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Adjunct Professor, Dept. of Philosophy, Salve Regina University

Adjunct Professor, Alden March Bioethics Institute, Albany Medical College, Albany NY

EDUCATION

Universiteit te Leuven
Leuven, Belgium

Ph.D., Philosophy, *Magna cum Laude*
Ethics, Comparative Philosophy
M.A., Religious Studies, *cum Laude*
Oriental Religions, Comparative Studies

Specialization

Asian Philosophy, Ethics, Healthcare Ethics, Intercultural
Ethics, Phenomenology, the existential and moral impact of
technologies in healthcare

WORK HISTORY

Academics

Adjunct Professor, Philosophy
Salve Regina University

2020-present

Alden March Bioethics Institute
Albany Medical College

Adjunct Professor
2017-present

The College of Saint Rose
Albany, New York

Dean of Spiritual Life & Pfaff Endowed Chair in Ethics
and Moral Values, 2016-18
Pfaff Endowed Chair in Ethics and Moral Values
2007-December 2018

La Roche College (University)
Dept. of Philosophy and Religion
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Professor of Philosophy
Chair of Philosophy Department, 1989-2004
Executive Director and founder, Institute for Cross-Cultural
Ethics (formerly Center for the Study of Ethics)

Mercy College (University)
Dept. of Philosophy and Religion
and Religion
Dobbs Ferry, New York

Associate Professor, 1987-89
Associate Chair of Dept., Chair of Religion, 1988-89
Assistant Professor, 1984-87
Instructor, 1981-84

Outside of Academics

Albany <i>Times Union</i> newspaper	Writer, monthly column on ethics, 2009—2021 http://www.timesunion.com/brannigan/ https://muckrack.com/michael-c-brannigan/articles
Center for Practical Bioethics Kansas City, Missouri	Vice President, Clinical and Organizational Ethics 2004-2007
Center for Medical Ethics University of Pittsburgh	Visiting Associate 1989-2004
Consortium Ethics Program University of Pittsburgh	Associate, Visiting Faculty 1993-2004
St. Margaret Memorial Hospital Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania	Hospital Ethics Committee Hospital ethics consultant
Passavant Hospital Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania	Hospital Ethics Committee Hospital Ethics consultant
Phelps Memorial Hospital North Tarrytown, New York	Hospital Ethics Committee, 1984-89 Special committees: Education, Organizational Issues, DNR Policy, Withholding/Withdrawing Treatment Guidelines, Consultation, Experimental Drugs Committee, 1987-89 Hospice Volunteer, 1983-89

AWARDS and RECOGNITIONS

Jeanne Blank Memorial Speaker, Unitarian Universality Society of Albany, 14 Oct. 2017

The 2013 Susan and Dan Semrad Lecturer in Non-Western Thought; Creighton University, Omaha, Nebraska; delivered lecture 19 Nov. 2013

Book Dedicated to Michael Brannigan, *Presence in healthcare communication: implications for professional education*, ed. by José Carlos Gonçalves, Editora da UFF (Brazil: Universidade Federal Fluminense, 2013

The Dr. William T. Sirridge Medical Humanities Lecturer for 2011/2012, University of Missouri-Kansas City, School of Medicine, Office of Medical Humanities; delivered the annual lecture March 22, 2012

Divine Wisdom Annual Lecture, King's College, Wilkes-Barre, PA, April 2010

Faculty Speaker, Honors Convocation, College of Saint Rose, 29 March, 2009

Special Recognition by Centre for Biomedical Ethics and Law, University of Tokyo, Japan, 2008

Special Recognition by Mid-America Regional Council, Homeland Security, Kansas City, MO, 2007

Freeman Fellow, “East-Asia – United States: A Search for Common Values,” Salzburg, Austria, June 2002

Salzburg Seminar Fellow, “Biotechnology: Legal, Ethical and Social Issues,” Salzburg, Austria, October 2001

Alumni Association Educator’s Award, La Roche College, 2000

Visiting Scholar, Nanzan Institute, Nagoya University, Japan, Spring 1998

Faculty Marshall, elected by Graduating Class of 1997, commencement, May 1997

Brother Gregory Nugent, F.S.C. Award for Teaching Excellence; awarded at commencement, May 1996

University of Tokyo International Invitational Fellowship, School of International Health, University of Tokyo, Japan, 1995-96

Japanese Center for Quality of Life Studies Award for 1995, Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center, April 10, 1995.

