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CURRICULUM VITAE – February 2023

FORMAL EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Divinity/Religious Studies, University of Edinburgh (UoF), UK	2005
Emphasis: Contemporary Shamanic Practice in Scotland reflecting an Evolving Paradigm of Spirituality and Religion	
MSc by Research in Celtic and Scottish Studies, University of Edinburgh, UK	2002
Emphasis: Elements of Cross-Cultural Core Shamanism in Scottish Folklore	
Master in Human Relations, University of Oklahoma, USA	1993
Emphasis: Organizational Transformation and Counseling	
Master of Arts in Religious Education, Creighton University, USA	1977
Emphasis: Adult Learning and Models of Moral and Faith Development	
Bachelor of Science in Education, University of Nebraska at Omaha (UN-O), USA	1971
Emphasis: Secondary Education - English and Spanish	

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION

Certified Facilitator, <i>Compassionate Integrity Training (CIT)</i> , Life University, USA	2020 to Present
Facilitator, <i>Boundless Compassion</i> Program, Omaha, NE	2018 to Present
Facilitator, <i>Conscious Aging</i> , Institute of Noetic Sciences (IONS), USA	2014 to Present
Trainer, Educator, Practitioner (TEP) in Psychodrama, Sociometry and Group Psychotherapy via American Board of Examiners (ABE); Certified Practitioner (CP) via ABE from 2001; ABE Board Member 2005 – 2008	2011 to Present
Certified Consultant for <i>Cultural Transformation Tools (CTT)</i> /Whole Systems Change (Barrett Values Centre/Richard Barrett and Associates)	2006 to Present
Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) in NE, USA	1995 to Present
Certified Professional Counselor (CPC) in NE, USA	1995 to Present
Ordained Minister in the International Assembly of Spiritual Healers and Earth Stewards Congregations (in good standing)	1995 to Present
Licensed Mental Health Practitioner (LMHP) in NE, USA	1994 to Present
Certified Facilitator – ‘Investment in Excellence’ from The Pacific Institute, Seattle, WA, USA	1991 to Present
Professional Teaching Certificate in NE, USA Endorsed in English, Spanish, and Religion for USA grades 7 through 12	1971 - 2015

PUBLICATIONS

Book Review: A review of *Spirituality, Corporate Culture, and American Business – The Neoliberal Ethic and the Spirit of Global Capital* by James Dennis LoRusso for the *Journal of the British Association for the Study of Religion (JBAR)*, v. 20, August 2018: 199 – 201.

Article: Willis, A., Bondi, L., Burgess, M., Miller, G., and Fergusson, D. (2014), ‘Engaging with a history of counselling, spirituality and faith in Scotland: a readers’ theatre script’, *British Journal of Guidance & Counselling*, 2014, Vol 42, No. 5, 525-543
<http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/03069885.2014.928667>

Essays: (2013), ‘Compassion’ and ‘Spontaneity’, co-author of *A World Book of Values*, Belgium: Van Halewyck, December 2013, 73 and 337.

Book Review: 'Meeting God in the Margins', a review of *Our God is Undocumented: Biblical Faith and Immigrant Justice* by Ched Myers and Matthew Colwell, for *Expository Times* 124 (9), June 2013: 460-461

Article: (2010), 'Growing a Multifaith Chaplaincy', *Journal of the TCMA* (Tertiary Campus Ministry Association) 4(1): 1-11.

Book: (2008), *A New Paradigm of Spirituality and Religion*. London: Continuum

DOCUMENTARY FILMS – Co-Creator and Managing Director

'All We've Got' (2009) – about what really matters when dealing with difference; UoE Chaplaincy (in collaboration with the Scottish Documentary Institute at the Edinburgh College of Art); film selected for inclusion in the First Annual Interfaith Film Festival 2011CE, affiliated with *The Pluralism Project* at Harvard University, Boston, MA

'Back to Work' (1988) – stories of three courageous employees who successfully met the challenges of healing from serious back injuries, Union Pacific Railroad, Omaha, NE, USA

'Attitude is Everything' (1988) – exploration of attitude and perspective when healing from life-changing events, such as serious injury, Union Pacific Railroad, Omaha, NE, USA

