

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### EMPLOYMENT:

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2009-present Director, McNamara Center for the Social Study of Religion, Loyola University Chicago
- September 2006 - July 2009  
Professor and Director of Graduate Studies, Sociology, University of Cincinnati
- September 2003 - 2006  
Professor and Department Head, Sociology, University of Cincinnati
- September 2001 - 2003  
Associate Professor and Department Head, Sociology, University of Cincinnati
- August 1995 - 2001  
Associate Professor, Sociology, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale  
Research Associate, DePaul College of Law, Chicago, Center for Church/State Studies
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Assistant Professor, Sociology, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale  
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Director, Project on Religious Institutions, Yale University - Program on Non-Profit Organizations  
Visiting Assistant Professor, Yale Divinity School
- August 1992 - August 1994  
Visiting Fellow, Yale University, Program on Non-Profit Organizations  
Visiting Assistant Professor, Yale University, Department of Sociology/Divinity School

### EDUCATION:

- Ph.D. 1988, Sociology, University of Massachusetts, Amherst  
Dissertation: *Cultural Power: Religion and Politics in an American City*.  
Comprehensive exams, 1986, passed with distinction
- M.A. 1985 Sociology, University of Massachusetts, Amherst
- B.A. 1979, Sociology/Political Science, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque.  
Magna cum laude in Sociology; Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Kappa Phi

## PUBLICATIONS:

### *BOOKS:*

2017            Barron, Jessica M. and **Rhys H. Williams**  
*The Urban Church Imagined: Religion, Race, and Authenticity in the City.* (New York: New York University Press).

2017            Braunstein, Ruth, Todd Nicholas Fuist, and **Rhys H. Williams**, editors.  
*Religion and Progressive Activism: New Stories about Faith and Politics.* (New York: New York University Press).

Under contract        Warner, R. Stephen, **Rhys H. Williams**, and Courtney Ann Irby.  
"Slow Religion: Bringing Up American Youth as Protestants, Muslims and Hindus." (Philadelphia: Temple University Press).

2001            **Williams, Rhys H.**, editor.  
*Promise Keepers and the New Masculinity: Private Lives and Public Morality.* (Lanham, Maryland: Lexington Books.)

1998            Demerath, N.J. III, Peter Dobkin Hall, Terry Schmitt, **Rhys H. Williams**, editors.  
*Sacred Companies: Organizational Aspects of Religion and Religious Aspects of Organizations.* (New York: Oxford University Press).

1997            **Williams, Rhys H.**, editor.  
*Cultural Wars in American Politics: Critical Reviews of a Popular Myth.* (Hawthorne, NY: Aldine de Gruyter).

1992            Demerath, N.J. III and **Rhys H. Williams**.  
*A Bridging of Faiths: Religion and Politics in a New England City.* (Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press).

### *ARTICLES:*

2019    Fuist, Todd Nicholas and **Rhys H. Williams**.  
"Let's Call Ourselves the Super Elite': Using the Collective Behavior Tradition to Analyze Trump's America." *Sociological Forum* (December) 34 (S1): 1132-1152. (On-line published 8/20/2019; DOI: 10.1111/socf.12537)

2019            Braunstein, Ruth, Todd Nicholas Fuist, and **Rhys H. Williams**.  
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<https://doi.org/10.1111/soc4.12656>.

2018            **Williams, Rhys H.**, Courtney Ann Irby, and R. Stephen Warner.  
"Dare to be Different': How Religious Groups Frame and Enact Appropriate Sexuality and Gender Norms among Young Adults." *Sociological Studies of Children and Youth* 23: 1-22.

- 2016            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Sociology of Religion and Religious Studies: Institutional Issues and Intellectual Concerns.”  
 Symposium. *Critical Research on Religion* (December) 4 (3): 299-306 (Online published  
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- 2016            **Williams, Rhys H.**, Courtney Ann Irby, and R. Stephen Warner  
 “‘Church’ in Black and White: The Organizational Lives of Young Adults.” *Religions* 7, (7 [July])  
 90; (DOI:10.3390/rel7070090).
- 2016            Reed, Jean-Pierre, **Rhys H. Williams**, Kathryn B. Ward.  
 “Civil Religious Contention in Cairo, Illinois: Priestly and Prophetic Ideologies in a ‘Northern’  
 Civil Rights Struggle.” *Theory & Society* (February) 45 (1): 25-55 (Online published 11/6/2015.  
 DOI: 10.1007/s11186-015-9262-7).
- 2015            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Religion and Multiculturalism: A Web of Legal, Institutional, and Cultural Connections.” *The*  
*Sociological Quarterly* (Fall) 56 (4): 607-622 (Online published 4/7/2015. DOI:  
 10.1111/tsq.12094).
- 2015            Timberlake, Jeffery M., Junia Howell, Amy Baumann-Grau, and **Rhys H.**  
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 "Who "They" Are Matters: Immigrant Stereotypes and Assessments of the Impact of Immigration."  
*The Sociological Quarterly* (Spring) 56 (2): 267-299. (Online published 1/2/2015. DOI:  
 10.1111/tsq.12076).
- 2014            **Williams, Rhys H.** and Todd Nicholas Fuist  
 “Civil Religion and National Politics in a Neoliberal Era.” *Sociology Compass* 8 (7): 929-938.  
 DOI: 10.1111/soc4.12187
- 2014            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Public Islam in the Contemporary World: A View on the American Case.” *Nordic Journal of*  
*Islamic Studies/Tidskrift for islamforskning* 8 (1): 56-77.
- 2013            Josephsohn, Thomas J. and **Rhys H. Williams.**  
 “Introduction: Possibilities in the Critical Sociology of Religion.” (Guest-edited issue R.H.  
 Williams and T.J. Josephsohn, eds.) *Critical Research on Religion* (August) 1 (2): 123-128.
- 2013            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Civil Religion and the Cultural Politics of National Identity in Obama’s America.” *Journal for the*  
*Scientific Study of Religion* (June) 52 (2): 239-257.
- 2013            **Williams, Rhys H.** and Thomas J. Josephsohn.  
 “North American Sociology of Religion: Critique and Prospects.” *Critical Research on Religion*  
 (April) 1 (1): 62-71.