La Roche College Faculty Author Award, Spring 1995.

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Caregiving, Carebots, and Contagion: The Future of Caring (Lexington Books, Rowman & Littlefield, 2022)

Spirituality and Deep Connectedness: Views on Being Fully Human, editor, Lexington Books, Rowman & Littlefield, 2018)

Japan’s March 2011 Disaster and Moral Grit: Our Inescapable In-between (Lexington Books, Rowman & Littlefield, 2015)

Essential Guide to Religious Traditions and Spirituality for Health Care Providers, editor with Steven Jeffers, Michael Nelson, and Vern Barnet (Milton Keynes, UK: Radcliffe Publishing Ltd, 2013)

Cultural Fault Lines in Healthcare: Reflections on Cultural Competency (Lanham, MD: Lexington Books, Rowman & Littlefield, 2012)

Striking a Balance: A Primer on Traditional Asian Ethics and Values, rev. ed. (Lanham, MD: Lexington Books, Rowman & Littlefield, 2010)

Ethics Across Cultures (New York: McGraw-Hill, 2005)

Cross-Cultural Biotechnology: Ethical, Legal, and Social Issues, editor (Rowman & Littlefield, 2004)

Ethical Issues in Human Cloning: A Cross-Disciplinary Reader, editor (New York: Seven Bridges Press, 2001)

Healthcare Ethics in a Diverse Society, with Judith A. Boss, Brown University School of Medicine (Belmont, CA: Mayfield Publishing, Spring, 2001)

Striking a Balance: A Primer on Traditional Asian Ethics and Values (NY: Seven Bridges Press, 2000)

The Pulse of Wisdom: The Philosophies of India, China, and Japan, 2nd ed. (Wadsworth Publishing Company, CA, 2000; 1st ed., Belmont, CA: Wadsworth Publishing Company, Inc., 1995)

Dialogue: The First Step in Philosophy (Needham Heights, MA: Ginn Press, Simon and Schuster, July 1990)

Everywhere and Nowhere: The Path of Alan Watts (New York and Bern: Peter Lang Publishers, Inc., Sept. 1988)

Book Chapters

“Alan Watts’ Metaphysical Language: Positivity in Negative Concepts,” reprinted with Prefatory Note, and “The Theory of Non-Duality in the Philosophy of Alan W. Watts” with Prefatory Note, in *Alan Watts in Late-Twentieth-Century Discourse: Commentary and Criticism from 1974 to 1994*, ed. Peter J. Columbus (New York and London: Routledge, 2024).

“Resuscitating Embodied Presence in Healthcare: The Encounter with *le Visage* in Levinas,” in *Phenomenology of Bioethics: Technoethics and Lived Experience*, ed. Susi Ferrarello

(Switzerland: Springer Publishing, 2021).

“Resuscitating Spirit,” “Spirituality and Moral Grit,” in *Spirituality and Deep Connectedness: Views on Being Fully Human*, editor (Lanham, MD: Lexington Books, Rowman & Littlefield, 2018).

“Intercultural Bioethics – An Introduction,” in *Encyclopedia of Human Biology*, 3rd edition, Reference Module in Biomedical Research, edited by Melvin Simon and John Abelson 2014, Elsevier 2014.

“Commentary: A New Twist on Altruism – Survivors of Japan’s 3/11,” in *The Future of Bioethics: International Dialogues*, ed. Akira Akabayashi (Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press, 2014), 516-521).

“Commentary: On Universal and Particular – Guidance Seeking via Human Rights and Ethics Facilitating,” in *The Future of Bioethics: International Dialogues*, ed. Akira Akabayashi, (Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press, 2014), 656-661.

“Kisagotami, The Buddhist Noble Truths, and Presence,” in book dedicated to Michael Brannigan, *Presence in healthcare communication: implications for professional education*, ed. by José Carlos Gonçalves, Editora da UFF (Brazil: Universidade Federal Fluminense, 2013), 25-46.

“Spirituality, Religion, and Culture,” in *The Essential Guide to Religious Traditions and Spirituality for Health Care Providers* (London, New York: Radcliffe Publishing, 2013), 17-23.

“The Road Goes Ever On and On”: A Hobbit’s Tao, in *The Hobbit and Philosophy: For When You’ve Lost Your Dwarves, Your Wizard, and Your Way*, Ed. by Eric Bronson and Gregory Bassham, The Blackwell Philosophy and Pop Culture Series, 2012).

