

Mark A. Levand, Ph.D.

Curriculum Vitae
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EDUCATION

- 2018** **Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)** – Human Sexuality Studies
Dissertation: *The Experience of Effecting Change Around Sexuality in Catholic Higher Education: A Composite Case-Study Analysis*
Center for Human Sexuality Studies
Widener University; Chester, PA
- 2014** **Master of Education (M.Ed.)** – Human Sexuality Education
Center for Human Sexuality Studies
Widener University; Chester, PA
- 2011** **Master of Arts (M.A.)** – Theology and Religious Studies
Thesis Topic: *Theological Reflections on Sexuality and the Human Experience: Relational Reality of Human Sexuality*
Concentrations: Ethics and Systematic Theology
Department of Theology and Religious Studies
John Carroll University; University Heights, OH
- 2009** **Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)** – Theology, Pastoral Ministry, Secondary Education
Undergraduate Minor: Biblical Studies
Department of Theology
Notre Dame College; South Euclid, OH

FACULTY APPOINTMENTS

- 2019 - Present** **Professional Faculty**
Sexual Health Certificate Program
School of Social Work
University of Michigan
Ann Arbor, MI
- 2019 - Present** **Adjunct Faculty**
Department of Theology & Religious Studies
Villanova University
Villanova, PA

- 2018 - Present Adjunct Faculty**
Center for Human Sexuality Studies
Widener University
Chester, PA
- 2018 - 2020 Adjunct Faculty**
Department of Counseling & Human Services
Lincoln University – University City Campus
Philadelphia, PA
- 2017 - Present Adjunct Faculty**
Department of Health & Physical Education
Monmouth University
West Long Branch, NJ
- 2015 - 2018 Adjunct Faculty**
Department of Exercise Science & Wellness
Psychology Department
Montgomery County Community College – West Campus
Pottstown, PA
- 2014 - 2018 Adjunct Faculty**
Department of Business, Computing, & Social Sciences
Delaware County Community College
Media, PA

PUBLICATIONS

- Levand, M.A., & Roy, R.** (2020). Teaching paraphilias with the DSM 5: Learning the distinction between difference and disorder. *Australian Journal of Clinical Education*. 7(1), 1-23.
<https://ajce.scholasticahq.com/article/17205>
- Levand, M.A., & Dyson, D.A.** (2020). Areas of support and barriers to change around issues of sexuality in Catholic higher education. *Sexuality Research and Social Policy*. doi: 10.1007/s13178-020-00447-9
- Canan, S.N., & **Levand, M.A.** (2019). A feminist perspective on sexual assault. In W. O’Donohue & P. Schewe (Eds.), *Handbook of sexual assault and sexual assault prevention* (pp. 3-16): Springer.
- Levand, M.A.** (2019). Consent as cross-cultural communication: Navigating consent in a multicultural world. *Sexuality & Culture*. doi: 10.1007/s12119-019-09667-7 [Published Online: Oct. 2019]
- Levand, M.A., & Zapien, N.** (2019). Sexual consent as transcendence: A phenomenological understanding. *International Journal of Transpersonal Studies*. 38(1), 75-92.

Levand, M.A., Chando, S.C., Wolfe, M., Pillai-Friedman, S., & Love, E. (2019). The light in the shadows: Therapeutic explorations of fantasy and fear*. *Sexual and Relationship Therapy, 34*(4), 473-495. doi: 10.1080/14681994.2018.1486029 [Published Online: Oct. 2018]

Levand, M.A., & Canan, S.N. (2018). Navigating sexualization as a sexuality professional: Recommendations from sexuality educators at the 2016 national sex ed conference. *American Journal of Sexuality Education, 13*(1), 94-107. doi: 10.1080/15546128.2018.1433566

Levand, M. (2017). A review of the teaching transgender toolkit: A facilitator's guide to increasing knowledge, decreasing prejudice & building skills. *American Journal of Sexuality Education, 12*(2), 195-199. doi: 10.1080/15546128.2017.1280441

Green, E.R., & **Levand, M.** (2017). Transphobia. In K. L. Nadal (Ed.), *The SAGE encyclopedia of psychology and gender* (pp. 1732-1736). Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE.

