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### **Education**

Ph.D. Yale University, History Department 2000  
M.A.R. Yale University, Divinity School 1995  
B.A. Yale University, English Department 1989

### **Dissertation**

*At the Service of the State: The Summer Institute of Linguistics in Mexico, 1935-1985*  
Committee: Gilbert Joseph (Advisor); Lamin Sanneh; Stuart Schwartz.

### **Fellowships and Awards**

University Fellowship (distinction in research), Eastern Kentucky University, 2016

Excellence in Research Award, College of Arts and Sciences, Eastern Kentucky University, 2016

Book of the Year, American Society of Missiology, 2015, for *Rebirth of Latin American Christianity*

Best Book on Missions/Global Affairs, *Christianity Today* 2015 Book Awards, for *Rebirth of Latin American Christianity*

One of "Fifteen Outstanding Books of 2014 for Mission Studies," *International Bulletin of Missionary Research*, for *Rebirth of Latin American Christianity*

Golden Apple Award for Teaching Excellence, Eastern Kentucky University, 2009

Franklin Research Grant, American Philosophical Society, 2009

University Research Fellowship, Eastern Kentucky University, 2009

Boscher-Hammond Competition, Semifinalist, 2008

University of Notre Dame, Cushwa Center Research Travel Grant, 2005

Catholic University of America, Mohler Research Grant, 2005

Indiana University, Helm Research Fellowship, 2005

Harvard University, David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies Library  
Scholars Fellowship, 2004

University Research Fellowship, Eastern Kentucky University, 2004

Pew Mentoring Fellowship, 2000-2003

Finalist, Best Dissertation related to American History, The Historical Society, 2001

Fulbright-Hays Dissertation Research Fellowship, 1999

Mellon Research Fellowship, Yale University, 1998

Coca-Cola World Fund Pre-Dissertation Fellowship, 1997

University Fellowship, Yale Graduate School, 1995-2000

### **Books**

*A Time to Build Anew: How to Find the True, Good, and Beautiful in America.* New York: Angelico, 2021.

*Understanding World Christianity: Mexico.* Minneapolis: Fortress, 2019.

*The Prophet of Cuernavaca: Ivan Illich and the Crisis of the West.* New York: Oxford University Press, 2015.

*The Rebirth of Latin American Christianity.* New York: Oxford University Press, 2014.

*Missionaries of the State: The Summer Institute of Linguistics, State Formation, and Indigenous Mexico, 1935-1985,* University of Alabama Press, 2006.

### **Articles and Reviews**

“Roman Catholicism: A Tradition in Transition,” *Bloomsbury Religion in North America* [digital academic resource], January 2021.

Review of *Faith Seeking Conviviality: Reflections on Ivan Illich, Christian Mission, and the Promise of Life Together* by Samuel Ewell. *International Bulletin of Mission Research* (November 2020).

“Latin American Christianity.” In *Encyclopedia of the Bible and its Reception*, vol. 15.

Berlin: de Gruyter, 2017.

“Transnationalism, Globalization, and Latin American Religions.” In *The Cambridge History of Religions in Latin America*, edited by Virginia Garrard-Burnett, Paul Freston and Stephen C. Dove, 666-679. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2016.

Review of *The Mexican Reformation: Catholic Pluralism, Enlightenment Religion, and the Iglesia de Jesús Movement in Benito Juárez’s Mexico (1859-72)* by Joel Morales Cruz. *The Journal of Ecclesiastical History* 64, no. 1 (January 2013): 199.

“Ivan Illich and Leo Mahon: Folk Religion and Catechesis in Latin America,” *International Bulletin of Missionary Research* 36, no. 4 (October 2012): 185-8.

Review of Timothy Byrnes, *Reverse Mission: Transnational Religious Communities and the Making of U.S. Foreign Policy*, *International Bulletin of Missionary Research* 36, no. 3 (July 2012): 170-1.

