

# KEVIN M. SCHULTZ

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## CURRENT APPOINTMENTS

### Chair, Department of History, 2020-present

- 10 successful promotions (zero unsuccessful ones)
- hired 7 new tenure-track professors
- managed \$3+M budget
- expanded graduate student PhD funding packages and undergraduate scholarships

### Academic Chair, UIC Global, 2019-present

- helped grow UIC's international student body
- ensured the program's continued success through a global pandemic

### Professor of History, Catholic Studies, and Religious Studies University of Illinois at Chicago

### Past President, Society for US Intellectual History (2015-18)

## ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

- Ph.D. History, UC Berkeley, 2005  
B.A. History, Vanderbilt University, 1997

## PUBLICATIONS

### Books

#### **Why Everyone Hates White Liberals (Including White Liberals): A History** (Chicago, University of Chicago Press, forthcoming April 2025)

*—a book about how and why almost all Americans came to hate white liberals, a phenomenon that helped erode the center of US politics, leading to the country's current historically unprecedented polarization*

#### **Buckley and Mailer: The Difficult Friendship that Shaped the 1960s** (New York: W. W. Norton & Company, 2015)

*—a book about the odd relationship between William F. Buckley, Jr. and Norman Mailer, detailing not only their surprisingly intertwined lives but also illuminating the ideological divisions of the 1960s*  
—winner of the 2016 Robert F. Lucid Award, an Amazon.com #1 New Release in American History, excerpted in Salon.com and reviewed widely, including in *The New Yorker*, *The Wall Street Journal*, the *New York Review of Books* Blog, *Esquire*, the *Los Angeles Times*, the *Chicago Tribune*, the *Boston Globe*, the *Times* of London, *Dallas Morning News*, *Minneapolis Star-Tribune*, *Kirkus* (starred), *BookList* (starred), and was named one of *Village Voice*'s "Fifteen Books You Need to Read in 2015"

#### **Tri-Faith America: How Postwar Catholics and Jews Held America to its Protestant Promise** (New York: Oxford University Press, 2011; paperback 2012).

*—a book charting the decline of the idea that the United States was a "Christian nation" and the subsequent rise of an alternate national image, that of "Tri-Faith America."*

**HIST6** (Boston, Mass.: Wadsworth, Cengage Learning, 2024, sixth edition [first ed. 2010]).

—*a single-authored college-level textbook of American history, now in its sixth edition*

### Peer-Reviewed Articles and Chapters

“Pluralism as a Problem in American Religious History,” *Understanding and Teaching Religion in U.S. History* (Madison: University of Wisconsin Press, 2024), pp. 24-35.

“Left Conservatism: Norman Mailer’s Political Thought,” in Maggie McKinley, *Norman Mailer in Context* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2021), pp. 170-180.

“1963: Baldwin’s *annus mirabilis*,” in Quentin Miller ed., *James Baldwin in Context* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2019), pp. 37-46.

“Freedom’s Just Another Word: The Intellectual Trajectories of the 1960s,” in Ray Haberski, Jr., and Andrew Hartman, eds., *American Labyrinth: Intellectual History for Complicated Times* (Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press, 2018), pp. 38-52.

“The Blessings of American Pluralism, and Those Who Rail Against It,” in Darren Dochuk and Matthew A. Sutton, eds., *Faith in the New Millennium: The Future of Religion and American Politics* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2015), pp. 269-85.

“The Irony of the Postwar Religious Revival: Catholics, Jews, and the Creation of the Naked Public Square,” in Kathleen Donohue, ed., *Liberty and Justice for All?: Rethinking Politics in Cold War America* (Amherst: University of Massachusetts Press, 2012), 213-242.

“Everywhere and Nowhere: Religion in the Historiography of the Modern America,” co-authored with Paul Harvey, *The Journal of the American Academy of Religion* (March 2010), 129-62.

“Godlessness and the Scopes Trial,” in Charles T. Mathewes and Christopher McKnight Nichols, eds., *Prophesies of Godlessness: The Intellectual Tradition of Secularization in America* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2008), 137-53.

“The FEPC and the Legacy of the Labor-Based Civil Rights Movement of the 1940s,” *Labor History* (February 2008), 71-92.

\*\*\*Winner of *Labor History*’s Best Article by a Scholar Within Five Years of PhD Completion Prize, 2008.

“‘Favoritism Cannot be Tolerated’: Challenging de facto Protestantism in America’s Public Schools and Advocating a Neutral State” *American Quarterly* (September 2007), pp. 565-591.

“Religion as Identity in Postwar America: The Story of the Last Serious Attempt to Put a Question on Religion in the U.S. Census,” *Journal of American History* (September 2006), pp. 359-84  
\*\*\*Highlighted as a “notable article” in *Wilson Quarterly* (Winter 2007), pp. 82-3.

## Essays

“A Reflection on Norman Mailer,” *Reflections: Norman Mailer at 100*, eds. Gerald R. Lucas and Maggie McKinley (Forty Fort, Pennsylvania: The Norman Mailer Society, 2023), p. 88.

“Foreword,” *Hesburgh of Notre Dame: Assessments of a Legacy*, eds. Todd C. Ream and Michael J. James (PalgraveMacMillan, 2023), pp. vii-ix.

