

## Curriculum Vitae [ABRIDGED]

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### EDUCATION

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June 2016

**Ph.D. in American Culture**

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Exam Fields: History of the American West & Borderlands; American Race, Ethnicity, & Immigration; American Religious History; Religious Theory & Globalization;  
-Latino Studies Certificate

Dissertation Title: "California's Cross: A Cultural History of Pentecostals, Race, and Agriculture"

December 2011

**M.A. in American Culture**

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

December 2009

**B.A. in History and Religious Studies**

University of the Pacific, Stockton, California  
Minor: Classics

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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July 2019-  
present

**Assistant Professor**

Amherst College

Department of Religion

Core Faculty in Latinx and Latin American Studies

July 2017-  
June 2019

**Postdoctoral Fellow** (deferred tenure-track appointment to 2019 & secured external grant 2018-19)

Amherst College

Department of Religion

July 2016-  
June 2017

**C3 Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow**

Williams College

Latina/o Studies and Religion

## PUBLICATIONS [SELECTED]

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### Monograph

“Sowing the Sacred: Mexican Pentecostal Farmworkers in California, 1916-1966”  
(under contract with Oxford University Press)

### Edited Volume

“*Recovering Apostolic Histories & Theologies: Race, Gender, and Culture in Oneness Pentecostalism*”

Edited with Andrea Johnson and Daniel Ramírez (Advance Contract Penn State University Press July 2020; external reviewers recommend volume for publication May 2021)

### Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles and Chapters in Edited Volumes

“Latina/x/o Pentecostalism” in the Oxford Handbook on Latinx/o/a Christianities ed. Kristy Nabhan-Warren (Oxford University Press; 8,500 words, forthcoming 2021) [invited essay]

“Pentecostalism’s Instrumental Faith and Alternative Power: Cesar Chavez and Reies Lopez Tijerina Among Pentecostal Farmworkers 1954-1956” in *Faith and Power: Latina/o Religious Politics since 1945* eds. Felipe Hinojosa, Sergio Gonzalez, and Maggie Elmore (New York University Press, forthcoming 2021) [invited essay]

“Latinx Christianities in North America,” Main Article (5k words) in *Bloomsbury Religion in North America* ed. Dyron Daugherty (Bloomsbury, 2021)

“Capturing the Church Familia: Scriptural Documents and Photographs on the Agricultural Labor Circuit” in *Critical Diálogos in Latina and Latino Studies* eds., Ana Ramos-Zayas and Mérida Rua (New York University Press, forthcoming 2021) [invited essay]

“Latinx Legacies and Leadership in the U.S. Sanctuary Movement 1980-2020” (co-authored with Tatyana Castillo-Ramos) *American Religion* (forthcoming November 2021)

“Borderlands Believers: Migrant Laborers and the Growth of Mexican Pentecostalism from Los Angeles” in *Religion in Los Angeles*, eds., Diane Winston and Richard Flory (Routledge, 2021) [invited essay]

“The Borderlands Aesthetics of Mexican-American Pentecostalism” in *Protestant Aesthetics and the Arts*, eds. Kathryn Reklis and Sarah Covington (Routledge, 2020) [invited essay]

“Trump’s Wall: A Monument of (Un)Civil Religion” *Material and Visual Cultures of Religion* MAVCOR a journal hosted by Yale University September 2019

“Sacred Resistance: The Sanctuary Movement from Reagan to Trump”  
(co-authored with Tatyana Castillo-Ramos)  
*Perspectivas: The Journal of the Hispanic Theological Initiative* (June 2019)

“The New Issue: Approaches to Oneness Pentecostalism”  
(co-authored with Andrea Johnson)  
*Religion Compass* (12:11) (November 2018)

“Farmworker Frames: *Apostólico* Counter Narratives in California’s Valleys”  
*Journal of the American Academy of Religion* (86:3) (September 2018)

“More Spirit in that Little Madera Church: Cesar Chavez and Borderlands Religious Soundscapes 1954-1966” *California History* (94:1) (Spring 2017)

“Jesus Would Be Jim Crowed: Bishop Robert Lawson on Race and Religion in the Harlem Renaissance” *Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Religion*, (6:3); (2015)

## Encyclopedia Entries

“Oneness Pentecostalism” *Brill Encyclopedia of Global Pentecostalism Online* (1,500 words; co-authored with David Reed) (July 2020)

“Ecumenical Relations –Protestant” (1,139 words);

"Derek Prince Ministries International" (963 words);

“Robert C. Lawson” (489 words), in George Thomas Kurian and Mark A. Lamport, eds. *Encyclopedia of Christianity in the United States*. (Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield, 2016)

