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PhD, University of Notre Dame 1999  
Medieval Europe: Crusades, Gender, Historical Methodology

#### NEW

*Creating Clare of Assisi: Female Franciscan Identities in Later Medieval Italy*  
(Leiden: Brill Academic Publishers, 2008)

#### CURRENT RESEARCH

Book project: prisons and imprisonment practices within the two major religious orders of the later Middle Ages, the Franciscans and the Dominicans. My focus is internal punishment (i.e. not the friars' participation in the medieval Inquisition or the trials of heretics generally), including issues of ideology and gender differences (friars, nuns, lay brothers and sisters).

#### BOOK CHAPTERS

"*Non credas istis pissintunicis*: The Franciscan Friars and Clerical Masculinity in Late Medieval Italy," invited submission for a peer-reviewed collection of articles concerning *Priests, Monks and Manliness in the Middle Ages*, edited by Jennifer Thibodeaux (in progress)

"St. Clare's Forma Vitae" and "Rule of Pope Urban IV," commissioned essays for a seven volume series of scholarly essays for a handbook of Franciscan sources in the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> centuries (forthcoming)

"'One and the Same Spirit' (2Cel 204): The Friars and Sisters in Spiritual Union." In *Vita Evangelica: Essays in Honor of Margaret Carney, o.s.f.*, edited by Michael Cusato and Jean-Francois Godet-Calogeras (Franciscan Institute Publications, 2006), pp. 235-254. (This volume also represents *Franciscan Studies* 64 (2006): 235-254)

"What Francis intended: Gender and the Transmission of Knowledge in the Franciscan Order." In *Seeing and Knowing: Women and Learning in Medieval Europe, 1200-1500*, ed. Anneke Mulder-Bakker (Brepols, 2004), pp. 143-161

#### ARTICLES IN REFEREED JOURNALS

"Audacious Nuns: Conflict between the Franciscan Friars and the Order of Saint Clare," *Church History* 41 (2000): 41-62. Reprinted in *Greyfriars Review* 16 (2002): 155-178

#### AWARDS AND EXTERNAL GRANTS

American Council of Learned Societies/Andrew W. Mellon Fellowship for Junior Faculty, 2002-2003; \$30,000

Fulbright Fellow, Florence, Italy, 1995-1996

#### OTHER RECENT SCHOLARLY ACTIVITY

"Clare of Assisi: Foundress of An Order?@ *Spirit and Life* 11 (2004): 11-29 (publishes papers from a special session, *Clare of Assisi: New Perspectives in the Light of New Scholarship*, at the 38th International Congress on Medieval Studies (2003), (Western Michigan University), with Jacques Dalarun (Institut de

Recherche et d'Histoire des Textes, Paris) and Jean-François Godet Calogeras (St. Bonaventure University)

Editorial Contributor, *Clare of Assisi: Early Documents*. Revised 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition. (Hyde Park, NY: New City Press, 2006)

"Poor Clares" and "Poverty, Religious" in *Women and Gender in Medieval Europe: An Encyclopedia*, ed. Margaret M. Schaus (New York: Routledge, 2006), pp. 656-58 and 664-665.

"In and Out: Constructing the History of Female Franciscanism," invited presentation for the 2005 Poor Clare Enrichment seminar, Franciscan Institute, St. Bonaventure University, July 2005

"Networks Real and Imagined: Forming Female Franciscan Identities in Medieval Padua," invited presentation at Women's Works and Networks in the Middle Ages, UCLA Annual Symposium on Women and Gender, February 2003, University of California, Los Angeles

A Clare, the Enclosed Women, and the Franciscan Tradition, invited lecture at the Franciscan School of Theology, Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, California, April 2002

Senior editor, *Franciscan Studies* (responsible for the areas of Franciscan women and the laity)

Editorial board, *Greyfriars Review*