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EDUCATION

2001 – Ph.D. The Catholic University of America, School of Religious Studies, Department of Religion and Religious Education. Washington, DC.

Dissertation: “The Role of Imagination in Catechesis in Light of D. W. Winnicott’s Theory of Emotional Development.”

Director: Rev. Dr. Raymond Studzinski, O.S.B.

1990 – M.A. The Catholic University of America, School of Religious Studies, Department of Religion and Religious Studies, Washington, DC.

1988 – M.S.L.S. The Catholic University of America, School of Library and Information Science, Washington, DC.

1979 – Certificate in Philosophy and Theology, Sacred Heart Major Seminary, Victoria, Gozo, Malta.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2014 – Present: Assistant Professor of Catechetics, The Catholic University of America, School of Theology and Religious Studies, Washington DC.

Spring 2013: Visiting Assistant Professor of Catechetics, The Catholic University of America, School of Theology and Religious Studies, Washington DC.

September 2006 – December 2013: Lecturer of Catechetics and Religious Education, Faculty of Theology and Faculty of Education, University of Malta, Msida, Malta.

January 2002 – December 2013: Visiting Lecturer of Catechetics, Sacred Heart Major Seminary, Victoria, Gozo, Malta.

Fall 1995 – Summer 1997: Instructor, Georgetown University, Department of Theology, Washington, DC

Fall 1994: Instructor, St. Mary’s Seminary and University, Baltimore, MD.

Spring 1991 – Spring 1993: Instructor, The Catholic University of America, School of Religious Studies, Washington, DC.

PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

1988 – Present: Beta Phi Mu

2006 – Present: National Catholic Educational Association

1990-2001, 2013 – Present: Religious Education Association

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

September 2011 – December 2013: Member of the Dissertation Committee, Faculty of Theology, University of Malta, Msida, Malta.

October 2010 – September 2012: Member of the Academic Senate of the Sacred Heart Major Seminary, Victoria, Gozo, Malta.

2010 – 2011: Appointed member of the Task Force for Catholic Education of the Maltese Catholic Bishops' Conference, Malta.

March 2009 – December 2012: Commissioned by the bishop to develop syllabi and lessons for a 3 year catechetical program using the *Godly Play* methodology for young children preparing them for their first celebration of the sacrament of Reconciliation and their First Holy Communion, Diocese of Gozo, Gozo, Malta.

September 2008 – December 2013: Post-Graduate Certificate in Education (PGCE) Religion Coordinator, Faculty of Education, University of Malta, Msida, Malta.

2007 – 2013: Member of the Board of the Religious Education Office within the Secretariat for Catechesis, Archdiocese of Malta, Malta.

2007 – 2013: Appointed by the bishop of Gozo as member of the Diocesan Council of Priests, Diocese of Gozo, Gozo, Malta.

September 2006 – December 2013: Appointed by the Senate of the University of Malta as member of the Faculty Research Ethics Committee, Faculty of Education, University of Malta, Msida, Malta.

February 2001 – August 2006: Principal of the Sacred Heart Minor Seminary, Diocese of Gozo, Gozo, Malta.

October 1998 – January 2001: Senior subject cataloguer, Library Services, Social Sciences Cataloging Division, Religion, Philosophy and Psychology, Library of Congress, Washington, DC.

June 1993 – August 1994: Part-time cataloguer, Mullen Library, Cataloging Department, The Catholic University of America, Washington, DC.

1989 – 1991: Member of the Library Committee, School of Religious Studies, The Catholic University of America, Washington, DC.

September 1984 – August 1986: Pastoral associate at the Gozo Cathedral Parish, Victoria, Gozo, Malta.

December 1979 – August 1984: Pastoral associate at Pfarrei Sankt Lambertus, Bedburg, Archdiocese of Cologne, Germany.

PRESENTATIONS AND WORKSHOPS

September 2013: “The Religious Capacity of the Child,” St. Mark Parish, Vienna, VA.

May 2012: “The Spiritual Development of Children,” Teaching and Non-teaching staff and School Administration, Naxxar Primary School, Naxxar, Malta.

February 2012: “How Children Develop Spiritually,” Teaching and non-teaching staff, Mellieha Primary School, Mellieha, Malta.

February 2012: “Good Teaching Practices in Theology,” Academic staff, Faculty of Theology, University of Malta, Msida, Malta.

October 2010: “The Maltese *Fiesta*: A Potential Space for Religious Experience,” International Symposium, “Religious Experience: North and South,” University of Helsinki, Finland.

August 2010: “Imagination’s Role in Religious and Spiritual Development,” Second Biannual Conference of Special Interest Group #19 (Religious and Spiritual Education), European Association for Research on Learning and Instruction, Malta.

January 2009: “The Place and Role of Catechesis in Pastoral Ministry,” 2 day seminar, Parish Priests of the Archdiocese of Malta, Archbishop Seminary, Rabat, Malta.

January 2009: “Adolescents and Catechesis,” Youth leaders, Kummissjoni Djoċesana Żgħażaġh (KDŽ) [Diocesan Youth Commission], Birkirkara, Malta.

November 1998: “The Role of Imagination in Catechesis in Light of D. W. Winnicott’s Theory of Emotional Development,” 1998 Annual Meeting of the Association of Professors and Researches in Religious Education, Orlando, Florida.

PUBLICATIONS

- “The Maltese *Fiesta*: A Potential Space for Religious Experience.” In *Religious Experience: North and South*, edited by René Gothóni, 163-98. Oxford: Peter Lang, 2012.
- “The Role of Imagination in Religious and Spiritual Education.” In *New Perspectives on Religious and Spiritual Education*, edited by Theo van der Zee and Terence J. Lovat, 165-77. Münster: Waxmann, 2012.
- “Do Fantasy Books Lead to the Occult? The Challenge of Harry Potter and the *Lord of the Rings*.” *Melita Theologica* 62 (2012): 105-122. Coauthored with Paul Galea and Wayne Azzopardi.
- “Verleiten Fantasy- Bücher zum Okkulten? Die Herausforderung von Harry Potter and Der *Herr der Ringe*.” *Wege zum Menschen* 63 (Januar/Februar 2011): 36-51. Coauthored with Paul Galea and Wayne Azzopardi.
- “Il-katekezi: Proċess ta’ formazzjoni għall-hajja nisranija.” *Terese* 6 (2009): 99-115.
- “The Re-Institution of the Baptismal Catechumenate,” *Emmaus: A Journal of Philosophical, Theological, and Human Studies* 8 (2007-2008): 12-31.
- “Falzon, Ignatius, Bl.” *New Catholic Encyclopedia*. 2nd ed. Vol. 5. Detroit, MI: Thomson/Gale, 2003.
- “Pisani, Mary Adeodata, Bl.” *New Catholic Encyclopedia*. 2nd ed. Vol. 11. Detroit, MI: Thomson/Gale, 2003.
- “Preca, George, Bl.” *New Catholic Encyclopedia*. 2nd ed. Vol. 11. Detroit, MI: Thomson/Gale, 2003.
- “Catechesis: Mediating the Christian World of Meaning.” *Emmaus: A Journal of Philosophical, Theological, and Human Studies* 2 (2001): 60-115.
- “The Holy Spirit—God's Wife?” *The Catechist's Connection* 8 (March 1992): 1-2.