## Book Review:

Judith Casselberry, *The Labor of Faith: Gender and Power in Black Apostolic Pentecostalism* (2017 Duke University Press). Reviewed in *Penteco Studies: An Interdisciplinary Journal for Research on Pentecostal and Charismatic Movements* published by Equinox (forthcoming)

Mark Mulder, Aida Ramos, and Gerardo Martí, *Latino Protestants in America: Growing and Diverse* (2017 Rowman and Littlefield). Reviewed in *Diálogo*, published by the University of Texas Press (October 2018) (21:2)

## Public Scholarship:

### Publications

“The theology that has motivated one pastor to keep holding in-person services: And why it’s time to reverse course” *The Washington Post* March, 24, 2020  
(co-authored with Andrea Johnson, Daniel Ramírez, and Roy Fisher)  
<https://www.washingtonpost.com/outlook/2020/03/24/theology-that-has-motivated-one-pastor-keep-holding-in-person-services/>

“Evangelicals and Pentecostals Must Do More to Help Immigrants”  
*Religion and Politics* June 25, 2018 (co-authored with Arlene Sanchez-Walsh)  
<https://religionandpolitics.org/2018/06/25/evangelicals-and-pentecostals-must-do-more-to-help-immigrants/>

“An America Past Time: Latina/o Pentecostals and the 11/9 Election”  
*Sowing the Seed* December 12, 2016  
<https://sowingtheseed.org/2016/12/12/an-america-past-time-latinao-pentecostals-and-the-119-election/>

### Talks

Panelist for weekly salon “Inequality as Comorbidity: How Can American Studies Scholarship Help Us to Better Understand the Impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic?”  
Center for Humanistic Inquiry, Amherst College, May 6, 2020 (online and open to the Amherst College community)

### Media Consultations:

“Florida Megachurch Pastor Tells Evangelical Congregants Not To Take COVID-19 Vaccine” *Huff Post* (December 9, 2020)  
[https://www.huffpost.com/entry/guillermo-maldonado-covid-19-vaccine-evangelicals\\_n\\_5fcfef83c5b6787f2a9b8cc3?ncid=NEWSSTAND0005](https://www.huffpost.com/entry/guillermo-maldonado-covid-19-vaccine-evangelicals_n_5fcfef83c5b6787f2a9b8cc3?ncid=NEWSSTAND0005)

“Pastor Flouting Stay-At-Home Order Remains Defiant After Parishioner’s Death” *Huff Post* (April 18, 2020)  
[https://www.huffpost.com/entry/tony-spell-parishioner-death-coronavirus\\_n\\_5e99e602c5b6ff41590bff42](https://www.huffpost.com/entry/tony-spell-parishioner-death-coronavirus_n_5e99e602c5b6ff41590bff42)

“How Reddit is helping ex-La Luz del Mundo members cope with life after the church”  
*Religion News Service* (March 4, 2020)  
<https://religionnews.com/2020/03/04/how-a-reddit-subgroup-is-helping-ex-la-luz-del-mundo-members-cope-with-life-after-the-church/>

“Trump launches ‘Evangelicals for Trump’ by visiting megachurch led by a Latino pastor” *Religion News Service* (January 3, 2020)  
<https://religionnews.com/2020/01/03/trump-launches-evangelicals-for-trump-by-visiting-megachurch-led-by-a-latino-pastor/>

## **ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS [SELECTED]**

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### Invited Talks

“Sowing the Sacred: Mexican Pentecostal Farmworkers, 1916-1966”  
5 College Latin American, Caribbean, and Latino Studies, November 15, 2019.

“Capturing the Sacred: American Photography and Mexican Farmworkers”  
Lafayette College, Easton, PA, September 25, 2017.

"More Spirit: Rethinking Chicano Activism"  
Mead-Swing Lectureship, Oberlin College, Oberlin OH, April 26, 2016.

“California’s Cross: Making Religious Homes and Crossing Social Boundaries in the Central Valley”  
Department of Religious Studies, University of the Pacific, Stockton, CA, April 7, 2016.

“Fe sin Fronteras: Borderlands Pentecostalism and the Rise of Agribusiness 1919-1969”  
Passionate about the Latin American and Caribbean Studies Series, Miami University, Oxford, OH, Oct. 28, 2014.

### Respondent

Respondent for History Panel at the Society for Pentecostal Studies 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, College Park, MA, February 28- March 2, 2019.

Respondent for History Panel at the Society for Pentecostal Studies 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, San Dimas, CA, March 10-12, 2016.