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH, Edinburgh, Scotland, UK	2003 to Present
Honorary Fellow in the <i>School of Health in Social Science (HSS)</i> /	2013 to Present
<i>Counselling, Psychotherapy, and Applied Social Sciences (CPASS)</i> :	
provide secondary supervision for PhD students, as requested; teach and/or facilitate sessions for CPASS courses, workshops, and/or events, as appropriate and requested; serve as Internal Examiner for PhD students, (3 completed as of December 2022) as requested; and collaborate in an interdisciplinary manner throughout the University in areas related to HSS and its remit, especially regarding Compassion initiatives, events, training, and networking	
Course Organizer and Teacher for two board-approved courses in UoE Summer School – <i>The Power of Myth: The Hero's Journey in the Transformation of Self & the World</i> and <i>Exploring Personal and Collective Stories Through Enactment</i>	2015
Facilitator/Teacher of <i>Exploring Worldviews and Values – Ours and Others in a Global Society</i> workshop for Innovative Learning Week	2015
Research Fellow in HSS – Co-facilitated over a dozen workshops for counsellors, clergy, chaplains, and others seeking conversations about spirituality and counseling – also conducted almost four dozen follow-up interviews with workshop participants, as part of a <i>Counselling and Spirituality</i> Knowledge Exchange (KE) research grant follow-up to the three-year <i>Theology and Therapy</i> AHRC grant, which ended in 2012	2012 to 2013
Invited Designer/Teacher of board-approved postgraduate <i>Spirituality and Counselling</i> course in HSS (prepared, but cancelled due to enrollment issues)	2013
Honorary Fellow in <i>HSS and Divinity</i> within the College of Humanities and Social Science; second supervisor for two Ph.D. students in Counselling;	2009 to 2012
Guest Tutor in psychodrama for Master of Counselling <i>Interpersonal Dialogue</i> course	
Associate Chaplain – provided full-time inclusive university-wide presence for staff and students of all faiths and none – focused on spirituality and multifaith pastoral support; contributed to university ceremonies and rituals, including graduation reflections; responded to student and staff crises;	2007 to 2011

facilitated conversations about divisive issues; developed relationships and networks with community multifaith and belief collaborators; initiated, developed, and facilitated learning programs based on diversity of faith, belief, and values; and designed and facilitated experiential spirituality retreats. Managed Chaplaincy while University Chaplain was on sabbatical in 2008 and later when University Chaplain was occupied or away. Led and facilitated multifaith team in the creation of Chaplaincy documentary film 'All We've Got', which our team presented at the Parliament of the World's Religions (PWR) in 2009

Guest Lecturer for <i>Shamanism</i> Course in Divinity	2010, 2008, 2005, 2003
Intern Chaplain – provided part-time Chaplaincy presence and support for university staff and students of all faiths and none in areas of welcome and hospitality, personal and spiritual pastoral support, rituals and ceremonies, facilitation of spirituality retreats, multifaith learning, and labyrinth walks; facilitated development of strategic plan	2004 - 2007
Religious Studies Tutor for <i>Religion and Culture</i> Course in Divinity	2005

WHITE BUFFALO ASSOCIATES, Omaha, NE, USA **1993 to Present**

Founder and President – White Buffalo Associates (WBA) was founded in 1993 to address a global need for individual and collective healing from the wounds of alienation, fragmentation, and loss of mythic stories that contain the structures and patterns of possibilities able to call forth a New Story about planetary interconnectedness, integral thinking, compassionate communities, and conscious evolution into a whole new order of meaning and being. Rooted in the North American indigenous White Buffalo Calf Woman's message of interconnectedness and right relationships with all life, the Christian message of love, compassion, and service, and the interreligious and inter-spiritual call to co-create a loving, just, and compassionate world of right relationships, WBA provides holistic consulting, education, training, counselling, and learning resources that serve compassionate personal and collective evolutionary transformation, wellbeing, global justice, environmental stewardship, and values-driven servant leadership in the context of whole systems change. These services are customized and collaborative, as well as offered as individual workshops, courses, retreats, and/or training events. For information and current offerings, see www.whitebuffaloassociates.com.

UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD , Omaha, NE, USA	1980 – 1993
Human Resources Consultant – facilitated personal, cultural, and organizational change	
Director, Quality Integration (for Risk Management Department of over 400 employees, which included Personal Injury Claims, Safety, Medical, Police, Freight Claims, and Environmental Management) - initiated leadership development, organizational effectiveness, and employee empowerment; planned and facilitated 'Investment in Excellence' system-wide; 5-day training with W.E. Deming, father of quality movement	
Manager, Medical Management – led interdepartmental collaboration in the co-creation of holistic program development, supervisory training, and assurance of quality medical treatment and rehabilitation services for employees with back injuries	
Assistant to Director - Claims Operations West – supported personal injury and freight claims managers and claims representatives; assisted the Director in management duties and communication with employees; and interviewed potential claims representatives	
Personal Injury Claims Representative – provided support for injured employees in Idaho	