- 2013            Szaflarski, Magdalena, P. Neal Ritchey, C. Jeff Jacobson, **Rhys H. Williams**, Amy Baumann-Grau, Karthikeyan Meganathan, Christopher D. Ellison, and Joel Tsevat. "Faith-Based HIV Prevention and Counseling Programs: Findings from the Cincinnati Census of Religious Congregations." *AIDS and Behavior* (April) 17 (5): 1839-1854. (DOI 10.1007/s10461-013-0455-7).
- 2012            Timberlake, Jeffery M. and **Rhys H. Williams** "Stereotypes of Immigrants from Four Global Regions." *Social Science Quarterly* (December) 93 (4): 867-890.
- 2012            **Williams, Rhys H.** "Immigration and National Identity in Obama's America: The Expansion of 'Culture Wars' Politics." *Canadian Review of American Studies* (December) 42 (3): 322-346.
- 2011            **Williams, Rhys H.** "Creating an American Islam: Thoughts on Religion, Identity, and Place." *Sociology of Religion* (Summer) 72 (2): 127-153.
- 2007            **Williams, Rhys H.** and Gira Vashi "Hijab and American Muslim Women: Creating the Space for Autonomous Selves." *Sociology of Religion* (Autumn) 68 (3): 269-287.  
Reprinted in *The Politics of Women's Bodies*, 4th edition, Rose Weitz and Samantha Kwan, eds. (New York: Oxford University Press, 2014).
- 2007            **Williams, Rhys H.** "The Languages of the Public Sphere: Religious Pluralism, Institutional Logics, and Civil Society." *The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Sciences* (July) 612: 42-61.
- 2006            **Williams, Rhys H.** "Forum: Electronic Media and the Study of American Religion." *Religion and American Culture: A Journal of Interpretation* (Winter) 16 (1): 18-24.
- 2005            **Williams, Rhys H.** "Introduction to a Forum on Religion and Place." *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 44 (September) 3: 239-242.
- 2002            Platt, Gerald M. and **Rhys H. Williams.** "Ideological Language and Social Movement Mobilization: A Sociolinguistic Analysis of Segregationists' Ideologies." *Sociological Theory* (November) 20 (3): 328-359.
- 2000            **Williams, Rhys H.** "Promise Keepers: A Comment on Religion and Social Movements." *Sociology of Religion* (Spring) 61 (1): 1-10.

- 2000            **Williams, Rhys H.** and Robert D. Benford.  
 “Two Faces of Collective Action Frames: A Theoretical Consideration.” *Current Perspectives in Social Theory* 20: 127-151.
- 1999            **Williams, Rhys H.** and Timothy J. Kubal.  
 “Movement Frames and the Cultural Environment: Resonance, Failure, and the Boundaries of the Legitimate.” *Research in Social Movements, Conflict, and Change* 21: 225-248.
- 1999            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Visions of the Good Society and the Religious Roots of American Political Culture.” *Sociology of Religion* (Spring) 60 (1): 1-34.  
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- 1999            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Ideology, Culture, and the Dynamics of Collective Action.” *Quarterly Journal of Ideology* (June) 22 (1&2): 31-41.
- 1997            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Is America in a Culture War? Yes—No—Sort of.” *The Christian Century* (November 12) 114 (32): 1038-1043.  
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- 1996            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Religion as Political Resource: Culture or Ideology?” *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* (December) 35 (4): 368-378.
- 1996            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Introduction: Sociology of Culture and Sociology of Religion.” *Sociology of Religion* (Spring) 57 (1): 1-5.
- 1995            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Constructing the Public Good: Cultural Resources and Social Movements.” *Social Problems* (February) 42 (1): 124-144.  
       Reprinted in *Social Movements: Critical Concepts*, J. Goodwin and J. Jasper, eds (Routledge, 2007)  
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- 1994            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Organizational Change in Theological Schools: Dilemmas of Ideology and Resources.” *Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly* (Summer) 23 (2): 123-137.
- 1994            **Williams, Rhys H.** and Susan M. Alexander.  
 “Religious Rhetoric in American Populism: Civil Religion as Movement Ideology.” *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* (March) 33 (1): 1-15.

- 1994            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Covenant, Contract, and Communities: Religious and Political Culture in America.” *International Issues* (April) 37 (2): 31-50.
- 1993            Demerath, N.J. III and **Rhys H. Williams.**  
 “Between ‘Town’ and ‘City’: Religion and Ethnicity in Political and Economic Development.” *Journal of Urban History* (August) 19 (4): 26-62.
- 1992            Demerath, N.J. III and **Rhys H. Williams.**  
 “Secularization in a Community Context: Tensions of Religion and Politics in a New England City.” *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* (June) 31 (2): 189-206.
- 1991            **Williams, Rhys H.** and N.J. Demerath III.  
 “Religion and Political Process in an American City.” *American Sociological Review* (August) 56 (4): 417-431.  
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- 1988            Platt Gerald M. and **Rhys H. Williams.**  
 “Religion, Ideology, and Electoral Politics.” *Society* (July/August) 25 (5): 38-45.  
       Revised and reprinted in *Cultural Wars in American Politics: Critical Reviews of a Popular Myth*, R.H. Williams, ed. (Hawthorne, NY: Aldine de Gruyter, 1997).
- 1986            Will, Jeffrey and **Rhys Williams.**  
 “Political Ideology and Political Action in the New Christian Right.” *Sociological Analysis* (Summer) 47 (2): 160-168.
- 1985            Demerath, N.J. III and **Rhys H. Williams.**  
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- 1984            Demerath, N.J. III and **Rhys H. Williams.**  
 “Separation of Church and State? A Mythical Past and Uncertain Future.” *Society* (May/June), 21 (4): 3-10.  
       Reprinted in *Church-State Relations: Tensions and Transitions*, T. Robbins and R. Robertson, eds. (New Brunswick, NJ: Transaction Books, 1987).  
       Reprinted in *Sociology: Contemporary Readings*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ed., J. Stimson and A. Stimson, eds. (Itasca, IL: F.E. Peacock Publishers, 1987).

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- 2019            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “The Current Landscape of American Religion: Diversity, Individuation, and the Implications for an Aging Population.” Pp. 27-44 in *New Dimensions in Spirituality, Religion, and Aging*. Vern Bengtson and Merril D. Silverstein, eds. (New York: Routledge).
- 2017            Fuist, Todd Nicholas, Ruth Braunstein, **Rhys H. Williams.**  
 “Introduction: Religion and Progressive Activism – Introducing and Mapping the Field.” Pp. 1-25 in *Religion and Progressive Activism: New Stories about Faith and Politics*, R. Braunstein, T.N. Fuist, R.H. Williams, eds. (New York: New York University Press).
- 2017            Lichterman, Paul and **Rhys H. Williams.**  
 “The Cultural Challenges for Mainline Protestant Political Progressives.” Pp. 117-137 in *Religion and Progressive Activism: New Stories about Faith and Politics*, R. Braunstein, T.N. Fuist, R.H. Williams, eds. (New York: New York University Press).
- 2017            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Conclusion: What Progressive Efforts Tell Us about Faith and Politics.” Pp. 348-363 in *Religion and Progressive Activism: New Stories about Faith and Politics*, R. Braunstein, T.N. Fuist, R.H. Williams, eds. (New York: New York University Press).
- 2016            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Preserving the Protestant Nation: Religion and Socio-political Dimensions of Immigration until 1920.” Pp. 149-159 in *The Wiley-Blackwell Companion to Religion & Politics in the U.S.*, Barbara A. McGraw, editor. (Malden, MA: Wiley-Blackwell Publishers).
- 2016            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Religion and Immigration Post-1965: Race, Culture Wars, and National Identity.” Pp. 278-290 in *The Wiley-Blackwell Companion to Religion & Politics in the U.S.*, Barbara A. McGraw, editor. (Malden, MA: Wiley-Blackwell Publishers).
- 2011            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “American National Identity, the Rise of the Modern City, and the Birth of Protestant Fundamentalism.” Pp. 77-98 in *The Fundamentalist City?: Religiosity and the Remaking of Urban Space*, Nezar Al-Sayyad and Mejjan Massoumi, eds. (London: Routledge).
- 2010            Warner, R. Stephen and **Rhys H. Williams.**  
 “The Role of Families and Religious Institutions in Transmitting Faith Among Christians, Muslims, and Hindus in the U.S.” Pp. 169-75 in *Religion and Youth*, Sylvia Collins-Mayo and Ben P. Dandelion, eds. (Abingdon, England: Ashgate Publishing).
- 2009            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Politicized Evangelicalism and Secular Elites: Creating a ‘Moral Other.’” Pp. 143-79 in *Evangelicals and Democracy in America, Volume II: Religion and Politics*, Steven Brint and Jean Reith Schroedel, eds. (New York: Russell Sage Foundation).  
 Reprinted in *Readings for Sociology 8th edition*, Garth Massey, ed. (New York: W.W. Norton & Co., 2015)

