

*Curriculum Vitae*  
**THERESA LADRIGAN-WHELPLEY**

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**Education**

Ph.D., Christian Spirituality, Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA (2013)

Dissertation: "Toward Spiritualities of Traditioning: A Critical Rendering of the Lay Vocation in the Roman Catholic Church" Committee: Arthur Holder (Graduate Theological Union, chair), Elizabeth Liebert, S.N.J.M. (San Francisco Theological Seminary), Thomas Beaudoin (Fordham University); Jesuit School of Theology affiliate

Comprehensive Exams: History of Christian Spirituality (GTU), Scriptural Hermeneutics (GTU), Roman Catholic Spiritual Traditions (GTU), Sociological Research Methods and Theory (U.C. Berkeley), Buddhism (U.C. Berkeley)

M.Div., Candler School of Theology, Emory University, Atlanta, GA, *summa cum laude* (2002)  
Women in Theology and Ministry Certificate

B.S.H., Biology/Honors, Villanova University, Villanova, PA, *summa cum laude* (1998)

**Professional Appointments**

Director of Bannan Institutes, Ignatian Center for Jesuit Education, Santa Clara University (2012-present); Adjunct Lecturer, Department of Religious Studies, Santa Clara University (2015-present)

Design and direct annual thematic Institute that engages issues of significance relevant to the Catholic intellectual tradition, fosters an ethic of dialogue among persons of diverse religious and philosophical commitments, facilitates opportunities for interdisciplinary exchange across the university and broader community, and furthers the integration of faith, justice, and the intellectual life on campus and in the broader community

Develop and facilitate yearlong interdisciplinary faculty research and teaching collaboratives; teach Institute-related composite courses; solicit and award faculty, staff, student grants and fellowships related to annual Institute; host public lecture series, roundtable dialogues, and symposia related to Institute; serve as editor for annual *explore* Journal publication; launch and produce Institute podcast series; convene and chair Institute faculty advisory committee; supervise staff and contributing faculty

Samples of annual thematic Institutes (embedded links):

[2014-2015 Institute: Ignatian Leadership – Integrating Justice, Faith, Intellectual Life](#)

[2016-2018 Institute: Is There a Common Good in Our Common Home?](#)

Samples of annual edited journal (embedded links):

[Spring 2015 explore Journal: Ignatian Leadership](#)

[Spring 2016 explore Journal: Our Future on a Shared Planet](#)

Oversee and develop annual Ignatian Faculty Forum and Ignatian Staff Conversations offerings; design and host Ignatian days of reflection for faculty, staff, students; cultivate contributors and host “What Matters to Me and Why?” quarterly luncheon series; host weekly Ignatian Examen offering; facilitate annual faculty/staff Ignatian spirituality retreats and days of reflection

Associate Director, Ignatian Center for Jesuit Education, Santa Clara University (2010-2012)

Develop interdisciplinary lecture series exploring topics related to Jesuit, Catholic identity; oversee faculty, staff, student grants and fellowship program; facilitate seminars for faculty and staff engaging the Ignatian tradition; manage and oversee Ignatian Center budget (then \$1.5 million annually); manage Ignatian Center advisory board; manage and oversee Ignatian Center online resources

Director of Resident Ministry, Coordinator of Vocational Discernment (sponsored by Lilly Program for the Theological Exploration of Vocation), Santa Clara University (2006-2010)

Designed and coordinated mini-courses on discernment practices for undergraduate students; designed and implemented annual DISCOVER vocational discernment retreat for undergraduate students in collaboration with university faculty, staff, and student leaders; supervised undergraduate and graduate student interns

Developed resident ministry program focused on Ignatian spirituality and vocational discernment; provided supervision and formation to team of 16 Jesuit and lay resident ministers; redesigned hiring process to actively involve faculty directors and resident directors within Residential Learning Communities; created comprehensive training program and quarterly formation retreats for resident ministers

### **Professional Service**

Board Member, Lane Center Series, Joan and Ralph Lane Center for Catholic Studies and Social Thought, University of San Francisco (2017-present)

Invited to serve on editorial board for Lane Center Series, a resource for social analysis, theological reflection, and education in the Jesuit, Catholic tradition.