“McConnell’s Task: Purging the Right Like William F. Buckley, Jr.,” *The Washington Post* (Feb. 15, 2021),  
<https://www.washingtonpost.com/outlook/2021/02/15/mcconnells-task-purging-crackpots-bigots/>

“Americans Must Embrace Hope, Not Fear: Amid Covid-19, It’s Time to Come Together and Recognize that Diversity is an Asset,” *The Washington Post* (April 17, 2020), <https://www.washingtonpost.com/outlook/2020/04/17/americans-must-embrace-hope-not-fear>

“Arguing in Bad Faith: The Curious Appropriateness of ‘Judeo-Christian’ Values on the Right,” *The New Republic* (May 9, 2019),  
<https://newrepublic.com/article/153867/arguing-bad-faith>

“The Strange and Enduring Friendship of Buckley and Mailer,” *National Review Online* (June 6, 2015), <http://www.nationalreview.com/article/419395/strange-and-enduring-friendship-buckley-and-mailer-kevin-m-schultz>

“Satire is Dead, Long Live Satire!” *Design Observer* (June 1, 2015),  
<http://designobserver.com/feature/satire-is-dead/38893/>

“The last great ‘Mad Men’ Debate: Who Won the Sixties, the Hippies or Ronald Reagan?” *Salon.com* (May 18, 2015),  
[http://www.salon.com/2015/05/18/the\\_last\\_great\\_mad\\_men\\_debate\\_who\\_won\\_the\\_60s\\_the\\_hippies\\_or\\_ronald\\_reagan/](http://www.salon.com/2015/05/18/the_last_great_mad_men_debate_who_won_the_60s_the_hippies_or_ronald_reagan/)

“The Return of Christian America?” *The Huffington Post* (April 11, 2011),  
[http://www.huffingtonpost.com/kevin-m-schultz/the-return-of-christian-america\\_b\\_846893.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/kevin-m-schultz/the-return-of-christian-america_b_846893.html)

“The Waspish Hetero-Patriarchy: Locating Power in Recent American History,” *Historically Speaking* (November 2010), 8-11.

“Everywhere and Nowhere,” co-authored with Paul Harvey, *Inside Higher Ed* (February 18, 2010), <http://www.insidehighered.com/views/2010/02/18/schultz>

“Citizens, Subjects, and In Between: What Does Citizenship Mean in the USA?,” *The Hedgehog Review: Critical Reflections on Contemporary Culture* (Fall 2008), 40-53.

“Secularism: A Bibliographic Essay,” *The Hedgehog Review: Critical Reflections on Contemporary Culture* (Spring and Summer 2006), pp. 170-77.

“Protestant-Catholic-Jew, Then and Now,” *First Things: The Journal of Religion and Public Life* (January 2006), pp. 23-27.

“Social Darwinism,” *The Dictionary of American History*, 3<sup>rd</sup> ed., ed., Stanley I. Kutler (Simon and Schuster, 2003), pp. 411-12.

### **Book/Film Reviews**

A review of Andrew Preston, Bruce J. Schulman, and Julian E. Zelizer, eds., *Faithful Republic: Religion and Politics in Modern America*, in *Journal of Church and State* (August 2017), pp. 525-27.

A review of Neil J. Young, *We Gather Together: The Religious Right and the Problem of Interfaith Politics*, in the *American Historical Review* (June 2016), pp. 977-78.

A review of Mark A. Smith, *Secular Faith: Why Culture Trumps Religion in American Politics*, in the *Chicago Tribune* (September 13, 2015), pp. 16-17.

“‘Best of Enemies’ Provides a View of Gore Vidal, William F. Buckley and the 1960s From the Bathroom,” a review Morgan Neville and Robert Gordon, *Best of Enemies: A Documentary*, in *In These Times* (September 9, 2015)  
<http://inthesetimes.com/article/18389/best-of-enemies-review-gore-vidal-william-f-buckley-kevin-schultz>.

A review of Andrew Hartman, *A War for the Soul of America: A History of the Culture Wars*, in *The Sixties: A Journal of History, Politics, and Culture* (8:1, August 2015), pp. 104-6.

A review of George M. Marsden, *The Twilight of the American Enlightenment: The 1950s and the Crisis of Liberal Belief*, in *The Christian Century* (April 30, 2014), 40-2.

A review of David Sehat, *The Myth of American Religious Freedom in Politics and Religion*, in *Religion and Politics* 5:2 (August 2012), 463-67.

“God’s Experts,” a review of Randall J. Stephens and Karl W. Giberson’s *The Anointed: Evangelical Truth in a Secular Age* in *Wilson Quarterly* (Autumn 2011), 102-03.

“Age of Fracture,” by Daniel T. Rodgers, in *The Hedgehog Review* (July 2011), 100-02.

