A18-100
Public Understanding of Religion Committee
Theme: Committee Meeting
Friday, 9:00 AM-12:00 PM (In Person)
Evan Berry, Arizona State University, Presiding

Panelists

Vincent Biondo, Humboldt State University
Alisha L. Jones, Indiana University, Bloomington
Sara Kamali, Kamali Consulting
Rachel Mikva, Chicago Theological Seminary
Nathan Walker, 1791 Delegates

A18-101
Regions Committee
Theme: Regions Committee Business Meeting
Friday, 9:00 AM-12:00 PM (In Person)
Brian K. Pennington, Elon University, Presiding

Panelists

Derrick Lemons, University of Georgia
Tiffany Puett, Institute for Diversity and Civic Life, Austin, TX
Matthew Vaughan, Columbia University
Jake Nagasawa, University of California, Santa Barbara
Philippa Koch, Missouri State University
Terence Kleven, Central College
Amy Donaldson, Independent Scholar
Cynthia Hogan, Washington & Jefferson College
Ronald Bernier, Wentworth Institute of Technology
Jeremy Fricke, Tri-Faith Initiative

A18-102
**Status of LGBTIQ Persons in the Profession Committee**
Theme: **Committee Meeting**
Friday, 9:00 AM-12:00 PM (In Person)
Benae Beamon, Bucknell University, Presiding

**Panelists**
Daniel Ballon, Emory University
W. Scott Haldeman, Chicago Theological Seminary
Eziaku Nwokocha, Princeton University
Teresa Smallwood, Vanderbilt University
Jessica Vazquez Torres, Crossroads Antiracism Organizing and Training

Friday, 9:00 AM-1:00 PM

A18-103
**Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee**
Theme: **Business Meeting**
Friday, 9:00 AM-1:00 PM (In Person)

**Business Meeting**
Angela Parker, Mercer University, Presiding

Friday, 9:00 AM-3:00 PM

A18-104
**International Connections Committee**
Theme: **ICC meeting**
Friday, 9:00 AM-3:00 PM
Olga Kazmina, Moscow State University, Presiding

**Panelists**
John P. Burgess, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary
Kimberly Hill, University of Texas, Dallas
Wei-Jen Chen, Chicago Theological Seminary
Fabio Rambelli, University of California, Santa Barbara
James Ponniah Kulandai Raj, University of Madras

Friday, 9:00 AM-4:00 PM

A18-105
**Professional Development**
**THATCamp - The Humanities and Technology Camp**
Theme: **THATCamp 2022**
Friday, 9:00 AM-4:00 PM
A18-106
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe
Religion and Media Workshop
Theme: Mediating Catastrophe and Repair
Friday, 11:00 AM-5:00 PM
John Borchert, University of North Carolina At Greensboro, Presiding

Panelists

Nabil Echchaibi, University of Colorado
Deborah Whitehead, University of Colorado, Boulder

Friday, 12:00 PM-3:00 PM
A18-200
Status of Women in the Profession Committee
Theme: Meeting of the AAR Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession
Friday, 12:00 PM-3:00 PM
Kathleen T. Talvacchia, Independent Scholar, Presiding

Panelists

Sarah Imhoff, Indiana University, Bloomington
Vanessa Lovelace, Lancaster Theological Seminary
Maria T. Davila, Merrimack College
Amy Elizabeth Steele, Vanderbilt University
K. Christine Pae, Denison University

Friday, 1:00 PM-4:00 PM
A18-201
Academic Relations Committee
Theme: Committee Meeting
Friday, 1:00 PM-4:00 PM
Susan E. Hill, University of Northern Iowa, Presiding

Panelists

Elizabeth Castelli, Barnard College
Lee Hayward Butler, Phillips Theological Seminary
Reggie Williams, McCormick Theological Seminary
Peter Valdina, Albion College
Russell T. McCutcheon, University of Alabama
A18-202
Graduate Student Committee
Theme: Committee Meeting
Friday, 1:00 PM-4:00 PM (In Person)
Sabina Ali, Indiana University, Bloomington, Presiding

Panelists
Devin Burns, Florida State University
Maxine Katz, University of Illinois
Michael Laminack, University of Denver
Andrea Scardina, University of Iowa

A18-203
Professional Development - Employment
Public Scholarship and Practical Impacts Workshop
Theme: Media Training and Work Outside the Academy
Friday, 1:00 PM-4:00 PM (In Person)
Amy Defibaugh, Temple University, Presiding
Benjamin Marcus, Religious Freedom Center, Presiding

Panelists
Andrew Henry, Boston University
Simran Jeet Singh, New York University

A18-204
Professional Development - Pedagogy and Teaching
Theology and Ethnography Workshop
Theme: Teaching and Supervising Qualitative Research
Friday, 1:00 PM-4:00 PM (In Person)
Rachelle Green, Fordham University, Presiding
Hendrik Pieter De Roest, Protestant Theological University, Presiding

Panelists
Jeffery L. Tribble, Columbia Theological Seminary
Emmanuel Lartey, Emory University
Elisabeth Tveito Johnsen, University of Oslo
Sabrina Müller, Zurich University
Friday, 1:00 PM-5:00 PM

A18-205
Professional Development - Pedagogy and Teaching
Comparative Hagiology Workshop
Theme: Teaching Hagiology in a New Way
Friday, 1:00 PM-5:00 PM (In Person)
Nikolas Hoel, Northeastern Illinois University, Presiding
Massimo Rondolino, Carroll University, Presiding

A18-206
Professional Development - Publishing
Motherhood and Religion Workshop
Theme: Consolidating Matricentric Perspectives
Friday, 1:00 PM-5:00 PM (In Person)
Florence Pasche Guignard, Other, Presiding
Pascale Engelmajer, Carroll University, Presiding

Panelists
Stephanie Buckhanon Crowder, Chicago Theological Seminary

Friday, 2:00 PM-4:00 PM

A18-207
Professional Development
Women's Caucus
Theme: Women's Caucus Workshop Gathering
Friday, 2:00 PM-4:00 PM (In Person)

Friday, 2:00 PM-5:00 PM

A18-208
Professional Development
Centers for Religion in Public Life Workshop
Theme: Networking and Dialogue Opportunities
Friday, 2:00 PM-5:00 PM (In Person)
Andrew Davies, University of Birmingham, Presiding

Friday, 3:00 PM-5:00 PM

A18-300
American Lectures in the History of Religions Committee
Theme: Committee Meeting
Friday, 3:00 PM-5:00 PM (In Person)
Duncan Williams, University of Southern California, Presiding

Panelists
Michelle Gonzalez Maldonado, University of Scranton
R. Marie Griffith, Washington University in St. Louis
Megan Robb, University of Pennsylvania

Friday, 5:00 PM-7:00 PM

A18-400
Trans Caucus
Theme: Trans Caucus Meeting
Friday, 5:00 PM-7:00 PM (In Person)

Friday, 6:00 PM-7:00 PM

A18-401
Journal of the American Academy of Religion (JAAR)
Theme: JAAR Editorial Board Meeting
Friday, 6:00 PM-7:00 PM (In Person)
Andrea Jain, Indiana University - Purdue University, Indianapolis, Presiding
Kevin Schilbrack, Appalachian State University, Presiding

Friday, 8:00 PM-10:00 PM

A18-500
Films
Theme: Pilgrimage to Magdalena/Peregrinaje a Magdalena (Border Community Alliance, 2021)
Friday, 8:00 PM-10:00 PM (In Person)
Seth Schermerhorn, Hamilton College, Presiding

Panelists
Jerry Haas, Border Community Alliance
Alex La Pierre, Border Community Alliance
Seth Schermerhorn, Hamilton College
Magda Mankel, University of Maryland

Responding
Spencer Dew, Ohio State University
Elizabeth Shakman Hurd, Northwestern University

Saturday, 7:00 AM-8:00 AM
A19-100
Tours
Theme: Morning Yoga
Saturday, 7:00 AM-8:00 AM (In Person)
Saturday, 7:30 AM-8:45 AM

A19-101
Receptions/Breakfasts/Luncheons
Academic Relations Committee
Theme: Department Chair and Program Coordinator's Breakfast
Saturday, 7:30 AM-8:45 AM (In Person)
Susan E. Hill, University of Northern Iowa, Presiding

A19-102
Receptions/Breakfasts/Luncheons
American Academy of Religion
Theme: New Members' Breakfast and Annual Meeting Orientation
Saturday, 7:30 AM-8:45 AM (In Person)
Alice Hunt, American Academy of Religion, Presiding
Matt Vieson, American Academy of Religion, Presiding
Mayra Rivera, Harvard University, Presiding
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

A19-103
African Religions Unit
Theme: Rituals of Grieving, Solidarity, and Resistance
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
David Amponsah, University of Pennsylvania, Presiding

- Rode Molla, University of Denver
  From Holistic Theology to In-Between Theology
- Loreen Maseno, Maseno University, Kenya
  Reconceiving Burials and Grief in the light of Covid-19 Among the Tiriki of Kenya
- Ketty Thomas, Michigan Tech University
  What Do The Women Do? Examining the impact on women at the intersection of race, politics, and religious orthodoxy
A19-104
Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Unit
Theme: Diaspora, Race, and Sexuality: AAPI Christian Pasts & Futures
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Helen Jin Kim, Emory University, Presiding

- Chanhee Heo, Stanford University
  "Thy Kin-dom Come": Idealized Christian Nation and Identity Formation of Korean Immigrants, 1903-1919

- Htoi San Lu, Vanderbilt University
  Embodied Solidarity: Imagining the Future of Southeast Asian Kachin Baptist Diasporic Church-Community in the U.S.