Management Trainee – worked all departments with system-wide travel, learning, and networking

COLLEGE OF SAINT MARY, Omaha, NE, USA 1982
Teacher of Adult Education Methods

HOLY NAME HIGH SCHOOL, Omaha, NE, USA 1977 – 1980
Department Chairperson – Religion (Vatican II context)
Teacher of English and Religion (Death & Dying, Christian Roots, Relationships)
Campus Minister (Chaplain)

OMAHA PUBLIC SCHOOLS, Omaha, NE, USA 1982, 1980, 1974 – 1976
Full-time Teacher, Activities Advisor, Substitute Teacher (locum)

METRO TECH COMMUNITY COLLEGE, Omaha, NE, USA 1974
Full-time GED Teacher (High School Equivalency Test Preparation)

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE OVERSEAS SCHOOLS, Vicenza, Italy 1973
(PREP - Secondary Education Diploma Program for Active-Duty Soldiers)
Teacher of English, Developer/Coordinator/Team Teacher in Italian Studies Program

ARCHDIOCESE OF OMAHA, Omaha, NE, USA 1974, 1970 – 1972
Office for Pastoral Development
Human Needs Resource Consultant to Parishes
Resource Consultant to Catholic Commission on Human Relations
Coordinator of Campaign for Human Development (program providing seed money for community self-help projects locally and nationally)
Social Action Office – Program Planner, Parish Media Consultant for Justice Issues

UNIVERSITY LEADERSHIP, SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS 2004 – 2005
University of Edinburgh
Conference and Research Expense Grants: Divinity (2) and Chaplaincy (1)

University of Nebraska at Omaha 1967-1971
Leadership:
Secretary, Treasurer, President of Newman Organization (1968 – 1971)
Chair of Faculty Senate and Student Senate Human Relations Committees (1968 – 1970)
Co-Chair of Annual Student/Faculty Leadership Retreat (1969)
Scholarships: Ak-Sar-Ben Scholarships (1967 – 1971)
Music Scholarship (1967 – 1968)
Awards: Top 10 Student Achievement Award (1969)

SELECTED EXAMPLES OF INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH, NETWORKING, COLLABORATION, AND PROGRAM FACILITATION

Action Methods – Psychodrama, Sociometry, Sociodrama, Sociometry, and Group Psychotherapy	1979 – Present
Directed a Personal Psychodrama and Accepted Roles as Auxiliary in other psychodramas at The Black Hills Professional Training Workshop, 5 – 8 May 2022, Black Hills, South Dakota, USA	2022
Accepted Auxiliary Roles in 2 Online Sociodrama Workshops, sponsored by Tele'Drama and Directed by UK Trainers, 19 & 26 March 2022	2022
Facilitator for Personal and Professional Development Group (PPD), UK	2012 – 2019
Planner/Facilitator of Workshop Series entitled <i>The Power of Myth and the Compassionate Journey of the Heroine/Hero: Healing and Transforming Self and the Wasteland</i>	2018 – 2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Week-end Overview of Entire Series</i>, 27 – 28 October 2018, Toronto, Ontario, Canada • <i>Retrieving the Treasure – Returning to Serve, Heal, and Transform the Wasteland</i>, 1 – 3 March 2019, Omaha, NE, USA • <i>Answering the Call: Saying 'Yes' to the Journey of Spiritual Transformation</i>, 22 – 24 June 2018, Omaha, NE, USA • <i>Hearing the Heroine/Hero's Call</i>, 4 – 6 May 2018, Omaha, NE, USA 	
Invited Sociometrist for Opening Session of 'Personal Politics of Climate Change (PPOCC): What Makes Us Care?', part of What's A University For? (WUF), Chaplaincy Centre, Edinburgh, Scotland	2018
Invited Facilitator of Closing Session for PG Conference in CPASS at UofE, Edinburgh, Scotland	2016
Teacher/Facilitator of board-approved <i>Enacting Personal and Collective Stories</i> UofE Summer School Course, Edinburgh, Scotland	2015
Trainer and Co-Presenter with Dr. Rob Pramann of 'Many Faces/Places: Getting Past Our Polarization' workshop at the <i>72nd Annual American Society of Group Psychotherapy & Psychodrama (ASGPP) Conference</i> entitled 'Psychodrama's Many Faces and Many Places', Oakland, CA	2014
Invited Sociometrist for WUF Public Event designed to explore values, priorities, and motives previously identified at previous WUF event at UofE Chaplaincy Centre, Edinburgh, Scotland	2013
Trainer and Facilitator of 'The Healing Power of Dreams and Myths' Workshop at the <i>American Society of Group Psychotherapy & Psychodrama Conference</i> entitled 'Cultivating Connections within Diverse Communities', Philadelphia, PA, USA	2010
Trainer and Co-Facilitator with Heather Blenkinsop of 'The Healing Power of Dreams and Myths' Workshop at the <i>Annual Conference of the British Psychodrama Association (BPA)</i> , Glasgow, Scotland	2009
Planner/Facilitator of numerous psychodrama workshops in USA and UK	1983 – Present
Beginning Student of Training and Practice in Psychodrama and Related Action Methods	1979

