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Education:

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| 1997 | Ph.D. | University of Kansas, School of Social Welfare, Lawrence, Kansas
Dissertation: <i>Reconceptualizing Social Work's Person-in-Environment Perspective: Explorations in Radical Environmental Thought</i> |
| 1991 | M.S.W. | University of Kansas, School of Social Welfare, Lawrence, Kansas |
| 1978 | M.Div. | Grace Theological Seminary, Winona Lake, Indiana. |
| 1973 | B.S. | Sterling College, Sterling, Kansas. |

Academic Positions

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| 2013-Present | Professor
School of Social Work
Wichita State University |
| 2010-2013 | Associate Professor
School of Social Work
Wichita State University |
| 2004-2010 | Associate Professor
Department of Social Work
University of Northern Iowa |
| Spring-2007 | (Visiting Scholar)
School of Social Welfare
University of Kansas |
| 2002-2004 | Assistant Professor
Department of Social Work
University of Northern Iowa |
| 1997-2002 | Assistant Professor
Department of Social Work
Washburn University |

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Academic Positions (conti)

Sum.-2001 **(Teaching Fellow)**
Department of Social Work
University of East Anglia-Norwich, England

Scholarship

Peer-Reviewed Scholarship

- Besthorn, F. H.** (2014). Ecopsychology meet Ecosocialwork: What You might not Know—A Brief Overview and Reflective Comment. *Journal of Ecopsychology*, 6(4), 199-206.
- Besthorn, F. H.,** St. George, S., & Wulff, D. (2014). A Postmodern Critique of Societal Discourses of Male Violence in Interpersonal Family Relationships: A Balancing Act for Social Work. *Journal of Progressive Human Services: Radical Thought and Practice*, 25(3), 163-180.
- Besthorn, F. H.** (2013). Vertical Farming: Social Work and Sustainable Urban Agriculture in an Age of Global Food Crisis. *Australian Journal of Social Work*, 66(2), 187-203.
- Besthorn, F. H.** (2013). Environment. *Encyclopedia of Social Work* (on-line edition). Retrieved from <http://socialwork.oxfordr4e.com/view/10.1093/acrefore/9780199975839.013.131>
- Besthorn, F. H.** (2012). Deep Ecology's Contribution to Social Work: A Ten-Year Retrospective. *International Journal of Social Welfare*, 21(3), 248-259.
- Lee, K., **Besthorn, F. H.,** Bolin, B., & Jun, J. (2012). Stress, Spiritual, and Coping, and Psychological Well-being among Older Adults in Assisted Living. *Journal of Religion and Spirituality in Social Work: Social Thought*, 31(4), 328-347.
- Wulff, D. P., St George, S. A. and **Besthorn, F. H.** (2011). Revisiting Confidentiality: Observations from Family Therapy Practice. *Journal of Family Therapy*, 33(2), 199-214.
- Besthorn, F. H.,** Wulff, D., & St. George, S. (2011). Eco-Spiritual Helping and Postmodern Therapy: A Deeper Ecological Framework. *Journal of Ecopsychology*, 2(1), 23-32.
- Coates J., & **Besthorn, F. H.** (2010). Building Bridges and Crossing Boundaries: Dialogues in Professional Helping. *Critical Social Work*, 11(3). Retrieved from <http://www.uwindsor.ca/criticalsocialwork/>
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Peer-Reviewed Scholarship (conti)