- Dennis Saavedra Carquin-Hamichand, Iliff School of Theology
  Indecent Theology from an Indo-Guyanese Perspective: Toward Christian Liberation and Acceptance of the LGBTQIA+ Community

- Justin Tse, Singapore Management University
  Ellen Zhou, Singapore Management University
  Unsilencing the Exodus: Revisiting Blogging as an Asian American Evangelical Online Future, 2004 and 2009

Business Meeting

Helen Jin Kim, Emory University, Presiding
SueJeanne Koh, University of California, Irvine, Presiding

A19-105
Buddhist Philosophy Unit
Theme: Norms of Attention in South Asian Buddhism
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Heather Moody, University of Virginia, Presiding

- Nicolas Bommarito, Brown University
Attention as Ethical Tool in Gyaltsé Tokmé

- Aaron Schultz, Oxford College of Emory University
  Vasubandhu, Reactive Attitudes, and Attentional Freedom

- Sean Smith, University of Hawai‘i
  Buddhaghosa on Affective Bias and Norms of Attention

- Karma Lekshe Tsomo, University of San Diego
  Attention as Normative in a Monastery for Women in Zangskar

- Blaine Patrick Werner, University of Virginia
  How to Judge Attention: Mindfulness, Vigilance, and Awareness in Śāntideva’s Bodhicaryāvatāra

Responding

Vesna Wallace, University of California, Santa Barbara

Business Meeting

Karin Meyers, Mangalam Research Center, Presiding
Constance Kassor, Lawrence University, Presiding

A19-106
Chinese Religions Unit
Theme: Building and Sharing Open-Access Online Resources for the Study of Chinese Religions
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Katherine Alexander, University of Colorado, Presiding

Panelists

Elena Valussi, Loyola University, Chicago
Fenggang Yang, Purdue University
Jonathan Pettit, University of Hawai‘i
Gregory Adam Scott, University of Manchester

Business Meeting

Susan Andrews, Mount Allison University, Presiding
Rongdao Lai, McGill University, Presiding

A19-108
Class, Religion, and Theology Unit, Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Unit, Religion and Sexuality Unit, and Women and Religion Unit
Theme: Reproductive Labor
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Annie Blazer, College of William & Mary, Presiding

- Amanda Griffin, Yale University
  *Christian Salvation and Failed Reproduction*

- Shelly Tilton, University of Virginia
  Rebekah K Latour, University of Virginia
  *Erections and Erectile Wills: A Theory of Male Reproductive Labor*

- Erin Beall, Texas Christian University
  *Furniture, Fiend, or Female: Asserting the Humanity of Bilhah and Her Descendants*

- Jeannine Hill Fletcher, Fordham University
  *Hetty and Elizabeth: Women's Ecclesial Reproductions in an Economy of Enslavement*

Responding
Elana Jefferson-Tatum, Tufts University

A19-109
Books under Discussion
Cognitive Science of Religion Unit
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Paul Robertson, University of New Hampshire, Presiding

Panelists
Wesley J. Wildman, Boston University
Glen Hayes, Bloomfield College
Colloquium on Violence and Religion
Theme: Theologies of Mercy and Black Liberation: American Christianity Through the Lens of Mimetic Theory
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Julia Moore, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, Presiding
Jaisy Joseph, Villanova University, Presiding
Brian Carpenter, St. Mary’s Seminary & University, Presiding

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Sacrifice Recapitulated - The Eucharist as the Sacrificial Foundation for a New Religion and a New Culture

Business Meeting

Grant Kaplan, Saint Louis University, Presiding

Comparative Studies in Religion Unit
Theme: Comparative Methods in Undergraduate Pedagogy: Transforming Teaching in Trying Times
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Ivette Vargas-O’Bryan, Austin College, Presiding

Panelists

Christopher Jensen, Carleton University
Oliver Freiberger, University of Texas, Austin
Roberta Sabbath, University of Nevada, Las Vegas
Breanna Nickel, Goshen College
Raissa Von Doetinchem De Rande, Princeton University
Steven Ramey, University of Alabama
Liz Wilson, Miami University of Ohio
Leslie Smith, Avila University
Sarah Catherine Cook, University of Georgia

Contemporary Pagan Studies Unit
Theme: ‘Cosmopolitan Ontological Ecosystems’ : Interrogations of the Inner, Outer, and Under
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Giovanna Parmigiani, Harvard University, Presiding

- Natalia Schwien, Harvard Divinity School
  "The Plant Delighteth: Plant Personhood in the Study of Western Esotericism"
- Jenny Butler, University College Cork
  Contemporary Irish Paganism, Otherworld Traditions, and the Materiality of Place
- Damian Lanahan-Kalish, University of California Santa Barbara
  Architects of Reality: Mackical Approaches to a Subjective Reality
- Thomas Cattoi, Graduate Theological Union
  Neo-Gnostics Underground: Iconographies of Inner Transformation in Damanhur’s Subterranean Temples in Northern Italy

A19-113
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe
Eastern Orthodox Studies Unit and Middle Eastern Christianity Unit
Theme: Eastern and Oriental Orthodox Christianity in the Midst of Catastrophes
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Amy Fallas, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

- Pavlo Smytsnyuk, Ukrainian Catholic University
  Pandemics and the Suspension of Eucharistic Ecclesiology
- Joshua Donovan, Columbia University
  Violence, Displacement, and the Making of Antiochian Orthodox Identity in the Modern World
- Aaron Eldridge, University of California, Berkeley
  Destruction and the Drive: The Topology of the Soul in a Contemporary Arab Orthodox Text

Responding
A19-114  
**Ecclesiological Investigations Unit**  
Theme: *Theologies of Ecclesial Dialogue, Discernment, and Consensus-Building*  
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)  
Aaron Hollander, Graymoor Ecumenical and Interreligious Institute, Presiding

- Elsa Marty, University of Chicago  
  
  *Contextual Theology and Ecclesial Dialogue: Local Identities and Mutual Transformation among Adivasi Lutherans in Jharkhand, India*

- Tamara Grdzelidze, Ilia State University, Georgia  
  
  *Masters of Border-Making and Misreading Boundaries: Contemporary Orthodox Ecclesiology*

- Jakob Rinderknecht, University of the Incarnate Word  
  
  *Reconceiving the Quest for Unity: Ecumenism Today*

- Josiah Baker, Fuller Theological Seminary  
  
  *The Function of Charisms in Pentecostal Theologies of Ecumenical Dialogue*

A19-115  
**Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe Evangelical Studies Unit**  
Theme: *Evangelicalism and Environmental Catastrophe*  
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)  
Jessica Wong, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding

- Thomas Creedy, South West London Vineyard  
  
  *The Scandal of the evangelical environmentalist? Climate crisis and Christian Discipleship*

- Dylan Parker, Fuller Theological Seminary  
  
  *Work and Keep: Reclaiming the Possibility of an Evangelical Response to the Environmental Crisis*
• Monica Schaap Pierce, Reformed Church in America

  *Slaying the “Green Dragon” of “Climate Alarmism”: Militant Masculinity, Evangelical Anti-Environmentalism, and an Ecotheological Response*

• Samuel Tranter, St John's College, Durham University, UK

  *Ecological Responsibility and Eschatological Renovation: What’s the Evangelical Story?*

**Business Meeting**

Peter Choi, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

**A19-116**

**Hinduism Unit**

Theme: *New Books in Hindu Studies*

Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)

Sohini Pillai, Kalamazoo College, Presiding

**Panelists**

Gloria Hernández, West Chester University

Ayesha Irani, University of Massachusetts, Boston

Sugata Ray, University of California, Berkeley

Nicole Karapanagiotis, Rutgers University, Camden

**Business Meeting**

Harshita Kamath, Emory University, Presiding

Varun Khanna, Swarthmore College, Presiding

**A19-117**

**Japanese Religions Unit**

Theme: *Lived Religion in Japan*

Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)

Mark Unno, University of Oregon, Presiding

• Susan Dine, University of Michigan

  *The Potency of Practice: Myōe’s "Sanjī Sanbōrai" to Mitigate Disaster*

• Matthew Mitchell, Allegheny College

  *Two Tickets to Paradise: Lived Religion, Mendicant Patriarchs, and Amitabha Amulets*
in 19th Century Nagoya

- Michaela Mross, Stanford University

  *Lay Buddhist Choirs in Contemporary Sōtō Zen*

- Adam Lyons, University of Montreal

  *When the Orthodoxy is Stupid: Some Reflections on the Practice of Censorship and ‘Lived Religion’ in Japan*

**Responding**

David Quinter, University of Alberta, Edmonton

**Business Meeting**

Levi McLaughlin, North Carolina State University, Presiding
Jessica Starling, Lewis and Clark College, Presiding

**A19-118**

*Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Unit*

Theme: *New Directions in the Study of the Sanctuary Movement*

Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Maggie Elmore, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding

**Panelists**

Felipe Hinojosa, Texas A&M University, College Station
Mary Ward-Bucher, Temple University
Sergio Gonzalez, Marquette University
Lloyd Barba, Amherst College
Carlos Ruiz Martinez, University of Iowa
Barbara Sostaita, Harvard University

**Reviewers**

Ruben Rosario Rodriguez, Saint Louis University

**Business Meeting**

Lauren Frances Guerra, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding
Ángel Gallardo, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

**A19-119**
Law, Religion, and Culture Unit
Theme: Intellectual Property, Branding, and Religion
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Andrew Ventimiglia, Illinois State University, Presiding