- 2007           Nepstad, Sharon Erickson and **Rhys H. Williams**.  
 “Religion in Rebellion, Resistance, and Social Change.” Pp. 419-37 in *The SAGE Handbook of the Sociology of Religion*, James A. Beckford and N.J. Demerath III, eds. (London, UK: Sage Publications).
- 2007           **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Liberalism, Religion, and the Dilemma of ‘Immigrant Rights’ in American Political Culture.” Pp. 16-32 in *Religion and Social Justice for Immigrants*, Pierrette Hondagneu-Sotelo, ed. (New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers University Press).
- 2006           **Williams, Rhys H.** and John P.N. Massad.  
 “Religious Diversity, Civil Law, Institutional Isomorphism.” Pp. 111-128 in *Religious Organizations in the United States: A Study of Identity, Liberty, and the Law*, J.A. Serritella, T. C. Berg, W. C. Durham, Jr., E. M. Gaffney, Jr., C. B. Mousin, eds. (Durham, NC: Carolina Academic Press).
- 2006           **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Religion in the City: Confronting the ‘Other’ Every Day.” Pp. 21-38 in *Varieties of Urban Experience: The American City and the Practice of Culture*, Michael Ian Borer, ed. (Lanham, MD: University Press of America).
- 2005           **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Religion as a Cultural System: Theoretical and Empirical Developments Since Geertz.” Pp. 97-113 in *The Blackwell Companion to the Sociology of Culture*, M. Jacobs and N. Hanrahan, eds. (Malden, Mass. and Oxford, U.K.: Blackwell Publishers).
- 2004           **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Religion and Place in the Midwest: Urban, Rural, and Suburban Forms of Religious Expression.” Pp. 187-208 in *Religion and Public Life in the Midwest: America’s Common Denominator*, Philip Barlow and Mark Silk, eds., (Walnut Creek, Calif.: Altamira Press).
- 2004           **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “The Cultural Context of Collective Action: Constraints, Opportunities, and the Symbolic Life of Social Movements.” Pp. 91-115 in *The Blackwell Companion to Social Movements*, D. Snow, S. Soule, and H. Kriesi, eds. (Malden, Mass. and Oxford, U.K.: Blackwell Publishers).
- 2003           **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Religious Social Movements in the Public Sphere: Organization, Ideology, and Activism.” Pp. 315-330 in *Handbook of the Sociology of Religion*, M. Dillon, ed. (New York: Cambridge University Press).
- 2003           **Williams, Rhys H.** and R. Stephen Warner.  
 “Creating a Diverse Urban Evangelicalism: Moral Boundaries and Social Diversity.” Pp. 205-214 in *A Public Faith: Evangelicals and Civic Engagement*, M. Cromartie, ed. (Lanham: Rowman and Littlefield).



- 2003            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “The Language of God in the City of Man: Religious Discourse and Public Politics in America.” Pp. 171-189 in *Religion as Social Capital: Producing the Common Good*, C. Smidt, ed. (Waco, TX: Baylor University Press).
- 2002            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “From the ‘Beloved Community’ to ‘Family Values’: Religious Language, Symbolic Repertoires, and Democratic Culture.” Pp. 247-65 in *Social Movements: Identity, Culture, and the State*, D.S. Meyer, N. Whittier, and B. Robnett, eds. (New York: Oxford University Press).
- 2000            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Social Movements and Religion in Contemporary American Politics.” Pp. 52-62 in *Religion and American Politics: The 2000 Election in Context*, Mark Silk, ed. (Hartford, CT: Center for the Study of Religion in Public Life, Trinity College).
- 1999            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Public Religion and Hegemony: Contesting the Language of the Common Good.” Pp. 169-186 in *The Power of Religious Publics: Staking Claims in American Society*, William H. Swatos, Jr. and James K. Wellman, eds. (Westport, CT: Praeger Publications).
- 1998            **Williams, Rhys H.** and N.J. Demerath III.  
 “Cultural Power: How Underdog Religious and Nonreligious Movements Triumph Against Structural Odds.” Pp. 364-377 in *Sacred Companies*, N.J. Demerath III et al., eds. (New York: Oxford University Press).
- 1998            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
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- 1996            **Williams, Rhys H.** and Jeffrey Neal Blackburn.  
 “Many Are Called But Few Obey: Ideological Commitment and Activism in Operation Rescue.” Pp. 167-185 in *Disruptive Religion: The Force of Faith in Social-Movement Activism*, Christian Smith, editor. (New York: Routledge Publishers).
- 1995            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Breaching the ‘Wall of Separation’: The Balance Between Religious Freedom and Social Order.” Pp. 299-322 in *Armageddon in Waco: Critical Perspectives on the Branch Davidian Conflict*, Stuart A. Wright, editor. (Chicago: University of Chicago Press).
- 1995            **Williams, Gwyneth I. and Rhys H. Williams.**  
 “‘All We Want is Equality’: Rhetorical Framing and the Father’s Rights Movement.” Pp. 191-212 in *Images of Issues*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ed., Joel Best, editor (New York: Aldine de Gruyter).  
 Reprinted in *Social Problems: Constructionist Readings*, D. Loseke and J. Best, eds. (New York: Aldine de Gruyter, 2003)

- 1994            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Movement Dynamics and Social Change: Transforming Fundamentalist Ideology and Organizations.” Pp. 785-833 in *Accounting for Fundamentalisms: The Dynamic Character of Movements*, Martin E. Marty and R. Scott Appleby, editors. (Chicago: Univ. of Chicago Press).
- 1992            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Flowing Down Like a Mighty River: Religion in the Life and History of American Politics.” Pp. 1221-1240 in *The United States: A Handbook*, G. Hodgson, editor. (Oxford: Facts on File, Inc.).
- 1991            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “World Order and Religion: A Match Made in Heaven or a Marriage of Convenience?” Pp. 297-312 in *World Order and Religion*, Wade Clark Roof, editor. (Albany: SUNY Press).
- 1990            Demerath, N.J. III and **Rhys H. Williams.**  
 “Religion and Power in the American Experience.” Pp. 427-448 in *In Gods We Trust, Vol. II*, T. Robbins and D. Anthony, editors. (New Brunswick, NJ: Transaction Books); also published in *Society*, (Jan./Feb., 1989) 26 (2): 29-39.

