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EDUCATION

- Ph.D.1973 Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, California. Concentration:
Religion & Society. (In Cooperation with the Sociology Department -
University of California)
Doctoral Dissertation: "The Poor Be Damned: An Analysis of American
Perceptions and Responses to Poverty, 1885-1970". Kent Fellowship
1968-1971
- B.D.1964 Harvard Divinity School, Cambridge, Mass.
Rockefeller Fellowship, 1961-62
- B.A.1961 Harvard College, Cambridge, Mass. Magna Cum Laude.
Concentration: Modern European History.
Honors Thesis: "Bloodthirsty Pacifism: The Foreign Policy of the British
Labour Party, 1930-1936".

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:

- 2008- Distinguished Professor Emeritus, Concordia University
- 2007- Research Professor, Department of Political Science, University of
Waterloo
- 2000-2007 Concordia University Research Chair in Comparative Ethics
- 1989-2007 Professor, Department of Religion, Concordia University
- 2005-2007 Faculty Associate, International Relations and Religious Studies,

University of Wisconsin

1975-1989 Associate Professor, Concordia University

1977 - 1978 Sabbatical Leave, Visiting Scholar at Cambridge University: Committee on Social and Political Thought (Winter Term)

1971 - 1975 Assistant Professor, Concordia University, Montreal

1969 - 1971 Lecturer and Instructor, Pacific School of Religion and the Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, California; Research Assistant at both the Wright Institute and the Bureau of Community Research, Berkeley, California; Consultant, National Council for Aging.

1963 - 1967 Assistant Minister and Minister of Inner City Methodist Churches in Boston and San Francisco; Coordinator of Interns, Glide Foundation, San Francisco.

PUBLICATIONS

Books:

2011 *Voices from the Voluntary Sector: Perspectives on Leadership Challenges*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press, Co-edited with Frances Westley.

(I co-edited this book, co-wrote the introduction, and wrote the conclusion “Ethics and the Voluntary Sector”)

2009 “International Business Firms, Economic Development, and Ethics” *Journal of Business Ethics, Special Issue*, eds Frederick Bird, Joseph Smucker, and Manuel Velasquez.

(I co-edited this special issue, wrote the Introduction, and the following articles: “The Ethical Responsibilities of Business in Developing Areas,” “Project CARE: Placer Dome’s Efforts to Help Laid-off South African Miners Find Remunerative Work,” and “Why the Responsible Practice of Business Ethics Calls for a Due Regard for History.”)

2007 “The Social Responsibility of International Businesses in Developing Areas,” Special Issue of the *Journal of Business Ethics*, eds Frederick Bird and Joseph Smucker

2007 *Responsabilidades Socias: Practicas de Empresas Internacionais na America Latina* eds by Margaret Griesse and Frederick Bird Published by UNIMEP Press, Pericicaba, Brazil.

2006 *Just Business Practices in a Diverse and Developing World: essays on International Businesses and Global Responsibilities*. Co-edited with Manuel Velasquez. Palgrave-Macmillan. v-xx, 1-301

(For this book I have written the following chapters: “Justice in International Businesses” (chp 2); “Toward Political Ethic for International Businesses” (chp 4); “Fostering Responsible Business Practices: The Role of Ethical Audits” (chp 6) and “Global Perspectives on Poverty” (chp 8). I have co-authored the introduction to the book and introductions to the three parts of the book)

2004 *International Businesses and the Challenges of Poverty in the Developing World*. Palgrave-Macmillan (Case Studies in Nigeria, Ghana, Uganda, Vietnam, Guyana, the Nunavik region of northern Canada, and areas involved in the Body Shop’s Community Trade program) Co-edited with Stewart Herman. v-xvi, 1-247.

(In this volume I have written the following chapters: Introduction; 1) Ethical Reflections on the Challenges Facing International Businesses in Developing Areas; 2) Wealth and Poverty in the Niger Delta: A Study of the Experiences of Shell in Nigeria; 12) The Raglan Mine and Nunavik Inuit (co-authored by Robert Nixon); and 13) International Trade as a Vehicle for Reducing Poverty: The Body Shop’s Community Trade Program)

2004 *International Businesses and the Dilemmas of Development: Case studies in South Africa, Mexico, Madagascar, Colombia, Pakistan, South Korea* Co-edited with Emmanuel Raufflet and Joseph Smucker. Palgrave-Macmillan. v-xiii,1-274

(For this volume I have written the following chapters: “Introduction,” 1) “Dilemmas of Development,” 6) “Preparing to Mine: Rio Tinto in Madagascar,” and 14) “Addressing Security Problems through Community Relations: A Study of Oil Firms in Colombia” co-authored with Titus Fossgard-Moser)

1996. *The Muted Conscience: Moral Silence and the Practice of Ethics in Business*. Quorum Books, Greenwood Press. vii-ix, 1-268. paperback edition in 2002.

