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EDUCATION:

Ph.D., BOSTON COLLEGE, History; May 1999
M.A., UNIVERSITY COLLEGE DUBLIN, History, Summa Cum Laude; July 1991
B.A., LOYOLA UNIVERSITY NEW ORLEANS, May 1990
Major: History; Minor: Women's Studies
Loyola University New Orleans Outstanding History Graduate, 1990

TEACHING APPOINTMENTS:

Professor Augustana University 2016-Present
Associate Professor, Augustana University, 2007-2015
Assistant Professor, Augustana University, 2001-2007
Visiting Assistant Professor, History Department, Boston College, 2000-2001
Part-Time Assistant Professor, History Department, Boston College 1999-2000
Teaching Assistant, Boston College 1994-1996

ACADEMIC HONORS:

Consortium for On-Line Humanities Instruction Grant (Council for Independent Colleges),
2014-2016
Frederick C. Kohlmeyer Distinguished Teaching Professorship, 2014-2016
Augustana Student Association, Faculty Recognition Award, 2012
Jane and Charles Zaloudek Faculty Research Fellowship, 2012
Historical Research Grant, McKennan Hospital Sioux Falls, South Dakota, 2008-2010
Summer Research Fellow, Harris Manchester College, Oxford University, 2007
University of Notre Dame, Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism: Hibernian
Research Award, 2005
Augustana University Academic Research Grant, 2002, 2004, 2007 and 2016
Bush Foundation Faculty Development Grant 2004
Janet Wilson James Dissertation Research Grant in Women's Studies, 1996
International PEO Sisterhood-Scholar Grant, 1995
Meave O'Reilly Finley Fellowship-Dissertation Research Grant, 1995
Boston College Dissertation Research Incentive Grant, 1995
O'Brien-Vrba Academic Scholarship, 1992-1994

PUBLICATIONS:

Books

Gender, Medicine and the State in Ireland, 1750-1963 Margaret Preston and Margaret Ó hÓgartaigh eds. (Syracuse University Press, 2012)

Charitable Words: Gentlewomen, Social Control and the Language of Charity in Nineteenth-Century Dublin (Connecticut: Praeger, 2004). Contributions in Women's Studies, Number 202

Commissioned Work

A Journey of Faith a Destination of Excellence: Avera McKennan Hospital's First Century of Caring (Sioux Falls: Avera McKennan Hospital, 2010) Recipient: Silver ADDY Award, South Dakota Advertising Federation

Articles and Book Chapters

"Three Catholics and a Congregationalist: Four Women and Their Unlikely Story of Founding a Medical Industry in South Dakota" *South Dakota History* Vol. 47 No. 3 (Fall, 2017).

- *Winner of the 2017 Schell Award*

"Missionaries on the Prairie: the Presentation Sisters, Medicine and the Business of Health-care on America's Northern Great Plains" in *Nano Nagle: An Evolving Charism to Inspire Leaders, Educators and Care Providers* (New York: Edwin Mellen Press, 2017).

"Souper, Souper, Go to Hell: Women, Sectarianism and Poverty in Nineteenth-Century Dublin" *Women, Reform, and Resistance in Ireland, 1850-1950: Ordinary and Outcast*. Christina Brophy and Cara Delay, eds., (New York: Pelgrave, 2015).

"Margaret Huxley" *Dictionary of Irish Biography* (Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 2009).

"We Cannot but Regret the Great Delay": Reflections on the Writings of the North Dublin Union Guardians during the Irish Famine" *Ireland's Great Hunger*, Vol II ed. David Valone (Maryland: University Press of America, 2009).

"Visualizing the Famine in County Mayo" *EIRE/LAND Depictions of the Irish landscape from Medieval Manuscripts to Contemporary Paintings* (Chicago, University of Chicago Press, 2003), pp. 79-82.

"The Good Nurse: Women Philanthropists and the Evolution of Nursing in Nineteenth-Century Dublin," *New Hibernian Review* (Spring, 1998), pp. 91-110.

"Discourse and Hegemony: The Language of Charity in Nineteenth Century Dublin," *Ideology and Ireland in the Nineteenth Century* (eds.) Sean Ryder and Tadhg Foley (Dublin: Four Courts Press, 1998), pp. 100-112.

"Women and Philanthropy: Two Charities of Nineteenth Century Dublin," *The Historian* (Summer, 1996), pp. 763-776.

