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### **Education:**

#### **Ph.D., Economics, Harvard University (2010)**

Dissertation: *Essays in Applied Microeconomics*

Committee: David Cutler; Oliver Hart (2016 Nobel laureate); Caroline Hoxby

#### **A.M., Economics, Harvard University (2002)**

Thesis: *Social Investments into Human Persons*

Adviser: Oliver Hart (2016 Nobel laureate)

#### **B.A., Mathematics & Economics, University of Pennsylvania (1998)**

*Phi Beta Kappa*; Lawrence Kuznets Prize for Best Undergraduate Thesis

### **Principal Appointment:**

*Associate Professor (with Tenure)*

**August 2021-present**

Busch School of Business, The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C.

### **Secondary Appointments:**

*Senior Fellow in Education, 2021-present*

CARDUS, Ontario, Canada

*Senior Fellow, 2021-present*

Center for Religion, Culture, and Democracy, First Liberty Institute, Plano, Texas

*Non-Resident Fellow, 2020-present*

Institute for Studies of Religion (ISR), Baylor University, Waco, Texas

*Faculty Fellow, 2016-present*

Institute for Human Ecology, The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C.

*Senior Fellow in Economics, 2013-present*

Austin Institute for the Study of Family and Culture, Austin, Texas

### **Previous Appointments:**

*Assistant Professor, Aug 2016 - Aug 2021*

Busch School of Business, The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C.

*Assistant Professor of Economics, 2010-2016; (Department Chair, 2015-2016)*

Ave Maria University, Ave Maria, Florida

**Awards:**

**Freedom and Opportunity Academic Prize 2023**

\$15,000 Prize, The Heritage Foundation, June 2023

**Novak Award for the Study of Religion and Liberty**

\$10,000 Prize, Acton Institute, November 2015

**Grants:**

**Sabbatical Research Grant**

APGAR Foundation, Inc., Summer-Fall 2022

**American Family and Fertility Project, The Catholic University of America**

\$28,500 Grant from Wheatley Institution, Brigham Young University, January 2019

**Catholic Mental Models, Co-investigator with A Widmer**

\$250,000 Grant from the John Templeton Foundation, 2011-2013

**Other Research Funding:**

Calihan Research Fellowship, Acton Institute, 2012

Witherspoon Research Grant, 2010

Searle Freedom Trust Scholar (Dissertation Grant), 2008-2009

Warburg Fund Dissertation Research Grant, Harvard University, 2003, 2005

Harvard Graduate Fellowship, 1998-2000

**Memberships:**

American Economic Association (AEA); Society for the Development of Austrian Economics (SDAE); Catholic Research Economists Discussion Organization (CREDO)

**Research Interests:**

Economics & philosophy of education; Health economics, demography & epidemiology; Economics & sociology of the family; Austrian economics; Political economy & Catholic social thought; Ethics and economics.

**Courses Taught (Undergraduate):**

Economics & statistics: Markets and Prosperity 1 & 2  
Principles of Microeconomics  
Principles of Macroeconomics  
Intermediate Microeconomic Theory  
Statistics

Applied economics & sociology: School and Church in Contemporary America  
Marriage, Family, and Social Order  
Economics of Energy and the Environment  
Economic Reasoning and Social Issues  
Economics of Labor and Poverty  
Public Economics

Pol economy & social thought: Catholic Social Thought and Political Economy

**Refereeing:**

*The Linacre Quarterly*  
*Journal of Private Enterprise*  
*Social Science Quarterly* (SSQ)  
*Journal of Economics, Management and Religion* (JEMAR)  
*International Journal of Development Issues*  
*Marriage and Family Review* (MFR)  
*Philosophia Reformata*  
*Economic Inquiry* (EI)  
*Journal of Markets and Morality* (JMM)  
*Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* (JSSR)  
*Eastern Economic Journal* (EEJ)  
*Faith and Economics*

**Peer-reviewed Journal Articles:**

**A Claim of Conscience: The Duty to Prove Oneself a Resistor** (with M Pakaluk). *The Linacre Quarterly*. Online first, May 2024. [Link](#).