“Communication Ethics,” in *Encyclopedia of Applied Ethics*, 2nd edition, Elsevier Ltd., 2012.

“Human Rights,” in *Encyclopedia of Applied Ethics*, 2nd edition, Elsevier Ltd., 2012.

“Listening to the Rain: Embodied Awareness in Watts”, in *Alan Watts—HERE and NOW: Contributions to Psychology, Philosophy, and Religion*, eds., Peter Columbus and Donadrian Rice (Albany, NY: SUNY Press, 2012).

“What Can Buddhist No-Self Contribute to North American Bioethics?” in *American Buddhism as a Way of Life*, eds. Gary Storhoff and John Whalen-Bridge (Albany: SUNY Press, 2010).

“*Ikiru* and Net-Casting in Intercultural Bioethics,” in *Bioethics at the Movies*, ed. Sandra Shapshay (Johns Hopkins University Press, 2008).

“Japanese Baseball and Its Warrior Ways?” in Eric Bronson, ed., *Baseball and Philosophy* (Chicago, IL: Open Court Publishing, 2004).

“There Is No Spoon: A Buddhist Mirror,” a chapter in *The Matrix and Philosophy*, translated (along with the text) into Japanese by Byakuya Shobo Co., Tokyo, Oct., 2003.

“Fixations on the Moral Status of the Embryo,” in James Humber, ed., *Stem Cell Research* (Totowa, NJ: Human Press, 2003).

“There Is No Spoon: A Buddhist Mirror,” in *The Matrix and Philosophy: Welcome to the Desert of the Real*, ed. William Irwin, Open Court Publishing, 2002.

“Medical Feeding: Applying Husserl and Merleau-Ponty,” in S.K. Toombs, ed., *Handbook for the Philosophy of Medicine, Volume One: Phenomenology and Medicine*, (Dordrecht, The Netherlands: Kluwer Academic Publishers, 2001), pp. 441-454.

"Oregon's Experiment" in *Reforming Health Care: The Philosophy and Practice of International Health Reform*, edited by David Seedhouse (Chichester: John Wiley and Sons, 1995).

"Spatiality in Nishida's *Koitekei Chokan*," *Proceedings of the Thirteenth International Symposium on Asian Studies* (Hong Kong: Asian Research Service, 1992).

Articles, Reviews since 2010

“Communicating at Face Value,” *Communication and Medicine: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Healthcare, Ethics, and Society* (Equinox, UK), 19 (2) (2022).

Guest editor with Alessandra Vincentini and Kim Grego of special issue “Practical perspectives on older people, caregivers, families and organisations,” *Working with Older People* (Emerald Group Publishing, London), 25(3) (Sept. 2021) ISSN 1366-3666).

“Dispossessed, without Place and Face: The Plight of Elders,” in special issue “Practical perspectives on older people, caregivers, families and organisations.” *Working with Older People* (Emerald Group Publishing, London), 25(3) (Sept. 2021).

Updated currency review of “Intercultural Bioethics – An Introduction,” in *Reference Module in Biomedical Sciences*, published by Elsevier Reference Module, available online at www.referencemodules.com, January 2017.

“One Shovelful at the Time – Volunteering in Tohoku,” *Japan Railway and Transport Review*, in five languages: Japanese, English, French, German, Spanish, Vol. 65, March 2015: 44-47.

“Kisagotami, The Buddhist Noble Truths, and Presence,” in *Presence in healthcare communication: implications for professional education*, Ed. by José Carlos Gonçalves (**book is dedicated to Michael Brannigan**), Editora da UFF (Universidade Federal Fluminense), Brazil, 2013, 25-46.

Guest Editor, Special Issue, Enhancement Technologies and Cultures, *Health Care Analysis: An International Journal of Health Care Philosophy and Policy*, Vol. 20, no. 4, Dec. 2012: 319-397.

“Our Nightingales’ Song from Tohoku,” *Japan Railway and Transport Review*, in five languages: Japanese, English, French, German, Spanish, Vol. 60, Oct. 2012: 60-62.

“Introduction: *Telos*, Culture, and Enhancement Technologies,” *Health Care Analysis: An International Journal of Health Care Philosophy and Policy*, Vol. 20, No. 4, December 2012: 319-327.

“On Resuscitating Embodied Presence,” *Human Factor (inaugural issue)*, Nov. 2012: 8-12.

“On Physician-Assisted Suicide: Getting to the Root,” *Capital Commons Quarterly*, Spring 2012.