Aging and Eldering with Conscious Awareness	2010 – Present
Facilitator, <i>Conscious Aging</i> Program, USA and UK	2014 – Present
Workshop for OEA Residents and Friends, Omaha, NE	2019
Workshop for Celtic Group, Omaha, NE	2014
Networking with Maureen O'Neill of <i>Faith in Older People (FIOP)</i> , Edinburgh, Scotland	2014 – 2019
Distance Participant in Jean Houston's Mystery School Intensive: Initiation of the Sage, Oregon, USA	2010
Compassion and Empathy	2012 – Present
CIT: Monthly Online Community Engagement Sessions for CIT	2022 – Present
Facilitators – Serving as Participant and also as Invited	
Presenter/Facilitator for May and June 2022 sessions	
Invited Member of the CIT Educational Grant Review Board	2021 – Present
Monthly Online Professional Development Sessions for	2020 – Present
CIT Facilitators	
Member of Weekly Resilience & Practice Group (Online)	2020 – Present
Co-Facilitator with Suzanne Mann of 12-Week Online basic CIT	2020 – Present
Course in Australia – with Bi-Monthly Follow-up	
Participant in CIT Facilitator Training	2020
Participant in Initial CIT Training with Ongoing Compassion	2019 – Present
Circle meeting Bi-Monthly	
Charter for Compassion:	
Invited Charter Representative/Member of Interfaith Summit for	2022 – Present
the Environment, a UK Collaboration for Event in 2024	
Invited Member of Religion, Interfaith, Spirituality Sector (RISE)	2022 – Present
Invited Presenter (Recorded Message) for Golden Rule Day	2022
Online Participant in Map of Co-Creators Project	2022 – Present
Online Member/Participant in Charter's EdNet (Educational	2020 – Present
Network) Forum researching existing Compassion Programmes	
Member of Compassion UK Network/Group	2018 – Present
Member of Charter UK Steering Group	2016 – 2018
Boundless Compassion (BC):	
Participant in 1 st 3-Day In-Person Kinship Gathering of BC	2022
Facilitators in Buffalo, Minnesota, USA, in May 2022	
Participant in Quarterly Online Core Group Facilitator Meetings	2021 – Present
Participant in Monthly Online Enrichment Gatherings of BC	2021 – Present
Facilitators Exploring Compassion Resources	
Invited Speaker (with 4 others) for Online Zoom Forum on 'Forgiveness: The Conditions, Challenges, and the Wisdom of Forgiveness', sponsored by Edinburgh International Centre for Spirituality and Peace (EICSP) in the UK, 8 June 2022	2022
Facilitator/Chair of <i>Compassionate Edinburgh</i> Steering Group, Edinburgh	2020 - Present
Consultant/Advisor to Kalen Consul in development of online <i>Resilient Civic Leadership/Compassionate Integrity Training (CIT)</i> for Civic Leaders	2020
Collaboration with Professors John Gillies and Liz Grant re <i>Global Compassion Initiative</i> at UofE, Edinburgh, Scotland	2016 – 2019
Empathy Network Member at UofE, Edinburgh, Scotland	2015 – 2019

