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EDUCATION

- 2013 Ph.D., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Religion and Culture; Certificate in Cultural Studies
- 2004 M.Div., Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York
- 1999 B.A., Swarthmore College
Major in Religion, concentration in Women's Studies

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- 2014-present Assistant Professor, University of Iowa
Department of Religious Studies
Department of Communication Studies
- 2013-2014 Tutor (equivalent to Assistant Professor), Quest University Canada
Humanities Division
- 2009-2012 Senior Research Fellow, Auburn Media, New York, N.Y.
- 2005-2007 Adjunct Lecturer, City University of New York-Hunter College

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2007-2012 Caroline H. and Thomas S. Royster Fellowship, UNC-Chapel Hill
- May 2012 The Perry Family Research Award, Department of Religious Studies, UNC-
Chapel Hill
- November 2011 Distinguished Teaching Award, Royster Society of Fellows, UNC-Chapel
Hill

June 2011	Social Science Research Council Religion and International Affairs Dissertation Workshop
May 2009	Future Faculty Fellowship Program, UNC-Chapel Hill
2001-2004	Union Tuition Scholarship, Union Theological Seminary
May 2002	Fund for Theological Education Ministry Fellow, Fund for Theological Education
June 2001	Wurffel Memorial Scholarship, Presbyterian Synod of the Northeast
May 1999	Jesse H. Holmes Prize in Religion, Swarthmore Religion Department
April 1998	Joshua Lippincott Peace Fellowship, Swarthmore College

PUBLICATIONS

Articles and Book Chapters

“Planetary Subjects after the Death of Geography.” In *Planetary Loves: Gayatri Spivak, Postcoloniality, and Theology*, edited by Stephen Moore and Mayra Rivera, 149-167. New York: Fordham University Press, October 2010. (Published under Jenna Tiitsman.)

“Teaching Religious Diversity and Conflict.” In *Education, Innovation, and Discovery: The Distinctive Promise of the American Research University*, edited by Wendy Katkin, 52-55. Coral Gables, FL: The Reinvention Center at the University of Miami, 2009. (Published under Jenna Tiitsman.)

“‘If Only You Could See What I’ve Seen Through Your Eyes’: Destabilized Spectatorship and Creation’s Chaos in *Blade Runner*.” *Cross Currents* 54:1(2004): 32-47. (Published under Jenna Tiitsman.)

Review Essays

“Alien Connections: Recovering Contingency in Social Forms.” Review of *The Promise of Happiness* by Sara Ahmed and *Darwin’s Pharmacy: Sex, Plants, and the Evolution of the Noösphere* by Richard M. Doyle. *Women’s Studies Quarterly* 40 (December 2012).

Co-authored with Kevin S. Fox, Elizabeth Hennessy, Scott Kirsch, Lisa Marshall, Sara Safransky, and Autumn Thoyre. “A Catalog of Things.” Review of *Making Things Public: Atmospheres of Democracy*, edited by Bruno Latour and Peter Weibel. *Social and Cultural Geography* 11:2 (March 2010): 191-199. (Published under Jenna Tiitsman.)

Review of *The Lure of Images*, by David Morgan and *Key Words in Religion, Media, and*

Culture, edited by David Morgan. *Journal of the Scientific Study of Religion* 48:2 (June 2009): 405-408. (Published under Jenna Tiitsman.)

Review of *Religion in the Media Age*, by Stewart Hoover and *Brands of Faith: Marketing Religion in a Commercial Age*, by Mara Einstein. *Communication Review* 11:4 (2008): 370-375. (Published under Jenna Tiitsman.)

Online Writing

Contributor to *The Immanent Frame*, blog on secularism, religion, and the public sphere, published by the Social Science Research Council, June 2011- present
<http://blogs.ssrc.org/tif/author/tiitsmanj/>

“‘The Same God Made Us All’: The Particular Universalism of Religion in America” *In Media Res* (posted April 14, 2010).
<http://mediacommons.futureofthebook.org/imr/2010/04/13/same-god-made-us-all-particular-universalism-religion-america> (Published under Jenna Tiitsman.)

Primary writer for *Religion Media Watch*, daily blog on religion in the news for Auburn Media, June 2006-October 2007. (Published under Jenna Tiitsman.)

PRESENTATIONS AND LECTURES

Professional Meetings

- November 2013 “Ships in the Night: The Importance of Disconnection in the Study of Religion,” Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion.
Respondent, “Mapping the Affective Turn in Religious Studies,” Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion.
- November 2012 “The “Greatest of All Schemes”: American Missionary Discourse and 19th Century Globalization,” Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion.
- November 2012 “Quilting Points: How Religion Makes Meaning in American Globalization,” Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, to be presented at a Special Session on the Affective Turn in Religious Studies.
- November 2011 “Affective Investment: Accounting for Difference in a Politics without Identity,” Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion.
- November 2010 “Kingdom Came: Oneida, the Telegraph, and American Utopia,” Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion.