“The ‘Conservative’ Turn?: a review of Michael Kimmage’s *The Conservative Turn: Lionel Trilling, Whittaker Chambers, and the Lessons of Anti-Communism*,” for the U.S. Intellectual History blog (February 22, 2011),

<http://us-intellectual-history.blogspot.com/2011/02/book-review-schultz-on-kimmages.html#more>

“Bowling with God,” a review of Robert Putnam and David Campbell’s *American Grace: How Religion Divides and Unites Us*, in *Wilson Quarterly* (January 2011), 109-10.  
\*\*\*Also appeared as an entry for the Religion in American History blog (January 22, 2011), <http://usreligion.blogspot.com/2011/01/latest-religious-data.html>  
\*\*\*\*Highlighted as a Powell’s Books “review-a-day” (March 1, 2011), [http://www.powells.com/review/2011\\_03\\_01](http://www.powells.com/review/2011_03_01)

“A Catholic Thing, or Something More?: A Response to Slavica Jakelic’s *Collectivistic Religions: Religion, Choice and Identity in Late Modernity*,” for The Martin Marty Center For The Advanced Study Of Religion’s Religion and Culture Web Forum (November 3, 2010), <http://divinity.uchicago.edu/martycenter/publications/webforum/>

“Spiritual, yes; but Religious? a review of Edward J. Blum’s *W.E.B. Du Bois, American Prophet*,” in *Historically Speaking* (September 2009), 37-38.

“Marilyn Monroe and the Problem of Jewish Studies,” a review of Lila Corwin Berman, *Speaking of Jews: Rabbis, Intellectuals and the Creation of a Public Identity*, for the Religion in American History blog (June 13, 2009), <http://usreligion.blogspot.com/2009/07/teaching-american-religious-pluralism.html>

“Liberalism: The ‘Least Worst Option’ in a World of Religious Pluralism,” a review of Lucas Swaine, *The Liberal Conscience: Politics and Principle in a World of Religious Pluralism*, for H-Ideas, the H-Net list-serve for Intellectual History (February 2007), <http://www.h-net.org/reviews/showrev.php?id=12873>

“Democracy, Catholic-style,” a review of Jay P. Corrin, *Catholic Intellectuals and the Challenge of Democracy*, for H-Catholic, the H-Net list-serve for the history of Catholicism (February 2004), <http://www.h-net.org/reviews/showrev.php?id=8894>

“Collision Courses,” a review of Hugh Davis Graham, *Collision Course: The Strange Convergence of Affirmative Action and Immigration Policy in America*, in *History Matters!* (June 2002), p. 5.

The index of *In The Shadow of Revolution: Life Stories of Russian Women From 1917 to the Second World War*, eds., Shelia Fitzpatrick and Yuri Slezkine (Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 2000).

“Civic Environmentalism in a Bedroom Community: a Case Study,” *Park City Magazine* (Summer 1999).

Hundreds of articles as staff reporter and editor for *The Park Record* newspaper (Park City, Utah), 1997-1999.

## PRESENTATIONS

“Three Themes Within the American Jewish Intellectual Tradition,” panel presentation at the Society for US Intellectual History conference, Denver, Colorado, November 10, 2023.

“The Limits of Libertarianism: A Response to Andrew Koppelman’s *Burning Down the House*,” The Midwestern Political Science Conference, Chicago, Illinois (April 13, 2023).

“Radical Chic, Nattering Nabobs of Negativism, and the Rightwing Attack on Liberals for their Style Not Their Politics,” chapter presentation at the Midwestern Intellectual History Conference, University of Chicago (October 20, 2022).

“The American Catholic Church and the Question of Mexican Migration: A Response to Maggie Elmore,” invited speaker at the Clements Center at Southern Methodist University (December 11, 2021).

“‘I Smell the Blood of a Liberal’: An Elegy for White Liberals in American Life,” chapter presentation to Department of History, UIC (March 10, 2021).

“Norman Mailer’s Left Conservatism, Then and Today,” panel presentation at the 2020 conference of the Norman Mailer Society (October 16, 2020).

“What If I Don’t Like The Rules?: Comments on Katrina Forrester’s *In the Shadow of Justice: Postwar Liberalism and the Remaking of Political Philosophy*,” roundtable panel at the 2020 conference of the Society for US Intellectual Historians (October 5, 2020).

“James Baldwin and the Trouble with History,” History Department, University of Illinois Chicago (September 23, 2020).

“The NCCJ: A Radical Attempt to Define America in an Inclusive, More Tolerant Way,” invited keynote speaker at the annual conference of the National Conference of Christians and Jews (NCCJ)/the National Federation for Just Communities (NFJC) (September 9, 2020).

“American Jews and the Conundrum of White Liberals,” invited presentation at the University of Florida (January 15, 2020).

“Religious Liberty and Equality in American History: Teaching Religious Pluralism in the US History Survey,” panel paper at the 2020 conference of the American Historical Association, New York City (January 5, 2020).

“On Having Dinner with Bob Orsi On A Warm Summer Night: Reflections on Kathleen Sparrows Cumming’s *A Saint of Our Own*,” invited presentation at the Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism, Notre Dame University (September 7, 2019).

“James Baldwin and White Innocence,” invited presentation and workshop at The Ohio State University (February 2, 2018).

“From Horror, Hope: The 1950s Bildungsroman of James Baldwin,” panel paper at the 2017 Conference of the Organization of American Historians, New Orleans, Louisiana (April 6, 2017).

“The Catholic President,” invited Ramon Lecture, Loyola University, Chicago Illinois (November 2, 2016).