Freyhauf, M.S., **Levand, M.**, Ludwa, B., & Witker, K. (2011). "To the lost of Israel": An (hypothetical) ancient letter with commentary. *Conversations with the Biblical World, 31*(1), 217-235.

NON-PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Levand, M. (2020). [Blog] The Morality of Abortion as a Single Issue. *CatholicMoralTheology*. Retrieved from <https://catholicmoraltheology.com/the-morality-of-abortion-as-a-single-issue>

Levand, M. (2020). [Blog] A Catholic response to sex worker relief. *CatholicMoralTheology*. Retrieved from <https://catholicmoraltheology.com/a-catholic-response-to-sex-worker-relief/>

Levand, M. (2017). [Blog] The diversity of white supremacy by Mark Levand, MA, MEd. *WidenerDiversityBlog*. Retrieved from <https://widenerdiversityblog.com/2017/02/23/the-diversity-of-white-supremacy-by-mark-levand-ma-med/>

Levand, M. (2015). [Blog] CHSS in Japan by Mark Levand. *WidenerSexualityStudies*. Retrieved from <http://www.widensexualitystudies.org/study-abroad/program-spotlight-chss-in-japan/>

Levand, M. (2013). [Blog] Caution: Educational philosophy at work. *TeachingSexEd*. Retrieved from <http://teachingsexed.com/2013/11/20/caution-educational-philosophy-at-work-2/>

Levand, M. (2012). [Blog]. Sexual education: The limits of conscience formation by Mark Levand. *FeminismAndReligion*. Retrieved from <http://feminismandreligion.com/2012/06/18/sexual-education-the-limits-of-conscience-formation-by-mark-levand/>

PRESENTATIONS

INTERNATIONAL PRESENTATIONS

- 2019 **Levand, M., & Olvera, L.** *Cross-Cultural Code-Switching for Sexuality Professionals*. Presented at the 24th Congress of the World Association for Sexual Health. Mexico City, Mexico
- 2019 **Levand, M.** *Areas of Support and Barriers to Change around Issues of Sexuality in Catholic Higher Education*. Presented at the 24th Congress of the World Association for Sexual Health. Mexico City, Mexico
- 2018 **Levand, M.** *Areas of Support and Barriers to Change around Issues of Sexuality in Catholic Higher Education*. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality. Montréal, Quebec, Canada
- 2016 **Levand, M.** *Consent as Cross-cultural Communication: Navigating Consent in a Multicultural World*. Paper presented at the AskFirst Symposium. University of Calgary: Alberta, Canada
- 2015 **Levand, M., & Shepard, K.** *Research at Widener University*. Intercollegiate Meeting. International Christian University: Tokyo, Japan
- 2015 **Levand, M., & Shepard, K.** *Research at Widener University*. Intercollegiate Meeting. The University of Tokyo: Tokyo, Japan

DOMESTIC CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2020 **Levand, M.** *Sexology and Catholicism: 5 Points of Agreement*. Annual Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality. [Online]
- 2020 **Levand, M.** *Is Consent What We're Talking About? The Sexual Assault History of Consent Education*. Annual Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality. [Online]
- 2020 **Levand, M.** *Addressing the Unaddressed: The Experience of Institutional Change around Sexuality in Catholic Higher Education—Theological Insights*. The College Theology Society Annual Convention. Mobile, AL. [Online]
- 2019 **Levand, M.** *Methods of Communication for Effecting Change around Issues of Sexuality in Catholic Higher Education*. Annual Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality. Denver, CO.

