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EDUCATION

- 2013** Ph.D., Theology and Education, Boston College,
Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts
- 2009** M.A., Pastoral Ministry, Boston College,
Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts
- 1996** M.Sc., Economics, University College London,
London, United Kingdom
- 1992** B.Sc., Economics, University of the West Indies,
Barbados, West Indies (First Class Honors)

PROFESSIONAL ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

- 2014 – present** Director, M.Div. and M.A.P.M. Programs, School of
Theology and Ministry, St Thomas University, Miami
Gardens, Florida
- 2013 – present** Assistant Professor, Theological and Ministerial Studies,
St Thomas University, Miami Gardens, Florida
- 1993 – 1994** Tutor, Microeconomics, University of the West Indies
Distance Education Centre, St Kitts, West Indies

OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2010 – 2013** Program Assistant, Boston College Campus Ministry
Arrupe International Immersion Program, Boston College
Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts
- 2003 – 2007** Director of Spiritual Formation, Mustard Seed
Communities, Jamaica, West Indies
- 2002 – 2003** Deputy Director, Research Department, Eastern Caribbean
Central Bank (ECCB), St Kitts, West Indies
- 1992 – 2002** Economist, Research Department, Eastern Caribbean
Central Bank (ECCB), St Kitts, West Indies

TEACHING AND RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS

- 2013** Prof. Stephen Pope: Faith Service and Solidarity,
Boston College, Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts
- 2011** Prof. Theresa O’Keefe: Contextual Education,
Boston College, Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts
- 2010** Prof. Colleen Griffith, research on Evelyn Underhill

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 1992** First Class Honors, University of the West Indies,
Barbados, West Indies
- 1991** Life of Barbados Scholarship, University of the West Indies,
Barbados, West Indies

RESEARCH AWARDS

- 2015** Faculty Research Award, School of Theology and Ministry,
St Thomas University, Miami Gardens, Florida
- 2014** Faculty Research Award, School of Theology and Ministry,
St Thomas University, Miami Gardens, Florida

TEACHING AREAS

Primary areas: Practical Theology, Religious Education

Secondary Areas: Spirituality, Religious Studies, Hermeneutics

Courses Taught:

St Thomas University

Doctoral: “Formation and Spirituality in Practical
Theology,” “Contemporary Practical Theology”

Masters: “Contemporary Approaches to Religious Education,”
“Spiritual Practices in/for Ministry,” “Human and Faith
Development,” “Justice Advocacy and Social
Transformation,” “Religious Education and Spiritual
Formation,” “The Joy of the Gospel”

Undergraduate: “God and Money (Economic Ethics);” “Prayer and
Spirituality;” “Introduction to Religious Studies;” “Theology
of Family and Marriage”

Online/Hybrid: “Introduction to Religious Studies;” “Theology of Family and Marriage;” “The Joy of the Gospel”

RESEARCH AREAS

Primary Areas: Narrative Theology (Narrative Hermeneutics, Narrative Psychology); Religious Education

Secondary areas: The Caribbean Religious and Cultural Experience, Economics and Theology

PUBLICATIONS

Articles in Scholarly Journals

“Re-storied by Beauty: On Self-Understanding in the Ricoeur-Carr Discussions on Narrative.” *Journal of Applied Hermeneutics*, 2015.
<http://jah.journalhosting.ucalgary.ca/jah/index.php/jah/index>

“Building a Story Together: The Challenge of Conversion in a Plural Age: A Narrative Interpretation.” *Journal of the Black Catholic Theological Symposium* 8, (2014).

"Price Convergence in Selected CARICOM Countries" in *Problems and Challenges in Modeling and Forecasting Caribbean Economies*, Caribbean Center for Monetary Studies, 1996.

Doctoral Dissertation

“Story-making: A Narrative Pedagogy for Transformative Christian Faith”
ProQuest, October 2013
Prof. Thomas Groome, Major Advisor and Dissertation Director

COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS

Developed a new MA degree concentration in Religious Education, which welcomed its first students in Fall 2015.

Invited Participant, *Conversatio*, St John’s School of Theology and Seminary, Collegeville, Minnesota. May 2015. Gathering to interpret research on U.S. Catholic Bishops document *Co-workers in the Vineyard of the Lord* (2005) conducted by the Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate (CARA).