“Hiroshima’s Camera,” *Japan Railway and Transport Review*, Vol. 58/60-62, Oct. 2011.

“Presence in Suffering: Lessons from the Buddhist Four Noble Truths,” *Eubios Journal of Asian and International Bioethics*, Vol. 20/173-180/Nov. 2010

“Organ Extraction from Executed Prisoners: Confucian Considerations,” *American Journal of Bioethics*, Vol. 10, No. 2 (February 2010): 27-28.

Earlier articles on request

Albany Times Union Newspaper Ethics Columns

City newspaper of Capital Region, Albany as capital of New York

<http://www.timesunion.com/brannigan/>

<https://muckrack.com/michael-c-brannigan/articles>

“On robots, depression, and the lure of the not-quite-real,” April 1, 2021

“On vaccination, the greater good must outweigh autonomy,” Feb. 25, 2021

“Giving the gift of mercy is a burden – and liberation,” Dec. 24, 2020

“Caregivers possess incomparable courage and strength,” Nov. 26, 2020

“Survival depends upon abandoning old ways of thinking,” Oct. 29, 2020

“Face masks reveal strength, humane solidarity,” July 30, 2020

“Listen and weigh all perspectives to banish 'us vs. them,'” June 25, 2020

“Need for face-to-face contact transcends viral moment,” May 28, 2020

“How we deal with the pandemic reflects who we are,” April 23, 2020
 “**Surviving pandemic directly ties to how we respond,**” Mar. 26, 2020
 “For the new year, just try to make, keep one resolution,” Dec. 26, 2019
 “**We can see each other better when no screen is involved,**” **Nov. 28, 2019**
 “Despite medical advances, keen attention still required,” Sept. 26, 2019
 “When hubris trumps good judgement, disasters follow,” Aug. 29, 2019
 “Each person for himself plunges us into moral abyss,” June 27, 2019
 “The college experience is put to the test post-graduation,” May 30, 2019
 “Life’s magic lies in living the music of each moment, encounter,” Apr. 25, 2019
 “Finding a sense of place on solid ground in a porous world,” Feb. 21, 2019
 “On retirement, and the delicate harmony of ‘doing’ and ‘being’,” Jan. 24, 2019
 “Colleges are losing sight of the true aims of higher education,” Dec. 27, 2018
 “Breaking our dangerous addiction to electronic devices,” Nov. 29, 2018
 “To defuse this polarized climate, we must cultivate empathy,” Oct. 25, 2018
 “Surgery case illustrates the gap between truth and honesty,” Aug. 30, 2018
 “Uninformed consent: one doctor, two concurrent surgeries,” July 26, 2018
 “Learning requires the same deep commitment as travel,” Apr. 26, 2018
 “Search for spirituality leads inward, but outward as well,” Feb. 22, 2018
 “Olympics may reveal strength of N. Korea’s National Will,” Jan. 25 2018
 “In 2018, indulge daily for a few moments of quiet time,” Dec. 28, 2017
 “One person can indeed make a world of difference,” Oct. 26, 2017
 “Response to North Korea will long echo into our conscience,” Sept. 27, 2017
 “What motivates suicide terrorists?” Aug. 24, 2017
 “**Addiction to screens virtually bypasses human world,**” **May 25, 2017**
 “Now more than ever, resuscitate critical thinking skills,” Apr. 27, 2017
 “When trust crumbles, grass-roots solidarity offers hope,” Mar. 30, 2017
 “Legitimizing torture accepts flawed logic and reasoning,” Feb. 23, 2017
 “**Disconnect from devices and connect with real world,**” **January 26, 2017**
 “Subject gun business to regulations like other industries,” August 25, 2016
 “Threat to manhood ignites fire,” September 26, 2016
 “Clear explanation key to consent for medical treatment,” November 24, 2016
 “Choices made in the struggle reflect the depth of life’s beauty,” December 29, 2016
 “Health care is plagued by too many communication gaps,” January 28, 2016
 “Quality of our life before the storm will help afterward,” March 24, 2016
 “Conscience summons our inner core of moral values,” April 28, 2016
 “Literature and the arts can help us resuscitate empathy,” May 26, 2016
 “Relentless alarms the silent killer,” June 23, 2016
 “The gift of being present,” Dec. 24, 2015
 “High stakes in debate over treatment for Lyme disease,” Nov. 26, 2015
 “Celebrate talents of tradesmen,” Aug. 27, 2015
 “Big Data calculates free will,” July 30, 2015
 “Requiem for the here and there,” June 25, 2015
 “Selfies just reflect our emptiness,” May 28, 2015
 “Perception is everything, even in the medical profession,” April 23, 2015