Review of John Frederick Schwaller, *The History of the Catholic Church in Latin America: From Conquest to Revolution and Beyond*. *International Bulletin of Missionary Research* 36, no. 1 (January 2012): 44.

Review of Jeffrey Klaiber, *The Jesuits in Latin America, 1549-2000: 450 Years of Inculturation, Defense of Human Rights, and Prophetic Witness*, *International Bulletin of Missionary Research* 34, no. 3 (July 2010): 185.

“Ivan Illich and the American Catholic Missionary Initiative in Latin America,” *International Bulletin of Missionary Research* 33, no. 4 (October 2009), 185-9.

Review of Frank Graziano, *Cultures of Devotion: Folk Saints of Spanish America*. *Estudios Interdisciplinarios de América Latina y el Caribe* 20, no. 2, (July 2009), 139-40.

Review of William Svelmoe, *A New Vision for Missions: William Cameron Townsend, the Wycliffe Bible Translators, and the Culture of Early Evangelical Faith Missions, 1896-1945*. *International Bulletin of Missionary Research* 33, no. 2 (April 2009), 108-9.

Review of Aaron Bobrow-Strain, *Intimate Enemies: Landowners, Power, and Violence in Chiapas*. *American Historical Review* 113, no. 3 (June 2008), 882-883.

“The Summer Institute of Linguistics” and “Cameron Townsend.” In *The Encyclopedia of Christian Civilization*, edited by George Thomas Kurian. New York: Blackwell, 2008.

“Latino Kentucky.” In *Latino America: State by State*, edited by Mark Overmyer-Valazquez. Westport, Connecticut: Greenwood, 2008. (*Booklist* Editors' Choice, 2009)

Review of Susan Migden Socolow, *The Women of Colonial Latin America*. *Journal of World History* 13:2 (September 2002), 517-519.

Review of Simon Coleman, The Globalisation of Charismatic Christianity: Spreading the Gospel of Prosperity. *Religion* 32:2 (April 2002), 154-155.

“*El Credo Revolucionario: David Berlanga and the Convention of Aguascalientes*,” *Paisano Online Journal* 3 (Winter 2001).

Review of Ross Hassig, Time, History, and Belief in Aztec and Colonial Mexico. *Tesserae: Journal of Latin American and Iberian Studies* 7:2 (2001), 220-221.

### **Public Lectures**

“History of Beer and Brewing,” Dreaming Creek Brewery, Richmond, KY, 21 September 2021.

“Living at the Hinge of History,” Global Engagement Week, Taylor University, Upland, Indiana, 15 March 2021.

“The Politics of Race and Beauty in Charleston, South Carolina,” Philosophy Roundtable, Eastern Kentucky University, 11 November 2020.

“Hops and History,” Dreaming Creek Brewery, Richmond, Kentucky, 3 October 2019.

“The Latin American Reformation, 1917-2017,” Fresno Pacific University, Fresno, California, 23 February 2017.

“The Prophet of Cuernavaca: Ivan Illich and the Crisis of the West,” Fresno Pacific University, Fresno, California, 23 February 2017.

“Africa: Center of World Christianity,” African Studies Program, Eastern Kentucky University, 20 October 2016.

“The Prophet of Cuernavaca: Ivan Illich and the Crisis of the West,” Shubert Library, Greenwich, Connecticut, 25 July 2015.

“The Rebirth of Latin American Christianity,” Rotary Club, Richmond, Kentucky, 31 March 2015.

“The Rebirth of Latin American Christianity,” First Presbyterian Church, Richmond, Kentucky, 11 March 2015.

Keynote Lecture, “The Rebirth of Latin American Christianity,” Boston Theological Institute, Costas Consultation, Boston, 27 February 2015.

“The Rebirth of Latin American Christianity,” Berry College, Rome, Georgia, 16 October 2014.

“The Rebirth of Latin American Christianity,” Berea College, Kentucky, 15 September 2014.

“The Rebirth of Latin American Christianity,” City Seminary, New York City, 14 July 2014.