Member, <i>WUF</i> , Collaborative exploration among students, staff, and faculty from various disciplines at the UofE, especially regarding Compassionate Conversations and Climate Change, Edinburgh, Scotland	2012 – 2019
Invited Presenter/Facilitator, 'St. Francis and the Natural World' for Personal Politics of Climate Change (PPOCC), UofE Chaplaincy Centre, Edinburgh	2018
Invited Accompanist (Piano) for George Walters-Sleyon during Gospel Concert 'The Power of Gospel Spirituals and the Strength of Compassion', <i>Roots of Compassion</i> Series at UofE Chaplaincy Centre, Edinburgh, Scotland	2018
Invited Presenter/Musician, 'Growing Compassion in Different Traditions', <i>Roots of Compassion III</i> Series, UofE Chaplaincy Centre, Edinburgh, Scotland	2018
Invited Presenter, 'Connecting with Compassion – Reflections on Local & Global Research and Initiatives' at the First Thursday Seminar for CPASS, Edinburgh	2018
Death, Dying, and Living	1977 – Present
(Pilot) Facilitator for <i>Death Makes Life Possible (DMLP) Program</i> with <i>DMLP</i> film, Omaha, NE, USA	2016 – Present
Co-Planner/Facilitator with Harriet Harris and Veronica Adamson of <i>Spiritual Conversations: Let Dying Give a Shape to Living</i> , six-week lunchtime series at UofE Chaplaincy Centre, Edinburgh, Scotland	2016, 2015
Invited Co-Planner/Facilitator with Harriet Harris of <i>Conversations about the Art of Living and Dying Well</i> , six-week series at UofE Chaplaincy Centre, Edinburgh	2014
Death and Dying Shamanic Practice in USA and UK	1988 – Present
Teacher of Death and Dying Course at Holy Name High School, Omaha, NE	1977 – 1980
Divine Feminine & Feminist Spirituality	1990 – Present
Planner/Facilitator of <i>Celebrating the Cailleach – Celtic Queen of Winter Day Retreat</i> , Omaha, NE, USA	2019
Invited Co-Planner/Presenter/Chair/Sponsor with EICSP of <i>Spiritualities and the Divine Feminine and Masculine</i> Day Conference, Edinburgh, Scotland	2017
Invited Co-Planner/Presenter/Chair/Sponsor with EICSP of <i>Spiritualities and the Sacredness of the Divine Feminine in Scotland</i> Day Conferences, Edinburgh, Scotland	2016 and 2015
Participant in Jean Houston's 6-day interactive course on Women Mystics sponsored by Wisdom University, New York, USA	2011
Invited Planner/Facilitator of <i>Feminist Spirituality</i> Half-Day Retreat for Holy Family Parish, Omaha, NE, USA	2009
Invited Facilitator of 'Remembering the Divine Feminine' day workshop for the <i>5th International Festival of Middle Eastern Spirituality and Peace</i> , sponsored by Edinburgh International Centre for World Spiritualities (EICWS), Edinburgh, Scotland	2008
Co-Facilitator with Di Williams of <i>Heart of Flesh: Feminist Spirituality for Women and Men</i> annual series of retreats and gatherings at UofE Chaplaincy Centre, Edinburgh, Scotland	2003 – 2008
Invited Conference Chair of <i>Spirituality and the Sacredness of the Divine Feminine Conference</i> , sponsored by EICWS, Edinburgh, Scotland	2007
Invited Speaker of 'Shamanic Spirituality and the Divine Feminine' at the <i>Spirituality and the Sacredness of the Divine Feminine Conference</i> , sponsored by EICWS, Edinburgh, Scotland	2007