**Not Planned by Us: Motive and Meaning Among American Women with Upper-Tail Birth Rates.** *Cosmos + Taxis: Studies in Emergent Order and Organization, Special Issue: Gender and Emergent Order*. Vol. 11 [11+12], 2023, pp. 62-79. [Link](#).

**What Good is a Good Fit? Religious Matching and Educational Outcomes.** *Cosmos + Taxis: Studies in Emergent Order and Organization, Special Issue: Economics of Religion*. Vol. 9 [1+2], 2021, pp. 3-31. [Link](#).

**Are Mothers and Fathers Interchangeable Caregivers?** (with J Price). *Marriage & Family Review*. Vol 56 [8], 16 June 2020, pp. 784-793. [Link](#).

**The Paradox of the Pill: Heterogeneous Effects of Oral Contraceptive Access** (with A Beauchamp). *Economic Inquiry*, Vol 57 [2], April 2019, pp. 813-831. [Link](#).  
[Top 10% most downloaded paper in initial 12 months following publication.]

**The Seton Option: Catholic Schools and Good Citizens.** *Fellowship of Catholic Scholars Quarterly*, Vol. 41 [1], April 2018, pp. 51-60.

**Dependence on God and Man: Toward a Catholic Constitution of Liberty**, 2015 Calihan Lecture, *Journal of Markets and Morality*, Vol 19 [2], Fall 2016, pp. 227-252.

**Soulmates, Paradoxes, and the Significance of the Family for American Political Economy**, *The Natural Family*, Vol 30 [2], Spring 2016, pp. 215-228.

**Non-Traditional Families and Progress through School: A Comment on Rosenfeld** (with D Allen and J Price) *Demography*, Vol 50 [3], June 2013, pp. 955-961. [Link](#).

**HIV-1-associated Kaposi's sarcoma in a predominantly black population at an inner city hospital** (with FW Dawkins, RA Delapenha, EE Frezza, WR Green, WR Frederick, and A Manns). *Southern Medical Journal*, Vol 91[6], June 1998, pp. 546-549.

**Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma among people with AIDS: incidence, presentation and public health burden** (with TR Coté, RJ Biggar, PS Rosenberg, SS Devesa, C Percy, FJ Yellin, G Lemp, JJ Geodert, and WA Blattner). *International Journal of Cancer*, Vol 73 [5], Nov 1997, pp. 645-650.

**Epidemiology of brain lymphoma among people with or without acquired immunodeficiency syndrome** (with TR Cote, A Manns, FJ Yellin and P Hartge). AIDS/Cancer Study Group. *Journal of the National Cancer Institute*, Vol 88[10], May 1996, pp. 675.

#### Peer-reviewed Book Chapters:

**“Socialism and Capitalism in Catholic Social Thought.”** In *Catholic Social Teaching: A Volume of Scholarly Essays*, edited by Gerard V. Bradley and E. Christian Brugger. Cambridge University Press: Cambridge, 2019, pp. 433-467. [Link](#).

**“Solidarity and Job Creation: Substitutes or Complements.”** (with JA Burke and A Widmer) In *The Challenge of Charity: Freedom and Charity Working Together*, edited by Martin Schlag, Juan Andres Mercado, Jennifer E. Miller. MCEBooks: Rome, IT, 2015, pp. 245-257.

#### Books:

*Hannah's Children: The Women Quietly Defying the Birth Dearth*. Regnery Gateway: Washington, DC, 2024.

*Can A Catholic Be A Socialist? The Answer is No—Here's Why* (with T Horn). Catholic Answers Press: El Cajon, CA, 2020.

#### Other Publications (Selected):

**Marriagelessness and the Loss of National Greatness.** *First Principles*, The Heritage Foundation. April 24, 2024. [Link](#).