Panelists

Spencer Dew, Ohio State University
Kristin Peterson, Boston College
Ari Y. Kelman, Stanford University
Benjamin Zeller, Lake Forest College
Brad Stoddard, McDaniel College
Nathan Fredrickson, University of California, Santa Barbara

Mysticism Unit
Theme: Troubling "Mysticism": Expanding the Horizons of the Category
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Margarita Simon Guillory, Boston University, Presiding

- James W. Perkinson, Ecumenical Theological Seminary
  An Experimental Reading Towards Decolonizing Mysticism: Letting Deloria’s Land “Revelation” Challenge Christian Anthropocentrism

- Nicholas Collins, Rice University
  Paranormal Path Dependencies in Global Mythology: Their Relevance for the Study of Mysticism

- Daniel Fishley, McGill University
  Mystical Bodies and Social Embodiment: Grace Jantzen and Materiality of Transcendence

- Paul Gillis-Smith, Harvard Divinity School
  Profane words with God: Mysticism on the Immanent Plane

Business Meeting

Jason N. Blum, Davidson College, Presiding

A19-121
Books under Discussion

**Nineteenth Century Theology Unit**
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Brent Sockness, Stanford University, Presiding

**Panelists**
Lori K. Pearson, Carleton College
Friedemann Voigt, Philipps University of Marburg
Helmut Walser Smith, Vanderbilt University

**Responding**
Robert E. Norton, University of Notre Dame

**A19-122**

**North American Religions Unit**
Theme: *Religion, Moral Panics, and the American City*
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Savannah Finver, Ohio State University, Presiding

- Kolby Knight, University of California, Santa Barbara
  *The Singing Priest of Chinatown and Catholicizing an American City*
- Lynne Gerber, Independent Scholar
  *A Scandal in a Catastrophe: The Reverend Lynn Griffis, Anti-Gay Violence, and AIDS in 1980s San Francisco*
- Seokweon Jeon, Harvard University
  *Selling and subletting the body of Christ: Buying, Selling, Closing, and Subletting Churches in Greater Boston*

**Responding**
Alyssa Maldonado-Estrada, Kalamazoo College

**Business Meeting**
Kathleen Holscher, University of New Mexico, Presiding
Isaac Weiner, Ohio State University, Presiding

A19-123
Books under Discussion
Open and Relational Theologies Unit
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
John Becker, Lyon College, Presiding
Marc Pugliese, Saint Leo University, Presiding

Panelists

Catherine Keller, Drew University
Leo Lefebure, Georgetown University
Elaine Padilla, University of La Verne
Daniel Speed Thompson, University of Dayton

Business Meeting

Krista E. Hughes, Newberry College, Presiding
Jon Paul Sydnor, Emmanuel College, Boston, Presiding

A19-124
Pentecostal–Charismatic Movements Unit
Theme: The Resurgence of Kingship in the Pentecostal Social Imagination
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Dara Delgado, Allegheny College, Presiding

Panelists

Erica Ramirez, Auburn Seminary
Leah Payne, George Fox University
Joao Chaves, Baylor University
Ryan Burge, Eastern Illinois University
Sam Kestenbaum, Independent Religion Reporter

Business Meeting

Andrea Johnson, California State University, Dominguez Hills, Presiding
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe

Psychology, Culture, and Religion Unit
Theme: Climate Catastrophe, Eco-Anxiety and Climate Grief: Psychological and Religious Perspectives
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Lisa M. Cataldo, Fordham University, Presiding

- KwangYu Lee, Drew University
  
  *An Ecopsychological Understanding of Humans within Nature: between Climate Change and Climate Anxiety*

- Leah Thomas, Lancaster Theological Seminary
  
  *Climate Change as a Traumatic Stressor: The Implications of Trauma Studies for "Climate grief" and "Eco-anxiety"*

- Pamela McCarroll, Emmanuel College, University of Toronto
  
  *Climate Trauma: From Climate Denial, Grief and Eco-Anxiety toward Earth's Flourishing*

- Kerry Danner, Georgetown University
  
  *The Need for Resistance not Resilience: Courage, Hope & Climate Catastrophe*

Responding

Storm Swain, United Lutheran Seminary

**A19-126**

Qur'an Unit and Study of Islam Unit
Theme: Reception History of the Qur'an
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Lauren Osborne, Whitman College, Presiding

- Zarif Rahman, University of Virginia
  
  *The Qur’an in Fakhr al-Dīn al-Rāzī’s Paradigm of Human Perfection*

- Syed Zaidi, Emory University
  
  *The Use of the Qur’an in Mīr Dāmād’s Conception of Time and Eternity*
• Shuaib Ally, McGill University

    *al-Ṣafaḍī, Trivia and Riddles of Qur’ānic Style in 14th C Mamluk Letters*

Responding

Hadia Mubarak, Queens University

A19-127

Religion and Disability Studies Unit

Theme: *Interrogating Disability in History, Time, and Text*

Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)

Heike Peckruhn, Daemen College, Presiding

• Calli Micale, Yale University

    *Angelic Bodies, Demonic Flesh: Protestant Pro-slavery Rhetoric of Disability and Blackness*

• Madeline Jarrett, Boston College

    *Crip Time as Messianic Time: Insights from the Disabled Body on Temporality and Futurity*

• Halla Attallah, Georgetown University

    *Narrative Prosthesis, Female (In)fertility, and the Environment in Qur’an 51:24-30*

Business Meeting

David Scott, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

A19-128

Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe

Religion and Ecology Unit

Theme: *Decolonization, Traditional Ecological Knowledge, and Care Ethics in Environmental Collapse*

Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)

Kimberly Carfore, University of San Francisco, Presiding

• Brian Kolia, Malua Theological College

    Frances Flannery, James Madison University
The Case for Coral-izing Biblical Texts from Decolonized Perspectives

- Elizabeth Allison, California Institute of Integral Studies
  
  Toward an ecological care ethic: Insights from traditional ecological knowledge in Bhutan

- Wade Casey, Loyola University, Chicago
  
  Toward a Social and Ecological Ethic of Care: Wendell Berry and Willie Jennings in Conversation

- Sadie Rittman, University of British Columbia
  
  Healing in the “Anthropause”: Reclamation, Resacralization, and Anti-Vaccination in Aotearoa/New Zealand

Business Meeting

Joseph Wiebe, University of Alberta, Augustana, Presiding
Kimberly Carfore, University of San Francisco, Presiding

A19-129
Religion and Politics Unit
Theme: Christian Nationalism and the Limits of Liberalism
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Ann Duncan, Goucher College, Presiding

- David Ritchie, West Texas A&M University
  
  "Sketching a Christology of Nationalism: How Nationalism Utilizes Messianic Characterizations to Elicit Spiritual Devotion and Religious Affection"

- Stephen Waldron, Boston University
  
  Natural Theologies of Gender in National Conservative Ideology

- Matthew D. Taylor, Institute for Islamic, Christian, and Jewish Studies
  
  The Seven Mountains of Colorado: The Capitol Riot and the Ascendant Independent Charismatics in the Religious Right

Business Meeting

Ann Duncan, Goucher College, Presiding
John D. Carlson, Arizona State University, Presiding

A19-130
Religion and Popular Culture Unit
Theme: Perverted Pleasures: New Sexual Frontiers in Religion and Popular Culture
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Roger A. Sneed, Furman University, Presiding

- Simona Lazzerini, Stanford University
  Edifying, Entertaining, and Erotic: Buddhist Deities in Contemporary East Asian Pop Culture
- Timothy Burnside, Florida State University
  Backwoods, Backwash, Bumfuck Nowhere: White Trash Poetics, Queer Domesticity, and Perverted Nature Religion
- J Selke, University of California, Riverside
  Hail Satan’s Phallus: A Critical Analysis of Gay Pornographic Satanism on Twitter

Responding
Claudia Schippert, University of Central Florida

A19-131
Religion and Public Schools: International Perspectives Unit and Religion in Europe Unit
Theme: Constructions of Religion in Education in Europe: Empirical and Theoretical Analyses
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Erik Owens, Boston College, Presiding

- Karsten Lehmann, University College for Teacher Education of the Churches, Vienna/Krems
  Religious Diversity at Viennese Schools during the 1920s and 1930s
- Carol Ferrara, Boston University
  Learning religion in French private schools: categories and conflations through the lens of Muslim, Catholic, and secular case studies
• Angela Bernardo, Sapienza University of Rome

*Theorizing religion: religious education in the Italian public schools between interreligious dialogue and intercultural narratives*

• Ragnhild Iversen, University of South-Eastern Norway

*Interrupting religion: Using a risk/potential matrix for thinking through the dilemma of play-based religious education for young children*

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A19-132
Books under Discussion
Religion, Colonialism, and Postcolonialism Unit
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Adrian Hermann, University of Bonn, Presiding

Panelists

Kathryn Gin Lum, Stanford University
Juliane Hammer, University of North Carolina At Chapel Hill
Kathy Chow, Yale University
Katherine Moran, Saint Louis University

Responding

Tisa Wenger, Yale University
Sylvester Johnson, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

A19-133
Religions, Medicines, and Healing Unit
Theme: *Health Humanities & Religion: New Initiatives in the U.S.*
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Judith Weisenfeld, Princeton University, Presiding

Panelists

Swasti Bhattacharyya, Harvard University
Jamil Drake, Florida State University
Brett Hendrickson, Lafayette College
Minji Lee, Reunion Institute
Anthony Petro, Boston University
Kristy Slominski, University of Arizona
A19-134
Books under Discussion
Sacred Texts, Theory, and Theological Construction Unit
Theme: A Panel on Jessica Coblentz's Dust in the Blood (Liturical Press, 2022)
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Hunter Bragg, Drew University, Presiding