“The Rebirth of Latin American Christianity,” Shubert Library, Greenwich, Connecticut, 10 July 2014.

“The Rebirth of Latin American Christianity,” St. Gertrude Church, Cincinnati, Ohio, 26 June 2014

“Latin American Christianity,” Georgetown College (KY), 23 April 2014

“The Rebirth of Latin American Christianity,” Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, Kentucky, 26 March 2014

“Rise of Latin American Christianity,” University of Kentucky Newman Center, 19 February 2014

“Latin American Christianity,” University of Kentucky Newman Center, 2 February 2014

“The Recent History of Christianity in Latin America,” Rotary Club of Berea, Kentucky, 3 January 2012.

“Deadly Institutions: Ivan Illich’s Critique of the West’s Greatest Temptation,” Roark Distinguished Lecture, Eastern Kentucky University, 6 April 2009

“The Historical Journey,” Keynote Address, Phi Alpha Theta (History honor society) Regional Conference, Richmond, Kentucky, 4 April 2009

“Mexican Athens: Ivan Illich, Cuernavaca, and the Corruption of Christianity,” Colloquium on Religious History, Vanderbilt University Graduate Department of Religion, 21 January 2009

### **Conference Presentations**

“Beauty in the Public Realm: A Response to Human Dignity,” Center for Ethics and Culture Annual Conference, University of Notre Dame, 13 November 2021.

“Brilliant Innocence: The Sisters of Life,” Society of Catholic Social Scientists, Franciscan University of Steubenville, 24 October 2020.

“Friendship and Scholarship,” Center for Ethics and Culture Annual Conference, University of Notre Dame, 8 November 2019.

“The Beauty of Tradition: The Notre Dame School of Architecture,” Society of Catholic Social Scientists conference, Steubenville, Ohio, 25 October 2019.

“Wonder as an Antidote to Modernity: John Senior and the Integrated Humanities Program,” Notre Dame Center for Ethics and Culture “To What End? Narrative, Institutions, and Practices” conference, 26 July 2019.

“Mexico’s Constitution of 1917 and Church Property,” Society of Catholic Social Scientists conference, Belmont, North Carolina, 24 October 2018.

“The Resilience of Mexican Catholicism,” Oxford Studies in World Christianity Authors Conference, New Haven, 27 April 2018.

“Ivan Illich and the Mystery of Evil,” Center for Ethics and Culture Annual Conference, University of Notre Dame, 11 November 2017.

“Ivan Illich’s Anti-Missionary Pilgrimage,” Yale-Edinburgh Conference on the History of Missions and World Christianity, New Haven, 30 June 2017.

“The Bible in Latin America,” Oxford Studies in World Christianity Authors Conference, New Haven, 28 April 2017.

Discussant, “Dialogue about Todd Hartch, *The Rebirth of Latin American Christianity*,” Conference on Faith and History, Denver, 7 January 2017.

“Beauty, Spirit, and Tradition in the Sculpture of Frederick Hart,” Center for Ethics and Culture Annual Conference, University of Notre Dame, 12 November 2016.

“Violence, Mistrust, and Dialogue: Catholics and Protestants in Latin America,” Yale-Edinburgh Conference on the History of Missions and World Christianity, New Haven, 25 June 2015.

“Latin America as the Center,” Latin American Studies Association, annual meeting, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 28 May 2015

“The Latin American Impetus in World Christianity,” Oxford Studies in World Christianity Authors Conference, New Haven, 1 May 2015.

“Trajectories of Latin American Christianity,” Oxford Studies in World Christianity Authors Conference, New Haven, 3 May 2014.

“Lamin Sanneh and Indigenous Intellectuals,” American Society for Church History, Washington DC, 2 January 2014.

“Western Medicine and the Corruption of Christianity,” Yale-Edinburgh Conference on the History of Missions and World Christianity, New Haven, 28 June 2013.

“The Trajectory of Latin American Christianity,” Oxford Studies in World Christianity Authors Conference, New Haven, 3 May 2013.

