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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

COLLEGE OF THE HOLY CROSS, Worcester, MA

Chair, Department of Sociology and Anthropology

Professor of Sociology

Associate Professor of Sociology,

Assistant Professor of Sociology and Edward Bennett Williams Fellow

Serve as department chair. Classes taught include statistics, sociology of religion; Catholic social teaching and community organizing, and introductory sociology

2019-present

2020-present

2013-present

2005-2013

HARVARD DIVINITY SCHOOL, Cambridge MA

Visiting Assistant Professor and Research Associate

Graduate seminar on women, religion, and poverty

2009-2010

HARVARD UNIVERSITY, Cambridge, MA

Instructor, Community organizing undergraduate seminar; Teaching Fellow, undergraduate course on American society and public policy; senior thesis advisor

2002-2005

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY, Princeton, NJ

Teaching Assistant, Sociology of the Family

1995

EDUCATION

Harvard University, Cambridge MA

Ph.D. in Sociology

M.A in Sociology

2005

Princeton University, Princeton, NJ

Princeton School of Public and International Affairs

Master in Public Affairs

1996

Duke University, Durham, NC

B.A., Mathematics

Magna Cum Laude

1986

PUBLICATIONS

Books:

S. Crawford Sullivan, *Living Faith: Everyday Religion and Mothers in Poverty* (University of Chicago Press, 2011)

**Winner 2012 Distinguished Book Award, American Sociological Association,
Sociology of Religion section

**Winner 2012 Distinguished Book Award, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion

** Finalist, 2012 C. Wright Mills Award, Society for the Study of Social Problems

reviewed in *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*; *Religion and Gender*; *American Studies*; written up in *Christian Century*; *National Catholic Reporter*

S. Crawford Sullivan and R. Pagnucco, eds., *A Vision of Justice: Engaging Catholic Social Teaching on the College Campus* (Liturgical Press, 2014;) African edition (The Catholic University of Eastern Africa Press, 2014)

**Finalist, "Excellence in Publishing" Book Award 2015, Association of Catholic Publishers

Journal articles:

S. Crawford Sullivan and V. Aramini. 2019. "Religion and positive youth development: challenges for children and youth with autism spectrum disorders" *Religions* 10(540): 1-20

S. Crawford Sullivan. 2019. "Religion, Gender and Social Welfare: Considerations Regarding Inclusion" *Social Inclusion* 7(2): 44-47

S. Crawford Sullivan and R. Beard. 2014. "Faith and Forgetfulness: The Role of Spiritual Identity in Preserving Self with Alzheimer's" *Journal of Religion, Spirituality, and Aging* 26(1): 65-91

S. Crawford Sullivan, A. Ludden, and R. Singleton. 2013. "The Role of Institutional Mission in Student Volunteering," *Journal of College Student Development* 54(5): 511-526

S. Crawford Sullivan and Margaret A. Post. 2011. "Educating for Democratic Citizenship: Combining Community-based Learning and Catholic Social Teaching," *Journal of Catholic Higher Education* 30(1): 113-131

S. Crawford Sullivan, "Unaccompanied Children in Churches: Low-Income Urban Single Mothers, Religion, and Parenting," *Review of Religious Research*, 50(2), Dec 2008: 157-175

S. Crawford Sullivan, "The work-faith connection for low-income mothers: a research note," *Sociology of Religion* 67(10) March 2006: 99-108

Book chapters:

S. Crawford Sullivan, "Whither Polarization? On (Non) Polarization on the Ground," pp. 46-58 in *Polarization in the U.S. Catholic Church: Naming the Wounds, Beginning to Heal*, (Mary Ellen Konieczny, Charles C. Camosy, and Tricia C. Bruce, eds., Liturgical Press, 2016)

S. Crawford Sullivan and Ron Pagnucco, "Catholic Social Teaching and the College Campus," in Susan Crawford Sullivan and Ron Pagnucco, eds., *A Vision of Justice: Engaging Catholic Social Teaching on the College Campus* (Liturgical Press, 2014)