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- Besthorn, F. H.** (2006). Instructional Techniques for Social Work Education: Insights from Deep Ecology in its Norwegian Cultural Context. *Universitas: On-line Journal of Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity, University of Northern Iowa*, 2(1), 1-18.
- Besthorn, F. H.** (2004). Globalized Consumer Culture: Its Implications for Social Justice and Practice Teaching in Social Work. *Journal of Practice Teaching in Health and Social Work*, 5(3), 20-39.
- Besthorn, F. H.** (2004). Restorative Justice and Environmental Restoration—Twin Pillars of a Just Global Environmental Policy: Hearing the Voice of the Victim. *Journal of Societal and Social Policy*, 3(2), 33-48.
- Besthorn, F. H.** (2004). The Parable of the Tribes: On Anarchy, Peace and Spiritual Transformation. *Spirituality and Social Work Forum*, 10(2), 1-6.
- Besthorn, F. H.** & van Wormer, K. (2004). An Alternative Approach to Fairness, Equity, and Equality: An Introduction. *Journal of Societal and Social Policy*, 3(2), 1-2.
- Besthorn, F. H.** & Saleebey, D. (2003). Nature, Genetics and the Biophilia Connection: Exploring Linkages with Social Work Values and Practice. *Advances in Social Work*, 4(1), 1-18.
- van Wormer, K., & **Besthorn, F. H.** (2003). Restorative Justice: An Approach for All Countries. *Social Policy Times*, 3(2), 1-2.
- Besthorn, F. H.** (2003). Environmental Restoration and Restorative Justice. *Social Policy Times*, 3(2), 21-27.
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- Besthorn, F. H.** (2002). Natural Environment and the Practice of Psychotherapy. *Annals of the American Psychotherapy Association*, 5(5), 19-22.
- Besthorn, F. H.** & McMillen, D. P. (2002). Re-shaping American Social Service Delivery for a New Millennium: A New Vision for Social Work Education. *Journal of Practice Teaching in Social Work and Health*, 4(2), 28-47.
- Besthorn, F. H.** (2002). Expanding Spiritual Diversity in Social Work: Perspectives on the Greening of Spirituality. *Currents: New Scholarship in the Human Services*, 1(1).

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Peer-Reviewed Scholarship (conti)

Besthorn, F. H. (2002). Radical Environmentalism and the Ecological Self: Rethinking the Concept of Self-Identity for Social Work Practice. *Journal of Progressive Human Services, 13*(1), 53-72.

Besthorn, F. H. & McMillen, D. P. (2002). The Oppression of Women and Nature: Ecofeminism as a Framework for a Social Justice Oriented Social Work. *Families in Society: The Journal of Contemporary Human Services, 83*(3), 221-232.

Besthorn, F. H. & Canda, E. R. (2002). Revisioning Environment: Deep Ecology for Education and Teaching in Social Work. *Journal of Teaching in Social Work, 22*(1-2), 79-101.

Besthorn, F. H. (2002). Is it Time for a New Ecological Approach to Social Work: What is the Environment Telling Us? *The Spirituality and Social Work Forum, 9*(1), 2-5.

Besthorn, F. H. (2001). Transpersonal Psychology and Deep Ecological Philosophy: Exploring Linkages and Applications for Social Work. *Social Thought: Journal of Religion in the Social Services, 22*(½), 23-44.

Besthorn, F. H. (2001). Learning Care in a Careless Society: Psychotherapy's Role in Recreating Community. *Annals of the American Psychotherapy Association, 4*(1), 22-23.

Besthorn, F. H. (2001). Biophilia and Deep Affiliation with Nature: Implications for Social Work. *Kansas Chapter NASW News, 26*(6), 21-22.

Besthorn, F. H. (2000). Infusing Spirituality and Psychotherapy: Revising our Service Ethic. *Annals of the American Psychotherapy Association, 4*(6), 24-25.

Besthorn, F. H. (2000). Toward a Deep-Ecological Social Work: Its Environmental, Spiritual and Political Dimensions. *The Spirituality and Social Work Forum, 7*(2), 2-7.

Besthorn, F. H. (2000). Legally Protected Privacy and Confidentiality in a Managed Care Environment: Issues for Professional Psychotherapists. *Annals of the American Psychotherapy Association, 4*(5), 11-12.

Besthorn, F. H. (2000). Professional Ethics in an Era of Globalization. *Annals of the American Psychotherapy Association, 4*(3), 4-5.