Panelists
Elizabeth Antus, Boston College
Karen Bray, Wesleyan College
Andrew Prevot, Boston College

Responding
Jessica Coblentz, Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame

A19-135
Science, Technology, and Religion Unit and Sociology of Religion Unit
Theme: Modes of Digital Religion: Research Methods, Christian Traditionalism on Twitter, and Online Worship during Covid-19
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Di Di, Santa Clara University, Presiding

- Lauren Horn Griffin, Louisiana State University
  #RadTrads, Climate Change, and the Pachamama Controversy: A Machine Learning Approach to Catholic Traditionalism in Brazil

- Sarah Riccardi-Swartz, Arizona State University
  Verified: Internet Science, Biometrics, and Religious Orthodoxies

- Tyler Fuller, Boston University
  What’s Really Important? : Differences in Catholic Experiences of Digital Mass During the COVID-19 Pandemic

- Amarnath Amarasingam, University of Waterloo
  Jordan Loewen-Colón, Syracuse University
"We Will Always Burn the Man": Taking the Ecstatic Moment of Burning Man Online

A19-136
Sikh Studies Unit and Yoga in Theory and Practice Unit
Theme: Sikhi & Yoga
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Christopher Patrick Miller, Arihanta Academy, Presiding

Panelists

Balbinder Bhogal, Hofstra University
Philip Deslippe, University of California, Santa Barbara
Jvala Singh, University of British Columbia
Puninder Singh, University of Michigan
Rob Zabel, Independent Scholar

Responding

Nirinjan Khalsa, Loyola Marymount University

A19-137
Space, Place, and Religion Unit
Theme: Ecologies of Ritual and Trauma
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Courtney Bruntz, Doane University, Presiding

• Kai Shmushko, Tel Aviv University
  
  *Buddhism After Capitalist Destruction – The Case of Wutong Urban Village and Culture-Capitalist Soft Power in China*

• Alastair Lockhart, University of Cambridge
  
  *Creating a Sacred Garden: An English Millenarian Case Study*

• Ehsan Sheikholharam, University of North Carolina
  
  *Dilemmas of Recognition and the Cultural Politics of the Aga Khan Award for Architecture*

• David Geary, University of British Columbia
  
  *Yogi Mike under the Bodhi Tree: sacred space and the embodiment of dharma in Bodh*
Gaya

- Ryan Juskus, Wake Forest University

*From Sacrifice Zones to Sacred Zones: Theorizing Environmental Justice as the Work of Transforming Expendable Places into Places of Sacred Life*

A19-138

Tantric Studies Unit

Theme: *Scholars, Practitioners, and Scholar-Practitioners: Negotiating Method, Relationship, and Secrecy in Tantric Studies*

Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)

Anna Golovkova, Cornell University, Presiding

- Sravana Borkataky-Varma, University of North Carolina At Wilmington

  *Arousing Pedagogy: Troubling the Scholar-Practitioner Model*

- Keith Cantú, Jagiellonian University

  *Striving beyond subjectivity: sādhanā as scholarly method in Tantra*

- Sundari Johansen Hurwitt, California Institute of Integral Studies

  *“All Scholars Are Assholes”: Secrecy, Distrust, and the Politics of Tantric Studies*
  *Research*

- Hugh B. Urban, Ohio State University

  *The Many Robes of Agehānanda Bhāratī: The Scholar as Tantric Practitioner, Transmitter, and Critic*

Responding

Hamsa Stainton, McGill University

A19-141

Theological Education Committee

Theme: *Theological Education Committee Meeting*

Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)

John Thatamanil, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

Pamela Lightsey, Meadville Lombard Theological School, Presiding
Panelists

LaKeesha Walrond, New York Theological Seminary
Namdrol Miranda Adams, Maitripa College
Nevin Reda, University of Toronto
J. Kameron Carter, Indiana University

A19-139
Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Unit
Theme: Womanist Cultural Aesthetics, Womanist Embodied Love
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Eboni Marshall Turman, Yale University, Presiding

• Elonda Clay, Vrije University Amsterdam
  From Cyberwomanism to Digital Womanism: Theorizing Womanist Approaches to Digital Praxis and Technology Politics

• Jenny Wiley Legath, Princeton University
  The Future is Quare

• Kimberley Gordy, Union Theological Seminary
  TRANSFORMATIVE LOVE: BLACK WOMEN AS CHAPLAINS IN BLACK LITERATURE

• Iris Manburg, University of Chicago
  Towards a Womanist Theomusicology: Surveying Proto-Womanist Sonic Aesthetics in the Twentieth Century

Responding

Jennifer S. Leath, Queen's University

Business Meeting

Melanie Jones, Union Presbyterian Seminary, Presiding
Cheryl Kirk-Duggan, Independent Scholar, Presiding

A19-142
Books under Discussion
Women’s Caucus
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Elaine Nogueira-Godsey, Methodist Theological School in Ohio, Presiding

**Panelists**

Sarah Robinson, Pacific Lutheran University  
Theresa A. Yugar, California State University, Los Angeles  
Sylvia Marcos, Independent Scholar  
Rosalind F. Hinton, LAOUTLOUD  
Adrienne Krone, Allegheny College  
Jea Sophia Oh, West Chester University  
Laurel Potter, Boston College

**Responding**

Mary E. Hunt, Women's Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual

**A19-140**  
**World Christianity Unit**  
Theme: **African Megachurches: Attraction, Innovation, and Lived Religion**  
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)  
Afe Adogame, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

- Felicity Apaah, University of Ghana  
  Allison Norton, Hartford Seminary  
  *Ghanaian Megachurches: Globalization, Attraction, and Innovation in a Time of Crisis*

- Dodeye Williams, University of Calabar  
  Abimbola Adelakun, University of Texas  
  Olanike Ogunnowo, University of Ibadan  
  *Adapting Church to Culture and Redefining Megachurches: Perspectives from the Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG), Nigeria*

- Damaris S. Parsitau, Egerton University  
  Okelloh Ogera, St. Paul's University, Kenya

Responding

Kwabena Asamoah Gyadu, Trinity Theological Seminary, Legon
Olufunke Adeboye, University of Lagos

Saturday, 11:15 AM-12:15 PM

A19-143
Professional Development - Employment
Receptions/Breakfasts/Luncheons
Academic Labor and Contingent Faculty Committee
Theme: Academic Labor and Contingent Faculty Committee Working Group Luncheon with Open Discussion
Saturday, 11:15 AM-12:15 PM (In Person)
Nicole Kirk, Meadville Lombard Theological School, Presiding
Willie J. Jennings, Yale University, Presiding

A19-144
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe
Plenaries
Theme: Plenary Address: Valeria Luiselli
Saturday, 11:15 AM-12:15 PM (In Person)
Mayra Rivera, Harvard University, Presiding

Panelists

Valeria Luiselli,

A19-145
Professional Development
Women's Caucus
Theme: How to Be a Good Session Chair
Saturday, 11:15 AM-12:15 PM (In Person)
Elizabeth Ursic, Mesa Community College, Presiding

Panelists

Mary E. Hunt, Women's Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM
A19-204
African Religions Unit
Theme: Gender, Healing, and Literature in African Religions
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Georgette Ledgister, Harvard University, Presiding

- Michelle Ajisebo McElwaine Abimbola, Boston College
  
  *Mourning and Healing Through Water: Ọsun's Deep Thaw and Yemọja's Great Transformation*

- Ayodeji Ogunnaike, Bowdoin College
  
  *Oduduwa: The Original Gender-Bender and Relational Identity in Yoruba Religion*

- Nicholas Judt, New York, NY
  
  *"Your Tongue Sings the Century": The Effective Power of Literature in the Senegalese Sufi poem "Xarnu Bi"*

Business Meeting

Georgette Ledgister, Harvard University, Presiding
David Amponsah, University of Pennsylvania, Presiding

A19-205
Animals and Religion Unit
Theme: Animals in the Classroom (and beyond): Pedagogical Encounters
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Adrienne Krone, Allegheny College, Presiding

- Kendall Marchman, University of Georgia
  
  *Leaving the Nest: Experiencing the Birds of the Pure Land Outside the Classroom*

- Geoffrey Barstow, Oregon State University
  
  *Incorporating Tibetan Buddhist Imagination Practices into Animal Welfare Activism*

- David Aftandilian, Texas Christian University
  
  *Knowing Animals and Connecting with them More Deeply through Experience and Imagination*
• Allison Covey, Villanova University

Theological Ethology in the Undergraduate Classroom

A19-206
Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Unit and Sociology of Religion Unit
Theme: New Works in the Sociology of Asian American Religions
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Dusty Hoesly, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Panelists
Carolyn Chen, University of California, Berkeley
Stephen Cherry, University of Houston, Clear Lake
Chenxing Han, Institute of Buddhist Studies

A19-207
Black Theology Unit
Theme: Pneumatology and Eschatology in Black Theology: Spirit/s and Black Flourishing in the World to Come
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Andrea C. White, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

• Kurt Buhring, Saint Mary’s College, Indiana
  A Theology of the Spirit(s)

• Andre Price, Villanova University
  Until Victory is Won?