*REVIEW ESSAYS:*

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 “Democracies under Fire: American Politics since *Prophets and Patriots*.” Symposium Essay on Ruth Braunstein’s *Prophets and Patriots: Faith in Democracy across the Political Divide*. Syndicate: A Living Network of Scholarship in the Humanities, <https://syndicate.network>.
- 2010            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Muslims in the U.S. after 9/11: Furthering an American Islam.” Review Essay, *Christian Century* (June 15) 127 (12): 32-36.
- 2009            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Transnational Religion and the Shaping of Politics, Ethnicity, and Culture,” Review Essay, *Contemporary Sociology: A Journal of Reviews* (March) 38 (2): 129-133.
- 2006            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Collective Action, Everyday Protest, and Lived Religion.” Review Essay. *Social Movement Studies* (May) 5 (1): 81-87.
- 2002            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Religion, Community, and Place: Locating the Transcendent.” Review Essay. *Religion and American Culture: A Journal of Interpretation* (Summer) 12 (2): 249-263.
- 1996            **Williams, Rhys H.**  
 “Politics, Religion, and the Analysis of Culture.” Review Essay. *Theory and Society* (December) 25 (6): 883-900.

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- 2003-2008 *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*, Editor  
1996-1999 *Social Problems*, Associate Editor/Co-editor

## **GUEST EDITOR:**

- 2013 Guest co-editor (with Thomas J. Josephsohn), issue on North American Sociology of Religion, *Critical Research on Religion*, Vol. 1, No. 2 (August).  
2000 Guest co-editor (with Gwyneth I. Williams), issue on politics and culture, *Religion and Education*, Vol. 27, No. 2, (Fall).  
2000 Guest editor, issue on Promise Keepers, *Sociology of Religion*, Vol. 61, No. 1, (Spring).  
1996 Guest editor, issue on religion and culture, *Sociology of Religion*, Vol. 57, No. 1, (Spring).  
1994 Guest co-editor (with Peter Dobkin Hall), issue on religious organizations, *Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly*, Vol. 23, No. 2, (Summer).

## **HONORS:**

- 2017-20 Member, Executive Council, American Sociological Association.  
2016-17 Chair and Chair-elect, American Sociological Association's Section on Political Sociology.  
2011-12 President and President-elect, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion.  
2009-10 President and President-elect, Association for the Sociology of Religion.  
2006-07 Chair and Chair-elect, American Sociological Association's Section on Collective Behavior/Social Movements.  
2005-06 Residential Fellow, Charles Phelps Taft Research Center at the University of Cincinnati.  
2001-02 Chair and Chair-elect, American Sociological Association's Section for the Sociology of Religion.  
2000 Distinguished Article Award, American Sociological Association's Section for the Sociology of Religion, for "Visions of the Good Society and the Religious Roots of American Political Culture," *Sociology of Religion*, Spring 1999.  
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## **AWARDS:**

- 2019 Faculty Research Summer Stipend, Loyola University Chicago  
2018 'Master Researcher' - Sujack Research Award, College of Arts & Sciences, Loyola University Chicago  
2014 'Master Researcher' - Sujack Research Award, College of Arts & Sciences, Loyola University Chicago.

- 2011 Outstanding Faculty Award, Department of Student Diversity and Multicultural Affairs, Loyola University Chicago.
- 2007-09 National Institute of Child and Human Development (NICHD/NIH), Project: “Religious Organizations' Responses to HIV/AIDS.” Investigator (with M. Szaflarski, J. Tsevat, co-PIs). Total award: \$ 429,000
- 2001-2002 Pew Charitable Trusts; evaluation and research grant. Project: “Religion, Cultural Authority, and Academic Life.” Principal Investigator. \$ 78,000.
- 1998-2003 Lilly Endowment, Inc.; research grant. Project: “The Youth and Religion Project: Organizational Involvement and Social Identity.” Co-PI (with R. Stephen Warner). Total award: \$ 652,443.
- 1999 Dean’s Recognition Award, College of Liberal Arts, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale.
- 1992 National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Stipend. Project: “Constructing the Public Good: Rhetoric in Political Movements.”

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2018    “Civil Religion and American Christianity,” edited by L.J. Atchison, K. Bates, and D.D. Lenz. *Journal of Church and State* (Autumn) 60 (4): 755-757.

2017    “Visualizing Religious History” review of “Beheading the Saint: Nationalism, Religion, and Secularism in Quebec,” by Genevieve Zubrzycki. Review Symposium, *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* (December) 56 (4): 903-905.

2017    “Becoming Arab in London: Performativity and the Undoing of Identity,” by Ramy M.K. Aly. *Contemporary Sociology* (November) 46 (6): 652-3. (First published online October 27, 2017; doi.org/10.1177/0094306117734868b).

2016    “Political Secularism, Religion, and the State: A Times Series Analysis of Worldwide Data,” by Jonathan Fox. *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 55 (December) 4: 874-875. DOI: 10.1111/jssr.12302.

2016    “American Identity and the Politics of Multiculturalism,” by Jack Citrin and David O. Sears. *Contemporary Sociology* (May) 45 (3): 289-290.

2015    “Claiming Society for God: Religious Movements and Social Welfare in Egypt, Israel, Italy and the United States,” by Nancy J. Davis and Robert V. Robinson. *Politics & Religion* (March) 8 (1): 201-204. (First published online: January 9, 2015. DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1017/S1755048314000765>).

2014    “Religion on the Edge: De-Centering and Re-Centering the Sociology of Religion,” edited by Courtney Bender, Wendy Cadge, Peggy Levitt, David Smilde. *Contemporary Sociology* (July) 43 (4): 498-500.

2013    “The Roots of Radicalism: Tradition, the Public Sphere, and Early Nineteenth-Century Social Movements,” by Craig Calhoun. *American Journal of Sociology* (July) 119 (1): 254-256.

2012    “Understanding Social Movements: Theories from the Classical Era to the Present,” by Steven M. Buechler. *Mobilization* (September) 17 (3): 374-375.

- 2011 “Preserving Ethnicity Through Religion in America: Korean Protestants and Indian Hindus Across Generations,” by Pyong Gap Min. *Journal of Asian American Studies* (October) 14 (3): 451-454.
- 2011 “Souls in Transition: The Religious and Spiritual Lives of Emerging Adults,” by Christian Smith and Patricia Snell. *Review of Religious Research* (March) 52 (3): 339-40.
- 2011 “American Grace: How Religion Divides Us and Unites Us,” by Robert D. Putnam and David E. Campbell. *Stanford Social Innovation Review* Spring: 17.
- 2010 “The Politics of Child Sexual Abuse: Emotion, Social Movements, and the State,” by Nancy Whittier. *Mobilization* (September) 15 (3): 393-4.
- 2009 “Sacred Assemblies and Civic Engagement: How Religion Matters for America’s Newest Immigrants,” by Fred Kniss and Paul D. Numrich. *Christian Century* (June 2) 126 (11): 36-9.
- 2007 “Getting Your Way: Strategic Dilemmas in the Real World,” by James M. Jasper. *Mobilization* (September) 12 (3): 331-3.
- 2006 “America and the Challenges of Religious Diversity,” by Robert Wuthnow. *Social Forces* (September) 85 (1): 599-601.
- 2006 “God’s Politics: Why the Right Gets it Wrong and the Left Doesn’t Get it,” by Jim Wallis. *Journal of Church and State* (Summer) 48 (3): 710-11.
- 2006 “Soul Searching: The Religious and Spiritual Lives of American Teenagers,” by Christian Smith and Melinda Lundquist Denton. *Review of Religious Research* (June) 47 (4): 429-30.
- 2005 “Islam in Urban America: Sunni Muslims in Chicago,” by Garbi Schmidt. *Contemporary Sociology* (May) 34 (3): 285-286.
- 2004 “Talk About Sex: The Battles Over Sex Education in U.S. Schools,” by Janice M. Irvine. *Sexualities Journal* (February) 7 (1): 119-121.
- 2004 “Divided by Faith: Evangelical Religion and the Problem of Race in America,” by Michael O. Emerson and Christian Smith. *Sociology of Religion* (Summer) 65 (2): 178-79.
- 2004 “Freedom is an Endless Meeting: Democracy in American Social Movements,” by Francesca Polletta. *Contemporary Sociology* (January) 33 (1): 73-4.
- 2003 “Public Religion and Urban Transformation,” edited by Lowell W. Livezey. *Review of Religious Research* (June) 44 (4) 432-33.
- 2002 “Terror in the Mind of God: The Global Rise of Religious Violence,” by Mark Juergensmeyer. *Sociology of Religion* (Fall) 63 (3): 397-99.