Besthorn, F. H. (1999). Adoption the Gracious Miracle. *The Great Plains Review, 3*(1), 74-77.

Besthorn, F. H. & Tegtmeier, D. (1999). Nature as Professional Resource: A New Ecological Approach to Helping. *Kansas Chapter NASW News, 24*(2), 15.

Besthorn, F. H. (1998). Lessons from Nature: Suburban Dilemmas. *Great Plains Review, 2*(1), 51-54.

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Peer-Reviewed Scholarship (conti)

Besthorn, F. H. (1998). Seeking Connections with Land and Nature: Rural Migration and the Simple Life. In *Proceedings of the Sixth Annual Nonpoint Source Pollution Conference* (pp.50-65). Topeka, KS: Kansas Department of Health and Environment.

Media Contributions

Pace, P. (2013). Justice in the face of environmental disasters: Social workers provide recovery efforts, services. Interview. *NASW News*, 58(1).

Book Chapters:

Besthorn, F. H. (in press). Ecological Social Work. *International Encyclopedia of Social and Behavioural Sciences*. Amsterdam: Elsevier Press.

Besthorn, F. H., Koenig, T. L., Spano, R., & Warren, S. L. (under review). A Critical Analysis of Social and Environmental Justice: Reorienting Social Work to an Ethic of Ecological Justice. In R. Hugman & J. Carter (Eds.), *Rethinking Values and Ethics in Social Work*, (pp. ...). London: Palgrave-Macmillan.

Besthorn, F. H. (2014). Environmental Social Work: A Future of Curiosity, Contemplation and Connection. In S. Hessele (Ed.), *Social Work, Environmental Change and Sustainable Social Development*, (Vol. 2, pp. 122-132). London: Ashgate Publishing.

Besthorn, F. H. (2014). Restorative Justice and Environmental Restoration—Twin Pillars of a Just Global Environmental Policy: Hearing the Voice of the Victim. In R. White (Ed). *Green Criminology: Critical Concepts in Criminology—Criminal Justice Responses to Environmental Crime*, (Vol. 3, Part 3—Environmental Courts, pp. 166-181). London: Routledge.

Besthorn, F. H. (2014). Deep Ecological “Insectification”: Small Friends for Social Work. In T. Ryan (Ed.) *Animals in Social Work: Why and How They Matter* (pp. 1-14). London: Palgrave Macmillan.

Besthorn, F. H. (2013). Environment. In T. Mizrahi and L. Davis (Eds.). *Encyclopedia of Social Work* (21st ed.), (Vol. 2, pp. 149-161). Washington, DC: NASW Press & New York: Oxford University Press.

Besthorn, F. H. (2013). Radical Equalitarian Ecological Justice: A Social Work Call to Action. In M. Gray, & J. Coates (Eds.), *Environmental Social Work* (pp. 16-31). London: Routledge.

Besthorn, F. H. (2013). Ecological Approach. In M. Gray & S. Webb (Eds.). *Social Work Theories and Methods*. (2nd Ed.), (pp, 173-183). London: Sage Publications.

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Book Chapters (conti)