### Selected Conference Presentations

“La Migra No Profana El Santuario: Latinx Sanctuary Movement Leader in the Age of Trump”  
American Academy of Religion, annual conference, San Diego, CA, November 22-26, 2019  
(co-presented with Tatyana Castillo-Ramos, PhD student in American Religious History at Yale University)

“Unwrapping History: Women and the Maturation of Mexican-American Pentecostal Churches in America”  
American Historical Association, annual meeting, Chicago, IL, January 3-6, 2019.

“Temples Made with Hands: Mexican Pentecostal Women and the Construction of Farmworker Temples in the Central Valley”

Organization of American Historians, annual meeting, Sacramento, CA, April 12-14, 2018.

“Through the Lens of the Subaltern: Mexican-Pentecostal Narratives and Church Family Photographs” American Academy of Religion, annual conference, Boston, MA, November 18-21, 2017.

Touch Not the Unclean Thing: Creating a Sanctified World in the Filth of Progress/  
No Toquen lo Inmudo: Creando un Mundo Santificado en la Inmundicia del Progreso  
Red de Investigadores del Fenómeno Religioso en México, annual conference, Claremont Graduate University, May 31-June 2, 2017

“The Dust District: Migration to California”

Society for Pentecostal Studies 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Florissant, MO, March 9-11, 2017.

“Reforming Chicanas/os and Christians: Pentecostals and the Pursuit of El Valle De Paz”

American Society for Church History, annual conference, Denver, CO, January 5-8, 2017.

“The Dust District: Cosmopolitan and Okie Pentecostal Convergence in California”

American Academy of Religion, annual conference, San Antonio, TX, November, 19-22, 2016.

“Last Words, Lasting Images: Mexican Pentecostal Memory”

XXII Congreso anual de Mexicanistas Juan Bruce-Novoa, University of California, Irvine, May 5-7, 2016.

“Activists and Aleluyas: The Politicization of Pentecostal Farmworkers”

American Academy of Religion, annual conference, Atlanta, GA, November 21-24, 2015.

“Estéticas Apostólicas en la Fronteriza”

Red de Investigadores del Fenómeno Religioso en México, annual conference, Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana, Mérida, Yucatán, April 15-17, 2015.

“Liminal Lenses: Counter Narratives in the Borderlands and Arts of Resistance”

Society for Pentecostal Studies 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Lakeland, FL, March 12-14, 2015.

“California’s Cross: The Roots and Routes of Rural Pentecostalism”

American Academy of Religion, annual conference, San Diego, CA, November, 22-25, 2014.

“Avivamientos, Aleluyas y Trabajo Agrícola: Las Raíces y Rutas de Apostolismo en los Valles de California 1918-1968 ”

Red de Investigadores del Fenómeno Religioso en México, annual conference, Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana, Mexico City, MX, July 9-11, 2014.

"Dust, Dreams, and Discipline: Agribusiness and Pentecostalism in the Central Valley (1930-1965)."

Religion in California Symposium, sponsored by California American Studies Association, UC Berkeley, April 25, 2014.

"Dust and Denominations: Pentecostalism and Migration in Farm Labor Communities of California's Valleys 1917-1964"

American Society for Church History –Ecclesiastical History Society joint conference, Oxford, England, April 3-5, 2014.

"Fields Brown unto Harvest: Mexican Migration and Religion in California Valleys"

American Academy of Religion Western Regional Annual Conference, Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles, CA, March 7-8, 2014.

"California's Cross: Racial and Religious Stratification 1885-1945"

CEHILA-USA (Comisión para el Estudio de la Historia de la Iglesia en las Américas), Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Austin, TX. February, 22-24, 2013.

"Faith with Works: Cesar Chavez's Religious Image"

National Association for Chicana and Chicano Studies 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, March 14-17, 2012.

"Wars and Rumors of Wars: Oneness Pentecostal Pacifism and Patriotism WWI to WWII"

Society for Pentecostal Studies 41<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Virginia Beach, VA, March 1-3, 2012.

From the Tabernacle to the Trenches: Divine Healing as an Alternative to Medicine in WWI

U.S. Army Medical Department Museum, Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, TX, February 23-25, 2012.

"Wars and Rumors of Wars: From Pentecostal Pacifism to Patriotism"

78<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for Military History, Lisle, IL, June 9-11, 2011.

"He Is Melting All Races and Nations Together: An Ethnological History of the Oneness-Pentecostal Movement and Its Ramifications in Stockton, California"

Society for Pentecostal Studies 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Memphis, TN, March 10-12, 2011.