Co-Chair, Mission & Identity Conference, Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities (2015-present)

Elected west-coast representative (three year term); plan and convene annual AJCU Mission and Identity Conference for 28 AJCU schools considering critical issues related to Jesuit, Catholic mission; SCU representative at annual conference since 2010

Board Member, Silicon Valley Interreligious Council (SiVIC) (2015-present)

Elected Roman Catholic representative; cultivate relationships with religious communities throughout the Bay Area; collaboratively sponsor interreligious offerings; SiVIC participant since 2012

Presenter, “Ignatian Spirituality and Jesuit Mission,” New Employee Orientation, Human Resources, Santa Clara University (quarterly, 2011-present)

Introduce all new Santa Clara University employees to the Ignatian spiritual tradition and the history of Jesuit, Catholic higher education

- Local Justice Coordinator, Commitment to Justice in Jesuit Higher Education Conference (2016-2017)  
Nominated by National Steering Committee on Justice in Jesuit Higher Education to serve as Santa Clara University's coordinator for 2017 Justice Conference; the aim of the Justice Conference is to share research, teaching, advocacy work, and evidence-based best practices to move forward the commitment to justice in Jesuit higher education
- Delegate, Building Formation Models Summit, Hilton Foundation, Ministry Leadership Center (2016)  
Invited to collaboratively develop a breakthrough approach to mission leadership formation for the 21st century across four sectors: Catholic Higher Education, Catholic Health Care, Catholic Charities and Catholic Relief Services; initiative funded by the Hilton Foundation grant and coordinated by the Ministry Leadership Center
- Provost Strategic Planning Advisory Committee, Santa Clara University (2013-2014; 2015-2016)  
Appointed to develop strategic objectives and an implementation plan for the advancement of theological studies, education, and ministry at Santa Clara University
- Committee Member, Our Future on a Shared Planet Conference, Santa Clara University (2015)  
Invited by university president to serve on interdisciplinary planning committee organizing SCU conference engaging Silicon Valley in conversation with *Laudato Si'*, Pope Francis' 2015 encyclical *Laudato Si'*; particular leadership in organizing Cardinal Turkson's engagement with local Jewish, Muslim, Buddhist, and Christian leaders developing multifaith climate justice initiatives
- Search Committee, Head Archives and Special Collections, University Library and Learning Commons, Santa Clara University (2014-2015)
- Search Committee, Director of Campus Ministry, Santa Clara University (2014-2015)  
Appointed by university president
- Invocation, Fall Academic Convocation, Santa Clara University (2013)  
Invited by university president
- Participant, Ignatian Faculty Forum, Santa Clara University (2011-2012)  
Monthly interdisciplinary faculty seminar, developing and engaging the vocation of the teaching-scholar in the context of the Ignatian educational tradition
- Invited contributor to Learning and Teaching Academy, Graduate Theological Union (2007)  
Presented on "Institutional Contexts for Learning and Teaching," funded through a grant from the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning and a grant from the Teagle Foundation entitled "Engaging Meaning through Mentorship: Strengthening Post-Secondary Liberal Education through Vocation-Based Mentoring of Future Faculty"

## **Publications and Presentations**

“Our Future on a Shared Planet” *explore Journal* 19 (Spring 2016) 4-5.

“The Exercise of Charisms in the *Sensus Fidelium*: Vocational Authority and the Whole People of God,” Catholic Theological Society of America Annual Convention, Fundamental Theology and Method Topic Session, Milwaukee, WI, 13 June 2015.

“Traditioning our Charisms: Living Our Call,” North American Conference of Associates and Religious (NACAR), Invited Webinar Seminar (course fee), 29 April 2015.

“What Is Ignatian Leadership?” *explore Journal* 18 (Spring 2015) 4-5.

“*La Verdad y La Justicia* Witnessing Truth in the Service of Justice,” *Conversations on Jesuit Higher Education*, Vol. 47 (March 2015): 43-44.

