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YES! YOGA FOR ENCINITAS STUDENTS

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO, CENTRAL DIVISION

STEPHEN SEDLOCK, JENNIFER SEDLOCK,
WILLIAM FREDERICK BENTZ, as guardian ad
litem, for minors J.S. and F.S.,

Petitioners & Plaintiffs,

v.

TIMOTHY BAIRD, SUPERINTENDENT, in his
official capacity; EMILY ANDRADE, TRUSTEE,
in her official capacity; MARLA STRICH,
TRUSTEE, in her official capacity; GREGG
SONKEN, TRUSTEE, in his official capacity;
CAROL SKILJAN, TRUSTEE, in her official
capacity; and MAUREEN MUIR, TRUSTEE, in
her official capacity, ENCINITAS UNION
SCHOOL DISTRICT,

Respondents & Defendants.

YES! YOGA FOR ENCINITAS STUDENTS, an
unincorporated association,

Intervenor.

Case No.:
37-2013-00035910-CU-MC-CTL

**DECLARATION OF CHRISTOPHER
K. CHAPPLE, Ph.D.**

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Date: May 20, 2013
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Judge: John S. Meyer
Dept: C-61

1 DECLARATION OF CHRISTOPHER K. CHAPPLE

2 I, Christopher K. Chapple, Ph.D., declare as follows:

3 1. I submit this declaration in support of Intervenor YES! Yoga For Encinitas
4 Students' defense of this action and to rebut Petitioners' claim that yoga may not be
5 practiced without religious indoctrination. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth
6 below and I would testify thereto if called to do so.

7 2. I am Doshi Professor of Indic and Comparative Theology at Loyola
8 Marymount University, where I have taught since 1985. I received my Ph.D. at Fordham
9 University and have published more than one hundred articles and a dozen books,
10 including *Reconciling Yogas: Haribhadra's Collection of Views on Yoga with a New*
11 *Translation of Haribhadra's Yogadisamuccaya* and *Yoga and the Luminous: Patañjali's*
12 *Spiritual Path to Freedom*. I direct the Master of Arts in Yoga Studies at Loyola Marymount
13 University. A true and correct copy of my curriculum vitae is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

14 3. I have been asked to render my opinion about whether yoga may be
15 practiced free from religious ideology and, in particular, whether the Encinitas Union
16 School District (EUSD) yoga program has succeeded in this regard. I have reviewed the
17 EUSD yoga curriculum, "On the Mat," the memorandum of understanding between the Jois
18 Foundation and the EUSD, and the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) regarding the yoga
19 curriculum. I have also reviewed Petitioners' First Amended Petition and Complaint, as
20 well as Candy Gunther Brown's declaration, dated February 8, 2013. (Brown Declaration).
21 Yoga May Be Associated with Various Religions or May Be Devoid of Religion

22 4. In my experience, yoga may be taught and practiced without promoting or
23 advancing religion.

24 5. Yoga has been correctly associated with Indian culture and civilization in
25 Professor Candy Gunther Brown's declaration. Therein, she specifies that practices of
26 yoga can be found in Hinduism, Buddhism, and Jainism. She neglects to note that yoga is
27 also practiced by Sikhs, Muslims, and Christians in India and elsewhere. Professor Carl W.
28 Ernst of the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, notes that a Hatha Yoga manual

1 known as the *Amrtakunda* was "circulated in Arabic, Persian, Ottoman Turkish, and Urdu
2 versions from the seventeenth century onward, in Persia, Turkey, and North Africa as well
3 as in India." (Ernst, p. 133, *Yoga in Practice*, edited by David Gordon White, Princeton
4 University Press, 2012).

5 6. In my own experience of Christian communities in India, it is common-place
6 for yoga imagery to be employed to invoke Christian ideals and for Christian hymns to use
7 Sanskrit terminology and Hindustani melodies. For instance, an image of Jesus as Yogi
8 graces the altar of one of the churches of the Jesuit Seminary in Pune. A true and correct
9 copy of this image is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

10 The EUSD Curriculum Does Not Promote Religion

11 7. The EUSD yoga curriculum indicates the program is taught without
12 promoting or advancing religion. In the teaching of yoga postures (*asana*) in the EUSD,
13 care has been taken to avoid Sanskrit terminology that might prove confusing to the
14 students. Petitioners point to the use of "*Namaste*" as a religious element of the yoga
15 program. (Petition, p. 42:7-1; Brown Declaration, ¶45). The use of the term *Namaste* in the
16 EUSD curriculum, however, would be the equivalent of greeting students in a French class
17 by saying "Bonjour".

18 8. Further, contrary to the assertion of Professor Brown, the mere use of the yin
19 and yang symbols as bullet points in the EUSD On the Mat curriculum does not indicate
20 affiliation with the formal practice of Daoism, a Chinese religious tradition. (Brown
21 Declaration, ¶35). The image of the yin and yang arose in China more than three thousand
22 years ago to communicate the need for balance. Though this motif is used widely in
23 China, Korea, and Japan, it has no direct usage within India and is not typically associated
24 with yoga.

25 9. I have witnessed the teaching of Yoga at the Accelerated School, a public
26 school on Main Street near downtown Los Angeles. The students eagerly participated in
27 moves such as the rooster, the donkey, the snake, the child's pose, and relaxed breathing
28 exercises. In this context, similar to that described in the EUSD curriculum, no indication

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was given that yoga was from India. The students were calmed by the experience and, according to their teachers, were able to focus more effectively on their studies.

10. Philosophy, mathematics, architecture, literature, the sciences: all these disciplines have their origins deep in the history of world civilizations, whether arising from the Middle East, Africa, Europe, Asia, North America, or South America. World culture has been enriched by contributions from all these cultures. Incorporating yoga movements first practiced in India into a program of physical education is appropriate, particularly where the teachers are careful not to impose religious meaning in their classes. In my opinion, this appears to be the case with the EUSD yoga program.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on this 12 day of May, 2013 at Los Angeles.


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Editor, *Worldviews: Global Religions, Culture, and Ecology* (Brill), 2007 to present
Founder & Faculty Advisor, Yoga Studies, Center for Religion & Spirituality, 2002 to present
Associate Academic Vice President, LMU Extension, January 2003 through December 2006
Oversight of Center for Religion and Spirituality, Continuing Education, Study Abroad
Office, Center for Global Education, Los Angeles Center for International Studies,
Encore Program for returning students, Summer Session
Visiting Professor (Adjunct), School of Religion, Claremont Graduate University, 2004
Professor of Theological Studies, 1994 to present
Acting Chairperson, Theological Studies, spring, 2002
Principal Investigator, Los Angeles Center for International Studies, 1999 to 2003
Visiting Professor (Adjunct), School of Religion, University of Southern California, 1998
Interim Associate Academic Vice President, 1997-98
Director, Asian and Pacific Studies, 1996 to 2002
Associate Professor of Theology, 1989 to 1994
Chairperson, Department of Theology, 1990 to 1994
Charles S. Casassa Chair of Social Values, LMU, 1989-91
Director, Casassa Conferences, LMU, 1990 and 1991
Co-founder and Acting Director, Asian and Pacific Studies, LMU, 1989-90
Founder and Director, Southern California Seminar on South Asia, 1986 to 2003
Assistant Professor of Theology, 1985-89, LMU
Lecturer, 1980-85, State University of New York at Stony Brook
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Ph.D., 1980, History of Religions, Fordham University
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Religions of India, Comparative Religious Ethics, Religion and Ecology, World Religions, Asian American Religions in Los Angeles, Religions of East Asia, Religions of the Near East, Buddhism, Comparative Mysticism, Sanskrit, American Cultures, Yoga Studies

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Honors and Awards

2012 Core Course Development Grant and I-Pad Grant, LMU
2011 Rains Award for Excellence in Service, Loyola Marymount University
Lifetime Achievement Award. Samata Yoga. June 27, 2010. LMU.
Academic Technology Grant to develop new course on Electronic Hinduism, 2010
Dharma Association of North America Takshashila Rajinder and Jyoti Gandhi Book Award for Excellence in Dharma Studies, 2008, for *Yoga and the Luminous*
Grant to Develop Service Learning Course, 2007: World Religions and Ecology
MFoundation grant, mentor for international research fellow, 2006-2007, consciousness studies
Communitas Award, Church in Ocean Park, Santa Monica, California, 2005
Metanexus Institute Local Societies Initiative, co-Principal Investigator, 2005-2008, Teilhard Religion and Science Society, LMU
FIPSE Grant, 2004-2007, Study Abroad Pre- and Post-Experience Online Training; Recruitment of Under-represented Minorities to Study Abroad (Co-Recipient)
Pell Grant Fund for Children of Needy Student Parents, 2002-2005 (Writing Team)
Herstory Recognition Award for Improving the LMU Community for Women, Loyola Marymount University, 2002
Infinity Foundation Grant, Summer, 1999
Lily Endowment, Wabash College, Crawfordsville, Indiana, August, 1997-99
Grant Development Grant, LMU, 1997
College Fellow, Spring 1995
Irvine American Cultures Course Development Grant, 1994
National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Stipend, 1992
Chilton Chair Award, 1990
Charles S. Casassa Chair of Social Values, 1989-91
National Endowment for the Humanities, Summer Seminar on Buddhism and Culture: China and Japan, UCLA, 1989
Certificate of Appreciation, California Women in Higher Education, 1989
1989 Margaret Demerest Lecturer, Casper College, Wyoming
Summer Research Grant, LMU, 1987, 1988, 1993, 1994, 1996, 2000
Research and Travel Award, International Association Against Painful Experiments on Animals (London), 1984
Loyola Scholarship, Fordham University, 1976-78
Graduate Assistantship, Fordham University, 1976-77; 1978-79

Lehman Fellowship, State of New York, 1976 (declined)
Gannett Scholarship, Medill School of Journalism, Northwestern University, 1971