### **Invited Symposium Participation**

Lecturer for Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellows Summer Meetings (for Southern California-based California State Universities) via Zoom June 2, 2021.

Teaching and Learning Workshop for Early Career Latinx Religion Faculty, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, Crawfordsville, IN 2020-2021.

Selected Participant – Bodies of Christ: Visualizing Jesus Then and Now  
Seminars at Calvin College, Directed by Edward Blum and James Bratt, Grand Rapids, MI,  
June 12-25, 2016.

Selected Participant – Dissertation Chapter on Mexican Pentecostal Aesthetics  
Young Scholars Symposium, Institute for Latino Studies, University of Notre Dame, South  
Bend, IN, April 8-11, 2015.

### **Panel Organizer**

The Reformation en Español y en las Américas: The Biblia del Oso at 450 Years  
(*roundtable session on the uses and influence of the Spanish-translation Biblia del Oso in  
Latinx and Latin American communities*)  
American Society for Church History, annual conference, New York, NY, January 3-5, 2020.

“Pentecostalism and Postcoloniality Roundtable: Author Meets Critics for *Migrating Faith* by  
Daniel Ramirez”  
(Panel Organizer and Participant) Society for Pentecostal Studies 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference,  
San Dimas, CA, March 10-12, 2016.

“A Borderlands Archive: Gleaning Materials from the Fields”  
Encounters: Autobiographies Across the Americas conference, Institute for the Humanities,  
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, June 4-7, 2015.

“Pentecostal Cultural Studies”  
Red de Investigadores del Fenómeno Religioso en México, annual conference, Universidad  
Autónoma Metropolitana, Mérida, Yucatán, April 15-17, 2015.

### **AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS [SELECTED]**

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2019-2020	Davis Foundation Grant for Community-Engaged Course (\$5,000) Amherst College Center for Community Engagement
2018-2019	Louisville Institute First Book Grant for Minority Scholars (\$40,000)
2017	Crossroads in the Study of the Americas, Five Colleges (UMass, Amherst, Hampshire, Smith, and Mount Holyoke Colleges) (\$400)
2016	C3 Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship, Latina/o Studies and Religion, Williams College, 2016-2018
Winter 2015	Young Scholars Symposium at University of Notre Dame
2011-2012	Rackham Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor (department nomination)



## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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### **Instructor of Record, Amherst College**

Spring 2022	Latinx Religion Evangelical Christianity
Fall 2021	Introduction to Comparative Religion: The End of the World
Spring 2021	The Sanctuary Movement: Religion, Activism, and Social Contestation Race and Religion in the U.S. West/Mexico Borderlands
Fall 2020	American Religious Traditions: A History of Communities and Their Scriptures The Sanctuary Movement: Religion, Activism, and Social Contestation
Spring 2020	Evangelical Christianity Religion on the Move: Religion and Migration in North America Salvadoran Transnational Cultures (Special Topics Seminar)
Fall 2019	Latinx Religion The “Stuff” of U.S. Religion: Visual and Material Approaches
Spring 2018	Religion on the Move: Religion and Migration in North America
Fall 2017	Introduction to Religion: Comparative Texts and Contexts

### **Instructor of Record, Williams College**

Fall 2016	Religion and Migration
Spring 2017	Race and Religion in the American West

### **Instructor of Record, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor**

Spring 2014	Race and Religion in the United States
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## **SERVICE TO PROFESSION [SELECTED]**

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2021	Bloomsbury Religion in North America Advisory Board
2020-21	Amherst College Faculty Liaison for the Five College Latin American, Caribbean and Latino Studies
2018-present	Co-chair, History of Christianity unit American Academy of Religion

- 2017-present      Member of Steering Committee, Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society unit  
American Academy of Religion
- 2016              Conference Co-organizer  
Red de Investigadores del Fenómeno Religioso en México, Claremont, CA
- 2015              Interest Group Co-leader on Pentecostal Cultural Studies  
Red de Investigadores del Fenómeno Religioso en México  
This includes the responsibilities of reading paper submissions and forming  
panels for the annual conference.
- Consultant for Archive Acquisition  
Manuel Vizcarra Collection, David Allan Hubbard Library, Fuller Theological  
Seminary June-July, 2012.  
Oversaw the collection and organization of the Vizcarra Collection, 70 linear ft. of  
material.
- Consultant for Archive Acquisition  
Manuel Gaxiola Collection, David Allan Hubbard Library, Fuller Theological  
Seminary June-July, 2012.  
Oversaw the collection and organization of the Vizcarra Collection, 40 linear ft. of  
archival material.