**The Pulse of Natality—What We're Missing About Falling Birthrates.** *Fusion*. December 2023. [Link](#).

**The State Can't Save the American Family.** National Review Online. October 14, 2022. [Link](#).

**The Eternal Return of Price Controls.** *Law & Liberty*. April 20, 2022. [Link](#).

**Creating Flexible, Family-Friendly Schools**, in 7 Proposals to Make America More Family-Friendly. *American Compass*. February 24, 2021. [Link](#).

**What Coronavirus Taught Us About the American Family.** *America: The Jesuit Review*. February 15, 2021. [Link](#).

**Adam Smith, Inclination, and Need: A Re-interpretation of Self Interest.** *Adam Smith Works*. August 19, 2020. [Link](#).

**Whither Humane Economics? In Defense of Wonder and Admiration in Natural Science.** [Review of M. Hirschfeld, *Aquinas and the Market: Toward a Humane Economy*, Harvard University Press, 2018.] *Public Discourse: The Journal of the Witherspoon Institute*. March 27, 2019. [Link](#).

**Love, Economics, and Cheap Sex.** [Review of M. Regnerus, *Cheap Sex*, Oxford University Press, 2017.] *Public Discourse: The Journal of the Witherspoon Institute*. August 8, 2018. [Link](#).

**Michael Novak: A Model for Social Scientists.** *Public Discourse: The Journal of the Witherspoon Institute*. November 9, 2017. [Link](#).

**“With Motherly Care: Addressing the Crisis of Human Flourishing in Our Time.”** In *Promise and Challenge: Catholic Women Reflect on Feminism, Complementarity, and the Church*, edited by Mary Rice Hasson. Our Sunday Visitor: Huntington, IN, 2015.

**Review, *Forced Labor: What’s Wrong with Balancing Work and Family*, *Journal of Markets and Morality*, 2003, 6(2), 699-702.**

#### Work in Progress:

- Papers:**
- Limits of Methodological Individualism** (with M Pakaluk).
  - The Problem of the Common School** (with A Beauchamp).
  - Learning as Discovery: Austrian Insights for Economics of Education.**
  - UBI Caritas: The Economics & Ethics of the UBI** (with C Piano).
  - Forty Years of Confirmation Bias in the Social Sciences** (with WR Schumm and DW Crawford).
  - Coresidence & Children’s Non-cognitive Skill Development** (with A Beauchamp).
  - Waiting Periods, Abortion, & Irreversible Decisions** (w J Price).
  - The New Battle of the Sexes: A 2 x 2 Model of Female Alienation** (with J Burke).
- Monographs:** **Liberty and Dependence: Toward a Catholic Constitution of Liberty.**

**Invited Lectures, Presentations, & Symposia (Selected):**

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2024

*“How to Have a Family: Eight Lessons from America’s Hannahs,”* Washington D.C. Intern Summit, Clare Boothe Luce Center for Conservative Women, Washington, D.C., June 28, 2024.

**The Population Bust**, in conversation with Ross Douthat (New York Times) and Tim Carney (American Enterprise Institute), Institute for Human Ecology, The Catholic University of America, April 29, 2024.

*Hannah’s Children: The Women Quietly Defying the Birth Dearth*, Book launch event, Institute for Human Ecology, The Catholic University of America, April 8, 2024.

*The Problem of the Common School*, Research Workshop, Free Market Institute, Texas Tech University, April 19, 2024.

*“Freedom of the Family,”* Freedom & Truth: Second Annual Spring Symposium, The Center for Law and the Human Person, Columbus School of Law, The Catholic University of America, April 4, 2024.

*Hannah’s Children: The Women Quietly Defying the Birth Dearth*, Book launch event, Catholic Information Center, Washington, D.C., March 20, 2024.

*Schmitt’s Challenge to Freedom*, Liberty Fund symposium led by Michael Pakaluk, Orange Beach, AL, February 1-4, 2024. Invited participant.