“Traditioning Our Charisms: Living Our Vocations,” Bay Area Conference of Associates and Religious (BACAR), Invited Keynote Speaker, Belmont, CA, 4 October 2014.

“Dialogue and Depth: Exploring What Good Is God?” *explore Journal* 17 (Spring 2014) 4-5.

“Interpreting and Embodying Sacred Texts in the Public Sphere,” *explore Journal* 16 (Spring 2013) 22-24.

“Benedict of Nursia (ca. 480-547): *Rule*,” in *Christian Spirituality: The Classics* (ed. Arthur Holder; New York: Routledge, 2009): 62-73.

“Evolving Lay Practices and Vocational Identities within Monastic and Apostolic Religious Charisms,” paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, Practical Theology Section, Chicago, IL, November 2008.

“Men and Women for Others – Men and Women with Others: Exploring the Shape and Substance of Jesuit-Lay Collaborations within GC35 and Jesuit-Affiliated Institutions,” *explore Journal* 12, no. 1 (Fall 2008) 26-30.

“An Introduction to and Application of the Hermeneutical Model of Traditioning: A Comparative Case Analysis of Benedictine and Ignatian Spiritualities Layered in and around the *Rule* of St. Benedict and Ignatius of Loyola's *Spiritual Exercises*,” paper presented at the Western Regional Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, History of Christianity Section, Berkeley, CA, March 2007.

“The Benedictine Oblate, the Monastic Archetype, and the Future of the People of God,” paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the College Theology Society, Christian Spirituality Section, Mobile, AL, June 2005.

### **Teaching Experience**

Ignatian Spirituality; Department of Religious Studies, Santa Clara University (upper level undergraduate course; fulfills third religion and experiential learning for social justice core requirement with integrated community-based learning component)

Traditioning Benedictine Spirituality; Jesuit School of Theology in Berkeley (SCU), Graduate Theological Union (graduate seminar)

Early Mendicant Movements; Franciscan School of Theology, Graduate Theological Union (graduate seminar, co-taught with Darleen Pryds)

Christian Spirituality Doctoral Seminar, Graduate Theological Union (visiting lecturer)

Finding Your Own Spirituality; Religious Studies Department, Santa Clara University (visiting lecturer)

Poverty, Community Development, and Theology: Introduction to the Church in Central America; Candler School of Theology, Emory University (teaching assistant)

History of Christian Thought I, II; Candler School of Theology, Emory University (colloquy leader)

### **International and Domestic Immersion Experiences**

Spain and Italy: In the Footsteps of Ignatius - An Ignatian Journey for Faculty and Administrators, Sponsored by the Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities organized through College of the Holy Cross (May 2017)

Participated in twenty-member delegation of faculty/administrators from Jesuit colleges and universities, visiting significant sites in Northern Spain and Rome to deepen our understanding of and connection to Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of the Society of Jesus

El Salvador: Faculty/Staff Immersion, sponsored by the Ignatian Center for Jesuit Education, Santa Clara University (August 2010)

Participated in ten-member faculty/staff team engaging the political, religious, and cultural contexts of El Salvador in light of the 1979-1992 civil war; participated in classes and practicums within Santa Clara University's *Casa de la Solidaridad* program in El Salvador; explored collaborations with faculty/administrators of Universidad Centroamericana, José Simeón Cañas (UCA)

Honduras: Heifer Project International delegation to village of El Limón, sponsored by Candler School of Theology, Emory University (March 2002)

Supported ongoing work of Heifer Project International women's initiatives; provided reinforcement to land reclamation project; hosted medical clinic; developed educational resources in village in partnership with area instructors

Poland: Tertio Millennio Seminar on the Free Society, sponsored by the Ethics and Public Policy Center, Washington D.C. (July 2001)

Traveled to Krakow, Auschwitz and Dachau for three weeks to study the moral, political, and economic teachings of Pope John Paul II in light of Polish history, culture, and conflict; 10 graduate students from North America and 20 graduate students from Eastern Europe were accompanied by George Wiegel, John Richard Neuhaus, Michael Novak, and Father Maciej Zieba, O.P.