"Lay Women and Philanthropy in Dublin 1860-1880," *Eire-Ireland* (Winter, 1993), pp. 74-85.

Reviews

Laura Kelly, *Irish Medical Education and Student Culture, c. 1850-1950* (Liverpool: Liverpool University Press, 2017), *Journal of British Studies*, forthcoming

Donnacha Sean Lucey, *The End of the Irish Poor Law? Welfare and Healthcare Reform in Revolutionary and Independent Ireland*" (Manchester: Manchester University Press, 2015), *Social History* Vol. 41, 4 (2016).

Laura Kelly, *Irish Women in Medicine, c. 1880s–1920s: Origins, Education and Careers* (Manchester: Manchester University Press, 2012), *Irish Studies Review* Vol. 21, Issue 4, (Nov., 2013), 481-482.

Stephanie Rains, *Commodity Culture and Social Class in Dublin 1850-1916* (Dublin: Irish Academic Press, 2010), *H-Net Reviews* (March, 2011).
<https://www.hnet.org/reviews/showpdf.php?id=31930>

Marley, Laurence "Michael Davitt: Freelance Radical and Frondeur" (Dublin: Four Courts Press, 2007), *The Historian* Volume 72, Issue (Summer, 2010), 481-482.

Clear, Catriona "Social Change in Everyday Life in Ireland, 1850-1922" *New Hibernia Review* Vol. 13, 4 (Winter, 2009), 153-155.

MacCurtain, Margaret. "Ariadne's Thread: Writing Women Into Irish History" (Galway: Arlen House, 2008) *New Hibernia Review* Vol. 13, 1, (Spring, 2009), 140-142.

Luddy, Maria. "Prostitution and Irish Society: 1800-1940" (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2007), *New Hibernia Review* Vol. 12, 8 (Autumn, 2008), 148-150.

Fealy, Gerard M. "A History of Apprenticeship Nurse Training in Ireland" (New York: Routledge 2006), *Nursing History Review* (Volume 16, 2008), 256.

Ó hÓgartaigh, Margaret. "Kathleen Lynn Irishwoman, Patriot, Doctor" 26, 2 (Dublin: Irish Academic Press, 2006), *Irish Literary Supplement* (Spring, 2007), 27.

Nelson, Sioban “*Say Little, Do Much*”: *Nursing, Nuns and Hospitals in the Nineteenth Century* (Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2001), *New Hibernia Review* Volume 9, number 3 (November, 2005), 149-151.

Dorian, Hugh. *The Outer Edge of Ulster: A Memoir of Social Life in Nineteenth-Century Donegal*” eds. Breandán Mac Suibne and David Dickson (Notre Dame: University of Notre Dame Press, 2001), *New Hibernia Review* Vol 7, 1 (Spring, 2003), 155-158.

Quinlan, Carmel. *Genteel Revolutionaries: Anna and Thomas Haslam* (Dublin: Irish Academic Press, 2002), *Irish Economic and Social History* vol XXX, (2003), 172-173.

Donnelly, James. *The Great Irish Potato Famine* (London: Sutton Publishing, 2001), *Irish Literary Supplement*, (Spring 2002).

Courses

Life Cycles: Birth, Death and the History of Medicine

Great Britain and the Great War

Social Conflict and Reconciliation in Northern Ireland

Ireland North and South: From a Revolutionary Era to Troubled Times 1798-1998

Nineteenth Century Ireland: A Political and Social History

The Great Irish Famine

Modern European History: From the 1789 to the End of the Cold War

Western Civilization I: Ancient Civilization to the Wars of Religion

Western Civilization II: From the Age of Absolutism to the Present Day

First Year Seminar (spring and fall) Colonial India and Gandhi

PRESENTATIONS:

Invited Lectures

“Avera McKennan Hospital’s First Century of Caring” *South Dakota Festival of Books*, Deadwood, SD, November 2011

“Helen McKennan: Victorian Philanthropist” *Old Court House Museum*, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, March 27, 2011

“A History of Ireland” *Osher Center for Life Long Learning*, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, Fall, 2011, six-week course

“The Troubles in Northern Ireland” *Thought Leader Forum* Augustana University November, 2009.