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2023

*Edith Stein and the Gestalt of the Feminine Soul*, Thomistic Institute, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA, November 28, 2023.

*“Families with kids will save the State,”* Alliance for the Family, Cevro Institute, Prague, Czechia, November 8, 2023.

*Liberty and the New Liberalism in the Era of Bretton Woods*, Liberty Fund symposium led by Samuel Gregg, Bretton Woods, NH, October 26-29, 2023. Invited participant.

*Good and Bad Dependence in Markets: Subsidiarity, Human Needs, and Exchange*, 2023 Markets & Society Conference, Mercatus Center, Fairfax, VA, October 20-23, 2023.

*Schools, Religion, and the New Science: Education and the State, Revisited*, Thomistic Institute, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC, September 21, 2023.

*On the insufficiency of the post-liberal order quadrant analysis*, Has Liberalism Failed? Symposium jointly sponsored by the Adam Smith Program and the Political Economy Program at The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C., September 9, 2023.

***“America and Its Large Families: Policy Suggestions for Survival,”*** The State of the Family in Italy and in the United States, Centro Studi, Rosario Livatino, and the Austin Institute, Rome, Italy, May 18, 2023.

***“Motherhood, the University, and the Future of the Nation,”*** Catholic Student Center and Collegium Institute, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA, May 14, 2023.

***The Other Wealth of Nations: Marriage in the Catholic Intellectual Tradition,*** Thomistic Institute, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, April 26, 2023.

***Two Wealths of Nations: Marriage and the Free Economy,*** Keynote Address, ISI Regional Conference, Pittsburgh, PA, April 14-15, 2023.

***The Life Work of Thomas Sowell: An Evaluation,*** Liberty Fund symposium led by Brian Smith, Santa Barbara, CA, March 22-26, 2023. Invited participant.

***Jacques Rueff’s The Social Order,*** Liberty Fund symposium led by Leonidas Zelmanovitz, Indianapolis, IN, March 3-5, 2023. Invited participant.

***Pursuing the Common Good: Self Governance vs. Social Governance,*** ISI Politics and Government Summit, Fort Lauderdale, FL, Feb 22-25, 2023. Invited panel address.

***Edith Stein and the Gestalt of the Feminine Soul,*** Thomistic Institute, Brown University, Providence, RI, February 9, 2023.

***Edith Stein and the Gestalt of the Feminine Soul,*** Thomistic Institute, Johns Hopkins University Medical School, Baltimore, MD, January 12, 2023.

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## 2022

***Not Planned By Us: Motive and Meaning Among Upper-Tail Birthrate Women,*** Social Science and Catholic Social Teaching on Marriage and Sexuality, Austin Institute Meeting, Prague, Czech Republic, December 1-2, 2022.

***Not Planned By Us: Women Who Put Family Before Career,*** Salem Center for Policy, McCombs School of Business, UT-Austin, November 3, 2022.

***Women Who Put Family Before Career,*** *Love and Fidelity Network National Collegiate Conference,* Princeton, NJ, October 28-29, 2022.

***Justice, Dynamism, and Social Order,*** Thomistic Institute, St. Louis University, October 5, 2022.

***Justice, Dynamism, and Social Order,*** Thomistic Institute, University of South Carolina, September 29, 2022.

***The Unhappy Farmer (Remarks),*** *Symposium on Family Policy After Dobbs,* The American Conservative and Belmont Abbey College, Belmont, NC, September 20, 2022.

***Whither Feminism***, Ramsey Colloquium, First Things Magazine, New York, NY, May 15, 2022. Invited Participant.

***Freedom and Dependence: Some Theses about Liberalism and Catholic Thought***, Invisible Hand Seminar, Adam Smith Program, George Mason University, Fairfax, VA, April 23, 2022.

***Menger and Markets in a Free Society***, Liberty Fund symposium led by Hans Eicholz, Las Vegas, NV, April 3-6, 2022. Invited participant.