“From Rio de Janeiro to the Ends of the Earth: Brazil as a New Center of World Christianity,” American Society of Church History, New Orleans, 4 January 2013.

“Christianity in Recent Latin American History,” Oxford Studies in World Christianity Authors Conference, New Haven, 4 May 2012.

“The Critique of Catholic Schools in Latin America,” Yale-Edinburgh Conference on the History of Missions and World Christianity, New Haven, 1 July 2011.

“A Critique of the West: Ivan Illich and the Centro Intercultural de Documentación,” Midwest Association for Latin American Studies, St. Louis, 6 November 2010.

“A Critique of the West: Ivan Illich and the Centro Intercultural de Documentación,” Symposium on Latin American Studies, Transylvania University, Lexington, 16 October 2010.

“Mission and Radicalization: the Catholic Inter-American Co-operation Program,” Yale-Edinburgh Conference on the History of Missions and World Christianity, Edinburgh, 3 July 2010.

“Leo Mahon vs. Ivan Illich,” Yale-Edinburgh Conference on the History of Missions and World Christianity, New Haven, 3 July 2009.

“Ivan Illich in Puerto Rico,” Midwest Association of Latin American Studies, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 22 November 2008.

“Anti-Missionary Genius: Ivan Illich's Sabotage of the American Catholic Missionary Effort in Latin America,” Yale-Edinburgh Group for the Study of Missions and World Christianity, Edinburgh, Scotland, 4 July 2008.

“The Strange Origins of a Radical Think Tank: Ivan Illich, Cuernavaca, and the Catholic Church,” Midwest Association of Latin American Studies, St. Louis, 2 November 2007.

“The Heavy Hand of History: The Evangelical Vote and Partisan Realignment in Mexico,” co-authored with Steve Barracca (Dept. of Government, ECU), Latin American Studies Association conference, Montreal, 6 September 2007.

“Wise as Serpents, Innocent as Doves: Slaves and Missionaries in Demerara after the 1823 Slave Rebellion,” Yale-Edinburgh Conference on the History of Missions and World Christianity, New Haven, 29 June 2007.

“Northern Influence: The Rise and Fall of the San Miguelito Mission in Panama, 1960-1975,” Ohio Latin American Studies Conference, 14 April 2007.

“Ivan Illich and the Rise of Liberation Theology,” Southeastern Council on Latin American Studies, Charlotte, 7 April 2006.

“Mexican Athens: Ivan Illich, Cuernavaca, and the Attack on Missions,” Midwestern Association of Latin American Studies, St. Louis, 5 November 2005.

“Common Goals: The Strange Partnership between Mexican Indigenistas and North American Fundamentalist Missionaries,” Southeastern Council of Latin American Studies, Nashville, Tennessee, 8 April 2005.

“Linguistics, Translation, and Protestant Evangelism in San Juan Chamula, Chiapas,” Ohio Latin Americanist Conference, Columbus, 4 March 2005.

“Sown Among Thorns: American Missionary Failures in Mexico, 1950-1980,” Ohio Valley History Conference, Cookeville, Tennessee, 21 October 2004.

“American Fundamentalists, Mexican Nationalists, and the Secularization of Indigenous Mexico,” Midwestern Association for Latin American Studies, Charleston, Illinois, 7 November 2003.

“Missionary Scientists and Scientific Missionaries: The Summer Institute of Linguistics and *Indigenismo* in Mexico,” CHEIRON (Society for the History of the Social Sciences) Annual Meeting, Keene, New Hampshire, 19 June 2003.

“Protestantism as a Secularizing Influence in Twentieth Century Mexico,” American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, 3 January 2003.

“The Rise and Fall of *Indigenismo*: The Social Sciences, Religion and Indigenous Culture in Modern Mexico.” Mellon Program on Latin America, Harvard University, 27 April 2001.

“State Formation through Community Division: The Mexican State and the Summer Institute of Linguistics in an Otomi Community.” Latin American Studies Association Conference, Miami, 16 March 2000.