- Besthorn, F. H.** (2012). Speaking Earth: Environmental Restoration and Restorative Justice. In K. van Wormer, & L. Walker (Eds.). *Restorative Justice Today: Practical Applications* (pp. 233-244). London: Sage Publications.
- Alston, M., & **Besthorn, F. H.** (2012). Environment and Sustainability. In K. Lyons, M. Hokenstad, N. Huegler, & M. Pawar (Eds.). *Sage Handbook of International Social Work* (pp. 56-69). London: Sage Publications.
- Besthorn, F. H.** (2008). Environment. In T. Mizrahi and L. Davis (Eds.). *Encyclopedia of Social Work* (20th ed.), (Vol. 2, pp. 132-136). Washington, DC: NASW Press & New York: Oxford University Press.
- Besthorn, F. H.** (2008). The Environmental Restoration Movement as an Issue of Justice (pp. 205-229). In K. van Wormer (Ed.), *Restorative Justice across the East and West*, Hong Kong: Casa Verde Publishing.
- Besthorn, F. H.** (2007). Insights on deep ecology from Norway. In K. van Wormer, F. Besthorn and T. Keefe, *Human Behavior and the Social Environment: Groups, Communities and Organizations* (pp. 243-245). New York: Oxford University Press.
- Besthorn, F. H.** (2007). Envoicing the World: Constructionism and Essentialism in Natural Discourse—How Social Work Fits In (pp.167-202). In S. Witkin and D. Saleebey (Eds.), *Social Work Dialogues: Transforming the Canon in Inquiry, Practice and Education*. Alexandria, VA: CSWE Press.
- Besthorn, F. H.** (2006). Globalized Consumer Culture. Implications for Social Justice and Practice Teaching (pp. 142-160). In G. Ixer (Ed.), *Practice Learning Perspectives on Globalisation, Citizenship and Cultural Change*. London: Whiting & Birch Press.
- Besthorn, F. H.** & McMillen, D. P. (2004). The Oppression of Women and Nature: Ecofeminism as a Framework for a Social Justice Oriented Social Work. In J. Schriver, *Human Behavior and the Social Environment: Shifting Paradigms in Essential Knowledge for Social Work Practice* (4th ed., pp. 98-110). Boston: Allyn & Bacon.
- Besthorn, F. H.** (2004). Beetles, Bullfrogs and Butterflies: Contributions of Natural Environment to Childhood Development and Resilience. In M. Ungar (Ed.), *Pathways to Resilience: A Handbook of Theory, Methods and Interventions* (pp. 106-127). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.
- Besthorn, F. H.** (2001). Transpersonal Psychology and Deep Ecological Philosophy: Exploring Linkages and Applications for Social Work. In E. R. Canda & E. D. Smith (Eds.), *Transpersonal Perspectives on Spirituality in Social Work* (pp. 23-44). Binghamton, NY: The Haworth Press.

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Books

- van Wormer, K., & **Besthorn, F. H.** (in review). *Human Behavior and the Social Environment Macro Level: Groups, Communities and Organizations* (3rd Ed.). New York: Oxford University Press.
- van Wormer, K., & **Besthorn, F. H.** (2011). *Human Behavior and the Social Environment Macro Level: Groups, Communities and Organizations* (2nd Ed.). New York: Oxford University Press.
- van Wormer, K., **Besthorn, F. H.**, & Keefe, T. (2007). *Human Behavior and the Social Environment Macro Level: Groups, Communities and Organizations*. New York: Oxford University Press.

Scholarly Presentations

- Besthorn, F. H.**, Spano, R. & Koenig, T. (October, 2014). *How to Connect Environments to Personhood (and Personhood to Environments)?* **Paper Presentation:** Global Partnership for Transformative Social Work Conference. Burlington, Vermont.
- Lee, K., **Besthorn, F. H.**, Yoon, D. P., & Jun, J. S, (October, 2014). *Grief, Spiritual Experience, and Depression among Older Adults in Assisted Living*. **Accepted Paper Presentation:** Council on Social Work Education Annual Conference. Tampa, Florida.
- Lee, K., & **Besthorn, F. H.**, (October, 2013). *Stress, Spiritual Factors, and Depression among Older Adults in Assisted Living*. **Poster Presentation:** Council on Social Work Education Annual Conference. Dallas, Texas.
- Besthorn, F. H.** (July, 2012). *Environmental Social Work: A Future of Curiosity, Contemplation and Connection*. **Keynote Address:** Social Work Social Development: Action and Impact Conference, 2012. Stockholm, Sweden.
- Coates, J., Gray, M., T. Hetherington., & **Besthorn, F. H.** (July, 2012). *Addressing the Challenges of Environmental Social Work: Practical Interventions and Pragmatic Solutions*. **Panel Presentation:** Social Work Social Development: Action and Impact Conference, 2012. Stockholm, Sweden.
- Besthorn, F. H.** (November, 2011). *Environment and Ecological Justice: Social Work in a Globalized World*. **Accepted Keynote Address:** De Novo Conference: Eco-Social Justice, Issues, Challenges and Ways Forward. Kerala, India.
- Lee, K., **Besthorn, F. H.**, Yoon, D., & Soonhee, R. (October, 2011). *Stress, Coping and Health among Older Adults in Assisted Living Facilities*. **Accepted Paper Presentation:** Council on Social Work Education Conference. Atlanta, Georgia.

