
Erin M. Brigham (PhD, ‘10) published a revised edition of See, Judge, Act: Catholic Social Teaching and Service Learning (Anselm Academics, September 2018). Brigham is director of The Joan and Ralph Lane Center for Catholic Social Thought and the Ignatian Tradition at the University of San Francisco.

Merissa Nathan Gerson (MA, ‘13) is the founder of Ken Means Yes, an emerging effort to increase consent language in the Jewish community by educating persons in Talmudic ideas of safe and consensual touch. She is a trained rape-prevention worker and sex educator whose GTU studies focused on sex and gender as well as inherited trauma.


Jennifer Howe Peace (PhD, ‘05) is one of the coeditors of Interreligious/Interfaith Studies: Defining a New Field (Beacon Press, June 2018). The anthology also features essays by GTU alumnae Kate McCarthy (PhD, ‘94) and Lisa Dahill (PhD, ‘01), as well as Martha Stortz, a former faculty member at Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary.

Micah T.J. Jackson (PhD, ‘12) became president of Bexley Seabury Seminary on June 1, 2018. His upcoming book, Preaching Face-to-Face: An Invitation to Conversational Preaching, is scheduled for release in June 2019 by Church Publishing Incorporated.


Nancy Pineda-Madrid (PhD, ‘05) received the 2018 Outstanding Educator Award from Latina Center MARIA in Boston for her service to the Latino/a communities. She is associate professor of theology and Latino/Latina Ministry at Boston College School of Theology and Ministry.

Jhos Singer (MA, ‘12) was named one of SVARA’s inaugural Transformative Talmud Teaching Fellows for 2018-19. Singer is the Maggid for Chochmat HaLev in Berkeley, and the JCC of San Francisco.

Harry H Singleton III (PhD, ‘98) published his third book, Divine Revelation and Human Liberation (Lexington Books/Fortress Academic, June 2018). Dr. Singleton is professor of religion and theology at Benedict College in Columbia, South Carolina.

Gregory E. Sterling (PhD, ‘90), the Reverend Henry L. Slack Dean of Yale Divinity School, was named the GTU’s 2018 alumnus of the year. He will be honored on Saturday, November 17, at the GTU Alumni Reception during the Annual Meetings of the American Academy of Religion and Society for Biblical Literature in Denver, Colorado.

Christine Valters Paintner (PhD, ‘04) published her latest book, The Soul’s Slow Ripening: 12 Celtic Practices for Seeking the Sacred (Sorin Books, September 2018). She is the online abyss for Abbey of the Arts (www.abbeyofhearts.com), a virtual monastery offering resources on contemplative practice and creative expression.

Rich Wood (MA, ‘89) was named interim provost at University of New Mexico effective September 1, 2018. Wood is a professor in the sociology department at UNM, and became senior vice provost in 2017.