“Buckley, Mailer, Freedom, and the Loss of Political Common Ground,” keynote address at the Progressive/Conservative Summit at Hauenstein Center, Grand Rapids, Michigan (April 16, 2016).

Invited book talks: *The King’s English* Booksellers (Salt Lake City, July 9, 2015), Kansas City Public Library (July 28, 2015), Dartmouth College (August 5, 2015), Dolly’s Bookstore (Park City, Utah, August 8, 2015), *In These Times* headquarters (Chicago, August 13, 2015), Oregon State University (March 3, 2016).

“An Evening with Kevin M. Schultz,” invited discussion at the Bipartisan Policy Center in Washington, D.C. (October 14, 2015).

“Book discussion on *Buckley and Mailer*,” invited discussion at 2015 Chicago Tribune Printers Row Lit Fest (June 8, 2015), aired live on C-SPAN (<http://www.c-span.org/video/?326355-3/kevin-schultz-buckley-mailer>)

“Making Catholic History Relevant to American History,” comments on “New Directions in US Catholic History,” at the 2015 Conference of the Organization of American Historians, St. Louis, Missouri (April 19, 2015).

“William F. Buckley, Sr. and the Phenomenon of Latino-loving White Folk,” comments at the Newberry Library (April 10, 2015).

“The Strange Friendship that Shaped the 1960s,” invited lecture at the Illinois State University (April 9, 2015).

“The Almost Great Society,” at the University of Illinois at Chicago and filmed by C-SPAN, for airing in June 2015, April 8, 2015.

“The Making of Judeo-Christian America,” at The Jewish-Catholic Family School of Chicago, February 22, 2015.

“The Blessings of American Pluralism, and Those Who Rail Against It,” at the SMU Center for Presidential History, Nov. 6, 2014, Dallas, Texas, filmed by C-SPAN and aired Dec. 25, 2014.

“State of the Field: Recent Books in U.S. Intellectual History,” at the 2014 Conference of the Society of U.S. Intellectual Historians, Indianapolis, Indiana, Oct. 11, 2014.

“Jewish Power and Black Power,” commentary on a panel at the 2014 Biannual Scholars’ Conference on American Jewish History, Atlanta, Georgia, June 11, 2014.

“Religion in American History: State of the Field,” invited talk at 2014 Conference of the Organization of American Historians, Atlanta, Georgia, April 13, 2014.

“A Friendship that Defined a Decade: Norman Mailer, William F. Buckley, Jr. and the American 1960s,” The Tanner Humanities Center, University of Utah, January 14, 2014.

“The 1963 Conference on Race and Religion and the Work that Race Does in the World of Religious Pluralism,” commentary on a panel at the 2013 Conference of the American Historical Association, Washington, D.C., January 6, 2014.

“Understanding the Need for a Third-Rail in Modern American Conservatism,” invited plenary speaker at the 2013 Conference of the Society of US Intellectual Historians, Irvine, Calif, November 1, 2013.

“The Americanization of Austrian Libertarianism in the 1970s,” at the 2013 University of Chicago History Graduate Conference, April 26, 2013.

“A History of the ‘Christian Nation’ Thesis in Five Chapters,” at the Newberry Library’s NEH-funded week-long seminar for community college instructors, “Out of Many: Religious Pluralism in America,” Chicago, Ill., June 28, 2012.

“William F. Buckley, Jr. and the Catholic Accommodation to Free-Market Capitalism,” at the 2012 Conference of the American Historical Association, Chicago, Ill., January 7, 2012.

“William F. Buckley, Jr., Norman Mailer, and the Meaning of Freedom in 1960s America,” at the 2011 Conference of the Society for U.S. Intellectual History, New York, New York, November 18, 2011.

“Did the Founding Father Plan a Christian Nation?” for the University of Illinois at Chicago’s public program on “History’s Mysteries,” Nov. 11, 2011.

“Norman Mailer, William F. Buckley Jr., and the Civil Friendship that Shaped an Uncivil Decade,” at the John C. Danforth Center on Religion and Politics, Washington University at St. Louis, October 6, 2011.

“William F. Buckley, Jr., Religious Pluralism, and Defining the Limits of Civil Discourse in the 1960s,” at the 2011 conference of the Organization of American Historians, Houston, Texas, March 18, 2011.

“Civility and Free Expression in Cross-Cultural Perspectives,” at the 2011 National Law-Related Education Conference of the American Bar Association, Chicago, Illinois, March 4, 2011.

“Secularization is Good for Religion: The Case of the United States,” Secularism in the Late Modern Age: A Conference at the University of Virginia, January 29, 2011.



“A Discussion with Jill Lepore,” moderator at The Chicago Humanities Festival’s Baskes Lecture in American History, with Jill Lepore, November 13, 2010.

“The ‘Ground Zero’ ‘Mosque’ Controversy and Other Attempts to Define America as a Christian Nation,” University of Houston, September 29, 2010, Tyler (Texas) Junior College, October 6, 2010.

“The Catholic Church in the Twentieth Century,” panel commentator at Chicago Graduate Student History Conference, April 10, 2010.

“Leo Pfeffer and the American Jewish Struggle for Communalism During the Cold War,” conference of the World Congress of Jewish Studies, Jerusalem, Israel, August 2, 2009.

