

## Brian J. Miller

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### ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Christ at the Core Faculty Director, Wheaton College, Wheaton, IL, July 2023-present  
Professor, Sociology, Wheaton College, Wheaton, IL, July 2021-present  
Associate Professor, Sociology, Wheaton College, Wheaton, IL, July 2015-June 2021  
Assistant Professor, Sociology, Wheaton College, Wheaton, IL, July 2009-June 2015

### EDUCATION

**Ph.D., Sociology**, 2009, University of Notre Dame

Comprehensive Exams: Sociology of Culture (with distinction), Statistics/Methods

**M.A., Sociology**, 2006, University of Notre Dame

**B.A., Sociology, Anthropology**, 2004, Wheaton College

### RESEARCH INTERESTS

American Suburbs	Religion and Place	Housing	Social Media
Urban Sociology	Sociology of Culture	Emerging Adults	

### PUBLICATIONS

#### Books

Miller, Brian J. 2025. *Sanctifying Suburbia: How the Suburbs Became the Promised Land for American Evangelicals*. New York: Oxford University Press.

Brenneman, Robert and Brian J. Miller. 2020. *Building Faith: A Sociology of Religious Structures*. New York: Oxford University Press.

\*Reviewed in: *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*, *Review of Religious Research*, *Zeitschrift für Religionswissenschaft*, *Sociology of Religion*, *Sacred Architecture*

#### Peer-reviewed articles

Kisiel, Caroline M. and Brian J. Miller. 2023. "Property and Racial Exclusion in Illinois: Patterns and Practices from Colonial Slavery to Suburban Marginalization, 1720s-2010s." *Journal of the Illinois State Historical Society* 116(4):9-47.

Miller, Brian J. 2022. "More than 300 Teardowns Later: Patterns in Architecture and Location among Teardowns in Naperville, Illinois, 2008-2017." *Journal of Urban Design* 27(3):310-327.

Miller, Brian J. 2022. "From 'Jungles of Terror' to 'God Will Begin a Healing in This City': Billy Graham and Evangelicals on Cities and Suburbs." *Journal of Urban History* 48(2):302-318.

Miller, Brian J. and Benjamin E. Norquist. 2021. "Christian Colleges in the Locational Wilderness: The Locations of CCCU Institutions." *Christian Higher Education* 20(4):223-239.

Miller, Brian J. 2020. "Religious Freedom and Local Conflict: Religious Buildings and Zoning Issues in the New York City Region, 1992-2017." *Sociology of Religion* 81(4):462-484.