“Numbers hardly the formula for the right Rx,” March 28, 2015
 “The Challenge of pain vs. suffering,” Feb. 26, 2015
 “Guarding against a deadly outbreak of unfounded fear,” Nov. 26, 2014
 “Wisdom does come with age,” Oct. 30, 2014
 “How to use our gift to ourselves,” Sept. 25, 2014
 “Surgery’s unknown doctors,” July 24, 2014
 “Let the torch illuminate solidarity,” June 26, 2014
 “Challenge the business of ethics,” May 29, 2014
 “Just how safe is Safe?” April 26, 2014
 “Suffering is tough to address,” February 27, 2014
 “The Quiet, friendly skies,” February 6, 2014
 “Rekindle virtue of gratitude,” Dec. 27, 2013
 “Shame on our moral progress,” Oct. 31, 2013
 “Cultivating critical thinking,” Sept. 26, 2013
 “A Good fence helps community,” July 25, 2013
 “Power is in creative solutions,” July 1, 2013
 “Our Elders require our touch,” June 4, 2013
 “Technology only hurts interaction,” March 28, 2013
 “Remove the underbelly of violence,” Feb. 21, 2013
 “In the End, our roses shall return,” Dec. 27, 2012
 “A Season to think of others,” November 29, 2012
 “Getting to heart of consent,” October 25, 2012
 “Scoring a High cheats learning,” September 27, 2012
 “Greatness in Victory and Defeat,” August 31, 2012
“How a Culture of peace confronts violence: Norway offers critical lessons in triumphing over tragedy,” feature section, July 28, 2012
 “Daunting questions on our fate,” May 31, 2012
 “Finding a tidy end to our lives,” April 26, 2012
 “Whose consensus on rights?” March 1, 2012
“Sunlight in Kamaishi: Recovery from Japan’s earthquake brings lessons of resilience,” feature article, March 3, 2012
 “Holiday tasks: unplug, connect,” Dec. 24, 2011
 “Progress, a spiritual and personal Journey,” Nov. 26, 2011
 “Sure, play to win, but with dignity,” Oct. 29, 2011
 “Stronger communities, *before* calamity strikes”, Sept. 25, 2011
 “Take a look at just Who We Are,” July 31, 2011
 “Context crucial for elderly,” June 26, 2011
 “Society must never sanction torture,” May 29, 2011
 “How are you preserving your dignity?” April 24, 2011
 “Does Seamus the Robot care for me?” Feb. 27, 2011
 “Slow down, waste time, recharge,” Jan. 30, 2011
 “In a consumer world, do we have room for change?” (Nov. 28, 2010)
 “Amsterdam and its encounter with the Other” (Oct. 31, 2010)
 “Real reading requires books, not screens” (Sept. 26, 2010)

“Anonymity doesn’t erase accountability” (July 25, 2010)

Radio Interviews

Local and nationally syndicated radio programs re newest book *Japan’s March 2011 Disaster and Moral Grit*:

WAOK, Bev Smith Show, Atlanta, GA, March 8, 2017

WISR, Pittsburgh, PA, March 10, 2017

WCCO, Minneapolis, MN, CBS Radio Network, March 10, 2017

WINT, Cleveland, OH, March 13, 2017

WTMJ, Milwaukee, WI, March 13, 2017

WGSO, New Orleans, LA, March 15, 2017

WATR, Waterbury CT, March 15, 2017

Issues Today Radio, host Bob Gourley, March 22, 2017.

WBZ, Boston, February 24, 2016

WURD, Philadelphia, March 3, 2016

WTMJ, Milwaukee, March 6, 2016

WSBA, Harrisburg, March 8, 2016

Talk of Connecticut, March 9, 2016

Bev Smith Show, and Jim Bohannon Show, March 9;

NPR “All Sides,” WOSU, Columbus, OH, March 10, 2016

KSL, Salt Lake City, and KPAM, Portland, March 10, 2016.

PRESENTATIONS Since 2017

Guest panelist for national webinar, “The Ethics of Compulsory COVID-19 Vaccination of Healthcare Workers,” TeamHealth Institute, March 16, 2021.