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- "Worldviews, Practice and the Future: Yoga and Nonviolence." Lectures on Faith and the Future of the Planet. Claremont School of Theology. February 16, 2011.
- "Mahatma Gandhi and the 21st Century." Keynote Address. International Seminar on Globalization, Values, and World Peace. Gujarat University, Ahmedabad, India. January 7-8, 2011.
- "The Role of Religion in Addressing the Condition of the Yamuna River: From Tat to Tattva." The Yamuna River: A Confluence of Waters, a Crisis of Need. Tata Energy Research Institute University and Yale University joint conference, New Delhi and Vrindaban, January 3-5, 2011.
- "The Five Jaina Yogas of Haribhadra in Light of Hemacandra's *Yogaśāstra*." International Conference on Hemacandra's *Yogaśāstra* in Commemoration of Muni Jambuvijayaji. Bhogilal Institute. India International Centre, New Dehi. December 11-12, 2010.
- "Jainism and Panentheism." Panentheism Conference. Esalen Institute, Big Sur. November 28-December 8, 2010.
- "The Ethics of Nonviolence and the Quest for Sustainable Life." Ahimsa and Sustainability: Pravin and Sudha Mody Conference on Nonviolence. California Polytechnic University, Pomona. November 12-13, 2010.
- "The Influence of Yoga and Buddhism on the Thought of Thomas Berry." Working group, Forum on Religion and Ecology, American Academy of Religion, Atlanta, October 30,

- 2010.
- "Non-human Animals and the Question of Rights from an Asian Perspective." Keynote address. Rethinking the NonHuman: Asian, Continental and Comparative Perspectives. University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada. October 1-3, 2010.
- "Ethics of Synthetic Life: A Jaina Perspective." Ethics of Synthetic Life: An Intercultural Dialogue. Institute of Biomedical Ethics. University of Zurich. July 5-6, 2010.
- "Self-Rule, Transportation, and Health Care in Gandhi's *Hind Swaraj*." Keynote. "Bending English into the Flow of Dharma." Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy Annual Conference. Asilomar, Monterey, California. June 18-21, 2010.
- "Powers in the Patañjali's *Yoga Sūtra*." South Asia Studies Association Conference. University of Southern California. April 10-11, 2010.
- "The Jaina Yogas of Haribhadra." 12th Jaina Studies Workshop. School for Oriental and African Studies, University of London. March 18-19, 2010.
- "Thomas Berry and the Great Work of Our Time: Influences from Buddhism and Hinduism." "Toward a Universal Declaration of Human Rights by the World's Religions: Jainism." "Practising Yoga: Covert Conversion to Hinduism?" "New Directions in Asian Religions and Ecology on the Ground: India." Parliament of the World's Religions, Melbourne, Australia. December 3-9, 2009.
- "Response to Geoffrey Samuel's *The Origins of Yoga and Tantra*" and "The State of Jain Studies and Prospects for the Future." American Academy of Religion, Annual Meeting. Montreal, Canada, November 7-10, 2009.
- "Thomas Berry and Asian Traditions: The India Experience." Canadian Forum on Religion and Ecology Colloquium. Montreal. November 7, 2009.
- "Many Yogas, Many Traditions: An Exploration of Rāja Yoga, Haṁha Yoga, Jaina Yoga, and Buddhist Yoga as Embedded in Patañjali." An Opportunity to Consider an Authentic Voice for Yoga Today. Cavallo Point, Sausalito, California, October 20-23, 2009.
- "Gandhi Remixed: Pluralism and Nonviolence in Today's World." Keynote Address. Workshop leader: "Gandhi and the Ecological Challenges of the 21st Century." University of Southern California, October 11, 2009.
- "Disappearing into Nature: Vasiṣṭha's Elemental Embrace." Religion, Nature, and Progress. Third International Conference of the International Society for the Study of Religion, Nature, and Culture. University of Amsterdam. July 23-26, 2009.
- Respondent, Panel Discussion on *Yoga and the Luminous*. Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy. Asilomar Conference Center. Monterey, California. June 15, 2009.
- "Jainism, Nonviolence, and Ecology." Colloque Environment et Spiritualité: L'Occident Doit-Il se Reinventer Face a la Crise Écologique? Université de Lausanne, Switzerland. June 4-6, 2009.
- "Asian Religions and Ecology." Workshop presentation. The Southern California Committee for a Parliament of the World's Religions Conference on Hearing Each Other, Healing the Earth. Soka Gakkai Center, Santa Monica. April 19, 2009.
- "Yoga: The Science of the Body and the Science of Nature." Berry College, Georgia. April 17, 2009.
- "Religion, Sacrifice, and Sustainability." Theological Studies Colloquium. LMU. March 19,

- 2009.
- "Outside the Faith: Hindu Perspectives on Those Who Do Not Believe." Multifaith Resource Team Panel Presentation, University of Guelph, January 22, 2009.
- "Protecting Ice, Trees, Air, and Rivers: Challenges of Environmental Protection in the Land of the Hindu Goddess." Centre for the Environment and Department and Centre for the Study of Religion, University of Toronto. January 22, 2009.
- "Whitehead and the Philosophy of Sāṅkhya and Yoga." 7th International Whitehead Conference. Bangalore, India. January 5-9, 2009.
- "The Luminosity of Yoga." Gnostic Centre University. Gurgaon, India. January 4, 2009.
- Panelist, "Review of Yoga Books"; Paper Presentation: "The Goddess and Ecological Sensitivity: The Cultivation of Earth Knowledge," Dharma Association of North America. Chicago, October 31 and November 1, 2008.
- "Jainism and Ecology," UCLA, October 21, 2008.
- "Hinduism and Ecology," Villanova University, September 18, 2008.
- "Environment and Ecology from Asian Perspectives." 2008 Global Forum on Civilization and Peace. Academy of Korean Studies. Gyeonggi-do, Korea. May 27-30, 2008.
- "Fast Food or Farmers' Markets? Sustainability and Stewardship." Teilhard Religion and Science Society Lecture. Loyola Marymount University. April 14, 2008.
- "The Origin, Development, and Present State of the Study of Religion and Ecology" and "Jainism and Ecology." Religion and Ecology Workshop. Department of Philosophy and Religion Studies. University of North Texas. Denton. March 28, 2008.
- "Hinduism." *Renewing Hope: Pathways of Religious Environmentalism*. Yale University, February 28-March 2, 2008.
- "Catholicism and Hinduism, a Response to Fr. Francis Clooney." Institute for Advanced Catholic Studies Lecture Series, University of Southern California, January 23, 2008.
- "Nature Literature: *Pṛthivī Sūkta* and the *Yogavāsishtha*." World Congress on Psychology and Spirituality. Association of Transpersonal Psychology. India Habitat Centre, New Delhi. January 6, 2008.
- "Asking the Question: Nonviolence and the Environment." Invited Lecture. Gujarat University, December 29, 2007.
- "Jainism and Ecology: Nonviolence in a Living Universe." *The Earth in Balance: Humanities Colloquium on Asian Religions and Ecology*. Soka University of America, December 7, 2007.
- "Buddhism and Ecology." Buddhist-Catholic Dialogue Meeting. LMU, November 28, 2007.
- "Review of *Yoga: India's Philosophy of Meditation* by Gerald Larson." Panelist, Yoga in Theory and Practice Consultation. American Academy of Religion, San Diego, 2007.
- "Dharma, Karma, and Moksha in Jaina Tradition." Dharma Association of North America. American Academy of Religion, San Diego, November 16-20, 2007.
- "Hinduism, Buddhism, and Jainism and Climate Change." Religious Perspective on Climate Change Conference. Frederick A. and Gertrude M. Erb Institute for Global Sustainable Enterprise. University of Michigan. October 19, 2007.
- "Scriptures in India's Religious Traditions." The Institute for Signifying Scriptures. Claremont

- Graduate University. October 4, 2007.
- Plenary Address: “Dancing Nature in the *Yogavāsi□□ha*.” Panelist, “Arvind Sharma’s Contributions to Hindu Studies.” Seventeenth International Congress of Vedanta. Miami University, Oxford Ohio. September 20-23, 2007.
- “Indic and Comparative Theology for 21st Century Los Angeles.” Inaugural Doshi Professor Lecture. September 18, 2007, Loyola Marymount University
- “The Practice of Yoga in North American and Europe.” MGlobal Knowledge Lecture, Purna Centre, New Delhi, India. June 7, 2007.
- “Nonviolence and Jainism.” Nonviolence Conference. New Delhi State House, New Delhi, June 2, 2007
- "Religion and the Environment" roundtable. The Challenge of Respect: Celebrating Interfaith Commonality, Exploring Religious Differences. The Council for a Parliament of the World's Religions, Southern California Chapter. Omar Ibn Al-Khattab Foundation. April 28, 2007.
- “The Philosophy of Nature in the *Yogavāsi□□ha*.” South Asia Studies Conference, Loyola Marymount University, April 26-28, 2007.
- “Recovering the Earth: The Goddess Tradition and Eco-Awareness.” Center for India Studies Spring Lecture Series. Stony Brook University. March 22, 2007.
- “Jaina Yoga: A Comparative Overview” and “Two Haribhadras? A Comparison of the *Yogabindu* and the *Yogad□□□isamuccaya*.” International Seminar on Yogic Traditions of India with Special Reference to Jaina Yoga. Bhogilal Institute of Jaina Studies. India International Centre, New Delhi. December 7-9, 2006.
- “Response: Construction and Transcendence in Modern Yoga.” American Academy of Religion, November 18, 2006. Washington, D.C.
- “Connecting Body, Senses, and Elements: Yoga and the Process of Ecological Restoration.” Dharma Association of North America. 19 December, 2006. Washington, D.C.
- “India, Nonviolence, and Environment.” Annual Abbie Ziffren Lecture, George Washington University, Washington, D.C. October 24, 2006.
- “The Goddess and Human Rights: Eleanor Roosevelt and Mata Amrtitananadamayi (Ammachi)” World’s Religions after September 11 Conference, Montreal, September 11-15, 2006.
- “Religion: Din, Dao, or Dharma?”, Panel Discussant, “Progressive Hinduism,” Panel Discussant, World’s Religions after September 11 Conference, Montreal, September 11-15, 2006.
- “Science and Religion: Building a Culture of Connection and Care, from Teilhard to Berry.” Written and presented with James Landry. Metanexus Institute Conference: Continuity and Change: Perspectives on Science and Religion. June 3-7, 2006, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia.
- “Human Rights, Difference, and the Desire to Alleviate Human Suffering.” Human Rights: a Hindu-Catholic Dialogue. Loyola Marymount University. April 22, 2006.
- “Dying and Death in Jaina Dharma Traditions.” Dharma Association of North America.

