**Cynthia Lambert Cheshire**

Curriculum Vitae

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**Professional Positions**

2012 - Present | Campus Minister | The Newman Center of Keene, NH

2018 - Present | Adjunct Faculty | Continuing Education Dept, Keene State College

**Education**

2018 - 2024 | PhD, Divinity | University of Aberdeen

Dissertation Topic: An intersectional approach to the “baptismal formulae” of Galatians 3:28, Colossians 3:11, and 1 Corinthians 12:13

Supervisors: Dr. Grant Macaskill, Dr. Katherine Hockey

Dissertation Proposal (PGR-I Review) Completed October 2020

2009 | BA, Biblical and Theological Studies, *Cum Laude |* North Park University

**Continuing Education**

2021 | Summer School in Inter-faith Relations | University of Cambridge Divinity Department

2020 | Restorative Justice Basics and Circle Facilitation | Restorative Justice on the Rise

2020 | Principles of Learning and Teaching in Higher Education | University of Aberdeen

2008 | Oxford Summer Programme in Theology | University of Oxford, Christ Church College

**Awards and Grants**

2020 | Spiritual Care for COVID-19 Frontline Workers Grant ($22,000) | The Chaplaincy Innovation Lab and The Henry Luce Foundation

2020 | Military Spouse of Distinction | National Military Family Association

2019 | Staff Collaborator of the Year | KSC Office of Multicultural Student Support and Success

2017 | “Ask a [Blank]” Community Conversation Grant ($1,000) | KSC PepsiCo

**Workshops & Invited Talks**

November 2021 | “Respecting Religious Diversity on the PLAC Campus” | Keene State College, HR Dept

August 2021 | “Spiritual Care, Resilience, and Anti-Racism Work at Keene State College” | Chaplaincy Innovation Lab Webinar

July 2021 | “Respecting Religious Diversity in Undergraduate Community Halls” | Keene State College, Office of Residential and Community Life

March 2021 | “From North Park to Feminist & Intersectional Hermeneutics” | North Park University Dept of Christian Life

December 2020 | “Advent at the Intersections: A Young Adult Retreat” | Roman Catholic Dioceses of Manchester, NH and Portland, ME

August 2020 | “John 13:30” | Guest Sermon at Monadnock Covenant Church | Keene, NH

April 2020 | “What is the place of religion on a public, liberal arts campus?” | Courageous Conversations, Keene State College

February 2020 | “Coexisting in Community” | Teach-In III, Keene State College

May 2019 | “An Intersectional Compelling Community” | Guest Sermon at Monadnock Covenant Church | Keene, NH

April 2019 | “Feminist Biblical Hermeneutics” | Keene State College Women and Gender Studies Dept

November 2017 | “Bible as Literature and Milton’s ‘Paradise Regained’” | Keene State College Continuing Education Dept

October 2017 | “Genesis and Comparative Ancient Near Eastern Creation Narratives” | Keene State College Continuing Education Dept

October 2017 | “Bible as Literature and Klein’s *The Second Scroll* | Keene State College English Dept

September 2017 | “Biblical Literacy for Secular Culture” | Teach-In II, Keene State College

November 2014 | “The Parable of the Treasure” | Sermon at Interfaith Thanksgiving Service | Keene Interfaith Clergy Association

**Interviews and Media Appearances**

“Remembering everything lost” | *Keene Equinox* | April 1, 2021

“Keene State to host memorial tonight for victims of COVID-19” | *Keene Sentinel* | March 22, 2021

“Chaplains and the rise of on-demand spiritual support” | *The Boston Globe Magazine* | March 9, 2021

“Episode 16: Kate Atkinson’s *Transcription*” | *Keene on Books* podcast | December 2020

“Remembering those we lost” | *Keene Equinox* | November 6, 2020

“Episode 11: ‘Heartstopper: Margaret Atwood’s *Testaments*“ | *Keene on Books* podcast | January 2020

**Conference Presentations**

May 2017 | Chair, “The Religious Potter” Panel | The DePaul Pop Culture Conference | Chicago, IL

April 2016 | “Spirituality and Social Justice” | Social Justice Uncensored Conference | Keene, NH

**Publications**

Journal Articles:

Cheshire, Cynthia. “Meaning making, sacred reading, and political engagement in the ‘Harry Potter and the Sacred Text’ podcast”, *Transformative Works and Cultures,* Vol. 31 (2019). DOI: <https://doi.org/10.3983/twc.2019.1791>

Online Essays:

Cheshire, Cynthia. “My Best Friend the Atheist”, *Wisdom’s Dwelling*, forthcoming.

Cheshire, Cynthia. “Jesus is Compassionate…Again”, *Wisdom’s Dwelling*, 4/11/21. <https://www.wisdomsdwelling.com/post/jesus-is-compassionate-again>

Cheshire, Cynthia. “Guided to Grace”, *Wisdom’s Dwelling*, 3/18/21. <https://www.wisdomsdwelling.com/post/guided-to-grace>

Book Chapters:

Cheshire, Cynthia. “Harry Potter: A Saint for All of Us”, Time Lords and Tribbles, Winchesters and Muggles. ed. Isabella Menichiello, Paul Booth. BLURB Incorporated, 2017.

Reference Materials:

Cheshire, Cynthia. “Carmelite Spirituality”, Dictionary of Christian Spirituality. Zondervan, 2011.

Cheshire, Cynthia. “Columbanus”, Dictionary of Christian Spirituality. Zondervan, 2011.

Cheshire, Cynthia. “Resurrection”, Dictionary of Christian Spirituality. Zondervan, 2011.

**Courses Taught**

The Weird Bible | Keene State College | Spring 2021

Spiritual Practices for a Pandemic Winter | Keene State College | Winter 2021

The Writings of Paul | Keene State College | Spring 2020

Religion and Pop Culture | Keene State College | Fall 2019, 2021

Harry Potter and the Sacred Text | Keene State College | Spring 2019

Bible as Literature | Keene State College | Spring 2018, Fall 2018

**Professional Associations**

American Academy of Religion

British New Testament Society

Catholic Biblical Association

Catholic Campus Ministry Association

Keene Interfaith Clergy Association

Society of Biblical Literature

**Selected Institutional Service – Keene State College**

Inclusive Excellence Team, 2021 – Present

Truth, Reconciliation, and Equity Coalition Steering Committee, 2020 – Present

Sexual Violence Community Crisis Response Team, 2020 – Present

Virtual Programming Task Force, 2020

Hunger and Homelessness Task Force, 2018 – Present

Cohen Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies Advisory Council, 2017-Present

City of Keene Cultural Climate Taskforce, 2017

TEDxKeene Student Presenter Competition Committee, Chairperson, Fall 2016

Outstanding Women of New Hampshire Awards Committee, 2014-2016

Student Programming Collaborative, 2013-Present

Campus Commission on Diversity, Equity & Inclusiveness, 2012-2015