Susan Crawford Sullivan and Ron Pagnucco, "Sharing the Vision of Justice" in Susan Crawford Sullivan and Ron Pagnucco, eds., *A Vision of Justice: Engaging Catholic Social Teaching on the College Campus* (Liturgical Press, 2014)

L. Plitt Donaldson and Susan Crawford Sullivan, "Catholic Social Teaching, Poverty, and the Economy," in Susan Crawford Sullivan and Ron Pagnucco, eds., *A Vision of Justice: Engaging Catholic Social Teaching on the College Campus* (Liturgical Press, 2014)

S. Crawford Sullivan, "Catholic Social Teaching, Community-Based Learning, and the Sacramental Imagination," *Becoming Beholders: Cultivating Sacramental Imagination and Actions in College Classrooms*, Tom Landy and Karen Eifler, eds., (Liturgical Press, 2014)

S. Crawford and P. Levitt, "American Social Change and Civic Engagement: The Case of the PTA," in *Civic Engagement and American Democracy*, Theda Skocpol and Morris Fiorina, eds, (Brookings Institute Press and Russell Sage Foundation, 1999)

Book reviews and other publications

“Why is Church so hard for families of children with autism spectrum disorder?” *Studying Congregations*, October 1, 2019 (studyingcongregations.org)

Review of *Young Catholic America: Emerging Adults In, Out of, and Gone From the Church* by Christian Smith, Kyle Longest, Jonathan Hill, and Kari Christofferson. New York, NY: Oxford University Press, for *Contemporary Sociology* (2015) 44(6): 852-853

Review of *Sacred Stories, Spiritual Tribes: Finding Religion in Everyday Life* by Nancy Tatom Ammerman. New York, NY: Oxford University Press for *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* (2014) 53(3): 663-665

Review of *Poverty and Morality*, *International Journal of Social Welfare*, 2011

SELECTED FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

Holy Cross Course Development Summer Faculty Fellowship, 2018

Holy Cross Faculty Fellowship, Fall 2016

Holy Cross Center for Teaching Grant (\$250) for conference “Presenting Data and Information” 2016

Holy Cross Center for Teaching Grant, (\$485) for American Sociological Association workshop on increasing quantitative literacy in the sociology curriculum 2015

Covenant Health Spirituality and Health Grant, Covenant Health Organization/St Joseph’s University-University of Alberta, Canada (\$25,000 CAD/\$24,863 USD) 2013

Women’s Studies in Religion Program, Harvard Divinity School 2009-2010
Research Associate and Visiting Assistant Professor in Sociology of Religion

Louisville Institute Christian Faith and Life Grant (\$40,000) 2009
Lilly Endowment Program for Study of American Religion, Louisville Seminary

CONFERENCES AND INVITED TALKS

Convened, organized, and moderated session “Teaching Sociology of Religion: Expanding the Boundaries,” Annual Meeting of the Association for the Sociology of Religion, Philadelphia, August, 2018

Keynote speaker, University Centre Saint-Ignatius Antwerp, Theological lecture series, Antwerp, Belgium, December 18, 2017

Invited speaker, Faculty of Religious Sciences, Catholic University of Louvain, Louvain, Belgium, December 17, 2017

“Parents’ Perceptions of Spirituality of Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders,” American Sociological Association annual meeting, Montreal, Canada, August 2017

“Parents’ Perception of Religious Education for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders,” Society for the Scientific Study of Religion annual meeting, Atlanta, GA, October 2016

Panelist, discussant on *Laudato Si*, College of the Holy Cross, October 2015

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“Personal Spirituality and Parents of Children with Autism,” Religion and Health session, Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual meeting, Chicago, IL, August 2015

Participated, with Holy Cross Center for Teaching funding, in conference pedagogical session “Teaching Students How (Not) to Lie with Statistics: Quantitative Literacy in the Curriculum,” American Sociological Association annual meeting, Chicago, IL, August 2015