1996. Jack N. Lightstone and Frederick B. Bird. *Religion and Ethnic Identity: A Comparative Study of Liturgical Ritual in Synagogues*. with Simcha Fishbane, Victor Levin, Marc P. Lalonde, Louise Mayers and, Madeleine McBrearty. Waterloo, Ontario: Wilfrid Laurier Press, 1995.

1991. Frederick Bird and Jeffrey Gandz, *Good Management: Business Ethics in Action*. Scarborough: Prentice Hall, v-viii, pp. 1-460.

1991. "Good Conversations: A Practical Role for Ethics in Business." and "The Writings of James A. Waters: An Annotated Bibliography" in *Good Conversations: A Practical A Practical Role for Ethics in Business*. ed. George Aragon. Boston College, 1991, pp. 13-96, 149-159.

ARTICLES/CHAPTERS:

Forthcoming “Max Weber” *International Encyclopedia of Ethics*, ed. Hugh Lafolette

(This is a 4000 word entry, describing and analyzing Weber's several to both the study and practice of ethics).

Forthcoming "Research Ethics" with Laurie Scholes *Handbook of Research Methods in the Study of Religion*, edited Michael Stausberg and Steven Engler, (Routledge). (This is a chapter-length essay, at once both philosophical and practical)

2009 "Fairness in International Trade and Investment: North American Perspectives" Frederick Bird, Thomas Vance, and Peter Woolstencroft *Journal of Business Ethics*, Volume 84, Supplement 3. 405 – 425.

2005 "Businesses as Good Citizens" *Wirtschaft, Ethik, und Entwicklung* eds. Gerhard Gad, Stefanie B. Hiss, and Thomas Wienharedt. Berlin: Der Wissenschaftliche Verlag, chapter one. Pp 1-41.

2005 "Is Political Forgiveness Possible in the Middle East" *The Ecumenist*

2004 "Fostering the Common Good in Developing Countries: The Respective Responsibilities of States and International Businesses," in *The Invisible Hand and the Common Good*. Ed. Bernard Hodgson. Berlin: Springer.

2003 "The Value-Added Approach to Business Ethics" *Zeitschrift fur Wirtschafts- und Untenehmensethik*. Vol 4: no. 2

2002 "Early Christianity as an Un-organized Ecumenical Movement: A Sociological Analysis," in *Handbook of Early Christianity and the Social Sciences*, edited by A. Blasi, Paul-Andre Turcotte, and Jean Duhaime. Pp 305-336

2001 "Good Governance: A Philosophical Inquiry regarding Organizational Governance," *Canadian Journal for Administrative Studies*. 18(4), 298-312.

1999 "Empowerment and Justice" in *The Ethics of Empowerment*, eds John Quinn and Peter Davies. England: MacMillan Press. Chp 2., 41-89.

1996 "Moral Universals as Cultural Realities, in *Ethical Universals in International Business*, ed. N. Brady. Berlin: Verlag. 97-149. An earlier version was published in the *Journal of Religious Pluralism* (1993), pp 29-83.

1996. Jeffrey Gandz and Frederick B. Bird. "The Ethics of Empowerment". *Journal of Business Ethics*. Vol 15. (April) pp 383-392.

1994. Frederick B. Bird and Cynthia Hardy. "Power and Ethical Action", in *Managing Strategic Action*, Cynthia Hardy, London: Sage, chapter 16.

1994. "Religion" with Frances Westley. in *Introduction to Sociology*. edited J. Teevan. Prentice Hall, chapter 10.