“American Religious Pluralism,” a lecture to the U.S. State Department international program on the Study of the United States, Chicago, Illinois, July 2, 2009.

“FEPC and the Coalition of Mid-century Civil Rights Liberals,” conference of the Labor and Working Class History Association, Chicago, Illinois, May 30, 2009.

“Tri-Faith America,” Institute for the Humanities, University of Illinois at Chicago, October 30, 2008.

“Everywhere and Nowhere: Recent Trends in American Religious History,” History Department, University of Illinois at Chicago, April 2, 2008.

“Catholics, Jews, and the Rise of Cultural Pluralism: A Case Study,” The Annual Conference of the Organization of American Historians, April 20, 2006.

“Religion as Identity in Postwar America: The Story of the Last Serious Attempt to Put Religion on the United States Census,” The Center on Religion and Democracy, University of Virginia, October 18, 2005.

“Charles S. Johnson and the Strategy of the Harlem Renaissance,” The National Conference of Undergraduate Researchers, Austin, Texas, 1997

## **HONORS, AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND SCHOLARSHIPS**

### **Academic Recognitions**

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| 2016    | Robert F. Lucid Award for <i>Buckley and Mailer: The Difficult Friendship that Shaped the Sixties</i>            |
| 2013-14 | Obert C. and Grace A. Tanner Humanities Center Visiting Research Fellow for AY 2013-14 at the University of Utah |
| 2011    | Summer Fellow, Harry Ransom Center, Austin, Texas  |
| 2010    | Winner, Jack Miller Foundation Book Subvention Award   |
| 2009    | Winner, <i>Labor History’s</i> Best Article by a Scholar Within 5 Years of PhD Completion                        |

- 2009 Fellow, Jack Miller Center for Teaching America's Founding Principles and History
- 2008-09 Fellow, Institute for the Humanities, University of Illinois at Chicago
- 2007-08 Postdoctoral Fellow, American Academy of Arts and Sciences (declined)
- 2005-07 Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Virginia's Institute for Advanced Studies in Culture
- 2005 Selected to be the Graduate Speaker at 2005 History Department Convocation
- 2004-05 UC Berkeley Dean's Fellowship
- 2000-04 Jacob K. Javits Fellowship
- 2002-04 Jacob K. Javits Travel Award
- 1999-2000 Margaret E. Byrne Fellowship
- 1997 Vanderbilt University Provost's Award for Outstanding Undergraduate Research
- 1996 Vanderbilt University Student Research Fellow
- 1996 Tennessee Higher Education Commission's Community Service Award

**Teaching Awards**

- 2017-18 finalist, Capstone Advisor of the Year by the Honors College, UIC
- 2017-18 Teaching Recognition Award from the Council for Excellence in Teaching and Learning, UIC
- 2012-13 Shirley A. Bill Award for Outstanding Teaching as selected by UIC History faculty, graduate students, and undergraduate majors
- 2012-13 Teaching Recognition Award from the Council for Excellence in Teaching and Learning, UIC
- 2001-02 Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor, UC Berkeley

**SERVICE**

**to the University**

- Spring 2024 Academic Chair, UIC Global – alongside traditional duties, also travelled to South Korea, Taiwan, and Hong Kong to recruit students to UIC
- Fall 2023 Academic Chair, UIC Global  
Unit Executive Officer Evaluation Committee for the Communications Department, chair
- Spring 2023 Academic Chair, UIC Global
- Fall 2022 Academic Chair, UIC Global
- Spring 2022 Academic Chair, UIC Global  
The Roundtable, Provost's Campuswide Discussion, organizer, Mar. 14, 2022
- Fall 2021 Academic Chair, UIC Global
- Spring 2021 Academic Chair, UIC Global

- Fall 2020 Academic Chair, UIC Global
- Spring 2020 Academic Chair, UIC Global
- Fall 2019 Academic Chair, UIC Global
- Spring 2019 Organized conference at UIC for US intellectual historians from throughout the Midwest, April 11-12
- Fall 2017 Executive Committee, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Spring 2017 Executive Committee, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences  
Institute for the Humanities Executive Committee member  
Search Committee for LAS's Director of Development
- Fall 2016 Executive Committee, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences  
Institute for the Humanities Executive Committee member
- Spring 2016 Faculty Senator  
Institute for the Humanities Executive Committee member
- Fall 2015 Faculty Senator  
Institute for the Humanities Executive Committee member  
Researcher of the Year committee member  
Rising Star Researcher committee member
- Spring 2015 Faculty Senator  
Institute for the Humanities Executive steering committee member
- Fall 2014 Faculty Senator  
Institute for the Humanities Executive steering committee member  
Researcher of the Year committee member  
Rising Star Researcher committee member
- Spring 2014 (In Spring 2014 I was a visiting faculty fellow at the Tanner Humanities Center at the University of Utah, on sabbatical from UIC)
- Fall 2013 (In Fall 2013 I was a visiting faculty fellow at the Tanner Humanities Center at the University of Utah, on sabbatical from UIC)  
Director, Program in Religious Studies
- Spring 2013 Director, Program in Religious Studies
- Fall 2012 Director, Program in Religious Studies  
Reviewer of Proposals for the Chancellor's Award
- Spring 2012 Search Committee Member for position in Islamic Studies  
Co-director, The American Studies Working Group at UIC