***Limits of Methodological Individualism***, with Michael Pakaluk, Public Choice Society Meetings, Nashville, TN, March 10-12, 2022.

***Secular Stagnation and the Future of the West***, Liberty Fund symposium led by Bruno Salama, San Antonio, TX, January 21-24, 2022. Invited participant.

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2021

***Edith Stein and the Gestalt of the Feminine Soul***, Thomistic Institute, Hillsdale College, Hillsdale, MI, November 4, 2021.

***Executive Power, Liberty, and Constitutionalism in the Writings of Jacques Necker and Germaine de Staël***, Liberty Fund symposium led by Aurelian Craiutu, Miami Beach, FL, October 21-24, 2021. Invited participant.

***Can a Catholic Be a Socialist***, Young America's Foundation, Reston, VA, April 24, 2021.

***Can a Catholic Be a Socialist***, Ave Maria University, Ave Maria, FL, April 15, 2021.

***Edith Stein and the Gestalt of the Feminine Soul***, Thomistic Institute, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS, March 25, 2021.

***Justice, Dynamism, and Social Order***, Thomistic Institute [online], University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ, February 16, 2021.

***Weaker Families and Communities, Can the State Fix It? Some Thoughts Based on Schools***. Presented for the Academic Research Symposium on Family, Community and Meaningful Work: The State's Role in Economic Management, Institute for Humane Studies, George Mason University, Jan 22-23, 2021.

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2020

***Liberty, Democracy, and the Nineteenth Amendment***, Liberty Fund Symposium led by Emily Fisher Gray, Virtual Conference, December 1-2, 2020. Invited participant.

Public Debate, ***Resolution: The UBI Meets the Catholic Demand for a Just Wage (Arguing Contra)***, Catholic Information Center and Institute for Human Ecology, Washington, DC, October 28, 2020. (Virtual)



*Colleague or Commissar? How Diversity Officers (Mis-)Align Corporate Culture*, Principled Entrepreneurship Conference, Napa Institute, New York City, NY, October 13, 2020. (Virtual)

*Answering the Clarion Call to Socialism*, Catholic Citizens of Illinois, Union League Club, Chicago, Illinois, August 14, 2020.

*Scepter and Crown, Jewel and Cross: Reflections on Woman and the Church*, Quarantine Lecture, Thomistic Institute, Dominican House of Studies, Washington, DC, July 30, 2020. (Virtual).

*Economics of Education: A Concise Introduction*, Food for Thought Speaker Series, Creighton University, Omaha NE, February 13, 2020.

*Can a Catholic Be a Socialist*, George Fox University, Newburg, OR, February 5, 2020.

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2019

*New Reflections on the Thought of Adam Smith*, Liberty Fund Symposium, Indianapolis, IN, November 7-10, 2019. Invited contributing author.

*Justice: Individual or Institutional Virtue?*, Liberty Fund Symposium led by Mark LeBar, Destin, FL, October 31-November 3, 2019. Invited participant.

*The Challenge of Freedom: A Vision of Virtue in Business*, Keynote Address, Faith and Business Conference 2019, Catholic Men's Business Fraternity, Sioux Falls, SD, August 8, 2019.

Keynote remarks, **"Rise and Shine: Empowerment through Education,"** Visitation House Annual Gala Dinner, Worcester, MA, May 1, 2019.

*Montessori and Liberty: Maria Montessori and Her Method of Education*, Liberty Fund Symposium led by Nicholas Capaldi and Marsha F. Enright, Chicago, IL, April 11-14, 2019. Invited Participant.

*Schools, Religion, and The New Science: Education and the State, Revisited*, "Science, Human Nature, and Public Policy": 2019 Culture and Policy Conference, Center for Political and Economic Thought, Saint Vincent College, Latrobe, PA, April 5, 2019.

*Edith Stein and the Gestalt of the Feminine Soul*, College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, MA, April 3, 2019.

Panel Discussant, **"Valuing Unpaid Work and Caregiving"**, *Catholic Women's Forum*, Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See to the United Nations, New York, NY, March 15, 2019.