- 2019 Soros, J., Reese, K., & **Levand, M.** *An Occupational Justice Perspective on Disability and Alternative Sexual Practices*. Society for the Study of Occupation: USA. Scottsdale, AZ.
- 2018 Zadnik, L., Belay, H., Washington, M., & **Levand, M.** *Panel: Beyond the Yes Means Yes Consent Model*. Panel Presentation. Leading the Way: Increasing Access to Sexual and Reproductive Health Conference. Philadelphia, PA.
- 2017 **Levand, M.** *Effecting Change Around Sexuality in Catholic Higher Education – Preliminary Findings*. Annual Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality. Atlanta, GA.
- 2017 Coriano, J., Fleishman, J., **Levand, M.**, & Oriowo, D. *Changemakers in the Field of Human Sexuality*. Panel Presentation. Careers in Sexuality Conference. Chester, PA.
- 2017 **Levand, M.**, Rashatwar, S., & Swinney, L. *With white privilege comes great responsibility: Using privilege to promote racial justice in sex ed*. 49th Annual AASECT Conference. Las Vegas, NV.
- 2017 **Levand, M.** *Effecting Change Around Sexuality in Catholic Higher Education – Preliminary Findings*. Poster presented at the Graduate Student Research Symposium. Widener University: Chester, PA.
- 2016 **Levand, M.**, & Canan, S. N. *The Sexualization of Sexuality Professionals: Creating a Resource Guide for Sexuality Professionals*. National SexEd Conference. Atlantic City, NJ.
- 2016 Dale, B., & **Levand, M.** *A Sexologist, a Theologian, and Sexual Orientation*. National SexEd Conference. Atlantic City, NJ.
- 2016 Olvera, L., & **Levand, M.** *Cross-cultural Code-switching in Sexuality: Adaptation for Inclusivity*. 48th Annual AASECT Conference. San Juan, Puerto Rico.
- 2016 **Levand, M.** *Effecting Change Around Sexuality in Catholic Higher Education*. Poster presented at the Graduate Student Research Symposium. Widener University: Chester, PA.
- 2015 **Levand, M.** *Changemaking in Communities of Faith*. Careers in Sexuality Conference. Chester, PA.
- 2015 **Levand, M.**, & Chando, S. C. *Kink-positive, Patient-centered Care for Healthcare Professionals*. 47th Annual AASECT Conference. Minneapolis, MN.
- 2014 **Levand, M.** *Sexual Disposition Spectrum: How Attracted Are You?* Graduate Student Research Symposium. Widener University: Chester, PA.
- 2011 Freyhauf, M.S., **Levand, M.**, Ludwa, B., & Witker, K. *Female Messiah*. Paper presented at the Eastern Great Lakes Biblical Society 41st Annual Meeting. Richfield, OH.

GUEST LECTURES & INVITED TALKS

- 2020 *Sexual Behavior Diversity: Cultural-Clinical Implications*. Barry University: Miami, FL
- 2020 *Navigating White Feelings in Sexuality Education*. Widener University: Chester, PA
- 2019 *Sexual Harassment and Violence*. Monmouth University: West Long Branch, NJ
- 2018 *Religion and Health Behavior*. Kean University: Toms River, NJ
- 2017 *The Experience of Consenting*. Kean University: Toms River, NJ
- 2017 *Sex in the Struggle: God is Sex* (Panel Member). MJ Freed Theater: Chester, PA
- 2017 *Writing as a Doctoral Student* (Panel Member). Widener University: Chester, PA
- 2016 *Sexuality: Celebrating Differences*. Widener University: Chester, PA
- 2016 *Sexuality, Gender, and Health*. Montgomery County Community College: Pottstown, PA
- 2016 *Sex and Religion*. Montgomery County Community College: Bluebell, PA
- 2016 *Paraphilias*. Einstein Medical Center: Philadelphia, PA
- 2016 *“Adam and Steve” – A Look at Homosexuality in Christian Scripture*. Widener University: Chester, PA
- 2015 *Growing up in Masculinity* (Panel Member). Widener University: Chester, PA
- 2015 *Religious Sensitivity in Therapeutic Settings*. LaSalle University: Philadelphia, PA
- 2014 *Intercultural Theology*. Alvernia University (Philadelphia Center): Philadelphia, PA
- 2014 *Introduction to Trans Identities*. Delaware County Community College: Media, PA
- 2013 *The Field of Human Sexuality: Graduate Work & Careers*. Widener University: Chester, PA