1993. "Leadership and Charisma in New Religious Movements" in *The Handbook on Cults and Sects in America*. Part A, Vol 3 of Religion and the Social Order, David Bromley and Jeffrey Hadden, Greenwich, Conn.: JAI Press, pp. 75-92.
1992. "Religious Leadership" *Journal of Religion and Culture*, pp. 1-26.
1992. Frederick B. Bird and Rooshikumar Pandya, "Therapeutic Aspects of New Religious Movements". *Rajneesh Papers*, ed. Susan Palmer and Arvind Sharma. New Delhi: Motilal.
1990. "How Do Religions Affect Moralities? A Comparative Analysis", *Social Compass* 37 (3), pp 291-314.
- 1989 Frederick B. Bird and James A. Waters, "Managers' Moral Muteness". *California Management Review*, Vol. XXXI, 73-88.
- 1989 Jeffrey Gandz and Frederick Bird, "Designing the Ethically Responsible Organization". *Organizational Quarterly*
- 1989 James A. Waters and Frederick B. Bird, "Attending to Ethics in Business", *Journal of Business Ethics*, Vol. 8, 493-497.
- 1989 Frederick B. Bird, Frances Westley and James A. Waters, "The Uses of Moral Talk: Why Do Managers Talk Ethics", *Journal of Business Ethics* Vol. 8, 75-89.
- 1988 Nancy Adler and Frederick Bird, "International Dimensions of Executive Integrity: Who Is Responsible for World?" *Executive Integrity* eds. Suresh Srivastava and Associates. San Francisco, Jossey-Bass, pp. 243-267.
- 1987 James Waters and Frederick Bird, "The Moral Dimension of Organizational Culture", *Journal of Business Ethics*, Vol. 6, pp. 15-20.
- 1987 Frederick Bird and James Waters, "The Nature of Managerial Moral Standards", *Journal of Business Ethics*, Vol. 6, pp. 1-13. This article was also summarized in *Business Ethics*. Vol. 1, No. (July 1987) 16-17.
- 1986 James Waters, Frederick Bird, Peter Chant, "Everyday Moral Issues Experienced by Managers", *Journal for Business Ethics*, Vol. 5.
- 1986 "Theories of Justice in New Religious Movements", *Studies in Religion*, SR 15/1, pp. 17-28.
- 1985 "The Economic Strategies of New Religious Movements" with Frances Westley, *Sociological Analysis*, Vol. 16, No. 2, pp. 157-170. Also appeared in James Richardson ed. *Money and Power in New Religions*, Edward Mellen Press, 1988, chp. 1.

1984 "Max Weber's Perspectives on Religious Evolution", in *Studies in Religion*, SR 13/2, pp. 215-25.

1982 "Participation Rates in New Religious and Para Religious Movements", with Bill Reimer, *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*. Also appeared in Gods and Men, ed. Eileen Barker, Mercer University Press, 1984, pp. 215-238 and in *Religion American Style*, ed. Patrick McNamara, Harper and Row, 1984, pp. 283-295.

1981 "A Comparative Study of Charity: Ideas and Practices of Charity in Christianity and Judaism", *Journal of Religious Ethics*. 10/1, pp. 144-169. Also appeared in *Truth and Compassion*. ed. by Howard Joseph, Jack Lightstone, Michael Oppenheim. Wilfrid Laurier University Press, 1983. pp. 5-30.

1981 "Paradigms and Parameters in the Comparative Study of Religious and Ideological Ethics", *Journal of Religious Ethics*. 9/2, pp. 157-185.

1980 "The Nature of Function of Ritual Forms: A Sociological Discussion", *Contemporary Rituals and Ceremonies*, The Popular Press, pp. 19-35. The same article appeared also as "A Sociological Discussion of the Nature and Functions of Ritual Codes", *Studies in Religion*. SR 9/4, pp. 387-402.

1979 "The Pursuit of Innocence: The Relation of New Religious Movements to Feelings of Moral Accountability", *Sociological Analysis*. Vol. 40:4 pp 335-446. Also appeared in *Religion and Religiosity in America*, ed. Jeffrey Hadden and Theodore Long, New York, Crossroads, 1983, pp. 54-69 and a slightly different version in *Ritual Symbolism and Ceremonialism in the Americas: Studies in Symbolic Anthropology*. University of Northern Colorado (1979), pp. 250-277.

1978 "Charisma and Ritual in New Religious Movements". *Understanding New Religions*, eds. George Baker and Jacob Needleman, New York Seabury Press. An earlier version appeared in *Ritual Symbolism and Ceremonialism in the Americas: Studies in Symbolic Anthropology*, University of Northern Colorado (1979) pp. 214-249.