- 2001 "Acts of Faith: Explaining the Human Side of Religion," by Rodney Stark and Roger Finke. *American Journal of Sociology* (May) 106 (6): 1840-42.
- 2001 "Loose Connections: Joining Together in America's Fragmented Communities," by Robert Wuthnow. *Social Forces* (June) 79 (4): 1547-48.
- 2001 "Culture: The Anthropologists' Account," by Adam Kuper. *Contemporary Sociology* (May) 30 (3): 302-304.
- 2001 "The Desecularization of the World: Resurgent Religion in World Politics," edited by Peter L. Berger. *Sociology of Religion* (Spring) 62 (1): 131-132.
- 2001 "Organizing God's Work: Challenges for Churches and Synagogues," by Margaret Harris. *Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly* (March) 30 (1): 137-140.
- 2000 "Rational Choice Theory and Religion," edited by Lawrence A. Young. *Sociology of Religion* (Spring) 61 (1): 105-106.
- 2000 "Gay Politics, Urban Politics" by Robert Bailey and "Culture Wars and Local Politics," edited by Elaine Sharp. *American Journal of Sociology* (January) 105 (4): 1239-42.
- 1999 "Is America Breaking Apart?" by John A. Hall and Charles Lindholm. *The Christian Century* (Nov. 3) 116 (30): 1065-1068.
- 1999 "The Art of Moral Protest: Culture, Biography, and Creativity in Social Movements." by James M. Jasper. *Social Forces* (June) 77 (4): 1673-75.
- 1999 "With Liberty for All: Religious Freedom in the United States." by Phillip E. Hammond. *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* (June) 38 (2): 316-317.
- 1999 "The Sociology of Religious Movements." by William Sims Bainbridge. *American Journal of Sociology* (May) 104 (6): 1841-42.
- 1999 "The Bully Pulpit: The Politics of Protestant Clergy." by J. Guth, J. Green, C. Smidt, L. Kellstedt, M. Poloma. *The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Sciences* (May) 563: 220-221.
- 1998 "Between Revolution and Resistance: Cultural Politics and Social Protest." eds. Richard G. Fox and Orin Starn. *Contemporary Sociology* (November) 27 (6): 636-7.
- 1998 "The Culture of Religious Pluralism." by Richard E. Wentz. *Sociology of Religion* (Winter) 59 (4): 420-1.
- 1998 "Political Theology on the Right and Left: review essay of *The Bully Pulpit: The Politics of Protestant Clergy*." by J. Guth, J. Green, C. Smidt, L. Kellstedt, M. Poloma. *Christian Century* (July 29-August 5) 115 (21): 722-24.

- 1998 “Resurgent Evangelicalism in the United States: Mapping Cultural Change Since 1970.” by Mark A. Shibley. *Journal of Church and State* (Winter) 40 (1): 207-9.
- 1998 “Congregation and Community.” by Nancy Tatom Ammerman. *American Journal of Sociology* (January) 103 (4): 1081-3.
- 1996 “Producing the Sacred: An Essay on Public Religion.” by Robert Wuthnow. *Journal of Church and State* (December) 38 (4): 901.
- 1996 “The Rapture of Politics: The Christian Right as the United States Approaches the Year 2000.” eds. Bruce, Kivisto, Swatos. *Review of Religious Research* (March) 37 (3): 279-80.
- 1995 “Public Religions in the Modern World.” by Jose Casanova. *Contemporary Sociology* (March) 24 (2): 173-4.
- 1995 “Religion and Personal Autonomy: The Third Disestablishment in America.” by Phillip E. Hammond. *Journal of the American Academy of Religion* (Spring) 63 (1): 151-3.
- 1994 “Church and Organization: A Sociological and Theological Enquiry.” by Joseph F. McCann. *Contemporary Sociology* (September) 23 (5): 723-4.
- 1994 “The Political Dimensions of Religion.” edited by Said Amir Arjomand. *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* (June) 33 (2): 181-2.
- 1992 “The Rude Hand of Innovation: Religion and Social Order in Albany, NY, 1652-1836.” by David G. Hackett. *American Journal of Sociology* (May) 97: 1782-4.
- 1991 “The Struggle for America’s Soul: Evangelicals, Liberals, and Secularism.” by Robert Wuthnow. *Journal of Church and State* (Winter) 33 (1): 153-5.
- 1990 “Readings on Church and State.” and “Ecumenical Perspectives on Church and State: Protestant, Catholic, and Jewish.” both edited by James E. Wood, Jr. *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* (June) 29 (2): 280-1.
- 1988 “Invitation to Talcott Parsons’ Theory.” by Pat N. Lackey. *Contemporary Sociology* (November) 17 (6): 845-6.
- 1985 “The Human Nature of Social Discontent.” by Gary B. Thom. *Contemporary Sociology* (May) 14 (3): 408-9.
- 1984 “Character: An Individualist Theory of Politics.” by Frederick Homer. *Contemporary Sociology* (July) 13 (4): 526-7.



## INVITED TALKS & LECTURES:

2019 “The Promise and the Peril: Looking Ahead at the Institutional Bases for the Study of Religion,” Sixth Biennial Religion & American Culture Conference, Indiana Univ.-Purdue Univ., Indianapolis, June. [Posted with Conference Proceedings, pp. 67-70, [https://raac.iupui.edu/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/RAAC\\_6th-Biennial-Conference-Proceedings-2019.pdf](https://raac.iupui.edu/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/RAAC_6th-Biennial-Conference-Proceedings-2019.pdf)]

2018 “Religion in Urban America: Race, Immigration, and New Forms Faith in U.S. Cities.” Arthur C. Wickenden Annual Lecture, Department of Comparative Religion, Miami University, Ohio, Oxford, OH, April.

2018 “Religious Populism in America and the Possibility for Democratic Politics,” Conference on “Populism and Religion: The American Case.” The Institute for Religion, Culture and Public Life, School of Journalism, Department of Political Science, Columbia University, New York, March 1-2.