“Mexican History’s Blind Spot.” Institute for Advanced Christian Studies Conference, Mundelein, IL, 10 March 2000.

“A Faith Superior to the Cult of the Saints: Revolutionary Ideology and the Catholic



Church in Mexico, 1910 to 1940.” Pew Younger Scholars Conference, Catholic University, Washington, DC, 21 May 1998.

### **Professional Service**

Teacher Workshop: presented four lectures and contributed pedagogical materials on “Government in Modern Mexico” for public school educators, Eastern Kentucky University, 26 March 2022

Pepperdine University: External peer review of applicant for Chaired Professorship, 2020

Templeton World Charity Foundation: Grant Evaluator, 2016 and 2019

Latin American Studies Association: Track Chair for Religion & Spirituality at annual meeting, 2016

Cambridge University, United Kingdom: Outside Reader for the Isaac Newton - Ann Johnston Research Fellowship Committee, Clare Hall, 2015

Textbook evaluator: *Crossroads & Cultures* (Bedford/St. Martin’s); *The Course of Mexican History* (Oxford University Press); *The Frontiers of Mexican History* (Oxford University Press)

Manuscript evaluator: Oxford University Press; Eerdmans; *Fides et Historia*; *Catholic Historical Review*.

Midwest Association of Latin American Studies: Board of directors and newsletter editor, 2008-2010.

### **Academic Positions**

Eastern Kentucky University:

Professor 2014-

Associate Professor 2007-2014

Assistant Professor 2003-2007

History Graduate Program Coordinator, 2007-2011

Teaching Latin American and American history. Faculty Senator. Graduate Faculty. Academic Advisor. Honors Program Faculty. Faculty Mentor. McNair program mentor. Athletics and Academics Committee.

Post University (Waterbury, Connecticut):

Assistant Professor, 2001-2003

Teaching World, United States, and Latin American history. Secretary of Faculty Senate. NCAA Faculty Athletic Representative. Academic advisor. University

Curriculum, Adult Education and Advancement Committees. Faculty Advisor to American Politics Forum.

Yale University, Lecturer, 2001

University of Connecticut at Stamford, Adjunct Instructor, 2000

Yale University, Teaching Fellow, 1998

### **Teaching Areas**

Latin America

Mexico

US-Latin American Relations

Religion in Latin America

US Political History

### **Courses Taught**

#### **Surveys/General Education:**

United States to 1877

United States from 1877

Introduction to Latin American History and Culture (writing intensive)

World Civilizations to 1600

World Civilizations from 1600

Western Civilization to 1600

Western Civilization from 1600

Honors Rhetoric

American National Government (Political Science)

Comparative Politics (Political Science)

International Relations (Political Science)

First Year Foundations (introduction to college life for first year students)

#### **Upper Level and Graduate:**

Historical Writing and Research

United States-Mexican Relations

United States-Mexican Border Region

United States-Latin American Relations

Christianity in Latin America

Poverty and Revolution in Latin America

Beer and Brewing

Latin America in the National Period

Colonial Latin America

Latin America 1492-2000

Mexico 1450-2000  
Mexico 1821-2000  
Mexican Revolution 1910-1940  
World Christianity 1800-2000  
U.S. Civil War

### **Memberships**

American Historical Association  
Latin American Studies Association  
Conference on Latin American History  
American Catholic Historical Association

### **Languages**

Spanish (proficient)  
Portuguese (reading knowledge)

### **References: Scholarship**

Dyron Daughrity, Professor of Religion, Pepperdine University,  
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Dana Robert, Truman Collins Professor of World Christianity and Director of the Center  
for Global Christianity and Mission, Boston University,  
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Scott Hunt, Professor of Criminal Justice, Eastern Kentucky University,  
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Gilbert Joseph, Farnam Professor of History, Yale University,  
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### **References: Teaching**

David Coleman, Professor and Director of the Honors Program, Eastern Kentucky  
University,  
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Bob Houston, Professor of Economics, Eastern Kentucky University,  
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