Daniel G. Groody is a Catholic priest, a Holy Cross religious, a scholar, teacher, and an award winning author and film producer. He is currently an Associate Professor of Theology and the Director of the Center for Latino Spirituality and Culture at the Institute for Latino Studies at the University of Notre Dame. Drawing on years of work in Latin America, particularly along the U.S.-Mexico border, he has authored various books and articles which have been translated into five languages, including Border of Death, Valley of Life: An Immigrant Journey of Heart and Spirit, and Globalization, Spirituality, and Justice: Navigating the Path to Peace (2007). He is also editor of two books, The Option for the Poor in Christian Theology (2007), and co-editor of A Promised Land, A Perilous Journey: Theological Perspectives on Migration (2007). He has worked with the U.S. Congress, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, the World Council of Churches, and the Vatican on issues of theology, globalization, and immigration.

Professor Groody holds a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Notre Dame in the Great Books Program, a Master of Divinity and a Licentiate in Sacred Theology from the Jesuit School of Theology, and a doctorate in theology from the Graduate Theological Union. In 2007-2008 he was a visiting research fellow at Oxford University at the Oxford Refugee Centre. He is also the executive producer of various films and documentaries, including One Border, One Body: Immigration and the Eucharist, and Dying to Live: A Migrant’s Journey, which have received international acclaim and aired on various television stations including PBS. He teaches courses on U.S. Latino Spirituality, Globalization, Christian Spirituality and Social Justice, and lectures widely in the United States as well as Latin America, Europe, and Asia.