PROFESSIONAL TRAININGS

- 2020 Green, E.R., & **Levand, M.A.** *Actionable Steps to Allies: Recognizing and Addressing Anti-Transgender Microaggressions*, St. John’s University, New York, NY
- 2020 Green, E.R., & **Levand, M.A.** *Transgender 201: Allyship for Administrators serving Transgender and Non-Binary Students*, St. John’s University, New York, NY
- 2020 Green, E.R., & **Levand, M.A.** *Transgender 101: Terminology and the Experience of Gender Diversity*. University President’s Leadership Team, St. John’s University, New York, NY
- 2019 **Levand, M.A.**, & Wolfe, M. *Therapeutic Considerations: Clients with Alternative Sexual Practices*, Survivors of Abuse in Recovery (SOAR), Wilmington, DE
- 2019 Green, E.R., & **Levand, M.A.** *Creating Spaces for Transgender and Non-Binary College Students*, St. John’s University, New York, NY
- 2018 **Levand, M.A.** *Partner SAR*. Center for Human Sexuality Studies, Widener University, Chester, PA
- 2017 Davis, M., **Levand, M.A.**, & Crane, B. *Safe Space Training Facilitation* for the University President’s leadership team, Widener University, Chester, PA
- 2017 Crane, B., **Levand, M.A.**, & Cruz, Q. *Transgender Identities in (Catholic) Higher Education*. Misericordia University, Dallas, PA
- 2017 **Levand, M.A.** *Intersections: Masculinity, Sexuality, & Spirituality*. Retreat for men. Columbus, OH
- 2016 **Levand, M.A.** *Endnote Citation Program: Introduction and Basic Use for Scholars*. Widener University, Chester, PA
- 2016 **Levand, M.A.** *Sexuality and Gender* (terminology). Widener University, Chester, PA
- 2016 **Levand, M.A.** *Interfaith 101*. Widener University, Chester, PA
- 2015 - 2017 Crane, B., Davis, M., & **Levand, M.** *Safe Space Training Facilitation*. Widener University, Multiple Campuses

CERTIFICATES

- 2019** **Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI)**
Social and Behavioral Responsible Conduct of Research
- 2017-2020** **AASECT Certified Sexuality Educator**
American Association of Sexuality Educators Counselors and Therapists
- 2017** **Widener Leadership Certificate**
Leadership Philosophy: *Leading Through Right Relationship*
- 2015** **The Transgender Training Institute**
Training of Trainers
- 2014** **National Institutes of Health (NIH) Office of Extramural Research**
Protecting Human Research Participant

AWARDS & HONORS

- 2016 Schiller Award, Oral Presentation (AASECT Conference)
- 2015 Student Paper Award, Workshop (AASECT Conference)
- 2008 Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges Award
- 2005 - 2008 Presidential Honors Scholarship (all undergrad semesters)
- 2008 - 2009 The UPS Foundation, Inc. Scholarship (administered by the OFIC)

COURSE DEVELOPMENT EXPERIENCE

- 2020 – Villanova University: Genders & God
Widener University: Teaching Sensitive Issues in Human Sexuality Education
- 2019 – Villanova University: Sexuality & World Religions
Faiths, Cultures, Sexuality
Lincoln University: Understanding Gender in Counseling
- 2018 – Lincoln University: Sexuality Counseling & Consultation
Human Development Theories & Application
Delaware County Introduction to Teaching
Community College: Human Sexual Behavior
- 2015 – Widener University: International Trip (Japan)
- 2014 – Delaware County Community College: Human Sexual Behavior