Invited Facilitator of 'Awakening the Divine Feminine' day workshop for the <i>3rd International Festival of Middle Eastern Spirituality and Peace</i> , sponsored by EICWS, Edinburgh, Scotland	2006
Invited Facilitator of 'Heart of Flesh' (feminist spirituality) Public Session for the <i>3rd International Festival of Middle Eastern Spirituality and Peace</i> , sponsored by EICWS, Edinburgh, Scotland	2006
Invited Speaker at 'The Re-Emergence of the Divine Feminine' at Multifaith and Spirituality Forum for the <i>2nd International Festival of Middle Eastern Spirituality and Peace</i> , sponsored by EICWS, Edinburgh, Scotland	2005
Planner/Facilitator of Numerous Retreats and Workshops, including <i>Heart of Flesh Weekends</i> , Omaha, NE, USA	1991 - 2000
Speaker at various Women's Conferences, Omaha, NE, USA	1990 – 1995
Evolving Spirituality, Developmental Theories, and Consciousness	1995 – Present
Co-Presenter at the Parliament of the World's Religions (PWR) in Toronto, Canada, with a UofE Multifaith Team of graduates, who also had co-presented at the 2009 PWR in Melbourne, Australia	2018
Invited Chair, 'Phyllida Anam-Aire and Sara Trevelyan in Conversation: Spiritual Journeys' Event, sponsored by EICSP, Edinburgh, Scotland	2017
Invited Co-Planner/Organizer/Sponsor/Chair with EICSP of <i>Spirituality and Dreams Day Conference</i> , Edinburgh, Scotland	2016
Speaker/Presenter of 'Insightful People, Their Philosophies and/or Approaches, and Experiential Applications on the Journey Toward Wholeness' at the <i>Theology and Therapy Conference</i> , UofE, Edinburgh, Scotland	2011
Co-Planner of the <i>Living Theology</i> series and Presenter/Facilitator of 'All Our Relations' and 'Celebrating the Seasons' components of the series for University of Edinburgh students and staff and Edinburgh community members, Chaplaincy Centre, Edinburgh, Scotland	2011
Speaker/Presenter of "Teaching Spirituality Through Story and Inter-Spiritual Conversation in a Multifaith University Chaplaincy" for the <i>Teaching Spirituality in Higher Education Conference</i> , Leeds, England	2010
Speaker/Presenter of 'From Catholic to catholic: How Christianity is Transforming' at the <i>Sociology of Religion Conference</i> entitled 'The Changing Face of Christianity in the 21 st Century', Edinburgh, Scotland	2010
Facilitator of 10-week <i>Beyond Theology</i> series for UofE staff and students and the public, UofE Chaplaincy Centre, Edinburgh, Scotland	2009
Invited Facilitator of 'The Impacts of Transformational Change on Spirituality and Religion' day workshop as part of the <i>6th International Festival of Middle Eastern Spirituality and Peace</i> , sponsored by the EICSP, Edinburgh, Scotland	2009
Co-Presenter at the <i>PWR</i> with a Multifaith Chaplaincy Team that facilitated a workshop centered on their documentary film 'All We've Got', addressing what really matters when dealing with difference, Melbourne, Australia	2009
Co-Presenter at the <i>Australian Higher Education Chaplains' Conference</i> with a Multifaith Chaplaincy Team that facilitated a workshop centered on their documentary film 'All We've Got', addressing what really matters when dealing with difference, Melbourne, Australia	2009
Co-Planner, Co-Facilitator, and Co-Host with Chaplaincy Team for the <i>Annual Scottish Higher Education Chaplains' Conference</i> held at the University of Edinburgh Chaplaincy Centre, Edinburgh, Scotland	2008

Invited Co-Planner and Facilitator of Summer Solstice Ceremony at the Salisbury Centre, Edinburgh, Scotland	2007
Co-Presenter and Co-Facilitator with Joyce Rupp of 'Awaken and Embody the Celtic Spirit' Weekend and Weekday Ecumenical Retreats in Calgary, Canada; Marriottsville, Maryland, USA; and Omaha, NE, USA.	2001
Facilitator of 'Rites of Passage' Retreats for SHES Ministers, Omaha, NE, USA, and Griswold, IA, USA	2000, 1998, 1997
Facilitator of Nondenominational Spirituality Session at the 1997 <i>Nebraska Leadership Seminar</i> , sponsored by the Hugh O'Brien Youth Foundation Omaha, NE, USA	1997
Co-Planner/Facilitator of 'Celebrating the Spirituality of Our Work' workshop for The University of Nebraska at Omaha School of Social Work programme for Practicum Students and Practicum Supervisors, Omaha, NE, USA	1995
Co-Planner/Co-Facilitator with Robin Russel of 'Spirituality of Work for Persons in the Helping Professions – An Eight-Week Spiritual Growth Group', Omaha, NE, USA	1995
Holistic Health and Conscious Well-Being	1988 – Present
Facilitator of 'Heal the Waters' (Global) Networks of Ceremonies, UoFE Chaplaincy Centre, Edinburgh, Scotland	2019
Invited Chair of 'Forum on Re-visioning "Sacred Language" and its Importance for Personal, Relational, Community and Ecological Health, Wellbeing and Healing' in response to 'Desert Wisdom: Hearing the Heart of Native Middle Eastern Spiritualities as it addresses the "Big Questions"' lecture by Neil Douglas Klotz at the 8 th <i>International Festival of Middle Eastern Spirituality and Peace</i> , sponsored by the EICSP, Edinburgh, Scotland	2011
Invited Co-Planner/Facilitator with Professor Richard Roberts of 'The Healing Power of Ritual' day workshop for the 4 th <i>International Festival of Middle Eastern Spirituality and Peace</i> , sponsored EICWS, Edinburgh, Scotland	2007
Presenter/Facilitator of 'Shamanic Journey' workshop at the <i>Alternative Healing Mini Expo</i> , sponsored by The Phoenix Center & Unity Church of Omaha, Omaha, NE, USA	1998
Speaker/Facilitator of 'Core Shamanism and the Shamanic Journey' workshop for the <i>University of Nebraska Medical Center's (UNMC) Mind-Body-Spirit Event</i> , Omaha, NE, USA	1998
Alternative Health Practitioner for 'Core Shamanism and Healing' at the annual <i>Health Fair</i> sponsored by the First United Methodist Church, Omaha, NE, USA	1998, 1997
Invited Panel Presenter of 'Dream Work with Clients' in <i>Dream Series</i> , sponsored by Methodist College, Omaha, NE, USA	1997
Invited Presenter/Facilitator of 'Exploring the Many Facets of Women's Health and Wellness' workshop for the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska, Omaha, NE	1996
Member of <i>Interdisciplinary Team</i> exploring creation of <i>Integrative Health Care Centre</i> in Omaha, NE	1994 – 1996
Designer and Facilitator of 'Managing Disability' workshop for the <i>Level II Claims Training</i> , Union Pacific Railroad, Las Vegas, NV	1991, 1990, 1989
Co-Designer/Speaker/Facilitator of 'Back School Training' system-wide for the Union Pacific Railroad, USA	1990