Northern Ireland: Faculty/Student Journey of Reconciliation to Belfast, Derry, and Corrymeela, sponsored by Office of the Chapel and Religious Life, Emory University (May 2000)

Ten-day delegation meeting with Catholic and Protestant political and religious leaders to learn about the history of the conflict and the ongoing work of the peace process

Turtle Mountain Ojibwe Reservation, North Dakota: Benedictine Outreach to Native Americans Program, sponsored by Queen of Peace Benedictine Monastery (January-June 1999)

Lived in community for six-months with Benedictine sisters at the Queen of Peace Monastery in Belcourt, North Dakota located on the Turtle Mountain Ojibwe Reservation; supported established social service and educational outreach programs; serviced Benedictine retreat center; contributed to electronic scriptorium project; participated in daily liturgy of the hours and regular community days of reflection

### **Awards and Fellowships**

President's Staff Service Recognition Award (with honorarium), Santa Clara University (2013)

Newhall Teaching Fellowship, Graduate Theological Union (2005-2006, 2006-2007)

Dean's Scholarship, Graduate Theological Union (2004-2006)

The Jack Boozer and Hermann Noether Social Ethics and Community Service Fellowship, Emory University (2001)

W.B. Yeats Foundation Summer Study Fellowship, Emory University (2000)

Honors Scholarship, Candler School of Theology, Emory University (1999-2002)

St. Thomas of Villanova Academic Medallion, Biology (1999)

Barry M. Goldwater Research Scholarship (1997-1998)

### **Scholarly Honor Societies**

Theta Alpha Kappa, Honor Society for Theology and Religious Studies (inducted 2002)

Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society (inducted 1998)

Sigma Xi, Scientific Research Honor Society (inducted 1998)

Phi Kappa Phi, Academic Honor Society (inducted 1997)

Alpha Epsilon Delta, Science Honor Society (inducted 1996)

**Additional Professional Experience**

Director, Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Walnut Creek, CA (2004-2006)

Coordinated and developed parish formation program for adults seeking full initiation into the Roman Catholic Church; provided leadership for lay catechetical team members; founded mystagogy sponsorship program; provided liturgical leadership within RCIA rites; offered regular spiritual direction to candidates and sponsors

Theology Teacher, Saint Pius X Catholic High School, Atlanta, GA (2002-2004)

Taught junior and senior high school students Catholic Ethics, Church History, and Vocations courses; designed and implemented new curriculum; served as sophomore class moderator and honor council advisor

Graduate Intern, Office of the Dean of the Chapel and Religious Life, Emory University (2001-2002)

Co-facilitated Emory University interreligious council; planned inter-faith services with the twenty-seven religious groups represented on campus; initiated and organized university Labyrinth walk program; represented Dean of the Chapel and Religious Life in science and religion faculty-graduate student symposium

Teacher and Counselor, Youth Theological Initiative, Candler School of Theology, Emory University (2002)

Youth Theological Initiative is an annual summer academy sponsored by the Lilly Endowment, Inc. that gathers 65 rising high school seniors for a four-week, ecumenical experience in Christian theological education; served as a mentor, organized study and community activities, lead student covenant groups, planned daily worship.

Research Specialist, Biology Department, Emory University, Atlanta, GA (1999-2002)

Assisted PI with curriculum development for Animal Behavior and Freshman Science Seminar courses; conducted developmental neurobiological research with fruit flies and grasshoppers; edited journal manuscripts and grant applications; hired, trained and supervised laboratory employees; managed laboratory facilities, supplies, and finances

Graduate Intern, Ethics in Health Care, St. Joseph's Health System, Dunwoody, GA (1999-2000)

Attended ethics committee, transplant committee, corporate compliance committee, internal review board, and joint commissions meetings; researched the ethical parameters of charity care; assisted in planning a conference on medicine and ethics

**Professional Memberships**

American Academy of Religion (2000-present)

College Theology Society (2000-present)

Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality (2004-present)

Association of Practical Theology (2013-present)

Catholic Theological Society of America (2014-present)