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## Education

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Doctor of Philosophy	New College, University of Edinburgh, U.K. <i>Systematic Theology</i> Supervisors: David Fergusson, Nicholas Adams Examiners: Oliver O'Donovan, Ian McFarland	9 June 2017
Master of Divinity	Regent College, Vancouver, Canada <i>Anglican Studies</i>	2008
Bachelor of Arts	Briercrest College, Saskatchewan, Canada <i>Biblical Studies and Humanities</i>	2003

## Professional Appointments

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SSHRC Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, Regent College and UBC Philosophy	2021-2023 <i>Position funded by Canadian Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council</i>
Project Co-Leader, "Regent Interface: Engaging the Sciences in Ministry Education"	2020-2022 <i>Position funded by the American Association for the Advancement of Science</i>
Adjunct Professor, Regent College	2019-2021
Sessional Lecturer, St. Mark's / Corpus Christi College	2020
Adjunct Lecturer, Vancouver School of Theology	2020
Post-Doctoral Fellow in Theology and Science, Regent College	2018-2019 <i>Position funded by the John Templeton Foundation</i>
Research Associate, Vancouver School of Theology	2017-2021

## Publications

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### Books

*Christ and Revelatory Community in Bonhoeffer's Reception of Hegel*. Dogmatik in der Moderne. Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2018.

Reviews in: *Modern Theology* 36, 1 (2020), *Scottish Journal of Theology* 73, 2 (2020)  
*Lutheran Quarterly* 34, 1 (2020), *Studies in Christian Ethics* 33, 2 (2020)

## Refereed Journal Articles

‘The Dignity of Causing: Kenosis, Compatibilism, and the God Beyond Genus’. *Theology and Science* (Forthcoming, 2022).

with Jennifer Wotochek. ‘Kenotic Theologies and the Challenge of the “Anthropocene”’: From Deep Incarnation to Interspecies Encounter’. *Studies in Christian Ethics* 34, no. 2 (2021): 209-222.

‘Beyond “Design”’: Evolution, Industry, and the Preservation of Species’. *Cruce* 55, no. 4 (Winter 2019): 23-33.

“‘By the Lips of Foreigners”’: Disclosing the Church in 1 Corinthians 14:20-25’. *Ecclesiology* 14, no. 3 (October 2018): 306-21.

with Ryan Tafilowski. ‘Conflict & Concession: Nationality in the Pastorate for Althaus and Bonhoeffer’. *Scottish Journal of Theology* 70, no. 2 (May 2017): 127-46.

‘A Cleaving Mind: Hegel and Bonhoeffer on the Fall into Knowledge’. *Modern Theology* 32, no. 4 (October 2016): 544-68.

‘Confessing Race: Toward a Global Ecclesiology after Bonhoeffer and Du Bois’. *Journal of the Society of Christian Ethics* 36, no. 2 (2016): 121-39.

‘*Peccatorum Communio*: Intercession in Bonhoeffer’s Use of Hegel’. *Studies in Christian Ethics* 28, no. 1 (February 2015): 86-100.

## Book Reviews, Selected

*Barth, Bonhoeffer, and Modern Politics* by Joshua Mauldin; *Modern Theology* (Forthcoming, 2022)

*Providence: A Polyphonic Approach* by David Fergusson; *Cruce* 55, no. 2 (Summer 2019): 35-8.

*Dietrich Bonhoeffer Works, Volume 17: Indexes and Supplementary Materials*, ed. Victoria Barnett, B. Wojhoski, and M. Brocker; *The Expository Times* 129, no. 7 (April 2018): 332.

*Christ, Church and World: New Studies in Bonhoeffer’s Theology and Ethics*, ed. Michael Mawson and Philip Ziegler; *The Expository Times* 129 no. 4 (January 2018): 186.

*Kantian Reason and Hegelian Spirit: The Idealistic Logic of Modern Theology* by Gary Dorrien; *The Expository Times* 127, no. 9 (June 2016): 460-461.

*Bonhoeffer’s Black Jesus: The Harlem Renaissance and an Ethic of Resistance* by Reggie Williams; *Political Theology* 17, no. 2 (2016): 212-14.

*Politics in Friendship: A Theological Account* by Guido De Graaff; *Studies in Christian Ethics* 29, no. 1 (February 2016): 102-6.

*The Empty Church: Theater, Theology, and Bodily Hope* by Shannon Craigo-Snell; *The Expository Times* 127, no. 1 (September 2015): 39.

*Sacrifice and Modern Thought*, ed. Julia Meszaros and Johannes Zachhuber; *The Expository Times* 126, no. 9 (June 2015): 461-62.

*God, Sex, and Gender* by Adrian Thatcher; *Studies in Christian Ethics* 27, no. 2 (May 2014): 243-7.