- Fall 2011 Search Committee Member for position in Islamic Studies  
Co-director, The American Studies Working Group at UIC  
Religious Studies Committee
- Spring 2011 Co-director, The American Studies Working Group at UIC  
Religious Studies Committee
- Fall 2010 Co-director, The American Studies Working Group at UIC  
Taught graduate history class under a federal Teaching American History  
grant to local high school teachers  
Religious Studies Committee  
Redesigned the Catholic Studies website (completed December 2010)
- Spring 2010 Search Committee Member for the Arthur Schmitt Chair in Catholic Studies  
Religious Studies Committee  
Events Committee, Program in Jewish Studies  
Core Faculty member, The American Studies Working Group at UIC
- Fall 2009 Search Committee Member for the Arthur Schmitt Chair in Catholic Studies  
Religious Studies Committee  
Events Committee, Program in Jewish Studies

**to the Department**

- Spring 2024 Chair of the Department of History
- Fall 2023 Chair of the Department of History  
Chair, the Dean's Strategic Plan committee
- Spring 2023 Chair of the Department of History
- Fall 2022 Chair of the Department of History
- Spring 2022 Chair of the Department of History  
Chair, Achieving Racial Equity initiative committee
- Fall 2021 Chair of the Department of History
- Spring 2021 Chair of the Department of History  
Chair, self-study of department for outside review
- Fall 2020 Chair of the Department of History
- Spring 2020 Associate Chair of the Department  
Executive Committee Member  
Head, Work, Race, and Gender in the Urban World Graduate Concentration  
Member, Departmental Self-Evaluation Team
- Fall 2019 Associate Chair of the Department

- Executive Committee Member  
Head, Work, Race, and Gender in the Urban World Graduate Concentration
- Spring 2019 Associate Chair of the Department  
Head, Work, Race, and Gender in the Urban World Graduate Concentration  
Head, Search Committee for Lecturer in Charge of International Students
- Fall 2018 Associate Chair of the Department  
Head, Work, Race, and Gender in the Urban World Graduate Concentration  
Head, Search Committee for Lecturer in Charge of International Students
- Spring 2018 Acting Chair of the Department  
Associate Chair of the Department  
Head, Work, Race, and Gender in the Urban World Graduate Concentration
- Fall 2017 Associate Chair of the Department  
Executive Committee Member  
Graduate Advisory Committee  
Head, Work, Race, and Gender in the Urban World Graduate Concentration
- Spring 2017 Associate Chair of the Department  
Executive Committee Member
- Fall 2016 Associate Chair of the Department  
Executive Committee Member
- Spring 2016 Associate Chair of the Department  
Executive Committee Member  
Steering Committee, Work, Race, and Gender in the Urban World Graduate Program
- Fall 2015 Associate Chair of the Department  
Executive Committee Member  
Steering Committee, Work, Race, and Gender in the Urban World Graduate Program
- Spring 2015 Associate Chair of the Department  
Executive Committee Member  
Graduate Advisory Committee  
Undergraduate Advisory Committee  
Steering Committee, Work, Race, and Gender in the Urban World Graduate Program
- Fall 2014 Associate Chair of the Department  
Executive Committee Member  
Graduate Advisory Committee  
Undergraduate Advisory Committee  
Steering Committee, Work, Race, and Gender in the Urban World Graduate Program

- Spring 2014 (In Spring 2014 I was a visiting faculty fellow at the Tanner Humanities Center at the University of Utah, on sabbatical from UIC)
- Fall 2013 (In Fall 2013 I was a visiting faculty fellow at the Tanner Humanities Center at the University of Utah, on sabbatical from UIC)
- Spring 2013 Associate Chair of the Department  
Executive Committee Member  
Coordinator, Work, Race, and Gender in the Urban World Graduate Program  
Graduate Advisory Committee  
Undergraduate Advisory Committee  
Departmental Computer Liaison  
Wednesday Brownbag Organizer
- Fall 2012 Associate Chair of the Department  
Executive Committee Member  
Coordinator, Work, Race, and Gender in the Urban World Graduate Program  
Graduate Advisory Committee  
Undergraduate Advisory Committee  
Departmental Computer Liaison  
Wednesday Brownbag Organizer  
Best Undergraduate Essay Award Committee
- Spring 2012 Steering Committee, Work, Race, and Gender in the Urban World Graduate Program  
Departmental Computer Liaison  
Wednesday Brownbag Organizer  
Orchestrated redesign of the department's website
- Fall 2011 Steering Committee, the Work, Race, and Gender in the Urban World Graduate Program  
Departmental Computer Liaison  
Wednesday Brownbag Organizer  
Orchestrated redesign of the department's website
- Spring 2011 (In Spring 2011 I received a Junior Faculty Leave, which gave me teaching relief.)  
Executive Committee  
Steering Committee, Work, Race, and Gender in the Urban World Graduate Program  
Departmental Computer Liaison  
Orchestrated redesign of the department's website
- Fall 2010 Executive Committee  
Steering Committee, Work, Race, and Gender in the Urban World Graduate Program