- Miller, Brian J. and Peter Munday. 2020. "Emerging SNS Use: The Importance of Social Network Sites for Older American Emerging Adults." *Journal of Youth Studies* 23(5):613-630.
- Miller, Brian J. and David B. Malone. 2019. "Race, Town, and Gown: A White Christian College and a White Suburb Address Race." *Journal of the Illinois State Historical Society* 112(3): 293-316.
- Miller, Brian J. 2019. "'Would Prefer a Trailer Park to a Large [Religious] Structure': Suburban Responses to Proposals for Religious Buildings." *The Sociological Quarterly* 60(2):265-286.
- Miller, Brian J. 2018. "Still Standing After All These Years: The Presence and Internet Presentation of Religious Buildings in the Chicago Area, 1936-2016." *Visual Studies* 33(4):326-342.
- Miller, Brian J. 2018. "A McMansion for the Suburban Mob Family: The Unfulfilling Single-Family Home of *The Sopranos*." *Journal of Popular Film and Television* 46(4):207-218.
- Miller, Brian J. 2017. "Growing Suburbs, Relocating Churches: The Suburbanization of Protestant Churches in the Chicago Region, 1925-1990." *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 56(2):342-364.
- Miller, Brian J. 2017. "From I Love Lucy in Connecticut to Desperate Housewives' Wisteria Lane: Suburban TV Shows, 1950-2007." *Sociological Focus* 50(3):277-290.
- Miller, Brian J. 2016. "A Small Suburb Becomes a Boomburb: Explaining Suburban Growth in Naperville, Illinois." *Journal of Urban History* 42(6):1135-1152.
- Brenneman, Robert and Brian J. Miller. 2016. "When Bricks Matter: Four Arguments for the Sociological Study of Religious Buildings." *Sociology of Religion* 77(1):82-101.
- Miller, Brian J. 2016. "Measuring Religion in Different Spatial Contexts: How Surveys Involving Religion Inconsistently Determine Locations." *Review of Religious Research* 58(2):285-304.
- Miller, Brian J. and Peter Munday. 2015. "Follow the Rules and No One Will Get Hurt: Performing Boundary Work to Avoid Negative Interactions When Using Social Network Sites." *Information, Communication, and Society* 18(2):187-201.
- Miller, Brian J. 2013. "Not All Suburbs are the Same: The Role of Character in Shaping Growth and Development in Three Chicago Suburbs." *Urban Affairs Review* 49(5): 652-677.
- Miller, Brian J., Peter Munday, and Jonathan P. Hill. 2013. "Faith in the Age of Facebook: Exploring the Links Between Religion and Social Network Site Membership and Use." *Sociology of Religion* 74(2):227-253.  
\*In *Sociology of Religion: A Reader* (3<sup>rd</sup> Edition), Mirola, Emerson, Monahan (editors).
- Miller, Brian J. 2012. "Competing Visions of the American Single Family Home: Defining McMansions in the New York Times and Dallas Morning News, 2000-2009." *Journal of Urban History* 38(6):1094-1113.
- Miller, Brian J. 2008. "The Struggle Over Redevelopment at Cabrini-Green, 1989-2004." *Journal of Urban History* 34(6):944-960.

### Chapter in an edited volume

- Miller, Brian J. 2021. "Faith in the Suburbs: Evangelical Christian Books about Suburban Life." Pp. 119-135 in *The Routledge Handbook of Religion and Cities*, edited by Katie Day and Elise M. Edwards. New York: Routledge.

**Other publications**

- Miller, Brian J. 2022. Review of Pitts, Richard N. 2022. *Church Planters: Inside the World of Religion Entrepreneurs. Social Forces*. ([link](#))
- Miller, Brian J. 2021. "Planning and Religious Pluralism, Community by Community." *Planning Theory & Practice* 22(2):297-300.
- Miller, Brian J. 2021. Review of Mulder, Mark T. and Gerardo Martí. 2020. *The Glass Church: Robert H. Schuller, the Crystal Cathedral, and the Strain of Megachurch Ministry. Review of Religious Research* 62(4):631-632.
- Miller, Brian J. 2018. "Suburbanism." In *Oxford Bibliographies in Sociology*. Ed. Lynette Spillman. New York: Oxford University Press. ([link](#))
- Miller, Brian J. 2014. "Suburban America." Pp. 844-849 in *American Immigration: An Encyclopedia of Political, Social, and Cultural Change, Second Edition*, edited by James Ciment and John Radzilowski. Armonk, NY: Sharpe Reference.
- Miller, Brian J. 2014. Review of Krattenmaker, Tom. 2013. *The Evangelicals You Don't Know: Introducing the Next Generation of Christians*, Lanham: Rowman & Littlefield. *Sociology of Religion* 75(2):339-340.
- Miller, Brian J. 2006. Review of Crowley, Gregory J. 2005. *The Politics of Place: Contentious Urban Redevelopment In Pittsburgh*, Pittsburgh: University of Pittsburgh Press. *Mobilization* 11(2).

**Works in progress**

- Miller, Brian J. "The Lack of Locations and Places in the Names of the Largest U.S. Megachurches and the Churches in a Religious American Suburb." Revise and resubmit at *Names*.
- Norquist, Benjamin E. and Brian J. Miller. Book under contract with InterVarsity Press with title *Every Somewhere Sacred: Rescuing a Theology of Place in the American Imagination*.
- Miller, Brian J. "Branding Suburbs."
- Miller, Brian J. "Urban Settings of Television Shows."
- Miller, Brian J. "Finding Congregations on Facebook in DuPage County, Illinois."