*Proclaim Liberty Throughout All the Land: The Bible, Liberty, and the American Founding*, Liberty Fund Symposium led by Daniel L. Dreisbach, Indianapolis, IN, March 7-10, 2019. Invited participant.

*Marriage, Heroism, and National Greatness*, Wheatley Roundtable on the Family, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT, February 20, 2019.

Panel Discussant on Adam Smith's approach to philosophy, **"Is Religion Opposed to Science?"**, *Panama in the Capital*, The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C., January 26, 2019.

*Regression Analysis and Human Dependence*, Association of Christian Economists (ACE), American Economics Association (AEA) & Allied Social Sciences Association Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, January 5, 2019.

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2018

*Justice, Dynamism, and Social Order*, Cardinal Virtues Lecture Series, Saint Mary's University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota, December 12, 2018.

*Anticapitalist Mentality, Entrepreneurship, and Envy*, Liberty Fund Symposium led by Young Back Choi, Jekyll Island, Georgia, December 6-9, 2018. Invited participant.

*Lies, Damned Lies, and Socialism: Principles of Right Order and the Social Teaching of the Church*, The Catholic Morality and Markets Series, Providence College, Providence, Rhode Island, September 27, 2018.

*Pilgrim Pope, Bright Mountain: The Social Magisterium of John Paul II*, Napa Institute Summer Conference, Napa, CA, July 18, 2018.

*Economics of Education* (Course Taught), Acton University, Grand Rapids, Michigan, June 20, 2018.

Panel Discussant **on the cultural impact of overturning Roe v. Wade**, Women Speak 2018: A Symposium on Life Without Roe, Heritage Foundation, Washington, D.C., June 13, 2018.

*Edith Stein, on the Gestalt of the Feminine Soul*, Thomistic Institute, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, April 18, 2018.

*Means Without Ends: Ethics in Economics*, Situating Moral Development in Applied Professions: The Role of Ethics in the Disciplines of Cybersecurity, Healthcare and Economics, Spring 2018 Conference, Boston College, Chestnut, Massachusetts, April 17, 2018.

*Gender Identity: True and False*, University of Dallas, Irving, Texas, March 22, 2018.

*Liberty, Responsibility and Prudence in the Works of Bertrand de Jouvenel*, Liberty Fund Symposium directed by Kevin Honeycutt, Tuscon, Arizona, March 15-18, 2018. Invited participant.

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2017

*Liberty and the War on Cash*, Liberty Fund Symposium led by George Selgin and William Luther, San Antonio, Texas, Nov 30-Dec 3, 2017. Invited participant.

*Commerce, Political Economy and the Marketplace*, Ropke-Wojtyla Fellowship, Ciocca Center for Principled Entrepreneurship, The Catholic University of America, October 28, 2017.

*Paradox of Liberty: Alex Honnold and the Art of Human Freedom*, St. Benedict Institute, Hope College, Holland, Michigan, October 19, 2017.

K12 Panel Chair and Framing Remarks, **Education and Freedom Conference**, Acton Institute, Grand Rapids, Michigan, October 19, 2017.

*Putting Good Profit into Action: In Defense of What is Not Seen*, Good Profit: The Busch School and Napa Institute, The Catholic University of America, Oct 4-6, 2017.

*Freedom and Prosperity: Property as Capital and the Use of Knowledge in Society*, Toward a Free and Virtuous Society: Life, Liberty and Property, Acton Institute, Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, September 28-Oct 1, 2017.

*The Greatest Safeguard of the State? Catholic Schools and Good Citizens*, Fellowship of Catholic Scholars 40<sup>th</sup> Convention, Society and Citizenship: Current Challenges for the Church, Arlington, Virginia, September 22, 2017.

*Economics of Education; Economics of Poverty* (Courses Taught), Acton University, Grand Rapids, Michigan, June 20-23, 2017.