2015 “Religion and Market: Globalization, Neoliberalism, and the Study of American Religion.” Fourth Biennial Religion & American Culture Conference, Indiana Univ.-Purdue Univ., Indianapolis, June. [Posted with Conference Proceedings, pp. 46-9, <http://www.iupui.edu/~raac/>]

2015 “Religious Activism and the Making of ‘American Exceptionalism’,” Plenary Address, 5<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Religion and Spirituality in Society, Berkeley, CA, April.

2014 “Immigration and Images of American National Identity.” Spencer Cahill Memorial Lecture, Department of Sociology, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL, March.

2013 “Creating an American Islam: Religious Identity and the Second Generation.” American Islamic College Lecture Series, American Islamic College, Chicago, IL, November.

2012 “Civil Religion and the Cultural Politics of National Identity in Obama’s America.” Presidential Address, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion meeting, Phoenix, November.

2012 “Publishing in Academic Journals.” Purdue Research Workshop, Center for Religion and Chinese Society, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, July.

2011 “‘Church’ in Black and White: The Organizational Lives of Young Adults.” Center for the Study of Religion and Society, Department of Sociology, University of Notre Dame, IN, November.

2011 “Revisiting the Secularization Question: Religion, Spirituality, and Organized Social Identities.” Second Biennial Religion & American Culture Conference, Indiana Univ.-Purdue Univ., Indianapolis, June. [Posted with Conference Proceedings, pp. 21-2, <http://www.iupui.edu/~raac/>]

- 2011 “Culture Wars in the Obama Era: Immigration, Religion, and National Identity.” Department of Sociology, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL, February.
- 2010 “Public Islam and the Scandinavian Welfare State: An American Perspective.” Conference on “Public Islam and the Scandinavian Welfare State, Center for Islamic Studies, Youngstown State University, Youngstown, OH, October.
- 2010 “Immigration and the Politics of Cultural Identity in Obama’s America.” Conference on “Culture Wars in the United States: Conservatism, Religion, and Politics in the Age of Obama,” Raoul Dandurand Chair of Strategic and Diplomatic Studies, and the Center for United States Studies, University of Quebec at Montreal, October.
- 2010 “Creating an American Islam: Thoughts on Religion, Identity, and Place,” Presidential Address, Association for the Sociology of Religion annual meeting, Atlanta, August.
- 2010 “Liberal Individualism and Cultural Integration among America’s New Religious Communities,” Colloquium on Violence & Religion, University of Notre Dame, Indiana, July.
- 2010 “Are Second Generation Muslims Creating an American Islam?” Department of Sociology and Duke Islamic Studies Center, Duke University, Durham, NC, February.
- 2009 “‘Interdisciplinarity’ and the Social Science of Religion: The Epistemological Divide.” First Biennial Religion & American Culture Conference, Indiana Univ.-Purdue Univ., Indianapolis, June. [Posted with Conference Proceedings, pp. 22-4, <http://www.iupui.edu/~raac/>]
- 2009 “Myth and *Mythos* in the Culture War.” Program on Liberal Studies, Event Lecture, Augustana College, Rock Island, Illinois, March.
- 2008 “American National Identity, the Rise of the Modern City, and the Birth of Protestant Fundamentalism.” Conference on “Cities and Fundamentalisms,” sponsored by the comparative Urban Studies Project, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Washington, D.C., August.
- 2008 “Immigration, National Identity, and the Good Society,” Workshop on Culture, Politics, and History, Department of Sociology, University of Georgia, Athens, April.
- 2008 “Immigration, National Identity, and the Good Society,” Department of Sociology, The Ohio State University, Columbus, January.
- 2007 “Symbolic Boundaries, Urban Space, and Religious Identities,” Conference on “Cities and Fundamentalisms,” Center for Middle Eastern Studies, University of California, Berkeley, November.
- 2007 “Religion, the Urban Setting, and the Culture of Research,” R. Stephen Warner Retirement Research Symposium, Department of Sociology, University of Illinois, Chicago, June.

- 2007 “Immigration, National Identity, and the Good Society,” Department of Sociology, Visiting Lecture Series, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, February.
- 2006 “Immigration, National Identity, and the Good Society,” Second Annual Symposium on Faith and Politics, Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, September.
- 2005 Commencement Address, Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice; Program in Religious Studies, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, May.
- 2005 “The Shaping Power of American Culture: Liberalism, Religion, and Non-Christian Immigrants.” Conference on Religion and Social Justice for Immigrants, Center for Religion and Civic Culture, University of Southern California, February.
- 2003 Invited Respondent, symposium “The Sociological Imagination: Past, Present, & Future” Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Purdue University, Indiana, October.
- 2003 “The Symbolic Bases of Power: Religion, Social Movements and Political Culture.” Conference on Religion and Politics 2003, University of Notre Dame, Indiana, July.
- 2002 “Promise Keepers and the New Masculinity: Private Lives and Public Morality.” University of the Pacific, Stockton, California, October.
- 2001 “Creating Urban Evangelicalism: Youth Ministry, Moral Boundaries, and Social Diversity,” (text written with R. Stephen Warner). Evangelicals in Political and Civic Life: An Inventory, sponsored by the Ethics and Public Policy Center, Cape Elizabeth, Maine, June.
- 2001 “Promise Keepers and the New Masculinity: Private Lives and Public Morality.” Honors Program Lecture, University of Alabama-Huntsville, February.
- 1999 “Social Movements in Contemporary American Politics: An Organizational Perspective.” Conference on Religion and American Politics: Looking to the 2000 Elections, Trinity College, Hartford, Conn., April.
- 1999 “Religion and Public Discourse: The Resilience of the Protestant Establishment.” Spring symposium on Religion and Politics, Loyola University, Chicago, April.
- 1998 “The Language of God in the City of Man: Religious Discourse and Public Politics in America.” Conference on Religion, Social Capital, and Democratic Life, Calvin College, Grand Rapids, MI, October.
- 1997 “Culture Wars, Social Movements, and Contemporary Politics.” Department of Sociology, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, April.
- 1996 “Culture Wars, Cultural Power, and Institutional Politics.” Plenary address, Illinois Sociological Association, St. Charles, Illinois, October.

1994 Panelist, Conference on “Reinterpretations in American Religious History,” Harvard Colloquium in American Religious History, Harvard Divinity School, Harvard University, May.

1994 “Cultural Power: Religion and Social Movements in Contemporary Politics.” Center for the Study of American Religion, Princeton University, April.

1993 “Religion, Political Culture, and the Public Good.” Department of Sociology, University of Chicago, March.

1992 “A Tale of Two Establishments: Religion, Ethnicity, and Politics in Springfield, Mass.” Baumann Lecture in American Studies, Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts, January.

1992 “The Construction of the Public in a Liberal Society,” Department of Religion, Temple University, Philadelphia, May.

1992 “Rhetoric and Legitimation in Social Movements: Religion, Politics, and the Public Good,” Department of Sociology, Temple University, Philadelphia, May.

**SELECTED PAPER PRESENTATIONS:** (selected from last five years)

2018 “Race and Restructuring in Rethinking Civil Religion.” Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Las Vegas, NV, October.

2017 “Symbolic Violence and Rhetorics of Religious Conflict.” Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Washington, DC, October.