Participated, with Holy Cross Center for Teaching funding, in a conference entitled “Presenting Data and Information.” Boston, MA, April, 2016

Invited speaker, April 2015 conference at the University of Notre Dame, *Polarization in the US Catholic Church: Naming the Wounds, Beginning to Heal*. “The Non-Polarized Parish.” One of 17 panelists of 50+ invited participants of academics, pastoral leaders, and other thought leaders in the Catholic Church. Talk to be published in a forthcoming edited volume

Invited guest speaker, annual meeting of the Congregational Studies Team, San Juan, PR, February 2015, “Studying lives on the margins of congregations”

Invited thematic session speaker for panel entitled *Religion and Hard Times*, talk entitled “Low-Income Women, Religion, and The American Dream” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, August 2014

“Congregations and Autism,” Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Meeting, August 2014

Invited talk, Jesuit Connections, “Autism and Religion,” January 2014 (with student co-presenter)

Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, “Faith, Spirituality, Religion, and Autism” November 2013

Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Author meets critic panel invited critic of Nancy Ammerman’s *Sacred Stories Spiritual Tribes: Finding Religion in Everyday Life*

Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, invited panelist, “Building a scholarly life and maintaining work-life balance: Challenges and strategies

Invited talk, University of Notre Dame, Center for the Study of Religion in Society “Everyday Religion and Mothers in Poverty, November 2013

Invited talk, Harvard Women’s Studies in Religion Program, Denver, CO, October 2013

Invited talk, Duke University, Center for Christianity and Scholarship, “Everyday Religion and Mothers in Poverty, September 2013. Also luncheon talk the next day at Duke Divinity School

American Sociological Association, “The Work-Family Juggling Act: A Comparative Analysis of Faculty and Administrator Experiences,” (co-authored with Lauren D’Abrosca ’12, grew out of her senior thesis work), August 2013

Princeton University, Center for Religion, “Everyday Religion and Mothers in Poverty,” invited lecture for biennial board meeting and general audience, April 2013

Boston University, Institute on Culture, Religion, and World Affairs, invited lecture, April 2013

Boston College, Boisi Center for Religion and American Public Life, invited speaker, Poverty and America’s National Priorities, Feb 2013

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University of Notre Dame, *Pacem en Terris* 50th Anniversary conference, “Poverty, Catholic Social Teaching, and Student Development” 2013

Society for the Scientific Study of Religion/Religious Research Association, Author Meets Critics session on my book, *Living Faith: Everyday Religion and Mothers in Poverty*, Phoenix, AZ, November 2012

Society for the Scientific Study of Religion/Religious Research Association, “Sacralization and Poor Mothers,” Phoenix, AZ, November 2012

Faculty Scholarship Lunches, College of the Holy Cross, “Living Faith: Everyday Religion and Mothers in Poverty,” September 2012

Association for the Sociology of Religion, Author Meets Critic session on my book, *Living Faith: Everyday Religion and Mothers in Poverty*, Denver, CO, August 2012

Association for the Sociology of Religion annual meeting, “Gender equity and religiously affiliated colleges: Lived experiences of female faculty and administrators,” with L. D’Abrosca (presenter), Denver, August 2012 (with student presenter)

Association for the Sociology of Religion annual meeting, “Alzheimer’s experiences: stories of resilience, serenity and religious identity,” Las Vegas, August 2011

Association for the Sociology of Religion annual meeting, panelist and critic, Author Meets Critic Session, *Toward a Sociological Theory of Religion and Health*, Las Vegas, August 2011

Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities annual Peace and Justice conference, Washington D.C., February 2012 (helped plan conference and led discussion session on the ACCU vision statement for Catholic social teaching and Catholic higher education)

Conference co-organizer: Let Justice Roll Down: A Conference on the Pedagogy and Practice of Organizing in the 21st Century. McFarland Center for Religion, Ethics, and Culture, College of the Holy Cross, April 1-2, 2011

Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities annual Peace and Justice conference, Notre Dame, March 26-27, 2011 (helped plan conference and led discussion session on Catholic social teaching and the social sciences)

“Religion and Gender Role Ideology Among Low-Income Women,” Association for the Sociology of Religion, Atlanta, August 2010

“Living Faith: Everyday Religion and Mothers in Poverty,” Women’s Studies in Religion Lecture Series, Harvard Divinity School, Cambridge, MA, February 2010

“Everyday Religion and Low-Income Women,” Women’s Studies in Religion Annual Leadership Conference, Cambridge, MA, January 2010

Organized and led roundtable, “Catholic Social Teaching and the Social Sciences,” Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities 10th Annual Conference, San Diego, CA, January 2010

“Spiritual or Religious? Everyday Practices and Urban Mothers in Poverty,” Association for the Sociology of Religion/Italian Sociological Association’s international conference, *Religion, Spirituality, and Everyday Practice*, Assisi, Italy, December 2009

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“Low-Income Mothers: Perceptions of Church-Based Stigma Due to Marital Status and Living Arrangements,” Religious Research Association/Society for the Scientific Study of Religion annual conference, Denver, CO, October 2009

“Government Faith-Based Initiatives: A View from Urban Mothers in Poverty,” Association for the Sociology of Religion, San Francisco, August 2009

“Low-Income Urban Mothers on Welfare: The Role of Religion in Confronting Challenges, regular session panel, Religion and Health, American Sociological Association, August 2007

Participated in invitation-only conference on the impact of religion and faith-based organizations on the lives of low-income families,” National Poverty Center/University of Michigan, Washington, D.C., June 7, 2007

Served as panel moderator in conference *Shaping American Catholicism: An Exploration of major themes in the life and work of David J. O’Brien*, panel: Public Catholicism: Peace, Politics, and Social Ministry, April 14, 2007

Served as the respondent at the Holy Cross Center for Religion, Ethics and Culture Faculty Book Celebration, November 9, 2006, responding to Prof William Clark’s book, *A Voice of their Own: the Authority of the Local Parish*

“Mothers on welfare and perceptions of stigmatization by churches,” American Sociological Association, August 2006

Invited talk, The Boisi Center for Religion and American Public Life, Boston College, “Faith and Poverty: Personal Religiosity and Organized Religion in the Lives of Low-Income Urban Mothers,” February 2006

“Low-income women: church participation and personal religiosity,” American Sociological Association, August 2005

“Low-income mothers, faith, and work: implications for faith-based job training programs,” Association for the Sociology of Religion,” August 2005

“Religion, Gender and Work: The Experience of Low Income Women,” American Sociological Association, August 2002

“Faith-Based Job Training,” Hauser Center for Non-Profit Organizations, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, 1999

“Family Changes and the PTA,” American Sociological Association, August 1998

“Civic Engagement and the PTA,” Russell Sage Conference on Civic Engagement, 1997

SELECTED SERVICE ACTIVITIES

Academic Governance Council, 2018-present: one of ten elected faculty members elected by the faculty to the AGC. The AGC “represents faculty interests regarding all issues of an academic nature at the College” and “serves as the primary body representing the faculty in all matters relating to the College administration and areas outside Academic Affairs.”

Finance and Planning Council, 2018-present. One of two AGC members and two other faculty members representing faculty interests on the College’s Finance and Planning Council. Attend meetings with senior

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College officials to discuss finance and planning issues; provide faculty viewpoint, provide input to report to faculty. Also elected and served a two year term on the Finance and Planning Council as one of four elected faculty representatives (before the governance restructuring) 2014-16

Current department service: Department chair since June 2019

Recent department service: 2017-2019: chaired all review processes; chaired hiring committee and process for visiting hire; in charge of department website redesign; on assessment committee and conducted formal assessment in a course; conducted senior audits