“Women of Faith and the Business of Health Care” Co-Sponsored by LeMoyne College and the Sanzone Center for Catholic Studies & Theological Reflection, Syracuse New York, March 19, 2009

“Ireland’s Great Hunger: How Famine Changed a Nation” *Old Court House Museum*, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, March 13, 2008

Understanding the Irish Famine *Osher Center for Life Long Learning*, Sioux Falls, South Dakota May 9, 2008

“Heroes Every Day and Night: Exploring the Legacy of Care Giving In the Health Professions” 5th Annual Ethics in Action: The Health Professional as Caregiver: An Evolving or Endangered Species? *University of South Dakota School of Medicine*, Sioux Falls, SD., May 29, 2007

“The Work of the Lord and the Business of Healthcare: The Presentation Sisters, Medicine and the Irish on America’s Northern Plains” *National University of Ireland*, Galway Ireland, January 22, 2007

"From the Emerald Isle to Little House on the Prairie": Ireland, Nursing and the Presentation Sisters on America's Northern Plains" *American Catholic Studies Seminar*, Cushwa Center for the Study of Catholicism in America *University of Notre Dame*, Spring 2006

"A Nurse of a Different Sort: Women Philanthropists and District Nurses in Nineteenth Century Ireland" *The Irish Society for Nursing and Midwifery History*, Royal College of Surgeons, Dublin Ireland, January 14, 2004.

“Late Nineteenth Century Ireland: The Legacy of the Famine” *Boston College*, Boston, MA, March, 2003.

“The Changing World of Nineteenth-Century Irish Quakers”, *Boston Irish Colloquium*, Boston, MA March, 2003.

“Modern Irish Women’s History” 6th *Byrne Perry Summer School*, Wexford Ireland, July, 1999.

“Quaker Charity in Nineteenth Century Dublin” *National University of Ireland*, Maynooth, Ireland, April 1998.

"The Great Famine as Watershed: the Socio-Economic History of Modern Ireland" *City Hall*, Newton, Massachusetts, April 1997.

Conferences

“Dublin, Belfast and Bombay: Rioting in the Empire during the summer of 1857” *American Conference for Irish Studies*, St. Thomas University, October, 2018.

“A Dakota Hospital: How Irish Nuns and an East Coast Philanthropist established a South Dakota Hospital” *Northern Great Plains History Conference*, University of Minnesota, Makato, Septebmer, 2018

- “The perfect democracy of Christianity”: The Presentation Order, Helen McKennan and the building of a Hospital in Sioux Falls,” Dakota Conference, *Center for Western Studies*, April, 2017
- “Irish Displays across Space and Time ” panel commenter, *American Historical Association* Denver, CO, January 2017
- “Soup and Sanctification: Worliding A Sectarian Riot in Dublin” *ACIS National Conference*, University of Notre Dame, April, 2016
- “Control of the Convent: The Presentation Sisters of South Dakota and the Fight for Autonomy” *Women & Gender Historians of the Midwest*, Iowa City, Iowa, June, 2015
- “‘Sammies Have No Epidemics’: Sioux Falls Experiences the Great War and the coming of a World-Wide Pandemic” *Dakota Conference*, Center for Western Studies, Sioux Falls, SD, April 2014
- “Poverty, Sectarianism and a Public Scandal: Margaret Aylward, Ellen Smyly and their fight for the souls of Dublin’s Children” *ACIS National Conference*, Chicago, IL April, 2013
- “Ireland’s Presentation Sisters and their Changing Role in the Provision Health Care in America” *ACIS National Conference*, New Orleans, LA March 2012
- “Sisters of a Sort: Chain Vocation and Chain Migration and the Creation of a Family by the Presentation Sisters to South Dakota” *ACIS, National Conference*, Madison, Wisconsin, April 2011
- “A Missionary on the Prairie: Mother Raphael McCarthy Leads her Convent through the Great Depression and World War II” *Conference on the History of Women Religious*, University of Scranton, Scranton, Pennsylvania June 27-30, 2010
- “‘Souper, Souper, Ring the Bell’”: Women, Sectarianism and Philanthropy in Nineteenth-Century Dublin” *ACIS, National Conference*, Davenport, Iowa, 2008
- “A Union of Sisters: the Presentation Sisters, Medicine and the Business of Healthcare on America’s Northern Plains” *Conference on the History of Women Religious*, University of Notre Dame, June, 2007
- “‘We cannot but regret the great Delay’: Reflections on the Writings of the North Dublin Union Guardians during the Irish Famine” *Ireland's Great Hunger: Representation and Preservation* Quinnipiac University, September 2005.
- “Reconsidering Relationships from East to West: Dublin’s Workhouse Guardians and the Poor Law Commissioners During the Famine” *ACIS Southern Regional Conference*, St. Thomas University, Houston TX, February 2005

