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Theology and Religious Studies
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KRISTEN J. TOBEY

CURRICULUM VITAE

EDUCATION

University of Chicago Divinity School

2010 PhD, Anthropology and Sociology of Religion

2002 MA, Study of Religion

DePaul University

2000 BA, Religious Studies and English (with highest honors, Outstanding Graduate in Religious Studies)

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

John Carroll University, Theology and Religious Studies Department

2020-present Associate Professor, Religion and the Social Sciences

2017-2020 Assistant Professor, Religion and the Social Sciences

2014-2017 Visiting Assistant Professor

University of Pittsburgh, Religious Studies Department

2013-2014 Visiting Assistant Professor

2011-2013 Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences Postdoctoral Fellow

RESEARCH AREAS

collective and individual religious identity, hybrid and nonconforming religiosities, religious communities in contemporary America, status and boundaries in religious communities, sociology of religion

TEACHING AREAS

American religious history and culture, religion in contemporary America, religion and the social sciences, theory and method in religious studies

COURSES TAUGHT REGULARLY AT JOHN CARROLL UNIVERSITY

Religious Enthusiasm in Contemporary America (LINK course)
Religion, Freedom, and the Law
Minority Religions in the United States
Being Catholic in America
Religion and the Social World

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed book:

2016 *Plowshares: Protest, Performance, and Religious Identity in the Nuclear Age*, Pennsylvania State University Press.

Reviews: Daniel Cosacchi, *American Catholic Studies*, 128: 2 (2017), 79-80; Isaac May Barnes, *Reading Religious Studies*, February 3, 2017 (<http://readingreligion.org/books/plowshares>); Benjamin Peters, *Peace and Change*, 42:4 (2017), 582-84.

Refereed articles:

2022 “Mormon-ish: Negotiating Religious Ambivalence Online,” *Journal of the American Academy of Religion*, 90: 2 (396-412).

2018 [coauthored with Brian Collins] “From *Middlemarch* to *The DaVinci Code*: Portrayals of Religious Studies in Popular Culture,” *Religious Studies Review*, 44:2 (173-82).

2016 “Beyond Religious Freedom: Religious Activity in the Trials of Plowshares Nuclear Disarmament Activists,” *The Journal of Religion*, 96:2 (234-51).

2012 “‘Have we made ourselves inaccessible?’: Plowshares Disarmament Activists’ Rhetoric of Marginality,” *The Journal of Political Theology*, 13:1 (76-92).

News media and digital publications (last five years):

2018 [coauthored with Brian Collins] “Casaubon’s Revenge: Popular Representations of the Scholar of Religion,” *Sightings*, September 27, 2018.

“Teaching Religion, in America,” Craft of Teaching blog, May 21, 2018.

[coauthored with Rodney Hessinger] “Trump actually gaining support from evangelicals despite Stormy times,” *Cleveland Plain Dealer*, April 11, 2018. [Also published online as “President Trump gets a Stormy Daniels bump with evangelicals,” cleveland.com.]

“Students in the Field: The Pedagogy and Ontology of Site Visits,” Craft of Teaching blog, February 20, 2018.

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS (last five years)

- 2019 George Grauel Faculty Research Fellowship, John Carroll University
- 2015 Exploring Human Experience Course Development Grant, John Carroll University

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (last five years)

- 2022 Participant, roundtable on Jewish Studies at Catholic universities, American Jewish Society Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, December
- 2019 “Deciding to Stay: Misfit Mormons and Religious Leavetaking Paradigms” American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting (Mormon Studies Unit), San Diego, CA, November
- 2018 “Reinforcing Religious Loyalty: Exit, Voice, and Loyalty among Disaffected Mormons” American Academy of Religion Midwest Regional Meeting (Anthropology and Sociology of Religions Group), Muncie, IN, March

SERVICE

Service to the profession:

- 2022-present Section Editor, *Religious Studies Review*, Religion in Culture section
- 2019-present Editorial Board (charter member), *American Religion*
- 2017-present Steering Committee member, Religion and the Social Sciences section, American Academy of Religion
- 2017-2018 Contributing blogger, Craft of Teaching Program, University of Chicago Divinity School
- 2015-2018 Section Chair, Religion and American Culture section, American Academy of Religion Midwest Region

John Carroll University:

2022-present	Chair, Faculty Council Committee on Research, Service, and Faculty Development
2019-2022	Core Committee (TRS representative)
2017-present	Faculty Council
2017-2019	Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee
2017-present	Committee on Research and Service
2017-present	Peace, Justice, and Human Rights Advisory Board
2017	Humanities Program Ad-Hoc Advisory Board
2016-2017	Library Committee
2014-2019	Gender and Diversity Committee (as Chair, 2017-2019)

TRS department:

2022	Search Committee, Mandel Chair in Jewish Studies
2022	Search Committee, Visiting Assistant Professor, New Testament and Early Christianity
2018	Search Committee, Anisfield-Wolf Postdoctoral Position in Diversity and Christian Social Ethics
2016-present	Department of Theology and Religious Studies Faculty Chapter Representative, Theta Alpha Kappa honor society
2015-present	Department of Theology and Religious Studies Undergraduate Committee (as Chair, 2017-present)

AFFILIATIONS

2009-present	American Academy of Religion
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