2017 “Civil Religion and the Crisis in American National Identity.” Joint thematic session, American Sociological Association/Association for Sociology of Religion. Montreal, August.

2017 “American Civil Religion in an Age of Immigration.” Eastern Sociological Society, Philadelphia, February.

2016 “Language and Identification: Activists’ Discourses in Construction Social Movements’ Collective Identities.” (w/ Gerald M. Platt and Eric Cheney) American Sociological Association, Seattle, August.

2016 “The Cultural Context of Collective Action: Non-religion in a Religious Political Culture.” Joint thematic session, American Sociological Association/Association for Sociology of Religion, Seattle, August.

2015 “Religious Activism, Cultural Populism, and the Making of American ‘Exceptionalism.’” Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Newport Beach, CA, October.

2015 “Religion, the TEA Party, and Cultural Populism: Historical and Theoretical Perspectives.” Association for the Sociology of Religion, Chicago, August.

2015 “Immigration and Islamophobia: Mexicans, Muslims, and America’s Religious Identity.” Association for the Sociology of Religion, Chicago, August.

2014 “‘This is not a Space for Politics, This is a Church’: Generational Conflict among Malayalee Christian Indian Americans.” (w/ S. Chacko) Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Indianapolis, October.

2013 “Civil Religion in the Neoliberal Moment: National Identity and Political Conflict.” Joint thematic session, American Sociological Association/Association for Sociology of Religion, New York City, August.

2012 “The ‘Ground Zero Mosque’ Controversy: Religious Pluralism, National Identity, and the Emotional Politics of Place.” Eastern Sociological Society, New York, February (w/ Thomas J. Josephsohn).

2011 “Religion and Social Conflict: Issues of Blood and Land.” Invited panel, Sociology of Religion Section, American Sociological Association, Las Vegas, August.

#### **OTHER WRITTEN WORK:**

2017 Williams, Rhys H.  
“Departmental Performance Metrics and the University Audit Culture.” Footnotes (ASA Newsletter) 45 (May/June) 2: 13. <http://www.asanet.org/news-events/footnotes/apr-may-jun-2017/features/departamental-performance-metrics-and-university-audit-culture>.

2017 Williams, Rhys H.  
“Writing Religion for the IPSP.” Posted January 12, 2017, *The Immanent Frame*, Website: <http://blogs.ssrc.org/tif/2017/01/12/writing-religion-ipsp/#Williams>

2014 Williams, Rhys H.  
“Comments on Davis and Robinson’s *Claiming Society for God*,” from 2014 ASA author-meets-critics session. ASA Section on Sociology of Religion Newsletter, Fall 2014, pp. 1-7.

2014 Williams, Rhys H.  
“What is “American” in American Religion?” Posted February 1, 2014. *Center for the Study of Religion & American Culture, On-line Forum*. Site: <http://raac.iupui.edu/forum/what-american-american-religion-february-2014/>

2012 Williams, Rhys H.  
“After Sandy: Presidential Rhetoric and Visions of Solidarity.” Posted November 6, 2012, *The Immanent Frame*, “off the cuff.” Site: <http://blogs.ssrc.org/tif/2012/11/05/after-sandy-presidential-rhetoric-and-visions-of-solidarity>

- 2012 Williams, Rhys H.  
 “The Culture of Religious Populism in Contemporary Activism.” Posted November 1, 2012  
*Mobilizing Ideas*. Site: <http://mobilizingideas.wordpress.com/2012/11/01/the-culture-of-religious-populism-in-contemporary-activism/>
- 2011 Williams, Rhys H.  
 “March Madness – What Piques Sociologists and Why?” Posted March 30, 2011, *This Week in Sociology*. Web site: <http://www.thisweekinsociology.com/?p=315>
- 2010 Williams, Rhys H.  
 “Giving the Strong Program a Critical Edge.” Posted March 8, 2010, from *The Immanent Frame*  
 Web site: <http://blogs.ssrc.org/tif/2010/03/09/giving-the-strong-program-a-critical-edge/>
- 2008 Williams, Rhys H.  
 “Why do we want to know?” Posted September 12, 2008, from *The Immanent Frame* Web site:  
[http://www.ssrc.org/blogs/immanent\\_frame/2008/09/12/why-do-we-want-to-know/](http://www.ssrc.org/blogs/immanent_frame/2008/09/12/why-do-we-want-to-know/)
- 2003-2008 Williams, Rhys H.  
 “From the Editor,” quarterly column (March, June, September, December) in the *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*, volumes 42-47.
- 2003 Williams, Rhys H.  
 “Religion, Politics, and the Analysis of Culture.” *Sociology of Religion: Newsletter of the American Sociological Association’s section for the Sociology of Religion* (Fall) X (1): 1, 4.
- 2002 Williams, Rhys H. and William A. Mirola.  
 “Report from the Collective Behavior-Social Movements Mini-Conference” *Sociology of Religion: Newsletter of the American Sociological Association’s section for the Sociology of Religion* (Fall) IX (1): 3.
- 2002 Williams, Rhys H. and Eugene Y. Lowe, Jr.  
 “Cluster Evaluation of the Pew Charitable Trusts’ grants to Christian Scholarship, 1990-2001.”  
 Evaluation report for the Pew Charitable Trusts, 2001-02.
- 2002 Williams, Rhys H.  
 “From the Chair: Talking with the Media about Religion in Society.” *Sociology of Religion: Newsletter of the American Sociological Association’s section for the Sociology of Religion* (Winter) VIII (2): 1-2.
- 1997 Williams, Rhys H.  
 “The Music and the Mind of Bach: Contemporary Interpretation and Cultural Tension.” Report to the Illinois Humanities Council on lecture series sponsored by the Newberry Library, Chicago.
- 1996 Williams, Rhys H.  
 “Religion and Culture: Networks and Approaches.” *Sociology of Religion: Newsletter of the American Sociological Association’s section for the Sociology of Religion* (Winter) II (2): 3-4.

- 1994 Williams, Rhys H. and Fred Kniss.  
 “Approaching Religion as Culture: New Directions in Research.” *Culture: Newsletter of the American Sociological Association’s section for the Sociology of Culture* (Winter) 8 (1): 1,5-7.
- 1992 Williams, Rhys H.  
 “Social Movement Theory and the Sociology of Religion: ‘Cultural Resources’ in Strategy and Organization,” *Working Paper #180, Program on Non-Profit Organizations*, Yale University, New Haven, Conn.
- 1990 Williams, Rhys H.  
 “An Evaluation of Grants for Institutional Research on Theological Education by the Lilly Endowment, Inc.” Final Report for contracted research for Auburn Theological Seminary and the Lilly Endowment, Inc., 1988-1990.
- 1989 Williams, Rhys H.  
 “Religion and the Public Sphere in the United States,” contracted evaluations of grants to “Religion and the Third Sector Project,” for Lilly Endowment, Inc., 1988-1989.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

### *Graduate:*

Sociology of Culture  
 Social Movements and Collective Action  
 Religion and Politics in America  
 Political Culture and Ideology  
 Political Sociology  
 Sociology of Religion  
 Race, Ethnicity, and Immigration in America  
 Classical Sociological Theory  
 Contemporary Social Theory  
 Qualitative Methods