- “A Lifelong Commitment: Quaker Women and Charitable Activism in Nineteenth-Century Dublin” *ACIS, National Conference*, University of Liverpool, Summer 2004
- “Emigration, Eviction and Depopulation: Visualizing the Famine in the West of Ireland” *Nineteenth Century Studies Association National Conference*, New Orleans, LA, March 2003
- “A Spirit of Independence: Quaker Women and Charity in Nineteenth-Century Dublin” *American Historical Association*, Chicago, Illinois, Winter 2003
- “Nursing Dynamics: Women’s Increasing Authority Within the Medical Infrastructure of Nineteenth-Century Ireland” *Women’s History: Irish Canadian Connections*, Halifax, Nova Scotia, August 2002
- “Poor Slaves of Cruel Rome” Soupers, Philanthropists and the Destitute of Dublin’s Slums 1850-1900, *American Historical Association*, Boston, Massachusetts, Winter 2001
- "Margaret Huxley: A Force for Change in Nursing in Nineteenth-Century Ireland" *ACIS, National Conference*, Limerick Ireland, Summer 2000
- “An Irish Quaker’s Conundrum: A Shift in Radical Ideology” *Midwest Conference on British Studies*, University of Chicago, Fall 1999
- “Conversion Amidst Compassion: Two Charities and the Fight for the Souls of Dublin's Poor” *ACIS, National Conference*, Roanoke, Virginia, Spring 1998
- "The Unobtrusive Classes and the Meritorious Poor: Charity to the Poor in Nineteenth-Century Dublin" *NCSA National Conference*, Davidson College, Spring 1997
- "Gender, Class and Nursing in Nineteenth-Century Ireland" *ACIS National Conference*, Albany, New York, Spring 1997
- "Hegemony and Discourse: The Language of Charity in Late Victorian Dublin" *SSNCI National Conference*, Galway, Ireland, Summer 1996
- "Memsahibs and Ladies Bountiful: Philanthropy and Social Control in Nineteenth-Century India and Ireland" *ACIS National Conference*, Southern Illinois University, Spring 1996
- "Famine Relief? The Administration of Famine in India and Ireland During the Nineteenth Century" *Graduate Irish Studies Conference*, University of Notre Dame, Spring 1995
- "Lay Women and Philanthropy: Two Charities in Nineteenth-Century Dublin" *ACIS New England Regional Conference*, Westfield State University, Fall 1993

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE:

2016-present: Member, Board of Directors, *Center for Western Studies*, Augustana University

2011-2014, Chair, Curriculum Council, Augustana University

2010-2014, Chair, History Department, Augustana University

Judge: *American Conference for Irish Studies*, James Donnelly Sr. Prize for Books on History and Social Sciences, 2002; 2003

“Conference Summary: Women’s History: Irish Canadian Connections, Halifax, Nova Scotia, August 2002” in *Women's History Association of Ireland Newsletter* (Oct./Nov. 2002)

Local Area Committee Member: *American Historical Association*, Boston, 2001

RESEARCH/TEACHING INTERESTS:

Modern Irish History
Modern British History
Modern Indian History
British Women’s History
Gender and Empire
Colonial Studies

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS:

North American Conference on British Studies
Irish Social and Economic History Society
Nineteenth Century Studies Association
The Society for the Study of Nineteenth Century Ireland
American Conference for Irish Studies

ADMINISTRATIVE EMPLOYMENT:

Assistant Dean: Academic Vice President and Dean of Faculties
Aug. 1997-August 2000: Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA
Office of the Academic Vice President and Dean of Faculties

Faculty development; co-ordinator of university calendar; co-ordinator of annual faculty grant awards; administer extensive budget and purchase of major computer equipment for faculty, research laboratories and support staff; AVP webmaster; administer faculty center; administer database of confidential faculty employment information; administer annual faculty contract renewal; create annual fact book of faculty information