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- Besthorn, F. H.**, Wulff, D. & St. George, S. (October, 2009). *Revisiting Confidentiality: Postmodern Views in Family Therapy*. **Paper Presentation:** Global Partnership for Transformative Social Work Conference. Burlington, Vermont.
- Besthorn, F. H.**, & Liebowitz, G. (2009). *Traditional and Alternative Models of Assessment in an EBP Era*. **Panel Presentation:** Global Partnership for Transformative Social Work Conference. Burlington, Vermont.
- Besthorn, F. H.** (2009). *Environmentally Displaced Persons: New Challenges for Social Work*. **Paper Presentation:** International Eco-Conference—Building Bridges, Crossing Boundaries. Calgary, Canada.
- Besthorn, F. H.** (December, 2006). *Spirituality, Environmentalism and Consumer Society: Persistent Realities in Education for Social Work Practice*. **Accepted Paper Presentation:** International Conference on Social Work in Health and Mental Health. Hong Kong, China.
- Besthorn, F. H.** (July, 2005). *Hijacked by Fear: The War on Liberty and the Future of Social Work*. **Keynote Address:** International Conference on Practice Teaching. York, England.
- Besthorn, F. H.** (June, 2005). *Contribution of Natural Environment to Childhood Development and Resilience*. **Paper Presentation:** Pathways to Resilience: An International Conference. Halifax, NS, Canada.
- Rogge, M., **Besthorn, F. H.**, & Coates, J. (October, 2004). *Toward Earth Consciousness: A Theoretical and Spiritual Foundation for Sustainability and Social Justice*. **Paper Presentation:** Global Social Work Congress. Adelaide, SA, Australia.
- Besthorn, F. H.** (April, 2004). *The Globalization of Consumerism and its Implications for Happiness and Social Justice*. **Keynote Address:** International Conference on Practice Teaching. York, England.
- Besthorn, F. H.** (February, 2004). *The Norwegian Roots of Deep Ecology: An Eco-Spiritual Framework for Practice*. **Paper Presentation:** Council on Social Work Education Conference. Anaheim, CA.
- Besthorn, F. H.** (January, 2004). *Consuming Passions: The Tangled Relationship between Consumer Culture and Human Perceptions of Happiness*. **Paper Presentation:** Inter-University Consortium for International Social Development. Mumbai, India.
- Besthorn, F. H.** (December, 2003). *Natural Strengths and Ecological Alienation: Considerations for Family Practice Linking Eco-Spiritual Helping and Brief Therapy*. **Paper Presentation:** International Conference on Building Family Strengths. Newcastle, NSW, Australia.

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Scholarly Presentations (conti)

Besthorn, F. H. (July, 2003). *The Parable of the Tribes: On Anarchy, Peace and Spiritual Transformation*. **Paper Presentation:** Society for Spirituality and Social Work Conference. Austin, Texas.

Besthorn, F. H. (June, 2003). *Radical Ecologisms: Insights for Educating Social Workers in Social Justice and Spirituality*. **Paper Presentation:** Annual Canadian Conference on Spirituality and Social Work. Halifax, NS, Canada.