Co-Designer and Co-Facilitator of 'Medical Management Training' for all personal injury claims representatives and managers at the Union Pacific Railroad, Kansas City, MO and Salt Lake City, UT	1989
Co-Designer/Facilitator in system-wide implementation of 'Supervisory Training for the Prevention, Treatment, and Management of Employee Back Injuries' for the Operating Department, Union Pacific Railroad, USA	1988 – 1990
Invited Speaker: 'Union Pacific Medical Management of Cases and 'Back to Work' Film' at the <i>Eleventh Annual Meeting of the General Claims Conference of the American Association of Railroads</i> , St. Louis, MO	1988
Human Potential and Science	1994 – Present
Online Participant in 5-week <i>Future Humans/Dream Tending – Becoming a Future Catalyst</i> course with Jean Houston and Anneloes Smitsman, sponsored by Pacifica Graduate Institute, Santa Barbara, CA, USA	2021
Invited Presenter of 'Spiritual Practice Experiences' on two evenings at the <i>Science and Spiritual Practice Conference</i> co-sponsored by the EICSP and the Scientific and Medical Network in the UK, Edinburgh	2013
Regular Participant in Jean Houston's Ongoing Mystery School	1994 – 2011
Participant in 3-week <i>Search for the Grail</i> Study Trip in the UK with Jean Houston and other Mystery School Participants	2001
Human Relations Theory, Practice, and Community Involvement	1968 – Present
Invited Consultant, <i>Scottish Natural Heritage</i> (now <i>Nature Scot</i>), Dumfries, Scotland	2019, 2020
Invited Consultant, <i>United World, Inc.</i> Community Project, Omaha, NE, USA	2016
Invited Consultant, <i>Big Elk Indigenous Community Project</i> , Omaha, NE, USA	2016
Invited Consultant and Planner/Facilitator for staff retreat day with over 20 different businesses and/or organizations in the USA and the UK	1993 – 2014
Member, <i>Bemis Park Neighborhood Association</i> , Omaha, NE, USA	1974 – 1983
President (2 years) and Member, <i>Catholic Commission on Human Relations (CCHR)</i> , Archdiocese of Omaha, NE, USA	1974 – 1977
Committee Chair and Member, <i>Citizens' Corps of Omaha, NE</i> – community organizing with VISTA Volunteers and residents re welfare rights, education, police-community relations, and fair housing	1968 – 1970
Myth, Meaning, and the Hero's Journey	1994 – Present
Designer/Facilitator of Workshop Series entitled <i>The Power of Myth and the Compassionate Journey of the Heroine/Hero: Healing and Transforming Self and the Wasteland</i> , Omaha, NE and Toronto, Ontario, Canada	2018 - 2019
Teacher, <i>The Power of Myth: The Hero's Journey in the Transformation of Self and The World</i> , UofE Summer School Course, Edinburgh	2015
Invited Presenter/Facilitator of 'The Hero's Journey: Discovering the Hero Within' breakout sessions at the Brownell-Talbot High School annual retreat, Omaha, NE, USA	2000
Continual Theme within Jean Houston's Mystery School	1994 – 2011
Shamanism, Shamanic Healing, and Shamanic Counselling	1986 – Present
Speaker/Presenter of 'Healing and Evolving the <i>Anima Mundi/World Soul</i> ' at the <i>Indigeneity Goes Global - An Interdisciplinary Workshop</i> , UofE, Edinburgh	2014
Invited Facilitator of 'Inner Journeys: Shaman's Core Seeds of Storytelling' workshop for the Scottish International Storytelling Festival 2013, <i>Once Upon A Journey</i> , at the Scottish Storytelling Centre, Edinburgh, Scotland	2013