- Departmental Computer Liaison  
Wednesday Brownbag Organizer
- Spring 2010 Executive Committee  
Departmental Computer Liaison  
Wednesday Brownbag Organizer  
Speaker at Incoming Graduate Student Day
- Fall 2009 Executive Committee  
Departmental Computer Liaison  
Wednesday Brownbag Organizer
- Spring 2009 (In 2008-09 I had an appointment at the Institute for the Humanities,  
University of Illinois at Chicago, which gave me a leave from teaching and  
some committee relief.)  
Departmental Computer Liaison
- Fall 2008 (In 2008-09 I had an appointment at the Institute for the Humanities,  
University of Illinois at Chicago, which gave me a leave from teaching and  
some committee relief.)  
Departmental Computer Liaison
- Spring 2008 Executive Committee  
Judge, Edinger Prize committee for Undergraduate Excellence  
Judge, Dillon Prize committee for Undergraduate Excellence  
Meeting Secretary  
Speaker at Incoming Graduate Student Day

## **RESEARCH SUPERVISED**

### **Dissertations Directed**

- Karen Johnson (2007-2013), dissertation director  
“The Universal Church in the Segregated City: Catholic Interracialism in  
Chicago, 1930-1968” (March 11, 2013) — currently assistant professor of  
History at Wheaton College
- Caleb Hardner (2011-2021), dissertation director  
“Infection Intruders, Helpless Hawaiians: Public Health and Race-Making in  
Colonial Hawai’i, 1887-1917” (November 5, 2021).
- Christopher Anderson (2016-2021), dissertation director  
“Church in the Wildwood: Protestant Church Camps in the Twentieth  
Century” (January 14, 2021).
- Alison Orton (2009-present), dissertation director  
“Brewing Ethnicity: Beer, Immigration, and the Creation of New World  
Identities”
- Josh Hoxmeier (2017-present), dissertation director  
“Bucking the Trend: How the Diocese of Lincoln, Nebraska Grew Amid the  
General Decline of the Roman Catholic Church in America”
- Karl Kuhner (2018-present), dissertation director  
“TBD”

José L. Ramirez (2021-present), dissertation director  
“Preserving Salvadoran Civil War History: Campesinos as Agents of Social and Political Action”

### **Dissertation Committees**

Jeff Schuhrke (2016-2020), committee member  
“Modernizing the Global Working-Class: International Development and Industrial Relations, 1955-1975”

John J. Rosen (2012-14), committee member  
“Guardians of the Black Working Class: Labor, Civil Rights, and Racial Politics in Postwar San Francisco”

Wayne Ratzlaff (2007-2013), committee member  
“Carl McIntire, the American Council of Christian Churches and the Politics of Fundamentalism”

Amy Sullivan (2012-13), committee member  
“‘Not In Our Wildest Imagination’: An Examined Legacy of the 1977 Oklahoma Girl Scout Murders”

Emily E. LaBarbera Twarog (2009-2011), committee member  
“Beyond the Strike Kitchen: Housewives and Domestic Politics, 1936-1973”

Catherine P. Batza (2010-2011), committee member  
“Before AIDS: Gay and Lesbian Community Health Activism in the 1970s”

Lauren Braun (2007-2010), committee member  
“Strangers in a Familiar Land: Italians, the Labor Problem, and the Project for Southern Rural Colonization, 1884-1926”

Aaron Max Berkowitz (2007-2010), committee member  
“Mr. Khrushchev Goes to Washington: Domestic Opposition to Nikita Khrushchev’s 1959 Visit to America”

Alison O’Mahan Malcolm (2007-2010), committee member  
“Anti-Catholicism and the Rise of Protestant Nationhood in North America, 1830-1871”

### **Undergraduate Honors Theses Supervised**

Daniel Perez (Fall 2020-Spring 2022)  
“The Fairness Doctrine and the Development of Right-Wing Media in America”

Bhagvat Patel (Fall 2020-Spring 2021)  
“World War I, Shell Shock, and the Development of Plastic Surgery”

Samuel Scruby (Fall 2019-Spring 2020)  
“Liberalism in an Illiberal Time”

Genesis Hernandez (Spring 2018)  
“Sanctuary Cities as an Idea”

Anna Kowolski (Spring 2011)  
“Identity Formation in Transracially Adopted Korean Americans”

Cullen E. Baldwin (Spring 2010)  
“Along the Continuum: Catholics in America: From Animosity to Acceptance?”

Kelly Murray (Spring 2010)  
“The Second Time Around: Vatican II and American Culture”