COURSES TAUGHT

Health and Physical Education:

- Human Sexuality: Implications for Health Professionals
- Health Research Methods
- Introduction to Human Sexuality

Education:

- Teaching Sensitive Issues in Human Sexuality Education
- Education Methods for the Sexuality Professional I (grad)
- Advanced Training in Sexuality Education

Counseling/Psychology:

- Sexuality Counseling & Consultation (grad)
- Understanding Gender in Counseling (grad)
- Human Development Theories & Application (grad)
- Human Sexual Behavior

Theology/Religious Studies:

- Faiths, Cultures, & Sexuality (grad)
- Sexuality & World Religions
- Faith, Reason, & Culture
- Adult Moral Decision Making (RCIA)

K-12:

- Biblical Studies (grade 9)
- Moral Theology & Ethics (grade 11)
- Vacation Bible School (grades K-2)

SUPERVISION & MENTORSHIP

2016 - Present Graduate Student Advising and Research Mentorship

Widener University; Chester, PA

2018 - 2020 Sexuality Education & Attitudes Lab

Monmouth University; West Long Branch, NJ

2016 - 2019 Graduate Sexuality Education Practicum Supervisor

Widener University; Chester, PA

2016 - 2017 Undergraduate Religious Student Organization Supervisor

Widener University; Chester, PA

2013 - 2017 Graduate Student Recruitment

Widener University; Chester, PA

2012 Undergraduate Joplin Service Trip Supervisor

Washington University in St. Louis Catholic Student Center; St. Louis, MO

SERVICE TO THE FIELD

2015-Present **American Association of Sexuality Educators, Counselors, & Therapists**

Sex Education Certification Taskforce (2020)
Education Certification Committee (2019-Present)
Advocacy Committee (2018-Present)
Annual Conference Session Moderator (2017)
Annual Conference Proposal Review Committee (2015-Present)
Co-chair of Social Media sub-committee (2015-2016)
Social Media (Twitter) Account Manager (2015)

2017-Present **Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality**

Continuing Education Committee (2020-Present)
Annual Conference Sex and Religion Session Moderator (2018)
Annual Conference Proposal Review Committee (2017-Present)
Annual Conference Session Moderator (2017)

2015-Present **Ad Hoc Journal Reviewer**

Sexuality Research and Social Policy (2019-Present)
Studies in Higher Education (2019-Present)
Journal of Sexual and Relationship Therapy (2018-Present)
American Journal of Sexuality Education (2015-Present)

2015-2019 **National Center for Sex Education**

Annual Conference Proposal Review Committee

2010-2018 **Catholic Theological Society of America**

Annual Conference Registration and Volunteer Coordinator

CONSULTATIONS (SELECTED)

2020	Medical Provider Training on Sexual Health Communication <i>Client: Physician; Durham, NC</i>
2020	Health/Unhealthy Relationships and Religious Education <i>Client: One Love Foundation; New York, NY</i>
2020	Training Review: Gender Affirming Care Training: Basics and Beyond <i>Client: Penn Medicine; Philadelphia, PA</i>
2020	Academic Publishing in the Field of Sexuality Studies <i>Client: Doctoral Student; Philadelphia, PA</i>
2020	Developing a Research Question: Human Sexuality and Christianity <i>Client: Doctoral Student; Philadelphia, PA</i>
2020	Methods for Dissertation Research <i>Client: Doctoral Student; Philadelphia, PA</i>
2019	Sexualization, Power, and Control in Sexuality <i>Client: Social Worker, Philadelphia, PA</i>
2019	Sex and Disability for Occupational Therapy <i>Client: Occupational Therapist; Cleveland, OH</i>
2019	Sexual Fantasy Management

