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### **EDUCATION**

B.A.: Concordia College, Seward, Nebraska, 1976, Social Work.

M.A.: University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, 1981, Sociology.

Ph.D.: University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, 1984, Sociology.

### **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

Professor of Sociology and Religious Studies, The Pennsylvania State University,  
University Park, Pennsylvania, 2000 to present.

Associate Professor of Sociology, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana, 1992 to  
2000.

Assistant Professor of Sociology, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana, 1989-1992.

Assistant Professor of Sociology, Loyola University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois, 1986-  
1989.

Assistant Professor of Sociology, Concordia College, River Forest, Illinois, 1984-1986.

### **OTHER APPOINTMENTS**

Senior Research Fellow at the Mercatus/George Mason University Consortium for the  
Economic Study of Religion.

Director of the American Religion Data Archive.

# PUBLICATIONS

## BOOKS

Finke, Roger and Rodney Stark

1992 *The Churching of America, 1776-1990: Winners and Losers in our Religious Economy*. New Brunswick: Rutgers University Press. (Paperback, 1993; Second Printing, 1994; Third Printing, 1997; Fourth Printing, 2000, Fifth Printing, 2002)

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## FORTHCOMING PUBLICATIONS

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- 2005 "Toward Explaining Congregational Giving." *Social Science Research*

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Grim, Brian and Roger Finke

“De jure and De facto Regulation of Religion: Developing and Assessing International Religion Indices.”

## **MAJOR GRANTS RECEIVED**

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## **ACADEMIC HONORS**

Distinguished Book Award from the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, 1993, for *The Churching of America, 1776-1990: Winners and Losers in our Religious Economy*.

Received the Department of Sociology and Anthropology’s 1993, 1997, 1998, and 1999 Outstanding Teaching Award, Purdue University.

Social and Behavioral Sciences Research Center Fellow, Purdue University, Fall, 1996.

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The Pennsylvania State University's Liberal Arts Distinction in the Social Science's Award, 2005.