1974 "Growing Poor by Growing Old", *Soundings*, Vol. LVII, No. 1, pp. 80-100.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND LECTURES:

2010 "Rethinking the bottom line: International Busainnesses and the challenges of poverty in developing countries" Presentation at the Norwegian School of Management, Oslo, (August 24)

- 2010 “Overcoming the moral silence in businesses organizations” Presentation at the Norwegian School of Management, Oslo (August 24)
- 2010 “The Good of Business” presentation at the workshop for PhD students at the annual meeting of Canasian Business Ethics Research Network, Toronto, May 26.
- 2008 “Fairness in International Trade and Investment: North American Perspectives” with Peter Woolstencroft and Thomas Vance, plenary presentation at the meetings of the International Society for Business, Economic, and Ethics, Cape Town, South Africa (July 15 – 18, 2008)
- 2008 “The Globalization of Business Ethics” paper presented at the meetings of the International Society for Business, Economic, and Ethics, Cape Town, South Africa (July 15 – 18, 2008)
- 2008 “Re-thinking the Bottom Line: International Business and Global Poverty” Public Address at St Jerome University, Waterloo, Ontario (Feb 29, 2008)
- 2008 “Global Perspectives on Business, the Internet, and Ethics” Paper presented at as special workshop on Borderless Business and Ethics, sponsored by the World Association of Methodist Colleges and Universities, Honolulu, Hawaii (February 6-8, 2008)
- 2004 “Just and Unjust Responses to acts of Terror” Religion Department Colloquium
- 2002 “Dominion, Diversity, and Democracy: Ways of accommodating ethnic and national minorities in Canada” Annual Meeting of the Society of Christian Ethics (January)
- 2000 “The Raglan Mine and the Nunavik Inuit: A research paper presented at a workshop on Global Responsibilities and the Practices of International Businesses in Developing Areas” (December)
- 2000 “Ways of Overcoming Moral Muteness, Deafness, and Blindness in Public and Private Organizations” Meeting of the Ethics Professional Association of Canada (November)
- 2000 “The Moral Responsibilities of Shell in Nigeria” Annual meeting of the Canadian Association for Commerce and Management faculty, Montreal (July)
- 1999 “Just Governance” paper presented at workshop on Moral Leadership, McGill University, May
- 1999 “Justice and International Best Practices in the Developing World” with Terri Lituchy paper presented at a workshop on Moral Leadership, McGill University, May

- 1999 "Global Ethics" Canadian Society for the Study of Religion, June
- 1999 "Rights, Natural Law, and International Business Ethics" with Manuel Velasquez, The Society for Business Ethics, August
- 1999 "God's Judgement and the Practice of Ethics" Society of Christian Ethics.
- 1998 "Early Christianity as an Unorganized New Religious Movement" Society for the Scientific Study of Religion
- 1998 "Moral Development: A Review of Contemporary Approaches and the Defense of an Alternative Model" Canadian Society for the Study of Religion.
- 1998 "A Defense of Objectivity on the Social Sciences, Rightly Understood" The Society of Christian Ethics.
- 1997 "The Political Economy of Poverty" Association for Socio-Economic Analysis.
- 1996 "The Civic Mandate" Sproule Lectures. McGill University (March). Three Lectures.
- 1996 Justice and Empowerment: A Critical Comparative Analysis. Center for Organizational and Professional Ethics. Brunel University, U.K. (September).
- 1996 "Politics and Ethics in Corporate - Communal Environmental Collaborations" Workshop on "The Meaning of Collaboration" McGill University, (April).
- 1996 "The Just Allocation of Hospital healthcare Resources" The Canadian Society for Bio-Ethics. Montreal, October.
- 1995 "Can Ethics Be Taught" Plenary Lecture for Ethics Day Workshop at INSEAD, Fontainebleau, France. (January)
- 1994 "The Social Psychology of Conversions" Eastern International Section of the American Academy of Religion, Montreal.
- 1990 "Good Conversations: A Practical Role for Ethics in Business". Annual Workshop on Ethics in Business, Boston College. (April)
- 1990 "The Role of Colleges and Universities in Responding to Contemporary Ethical Issues". Canadian Bureau for International Education, Halifax. (Nov.)
- 1989 "The Sociology of Organizational Commitment" Society for the Study of Organizational Culture, INSEAD, Fontainebleau, France.
- 1989 "Ritual Practice As Communicative Action". Society for the Scientific Study of

Religion. Salt Lake City.

1988 "Modes of Conflict Resolution in World Religions: Variations in Institutional Forms". Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Chicago.