- American Academy of Religion. Philadelphia. November 19, 2005.
- “Casuation and Sāṅkhyā Metaphysics.” Department of Philosophy. University of Hawaii. September 8, 2005.
- “Yoga and the *Mahābhārata*: Engaged Renouncers.” Conference on Epic Constructions: Gender, Myth and Society in the *Mahābhārata*. School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London. July 9, 2005.
- “Bhū Devi and Sarasvatī: The Cultivation of Earth Knowledge.” Asian Studies on the Pacific Coast Conference. Claremont Graduate University. June 18, 2005.
- “Toward Ecological Healing.” Seventh International Conference on Buddhist Christian Dialogue. Loyola Marymount University. June 5, 2005.
- “Yoga, Inner Health, and Household Toxins.” Ecology and Global Health Conference. Global Ethics and Religion Forum. Long Beach Memorial Medical Center. May 13, 2005.
- “Resources for Eco-Dialogue, Hindu and Christian.” Ecology and Spirituality: A Hindu-Catholic Dialogue.” Loyola Marymount University, April 23, 2005.
- “Thomas Berry, Indic Religious Insight, and the Impending Ecological Eschaton.” The Shared Legacy of Teilhard and Whitehead Consultation. Claremont School of Theology. February 24-26, 2005.
- “Mahātmā Gandhi and Religious Pluralism,” “How Can Humanity’s Religious Traditions Enrich Human Rights Discourse?,” “Water as the Wellspring of Life in Hinduism and Jainism.” Parliament of the World’s Religions. Barcelona, Spain. 7-13 July, 2004.
- “The Process of Nonviolent Decision Making.” Madhu and Jagdish Sheth Inaugural Conference, Creating a Culture of Ahimsa: Visions and Strategies. California State Polytechnic University, Pomona. May 14, 15, 2004.
- “Classical Yoga and Jainism: A Comparison of Patanjali and Haribhadra.” Jaina Doctrines and Dialogues: 6th Jaina Studies Workshop. School of Oriental and African Studies. University of London, March 17, 2004.
- “Teaching Religion and Ecology at the University Level.” International Conference on World Peace. Gujarat University. 29 December, 2003 – 2 January, 2004. India.
- “From Students in India to Experts Back Home: Ethical Issues in Scholarly Interactions with Diaspora Jain Communities.” American Academy of Religion, Atlanta, Georgia, 22-25 November, 2003.
- “Theological Reflection and Other Animals: Yoga and Animals” American Academy of Religion, Atlanta Georgia, 22-25 November, 2003.
- “Jainism and War.” Dharma Association of North America. Atlanta, Georgia, 21 November, 2003.
- “How to Present the Environmental Crisis?” Workshop on Teaching Religion and Ecology. Department of Religious Studies, Indian University. 23-26 October, 2003. Sponsored by Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion and the Forum on Religion and Ecology.
- “The Creation of Elements in the *Yogavāsīṣṭha*’s Story of the Rock,” 12th World Sanskrit Conference, University of Helsinki, 13-18 July, 2003.
- “Jain Ecology,” Perspectives on Jain Studies Conference, University of California, Santa Barbara, May 31, 2003.

- “Disciplines and Vows (Yamas and Vratas): How the Mystical Yields to the Ethical in Jainism and Yoga,” Interdisciplinary Colloquium on the Moral Implications of Mysticism in the World Religions, Princeton University, May 17-18, 2003.
- “Excess and Sublimation: Tantra and Karma,” The Ancient Crossroads: Greece and India,” Conference sponsored by the Marymount Institute for Faith, Culture, and the Arts, Loyola Marymount University, March 14, 2003.
- “Jainism, Nonviolence, and Ecology,” Gujarat Vidyapeeth (Deemed University established by Mahatma Gandhi), December 11, 2002.
- “The Subtle Elements and Environmentalism in Hinduism,” Department of Philosophy and Psychology, Gujarat University, December 11, 2002.
- “Avoidance of War” Anekanta Conference, Railway Staff College, Barodaa, India, December 8, 2002.
- “The Story of the World Within the Rock: Elements, Senses, and World Creation in the *Yogavāsiṣṭha*,” American Academy of Religion, Toronto, November 25, 2002.
- “Devotion to God in Mirabai, Jainism, and Yoga.” Mirabai: Hindu Saint for a Global World, UCLA, October 4-5, 2002.
- “Yoga Then and Now.” The Foundation for Indic Philosophy and Culture. Pomona College, Claremont, June 23, 2002.
- “Buddhism and Globalization.” Canadian Asian Studies Association. University of Toronto, May 27, 2002.
- “Religion and Human Dignity: Prospects for the Future.” Panel. Violence and Human Dignity: Perspectives from the World Religions. The Global Ethics and Religion Forum. California Lutheran University, April 30, 2002.
- “Jainism, Ahimsa and Gandhi.” Can War Be Just? Seminar, Chapman University. April 25, 2002.
- “Hinduism and Work.” Occidental College. Lilly Grant Program for Vocation and Religion. April 23, 2002.
- “Jainism, Bioethics, and the End of Life.” Chander Mohan Jain Memorial Lecture, The University of Western Ontario, March 8, 2002 and the Roop Lal Jain Lecture, The University of Toronto, March 7, 2002.
- “Religion and Ecology in India.” Humanities Research Group, University of Windsor, Canada, March 6, 2002.
- “Religious Dissonance and Reconciliation: The Haribhadra Story.” The Lessons of Ahimsa and Anekanta for Contemporary Life. Conference at California State Polytechnic University, Pomona. January 19-20, 2002.
- “Hinduism, Jainism, and Ecology.” American Academy of Religion. Denver, Colorado. November 17-20, 2001.
- “Indian Religions and Shin Buddhism: Nonviolence, the Issue of Self, and Religious Practice.” Response to paper by Professor Tomoyuki Uno. Conference on Pure Land (Jodo Shinshu) Buddhism. Sponsored by Chikushi University and LMU. LMU, September 10, 2001.
- “Religions of India and Ecology.” Religion and Ecology: Toward a More Creative Interaction. Brueggeman Center for Interreligious Dialogue. Xavier University, Cincinnati, Ohio.

- September 5-6, 2001.
- “Jainism and Ecology” and “Haribhadra and Jain Yoga.” 11th Biennial JAINA Convention, Chicago, Illinois, July 5-8, 2001.
- “Arjuna’s Argument: Family Secrets Unveiled.” International Conference on the *Mahābhārata*. Concordia University, Montreal. May 18-20, 2001.
- “India and Ecology.” State University of New York at Stony Brook. April 25, 2001.
- “Violence and Nonviolence in the *Mahābhārata*.” Conference on War and Peace in the World Religions. California Lutheran University. April 23, 2001.
- “Reconciling Yogas: Haribhadra as Harbinger of Interreligious Dialogue.” Conference on Mahavira and Ahimsa in the 21st Century. Bhogilal Leherchand Institute of Indology. India International Centre, New Delhi. April 10-12, 2001.
- “The Great Elements and the Continuity of Life: Ecology in Hinduism and Jainism.” Kuttan Lecture. Marian Miner Cook Athenaeum, Claremont McKenna College, Claremont, California, March 27, 2001.
- “Moving to the Luminous: Subtilization in Patañjali’s *Yoga Sūtra*.” American Academy of Religion, Nashville, Tennessee, November 18-21, 2000.
- “Images of the Feminine in Classical Yoga: Examples from Patañjali and Haribhadra.” The Yoga Tradition: Interreligious Perspectives. UCLA, October 28, 2000.
- “Teaching Asian Religions: Integrating the Field Trip.” West Coast Association for Asian Studies, Long Beach California, October 5, 2000.
- “Nonpossession and Simplicity: Ethics and Lifestyle.” Buddhism, Christianity and Global Healing: Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies Conference, Pacific Lutheran University, Tacoma, Washington, August 5-12, 2000.
- “Islam and the Sikh Response” and “Liberation from, through, and in the Body: Jainism, Yoga, and Tantra.” Religions, Philosophies, and Culture in India: Conflicts and Negotiations. National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Institute. University of Hawaii, June 19, 20, 2000.
- “Hinduism and Comparative Theology.” Shandong University, Jinan, China, April 4, 2000.
- “Pushing the Boundaries of Personal Ethics: The Practice of Jaina Vows.” International Conference on Ethics and Religion for a Global Twenty-First Century. Chapman University, March 24, 2000.
- “Nonviolence and the Yoga Path.” YogaVision 2000. Arizona State University, March 11, 2000.
- “Les Religions et l’Écologie: Entre Deux Mondes.” Institut des Sciences, Technologies, et l’Environment, University of Fianarantsoa, Madagascar, December 13, 1999.
- “The Emerging Alliance between Religion and Ecology: Jainism.” Parliament of the World’s Religions. Cape Town, South Africa, December 1-8, 1999.
- “How Haribhadra Stakes the Middle Ground between Eternalism and Nihilism.” American Academy of Religion, Boston. November 20-23, 1999.
- “Jainism and Ecology.” Working conference for preparation of *Daedalus* issue on World Religions and Ecology. American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Cambridge, Massachusetts. October 29-30, 1999.

- "Inherent Value without Nostalgia: Animals and the Jaina Tradition." Conference on Religion and Animals. Harvard-Yenching Institute, Harvard University. May 20-23, 1999.
- "Interiority and the Elements in the *Yogavāsi□□ha*." International Conference on the *Yogavāsi□□ha*, Loyola Marymount University, April 9-11, 1999.
- "The Ethics and Psychology of the *Yogavāsi□□ha*." American Philosophical Association, Berkeley, California, April 1, 1999.
- "Principles of Yoga." Ayurveda and Yoga: Medicine in Ancient India. Sponsored by the Navin and Pratima Chair, Department of History, U.C.L.A. and the University of Southern California School of Medicine at the U.C.L.A. Faculty Center, March 13, 1999.
- "Imitation of Animals in Yoga Traditions: Taming the Sacred Wild." Borders and Bridges: A Colloquium Exploring the Relationships Between Humans and Animals. The Interdisciplinary Humanities Center, University of California, Santa Barbara. February 26-27, 1999.
- "Ethics and the Cultivated Life in Yoga Tradition." Second International Conference on Yoga in Daily Life. Prashanti Kuteeram, Bangalore, India. January 10, 1999.
- "Deep Ecology and Hinduism." International Conference of East-West Philosophers. Utkal University, Bhubaneshwar, India. January 4, 1999.
- "Living in the Light: Liberation and Social Responsibility in the *Yogavāsi□□ha*." Department of Philosophy Infinity Project Lecture, University of Hawaii, November 6, 1998.
- "The Use of the Feminine Gender in the Description of Yoga Practices." Workshop on Yoga Traditions sponsored by the Dharam Hinduja Center for Indic Research, Cambridge University, England, October 3, 1998.
- "Hinduism, Jainism and Ecology." Religion, Ethics, and the Environment: An Interdisciplinary Dialogue. Sponsored by the Harvard University Center for the Study of World Religions at the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Cambridge, Massachusetts. September 17-20, 1998. Discussion resource for Religion and Ecology: Discovering the Common Ground. United Nations, October 20, 1998; American Museum of Natural History, October 21, 1998.
- "Teaching Meditation in an Academic Setting." Consultation on Teaching about World Religions in Theological School and Theology Departments. The Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, Wabash College, August 8-12, 1998.
- "The New Story, Functional Cosmology, and Jainism." Conference on Jainism and Ecology. Harvard University Center for the Study of World Religions. July 10-12, 1998.
- "Purity and Reality in Haribhadra's Yoga Texts." Conference on Jainism and Early Buddhism in the Indian Cultural Context." University of Lund, Sweden. June 4-7, 1998.
- "Ecology in South Asia," Conference on Ecological Concerns: Recent Research by Loyola Marymount University Faculty, May 30, 1998.
- "The Changing Face of Hinduism in Los Angeles: A Response." Religion in Los Angeles: Innovations and Multicultural Interaction Conference, The Center for the Study of Religion at U.C.L.A., May 7-8, 1998.
- "Animals in Asian Religious Traditions." American College of Laboratory Animal