**Undergraduate Majors Theses Supervised (we stopped doing these in 2015)**

- Dustin Cohan (Spring 2015)  
“Neglecting the Human Element: Cesar Chavez, California Politics, and the Decline of the United Farm Workers”
- Quinton Clemens (Fall 2014)  
“Not So Small World After All: Misrepresentation of Race in the Films of Disney”
- Terri Davis (Fall 2010)  
“Postcards from Bronzeville, 1935-1944: Visual Interpretations of African American Citizenship Through Farm Security Administration Photographs”
- Patrick Nicholson (Fall 2010)  
“How Scandals Affected the Clinton Administration and Its Legacy”
- Alberto Lopez (Fall 2010)  
“The Rise of Islamophobia in America: the 1970s to the Present”
- Blake Garcia (Fall 2010)  
“Becoming Mexican American Through Hull House Pottery”
- Evelina Small (Fall 2010)  
“The Black Power Movement in Chicago: Creating a Culture of Empowerment Once the Civil Rights “Revolution” Floundered”
- Juliette Cardenas (Fall 2010)  
“Educating Children in America’s Japanese Internment Camps”
- Hamzeh Jaber (Fall 2009)  
“What is History?”
- Joseph Madjecki (Fall 2007)  
“Identifying American Identity in Contrast to that of the Soviet Union, 1948-1964”
- Ryan Zink (Fall 2007)  
“Birth of McCarthyism”
- Nicholas S. Hyten (Fall 2007)  
“The Legacy of Cesar Chavez”
- George Hatzis (Fall 2007)  
“Survival in America: Maintaining the Greek Connection”
- Alison Papp (Fall 2007)  
“Black Americanism”
- Zeljana Mackic (Fall 2007)  
“Hull House Americanism”

**COURSES TAUGHT**

**University of Illinois at Chicago**

Undergraduate

- Hist 104, “American Civilization Since 1877”  
Hist 150, “The Catholic Experience in America”  
Hist 256, “American Religious History”  
Hist 268, “American Intellectual History Since 1865”  
Hist 294, “Catholics in American Culture”  
Hist 454, “What Does it Mean To Be An American?”

Graduate

Hist 552, “Graduate Research Seminar”  
Hist 592, “American Religious Experiences”  
Hist 593, “Race, Religion, and Ethnicity in Modern American Historiography”  
Hist 596, “Readings in American Religious History”

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

### **Professional Experience**

Co-Founder, Midwestern U.S. Intellectual History Group, 2019-present  
President, Society of U.S. Intellectual Historians, 2015-2018  
Chair, John Dewey Prize Committee for Best Book in the History of American Philosophy from the Society for US Intellectual History, 2024  
Member, Committee on Marketing and Communications, Organization of American Historians, 2013-2018  
Award committee chair, Best First Book in American Immigration or Ethnic History, the Immigration and Ethnic History Society, 2015-2017  
Treasurer, Society of U.S. Intellectual Historians, 2014-2015  
Award committee, Best Book in American Intellectual History for the Society of U.S. Intellectual Historians, 2014  
Judge, 2009 Council of Graduate Schools History Award  
Participant in Outside Department Review, UC Berkeley, History Department, 2004  
Member, American Intellectual History Reading Group, UC Berkeley, 1999-2005  
Contributor to H-Amstdy (American Studies), H-Afro-Am, H-Anti-Semitism, H-Catholic, and H-AmRel (American Religion).  
Organizer, Graduate Student Orientation, UC Berkeley, History Department, 2000-2002

### **Book and Article Reviewer**

Yale Law Journal  
New York University Press  
Oxford University Press  
Princeton University Press  
Harvard University Press  
Palgrave Macmillan  
Journal of American History  
Journal of Church and State  
Journal of the American Academy of Religion  
Journal of Social History  
Journal of Urban History  
Modern Intellectual History  
Religion and American Culture  
The Journal of the Historical Society  
American Catholic Studies  
Journal of Policy History

### **Public Appearances**

- Chicago Tribune*, (Nara Schoenberg, “A Muslim ‘bridge-builder’ started interfaith work in his basement. Now he has programs on hundreds of campuses. May 11, 2022)
- “Whatever Happened to National Brotherhood Week,” an interview on PRI’s *The World* (Feb. 21, 2018).
- “Teaching 9/11 to students who don’t remember it,” an interview on WBEZ, Chicago’s NPR affiliate (Sept. 11, 2017).
- a handful of television appearances for *Buckley and Mailer*, including MSNBC’s [The Cycle](#) (June 4, 2015).
- dozens of radio interviews for *Buckley and Mailer*, including “[The Leonard Lopate Show](#)” (June 4, 2015), “[MPR News](#)” (June 4, 2015), “[The Joe Donahue Show on WAMC](#)” (June 15, 2015), “[The John Batchelor Show](#)” (July 28, 2015), and more.
- Dallas Morning News* (Chris Vognar, “Back in the Brilliant Spotlight: William F. Buckley, Jr., Norman Mailer, and Gore Vidal,” August 9, 2015)
- “*Backstory: With the American History Guys*,” an NPR show, appearing twice, once on government privacy issues (<http://backstoryradio.org/shows/keeping-tabs/> - July 19, 2013), and once on the wall of separation between church and state in America (<http://backstoryradio.org/shows/wall-of-separation-2/> - Dec. 13, 2013)
- National Journal* (Jill Lawrence, “Anthony Weiner Shouldn’t Bank on Forgiveness in the New York Mayoral Race,” May 24, 2013)
- “Focus,” on Illinois Public Radio, the statewide NPR affiliate (“What’s Ahead for the Roman Catholic Church,” Feb. 28, 2013)
- La Times*, (Steve Chawkins, “Remembering the Four Chaplains’ Selfless Heroism,” Feb. 10, 2013)
- Newsweek* (Lisa Miller, “What Would Mary Do?” April 12, 2010, pp. 36-41)
- Wilson Quarterly* (Winter 2007)