Academic Standing Committee, 2017-2019. Heard student appeals of suspensions and dismissals for academic reasons. Deliberated cases, communicated decisions to class deans. Helped formulate new Academic Integrity Policy which was adopted as College policy in 2019

First-year advisor 2018-19: Served as advisor in new first-year advising program. Primary faculty advisor for twelve first-year students; attended monthly faculty luncheon meetings about advising

Associate editor/editorial board member of *Sociology of Religion*, 2011-2017

Louisville Institute, served on selection committee for dissertation grant funding; reviewed over 60 detailed proposals and attended a two-day selection deliberation in Louisville, KY, April 2016

Holy Cross Human Subjects Committee, 2014-2017. Served as one of two faculty members on Holy Cross Human Subjects Committee

Served as Holy Cross' representative to the national Peace and Justice Committee of the Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities, 2009-2015.

Chair, 2013 Distinguished Book Award Committee, American Sociological Association, Sociology of Religion section

Holy Cross Advisory Boards: McFarland Center for Religion, Ethics, and Culture Advisory (2010-13), Center for Teaching (2011-13), Donelan Office for Community-Based Learning (2009-2013).

Academic Affairs Council, 2011-2013. Department representative to College faculty governance council.

Community service: St Mary School Shrewsbury, board member, 2013-2019, Developed and administered a survey of school families for multiple years, analyzed data, wrote reports for administrators. Chaired curriculum committee; consulted on curriculum and grading issues. 2015-present: co-founder, advisor, and facilitator of St Mary's (middle school) Service Club, which provides service to Interfaith Hospitality Network, Columbus Park Elementary School, and other organizations

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Academic Administration

- ELIOT HOUSE, HARVARD UNIVERSITY, Cambridge, MA 2001-2005

Resident Tutor in Sociology and Public Service: Provided academic advising to undergraduate social science students, while living in a residence for 450 undergraduates. Served as career counselor for students interested in public service internships or jobs. Provided counseling and referral to university resources.

Market Research Consulting

- BEETRIX, Boston, MA 2000-2005
- OLSON ZALTMAN ASSOCIATES, Boston, MA 1998-2000
- HARVARD BUSINESS SCHOOL, Boston, MA 1998-2000

Carried out and analyzed qualitative marketing research. Conducted hundreds of in-depth face-to-face interviews of consumers on a variety of topics. Provided training in interviewing and data analysis techniques. Used computer-based qualitative data analysis system to generate conclusions. Wrote reports aiding senior executives in understanding consumers.

Social Services

- CATHOLIC CHARITIES, Honolulu, HI 1992

Served as live-in counselor and health educator in shelter for young homeless mothers and their children. Taught courses in infant care. Testified to State Legislature on support services for adolescent parents.

International Development Consulting

- WORLD BANK Economic Development Institute, Washington, D.C. 1996
- WORLD BANK Southern Africa Department, Washington, D.C. 1995
- UNICEF Regional Office for South Asia, Kathmandu, Nepal 1994
- UNICEF Country Office for Mozambique, Maputo, Mozambique 1994
- INTERNATIONAL RESCUE COMMITTEE. Madrid, Spain 1994

Researched and wrote major study on child labor in South Asia. Conducted monitoring and evaluation visits of local non-profit organizations funded by UNICEF in Mozambique; researched impact of war in Mozambique. Researched and wrote World Bank report on public sector delivery of social services in Latin America. Wrote report on World Bank's response to women's issues for the 1995 UN Beijing Conference on Women. Researched and wrote study on the role of voluntary organizations in resettlement of Bosnian refugees in Spain.

United States Air Force

- INTELLIGENCE CENTER PACIFIC, Honolulu, HI 1988-1991
- 6903d ELECTRONIC SECURITY GROUP, South Korea 1987-1988

Served as captain representing unit as chief public speaker, presenting research in formal briefings to Commander-in-Chief Pacific Forces staff. Researched and wrote classified intelligence documents. Served as lieutenant supervising staff of fifty American and South Korean military personnel performing intelligence collection activities.