- Medicine. Pheasant Run Resort, St. Charles, Illinois. May 3-6, 1998.
- "Worshipping the Goddess: A Response." Gender, Love, and Sexuality Conference. Chapman University, Orange, California. April 2-4, 1998.
- "Environment in Contemporary India." South Asia Seminar, University of California, Santa Barbara, January 23, 1998.
- "Jainism, Ecology, and the New Cosmology," Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy, University of Hawaii, January 4-6, 1998.
- "Hinduism and Ecology: Policy Implications." Panel Discussion. Hinduism and Ecology Conference, Center for the Study of World Religions, Harvard University, October 2-5, 1997
- "Buddhism and Animals." The Twelfth Annual Compassionate Living Festival. Raleigh, North Carolina, September 26-28, 1997.
- "Integrating Knowledge, Action, and Devotion." The Fifth National Gita Conference. University of Illinois at Urban-Champaign, September 13, 1997.
- "Life Force in Jainism and Yoga." The Meaning of Life in the World Religions. Chapman University. April 3-5, 1997.
- "Purity and Diversity in the Yoga Traditions of Patanjali and Haribhadra." International Seminar on the Yoga Tradition, Southern California Seminar on South Asia. Loyola Marymount University, March 15, 1997.
- "Environmentalism in Contemporary India." Colloquium on Culture in South Asia. University of California, Los Angeles, February 18, 1997.
- "The Lost Yoga of Bhadanta Bhaskara in Haribhadra's *Yogadīpikā isamuccaya*" and "The Contemporary Study of Jainism in Historical Perspective" (plenary presentation) at the Eighth International Congress of Vedanta, October 31 through November 3, 1996, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio.
- "Buddhist Cosmology and the New Story of Thomas Berry," Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies Conference on Socially Engaged Buddhism and Christianity, DePaul University, Chicago, July 30, 1996.
- "Questions for *The Divine Matrix*: Teleology, Ethics, and Spirituality," Comparative Theology Section, Catholic Theological Society of America, San Diego, June 7, 1996 (paper delivered by Professor Lance Nelson).
- "Repentance, Repulsion, and Recompense: Contributions of Three Early Buddhist Women," Dialogue on the Historical Jesus and Buddha, Center for the Interdisciplinary Study of Religion, University of California, Los Angeles, May 19, 1996
- "Animals in the Early Sramanic Tradition," Buddhism and Ecology Consultation, Center for the Study of World Religions, Harvard University, May 2-5, 1996
- "Buddhism and Ecology: Meditation on Nature and Emptiness." Conference on Environmental Destruction, Pollution and Health Issues: A Global Challenge. California State University, Long Beach, April 22, 1996
- "Traditionalist and Renouncer Models: Toward an Indigenous Indian Environmentalism," Religion and the Environment in South Asia Conference, University of San Diego, March 30, 1996
- "Purity, Vows, and Boundaries in Jaina Traditions," American Academy of Religion Annual

- Meeting, Philadelphia, November 20, 1995.
- "Relevance of Jain Philosophy in Contemporary Western Society," keynote panel presentation, 8th Biennial JAINA Convention, July 3, 1995, Chicago.
- "Centrality of the Real in Haribhadra's Yoga Texts" at Approaches to Jaina Studies: Philosophy, Logic, Rituals and Symbols, University of Toronto, April 1, 1995.
- "Nonviolence in Jainism and Its Impact on Asian Civilization," Jain Memorial Lecture, Huron College, Western Ontario University, March 30, 1995.
- "Nonviolence as Philosophy and Strategy for East and West" and "Nonviolence - Reverence for Life: Asian Perspectives," University of Windsor, March 29, 1995.
- "Jainism and Yoga" at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, December 3, 1994.
- "Can Creation Ex Nihilo Be Used to Dialogue with the Religions of India?" at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Religion, Chicago, Illinois, November 21, 1994.
- "Inventing Tradition: Jainism in America" at the Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy panel of the American Philosophical Association (Pacific) meeting, Los Angeles, April 1, 1994.
- "Haribhadra's Analysis of Patañjala and Kula Yoga in the *Yogadīśamuccaya*" at the IXth World Sanskrit Conference, Sydney, Australia, January 13, 1994.
- "Jaina Perspectives on Yoga" at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Religion, Washington, D.C., November 21, 1993.
- "Haribhadra's Jaina Analysis of Hinduism and Buddhism" for the Southern California Seminar on South Asia, U.C.L.A., October 15, 1993
- "Jains and Yogis in the Eighth Century: Haribhadra's Analysis of Brahmanical Yoga Systems in the *Yogadīśamuccaya*" at "Jains in Indian History and Culture" conference at Amherst College, June 24-27, 1993.
- "The Body in South Asian Religious Thought" at the annual meeting of the College Theology Society, Saint Mary's College, Moraga, California, June 4, 1993.
- "Multiculturalism and the University: The Multidimensional Challenge" (with Maulana Karenga) and "Indigenous Theories of Interreligious Dialogue in India" at the Second International East Meets West Conference in Cross-Cultural Communication, Comparative Philosophy, and Comparative Religion, Long Beach, April 8-10, 1993.
- Co-Presenter, "Teaching the Multicultural Course: Issues and Answers," English and Theology Joint Pedagogy Colloquium, March 18, 1993, LMU.
- "Asian Religions in Los Angeles," FocusLA, March 16, 1993, LMU.
- "Two Traditional Indian Models for Interreligious Dialogue: Monistic Accommodationism and Flexible Fundamentalism" at Council on the World Religions Conference, New Delhi, India, February 1-7, 1993.
- "Spirituality and the Earth: Handsome Lake and the Quakers," conference on Christian Faith and Native American Spirituality, Westwood United Methodist Church, October 10, 1992.
- Co-presenter, "Multiculturalism and World Religions," Theology Department Colloquium, Loyola Marymount University, October 8, 1992.
- "The Buddhist Challenge to Confucian and Christian Anthropocentrism: Animals, Rebirth, and Vegetarianism" at the Fourth International Buddhist-Christian Dialogue

- Conference on Buddhism, Christianity, Global Healing, Boston University, July 30 - August 3, 1992.
- "Swami Vivekananda's *Rāja Yoga* and the Sāṅkhya System: A Case of Vedāntic Inclusivism?" at the Fourth International Congress of Vedanta, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, April 2-5, 1992.
- "Sequences of Sutras: Reading Patañjali without Vyāsa," The American Academy of Religion Western Region Annual Meeting, University of Southern California, March 23, 1991.
- "Contemporary Jaina Responses to the Ecological Crisis," College Theology Society Annual Meeting, Loyola University, New Orleans, June 1, 1990.
- "The Fast Unto Death in Jaina Tradition," Southern California Seminar on South Asia, Pomona College, February 17, 1990.
- "Inception and Development of Nonviolence," Department of Jainology, University of Madras, December 21, 1989.
- "Jīvan Mukti in Sāṅkhya and Yoga," American Academy of Religion, Annual Meeting, Anaheim, November 20, 1989.
- "Flexible Fundamentalism: Toward a Jaina Approach to Interreligious Dialogue," College Theology Society Annual Meeting, Nazareth College, Rochester, New York, June, 1989.
- "Living Nonviolence: Origins and Implications of Ahimsa," Margaret Demerest Lecture, Casper College, Wyoming, January, 1989.
- "The Wheel of Karma in Historical Perspective," Asian Studies on the Pacific Coast, Association of Asian Studies, California State University, Northridge, June, 1988.
- "Buddhist Selflessness as a Model for Religious Life," College Theology Society Workshop, LMU, May, 1988.
- "Teaching World Religions in a Pluralistic Classroom," Theology Department Colloquium, LMU, April, 1988.
- "Poets or Seers: The Legacy of Radhakrishnan and the Discipline of Hindu Studies," Radhakrishnan Centennial Conference, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, April, 1988.
- "Origins of Nonviolence in India," Symposia on Nonviolence, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire, October, 1988.
- "Violence and Nonviolence: A War to End All Wars?" at Mahabharata: Performance and Interpretation Conference, UCLA, October, 1987.
- "Buddhism and the Issue of Life: Microphase and Macrophase," Buddhist-Christian Conference, Toward the Human Future, Berkeley, California, August, 1987.
- "Ecological Nonviolence and the Classical Traditions of India," College Theology Society Annual Meeting, Loyola College, Baltimore, June 1987.
- "Tolerance as a Religious Overview: Evidence from Indian Text and Tradition," Faculty Seminar, LMU, February, 1987.
- "The *Bhagavad Gītā*: Song of Plurality," College Theology Society Annual Meeting, Xavier University, Cincinnati, June, 1986.
- "The Unseen Seer and the Field: Consciousness in Sāṅkhya," American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Anaheim, November, 1985.