### Other Articles, Selected

‘Dispossession in the Spirit: An Interview with Sarah Coakley on Science, Ministry, and the Future of Systematic Theology’. *Cruce* 57, no. 2 (Summer 2021): 13-21.

‘Living with Dying: The Body of Christ after MAiD’. *Faith Today* (May / June 2021): 42-5.

‘Community of Foreigners: Bonhoeffer’s Theses for a Time of Resurgent Nationalism’. *Scottish Episcopal Institute Journal* 1, no. 2 (Summer 2017): 3-5.

‘Forgetting Ourselves in a Function: W.H. Auden on the Good Society’s Friday’. *Comment: Public Theology for the Common Good* (Fall 2011): 62-67.

### Grants and Awards

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\$90,000 CDN	Social Sciences & Humanities Research Council Canada (SSHRC) Post-Doctoral Fellowship	2021-2023
\$75,000 USD	American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) Project Co-Leader, “Science for Seminaries”	2020-2021
\$40,000 CDN	Social Sciences & Humanities Research Council Canada (SSHRC) Doctoral Award	2015–2017
\$ 2,150 USD	International Bonhoeffer Society Archival Research Grant	2015–2016
€ 1,800 EUR	Fondation Catholique Écossaise Language Study Bursary	2015
£ 8,000 GBP	University of Edinburgh, School of Divinity Doctoral Scholarship	2014–2015
£11,000 GBP	University of Aberdeen, School of Divinity, History, and Philosophy Theological Ethics Scholarship	2012–2013
\$5,000 USD	Fund for Theological Education Ministry Fellowship	2004

### Conference Activity

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#### Conference Paper Presentations

‘Against a Docetic Church: Schleiermacher and Bonhoeffer on Christ’s Body Politic’  
Society for the Study of Christian Ethics (UK) 2021

‘After the Self-Emptying God: Kenotic Ethics and the Challenge of the Anthropocene’  
Society for the Study of Christian Ethics (UK) 2020

- ‘Against a Docetic Ecclesiology: Schleiermacher and Bonhoeffer on Christ’s Body Politic’  
American Academy of Religion, San Diego, California 2019
- ‘Confession for a Nation of Refugees: Recovering the Public Dimensions  
of the 1939 “Bonhoeffer Moment”’ 2018  
American Academy of Religion, Denver, Colorado
- ‘From Revolution to Right: Hegel and Bonhoeffer on the Politics of Freedom’ 2018  
VST Research Associate Conference, Vancouver, Canada
- ‘Is Christ Divided? Racial Lines in Bonhoeffer’s Work with Hegel & Du Bois’ 2016  
International Bonhoeffer Congress, Basel, Switzerland
- ‘Conflict and Concession: Althaus and Bonhoeffer on the 1933 Aryan Paragraph’ 2016  
Cranmer Hall, University of Durham
- ‘Confessing Race: Towards a Global Ecclesiology after Bonhoeffer & Du Bois’ 2016  
Society of Christian Ethics / Muslim Ethics / Jewish Ethics (US), Toronto, Canada
- ‘Ecclesiology, Idealism, and the “Color Line”’ 2015  
Kuyper Centre for Public Theology, Princeton Theological Seminary
- ‘Split Cognisance: Bonhoeffer Reads Genesis After Hegel’ 2015  
Society for the Study of Theology (UK), University of Nottingham
- ‘Peccatorum Communio: Intercession in Bonhoeffer’s Use of Hegel’ 2014  
Society for the Study of Christian Ethics (UK), University of Cambridge
- ‘By the Lips of Foreigners: Ecclesial Speech and the Politics of Recognition’ 2014  
Las Casas Institute, University of Oxford

## Campus Presentations

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### Departmental Lectures

- ‘Beyond “Design”: Evolutionary Biology and a Theology of Preservation’ 2018  
Interface Lecture Series, Regent College
- ‘Protestantism Without Reformation: Bonhoeffer’s View of the North American Churches’  
Public Lecture, Regent College 2018
- ‘The Church’s Response to Hitler: Bonhoeffer and the Confessing Church’ 2018  
‘History of Christianity II’ Graduate Course, Regent College
- ‘From Revolution to Right? Politics of Freedom in Bonhoeffer & Hegel’ 2017  
‘Dietrich Bonhoeffer’s Christian Humanism’ Graduate Course, Regent College

**Research Seminar Presentations**

- ‘Disruption of the Word: Christ as Counter-Logos’ 2018  
Faculty Forum Seminar Paper, Regent College
- ‘Confession and Forgiveness in Bonhoeffer and Hegel’ 2014  
Theology & Ethics Research Seminar, University of Edinburgh