1987 "Historical Developments in the Patterns of Moral Communication". Society for the Scientific Study of Religion.

1985 "A Sociological Analysis of Religious Authority in Contemporary Religious Groups". British Sociological Association: Sub-group on the Sociology of Religion, Durham, England.

1984 "The Effects of Changes in Family Patterns on Labor Force Participation and Unemployment in Canada and the United States, 1940 - 1980" with Joseph Smucker, Canadian Anthropological and Sociological Association, Guelph, Ontario.

1980 "A New Approach to the Problem of Reductionism in the Comparative Social Scientific Study of Religion", Canadian Society for the Study of Religion, Montreal.

1980 "Morality as a Cultural System", Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Cincinnati.

1979 "Historical Perspectives on the Present World Poverty Crisis: A Critical Review of the Theories of Von Leeuwen, Berger, Gutierrez, ulHaq, The Ecologist, Wallerstein, and Frank", American Academy of Religion.

1979 "Ethnic Group Institutions and Intra-Group Communication", Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, San Antonio.

1979 "Symbolic Action in Contemporary Religious Movements, Marcel Manel Lectures, York University.

1975 "False Consciousness as a Religious and Moral Problem", Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Chicago.

1975 "Religion and Modernization: A Critical Analysis of Weber's Studies of Asian Religions", Canadian Society for Asian Studies, Montreal.

1974 "Moral Evolution: An Examination of Several Nineteenth and Twentieth Century Sociological Theories", Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Washington, D.C.

WORKS IN PROGRESS:

- 1) *The Development and Practices of Global Ethics* With Bruce Grelle (University

of California at Chico) I am preparing this book, which will as well include chapters by Sumner Twiss, Kusumita Pedersen, and Clark Miller.

- 2) "A larger view of the role of ethics with respect to religious studies research" This is a longer, more philosophical and principled version of the previous essay.
- 3) "Practicing Ethics in Times of Crisis: Exercising Judgment in turbulent Times" I am working on expanding into a small book a long essay that served as the basis for a 1999 conference presentation on "The Judgment of God and the Practice of Ethics"

RESEARCH GRANTS:

2008- 2010 "Case Studies of Canadian Mining Companies in Developing Countries" Co-Researcher with Dr Kernghan Webb (Ryerson University), Dr Hevina Dashwood (Brock University) DFAIT- funded project

2007- 2014 "Canadian Business Ethics Research Network" Co-Researcher. Principal Investigator, Dr Wesley Cragg (Schulich School of Business, York University)

1999 - 2005 "Justice and the Practices of International Businesses in Developing Areas" Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council. Research Grant: \$247,000.
Workshop Grant: \$29,000

1998 -1999 "Global Ethics" Concordia University Grant. \$2000.

1991-1996 A Comparative Study of the Management of Moral Issues in Corporations. Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, \$80,000.

1994-1997 "The Ethics of Strategic Collaborations" SSHRC Strategic Research Grant. (Cynthia Hardy, principal Investigator) Co-Investigator.

1995-1997 "Organizational Justice" Concordia University, Faculty Bridging Grant. \$7000.

1988-1990 Social Science and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Study in Medical Ethics "The Role of Individual Physicians in the Availability, Allocation and Distribution of Scarce Medical Resources", Co-Director. John Williams, Director. (budget about \$20,000)

1988-1990 Quebec Ministry of Education, Team Research Grant, Co-Director. Study of Contemporary Jewish Ritual Practices. Jack Lightstone, Director.

1987-1989 Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada: "The Moral

Milieu of Management". About \$16,000.

1985-1987 Quebec Ministry of Education, Project Director, Team Research Study on "Religion and Family Life: A Study of the Public and Private Rituals of Contemporary Established Religious Denominations". (About \$20,000)

1985-1986 Social Science and Humanities Research Council. Project Director, Follow-up Study on "The Variety of Meditational Experiences". (About \$5000)

1984-1986 Quebec Ministry of Education, Project Co-Director, Team Research Grant "Religion and Violence: A Comparative Study in Religious Ethics and Legitimation". Charles Davis, Director. (About \$20,000)

1984-1985 Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, Project Co-Director, A Study of the Muslim Community of Montreal. Sheila McDonough, Director. (\$12,000)

1982-1984 Quebec Ministry of Education: Project Director, Team Research Grant - "Meditation Practices and Authority Patterns in Contemporary Religious Groups". (About \$18,000)

1981-1984 Quebec Ministry of Education: Project Director, Team Research Grant - "Comparative Study of Christian and Jewish Family and Sex Ethics in Canada". (About \$12,000)

1981-1982 Quebec Ministry of Education, Director, Research Seminar and Colloquium on the works of the Sociologist of Religion, Robert N. Bellah. (About \$3000)

1980-1981 Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council: Leave Fellowship, "A Study of the Moral Models of Contemporary Religious Groups".