- August 2010 “How to Make the World: Communication Technology and Rhetorics of Progress in the Construction of Global Space,” International Conference on Religion, Media and Culture, Toronto, Canada.
- March 2009 “When God Made the Telegraph: Religion, Technology, and the Rhetoric of the Electrical Sublime,” Southeast Commission for the Study of Religion.
- November 2008 “The Death of Geography: Divine Promise and Democracy in New Media,” Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion.
- August 2008 “Text Messages from Burma: The Promises of Religion, Democracy and the Death of Geography,” International Conference on Religion, Media and Culture, São Paulo, Brazil.
- June 2008 “Who Needs Geography?: Technologies beneath Divine and Democratic Promise,” International Media, Spiritualities and Social Change Conference, University of Colorado at Boulder.
- February 2008 “Cut and Cabled: Global Discourse as Material Practice,” In *Medias Religiones*, Duke University.
- November 2007 “The Ground is Already Bound Up: Material Practice for the Dismantling of Evil,” Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion.
- October 2007 “Density and Image: Producing the Real in U.S. Media,” Planetary Loves: Colloquium on Postcolonial Theory and Theology, Drew University.
- July 2006 “Looking for What You Cannot See: The U.S. Fascination with Forensic Drama and the Blind Faith of George W. Bush,” Fifth International Conference on Media, Religion, and Culture, Sigtuna, Sweden. Also presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, November 2005.
- November 2005 “Scratching the Surface: Making Meaning on the Screen of *The Pillow Book* and the Skin of the Incorporeal God,” Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion.
- March 2004 “Mirroring Distance: Visual Aim and the Horizon of Becoming in Irigaray and Marion,” Annual Meeting of the Mid-Atlantic American Academy of Religion.
- March 2005 “Surfacing: Hiddenness and the Postmodern Dilemma of Superficial Inscription” Annual Meeting of the Mid-Atlantic American Academy of Religion.

Invited Lectures

- October 2013 “The Strange Religious Relationship between the Internet and Your Fork,”
Quest University Canada.

“Jacques Lacan’s Theories of the Self,” Quest University Canada.
- February 2011 “A Different Difference for Political Philosophy: A Response to Chantal
Mouffe,” Presentation at the “Space, Hegemony and Radical Critique”
Seminar for the 2011 Reckford Memorial Lecture in European Studies,
Institute for the Arts and Humanities at UNC-Chapel Hill.
- January 2011 “The Displacements of the Third Person: Boyarin, Land and Benveniste,”
Discussion of *Time and Human Language Now* for the UNC Theory Group.
- August 2009 “Teaching Religion in a Public University,” Presentation to the Incoming
Graduate Students in the Department of Religious Studies, UNC-Chapel Hill.
- February 2009 “Designing Interdisciplinary Courses for Undergraduates,” Presentation to
the Royster Society of Fellows, UNC-Chapel Hill.
- May 2006 “Sight Unseen: CSI and Imperial Theology,” CUNY-Hunter Religion Forum.
- October 2005 “Race and Gender in the Documentary *I Was a Teenage Feminist*,” Film
screening and discussion with the filmmaker in Faith, Feminism and Film
Series, Auburn Theological Seminary.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Quest University Canada

- 2013-2014 Founder and Coordinator of Humanities Film Series
- 2013-2014 Faculty Grievance Committee
- 2013-2014 University Mission Statement Committee
- 2013-2014 University Honour Pledge Committee

American Academy of Religion

- 2009-present Co-Chair, Religion, Media and Culture Group of the American Academy of
Religion.

- 2008-2014 Co-Chair and Co-President, Religion and Media Workshop, AAR Pre-Conference, Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion.
- 2008-2009 Steering Committee Member, Religion, Media and Culture Group of the American Academy of Religion.
- 2007-2008 Steering Committee Member and Co-President, Religion and Media AAR Pre-Conference, Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion.

CrossCurrents

- 2009-present Member of Editorial Board.

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

- 2012-2013 Coordinator of McLester Seminar in Religious Studies
- 2011-2013 Interdisciplinary Teaching Mentor to Royster and University Graduate Fellows.
- 2010-2013 Steering Committee Member of the Duke-UNC Religion and Theory Reading Group.
- 2011-2012 Graduate Student Representative on the Religious Studies Departmental Search Committee for Assistant Professor of Religion in the Americas.
- 2010-2012 Graduate Student Representative to the Graduate Studies Committee, Religious Studies.
- 2010-2012 Senator for Religious Studies in the Graduate and Professional Student Federation.

Union Theological Seminary

- 2002-2003 Member of the Union Theological Seminary Educational Policy Committee.

Professional Affiliations

American Academy of Religion
Society for the History of Technology

TEACHING

University of Iowa, *Assistant Professor*
Communication, Religion, and Culture, fall 2014

Religion and Digital Media, fall 2014
Senior Seminar in Religious Studies, spring 2015

Quest University Canada, *Faculty Tutor*

Religion beyond Reason: Emotion and Affect in Religion and Culture, spring 2014
Introduction to World Religions, fall 2013 and spring 2014
Cornerstone (required course for all first-year students), fall 2013

The Friday Center at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, *Instructor*

History of Christianity, spring 2013
Religion in America, fall 2012

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, *Instructor, Interdisciplinary First-Year Seminars*

“We the People”: How We Imagine Collectives in America, spring 2011
Religion, Morality and HIV/AIDS, fall 2008

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, *Teaching Assistant*

Introduction to the Hebrew Bible, fall 2009
Religion in America, spring 2009
Introduction to Religious Studies, spring 2008
Introduction to the Philosophy of Religion, fall 2007

CUNY Hunter College, *Adjunct Lecturer*

Religion and Film, spring 2007; fall 2005
Nature of Religion, fall 2006
The Idea of the Monstrous, spring 2006
Religious Sources of Morality, spring 2005; fall 2005

Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York, *Teaching Assistant*

Introduction to the Philosophy of Religion, fall 2004

LANGUAGES

Brazilian Portuguese, fluent
Spanish, fluent
French, reading proficient
German, reading proficient
Ancient Greek, reading proficient
Ancient Hebrew, reading proficient