**Response Papers to Visiting Scholars**

- Michael Mawson, ‘How God Suffers: Bonhoeffer, Moltmann, and Theological Language’  
Theology & Ethics Research Seminar, University of Edinburgh 2015
- Michael Northcott, *Political Theology of Climate Change* 2014  
Theology & Ethics Research Seminar, University of Edinburgh
- Rowan Williams, ‘Making Representations’, Gifford Lecture Series 2013  
Theology & Ethics Research Seminar, University of Edinburgh

**Teaching Experience**

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**Lecturer, Course Designer***Senior Graduate Seminars*

- APPL / THEO 761: Bonhoeffer on Christian Community (Regent College) 2019
- INDS 788: Divine Providence and Natural Cause (Regent College) 2019

*Graduate Lecture Courses*

- APPL 546: Pastoral Care (Regent College) 2021
- INDS 517: Theology and Science in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (Regent College) 2021
- Philosophy, Theology, and the Sciences (Shandong University, China) 2021
- THEO 608: History of Doctrine (Regent College) 2020
- ETH 500: Introduction to Christian Ethics (Vancouver School of Theology) 2020
- THEO 630: Pastoral Ethics (Regent College) 2019, 2020
- THEO 612: Providence: Understanding God’s Ways in the World (Regent College) 2019
- THEO 500: Theology Overview (Regent College) 2019
- Theology and Science (Guangdong Union Theological Seminary, Guangzhou, China) 2018, 2020
- Theology and Science (Henan University, Kaifeng, China) 2018

Introduction to Christian Ethics (Scottish Episcopal Institute, Common Awards) 2017

*Undergraduate Lecture Courses*

RELG 230: Protestant History and Thought (Corpus Christi College) 2020

**Guest Lecturer**

*Undergraduate Lecture Courses*

THET08010: God in Philosophy: Plato to Hume (University of Edinburgh)  
Plato and Aristotle Units 2017

THET08017: Introduction to Christian Theology (University of Edinburgh)  
Christology Unit 2016

**Tutorial Professor, Graduate Courses**

INDS 501/502: Christian Thought and Culture (Regent College) 2020-2021

**Tutor, Undergraduate Courses**

Ethics and Society (University of Edinburgh) 2016

Atheism in Debate (University of Edinburgh) 2015

God in Philosophy: Plato to Hume (University of Edinburgh) 2015

'Religion, Violence, and Peacebuilding' (University of Edinburgh) 2014

**Instructor, Distance Education** 2014-2017

INDS 510: The Christian Mind (Regent College)

SPIR 588: Devotional Use of the Psalms in Christian History (Regent College)

SPIR 648: Tell It Slant: Parables as Spiritual Direction (Regent College)

**Editing**

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Book Manuscript Editor (Structural), Trinity Western University 2017–2018  
Jens Zimmermann, *Bonhoeffer's Christian Humanism* (OUP, 2019)

Book Manuscript Editor (Stylistic) and Index Compilation, University of Edinburgh  
David Fergusson & Paul Nimmo, eds., *Cambridge Companion to Reformed Theology*  
David Fergusson, *Creation: A Theological Guide* (Eerdmans) 2014–2015

Book Manuscript Editor (Stylistic), University of Aberdeen 2013  
Brian Brock & Bernd Wannewetsch, *A Theological Exposition of 1 Corinthians*

## Peer Review

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<i>Studies in Christian Ethics</i>	2020–
<i>Baylor University Press</i>	2019–
<i>International Journal of Systematic Theology</i>	2018–
<i>Journal of the Society of Christian Ethics</i>	2018
<i>Modern Theology</i>	2017–
<i>Bloomsbury Philosophy</i>	2017

## Academic Service

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Lecture Series Manager	2018
‘Interface: An Autumn Lecture Series in Theology and Science’	
Speakers: Alister McGrath, Sarah Coakley, Bruce Hindmarsh, Jens Zimmermann	
Public Engagement Grant, Templeton Foundation	
Regent College, Vancouver, BC	
Website Host and Social Media Promotions	2016
‘Christianity and the New Spirit of Capitalism’	
Edinburgh Gifford Lectures featuring Kathryn Tanner	
Business School, University of Edinburgh	
Postgraduate Conference Convener	2013–2015
‘Power and Authority in Ethics’, ‘Creatures and the Ethics of Consumption’	
Speakers: Esther Reed, David Clough	
Society for the Study of Christian Ethics	
New College, University of Edinburgh	
Organising Committee Member	2013–2015
The Abbey Summer School	
Speakers: Jeremy Begbie, Iain Provan	
Edinburgh, U.K.	

## Languages

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English, Fluent

French, Reading Knowledge

German, Reading Knowledge

Biblical Greek, Reading Knowledge

Biblical Hebrew, Basic Knowledge

## **Membership in Academic Societies**

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American Academy of Religion

Society of Christian Ethics (US)

Society for the Study of Christian Ethics (UK)

International Bonhoeffer Society