- 2018 *Client: Sexual Trauma Therapist; Wilmington, DE*
Intersex Identities in Relation to Embodiment
- 2018 *Client: Catholic Theologian; USA*
Gender Identity Sensitivity in Organizational Communication
- 2018 *Client: Academic Organization; USA*
Spiritually Integrative Healthcare Models
- 2018 *Client: Occupational Therapist; Cleveland, OH*
Language for Sexual Attraction in Trans and Gender Non-Conforming Youth
- 2018 *Client: Clinician, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia; Philadelphia, PA*
Sources for Introductory Sexuality Studies Material
- 2018 *Client: Philosophy Professor; Providence, RI*
K-12 Developmental Stages Overview
- 2017 *Client: Sexuality Educator; St. Louis, MO*
Educator Use of Sexting Research
- 2017 *Client: Sex and Relationship Therapist; Killeen, TX*
Love Languages and Relationships
- 2017 *Client: Sexual Wellness Organization; St. Louis, MO*
Trauma Sensitivity in Self-Defense Sexual Assault Prevention
- 2017 *Client: Grant's Kung Fu Academy; Folsom, PA*
Managing Unusual Sexual Fantasies in Relationships
- 2017 *Client: Sex Therapist, Pittsburg; PA*
Sensitivity to Sexual Orientation of Youth Clients
- 2017 *Client: Occupational Therapist; Cleveland, OH*
Consent Self-reflection
- 2016 *Client: Group Therapist; Philadelphia, PA*
Teaching Sexual Consent & Healthy Decision Making
- 2016 *Client: Sexuality Educator; St. Louis, MO*
Research on Sexual Consent
- 2016 *Client: Sexuality Educator; Los Angeles, CA*
Sexuality Education for Religious Leaders in the Caribbean
- 2016 *Client: Sexuality Educator; Tobago*
Female Body Response to Puberty
- 2016 *Client: Teen Pregnancy Prevention Org.; Cleveland, OH*
Consummated and Unconsummated Marriages
- 2016 *Client: Therapist; Toronto, Ontario, Canada*
Learning Outcomes: Relationship Violence Course
- 2016 *Client: Sexuality Educator; St. Louis, MO*
Transgender Healthcare Sensitivity
- 2015 *Client: Healthcare Facility; St. Louis, MO*
Talking to Church Leaders about Sexuality Education
- 2015 *Client: Healthy Relationships Org.; San Diego, CA*
Discussing Sexuality with Religious Individuals
- 2015 *Client: Sexuality Educator; Chester, PA*
Sexuality and Sexual Health FAQs
- 2015 *Client: Women's Center; Vanderbilt University*
Working with Previously Incarcerated Men in Therapeutic Settings
- 2015 *Client: Therapist; Quakertown, PA*
Encountering and Managing LGBT Issues in Catholic Higher Education
- Client: Administrator of a Catholic University*

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

2020 – Present College Theology Society (CTS)
2019 – Present Catholic Theological Society of America (CTSA)
2019 – Present World Association for Sexual Health (WAS)
2018 – Present American Sociological Association (ASA)
2018 – Present Campus Advocacy and Prevention Professionals Association (CAPPA)
2018 – Present American Academy of Religion (AAR)
2018 – Present Association of Practical Theology (APT)
2016 – Present Association of Black Sexologists and Clinicians (ABSC)
2014 – Present American Association of Sexuality Educators, Counselors, and Therapists (AASECT)
2014 – Present Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality (SSSS)
2014 – Present Gamma Eta Rho Honors Society in Human Sexuality
2012 – 2013 SexEd Network

SOFTWARE & NETWORK SYSTEM EXPERIENCE

- Knowledgeable in the use of eCampus®, Blackboard®, Canvas®, Moodle®, Webstudy®, and CampusCruiser® Learning Management Systems
- Experience with quantitative statistical program (SPSS)
- Experience with qualitative analysis software (Dedoose)
- Experience in the use of Google Forms® online survey systems
- Familiarity with Open Broadcaster Screen recording software
- Proficient with PDF editing software (Adobe Acrobat Pro)
- Proficient with citation management software (Endnote)
- Proficient in the use of Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint)