. Topic of paper: "Evaluating Collaborative Approaches to Preparing and Delivering Sermons"

Other Presentations and Workshops

Theology of Work and Economics Conference, Azusa Pacific Graduate School of Theology and the Kern Foundation, September 2012. Panel presentation: "Work as Spiritual Discipline"

National Friends Leaders Summit, Evangelical Friends Church: North America, December 2010. Presentation: "Quaker Perspectives on War and Peace"

National Friends Leaders Summit, Evangelical Friends Church: North America, December 2010. Presentation: "Women in Ministry Leadership"

Faith Matters, School of Theology Lectureship, Azusa Pacific University, November 2010. Presentation: "War and Peace: Christian Alternatives"

Pastors Retreat, Evangelical Friends Church Southwest, May 2010. Presentation: "An Embodied Faith"

Pastors Retreat, Evangelical Friends Church Southwest, May 2007. Presentation: "Navigating the Paradoxes of Life and Ministry"

Adjunct Professors Training, Haggard Graduate School of Theology, April 2007, Field Education professors training workshop

Faculty and Staff Spiritual Life Retreat, APU, January 2007. Presentation: "Contemplative Prayer"

Workshops, Barclay College, March 2005. Presentations: “Characteristics of the Emergent Church” and “Arguments for Embracing Women in Roles of Ministry Leadership”

Annual Conference of Evangelical Friends Church Southwest, June 2004. Presentation: “Men and Women: Teammates in Ministry (co-presented with Dr. Sarah Sumner)

Preaching and Teaching Experiences

- Guest preacher and teacher at various churches (ongoing)
- Curriculum Design / Facilitator, Leadership Institute, leadership development program for Evangelical Friends Church Southwest (ongoing)
- Keynote Teacher, Missionaries Conference, Chiang Mai Thailand, Evangelical Friends Missions (2013)
- Speaker, College and High School Pastor retreat, Evangelical Friends Church: North America (February 2010)
- Speaker, World Vision chapel service (June 2009)
- Teacher, Great Lakes Pastor’s Training School, Burundi, Africa (June 2008)
- High School Camp speaker, Quaker Meadow Christian Camp (July 2007)
- Speaker, Student Leadership Retreat, Mid-America Friends Churches (December 2006)
- Teacher, Friends Missionary Retreat, Cambodia (June 2006)
- Workshop leader, Student Leadership Retreat, Mid-America Friends Churches (December 2005)
- Spiritual Life Emphasis Week speaker, Barclay College (March 2005)
- Teacher, Saddleback Church intern training (October 2004)
- Men’s Retreat speaker, Rose Drive Friends Church (September 2004)
- Family Camp speaker, Quaker Meadow Christian Camp (July 2004)
- Chapel speaker, Barclay College (October 2007, March 2004, October 2002)
- Regular contributor, Fruit of the Vine daily devotional, Barclay Press
- Various other banquets, classes, and events

Website Book Reviews and Articles

Book review of “Saving Women from the Church” by Susan McLeod-Harrison, co-reviewed with Judith Shoemaker for Barclay Press, www.barclaypress.com, January, 2008

Book review of “The Younger Evangelicals” by Robert E. Webber, for Barclay Press, March, 2005

Book review of “Less is More Leadership” by H. Dale Burke, for Barclay Press, June 2005

Emergent Church: Further Reading” an annotated bibliography with two graduate students for Barclay Press, July 2005

University Grants Received

- Received a \$3,000 Lilly Vocation Mini-Grant from the Office of Christian Leadership and Vocation (April 2005). Project: Friends Center Undergraduate Connection, to help undergraduate students from Friends churches explore ministry as a vocation.
- Received a second \$3,000 Lilly Vocation Mini-Grant (April 2006). Continuation of the above project.

- Received a \$1,000 Creative Teaching Grant from the Office of Faculty Development (August 2007).

Faculty Committee Roles, Azusa Pacific University

- Faculty Senate (2008-2011)
- Faculty Moderator, Graduate School of Theology Faculty (2008-2012)
- Graduate School of Theology Admissions and Records Committee, Chair (2006-present)
- Graduate School of Theology Admissions and Records Committee (2002-present)
- Lectureship on Holy Living Planning Committee (2002-present)
- Task Force for Off-Site Degree, Master of Arts in Theological Formation (2006-2009)
- Search Committee, Dean of the Graduate School of Theology (2009-2010)
- Search Committee, Ministry Department (2007)

Memberships

Evangelical Homiletics Society