**COURSES TAUGHT AT WHEATON COLLEGE (counts through Spring 2025 semester)**

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| Soc 115 Introduction to Sociology (x17)                  | Soc 359 American Suburbanization (x2) |
| Soc 220 The Suburban Church (x1)                         | Soc 364 Urban Sociology (x9)          |
| Soc 238 Contemporary Social Concerns (x1)                | Soc 383 Statistics (x16)              |
| Soc 251 Culture, Media, & Society (x5)                   | Soc 482 Social Research (x18)         |
| Soc 495 Independent Study (x7)                           | Soc 496 Internship (x14)              |
| Core 101 First Year Seminar: The Suburban Good Life (x7) |                                       |
| Core 348 AIS: Wheaton College as an Institution (x1)     |                                       |

**PRESENTATIONS**

- Miller, Brian J. October 2024. "The Fate of Congregations in the Suburbs: Patterns in Closed Congregations and Their Buildings in DuPage County, Illinois." Society for the Scientific Study of Religion meetings, Pittsburgh.
- Miller, Brian J. August 2024. "Finding Congregations on Online Platforms: Perils and Possibilities." American Sociological Association meetings, Montreal.

- Miller, Brian J. October 2023. "Racial Exclusion, Public Housing, and Affordable Housing: The Cases of Chicago and Naperville," Conference on Illinois History, Springfield.
- Miller, Brian J. August 2023. "Worship Together on Facebook: How Congregations Present Themselves, Engage Users, and Connect to Offline Activity." American Sociological Association meetings, Philadelphia.
- Miller, Brian J. November 2022. "What's in a Geographic Name? The Lack of Places in the Names of the Largest U.S. Megachurches and in the Churches in a Religious Suburb," Society for the Scientific Study of Religion meetings, Baltimore.
- Miller, Brian J. August 2022. "Go and Make Disciples in Cities, Suburbs, and Rural Areas: Religious Traditions and Communities, 1972-2016." American Sociological Association meetings, Los Angeles.
- Miller, Brian J. October 2021. "Religion, Place, and *The Glass Church*." Society for the Scientific Study of Religion meetings, Portland.
- Kisiel, Caroline and Brian J. Miller. October 2021. "Race in Illinois: Stories from Southern Counties and Northern Suburbs." Conference on Illinois History, Springfield.
- Miller, Brian J. August 2021. "Insert Your [Suburban] Logo Here: Using Logos to Brand Municipalities in the Chicago Region." American Sociological Association meetings, remote.
- Miller, Brian J. and Caroline Kisiel. November 2020. "Race in Illinois: From Southern Counties to Northern Suburbs." Wheaton Public Library.
- Miller, Brian J. September 2020. "Naperville: A Small Suburb Becomes a Boomburb." North Central College Transfer Seminar (CARD 200) class session.
- Miller, Brian J. August 2020 [accepted but not given due to COVID-19]. "Different Shows, Consistent Locations: Popular American Television and Depictions of Big Cities, 1950-2007." American Sociological Association meetings.
- Miller, Brian J. October 2019. "'From Jungles of Terror' to 'God Will Begin a Healing in this City': Billy Graham, Evangelical Religious Leaders, and Suburbanization." Society for the Scientific Study of Religion meetings, St. Louis.
- Brenneman, Robert and Brian J. Miller. October 2019. "Space-bending for Religious Purposes: Repurposing Buildings for Religious Worship." Society for the Scientific Study of Religion meetings, St. Louis.
- Miller, Brian J. August 2019. "Metropolitan Pluralism and Conflict: Religious Buildings and Zoning Issues in the New York City Region, 1992-2017." American Sociological Association meetings, New York City.
- Miller, Brian J. April 2019. "Screens, Social Media, and Spirituality: Technology and Religiosity Among Emerging Adults." The Wheaton Mission & Ministry Conference, Wheaton.
- Miller, Brian J. August 2018. "Holy Cities and Suburbs: Resources, Local Inertia, and the Clustering of Evangelical Protestant Organizations." Association for the Sociology of Religion meetings, Philadelphia.
- Munday, Peter and Brian J. Miller. August 2018. "Spirituality, Shopping, Buying, and Owning: The Relationship Between Faith and Consumerism in Older Emerging Adults." American Sociological Association meetings, Philadelphia.
- Miller, Brian J. and Peter Munday. August 2017. "Emerging and Diverging SNS Use: The Importance of Social Network Sites for Older Emerging Adults." American Sociological Association meetings, Montreal.