• Elise Edwards, Baylor University
  The Future of Black Flourishing in the Built Environment: Insights from Black Theology and Afrofuturist Writing

Responding
Jawanza Eric Clark, Manhattan College

Business Meeting
Eboni Marshall Turman, Yale University, Presiding

A19-208
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe
**Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Unit**
Theme: *Religion and Catastrophe: Bonhoeffer in Comparative Perspective*
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Matthew Puffer, Valparaiso University, Presiding

- Hans Harmakaputra, Boston College
  
  *Bonhoeffer, Sainthood, and Islam: A Comparative Theology of Sanctity as a Liminal Space*

- Mac Loftin, Harvard University
  
  *Dietrich Bonhoeffer and Tanabe Hajime: Metanoia as Consent to Death*

- Adam Vander Tuig, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York
  
  *A History of the Anthropocene in a Single Cheap Thing: Bonhoeffer, Cheap Grace, and the Future of the Planet*

- David Robinson, Regent University
  
  *How is the Coming Generation to Go On Living? Bonhoeffer’s Ethics of Preservation Amid the “Sixth Extinction”*

A19-209
**Buddhism Unit**
Theme: *Poaching Textual Authority: The Reception of the Bhikṣuṇī-vinaya*
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Reiko Ohnuma, Dartmouth College, Presiding

- Manuel Lopez, New College of Florida
  
  *Divergent Lives, Convergent Paths: Ordination, Education, and Social Status of Contemporary Bhutanese Nuns*

- Darcie Price-Wallace, Northwestern University
  
  *Himalayan and Tibetan Buddhist Nuns’ Textual Communities in Northern India: On the Foundational Women’s Ordination Narrative*

- Nicholas Witkowski, Nanyang Technological University
  
  *Buddhist Monastic Women as Conduits of Charismatic Authority: A Study of*
Revolutionary Agency and Counterrevolutionary Reception

- Annie Heckman, University of Toronto

  *Counting to 180: Butön Rinchen Drub’s curation of nuns' pāyantikā offenses from the Mūlasarvāstivāda Vinaya(s)*

Responding

Amy P. Langenberg, Eckerd College

A19-210
Books under Discussion

**Christian Spirituality Unit and Contemplative Studies Unit**
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Anita Houck, Saint Mary's College, Presiding

Panelists

- Margaret Benefiel, Shalem Institute For Spiritual Formation
- Mary Frohlich, Catholic Theological Union
- Stephanie Paulsell, Harvard University
- Daniel Barbezat, Amherst College

Responding

Bo Karen Lee, Princeton Theological Seminary
Leonard McMahon, Graduate Theological Union

A19-211

**Christian Systematic Theology Unit**
Theme: *Disability, Hope, and Justice*
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Oliver Crisp, University of St Andrews, Presiding

- Samuel Youngs, Bryan College

  *Marvelous Combat: Psychiatric Disability, Martin Luther, and Therapeutic Atonement*

- Preston Hill, Richmont Graduate University
Posttraumatic Disability and the Hope of Everlasting Union with God

- Joanna Leidenhag, University of Leeds

Autistic Joy and the Hope for a Just Afterlife

- Aaron Davis, Union Presbyterian Seminary

Horizons of Hope: Disability, Eschatology, and the Work of the Holy Spirit

- Derek Estes, Saint Louis University

"For The Beauty of their Glory": A Thomistic Argument for Disabilities in the Resurrection

A19-212
Class, Religion, and Theology Unit, Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Unit
Theme: Reproductive Labor as a Critical Concept for the Study of Religion
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Jeremy Posadas, Austin College, Presiding

Panelists
AnneMarie Mingo, Pennsylvania State University
Karen Bray, Wesleyan College
Jeremy V. Cruz, St. John’s University, New York
Claudio Carvalhaes, Union Theological Seminary

Business Meeting

M. Cooper Minister, Shenandoah University, Presiding
Annie Blazer, College of William & Mary, Presiding

A19-213
Comparative Theology Unit
Theme: The Significance and Legacy of Louis Massignon (1883-1962) for Comparative Theology
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Rita George-Tvrtkovic, Benedictine University, Presiding

Panelists
Brenna Moore, Fordham University
Jason Welle, Pontifical Institute for Arabic and Islamic Studies
Christian Krokus, University of Scranton

Business Meeting

Bede Bidlack, Saint Anselm College, Presiding
Catherine Cornille, Boston College, Presiding

A19-214
Confucian Traditions Unit
Theme: Confucianism Enchanted: Narratives and Liturgies of Confucian Deities
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Hwa Yeong Wang, State University of New York, Binghamton, Presiding

- Thomas A. Wilson, Hamilton College
  Confucian Ritual Hermeneutics of Gods

- Keith Knapp, The Citadel
  The High Deity as Head Honcho: Anthropomorphic Images of Heaven in Medieval Didactic Tales

- Daniel Burton-Rose, Northern Arizona University
  Apotheosized Confucians on an Early Qing Spirit-Writing Altar

Responding

Qiong Zhang, Southern Illinois University

Reviewers

Gil Raz, Dartmouth College

A19-215
Books under Discussion
Contemporary Islam Unit and Theology and Continental Philosophy Unit
Theme: Religion, Poetics, and Psychoanalysis: Ewing’s Arguing Sainthood (Duke University Press, 1997) and Pandolfo's Impasse of the Angels (University of Chicago Press, 1997), 25 Years On
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Basit Iqbal, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding
Panelists

Rajbir Judge, California State University, Long Beach
Ana Vinea, University of Michigan
Brent Eng, University of California, Berkeley
Aaron Eldridge, University of California, Berkeley
Ashwak Hauter, University of California, Santa Cruz

Responding

Katherine P. Ewing, Duke University

A19-216
Books under Discussion
Cultural History of the Study of Religion Unit
Theme: Author-Meets-Critics: Roundtable on John Lardas Modern's Neuromatic; or, A Particular History of Religion and the Brain (University of Chicago Press, 2021)
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Jesse Lee, Florida State University, Presiding

Panelists

Gabriel Levy, Norwegian University of Science and Technology
Tracy Fessenden, Arizona State University
Ruth Marshall, University of Toronto
Jason C. Bivins, North Carolina State University
Jessica Johnson, College of William and Mary
William Robert, Syracuse University
Finbarr Curtis, Georgia Southern University

Responding

John Modern, Franklin & Marshall College

A19-217
Eastern Orthodox Studies Unit and Religion in Europe Unit and Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Unit
Theme: Religion & the War in Ukraine
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Philip Dorroll, Wofford College, Presiding

Panelists
A19-218
Gay Men and Religion Unit
Theme: Religion and the Formation of (anti) Gay Male Identities
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Michael Pettinger, New York University, Presiding

- Lucas Wilson, Florida Atlantic University
  
  Guilt, Anxiety, and S(h)ame-Sex Attraction: The Affective Economies of Heteronormativity and Conversion “Therapy” at Liberty University

- Wei-Jen Chen, Chicago Theological Seminary
  
  How Taiwanese Christians talk about homosexuality in the past 30 years

- Keanu Heydari, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
  
  On Celibate Gay Christians: "Single Lives Become Strange Poems"

- B. Dundee Holt, Pacific School of Religion
  
  AFROFUTURISM AND WORLDS OF INFINITE POSSIBILITIES

Responding

Roger A. Sneed, Furman University

A19-201
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe
Graduate Student Committee
Theme: Religious Studies and Catastrophe - Past, Present, and Future(s)
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Chris Miller, University of Waterloo, Presiding
Maxine Katz, University of Illinois, Presiding

- Jumana Al-Ahmad, Washington and Lee University
Resilient Responses to Displacement and Covid 19

- Max Dugan, University of Pennsylvania
  Devotional Resilience of a Halal Restaurant in North Philadelphia as Islamic Practice

- Heidi Ippolito, Iliff School of Theology, University of Denver
  QAnon, Memes, and Morality: The Catastrophic Intersections of Pop Culture Fandom, Religious Rhetoric, and Conspiratorial Communities

- Alexander McCrae, Concordia University
  "Catastrophe" - Reflections from an Emerging Religions Scholar on the Middle East

- Robert Monson, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities
  Survival of the Fittest: Black Overcoming in a World Bent Towards Chaos

- Sadie Rittman, University of British Columbia
  Healing in the "Anthropause": Reclamation, Resacralization, and Anti-Vaccination in Aotearoa/New Zealand

A19-219
History of Christianity Unit
Theme: Martyrdom and the Sensory Turn
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Constance Furey, Indiana University, Presiding

- Katie Bugyis, University of Notre Dame
  Embodying the Virgin-Martyr Saint Lucy in Communities of Religious Women in Medieval England

- Sarah Porter, Harvard University
  Overwhelm: Late Antique Martyria and Choreographies of Desire

- Jeffrey Wickes, University of Notre Dame
  Deceit, Desire, and the Sensorium in the 6th-century East Syriac Martyrs' Cult: Narsai's Poems "On Martyrs"
• Mary Dunn, Saint Louis University

*Jesuits, Rhetoric, and the Plurisensorium of Martyrdom in Seventeenth-Century New France*

• Brandon Bayne, University of North Carolina

*The Touch of Success: Relics and the Sensorium of Martyrdom in Northern New Spain*

**A19-220**

Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe

**Liberation Theologies Unit**

Theme: *Mapping Catastrophes: Vulnerability, Exclusion, and Hope for Liberation*

Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)

Maria T. Davila, Merrimack College, Presiding

• Alina Jabbari, American University of Iraq, Sulaimani

*Modern Qur’anic Hermeneutics: Liberation Theology as frameworks for ‘Muslim Futuring’*

• Sau Nam, Ellicot City, MD

*Solidarity with and within the Oppressed for Collective Liberation in the Church and Society*

