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#### **EDUCATION**

2003 Ph. D., The Catholic University of America, DC, American Catholic Church History 1987, M.A., University of Notre Dame, IN, Systematic Theology 1983, B.A., University of San Diego, CA, Religious Studies

## **CURRENT POSITION**

Mount Marty College, SD2008-presentAssistant Professor of Theology,<br/>Chair, Department of Religious Studies and Philosophy (2008-2013)2008-present

### PUBLICATIONS

"A Matter of Conscience: The Selective Conscientious Objector, Catholic College Students and the Vietnam War," *U.S. Catholic Historian*, Volume 26, no. 3, Summer 2008, pp. 33-50.

"Catholic-College Students and the Civil Rights Movement" U.S. Catholic Historian, Volume 24, no. 2, Spring 2006, pp. 131-141.

"Cracking the Door: Women at the Second Vatican Council," in *Women and Theology*, The Annual Publication of the College Theology Society, 1994, Volume 40.

### SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

"Sodalities & Campus-wide Retreats: Religious Life on Catholic College Campuses in the Late 1950s" American Catholic Historical Association Convention, New Orleans, LA, January 2013

"Catholic Identity in Transition: The Death of the National Federation of Catholic College Students" American Catholic Historical Association Spring Convention, New Orleans, LA, March 2012

### **MEDIA APPEARANCES**

*Dakota Midday*, South Dakota Broadcasting "Selecting a New Pope" February 25, 2013

Drive Time with Fun Freddie and the Big E.R., WNAX Radio 570 March 13, 2013

#### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

American Catholic Historical Association	
Graduate Student Research Grant Committee, Chair	2012-present
Great Plains Undergraduate Theological Conference	
Co-sponsor	2011 to present
Catholic Theological Society of America	
Historical Studies Committee	2010-2013
Conference Staff	2000-06