- Miller, Brian J. October 2016. Author Meets Critics panel for *Shades of White Flight: Evangelical Congregations and Urban Departure*. Society for the Scientific Study of Religion meetings, Atlanta.
- Miller, Brian J. October 2016. "All on Board for Suburban Railroads? Examining the Role of Railroads in Three Chicago Suburbs." Urban History Association meetings, Chicago.
- Miller, Brian J. August 2016. "The Effects of Local Regulations and Public Responses on Proposed Religious Buildings in the Suburbs." American Sociological Association meetings, Seattle.
- Miller, Brian J. August 2015. "Measuring Religion in the American Suburbs: How Surveys Involving Religion Inconsistently Determine Locations." American Sociological Association meetings, Chicago.
- Miller, Brian J. August 2015. "Passing Decades, Changing Structures: Continuity and Change in the Church Buildings of Three Denominations in the Chicago Region." Association for the Sociology of Religion meetings, Chicago.
- Miller, Brian J. June 2015. "Interactions Between the Self and Community in the Holy Suburb of Wheaton, Illinois." Association of Christians Teaching Sociology, St. David's, PA.
- Miller, Brian J. November 2014. "The Suburbanization of Protestant Churches in the Chicago Region, 1925-1969." Society for the Scientific Study of Religion meetings, Indianapolis.
- Miller, Brian J. August 2014. "From Father Knows Best to Desperate Housewives: Suburban Television Shows, 1950-2007." American Sociological Association meetings, San Francisco.
- Miller, Brian J. and Peter Munday. August 2013. "Follow the Informal rules to Limit Harm: Avoiding Negative Interactions When Using Social Network Sites." American Sociological Association meetings, New York City.
- Miller, Brian J. August 2012. "The Holy Suburbs: The Suburban Spatial Logic of American Evangelicals." American Sociological Association meetings, Denver.
- Miller, Brian J., Peter Munday, Jonathan P. Hill. October 2011. "Reading the Writing on the Wall: How Bible Reading Affects SNS Use Among Emerging Adults." Society for the Scientific Study of Religion meetings, Milwaukee.
- Miller, Brian J., Peter Munday, Jonathan P. Hill. August 2011. "The Nexus between Sitting in the Pews and Using Facebook: How Religion Affects SNS Use." American Sociological Association meetings, Las Vegas.
- Miller, Brian J. August 2010. "Not All Suburbs Are the Same: Examining Suburban Character." American Sociological Association meetings, Atlanta.
- Miller, Brian J. August 2009. "A Two-Edged Sword: The Dynamic and Occasionally Surprising Religious Character of a Chicago Suburb." American Sociological Association meetings, San Francisco.
- Miller, Brian J. 2008. "Suburban Growth, Adaptation, and Interaction: A New Approach for Studying Suburbs." American Sociological Association meetings, Boston.
- Miller, Brian J. 2008. "New Avenues of Research for Urban Ethnographies." Society for the Study of Social Problems meetings, Boston.
- Miller, Brian J. 2007. "Tastes in Buying the Single-Family American Home." American Sociological Association meetings, New York City.
- Miller, Brian J. 2007. "One Man's Dream House is Another Man's McMansion." Midwest Sociological Society/North Central Sociological Association meetings, Chicago.