- "Hindu Hermeneutics," Center for Religious Studies Faculty Seminar, State University of New York at Stony Brook, February, 1985.
- "The Syncretic Asceticism of the Yoga Sūtra with Special Reference to the Discipline of Nonviolence," American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Chicago, December, 1984.
- "Classical Indian Religious Traditions and the Question of the Use of Animals in Science," International Conference on Religious Perspectives on the Use of Animals in Science, London, July, 1984.
- "Ahiṣā in Early Hinduism," IASWR Conference on Nonviolence in World Religious Traditions, SUNY Stony Brook, May, 1984.
- "Abhidharma as Paradigm for Practice," Buddhist-Christian Conference on Paradigm Shifts, Honolulu, January, 1984.
- "Ahiṣā in Early Indian Philosophy," Mid-Atlantic Region, American Academy of Religion, Montclair State College, New Jersey, March, 1983 and at the Riverdale Center of Religious Research, October, 1983.
- "The Paura a Paradigm of the *Yogavāsiha*," Columbia University Seminar on Oriental Thought and Religion, April, 1982.
- "The Yoga of Action in the *Yogavāsiha*," Mid-Atlantic Region, American Academy of Religion, Wagner College, March, 1982.
- "Yoga Spirituality," Advaita Ashram, Kalady, Kerala, India, November, 1981.
- "Yoga-Sākhya Philosophy," World Conference on Religions and Man, Cochin, Kerala, India, November, 1981.
- "Teaching Oriental Texts to Undergraduates: Yoga Sutra I & II," Annual Meeting of the Society for Values in Higher Education, Vassar College, July, 1981.
- "*Citta-vṛtti* and Reality in the *Yoga Sūtra*," IASWR Conference on Samkhya-Yoga, SUNY Stony Brook, April, 1981.
- "The Yoga of the *Yogavāsiha*," Center for Religious Studies Faculty Seminar, SUNY Stony Brook, October, 1980.

Additional Conference Participation and Responsibilities

- Chairman, Borderlands Panel, Dharma Academy of North America, American Academy of Religion, Chicago, November 17, 2012.
- Organizer and co-Host, Field Trip to the Jaina Center of Chicago, November 18, 2012, American Academy of Religion.
- Co-Organizer, Vandana Shiva Lecture, Planting Seeds of Hope, Loyola Marymount University, October 30, 2012.
- Organizer, "Yoga Serves: A Day of Wellness in Community." Three lectures, nine Yoga classes, concert, and dinner. Saturday, October 27, 2012. Bellarmine Forum: Health Now; Questions, Controversy and the Promise of Prevention. LMU. October 24 – November 10, 2012.

Local Organizing Committee, Nature and the Popular Imagination, 2012 Conference of the International Society for the Study of Religion, Nature, and Culture, Pepperdine University, August 8-11, Malibu.

Organizer and Host, Annual AAR Jain Dinner. Speakers: Dr. Joseph Subbiondo, President, California Institute for Integral Studies and Professor Padmanabh S. Jaini. November 18, 2011, San Francisco.

Host and presentation of book awards, Uberoi Foundation for Religious Studies Annual Conference: In Our Own Voices: Dharma Education in North America. LMU. September 30 – October 2, 2011.

Host, Conference on the Study of Religions in India: Altered and Alternative States. June 23-26, 2011.

Moderator, Keynote Address by Dr. Lucy Bregman, "Death and Dying: A Hindu-Catholic Dialogue." May 28, 2011. LMU.

Field Trip Leader, Jaina Temple of Atlanta. American Academy of Religion. October 29, 2010.

Chair, session on Women in Jainism, Dharma Academy of North America, additional meeting of the American Academy of Religion, October 29, 2010.

Participant, Training Religious Leaders for a Religiously Diverse World. Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley. October 5, 2010.

Co-Director, "Tagore's Contemporary Global Relevance." October 2, 2010, LMU. Event Council Member, Rabindranath Tagore 150th Anniversary Festival. September 25-October 3, 2010. UCLA, LMU, CSULB.

Host and Organizer, "Globalism and Gandhi: Applying Gandhi's Principles in Today's Globalized World." Public lectures by Michael Mazgaonkar, Mozam Co-Op, India. September 20, 2010.

Co-Organizer, "Teaching Hinduism in Catholic Schools: A Workshop and Dialogue." LMU, May 15, 2010.

Co-Director, "Jaina Yoga," 12th Jaina Studies Workshop, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London, March 18-19, 2010.

Presider, Panel on Reconceiving Dharma Traditions and the Contemporary Analysis of Power. Dharma Association of North America Annual Meeting. Montreal, Canada, November 6, 2009.

Director, "Yoga, Animals, and Ecology." Third Green Yoga Conference (Green Yoga Association), co-sponsored with the Center for Religion and Spirituality, LMU. May 29-31, 2009.

Co-Director. "The Sindhu-Sarasvati Valley Civilization: A Reappraisal." Co-sponsors: Soka University, LMU Doshi Professorship, SOCCIS. Loyola Marymount University. February 21-22, 2009.

Presider, "Yogic Powers (Siddhis)." Tantric Studies Group and Yoga and Theory and Practice Consultation. American Academy of Religion, Chicago, November 2, 2008.

Presider, "The H-Word: Non India Practitioners and the Question of Hindu Identity." Dharma Association of North America. Chicago, October 31, 2008.

Presider, Hindu-Catholic Dialogue on "Violence and Peace in the Old Testament and the Bhagavad Gita." Loyola Marymount University. February 19, 2008.

Presider, "Rethinking Practice and Embodiment in Frederick M. Smith's *The Self Possessed: Deity and Spirit Possession in South Asian Literature*." Dharma Association of North America, American Academy of Religion, San Diego, November 16-20, 2007.

Doshi Bridgebuilder Award. 2005-2006: Deepak Chopra. 2006-2007: Zubin Mehta. 2007-2008: Thich Nhat Hanh.

Co-Director, Second International Yoga and Ecology conference, Mount Madonna Center, Watsonville, California, May 18-20, 2007

Site Host, South Asia Studies Conference, Asian Studies on the Pacific Coast, April 27-29, 2007, Loyola Marymount University

Convenor, Globalization, Ecology, and Yoga Workshop, Fireflies Ashram, Bangalore, December 16, 2006.

Director, International Seminar on Yogic Traditions of India with Special Reference to Jaina Yoga, Bhogilal Leherchand Institute of Indology, India International Centre, December 7-9, 2006.

Organizer, World Religions: Ecological Awareness and Activism Panel, October 31, 2006, Bellarmine Forum: Environmental Responsibility, Loyola Marymount University.

Session Chair, Pain and Terminal Illness: The Ethics of Medical Care in Multi-Religious Perspectives, October 20, 2006, St. Mary Medical Center, Global Ethics and Religion Forum, Long Beach.

Tradition Chair, World's Religions after September 11 Conference, Montreal, September 11-15, 2006.

Chair, "Ahimsa and the Pursuit of Happiness: Insights from Indian Traditions." Meera and Jasvant Modi International Conference on Nonviolence: Ahimsa and the Quality of Life. California State Polytechnic University, Pomona. April 28-30, 2006.

Chair, "The Spiritual Ecology of Teilhard de Chardin (1881-1955) at the Half-Centenary of His Death." American Academy of Religion. Philadelphia. November 20, 2005.

Organizing Committee, Green Yoga Conference, Santa Cruz Mountains, September 17 and 18, 2005.

Organizing Committee, Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies, Quadrennial Conference, Loyola Marymount University, June 3-8, 2005.

Convenor, "Ecology and Spirituality: A Hindu-Catholic Dialogue," LMU, April 23, 2005.

Convenor, "Sacred Celibacy: A Hindu-Catholic Dialogue," LMU, April 24, 2004.

Mirabai Festival Board, "Mirabai: Hindu Saint for a Global World." Los Angeles County Museum of Art, UCLA, Terrace Theatre. October 3-6, 2002.

Organizing Committee, "Celebrating Mahavira's Teachings: The Lessons of Ahimsa and Anekanta for Contemporary." California State Polytechnic University, Pomona, January 19-20, 2002.

Presider, "Mahagurus and Their Movements in a Global Context." American Academy of Religion, Denver, Colorado, November 17-20, 2001.

Convenor, Spiritual Practice: A Hindu-Catholic Dialogue, LMU, November 3, 2001.

Respondent, "Hindu Ethics," American Academy of Religion, Nashville, Tennessee, November 18-21, 2000.

Convenor, Social Service and Spirituality: A Hindu-Roman Catholic Dialogue, LMU, November 11, 2000.

Coordinator, "Interreligious Perspectives on Yoga," Southern California Seminar on South Asia, LMU and UCLA, October 27-28, 2000.

Convenor, Women and Spirituality: A Hindu-Roman Catholic Dialogue, October 23, 1999, LMU

Coordinator, Ecology Conference, May 15, 1998, LMU

Convenor, "Jainism and Ecology Conference," Center for the Study of World Religions, Harvard University, July 10-12, 1998.

Co-Convenor, "Hinduism and Ecology Conference," Center for the Study of World Religions, Harvard University, October 2-5, 1997

Coordinator, "International Seminar on the Yoga Tradition," Southern California Seminar on South Asia, Loyola Marymount University, March 15, 1997.

Chair, "Religious Dimensions of Ecological Concern in South Asia," American Academy of Religion, Annual Meeting, November 20, 1994.

Panelist, "Robert Neville's Theology: Basis for Interfaith Dialogue?," American Academy of Religion, Annual Meeting, November 21, 1994.

Chair, "The Comparative Theology Project," Theology/Religious Studies Conference of the American Jesuit Colleges and Universities, November 18, 1994.

Respondent, "Buddhist Notions of Health and Healing, Death and Dying" by Raoul Birnbaum at "Religion, Medicine, and Healing: Traditional and Modern Perspectives" conference at U.C.L.A., April 16th, 1994.

Chair, Jainism Section, IXth World Sanskrit Conference, Sydney, Australia, January 10-16, 1994.

Respondent to paper by Ewert Cousins, "Bearers of the Wisdom Tradition: Jesuit Colleges and Universities and the Global Challenge;" Participant, "Responses of Jesuit Religious Studies/Theology Departments to the Environmental Crisis" at the Theology/Religious Studies Conference of the American Jesuit Colleges and Universities annual meeting, November 19 and 20, 1993, Washington, D.C.

Chair, "Defining the Christian Person," The Marymount Institute for Faith, Culture and the Arts conference entitled "Crisis of Cultures and the Birth of Faith," Loyola Marymount University, September 25 & 26, 1993 (also served on organizing committee)

Workshop Participant, "The College Core Curriculum in the Ecozoic Era," College Theology Society, Saint Mary's College, Moraga, California, June 1-3, 1993.

Member, Organizing Committee, East Meets West Conference, Long Beach California, April 8-10, 1993.

Workshop Presentation, "Spiritual Practices and the Politics of Ecological Survival," Working Group on Buddhist-Christian Dialogue and Ecology, Fourth International Buddhist-Christian Dialogue Conference, Boston University, July 30 - August 3, 1992

Chairperson, "Ahimsa and Interreligious Dialogue" at the Fourth International Congress of

Vedanta, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, April 2-5, 1992.

