

CURRICULUM VITAE

John J. Rok

EDUCATION

Doctoral Studies in Humanities 1989 – 1995 (ABD)
Salve Regina University, Newport, Rhode Island

Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies in Humanities May 1992 cum laude
Salve Regina University, Newport, Rhode Island

Doctoral Studies in Higher Education 1985-1986
University of Connecticut, Storrs, Connecticut

M.Ed. in Counseling May 1979 summa cum laude
Providence College, Providence, Rhode Island

STB/MA in Theology June 1972 cum laude
Catholic University of Louvain, Belgium

BA in Philosophy June 1969 summa cum laude
Our Lady of Providence Seminary College, Warwick, Rhode Island

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Director of Religious Education 1972-1979
St. Joseph Church, Newport, Rhode Island

Director of Counseling Services/Lecturer in Religious Studies 1979-1985
Salve Regina University, Newport, Rhode Island

Dean of Students/Assistant Professor of Religious Studies 1985-1993

Vice President for Student Development and
Associate Professor of Religious Studies (tenured)
Salve Regina University 1993-2011

Associate Professor of Religious Studies 2011 – Present
Salve Regina University

Coordinator of New Student Orientation Program 1985 – 2007
Salve Regina University

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 1977 - 1979 Taught courses at Salve Regina College as part-time instructor both on the main Newport campus and at satellite campus in Warwick. Courses included “Religious Experience & the Catholic Tradition” and “Christian Ethics and Social Issues”.
- 1979 – 2011 Taught at least one course every semester in Religious Studies Department as adjunct. Courses included “World Religions”, “Foundations of Moral Thinking”, “Christian Ethics and Social Issues” and “Religious History of Newport”.
- 2001 - June Received Mandatum from Robert E. Mulvey, Bishop of Providence, to teach Theological disciplines
- 2006 Developed special topic course “Religious History of Newport”. This course was approved as a regular Religious and Theological Studies course and later as a cross-referenced course in the History Department.
- 2009 - 2011 Participated as instructor in the annual Swiss Teachers’ Summer Institute
- July 2010 Appointed to full-time faculty position as Associate Professor of Religious Studies (tenured) effective January 2011
- 1995 – Present Serve as Faculty Athletics Representative per appointment of University President for Salve Regina University’s NCAA Division III athletics program.

LANGUAGES

Polish (fluent) French (conversational) Latin (reading)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS/BOARDS

2005 – Present	Board of Directors	Star Kids Program	Newport County
2004 – Present	Board of Directors	Boys Town of New England	Portsmouth, R.I.
1999 – 2010	Association for Student Affairs at Catholic Colleges and Universities (ASACCU)		
1997 – 2007	Board of Directors	Newport County YMCA	
2007 – Present	Newport County YMCA – Governing Board of Advisors		
1995 – Present	Faculty Athletics Representatives Association (NCAA)		
1985 – 2010	Board Certified as National Certified Counselor (NCC)		
1979 – 1995	American College Personnel Association (ACPA)		
1985 – 2008	National Association of Student Personnel Administrators (NASPA)		
1979 – 1994	College Personnel Association of Rhode Island (CPARI)		
	1979	Founding Board Member	
	1970-1983	Executive Board Member	
	1983-1984	President	
	1989-1990	Executive Board	
1985 – 1995	National Orientation Directors Association		
1991	Inductee – Theta Alpha Kappa (November) The National Honor Society of Religious & Theological Studies		
1992	Inductee – Delta Alpha Chapter of Delta Epsilon Sigma (April) The National Scholastic Honor Society		
2012	College Theology Society		

PRESENTATIONS

- "Education Via Radio" Series WADK 1540 Newport - Presenter in 1979
- "Institute for the Christian Initiation of Children" Institute Coordinator
August 3-8, 1980 Salve Regina College, Newport, Rhode Island
- "Peace & Justice Symposium" Annual Atwood Lecture Series Coordinating Committee
1982-1983 Salve Regina – The Newport College
- "Pursuing Professionalism: Through Programs and Politics" Fall Conference Program Chair
Thursday, December 1, 1983 College Personnel Association of Rhode Island
- "How Orientation and Academic Advising Programs Can Help with Retention in a Small College Setting"
1984 Regional Conference New England College Personnel Association October 25-26, 1984
- "Orientation, Advising and Tutorial Assistance: Orchestrating for Successful Student Development"
March 24-27, 1985 American College Personnel Association National Convention
- "The Woman Connection – What Do Women Want? What Do They Want?" Coordinating Committee
February 19 -20, 1986 Salve Regina – The Newport College
- "The Freshman Year Experience – Special Focus: Small Colleges" Presenter
November 9-11, 1989 Cincinnati, Ohio
- "Orientation For the 90's" CPARI and NASPA Conference Coordinating Committee
April 26, 1990 Alton Jones Conference Center University of Rhode Island
- "The Freshman Year Experience – Special Focus: Small Colleges" Presenter
"We've Only Just Begun – Experiences in Establishing a New Student Seminar"
November 11-13, 1990 Baltimore, Maryland
- Nominee – Outstanding Freshman Advocate Award University of South Carolina
January 1992 National Resource Center for the Freshman Year Experience
- "Health Care Reform Symposium" - Tri-State College Health Care Consortium Presenter
November 17, 1994 University of Rhode Island, Kingston, RI
- "Great Decisions 1998" "Religion & Conflict: Religion's Role in World Affairs" Presenter
March 31, 1998 Council for International Visitors (CIV) Newport, Rhode Island

AWARDS/GRANTS/PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY (since January 2011 – full-time faculty status)

January 2011	Represented Salve Regina University as FAR at annual NCAA Convention in Atlanta
April 2011	“The Role of the FAR on Campus” - panel presentation at Commonwealth Coast Conference spring SAAC Workshop at Western New England University
May 2011	Awarded Presidential Faculty Fellowship by Campus Compact Rhode Island for AY 2011-2012. One of 11 faculty members from all colleges and universities in Rhode Island to receive grant for service-learning course development.
July 2011	Selected as one of 25 Faculty Athletics Representatives nationally to participate in NCAA Division III FARA Leadership Institute in Indianapolis in October 2011 (fully NCAA funded)
August 2011	Participated in week-long service trip to Nicaragua in conjunction with the development of international service trips sponsored by the Office of Community Service
November 2011	Participated in annual Faculty Athletics Representatives Association Fall Forum and Symposium in San Diego
January 2012	Represented Salve Regina University as FAR at annual NCAA Convention in Indianapolis
January 2012	Developed and taught VIA 321 in spring 2012 – a service-learning course focused on food security
February 2012	Presenter at “Teaching & Learning Symposium: Engaging Our Student in Learning” February 8, 2012 – sponsored by the Center for Teaching and Learning at Salve Regina University