- Miller, Brian J. 2006. "Cognition and the City." American Sociological Association meetings, Montreal.
- Miller, Brian J. and Daniel J. Myers. 2006. "Neighborhoods Escaping and Sliding Into Poverty: Tract Characteristics and Poverty Outcomes, 1990 to 2000." North Central Sociological Association Meetings, Indianapolis.
- Miller, Brian J. 2005. "Communicative Action Theory and Modern War: Jurgen Habermas on the War in Iraq." Midwest Sociological Society conference, Minneapolis.
- Miller, Brian J. 2005. "Public Housing Reform In Chicago: The Struggle Over Change at the Cabrini-Green Housing Project, 1989-2004." Midwest Sociological Society conference, Minneapolis

### **AWARDS AND GRANTS**

- GPS Faculty Global Research Grant, Wheaton College, January 2025-June 2025, \$1,300
- Partners for Sacred Places Research Project Grant, April 2023-April 2024, \$2,500
- Wheaton College Summer Research Program Grant, May-July 2023, employed an undergraduate student research assistant
- Faculty Travel Grant, Wheaton College, 2024, 2023, 2022, 2021, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009.
- Opus Vocation Scholar. Wheaton College. August 2018-April 2019, \$1,200.
- Opus Faculty Fellow. Wheaton College. August 2017-April 2018, \$4,500.
- Junior Faculty Development Grant. Wheaton College. July 2011-June 2012, \$3,800.
- Junior Faculty Development Grant. Wheaton College. July 2010-June 2011, \$3,800.
- University of Notre Dame Department of Sociology Fifth-Year Dissertation Fellowship. Fall 2008-Spring 2009, \$15,000.
- Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts Graduate Research Opportunity Program, University of Notre Dame, \$1,750, Fall 2008-Spring 2009.

### **MEDIA APPEARANCES**

- Botros, Alena. 2024. "How tiny homes went from a millennial lifestyle fad to a Hail Mary shot at solving the homeless crisis." *Fortune*. Posted online 1/28/24 at [link](#).
- Norquist, Benjamin and Henrik Norquist. 2023. "The Last of Us: How an Abandoned Hospital Prompted Us to Remember Those Left Behind." *The Better Samaritan*. Posted online 4/19/23 at [link](#).
- The 21<sup>st</sup> Show. 2023. "Illinois' history with slavery and its links to the present." Posted online 3/27/23 at [link](#).
- More Than This podcast. 2020. "Building Faith (with guests Robert Brenneman & Brian Miller)." Posted online 11/5/20 at [link](#).
- Stetzer, Ed. 2019. "One-on-One with Brian Miller on Emerging Adults, Social Media and Faith." *The Exchange with Ed Stetzer*, posted online 4/9/19 at [link](#).
- Cohen, Lindsey. 2017. "Upsizing on the Upswing: The Big Decision More Homeowners Are Making." *Zillow Porchlight*, posted online 8/4/17 at [link](#).
- Jonsson, Patrik. 2017. "Blue surge in Georgia: What election shows about shifts in suburban values." *Christian Science Monitor*, posted online 4/19/17 at [link](#).
- Hurley, Amanda Kolson. 2017. "Why we love to hate McMansions, but still buy them." *Washington Post*, posted online 1/19/17 at [link](#).

- Umberger, Mary. 2012. "McMansions: What's the big deal?" *Chicago Tribune*, posted online 5/11/12 at [link](#).
- Tomaso, Bruce. 2012. "Is that house down the street a 'McMansion'? Depends on whom you ask." *Dallas Morning News*, posted online 4/24/12 at [link](#).
- Berg, Nate. 2012. "The Widely Variable Definition of 'McMansion.'" *The Atlantic Cities*, posted online 4/20/12 at [link](#).
- Sanserino, Michael. 2012. "Tim Tebow's gridiron faith sparks praise, comedic bits and criticism." *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, posted online 1/8/12 at [link](#).
- Loza, Cyndi. 2010. "Local woman goes on national tour to promote book about race." *Glen Ellyn News*, posted online 5/9/10 at [link](#).

### **WHEATON COLLEGE SERVICE**

- Academic Affairs Strategic Planning Group (Nov 24-Jan 25)
- Chair, Faculty Senate Task Force (May 2023-Nov 2023, Aug 2024-Dec 2024)
- Student Publication Committee (Aug 2024-present)
- New Faculty Orientation session on Christ at the Core (Aug 2023, Aug 2024)
- New Faculty Orientation session on classroom and syllabus practices (Aug 2021, Aug 2022, Aug 2023, Aug 2024)
- Research and Evaluation of Student Learning Committee member (Jul 2019-June 2022), co-chair of committee (Jul 2020-Jun 2022), chair of Christ at the Core Subcommittee (Aug 2019-Jun 2022), Christ at the Core Subcommittee member as Christ at the Core Faculty Director (Aug 2023-present)
- Task Force on Transfer Credit (Apr 2023-Apr 2024)
- Internal reviewer, History Department Ten Year Review (Feb 2023-Mar 2023)
- Faculty adviser to the student newspaper *The Wheaton Record* (Jul 2017-Jun 2018, as-needed basis Nov 2022-present)
- Co-chair, Christ at the Core Review Task Force (Aug 2022-April 2023)
- Quoted in Wheaton alumni magazine in Huska, Liuan Chen. 2022. "In a Society that Undervalues Friendship, Christ Calls His Followers "Friends." Posted online 12/12/22 at [link](#).
- Faculty Mentoring Program (Spring 2021, Fall 2022-Spring 2023)
- Quoted in Wheaton alumni magazine in Bratcher, Emily. 2022 "Kids These Days: Insights on College Freshman, Emerging Adulthood, and Gen-Z." posted online 6/27/22 at [link](#).
- Curricular Policies Working Group (May 2021-Aug 2021)
- Curriculum Committee Internal Task Force to Study Cohorts (Feb 2021-May 2021)
- Peer Teaching Evaluation for faculty in other departments (Fall 2020, Spring 2021)
- Wheaton College Faculty Council (Jul 2016-Jun 2017, Jul 2020-Jun 2022)
- Christian Formation and Ministry Department chair review (Dec 2019)
- Wheaton Center for Faith & Innovation internal board member (Aug 2019-present)
- Search committee for Academic Advisors (May 2019, Oct 2019-Jan 2020)
- Search committee for the Registrar (Dec 2018-Mar 2019, Jul 2020-Aug 2020)
- Department Chair Sociology and Anthropology (Jul 2018-Jun 2022)
- Sociology program chair (Aug 2011-May 2012, Aug 2017-May 2018)
- Sexual Violence Prevention Council (Jan 2016-Apr 2016)
- Freshman Advisor (Jan 2014-May 2016, Jan 2018-Jun 2018)
- Curriculum Committee member (Jul 2015-Jun 2017) and committee chair (Jul 2016-Jun 2017)

Center for Urban Engagement Supporting Faculty (Sep 2014-present)  
 Educational Policies and Curriculum Committee member (Aug 2014-Jun 2015)  
 EPCC/Curriculum Committee liaison to RESL (Research and Evaluation of Student Learning) Committee (Aug 2014-May 2016)  
 General Education Summit Committee (Apr 2014-May 2015)  
 Wheaton College BRIDGE program instructor (Jun 2014)  
 General Education Revision Committee (Sep 2012-Feb 2014)  
 Urban Studies Advisory Committee (Aug 2011-May 2013)  
 Department representative for Alpha Kappa Delta - national honor society for sociology students (Aug 2011-present)  
 Conducted 7 independent studies with students and supervised 14 internships

### **WHEATON COLLEGE PARTICIPATION**

Guest speaker in AIS 356 Global Islam and Christian-Muslim Relations Nov 2022  
 Table host at Center for Faith & Innovation Fall Executive Forum Nov 2022  
 Guest speaker in Soc 115 Introduction to Sociology Oct 2022, Mar 2023  
 Christ at the Core and Post-Pandemic Realities May 9-10, 2022  
 Soul Care Faculty Seminar May 11, 2021  
 Guest speaker in BITH 674 Theology and the Liberal Arts Mar 2021, Mar 2020, Mar 2019  
 Center for Vocation and Career Faculty Fellows Spring 2021  
 Department Chair Training Aug 10-11, 2020  
 Case study research with the Wheaton Center for Faith & Innovation, Apr 14-17, 2020; Sep 2022-present  
 Department Chair Training Aug 13-14, 2019  
 Christ at the Core Training May 13-14, 2019  
 CVC Declaration Dinner Jan 2020, Jan 2019, Jan 2016  
 Opus Vocation Scholar Aug 2018-May 2019  
 Conflict Resolution Training May 2019; May 2018  
 CACE Seminar May 15-17, 2019; May 9-11, 2018; May 10-12, 2017; May 14-16, 2014  
 Faith and Learning in the Classroom Faculty Seminar May 7-9, 2018  
 Opus Faculty Fellow Aug 2017-May 2018  
 Colloquium on Christian Social Thought Aug 2-4, 2017  
 First Year Seminar Faculty Training May 9-11, 2016  
 Wheaton College Radio (WETN): sports play-by-play – Fall 2009, production and music manager - Feb 2013-Feb 2017

