

Diane Marie Steele, SCL

Education:

Ph.D. (Systematic Theology)	2000 University of Notre Dame
M.A. (Systemic Theology)	1989 University of Notre Dame
B.A. (English/Education) Summa Cum Laude	1983 Saint Mary College

Dissertation: “Cross and Creation in the Later Soteriology of Edward Schillebeeckx”
November 2000

Professional Experience

August 2001 – Present	President, University of Saint Mary (formerly Saint Mary College, Leavenworth, Kansas)
2000-2001	Assistant Professor of Systematic Theology. Saint Mary College, Leavenworth, Kansas. Courses taught: <i>Images of Jesus, Intro to the Bible, Intro to God and the Human Story, World Religion, Salvation: Yesterday and Today, Mentoring in Pastoral Ministry, Application in Pastoral Ministry</i> . Supervise practicums in Pastoral Ministry. Academic advising.
1999-2000	Graduate Fellowship. Research in The Netherlands
1995-1998	Teaching and Research Assistant for Dr. Mary Catherine Hilert, University of Notre Dame.
1993-1995	Instructor, Saint Mary College, Leavenworth, Kansas. Courses taught: <i>The Mystery of Christ, Saints and Heroes in Church History, and Christian Anthropology</i> . <i>Christian Anthropology</i> was taught in the maximum-security facility of the Lansing Correctional Facility and Federal Penitentiary. Academic Advising
1992-1993	Teacher, Billings Central Catholic High School, Billings, Montana. Courses taught: religion. Coordinator of Religious Activities.
1985- 1992	Teacher, Administrator. Bishop Hogan High School, Kansas City, Missouri. Courses taught: English and Religion. Responsible for all liturgies and retreats. As an administrator, responsible for setting up and coordinating partnerships with area colleges, establishing a computerized writing lab, setting up an on-site Montessori day care center.
1984-1986	Canonical Novice. Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth
1984-1985	Teacher. Bishop Ward Higher School, Kansas City, Kansas. Courses taught: Business English, Shakespeare, Freshman

English; Freshman Religion. Second Year Candidate with Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth.

Academic Honors:

Dissertation successfully defended, 2000 (University of Notre Dame)
Candidacy Exams passed with High Honors, 1998 (University of Notre Dame)
Theology Department Travel Grant, 1998 (research in Netherlands)
Full Tuition Scholarship, 1995-1999 (University of Notre Dame)
Kappa Gamma Pi, 1983 (Saint Mary College)
Sophia Scholarship Exchange Program, summer 1982 (Sophia University, Tokyo, Japan)
“E” Award for Excellence in English, 1981 (Saint Mary College)
Jubilee Scholarship: Full Tuition, Room and Board, 1979-1983

Academic Presentations:

March 2007 “Discerning God’s Call in Stormy Waters” Sisters of Charity Health System Leadership Retreat, Salt Lake City, Utah

April 2006 “Graced People Living in a Graced World”, Sisters of Charity Health System Leadership Retreat, San Diego, California

June 2000 “Salvation and Mission in Religiously Pluralistic World.” Paper given as part of a panel, *Missio Ad Gentes: The Theology of Edward Schillebeeckx*. The Catholic Theological Society of America, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

June 1999 “Towards an Understanding of the Universality of Jesus in a Religiously Pluralistic World: The Contribution of Edward Schillebeeckx.” College Theology Society, St. Norbert College, De Pere, Wisconsin.

Workshops:

Jan. – Feb. 2001 “Salvation: Yesterday and Today.” Designed, constructed and presented an all day workshops for the Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth and their associates. Presented in Butte, Montana; Billings, Montana; Kansas City, Kansas; Leavenworth, Kansas; Denver, Colorado.

Jan. – Feb. 2001 “Jesus and God: History and Culture.” Designed, constructed and presented an all day workshops for the Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth and their associates. Presented in Butte, Montana; Billings, Montana; Kansas City, Kansas; Leavenworth, Kansas; Denver, Colorado. Also presented to Lay Administrators in the Diocese of Great Falls, Montana.

Pastoral Presentations

- October 2006 “Faith First” Visitation Parish, Kansas City, Missouri
- March 2005 “The Desert” Saint John Regis Parish, Kansas City, Missouri
- October 2004 “All for the Sake of the Kingdom” Visitation Parish,
- September 2004 “Spirituality of Work” St. Mark’s Parish, Independence, Missouri
- December 2003 “The Tradition and Traditions” St. Francis DeSales Parish, Lansing, KS
- January 1999 “The Living Tradition and the Tensions in the Church Today.”
Presentation given at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Anchorage, Alaska.
- January 1999 “Bringing Theology to the Pews.” Talk presented to those in the
formation program for the deconate, Diocese of Anchorage, Alaska.
- July 1997 “The Christology of St. Vincent de Paul.” Lecture presented for the Sisters
of Charity of Leavenworth Mother House, Leavenworth, Kansas.
Sponsored by On-going Formation.

Retreat

- January 1999 “The Glory of God is the Woman Fully Alive.” Designed and directed
three day ecumenical women’s retreat. Sacred Heart Retreat House,
Anchorage, Alaska.

Services and Offices:

- 2007- Current President, Kansas Independent College Association
- 2006- Current Building Committee St. John Hospital, Leavenworth
- 2005 - Current Advisory Committee, Command and General Staff College, Ft. Leavenworth
- 2004 - Current NAIA Council of Presidents
- 2003-2006 Leavenworth/Lansing Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors
- 2003-Current President, Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference
- 2003-Current Executive Committee, Kansas Independent College Association
- 2000-2001 Governance Committee, pastoral Ministry Committee, Saint Mary College
- 2000-2001 Theology Update Committee Sisters of Charity, Leavenworth, Kansas
- 1997-1999 Volunteer Tutor for Student Athletes, University of Notre Dame
- 1996-1998 Vice-President of the Graduate Theological Union, University of Notre Dame
- 1995-1997 Secretary of the Graduate Theological Union, University of Notre Dame
- 1992-1995 Support “Mom” in the Mother to Mother Program for at risk mothers,
Leavenworth, Kansas

Professional Organizations:

- Leavenworth/Lansing Area Chamber of Commerce

Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference
Kansas Independent College Association
Council of Independent Colleges
Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities
National Association of Intercollegiate Athletes
American Academy of Religion
College Theology Society
Catholic Theological Society of America

Language Competency:

Reading comprehension: Latin, French, German, Dutch