Chairperson, "Hindu Temples in North America," Joint Panel of the Religion in South Asia and North American Religions Sections, American Academy of Religion annual meeting, Kansas City, 1991.

Director, 1991 Casassa Conference, LMU: "Ecological Prospects, Theory and Practice."

Director, 1990 Casassa Conference, LMU: "Jesuit Education in World Perspective."

Chairperson, "Roots of Tantra," Co-sponsored by the Southern California South Asia Seminar and the Western Conference of the Association for Asian Studies, October, 1989.

Convener, World Religions Section, College Theology Society, 1988-90.

Co-Coordinator, "World Religions in the Theology Curriculum," College Theology Society Teaching Workshop, LMU, May, 1988.

Coordinator, "The Mahabharata: Performance and Interpretation," Conference, South Asian Seminar, UCLA, October, 1987.

Participant, "Objectivity and Values in Jesuit Higher Education," Fairfield University, June, 1987.

Respondent to paper by John Hick entitled "The Buddha's Undetermined Questions and the Truth Claims of Different Religions," Southern California Philosophy of Religion Society, Claremont, May, 1987.

Chairperson, Panel on *Passage to India*, American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division, Los Angeles, March, 1986.

Participant, the VIth World Sanskrit Conference, University of Pennsylvania, October, 1984.

Coordinator, IASWR Conference on Nonviolence in World Religious Traditions, SUNY Stony Brook, May, 1984.

Discussant, Conference on Interreligious Dialogue and World Peace, United Nations, New York, March, 1984.

Coordinator, "Religious Experience and Scientific Paradigms: An Interdisciplinary Conference," IASWR and Center for Religious Studies, SUNY Stony Brook, May, 1982.

Chairperson, Panel on Humanistic Perspectives, World Conference on Religions and Man, Cochin, Kerala, India, November, 1981.

Coordinator, "Conference on Sāṅkhya-Yoga," IASWR, April, 1981.

Television and Radio Interviews, Media Consulting, Popular Journalism, Public Lectures

"Interfaith Dialogue and Yoga: Milarepa." Sivananda Yoga Vedanta Center, Marina Del Rey, March 23, 2013.

"Death in the World Religions." UCLA Medical Center, Grand Rounds Series, Harbor City, March 21, 2013.

"Yoga as a Global Movement." The Yoga Hour. Unity Online Radio. February 28, 2013.

"Welcome to Yoga Day." Yoga Serves: A Day of Wellness in Community. Bellarmine Forum: Health Now: Questions, Controversy and the Promise of Prevention. LMU. October 27, 2012.

- "Death and Dying in Jaina Tradition: The Final Fast." Inter-faith Retreat on Death and Dying. Sivananda Ashram Yoga Farm, Grass Valley, California. September 20, 2012.
- "Insight and the Practice of Yoga." Bhakti Fest. Institute for Mental Physics. Yucca Valley, California, September 7, 2012.
- "Yoga Chat with the Accidental Yogist" Topic: Prthivi Sukta. Livestreamed online at killradio.org, Podcast archives at ayogist.podomatic.com: <http://itunes.apple.com/us/podcast/yoga-chat-accidental-yogist/> April 11th 2012.
- "The New Story in Praise of Mother Earth." San Diego Vedanta Monastery, April 1, 2012.
- "Karma and Creativity." Krotona Institute, Ojai, California. March 16-18, 2012.
- "Both, And: The Inclusive Worldview of the Bhagavad Gita." The Yoga Hour. Unity Online Radio. February 16, 2012.
- "The Clear Jewel: Understanding the Mind." *Enlightenment Journal: Spiritually Conscious Living in an Awakened World*. Winter 2011-2012. Pp. 14-17.
- "The Eightfold Path of Yoga." The Yoga Hour. Unity Online Radio. Two hour-long interviews with Rev. Ellen Grace O'Brian. September 29, 2011.
- "Vedic Ecology" and "What Is Green Yoga?" Unity in Diversity: Interfaith Dialogue on Eco-Spirituality. Sivananda Ashram Yoga Farm. Grass Valley, California. September 20-21, 2011.
- "Yoga and Ecology: Reconnecting with the Elements." Bhakti Fest. Joshua Tree Retreat Center. September 9, 2011.
- "Connecting with Nature and the Elements: The Liberation Dance." Yoga Teacher Telesummit: Co-Creating the Future of Yoga. May 31, 2011.
- "Yoga as Spiritual Path" and "Living Liberation." The Yoga Hour. Unity Online Radio. Two hour-long interviews with Rev. Ellen Grace O'Brian. April 21 and 28, 2011.
- "Hinduism, Yoga, and Ritual" for Ancient Aliens, the History Channel, taped April 20, 2011.
- "Leading a Vedic Lifestyle." Sivananda Yoga Vedanta Center. Marina Del Rey. February 19, 2011.
- "Emptiness in Patañjali and Hemacandra." Swami Rama Sadhana Grama, Rishikesh, India. December 21, 2010.
- KPCC Radio Interview (NPR). Life of Daya Mata, President of Self Realization Fellowship, 1914-2010, December 3, 2010.
- "Mystics in Search of Non-Duality. An Interfaith Dialogue with Brother Rolph and Chris Chapple." Sivananda Yoga Vedanta Center, Marina Del Rey. October 23, 2010.
- Tricycle* Community Book Club on-line discussion of *Freeing the Body, Freeing the Mind*, edited by Michael Stone, Shambhala Press 2010, August 23-September 3, 2010.
- "Future of Hinduism." www.patheos.com June, 2010.
- "Journey of the Universe." Documentary film. Advisor. 2010.
- "Ecology in the Upanisads." Up2yoga workshop. One hour via telephone. February 25, 2010.
- "On Caring for the Beast." Play by Sishir Kurup. Lead panelist, discussion following performance. Cornerstone Theatre. Inner City Arts, Los Angeles, February 11, 2010.
- "Song of the Dunes." Commentary at film premiere, Paula Fouce, producer. Los Angeles County Museum of Art, February 4, 2010.

- "Yoga and the Luminous." Faculty Pub Night, William H. Hannon Library Book Series, LMU, October 6, 2009.
- "The Path of Yoga Through Art." Southern Asian Art Council. Los Angeles County Museum of Art. June 20, 2009.
- "Yoga, Nonviolence, and Ecology." YogaGlo, Santa Monica. March 31, 2009.
- "Book Event: *Yoga and the Luminous*," Church in Ocean Park, Santa Monica, March 29, 2009.
- "Establishing University Certificates in Yoga Studies." 3rd Symposium on Yoga Therapy and Research. Marriott Hotel, Los Angeles. March 8, 2009.
- "Sarasvatī: Hindu Mystic and Heretic." Lenten Lecture Series. Holy Nativity Church, Westchester. March 4, 2009.
- "Foundations of Hinduism." Fireflies Ashram, Bangalore. January 8, 2009. Audience included students and faculty from Ramapo College.
- "Reciprocity between Witness and Activity in Samkhya and Yoga." Swami Rama Sadhaka Gram, Rishikesh, India. January 3, 2009. Audience included students and faculty from Maryville College.
- "Purification of Body, Feelings, and Mind in Vipassana Buddhism and Jainism." Vipassana Restorative Retreat. Purna Holistic Centre, New Delhi. December 29, 2008.
- Panelist, "Sinful Behavior: Is Pollution the 8th Deadly Sin?" Breathe California of Los Angeles County Pollution and Solutions Salon Series, California Endowment, October 23, 2008.
- "Foundations of Yoga and Ecology, Animals and Yoga." Yoga and Environment Mini-Conference. Sivananda Yoga Vedanta Center, Marina Del Rey, October 18-19, 2008.
- Introduction, Global Mala, World Festival of Sacred Music, LMU, September 21, 2008.
- Panelist, Interfaith Peace Garden Dedication, Holy Spirit Retreat Center, Encino, California, September 14, 2008.
- "Swaha, The Fire Ceremony of 1001 Yogis," film, Padma Chakra Productions, 2008.
- "Satyagraha: Power, Poetry, and Peace." With Peggy Dobreer. Peace Jam. LMU. September 11, 2008.
- "Gandhi, Jains, and Muslims." Australian Public Radio interview with David Routledge on Encounter, August 8, 2008.
- "Christian Teachings Appreciated by a Yogic Master." *LA Yoga*. May 2008. Pp. 68-69.
- "Hindu Reflection / Homily." 15th Annual All Faith Service. Gathered in Prayer, Reverencing Creation. The Immaculata Church. University San Diego. February 7, 2008.
- Consultant to "The Tension of Opposites" orchestral exploration by Matthew Ferraro, November 13, 2007.
- "Hinduism" Pasadena Senior Curriculum, The Religions of Man, Pasadena Seniors Center, October 25, 2007
- "Speaking on Seva" *LA Yoga*. Vol 6, No 9. November 2007, p. 43.
- "Hinduism and Ecology." Interview with Australian Public Radio. October 16, 2007.
- "Engaging the Jain Soul." *Peace Through Dialogue: 14th Biennial JAINA Convention, 2007. Souvenir Volume*. Getzville, New York: Federation of Jaina Associations of North America, 2007. Pp. 92-94.
- "Patañjali: Legends of Yoga and Dance." Pre-performance Introduction. Rangoli Dance Company performances. Barnsdall Gallery Theatre, Hollywood, September 8; Thousand

Oaks Performing Arts Centers, September 9, 2007.

“Yoga and the Elements: Connecting Ecology, Self and Place.” Article in *Centre of Gravity: A Journal Exploring Contemporary Yoga Paths*. Toronto, Canada. No. 1. Winter 2007. Pp. 31-36.

“Green Yoga: Ecology and the Gita.” Interview in *Integral Yoga Magazine*. Spring 2007. Pp. 16-17.

“Emerson, Thoreau and the Origins of American Nature Literature. Article in *L.A. Yoga: Ayurveda and Health*. Vol. 6, No. 4. May 2007. Pp. 42-43.

“Golden States of Grace: Prayers of the Disinherited.” Rick Nahmias Photographic exhibit. Fullerton Museum Center, September 30, 2006 – January 17, 2007.

“Zoroastrianism and the Anti-Christ.” History Channel. 2005.

“Animals and Jainism.” Animal Voices, CIUT 89.5 FM, Toronto. February 13, 2003.

“Hair.” World of Wonder, A & E Network Television. 2002.

Animals and Religion. Odyssey Channel, 2000.