### **WHEATON COLLEGE PRESENTATIONS**

“Strategies for Reading Scholarly Sources in the Social Sciences.” Student Success Workshop, Oct 4, 2023, Nov 16, 2022.  
 “Preparing for the Wheaton College Classroom.” New Faculty Orientation, Aug 15, 2022, Aug 16, 2021.  
 “Syllabus and Course Design for Post-Pandemic Students.” Christ at the Core and Post-Pandemic Realities Session, May 9, 2022.  
 “Constructing *Building Faith: A Sociology of Religious Structures*.” Buswell Scholars Series, Jan 19, 2022.



- “Teaching Efficiencies for Effective Pedagogy and Work/Life Balance.” Panel facilitator and participant, New Faculty Development Seminar, Nov 18, 2021.
- “Responding to Student Feedback Surveys.” Panel for Faculty Development Day, Aug 20, 2021.
- “Disciplines, Divisions, and the Liberal Arts.” Recorded presentation for First Year Seminars. Jul 8, 2020.
- “Two Wheatons: Race at Wheaton College and in Wheaton, Illinois” Solidarity Cabinet event, Mar 19, 2020 [canceled due to COVID-19].
- “Metropolitan Pluralism & Conflict: Religious Buildings and Zoning Issues in the New York City Region, 1992-2017.” Wheaton Center for Faith, Politics & Economics, Nov 14, 2019.
- “A Christian Vocation of Suburban Living: What Evangelical Books Get Right and Wrong about the Suburban Good Life.” Opus Lunch and Learn Sep 29, 2019.
- “Creating a Sustainable Work/Life Balance.” Department Chair Training, Aug 14, 2019.
- “Conducting Research with Students in the Humanities and the Social Sciences.” Faculty Development Day, Feb 5, 2019.
- “Scaffolding Assignments.” New Faculty Development Seminar, Nov 27, 2018.
- “Introducing the Liberal Arts.” First Year Seminar training, Aug 15, 2018.
- “Narrating the FYS and the Shared Texts.” First Year Seminar training, May 9, 2017.
- “Two Wheatons? Historical Background of Race at Wheaton College and the Surrounding Suburbs.” Solidarity Cabinet event, Nov 4, 2015.

### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

- External Reader for D.Min. candidate Acadia Divinity School, New Brunswick, February-March 2024
- External Reviewer for Malone University General Education Program, February 2024
- Presider for Sociology of Religion roundtable, American Sociological Association meetings, Aug 2023
- Alpha Kappa Delta mentor, February 2022-May 2022
- Organizer of Author-Meets-Critics Session for *The Glass Church*, October 2021, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion meetings, Portland.
- Professional Development Committee, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, 2021-2022
- Book Review Editor, *Review of Religious Research*, January 2016-December 2019

**Journals reviewed for:** *American Journal of Sociology, Social Forces, Sociology of Religion, Sociological Forum, City & Community, The Sociological Quarterly, Sociological Focus, Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion, Urban Affairs Review, Continuum: Journal of Media & Cultural Studies, American Sociological Review, Journalism, Housing Policy Debate, Visual Studies, Review of Religious Research, Sociology Compass, Religions*

### **Professional Memberships**

- American Sociological Association  
 Sections: Community and Urban Sociology, Culture, Religion
- Society for the Scientific Study of Religion
- Association for the Sociology of Religion
- Religious Research Association
- Alpha Kappa Delta (chapter representative)