Co-developer, *Work The Word: Beyond Our Boundaries*, Paulist Press, Mahwah, New Jersey, 2005. A retreat program for parish renewal and mission preparation, sponsored by Mustard Seed Communities International.

SCHOLARLY PAPERS, LECTURES

Joint-presentation: “Faith, Justice and Engaged Scholarship in Catholic Higher Education: An Intersectional Conversation.” International Association for Research on Service Learning and Community Engagement. New Orleans, LA. July 18th, 2018.

Panel Discussion Moderator: “African-Caribbean/African American contextual theologies – communalities and variances.” 28th Annual Meeting of the Black Catholic Theological Symposium. Castries, St Lucia. October 12, 2017.

Paper Read: “The Flower Festivals of St. Lucia: Exploring the Significance of the Creative Imagination in Caribbean Religiosity and Theology.” Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, Atlanta, Georgia, November 2015.

Paper Read: “From Breadth to Depth: Leveraging Multiple Resources into Maximum Impact.” Co-presented at the NASPA/ADP/TDC Civic Learning and Democratic Engagement Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana, June 2015.

Paper Read: “Is Caribbean Theology a Failed Project?” Black Catholic Theological Symposium, Chicago, Illinois, October 2014.

Respondent: “Dorothy Day: Saint of the 21st Century and Beyond,” Scott and Claire Schaeffer-Duffy, Worcester Catholic Worker House. The Sanctity of Dorothy Day Conference, Miami, Florida, March 2014.

Paper Read: “Re-storying our Lives: A Narrative Framing of the Conversion Experience.” Catholic Theological Society of America Convention, Miami, Florida, June 2013.

Paper Read: “Towards a Narrative Approach to Religious Education.” Black Catholic Theological Symposium, Miami, Florida, October 2012.

Paper Read: “A Theological Aesthetics of Mission.” Boston Theological Institute Conference on The Changing Contours of World Mission and Christianity, Boston, Massachusetts, November, 2010.

Respondent: “Continuity Justifying Discontinuity: A Hermeneutical Approach ‘from Inside’ to the Liturgical Theology of *Sacrosanctum Concilium*,” Simon Schrott, Wuerzburg University. Conference on Liturgy, Ethics, and the Interpretation of Vatican II, Boston, Massachusetts, March, 2010.

ACADEMIC AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

University Service

St Thomas University

Member, Academic Policy Committee, 2017 - present

Member, Philosophy Faculty Search Committee, 2016

Member, Systematic Theology Faculty Search Committee, 2014-2015.

Member, Student Relations Committee, 2014 – 2017

Member, Catholic Identity Sub-committee 2013 – 2016

Member, Ph. D. Admissions committee, 2013 – present

Member, Diversity sub-committee, 2014

Community and Ecclesial Service

Committees

Member, Steering Committee, Miami-Dade Peace and Justice Memorial Monument Placement Initiative, 2018 - present

Member, Vestry, Holy Family Episcopal Church, Miami Gardens, Florida, 2015 – 2017

Member, Research Group on Affordable Housing, People Acting for Community Together (P.A.C.T.), Miami Florida, 2014 – present

Member, Preaching Committee, Holy Family Episcopal Church, Miami Gardens, Florida, 2014

Lectures, Presentations

“Immigration and the Old Testament,” STU Impact presentation, St Thomas University, Jun 24th, 2018.

“Reflections on the Seven Last Words of Christ,” Holy Family Episcopal Church, Miami Gardens, Florida, April 2015

“Resurrection: What it Means for our Life,” Holy Family Episcopal Church, Miami Gardens, Florida, April 2014

“Address for the 50th Anniversary of Our Lady of Lourdes Academy High School,” Our Lady of Lourdes Academy, Miami, Florida, March 2014

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Leadership Positions

Vice-President (and Incoming President 2019), Association of Graduate Programs in Ministry. Appointed February 2018.

Secretary, Black Catholic Theological Symposium, Appointed October 2017.

Memberships

Member, American Academy of Religion 2013 – present

Member, Association of Christian Economists, 2014 – present

Member, Association of Graduate Programs in Ministry, 2014 – present

Member, Black Catholic Theological Symposium, 2013 – present

Member, The Catholic Theological Society of America, 2014 – present

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