

ALUMNI CITATION

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Critical thinking and a commitment to ethics are highly advocated in the Jesuit mode of education. At Loyola University, we hope our students all learn these principles and apply them throughout their lives.

Peter Steinfels and Margaret O'Brien Steinfels are exemplary alumni in the application of these principles. They have used their Jesuit education and values to analyze and discuss the serious topics of our age.

Individually, Margaret and Peter are accomplished intellectuals and authors. Together they are a unique force in the tradition of Catholic lay thought. They have cooperated on a number of publications, most notably the Hastings Center Report in the late 70s. Both Margaret and Peter have produced books, articles, and book chapters.

Margaret's interests include child rearing, ethical issues surrounding child birth, and the relation of work to family. Margaret, former editor of Church, is current editor of Commonweal.

Peter, former editor of Commonweal, is now senior religion correspondent for The New York Times. He held Woodrow Wilson, Kent and Columbia University fellowships prior to completing his Ph.D. at Columbia and was long associated with Hastings Center. Peter's topics are as diverse as religion and politics, modern French history, medicine, technology, and ethics.

A combination of the Steinfels' publishing credits reads as a compendium of leading newspapers and opinion journals: from The New York and Los Angeles Times, to Harpers, The New Republic, and Psychology Today; from Le Nouvel Observateur to the National Catholic Reporter.

Peter Steinfels and Margaret O'Brien Steinfels, your alma mater cites you and holds you in high regard for your vocal and visible application of Christian ideals to the challenges extended by the current affairs of society today.

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