1979-1981 Quebec Ministry of Education: Team Research Grant - "A Comparative Study of Ethnic Group Institutions in Montreal" - Project Co-Director. (About \$18,000)

1976 Concordia University Seed Grant: "Religiously Sponsored Social Welfare in Montreal". (\$750)

1973-1978 Quebec Ministry of Education: Project Director, Team Research Grant - "A Comparative Sociological and Psychological Study of New Religious and Para-Religious Movements". (About \$35,000)

COLLEGIAL ACTIVITIES AND ASSIGNMENTS:

2010- Graduate Officer, M.A. in Political Science, University of Waterloo

2008 Curriculum Committee for a proposed undergraduate degree in “Digital Media and Global Business” University of Waterloo

1987-2000 Graduate Program Director, Doctoral Program in Religion, Concordia University.

1973-1985 Graduate Program Director, M.A. in the History and Philosophy of Religion, Concordia University

1976-1977 Acting Chairman, Department of Religion, Concordia University

1991-94, 99- 2002 Chair, Concordia University. Human Research Ethics Committee.

1993-94, 96-7 Chair, Consultative Committee on a Proposed University Code of Ethics, Concordia University.

AREAS OF ACADEMIC SPECIALIZATION

Comparative Ethics
Business Ethics
The Social Responsibility of Businesses
Global Ethics
Sociological Theory
The Sociology of Religion
Christian Ethics
Public policy and poverty

CONSULTING/TEACHING

1998-2002 Co-director of the Ethics Module (one of six) in the McGill-McConnell Masters in Management for National Voluntary Sector Leaders in Canada. I was also the academic tutor for 17 (out of 120) participants in the program.

COURSES TAUGHT:

Undergraduate:

International Business and Development
Ethics and Development
History of Christian Ethics

Justice and Social Conflict in a Globalized World
Contemporary Ethical Issues: Personal
Contemporary Ethical Issues: Societal
Religion, Ethics, and Society
Religions of the World
Comparative Ethics (Buddhist, Jewish, Christian, Utilitarian)
Sociology of Religion
Sociology of Knowledge
Industry and Society
Classical Sociological Theory
History of Social Thought
Major Psychological Theories of Religion
New Testament
Family and Sexual Ethics
Business Ethics

Graduate:

Global Poverty
Comparative Ethics
Global Ethics
Methodological Problems in the Study of Religion
Comparative Ethics: The Ethics of Violence and Non-Violence
Jewish and Christian: Notions of Charity and Justice
The Social Theory of Marx
Weber's Methodological and Comparative Studies
History of Christian Ethics
History of Jewish Ethics
History of Western Philosophical Ethics
Comparative Social Scientific Studies of Morality and Ethics
The Reformation Era
Bio-Medical Ethics
Modern Catholic Social Thought
Business Ethics
Business Strategy: External
The Sociology of Max Weber
Theories of Justice: Religious and Secular, from ancient times to the Present
The Philosophy of Martha Nussbaum

Ph.D. THESES Supervisions

a) Completed:

2007 James Jervis "The Enneagram"

- 2004 Abi Bahar 'The Religious and Philosophical Basis of Bhasani's Leadership' (Bangladesh political leader)
- 2003 Carleton Harvey 'Dimensions of Organizational Renewal in Religious Organizations' (Using Organization Renewal Literature to examine Religious examples)
- 2002 Louis Chauvin 'An Ethic of Simplicity: For Life's Sake'
- 2001 Russell Daye 'Baptizing the Nation with Tears: Political Forgiveness in South Africa' (Study of Truth and Reconciliation Commission in South Africa)
- 2001 Patricia Mary O'Rourke 'Complementary and Alternative Medicine: Nature, Origins, Ethics, and Regulations'
- 2001 Myer Schechter 'Physician – Jewish Family Communication: About Futile Medical Treatment : A Qualitative Approach'
- 1997 Faye Wakeling, 'Hope is the Struggle' (Study of efforts to organize women in an impoverished neighbourhood in Montreal)
- 1996 Bassem Khalifah, "The Rise and Fall of 'Christian' Lebanon"
- 1992 Susan Palmer, "Moon Sisters, Krishna Mothers, Rajneesh Lovers: Women's Roles in New Religions."
- 1992 Michel Boulet, "Les implications éthiques d'une interprétation sociologique du suicide".
- 1991 Pierre Hurteau, "Homosexualité, religion et droit au Québec. Une approche historique".
- 1990 Spenser Boudreau, "From De Jure to De Facto: The Identity and Viability of Catholic Religious Education in the English-Catholic Public Schools of Quebec".
- 1990 Laurence Nixon, "The Mystical Struggle: A Psychological Analysis".
- 1988 Florence Davis, "The Rise and Decline of Catholic Lay Movements in New York City: 1933-1967".
- 1987 Frances Han, "A Catholic Communal Welfare Institution in a Changing Society, Montreal: 1931-1986".