### *Undergraduate:*

Politics and Religion in Comparative Perspective  
 Political Sociology  
 Political Culture and Ideology  
 Race and Ethnic Relations  
 Religion & Immigration  
 Religion & Politics in the American Experience / Religion in America (Loyola University Honors Program)  
 Sociology of Culture  
 Sociology of Religion / Religion & Society  
 Social Theory and Perspectives / Theory and Society  
 Senior Seminar—Special Topics

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE:

### *Editor:*

*Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*  
2003-2008 Editor

*Social Problems:*  
1996-1999 Co-Editor

### *Editorial Boards:*

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*American Sociological Review*  
1999-2001 Member, Editorial Board

*American Journal of Sociology:*  
1995-1997 Consulting Editor (equivalent of editorial board)

*Contemporary Sociology*  
2002-2005 Member, Editorial Board

*The Sociological Quarterly*  
2005-08 Member, Editorial Board

*Sociology of Religion*  
1996-1999 Associate Editor (equivalent of editorial board)

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*American Journal of Cultural Sociology*  
2012- Member, Founding Editorial Board

*Sociology of Race and Ethnicity*  
2018- Member, Editorial Board

*Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*  
2018- Member, Editorial Board

*Sociological Forum*  
2007- Member, Editorial Board

*Mobilization*  
2007- Member, Editorial Board

*Journal of Contemporary Ethnography*  
2000- Associate Editor (equivalent of editorial board)

*Religion and American Culture: A Journal of Interpretation*  
2000- Member, Editorial Board

*Journal of Church and State:*  
1995- Member, Editorial Council (equivalent of editorial board)

*Critical Research on Religion*  
2013- Member, Founding Editorial Board

Center for Critical Research on Religion  
2009- Member, Advisory Board

*Religion & Social Order* – book series of the Association for Sociology of Religion  
2016- Member, Editorial Steering Committee



Ad hoc reviewer:

*American Sociological Review, American Journal of Sociology, American Review of Canadian Studies, Asian Journal of Political Science, Canadian Journal of Sociology, Comparative Sociology, Contexts, Communications & Critical/Cultural Studies, Critical Sociology, Ethnic & Racial Studies, European Journal of American Culture, Gender and Society, Identities, Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion, Journal of Church and State, Journal of Contemporary Ethnography, Journal of Contemporary Religion, Journal of Politics, Law and Social Inquiry, Middle West Review, Mobilization, Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly, Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Politics, Politics & Religion, Political Communication, Qualitative Sociology, Radical History Review, Religion and American Culture, Research in Social Movements, Conflict, and Change, Review of Religious Research, SAGE Open, Social Forces, Social Inclusion, Social Movement Studies, Social Psychology Quarterly, Social Problems, Social Science Quarterly, Social Science Research, Sociological Analysis/Sociology of Religion, Sociological Forum, Sociological Inquiry, Sociological Perspectives, Sociology of Race and Ethnicity, Sociological Spectrum, Sociological Studies of Children and Youth, Sociological Theory, Sociology Compass, Studies in Law, Politics, and Society, Symbolic Interaction, Teaching Sociology, The Sociological Quarterly, Theory and Society, Theory, Culture, and Society, Visual Studies*

Reviewer:

National Science Foundation/Sociology program/Science in Society program; National Science Foundation/National Security, Conflict, and Cooperation Workshop panel; Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada; The Swedish Research Council; Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research; The Louisville Institute of Louisville Theological Seminary; United States-Israel Bi-national Science Foundation; John Templeton Foundation

Reviewer:

Altamira Press; Baylor University Press; Blackwell Publishers; Bloomsbury Publishers; Brill Publishers; Cambridge University Press; Columbia University Press; Guilford Publishing Company; Jossey-Bass Publishers; New York University Press; Oxford University Press; Polity Press; Prentice-Hall Publishers; Princeton University Press; Routledge Publishers; Rutgers University Press; SAGE publishers; Stanford University Press; State University of New York Press; University of British Columbia Press; University of California Press; University of Chicago Press; University of Illinois Press; University of Michigan Press; Wadsworth Publishing Company; Worth Publishers

Advisory Committee, Faith in Organizations Project, Jo Anne Schneider, Principal Investigator, Catholic University of America/George Mason University (Lilly Endowment, Inc., funder)

Mentor and Consultant, "Religiosity, Risk, and Emerging Adulthood: How Does Religiosity Protect Christian, Jewish, and Muslim Young Adults During the Transition to College," Devon Berry, PI, University of Cincinnati College of Nursing, (Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, funder, total: \$349,912)

**Organizational:** (\* = elected office)

American Sociological Association

2017-20 Member, ASA Executive Council\*  
2018-19, 2019-20 Chair, Committee on Awards  
2004-05 Chair, Committee on Sections  
2003-04 Member, Committee on Sections\*

American Sociological Association: Section on Collective Behavior/Social Movements:

2006-07 Section Chair-elect and Chair\*  
2004, 2006 Member, Chair - Graduate Student Paper Committee  
2003, 2007 Member, Chair - Outstanding Book Committee  
2002, 2008 Member, Chair - Outstanding Article Committee  
2008 Member - Nominations Committee  
2001-04 Member, Executive Council\*

American Sociological Association: Section on the Sociology of Culture:

2015-16 Member, Clifford Geertz Distinguished Article Award Committee  
2012-15 Member, Section Executive Council\*  
2000-01 Chair, nominations committee\*  
1994-95; 2001-02 Member, nominations committee\*  
1993-2007 Coordinator, Culture and Religion Network

American Sociological Association: Section on the Sociology of Religion:

2005-06 Member, Outstanding Book Committee  
2002-03 Chair, Nominations committee  
2001-02 Section Chair-elect and Chair\*  
1995-97 Member, Publications committee

American Sociological Association: Section on Political Sociology:

2016-17 Chair-elect and Chair\*  
2016 Organizer, Section Round-tables, Annual Meeting  
2012-15 Section Secretary-Treasurer\*  
2002-03 Member, Distinguished Book Committee

Society for the Scientific Study of Religion:

2010-12 President-elect and President\*  
2001-03 Member, Executive Council\*  
2002 Co-chair, Program Committee for Annual Meeting  
1999 Chair, Program Committee for 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting

Association for the Sociology of Religion:

2018-19 Member, Ad Hoc committee on Sexual Harassment policy  
2015-17 Chair, Inaugural Lifetime Achievement Award Committee  
2009-10 President-elect and President\*  
2000-01 Member, publications committee  
1995-97 Member, membership committee

1994-97 Member, Executive Council\*  
1993 Program Chair for Annual Meeting

Society for the Study of Social Problems:

2001-02 Chair-elect and Chair, C. Wright Mills Book Award Committee

Midwest Sociological Society:

2015-16 Member, Outstanding Young Scholar Award committee

2004-05 Member, annual meeting Program Committee

1998 Organizer, annual meeting sessions on Collective Behavior

1995 Member, student paper award committee

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:**

American Sociological Association

Sections: Collective Behavior/Social Movements; Community and Urban Sociology  
Culture; Political Sociology; Racial and Ethnic Minorities; Religion

Eastern Sociological Society

Midwest Sociological Society

Social Science History Association

Society for the Scientific Study of Religion

Association for the Sociology of Religion