*Gender Identity: True and False*, A Worthy Life: Finding Meaning in America, The Robert J. Giuffra '82 Annual Conference of the James Madison Program in American Ideals and Institutions, Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey, May 22-23, 2017.

*"What Good is a Good Fit?"*, Research Brown Bag, The Busch School of Business and Economics, The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C., April 24, 2017.

*"Michael Novak: Economist"*, Symposium on Michael Novak: Contributions to Western Thought, Ave Maria University, Ave Maria, Florida, April 11, 2017.

*"Economics of Poverty and Catholic Social Thought,"* Catholic Women's Forum, Ethics and Public Policy Center, Washington, D.C., March 30, 2017.

**Dulles Colloquium on The Social Vision of Leo XIII in the Twentieth Century**, First Things and the Institute on Religion and Public Life, Washington, D.C., March 10, 2017. Invited participant.

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## 2016

*An Inquiry on Sound Money and Trade in Ferdinando Galiani's Works*, Liberty Fund Symposium led by Maria Paganelli, Jekyll Island, Georgia, June 23-26, 2016. Invited participant.

*Economics of Education; Economics of Poverty* (Courses Taught), Acton University, Grand Rapids, Michigan, June 14-17, 2016.

*“Entrusted with the Economy”*, Given Forum, The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C., June 10, 2016.

*“Elizabeth Seton and the Battlefield of Christian Heroism”*, Trivium School Commencement, Lancaster, Massachusetts, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

*“The Sexual Revolution and the Problem of Dependence”*, Mercy and the Sexual Revolution: 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Symposium on Advancing the New Evangelization, Featured Presenter, Benedictine College, Atchison, Kansas, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

*“On Gender Ideology and Catholic Education”*, Catholic Women’s Forum, Ethics and Public Policy Center, Washington, D.C., April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

*“Quadragesimo Anno: Economic Thought in Pius XI”*, Leonine Forum, Catholic Information Center, Washington, D.C., April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

*“Leonine Foundations of Human Ecology”*, Human Ecology: Integrating 125 Years of Catholic Social Doctrine, The Catholic University of America and the Napa Institute, Washington D.C., March 16-18, 2016.

*“Love, Liberty and Dependence”* (Keynote), Liberating Power of Charity, 2016 Edith Stein Project Conference, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Indiana, February 5, 2016.

*“In the House of Self-Knowledge: Feminism, Liberation and Dependence”*, The New Feminism, 2016 Genuine Feminine Conference, Ave Maria University, Ave Maria, Florida, January 30, 2016.

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## 2015

*“Liberty and Dependence”*, Calihan Lecture for the 2015 Novak Award for the Study of Religion and Liberty, Acton Institute, Ave Maria University, Ave Maria, FL, November 18, 2015.

*Liberty, Equality and Meritocracy*, Liberty Fund Symposium led by James Stoner, Santa Fe, New Mexico, October 22-24, 2015. Invited Participant.

*“Soulmates, And Other Myths About the Family in America”*, Napa Institute Summer Conference, Napa, CA, July 29, 2015.

*“The Paradox of the Pill”* (presented by Andrew Beauchamp) American Economics Association (January 2015, Boston); Society of Labor Economists (June 2015, Montreal)

Chair, Session on **Catholic Social Thought and the Family**, The Family in the Changing Economy: Seventh Annual Conference on Economics and Catholic Social Thought, Lumen Christi Institute, Chicago, IL, April 30-May 1, 2015.

*“Women and the Maternal Church: Feeding a Spiritual Hunger”*, Catholic Women’s Forum, Ethics and Public Policy Center, Washington, D.C., April 16, 2015.

*“The Future of Alternative Education,”* Zephyr Institute, Palo Alto, CA, April 10, 2015.

*“New Battle of the Sexes,”* Stanford University Anscombe Society, Palo Alto, CA, April 11, 2015.

*“New Battle of the Sexes,”* Pitt Off the Hook, University of Pittsburg, Pittsburg, PA, March 5, 2015.