• Blair Wilner, University of Virginia

*The Ecology of Hell: Liberating Catastrophic Landscapes at the U.S.-Mexico Border*

• Timothy Couper, Fordham University

*The Hope and Failure of Liberation: Queer Theory and the Theology of Gustavo Gutiérrez*

• Joseph Drexler-Dreis, Xavier University of Louisiana

*The resiliency of matter: A response to neoliberalism*

**Business Meeting**

Iskander Abbasi, University of Johannesburg, Presiding
A19-221
Native Traditions in the Americas Unit
Theme: Visibility/Invisibility: Native American Recognition and Sovereignty
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Suzanne J. Crawford O'Brien, Pacific Lutheran University, Presiding

- Khrystyne Wilson, University of Arizona
  
  *Enacting Sovereignty to Protect Religion: Indigenous Ways of Negotiating as Seen through the Cherokee Plant Gathering Agreement*

- Meaghan Weatherdon, University of Toronto
  
  *Insisting on Indigenous Visibility: A Cree Land-Based Politics of Recognition*

- Julie Bongers, Independent Scholar
  
  *Singing stewardships of waters and lands awake: Native Californians traverse new paths via traditional practices of building relations*

- Brennan Keegan, College of Charleston
  
  *Native Women of the American South: Land, Religion and Identity in South Carolina*

Responding

Abel Gomez, Syracuse University

A19-222
Pentecostal–Charismatic Movements Unit
Theme: Race and National Identity in Developing a Pentecostal Practice
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
KENNETH ARCHER, Southeastern University, Presiding

- Mark Cartledge, London School of Theology
  
  *The Universal Church of the Kingdom of God in Brazil: Analysing Worship and Deliverance*

- Creighton Coleman, University of Virginia
  
  *The Whiteness of White Pentecostalism*

- Seth Gaiters, University of North Carolina, Wilmington
Blackpentecostalism in Black Religion: Spiritual Heterogeneity and Doxological Transcendence

- Michael Kamenicky, Lee University

"You Will Not Surely Die": The Aesthetics of Pentecostal Snake Handling

A19-223
**Philosophy of Religion Unit and Political Theology Unit**
Theme: *Specters of Marx, Theological and Political*
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
David Newheiser, Australian Catholic University, Presiding

- Ryan Bingham, University of Chicago

  *A Materialism without Substance: Derrida’s Specters of Marx and Questions of Responsibility*

- Filipe Maia, Boston University

  *The Haunting of Liberation: Derrida and Dussel, Three Decades Later*

- Rafael Vizcaino, DePaul University

  *A Postsecular Marx from Latin America*

- William Underwood, University of Chicago

  *"The Flesh Profiteth Nothing": Materialism and the Christian Question*

- Rebekah Rosenfeld, University of Chicago

  *Reading Specters of Marx on Unproductive Labor*

**Responding**

Eduardo Mendieta, State University of New York, Stony Brook

A19-224
**Practical Theology Unit**
Theme: *Practical Theology and Aesthetics*
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Marc Lavallee, Barry University, Presiding
Katherine Turpin, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding
• L. Patrick Burrows, Other

Diamond in a Rhinestone World: The Theological Aesthetics of Dazzlement at Dollywood

• Jaco Dreyer, University of South Africa

The aesthetic dimension of practical theology: Reflections on three defining IAPT conference papers

• Jason Fallin, Fuller Theological Seminary

The Story in Your Eyes: Aesthetics, Practices and Formation

Responding

Lakisha Lockhart, Chicago Theological Seminary

Business Meeting

Sabrina Müller, Zurich University, Presiding
Marc Lavallee, Barry University, Presiding

A19-202
Sessions Honoring AAR Award Winners
Public Understanding of Religion Committee
Theme: 2022 AAR Journalism Awards
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Sara Kamali, Kamali Consulting, Presiding

Panelists

Manya Brachear, Columbia University

A19-225
Qur'an Unit
Theme: Tafsir Between Intersecting Genres and Disciplinary Boundaries
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Zareena Grewal, Yale University, Presiding

• Sara Omar, Georgetown University

Intersecting Genres: Tafsir, Qiṣaṣ al-anbiyāʾ and the Isrāʾīliyāt and the Making of the
Lot Narrative

- Mohammad Gharaibeh, Humboldt University
  *Intertwined History and Tafsīr - Ibn Kathīr’s Ḥadīth Approach to his Qurʾān Commentary and World History*

- Hadia Mubarak, Queens University
  *Men’s Degree: Constricted to the Legal Context of Divorce or Unconditional?*

- Walid Saleh, University of Toronto
  *The Boundaries of Tafsir and the authority of the Exegete*

Responding

Ash (Aisha) Geissinger, Carleton University

Business Meeting

Lauren Osborne, Whitman College, Presiding
Samuel Ross, Texas Christian University, Presiding

A19-226
Books under Discussion
Reformed Theology and History Unit
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Christina Larsen, Grand Canyon University, Presiding

Panelists

Philip G. Ziegler, University of Aberdeen
Kirsten Heacock Sanders, Independent Scholar
Matthew Wilcoxen, Church of the Resurrection

Responding

Katherine Sonderegger, Virginia Theological Seminary

Business Meeting

Joshua Ralston, University of Edinburgh, Presiding
Christina Larsen, Grand Canyon University, Presiding

A19-227
Religion and Politics Unit
Theme: Freedom and Religion in the United States
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Scott Culpepper, Dordt University, Presiding

- Eric Stephen, eric_stephen@mail.harvard.edu
  
  *Claiming ‘Religion’ in the Age of COVID-19: An Examination into how Conservative Legal and Religious Groups Translate Political Objections to COVID-19 Policies into Free Exercise Arguments*

- Stewart Clem, Aquinas Institute of Theology
  
  *Free Speech and Hate Speech in Christian Political Thought*

- Margaret Kelley, University of Kansas
  
  *Women Gun Owners, Religion, and Beliefs about Mass Shootings*

- Gabriel Raeburn, University of Pennsylvania
  
  *‘Let’s give equal rights to the Christians’: Debates over Religious Freedom and Discrimination in the Post-Civil Rights Era*

A19-228
Religion and Popular Culture Unit and Religion and Science Fiction Unit
Theme: Revivals, Loss, and the Challenge of Meaning-Making: Mike Flanagan's Midnight Mass
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Emanuelle Burton, University of Illinois, Chicago, Presiding

- Brian Bajzek, Marquette University
  
  *Otherness, Horror, and the Holy: Discerning Authenticity through Ambiguity in *Midnight Mass*

- Maryellen Davis Collett, Lewis University
  
  *Rabid Rites and Rational Reversals: Secular Sacramentality in _Midnight Mass_*
Responding

Matthew Cressler, College of Charleston

A19-229
Books under Discussion
Religion and the Social Sciences Unit
Theme: *Roundtable on Ethnography as Christian Theology and Ethics Volume II (Bloomsbury, 2022)*
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Aana Marie Vigen, Loyola University, Chicago, Presiding

Panelists

Sara Williams, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
Sunder John Boopalan, Princeton Theological Seminary
Rochhuahthanga Jongte, Princeton Theological Seminary
Nikki Hoskins, Pacific School of Religion
Lailatul Fitriyah, University of Notre Dame
Nicole Symmonds, Emory University

A19-230
Religion in Southeast Asia Unit and Space, Place, and Religion Unit
Theme: *Rethinking Center and Margin: Perspectives from Southeast Asia*
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Brooke Schedneck, Rhodes College, Presiding

- Verena Meyer, Columbia University
  
  *Where is Mecca? Or, Space and Place: Reflections from Java*

- Terenjit Sevea, University of Pennsylvania
  
  *What is (Southeast Asian) Islam?: Unlearning Peripheralization from Regional Islamic Materials*

- Alexandra Kaloyanides, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
  
  *Naturalizing Religious Domains*

- Napakadol Kittisenee, University of Wisconsin
  
  *Reincarnation of Negara: Public Cremation in the Post-revolutionary States of*
Mainland Southeast Asia

- Sophea Seng, California State University, Long Beach

*Making a Southeast Asian Religious Polity from the Margins: Cambodian American Buddhist Adaptations of Theravada Buddhist Practices*

A19-231
Religion, Media, and Culture Unit
Theme: *eBay Method and the Study of Religion*
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
James Bielo, Miami University, Presiding

Panelists

Alyssa Maldonado-Estrada, Kalamazoo College
Monica Mercado, Colgate University
Katherine Dugan, Springfield College
Susan Reynolds, Emory University

Business Meeting

Deborah Whitehead, University of Colorado, Boulder, Presiding
Kathryn Reklis, Fordham University, Presiding

A19-232
Religions in the Latina/o Americas Unit
Theme: *Migration, Creativity, and Labor: New Books in Religions in the Latina/o Americas*
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Carlos Ruiz Martinez, University of Iowa, Presiding

Panelists

Lloyd Barba, Amherst College
Joao Chaves, Baylor University
Tony Tian-Ren Lin, University of Virginia

Responding

Dara Delgado, Allegheny College
Kristy Nabhan-Warren, University of Iowa
Business Meeting

Jessica Delgado, Ohio State University, Presiding
Daisy Vargas, University of Arizona, Presiding

A19-233
Full Papers Available

Ritual Studies Unit
Theme: Carrying, Marrying? And Not Burying
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Michael Houseman, École Pratique des Hautes Études, Presiding

- Jenny Wiley Legath, Princeton University
  Woman's Concealed Carry of Firearms as Ritual Practice

- Jordan Conley, Boston University
  Nuptials By Proxy: Embodiment and Ritual Space in the Age of Zoom