Invited Panel Presenter of Shamanic Response to Amy Hardie's film 'The Edge of Dreaming' for <i>On the Interpretation of Experience</i> event sponsored by the School of HSS, UofE, Edinburgh, Scotland	2012
Teacher/Facilitator of Shamanic Journey Drumming Sessions as part of UofE <i>Spa for the Soul</i> midday spiritual practice sessions, UofE Chaplaincy Centre, Edinburgh, Scotland	2008-2011
Guest Lecturer for UofE <i>Shamanism</i> Course in School of Divinity/Religious Studies, Edinburgh, Scotland	2010, 2008, 2005, 2003
Conference Chair, Co-Planner, and Speaker on 'Contemporary Shamanic Diversity and Practice in Scotland' and 'The Future of Shamanic Spirituality and Evolving Shamanic Identities', and Facilitator of 'Shamanic Spirituality and the Shamanic Journey' and 'Shamanic Spirituality and Music' workshops at the <i>Shamanic Spiritualities Conference</i> , sponsored by the EICWS, Edinburgh, Scotland	2007
Speaker on 'Contemporary Shamanic Practice in Scotland: A New Paradigm of Spirituality and Religion from a Gender Perspective' for the <i>BSA Sociology of Religion Conference on Gender and Religion</i> , Lancaster, England	2005
Speaker on 'Contemporary Shamanic Practice in Scotland as a Doorway to Understanding How Religion is Transforming Itself' at the <i>Sociology of Spirituality Conference</i> at the University of Bristol, Bristol, England	2004
Speaker/Facilitator of 'Cross-Cultural Core Shamanism and Shamanic Healing' Workshop for the <i>Eight Annual Conference of the British Psychological Society's Transpersonal Psychology Section</i> at Cober Hill, Cloughton, England	2004
Speaker on 'Danièle Hervieu-Léger: Religion as the Transmission of Authoritative Tradition' at the Religious Studies Postgraduate Seminar Series, University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, Scotland	2003
Speaker on 'Shamanic Practice in Celtic Cultures - Expression of Cross-Cultural Shamanism, Religion, or Both?' at the <i>British Association for the Study of Religion (BASR) Conference</i> , Chester, England	2003
Ongoing Teaching, Practice, and Counselling	1987 – Present
Student/Practitioner with the Foundation for Shamanic Studies: Basic Journey, Divination, Death and Dying, Soul Retrieval, Extraction, Shamanic Counseling, and Advanced 3-year Initiation Training	1986 – Present
Social Artistry	1994 – Present
Component within <i>Power of Myth and Heroine/Hero's Journey</i> Workshop Series, Omaha, NE	2018
Component within UofE <i>Power of Myth</i> Summer School Course, Edinburgh	2015
Participant in Jean Houston's 3-Day Social Artistry Training, Seattle, WA, USA	2011
Member of Social Artistry Team, Omaha, NE, USA	1994 –1996
Worldviews, Values, and Transformational Leadership	1990 – Present
Invited Member, <i>Spirituality in Education UK (SIEUK)</i> Alliance	2021 – Present
Facilitator/Teacher of <i>Exploring Worldviews and Values –Ours and Others in a Global Society</i> workshop for Innovative Learning Week at UofE, Edinburgh, Scotland	2015
Member, Globally Just Leadership Teaching/Learning Community – affiliated with UofE Global Justice Academy, Edinburgh, Scotland	2012 – 2014
Facilitator, <i>UofE Global Citizen Workshop/Initiatives</i> with Students, Edinburgh	2013

Convenor/Facilitator of <i>Interdisciplinary Networking Collaboration</i> Made up of academics from counselling, public health, religious studies, practical theology, psychology, and nursing at the UoFE, several UK universities, and with community practitioners and leaders, Edinburgh, Scotland	2006 – 2007
Convenor/Facilitator of <i>Integral Thinking and Spirituality Network</i> Made up of UK academics and community partners, Edinburgh, Scotland	2005 – 2006

A more complete listing of the over 200 events, ceremonies, workshops, presentations and experiential learning opportunities I have provided is available, if requested.

PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES (Additional references available upon request)

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