Ancient Mysteries, A & E Network Television, two episodes: "Death Rites," "Rites and Rituals," FilmRoos, Los Angeles, 1996.

"Safe Passage," Show 45, Tilt 23 and a Half, Fujisankei Communications, New York, 1995.

Doshi Bridgebuilder Award

Deepak Chopra, 2005-2006
 Zubin Mehta, 2006-2007
 Thich Nhat Hanh, 2007-2008
 Greg Mortenson, 2009-2010 (February 2, 2010)
 Huston Smith, 2010-2011 (November 8, 2010)
 Vandana Shiva, 2011-2012 (November 1, 2011)
 Scholarship Awards, 2012-2013 (December 9, 2012)
 Karan Singh (June 15, 2013)

Formation and Teacher Training Activities

“Patañjali’s *Yoga Sūtra*.” Keynote address. The Fourth International Kriya Yoga Congress. San Jose, California, March 7-9, 2013.

“Experiential Learning: Souls and Senses in Jainism.” Teaching Workshop for Lecturers. International School for Jaina Studies. New Delhi, February 9, 2013.

“Nonviolence, Jainism, and Yoga.” Conversations in Yoga Satsanga Retreat. Goa. January 29 through February 6, 2013.

“The Final Fast in Jainism” and “Approaches to Death and Dying in the *Yogavāsīṣṭha*.” Interfaith Responses to Death and Dying Retreat.” Sivananda Yoga Farm, Grass Valley, California, September 19-21, 2012.

“Teaching the *Yoga Sūtra*: Ethics and Purification.” Teacher Training Session. The Yoga Institute, Santa Cruz, Mumbai, India, June 16, 2012.

“Teaching Hinduism.” High School Religion Teachers AAR Workshop. Center for Spiritual and Ethical Education. San Francisco, November 18, 2011.

- “Engaged Learning: THST 180 and THST 387.” Center for Teaching Excellence. LMU. October 18, 2011.
- “The Importance of Service.” Presentation for the Burns and Rains Awards Recognition Event. September 22, 2011, LMU.
- "Ecology and Yoga." Sivananda Ashram. Grass Valley, California, September 20-21, 2011.
- "Yoga and Ecology: Joining Consciousness with Mother Earth." Bhakti Fest, Joshua Tree, California, September 9, 2011.
- Academic Reviewer, *My World History*, Boston: Pearson, 2012. Middle School Textbook.
- "Teaching Methodologies Used in the North American University System." Workshop for International School of Jaina Studies faculty. Dada Bari Sthala, New Delhi., December 16, 2010.
- "Death in Hinduism and Jainism." Hindu-Catholic Dialogue meeting. St. Clement's Church, El Segundo, September 2, 2010.
- Nava Yoga Samgraha retreat participant and discussant. Commonweal, Bolinas, California. June 9-12, 2010.
- "Textual and Electronic Resources." Teaching Hinduism in Catholic Schools: A Workshop and Dialogue." May 15, 2010. LMU.
- "Death and Dying in Dharma Traditions." Urban Clinical Pastoral Education Center. St. Camillus Center, L.A. County and University of Southern California Medical Center. May 3, 2010.

"Nonviolence and Gandhi." Shanti Generation Youth Peacemakers Training. Workshop for middle school students and teachers. Saturday, February 27th, 2010. YogaGlo Studio, Santa Monica.

"Service Learning and the *Earth Verses*." Community Based Learning Poster Session. Center for Teaching Excellence and the Center for Service and Action. February 16, 2010

"Upanisads." Yoga Philosophy Certificate Program, California Institute for Integral Studies, San Francisco, January 9-10, 2010.

Convener, Yoga and Ecology Certificate Training. Center for Religion and Spirituality, LMU, May 25-31, 2009. Course: Green Yoga Sadhana, May 25-29. Plenary Lecture, "Yoga and Animals," May 30, 2009.

"Teaching the Service Learning Course." Panelist. LMU Center for Teaching Excellence. February 10, 2009.

Poster Presentation: "Teaching Religion and Ecology at LMU." LMU Center for Teaching Excellence. September 25, 2007.

International Summer School for Jain Studies. June 1-7, 2007. Acharya Tulsi Retreat Centre, Gurgaon, India. Presentations on Hermeneutical Approaches to Jainism.

"Yoga and Ecology." Green Yoga Leadership Training, Mount Madonna Center, May 15-22, 2007.

"Traditional Yoga and Therapy." Keynote Address. Symposium on Yoga Therapy and Research. International Association of Yoga Therapy. Los Angeles Hilton. January 18-21, 2007.

"Globalization, Ecology, and Yoga." Workshop, Fireflies Ashram, Bangalore. December 16, 2006.

"Current Projects." Indira Gandhi National Center for the Arts. New Delhi. December 13, 2006.

"Religion and Ecology." Ford Foundation training for environmental lawyers from the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation. EcoAshram, Rishikesh, India. December 11, 2006.

"Hermeneutics and Individuation." Workshop for instructors in the Jain Summer School. Prakrit Bhavan, Gurgaon, India. December 10, 2006.

"Yoga, Indian Traditions, and Christian Spirituality." St. Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore, India. December 5-9, 2005.

"Priest Formation Training: Yoga and Christianity." Diocese of Tanjore, India, December 12, 2005.

"Sustainability in Light of Diamond's *Collapse*: Madagascar and Green Yoga." Bridges Workshop, LMU, October 26, 2005.

"Consumerism, Gandhi, and Environmentalism." Religion and Ecology National Teacher Workshop. Sponsored by Religious Studies in Secondary Schools and the Forum on Religion and Ecology, Harvard University. Loyola Marymount University, June 21-26, 2002.

Co-Coordinator, Religion and Ecology National Teacher Workshop. LMU, June 21-26, 2002.

"Religious Fundamentalism." Facing History and Ourselves Conference. Casa de Maria, Montecito, California, January 30 – February 3, 2002.

Faculty Advisor, Teaching About India and the World. Annual Teacher Institute, 2001-2002.

Los Angeles Center for International Studies, Loyola Marymount University. August 23-25; September 20-22; October 25-27; November 29-December 1; January 10-12. Major presentations: An Art Historical and Geographic Introduction to India (co-presented with Dr. Katherine Harper), Religions of India, Ecology and India; coordinated visit to Venkateshwar Temple.

“World Religions and Ecology and Religion,” presentation to Religious Studies in Secondary Schools Conference, Seabury Hall, Maui, October 12-15, 2000.

“South Africa and Madagascar,” Teacher Training Seminar on Africa, Los Angeles Center for International Studies (LACIS), LMU, February 23, 2000.

Faculty advisor and lecturer, Teacher Training Seminar on Education and Sustainability, LACIS, LMU, August 20-21, September 25-26, 1998.

"Sustainability: Examples from Madagascar and Kerala." Sustainability Workshop for K-12 Teachers, Los Angeles Center for International Studies, Loyola Marymount University, August 13, 1998.

Presentation to Manual Arts High School Students, October 26, 1998.

Faculty advisor and lecturer, Teacher Training Seminar on Asia and the Pacific, LACIS, LMU, August and November, 1997.

External Academic Advisement and Service

External Reviewer, Department of Religious Studies, Gonzaga University, April 2013.

Research Advisor, Matthew Fisher. The Jaina Response to Partition. Claremont Graduate University, 2012-2013.

Dissertation Committee, external reader, Brianna Donaldson, Claremont Lincoln University, March 1, 2013.

Dissertation Committee, external reader, Amy Champ, University of California, Davis, February 26, 2013.

Dissertation Committee, external reader, Jane Wiesner, Deakin University, Melbourne, Australia, February 2013.

Dissertation Committee, external reader, Adrian Villasenor, California Institute for Integral Studies, defense, January 15, 2013.

Reviewer, American Council of Learned Societies 2013 Fellowship Program.

Promotion Review, Irene Klaver, University of North Texas, August 2012.

Promotion and Tenure Review, Stuart Sarbacker, Oregon State University, August 2012.

Reviewer, American Council of Learned Societies 2011 Fellowship Program, 2011-2012.

Promotion Review, Jeffrey Long, Elizabethtown College, October 2011.

Tenure and Promotion Review, Andrew Nicholson, Stony Brook University, September 2011

External Reviewer, Department of Religious Studies, Loyola University, New Orleans, April 7-8, 2011.

Promotion Review, Willis Jenkins, Yale Divinity School, 2011.

Reviewer, American Council of Learned Societies Fellowship Program, 2010-2011.

External Reviewer, Asian and Comparative Studies, California Institute for Integral Studies, San Francisco, October 15-16, 2010.

Promotion Review, Barbara Holdrege, UC Santa Barbara, 2010
 Promotion Review, Carlos Lopez, University of South Florida, 2010
 External Reviewer, Department of Religion, Hampden-Sydney College, Hampden-Sydney, Virginia, November 10-12, 2009.
 Promotion Review, Ian Whicher, University of Manitoba, 2009.
 Promotion Review, Edwin Bryant, Rutgers University, 2009.
 "Deep Ecology in Action: A Cross-Cultural Series of Case Studies on the Conservation Efforts of Monks and Religious Leaders in India, Mongolia, and Thailand." Timothy Jackson. University College Honors Thesis, University of Pittsburgh. April 10, 2009.
 "The Sounds of Silence: Yoga as Meditation in the Yoga Upanisads." M.A. Thesis, The University of Melbourne, 2008
 Tenure review, Sthaneshwar Timalinha, Cal State San Diego, 2008
 Tenure review, Jeffrey Lidke, Berry College, Georgia, 2008
 "In a City Like Delhi: Sustainability and Spirituality." Doctoral Dissertation, Yamini Narayanan. Murdoch University, Perth, Australia. 2008.
 "Classical Female Hindu Religious Experience." Doctoral Dissertation, P.G. Misty Sheehan. California Institute of Integral Studies. 2008.
 "Svadhya and Bishois and Bhils: Indian Indigenous Environmentalism." Doctoral Dissertation, Pankaj Jain. University of Iowa. 2008.
 Tenure review, Daren Callahan, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, 2008.
 Tenure review, Anne Vallely, University of Ottawa, 2008.
 Tenure review, James Miller, Queen's University, 2007.
 Tenure review, Sarah Taylor, Northwestern University, 2007.
 Tenure review, Arti Dhand, University of Toronto, 2007.