Plenary Speaker for International Conference Seniors 2019, on “Seniors, Foreign Caregivers, Families, and Institutions: Linguistic and Multidisciplinary Perspectives”; title of presentation: “Dispossessed, without Place and Face: The Plight of Elders,” sponsored by Collegio Universitario Carlo Cattaneo, Università Degli Studi Dell’Insubria and the University of Milano, at Varese, Italy, April 10, 2019.

Guest speaker, “An Anatomy of Informed Consent: What Does It Mean to Be Informed? What Does It Mean to Consent?” to students and faculty of Institutional discourse across genres and media, University of Milan, Italy, April 5, 2019.

Invited Speaker, “The Other – and Us: Serving a Diverse Population – Communicating through Our Biases,” Inspira Health Network, 2018 Healthcare Ethics Seminar, Centerton Country Club, Vineland, New Jersey, Sept. 27, 2018.

Invited speaker, “I Will Be Present throughout Your Procedure: Ghost Surgery and Disclosure,”

Communication, Medicine and Ethics Conference, Birmingham, U.K., June 27, 2018.

Guest speaker, “Intercultural Bioethics,” Albany Medical Center, Albany, Dec. 6, 2017.

Invited speaker at BestLife Expo, “Are You Happy? Really?” College of St. Rose, Albany, Nov. 13, 2017.

Jeanne Blank Memorial Speaker, “What Doesn’t Kill Us: Resilience and Moral Grit,” Unitarian Universalist Society of Albany annual meeting, Silver Bay, NY, Oct. 14, 2017.

Invited speaker, at Fear of the Other: Challenging Xenophobia, Racism, Islamophobia and Keeping the Dream Alive, Madison Theater, Albany, NY, Oct. 9, 2017.

Guest speaker for Ethics Grand Rounds, “Climate, Disaster, and Vulnerability: Revisiting Identity,” Albany Medical College, Sept. 7, 2017.

Invited speaker, “Communicative Vulnerability & Our Disembodied Selves,” symposium on Professional Ethics and Communicative Vulnerability in Healthcare Delivery, at the Communication, Medicine, and Ethics Conference, Danish Institute of Humanities and Medicine, Aalborg University, Denmark, Indianapolis, IN, June 28, 20

Guest speaker, “Ghosts of Ghost Surgery,” Capital District Humanist Society, Albany, NY, April 9, 2017.

Earlier Presentations On Request

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS, OFFICES PAST & PRESENT

U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, Flotilla 79, Point Judith, Rhode Island; past Point Judith Flotilla Vice Commander

Invited Partner and Collaborator, Danish Institute of Humanities and Medicine/Health, Aalborg University, Aalborg, Denmark

Advisory Board, Sirridge Office of Medical Humanities and Bioethics, University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Medicine

Regular Visiting Scholar, Centre for Biomedical Ethics and Law, University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan

Editorial Board, *Health Care Analysis*, published by John Wiley, England.

Editorial Board, *Communication and Medicine: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Healthcare*,

Ethics and Society

Visiting Contributing editor, *American Journal of Bioethics*

International Association of Bioethics, Centre for Bioethics and Health Law, Utrecht University, The Netherlands

Ethics Review Committee, Albany Medical Center, Albany, New York

Chair of the Diversity Committee, Association for Practical and Professional Ethics

Membership Committee for the Association for Practical and Professional Ethics

Regular Visiting Professor, Centre for Health Communication, University of Cardiff, Cardiff, Wales, UK

Advisory Board, *Türkiye Klinikleri Journal of Medical Sciences*, Türkiye Klinikleri Publishing House

Former Executive Director, *Institute for Cross-Cultural Ethics*, La Roche College.

Co-Chair and on Advisory Board and Corporate Council, Japanese Center for Quality of Life Studies, Department of Psychiatry, College of Physicians and Surgeons, Columbia University, New York, NY.

Executive Committee on Diversity, Association for Practical and Professional Ethics

American Society for Bioethics and Humanities, Diversity Group, Organizational Ethics Group

European Society for Philosophy of Medicine and Health Care, Maastricht, The Netherlands

PERSONAL

- Languages: Working knowledge of Japanese, French, Flemish, Latin, Greek, Hebrew.
- Other passions: Music (piano, guitar), sports: tennis, swimming, martial arts, wado-ryu karate, ocean kayaking
- Mother deceased, Dec. 5, 2009; Father deceased Nov. 20, 2013; two twin sisters; one younger brother.
- Married to Carin Brooke Brannigan, my beautiful wife for 35 years.