- 1984 Michael Tai, "The Development of Social Teachings in Asian Churches: An Analysis of the Statements on Social Justice of the Christian Conference of Asia (1949-1980)".
- 1981 Yogeve Tzuk, "A Jewish Communal Welfare Institution in a Changing Society: Montreal 1920-1980".

I have served on the thesis advisory committees of several additional PhD students who have recently graduated, including : Emmanuel Raufflet (McGill University, Administration, 2003), Nelini Devdas (Concordia, Religion, 2004); Rabia Naguib (HEC, Administration, 2004); Farzad Khan (McGill, Administration, 2004)

b) Current Supervisions (all at Concordia University)

David Payne "Prospects for Institution-Building of legislatures in post (and current) conflict states: Iraq, Kosovo, and Afghanistan" PhD candidate in the Special Individualized PhD program

Marco Mingarelli "Alternative Energy Policies for Caribbean Countries" PhD Candidate in the Special Individualized PhD program

Marc Langlois "Analysis of selected youth engagement projects in Canada" PhD candidate in the Special Individualized PhD program

Hossein Houshmand "Seeking links between Rawls' theory of human rights and several contemporary Muslim thinkers" PhD candidate in the Department of Religion

Laurie Lamaroux Scholes "Making the Mosaic Work: Interfaith Movements in Canada" PhD Candidate in Religion

Rifai Pipip Hasan "Economic Justice and Development: Indonesian Perspectives" PhD Candidate in Religion

Michelle Bakker "An Ethical Examination of Contemporary Humanitarian programs in Africa"

M.A. THESES and major papers

2008 Alexa

2008 Alexander Caramento

2008 Chris Miller

- 1996 Srdjan Gligoric, "The Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of Modern Mass Public Education"
- 1993 Steve Martin, "Denominationmal Switching"
- 1991 Pat O'Rourke, "Truth and Error in the Clinical Setting".
- 1987 Maud Soo, "Unemployment: Manpower Training Policies in 3 OECD Countries". Thesis Committee Member.
- 1986 Johanna Lowenstein, "A Social History of the Dutch in Quebec". Thesis Committee Member
- 1986 Constance Classen, "Utopian Aspects of the Mennonite Commonwealth in Russia".
- 1983 Laurence Nixon, "Meditation as a Means of Actualizing the Religious Personality Ideal: A Review of Empirical Research from the Perspective of Kazimierz Dabrowski's Theory of Positive Disintegration".
- 1983 Ann McManamen, "The Relationship of Spanish Church-State Union to Philippine Catholicism".
- 1983 Judith Castle, "Moves Towards Separateness and Reconciliation: An Analysis of the Ritual Acts of Five Religious Groups".
- 1981 Shrinivas Tilak, "The Myth of Sarvodaya According to Vinoba".
- 1980 Elizabeth Sandul, "Life in the Spirit: Communal and Personal Dimension".
- 1979 Donald Boisvert, "Daniel Berrigan at Catonsville: A Study in the Ethics of Christian Political Resistance".
- 1977 Paul Schwartz, "Testimonial Speech and Self Image: An Analysis of the Testimonial Ritual in New Religious Groups".
- 1976 Susan Palmer, "Shakti, the Spiritual Science of DNA".
- 1976 Darrell Leavitt, "A Study of the Transformation of A Gurdieff Group".
- 1976 Necha Laks, "For The Poor Shall Never Cease out of Thy Land. Biblical and Mishnaic Teachings and Prescriptions Regarding the Poor and Needy".