Loyola Marymount University Service

Strategic Plan Committee, Bellarmine College, 2012-2013
 Oversight Committee, Department of Theological Studies, 2012-
 Part Time Faculty Committee, Department of Theological Studies, 2012-
 Personnel Committee, Department of Theological Studies, 2011-2012
 Program Committee, Department of Theological Studies, 2011-2012
 Faculty Advisor, Global Awareness Innovation Alliance (GAIA) Student Club, 2010
 Sabbatical Committee, 2010-present
 LMU Extension and Center for Religion and Spirituality Advisory Board, 2007-present
 International Programs Committee, 2004-2011
 On-Line Course Standards Subcommittee, 2004-2005
 Four Credit Course Committee, 2004
 University Budget Committee, 2004
 Academic Technology Committee, 2003-2006
 Marketing Advisory Council, 2002-2005
 LMU Children's Center Advisory Board, 2002-2005
 Chair, President's Child Care Center Committee, 2000-2002
 Chair, Child Care Committee, Faculty Senate, 1999-2000

Dean's Committee for Raytheon Building Space Allocation, 1999
Trustees' Scholars Selection Committee, 1999
Chair, President's Blue Ribbon Committee for Publications and Advertising, 1997-98
Valedictorian Selection Committee, 1997
Search Committee, Director of Public Relations, 1996
International Programs Committee, 1996 to 1998
Core Curriculum Committee, 1996 to 1998
Chair, Task Force on Space Utilization, College of Liberal Arts, 1995
Faculty/Administration Budget/Salary Committee, 1994
University Budget Committee, 1993-95
Faculty Representative, University Relations Committee of the Board of Trustees, 1993-96
Faculty Advisory Committee, Asian Programs Office, 1993 to present
National Endowment for the Humanities Grant Application Committee, 1992, 1993, 1994
Case Advisory Committee (academic recommendations for capital campaign), 1992-3
Faculty Representative, Academic Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees, 1989-1993
Childcare Task Force, 1989 to 1991
Academic Planning and Review Committee, 1986-89; Chair, 1987-89
Member, Faculty Senate, 1987-1990
Freshman Advisor, 1986-90
Coordinator, Graduate Bulletin Revision, 1987-88
Member, Organizing Committee, 1988 Casassa Conference

Theological Studies Department Service

Oversight Committee, Fall 2012
THST Part Time Personnel Committee, 2010-present
THST APRC subcommittee on the THST Undergraduate Program, 2009-2010
Departmental Core Committee, spring, 2009
Acting Chair, spring, 2002
Chair, Committee on New Major in Religion and Culture, 1999-2000
Coordinator, Graduate Consortium Committee, 1997 to 1998
Graduate Student Advisor, 1994 to present
Chair, 1990-1994
Theology Core Curriculum Revision Committee, 1985-87
Curriculum Committee, 1987-88; 1990 to 1994
M.A. Proposal Committee, 1987-88
Advisor to Theology Minors, 1986 to 1990
Coordinator, Theology Brochure, 1987-88
Search Committee, 1988-89, 1989-90, 1990-91, 1991-92, 1993-94, 1994-95, 2001-2002

Professional Organizations and Listing

Member, American Academy of Religion, 1980 to present
Co-Founder and Co-Chair, Yoga Consultation, 2005 to 2009
Executive Board, Religion in South Asia Section, 1998-2001

Steering Committee, Ecology and Religion Group, 2000-2004
 Co-Chair of Steering Committee, 2002-2004
 Association of Asian Studies, 1985 to present
 Executive Committee Member, Western Region, AAR, 1991 to 1993
 Trustee, American Institute for Indian Studies, 1991 to present
 Member, Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy, 1984 to present
 Member, Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies, 1986 to present
 Chair and Founder, Southern California Seminar on South Asia, 1986-2003
 Member, College Theology Society, 1985 to present
 Chair, The Theology/Religious Studies Conference of the American Jesuit Colleges and Universities, 1994; Vice-Chair, 1993.
 Board of Directors, Westchester Neighborhood School, 1992-1996; President, 1994-96.
 Board of Advisors, Forum on Religion and Ecology, Harvard University Center for the Study of World Religions, 1997 to 2007; Yale University, 2007 to present
 Board of Advisors, Foundation for Indic Philosophy and Culture, Claremont, California, 2003 to present
 Advisory Board, Ahimsa Center, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona, 2002 to present
 Advisory Board, Forum on Global Ethics and Religion, Orange, California, 1998 to 2008.
 Advisory Board, Green Yoga Association, 2004 to 2007.
 Associate Member, Centre for Jaina Studies, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London, 2004 to present.
 President, Trustees, Church in Ocean Park, Santa Monica, 2007 through 2011.
 Founder, Hill Street Center for Yoga and Meditation, Santa Monica, 2004.
 Listing included in the *Directory of American Scholars*, 8th edition

Teaching Record, 1992-93 to present

Religions of the World (THST 180)

In this course, which I teach on a regular basis, we examine primal religions traditions, the religions of South and Southeast Asia (Hinduism, Jainism, Sikhism, Buddhism), of East Asia (Confucianism, Taoism, Zen and Pure Land Buddhism, Shinto), and the prophetic, monotheistic religions arising from Southwest Asia (Judaism, Christianity, Islam).

Religions of India (THST 382)

In this course, I teach the primary religious traditions of India: Hinduism, Jainism, and Sikhism, with reference to Buddhist origins in India and the importance of Islam within South Asia. We deal extensively with the Yoga tradition.

Asian American Religions in Los Angeles (HNRS 498)

In this special honors seminar, we investigated Asian immigration history and explored various

Hindu Temples, Yoga centers, Buddhist Temples, the Jaina Center, and Islamic mosques in Southern California.

Religions of East Asia (THST 384)

In this course I present an historical overview of East Asian history (China, Japan, Korea). We then studied the Confucian, Taoist, and Buddhist traditions.

Religions of the Near East (THST 383)

A survey of the prophetic monotheisms with special focus on Islam and the Sufi mystical tradition.

Buddhism (THST 385)

I team taught this course with a colleague who specializes in Japanese Buddhism. We covered the life of the Buddha, and the major schools of the Buddhist tradition: Thervada, Mahayana, and Vajrayana, with special focus on Zen.

World Religions and Ecology (THST 387)

Funded by Common Good Development Grant. This service learning course explores how the world's religious traditions respond to issues of ecological concern. Placements are arranged with various non-profit organizations.

Religion, Politics, and Ecology (THST/POLS 398)

This cross-listed course included a survey of ecological theory from a variety of religious traditions and an indepth look at local issues pertaining to the Playa Vista development.

Comparative Religious Ethics (THST 681)

In this graduate course, I begin with a survey of traditional ethical systems as found in the Yoga, Buddhist, Confucian, Jewish, Christian, and Islamic traditions. Students then applied an ethical system of their choice to a contemporary issue.

Ecology and Theology (THST 398)

This service learning course surveyed issues of environmental concern and entailed student placements with a variety of nonprofit organizations, as well as a look at ecology through the prism of Christianity, Hinduism, Buddhism, and the work of Thomas Berry.

Topics in Comparative Theology (THST 480)

In this course for majors and minors we explored multiculturalism and religion, with special emphasis on how traditional belief systems influence contemporary culture.

Manitou, Mormons, Masala (THST 398/AMCS 398)

This course was funded by the Irvine Foundation, in support of our new core curriculum requirement in American Cultures. In this class we explored Native American spirituality, the

development of the Church of the Latter Day Saints, and the emergence of Asian religious traditions among immigrant communities in Southern California

Comparative Mysticism (THST 682)

In this graduate course, we study the Yoga, Samkhya, and Vedanta systems of India, Taoism, and the writings of Meister Eckhart and Teresa of Avila.

Indic Religious Traditions: Vedanta and Yoga (698)

In this graduate course, we study the primary texts of the Hindu tradition, including the *Rg Veda*, the Upanisads, the *Bhagavad Gita*, the *Yoga Sutra* of Patanjali, and the *Yogavasistha*.

Buddhism and Jainism (THST 698)

This course investigate the renouncer traditions as established by Buddha and Mahavira. It includes a close reading of primary texts such as the *Satipatthana* and the *Tattvartha Sutra*.

Religion, Politics, and Ecology (THST 398/POLS 398)

In this class, which was cross-listed with political science, we explored various models of environmentalism from America and Asia, and discussed specific issues pertaining to proposed coastal development adjacent to our campus.

Asian and Pacific Studies Senior Integrating Seminar (ASPA 500)

In this class, I direct students working on the final requirement for the minor or major in Asian and Pacific Studies. Each student chooses a topic pertaining to the interest and area of study and prepares and presents a work of 40 to 60 pages.

Elementary Sanskrit (CLAS 298)

In this class, students are introduced to the orthography, basic grammar, and vocabulary of the Sanskrit language.

Hindu and Jaina Theology (THST 498)

In this course we study in depth primary sources of these two traditions, including the *Rig Veda*, the Upanisads, the *Yoga Sutra*, and the *Tattvârthasutra*.

Celtic Religion, Hinduism, and Gandhi (THST 398)

An investigation of social justice and reconciliation in Ireland and India, as well as an historical and theological overview of Celtic and Hindu traditions. Study Abroad program, Trinity College, University of Dublin. Summer 2009

Electronic Hinduism (THST 398)

A course funded by the Academic Grants Committee. Explores the core ideas on Hinduism using extensive online materials and websites. F 2010

The Apollonian and the Dionysian: St. Paul and Lord Shiva (THST/EURO/MDGK 398)

An exploration of an enduring theme in religious life: the translation of ecstatic experience into organized religions, with an eye how to balance self-discovery with social responsibility. Study Abroad program, Spetses, Greece. Summer 2011

Claremont Graduate University:

Indian Philosophy (REL 402)

Graduate course in Brahmanical and Sramanical traditions.

University of Southern California:

Introduction to Eastern Religions (REL 201)

Survey course.

Yoga Philosophy Program, Center for Religion and Spirituality, LMU

RELX 973 Samkhya Karika of Isvarakrishna

RELX 976 Bhagavad Gita

RELX 979 Rig Veda

RELX 980 Tattvartha Sutra

RELX 981 Yogavasistha

RELX 982 Yogadrstisamuccaya

YGPX 800 Sanskrit

YGPX 816 Yoga Sutra

YGEX 802 Green Yoga Sadhana

YGPX 899 The Yoga of Gurani Anjali

Sanskrit Reading Seminars:

***Yogavāsīśāha* VI:89-92; VII:126**

***Yogaśāstra* of Haribhadra 352-388**

Pratyabhijñā Hdaya of Kēmarāja

Yoga Siddhi, Markaeya Purāṇa 40

Yoginī Hdayam

Jñānarāvam of Śubhacandra