Besthorn, F. H. (April, 2003). *Practice Teaching in a Privatized World: New Challenges and Opportunities*. **Paper Presentation:** International Conference on Practice Teaching. London, England.

Besthorn, F. H. (February, 2003). *Eco-Spiritual Helping: Principles for Direct Practice from a Deep Ecological Perspective*. **Paper Presentation:** Council on Social Work Education Conference. Atlanta, Georgia.

Besthorn, F. H., Sheridan, M., Jacobs, C., & Russel, R. (February, 2003). *Exploring the Soul of Social Work: Developing and Teaching Spiritual Courses*. **Panel Presentation:** Council on Social Work Education Conference. Atlanta, Georgia.

Besthorn, F. H. (May, 2002). *Expanding Spiritual Diversity in Social Work: Perspectives on the Greening of Spirituality*. **Keynote Address:** Canadian Conference on Spirituality and Social Work. Toronto, ON, Canada.

Besthorn, F. H. (December, 2001). *Natural Strengths and Ecological Alienation: Considerations for Family Practice Linking Eco-Spiritual Helping and Brief Therapy*. **Paper Presentation:** International Conference on Building Family Strengths. Newcastle, NSW, Australia.

Besthorn, F. H. (June, 2001). *Is it Time for a New Ecological Approach to Social Work: What is the Environment Telling Us?* **Keynote Address:** Pre-Conference-Global Alliance for a Deep-Ecological Social Work: Society for Spirituality and Social Work Conference. Washington, DC.

Besthorn, F. H. (June, 2001). *The Biophilia Hypothesis: Linking Biology, Natural Genetics and Spirituality with Social Work Theory and Practice*. **Paper Presentation:** Society for Spirituality and Social Work Conference. Washington, DC.

Coates, J., & **Besthorn, F. H.** (June, 2001). *Integrating Environmental Awareness into Social Work Education*. **Paper Presentation:** Society for Spirituality and Social Work Conference. Washington, DC.

Besthorn, F. H. (March, 2001). *The Greening of Spirituality: History and Trends in a New Earth Story for Social Work Theory and Practice*. **Paper Presentation:** Council on Social Work Education Conference. Dallas, Texas.

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Scholarly Presentations (conti)

Besthorn, F. H., Sheridan, M., Miller, R., & Russel, R. (March, 2001). *What's Happening in Spirituality and Social Work in 2001: Education and Practice*. **Panel Presentation:** Texas Regional Conference on Spirituality and Social Work. Dallas, Texas.

Besthorn, F. H. (March, 2001). *Ecological Feminism and Earth-Based Spirituality: The Promises and Challenges for Social Work Education and Curricula*. **Paper Presentation:** Texas Regional Conference on Spirituality and Social Work. Dallas, Texas.

Besthorn, F. H. (June, 2000). *Integrating the Divine Feminine into Whole-Earth Awareness: Ecofeminist/Earth-Based Spirituality and Social Work Theory and Practice*. **Paper Presentation:** Society for Spirituality and Social Work Conference. Lawrence, Kansas.

Besthorn, F. H. (February, 2000). *Radical Environmentalism: Reflections on Educating Social Workers in Spirituality and Social Justice*. **Paper Presentation:** Council on Social Work Education Conference. New York, NY.

Besthorn, F. H. (June, 1999). *Spiritual Dimensions of Deep Ecology: Expanding Ecological and Spiritual Identity and Social Work Practice*. **Paper Presentation:** Society for Spirituality and Social Work Conference. St. Louis, Missouri.

Besthorn, F. H. (March, 1998). *Back-to-the-land: Trends in Urban to Rural Migration*. **Paper Presentation:** Region VII Nonpoint Source Pollution Conference. Lawrence, Kansas.

Symposia, Colloquia, Facilitations

Besthorn, F. H. (March, 2015). *Global Climate Change, Sustainability and Ecological Justice: New Priorities for Social Work Ethics and Practice*. Keynote Address. 12th Annual Wichita State University School of Social Work Power Conference. Wichita, Kansas.