- Courtney Applewhite, University of California, Santa Barbara
  From Dust to Compost: New Rituals for Body Disposition After Death

- Renee Cyr, University of Kansas
  Completing the Climb: The Creation of Cultural Memory and Collective Healing Through the Embodied Ritual of the 9/11 Memorial Stair Climb

Responding

Joy Palacios, University of Calgary
Andrew Tebbutt, University of Toronto

A19-234
South Asian Religions Unit
Theme: New Directions in the South Asian Religions
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Jennifer Ortegren, Middlebury College, Presiding

- Kristina Rogahn, university of toronto
“Building Word-Temples”: Relating the Devotional Lyric in Modern Tamil

- Guy St Amant, Columbia University

God and Grammar: Śaiva Approaches to Non-Standard Sanskrit

- Aalekhya Malladi, Emory University

Satyabhāma, Vairāgya, and Devotion in Telugu Performance Genres

- Shahid Khan, Independent Scholar

Two Sufic Translations of the Bhagavadgīta

A19-203
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe
Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee
Theme: Minoritized Leaders Faithfully Guiding Grassroots Organizations in Catastrophic Times
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Angela Parker, Mercer University, Presiding

Panelists
Arun W. Jones, Emory University

A19-235
Professional Development - Pedagogy and Teaching
Teaching Religion Unit
Theme: Pandemic Pedagogy
Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Almeda Wright, Yale University, Presiding

- Lydia Willsky-Ciollo, Fairfield University

Can Professors Have it All? Balancing “Self-Care” and “Student First” in the (post-)Covid Era

- Kayko Driedger Hesslein, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Saskatoon

Immersion and Experiential Learning When Stuck at Home: Adapted Assignments during COVID and After
• Jeffrey Carlson, Dominican University

  *The Conversation Book: Relationship-centeredness in the Context of Covid*

**Business Meeting**

Kate DeConinck, University of San Diego, Presiding
Almeda Wright, Yale University, Presiding

**A19-236**

**Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Unit**

Theme: *Bodies, Material Culture, and Female Agency in Tibet*

Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Nicole Willock, Old Dominion University, Presiding

• Fnu Xiraoxiangmao, Northwestern University

  *"Ocean of Dakinis:" Biography, Agency, and Gender in a treasure text of Khandro Dechen Wangmo (1868-1927?)*

• Tenzin Bhuchung, Emory University

  *Gampopa’s Mahāmudrā View: Approaching Philosophical Understanding Through Nonconceptual Meditative Experience*

• James Gentry, Stanford University

  *The Bodhisattva’s Body in a Pill: Ritual Innovation and the Invention of Tradition in Tibetan Buddhist Material Religion*

• Michael Ium, University of California, Santa Barbara

  *The Making of a Tradition: Tsongkhapa’s Multiform and Miraculous Bodies at Ganden*

• Padma Baimacuo, Southwest University for Nationalities, Chengdu

  *Tibetan Women’s Activism: the Case studies of Larong Gar Women’s Health Care Group*

**A19-237**

**Wesleyan and Methodist Studies Unit**

Theme: *Christian Nationalism*

Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Cindy K. Wesley, University of Northern Colorado, Presiding
• Samuel Needham, University of Toronto
  
  *The Ryerson Effect: Egerton Ryerson and the Methodist Relationship to Christian Nationalism*

• Daniel Ostlund, Drew University
  
  *The Opposite of Nationalism is Abolition: Political-Theological Questions for the Wesleyan-Methodist Theologian*

• Heejun Yang, Duke University
  
  *Overcoming Nationalism in the Korean Methodist theology of inculturation: Towards the fourth-generation Korean Methodist theology*

**Responding**

Jermaine Marshall, St. John's University

**A19-238**

Books under Discussion

**Women and Religion Unit**

Theme: *Author Meets Critiques: Postcolonial Politics and Theology (Presbyterian Publishing, 2021) by Kwok Pui-lan*

Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)

K. Christine Pae, Denison University, Presiding

**Panelists**

Traci C. West, Drew University
Miguel De La Torre, Iliff School of Theology
Nami Kim, Spelman College
Melinda McGarrah Sharp, Columbia Theological Seminary

**Responding**

Pui Lan Kwok, Candler School of Theology

**A19-239**

**Women’s Caucus**

Theme: *Emerging Scholars -Religion and Reproductive Liberation*

Saturday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)

Elaine Nogueira-Godsey, Methodist Theological School in Ohio, Presiding
• Toni Bond, Claremont School of Theology

  *Loosening Our Tongues: Creating a Womanist Theo-Ethic of Reproductive and Sexual Justice*

• Tara Baldrick-Morrone, Wake Forest University

  *The Ancient Foundations of Current Challenges to Reproductive Justice in America*

• Margaret Hamm, Boston University
  Kate Hoeting, Harvard University

  *TikTok on the Sidewalk: Christianity and Abortion through Clinic Escorts’ Social Media*

• Mary Nickel, Princeton University

  *The theological conception of voluntary motherhood*

• Haley Feuerbacher, Southern Methodist University

  *Can Our Water Speak? A Cry for the Subjectivity of Water and Womb in Progressive Religious Communities and Academia*

• Elizabeth Freese, Auburn Seminary

  *Eve’s Exodus: A Pedagogy and Practical Theology Toolkit for Abortion Morality Transformation*

**Responding**

Margaret D. Kamitsuka, Oberlin College and Conservatory
  Saturday, 1:00 PM-3:30 PM

**A19-240**
Tours

**Tours**
Theme: **Denver City Tour**
Saturday, 1:00 PM-3:30 PM (In Person)
A19-302
Professional Development - Employment
Applied Religious Studies Committee
Theme: Preparing Scholars of Religion for Non-Academic Careers: What’s a Faculty Member to Do?
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Mary Beth Yount, Neumann University, Presiding

Panelists
Monya Stubbs, Chicago Theological Seminary
Kate DeConinck, University of San Diego
Joshua Bartholomew, Saint Paul School of Theology

A19-329
Artificial Intelligence and Religion Seminar
Theme: AI and Religion in 2041
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Michael Paulus, Seattle Pacific University, Presiding
Philip Butler, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

Panelists
Rachel A. R. Bundang, Santa Clara University
James McGrath, Butler University
Beth Singler, University of Cambridge
Bob Johansen, Institute for the Future

A19-303
Arts, Literature, and Religion Unit
Theme: Ruins in Arts and Literature
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Gloria Hernández, West Chester University, Presiding

- Jonathan Homrighausen, Duke University

  Lettering in the Ruins: Calligraphy on Decay and Inspired by Death in the Lettering Arts of Martin Wenham, Susan Hufton, and Hazel Dolby

- Mark S. Cladis, Brown University

  The Ruin in Wordsworth, Du Bois, and Silko: Site of Pain and Injustice, Hope and
Transformation.

- Wendy Wiseman, University of California, Santa Barbara

  *The Shattered Image: Reflections on the Oblivion of Empress Irene’s Convent of the Theotokos (Mother of God)*

**A19-304**

**Bioethics and Religion Unit**

Theme: *Bioethics and Religion: Vaccine Religious Exemptions and Pandemic Ethics*

Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)

Terri Laws, University of Michigan, Dearborn, Presiding

**Panelists**

Hajung Lee, University of Puget Sound
Deepak Sarma, Case Western Reserve University

**Business Meeting**

Terri Laws, University of Michigan, Dearborn, Presiding
Hajung Lee, University of Puget Sound, Presiding

**A19-305**

Books under Discussion

**Black Theology Unit**

Theme: *Method and Sources in Black Theology: A Tribute to the 50th Anniversary of James H. Cone’s The Spirituals and the Blues (University of Michigan Press, 1972)*

Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)

Eboni Marshall Turman, Yale University, Presiding

- Cheryl Townsend Gilkes, Colby College

  *Troubles in Mind that Nobody Knows: James Cone’s Enduring Witness Through the Spirituals and the Blues*

- Grant Kaplan, Saint Louis University

  *Resurrecting Tradition? The Challenge From and Towards Kelly Brown Douglas’ Resurrection Hope*

- Taurean Webb, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

  *Sacred Stories and Folded Futures: Marking Time within the African Diasporic and*
Palestinian Exilic Visual Arts

Responding

Kelly Brown Douglas, Episcopal Divinity School At Union Theological Seminary

A19-306
Buddhism in the West Unit
Theme: Don't Ignore Class: Material relationships, Economic conditions, and Buddhism in the West
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Scott Mitchell, Institute of Buddhist Studies, Presiding

Panelists

Caroline Starkey, University of Leeds
Nalika Gajaweera, University of Southern California
Matthew Milligan, Trinity University

A19-307
Books under Discussion
Catholic Studies Unit
Theme: Book Panel: Ekklesia of the Dead: The Theopolitics of Churchstateness in the Americas
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
J. Michelle Molina, Northwestern University, Presiding

Panelists

Jennifer Schepers Hughes, University of California, Riverside
Valentina Napolitano, University of Toronto
Paul Christopher Johnson, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Carlota McAllister, York University

Business Meeting

John Seitz, Fordham University, Presiding
J. Michelle Molina, Northwestern University, Presiding

A19-308
Comparative Studies in Religion Unit
Theme: Reconsidering Empathy in the Comparative Study of Religions
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Catherine Cornille, Boston College, Presiding
• Steven G. Smith, Millsaps College

  Empathy for Efforts as a Factor in Religious Studies

• David P. Lawrence, University of North Dakota

  Empathy in Jonathan Z. Smith's Approach to Religion

• Andrew Taylor, College of St. Scholastica

  I Know I Don’t Know How You Feel: Empathy as a Gateway to Epistemic Humility in Comparative Studies