*“Recent Developments in Social Science of the Family,”* Oxford University, Oxford, UK, February 18, 2015.

*“Image as Mythology: Sacred and Profane”*, Edith Stein Project, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN, February 7, 2015.

Chair for Panel on **Economics of the Family: Contemporary Issues and Empirical Challenges**, American Economic Association, Annual Meeting, January 2015.

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2014

*“Social science of the family and papal teaching,”* Naples Founders Luncheon, Naples, FL, December 2014.

**Humanum Colloquium**, Vatican City, Rome, IT, November 17-20, 2014. Invited attendee.

Chair for Panel on **Poverty and the Family**, Fall Conference, Center for Ethics and Culture, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN, October 30-Nov 1, 2014.

Reactant to Panel Discussion on **Frozen Embryo Adoption**, Ave Maria School of Law, Naples, FL, October 16, 2014.

*“What Solidarity Is,”* Liberty and Solidarity: Living the Vocation to Business, The Catholic University of America and the Napa Institute, Washington D.C., September 25, 2014.

*“Gaudium et Spes and the Substance of Heroic Virtue”*, Oakcrest Commencement, McLean, VA, June 7, 2014.

Panel Discussant on **Economic Research on Education**, Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Greater Naples (UUCGN) Panel, Naples, FL, April 26, 2014.

*“With Motherly Care: Addressing the Crisis of Human Flourishing in Our Time”*, at the Ethics and Public Policy Center’s Conference on Women and the Church: Present Considerations and Future Directions, Washington, D.C., April 10, 2014.

*“Five Super-Truths About the Family in American Society”*, at the Intercollegiate Studies Institute Conference on the Family in History and Modern Society, Notre Dame, IN, April 5, 2014.

*“Reactions in the U.S. to Evangelii Gaudium”* at the Konrad Adenauer Foundation International Conference on “Is the Pope right? The social and economic implications of Evangelii Gaudium”, Mexico City, Mexico, March 5, 2014.

*“Pregnancy as the Archetype of Femininity”*, Edith Stein Project, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN, February 8, 2014.

Panel Discussant on the Morning Panel, **“Woman: A Political Animal.”** Genuine Feminine Conference, Ave Maria University, January 19, 2014.

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## 2013

**“Does Contraception Change the Game? Bachelors, Bachelorettes, and the New Battle of the Sexes”**, Love and Fidelity Network Annual Conference, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ, November 9, 2013.

**“Motherhood and Graduate School: Some Thoughts on the Feminine”**, Edith Stein Project, University of Notre Dame, IN, February 9, 2013.

**“Women in Academia: Some Thoughts on the Feminine”** at the Genuine Feminine Conference, Ave Maria, FL, January 19, 2013.

**“Solidarity and Wealth Creation”** (with A. Widmer), Pontifical University of the Holy Cross (PUSC) and Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C., October 2012.

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## 2012 and previous

**“What Good is a Good Fit? Religious Matching and Educational Outcomes”** at the Department of Economics, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, May 2012.

**“Let No Man Put Asunder: Economic Theory and the Demise of the Natural Family”** at the Wheatley Symposium on the Defense of the Family, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, January 27, 2011.

**“The New Battle of the Sexes: Understanding the Reversal of the Happiness Gender Gap”** at the Annual meeting of the Association for the Study of Religion, Economics and Culture (ASREC), Portland, Oregon, July 1, 2010.

**“To Have and To Have Not: Marriage and Childbearing in the Age of the Pill”** at the Witherspoon Institute Graduate Seminar on Marriage in the Social Sciences “Baby Makes Three: Social Scientific Research on Successfully Combining Marriage and Parenthood”, Princeton, NJ, June 17, 2010.

**“What Good is a Good Fit: Measuring the Value of Religious Matching in Education”** at the Annual meeting of the Association for the Study of Religion, Economics and Culture (ASREC), Arlington, Virginia, April 2009.