Besthorn, F. H. (April, 2014). *Being an Environmental Social Worker: Tips for Surviving and Thriving in the Academy*. University of Kansas School of Social Welfare-Doctoral Seminar. Lawrence, Kansas.

Besthorn, F. H. (March, 2014). *Spirituality and Deep Ecology: Insight for Eco-Social Work*. Wichita State University School of Social Work—Brown Bag Luncheon. Wichita, Kansas.

Besthorn, F. H. (May, 2007) *The Spiritual Core of Deep Ecology: Insights for Social Work*. Kansas Society for Spirituality and Social Work. Lawrence, Kansas.

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Symposia, Colloquia, Facilitations (conti)

Besthorn, F. H. (April, 2007). *Musings of a Would-Be Scholar: On Theory, Critical Reflection and Scholarly Writing.* University of Kansas School of Social Welfare. Lawrence, Kansas.

Besthorn, F. H. (April, 2007). *Nature and Children's Resilience: Playtime, Peacetime, and Prevention.* Washburn University Department of Human Services. Topeka, Kansas.

Besthorn, F. H. (September, 2006). *Religion and Racism in the United States.* The University of Northern Iowa Center for Multicultural Education. Cedar Falls, Iowa

Besthorn, F. H. (September, 2004). *Ecology and Social Work: My Hobby and My Passion.* The University of Northern Iowa Rod Library Speakers Conference. Cedar Falls, Iowa.

Besthorn, F. H. (April, 2001). *Linking Ecology and Social Work Practice: Innovations in Earth-Based Intervention.* University of Kansas Social Work Day Conference. Lawrence, Kansas.

Besthorn, F. H. (July, 2000). *Global Ethics, International Cooperation and the Practice of Social Work.* Newman University Department of Social Work, Wichita, Kansas

Besthorn, F. H. (February, 2000). *Deep Ecology, Spirituality and Social Work Theory in Practice.* Maloy College/Fordham University Conference on Spirituality and Social Work. New York, NY.

Besthorn, F. H. (November, 1999). *Ecological Consciousness: A Requisite for Environmentally Sensitive Social Change and Activism.* Campus Outreach Opportunity League Conference. Topeka, Kansas.

Besthorn, F. H. (October, 1999). *Spiritual Diversity and Practice in Human Services Delivery.* Shawnee County Community Mental Health Center. Topeka, Kansas

Besthorn, F. H., & Tegtmeier, D. (May, 1999). *Body, Mind Earth: A New Ecological Approach to Helping.* Washburn University Department of Continuing Education, Topeka, Kansas.

Besthorn, F. H. (May, 1999). *Ethical and Legal Concerns in Professional Helping.* Florence Crittenton Center. Topeka, Kansas.

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Awards and Distinctions

- * Nomination for Membership, Environmental Justice Advisory Council of the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Washington, DC (2015)
- * Nomination, Richard Lodge Prize for Outstanding Contribution to Social Work Education, Adelphi University-Garden City, New York (2015)
- * Nomination, John R. Barrier Distinguished Teaching Award in the Humanities and Social Sciences, Wichita State University (2014)
- * Nomination, Balfour Jeffrey Outstanding Research Award in the Humanities and Social Sciences, Kansas Board of Regents and University of Kansas Higuchi Endowment Research Achievement Awards (2014)
- * Nomination, Outstanding Graduate Teaching Award, University of Northern Iowa (2009)
- * Strathmore Who's Who, University of Northern Iowa (2003)
- * Directory of American Scholars, Washburn University (2001)
- * Who's Who in America, Washburn University, (2000)
- * Who's Who among American Teachers, Washburn University (1998)
- * Doctoral Dissertation Honors, University of Kansas (1997)
- * Argersinger Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Award, University of Kansas (1997)