Responding

Charles Hallisey, Harvard University

A19-309
Contemplative Studies Unit
Theme: Contemplation, Ecology, and the Post-human
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Niki Clements, Rice University, Presiding

• Jessica Beaudette, Arizona State University

  Transcending Disciplines: Contemplative Approaches to Biodiversity and Climate Science

• Sam Mickey, University of San Francisco

  Contemplative Posthuman Design: Reclaiming Attention and Re-Placing the Human

• Daan Oostveen, Utrecht University

  Posthuman Religion

• Wendy Petersen-Boring, Willamette University

  Andrew Dreitcer, Claremont School of Theology

  The Inner Life of Activism and The Conversation Project: Alternative Contemplative Pedagogies to Revitalize Higher Education
Responding

Jacob Sherman, California Institute of Integral Studies

A19-310
Professional Development - Mentoring
Contemporary Islam Unit and Islam, Gender, Women Unit and Islamic Mysticism Unit
and Qur'an Unit and Study of Islam Unit
Theme: Mentoring Session
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Elliott Bazzano, Le Moyne College, Presiding
Zaid Adhami, Williams College, Presiding

A19-311
Books under Discussion
Eastern Orthodox Studies Unit
Theme: Book Panel on Kristina Stoeckl and Dmitry Uzlaner's The Moralist International:
Russia and the Global Culture Wars (Fordham University Press, 2022)
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Ashley Purpura, Purdue University, Presiding

Panelists

Vera Shevzov, Smith College
Catherine Wanner, Pennsylvania State University
Elizabeth Prodromou, Tufts University

Responding

Kristina Stoeckl, University of Innsbruck
Dimitry Uzlaner, University of Innsbruck

Business Meeting

Philip Dorroll, Wofford College, Presiding

A19-312
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe
Ecclesial Practices Unit
Theme: Practicing Hope in Catastrophic Times
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Rebecca Spurrier, Columbia Theological Seminary, Presiding
• Marie-Claire Klassen, University of Notre Dame
  
  *The Political Praxis of Lament in the Palestinian Christian Community*

• Hector Varela Rios, University of Chicago
  
  *No hope like decolonial hope: assessing RehaCE's promise to Puerto Rican identity*

• Matthew Robinson, University of Bonn
  
  Johannes Fröh, University of Bonn
  
  *Facilitating Hope Amidst Crisis: Twitter Activity of Christian Groups as a Factor for Social Resilience*

**Business Meeting**

Theodore Hickman-Maynard, Harvard University, Presiding

**A19-330**

New Program Unit

*Energy, Extraction, and Religion Seminar*

Theme: *Constructing Religion and Race in Extractive Zones*

Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)

Christiana Zenner, Fordham University, Presiding

• Desmond Coleman, Drew University
  
  *Black, White, and Red: Extraction in the Alchemical Imagination*

• Mario Orospe, Arizona State University
  
  *Mining Rituals: from the colonial invention of raw materials to high-tech industry’s lithium extraction*

• Amanda Nichols, University of Florida
  
  *Legacies of Power: The Transgenerational Effects of Uranium Extraction for Nuclear Technologies*

• Matthew Smith, College of the Holy Cross
  
  *The Changing Muslim World: Biopolitics, Energy, and the Racialization of Islam in Protestant Missions*
A19-331
Professional Development - Pedagogy and Teaching
Hagiology Seminar
Theme: Teaching the "Saints:" Pedagogical Innovations in Hagiology
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Todd French, Rollins College, Presiding

Panelists
Susan Andrews, Mount Allison University
Patton Burchett, College of William and Mary
Susan Ashbrook Harvey, Brown University
Jon Keune, Michigan State University
Nauman Faizi, Lahore University of Management Sciences
Stephanie Yep, Appalachian State University

Business Meeting
R. Brian Siebeking, Gonzaga University, Presiding

A19-313
Hindu Philosophy Unit
Theme: Topics in Indian Philosophy: Perception, Logic, and Embodiment
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Lynna Dhanani, University of California, Davis, Presiding

- Eliot Davenport, University of Virginia
  
  *When Elephants Become Trees: Perception in the Brahmasiddhi and Sphoṭasiddhi of Maṇḍana Miśra*

- Nilanjan Das, University College London
  
  *Śrīharṣa on _Tarka_ and Theory Choice*

- Vishal Sharma, University of Oxford
  
  *‘As if Embodied’: Reading the Sanskrit Epics in the Age of Vedanta*

A19-314
Hinduism Unit and North American Hinduism Unit
Theme: Feminist Critical Hindu Studies
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Harshita Kamath, Emory University, Presiding
Panelists

Sonja Thomas, Colby College
Rupa Pillai, University of Pennsylvania
Prea Persaud, University of North Carolina At Charlotte
Nishant Upadhyay, University of Colorado

Responding

Sailaja Krishnamurti, Queen’s University
Shreena Gandhi, Michigan State University
Harshita Kamath, Emory University
Shana Sippy, Centre College

A19-315
Human Enhancement and Transhumanism Unit
Theme: Technological (R)evolutions: Historical and Non-Western Approaches to Human Enhancement
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Stephen Garner, Laidlaw College, Presiding

- Jeremy F. Cohen, McMaster University
  
  *The Fountain of Perpetual Youth is Within: The Metaphysical Origins of Contemporary Immortality Narratives*

- Faezeh Izadi, University of Calgary
  
  *Wish To Live Forever: Radical Life Extension through the Lens of the Qur’an and the Shia Tradition*

- Joseph Vignone, Harvard University
  
  *“A Clear and Obvious Augmentation”: Ziyāda as Medical Enhancement in Medieval Islamic Scholarly Ethics*

P19-339
Karl Barth Society of North America
Theme: God and Non-Human Creatures
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Keith Johnson, Wheaton College, Illinois, Presiding
• David Clough, University of Aberdeen

  Peace between Creatures: The Barthian Case for Christian Veganism

• Hannah Scanlon, University of Toronto

  The non-human Creature as teacher in CD III/I

• Morgan Bell, Emmanuel College, University of Toronto

  The Lying Objectivity of the Lordless Powers: Ecological Economics and Barth's Account of Chthonic Forces

A19-316
Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Unit

Theme: Kierkegaard on Preferential Attachments and Love for Strangers and Enemies
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Jennifer Veninga, St. Edward's University, Presiding

  • Lee Barrett, Lancaster Theological Seminary

    Kierkegaard on Romance, Civil Bonds, and Christian Love

  • Natalia Marandiuc, Southern Methodist University

    Multi-Stream Loves and a Divine Middle Term Queering Human Relations

  • Cassandra Swick, Church of the Epiphany, Tempe

    Rescuing Special Relationships from The Crowd

A19-332
New Program Unit

Language, Poiesis, and Buddhist Experiments with the Possible Seminar

Theme: First session of "Rethinking the Conceptual Toolkit"
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Nancy Lin, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding

  • Davey Tomlinson, Villanova University

    Nabanjan Maitra, University of Texas, Austin
Poetic Play as Spiritual Practice

- Meghan Hartman, University of Virginia

How to Realize We are River-Minded

- Wendi Adamek, University of Calgary

The Poiesis of Edge Conditions

Responding

Laurie Louise Patton, Middlebury College
Janet Gyatso, Harvard University
Sonam Kachru, University of Virginia

A19-333
Mahabharata and Classical Hinduism Seminar
Theme: Women, Warriors, and Others: Societal Ideals and Social Issues in the Mahabharata
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Arti Dhand, University of Toronto, Presiding

- Sushumna Kannan, San Diego State University
  Reading strategies for the Mahabharata through the methodology of ‘stri-shudra’ness

- Rodney Sebastian, Manhattan College
  Relating Mahābhārata to Veteran Experiences

- Brian Black, Lancaster University
  After Dharma: Dialogue and Pluralism in the Mahābhārata

A19-317
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe
Martin Luther and Global Lutheran Traditions Unit
Theme: Sin, Grace, and Climate Catastrophe
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Jacob Erickson, Trinity College, Dublin, Presiding

Panelists
A19-318
Men, Masculinities, and Religions Unit
Theme: Divine and Human Selves: Masculine Renunciation, Attachment, and Transformation
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Kimberly Diaz, University of California, Riverside, Presiding

• Barbara Thiede, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
  
  Can’t Help Falling in Love With You: Yhwh and David’s Queer, Passionate, Abusive Love Affair

• Ray Buckner, Northwestern University
  
  #TransJoy and the Limits of a Teleology of Transition: Imagining Gender Transition Anew

• Dessislava Vendova, Graduate Theological Union
  
  Unequaled Manliness: Bodily Representations of the Bodhisattva Siddhārtha as a Renunciant in Early Buddhist Texts and Art

A19-319
Moral Injury and Recovery in Religion, Society, and Culture Unit
Theme: Moral Injury, Political Resistance, and Collective Trauma
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Joseph Wiinikka-Lydon, Guilford College, Presiding

• Yoshua Harahap, Chicago Theological Seminary
  
  Moral Injury and Political Grief: Case from Indonesia’s Political Genocide

• Alina Jabbari, American University of Iraq, Sulaimani
  
  Trauma & Resilience: Kurdish Islamic identities between oppression and resistance

Business Meeting

Michael Yandell, Emory University, Presiding
A19-334
New Directions in the Study of Religion, Monsters, and the Monstrous Seminar
Theme: Tibetan and Japanese Monsters in Discursive Placemaking
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Alison Melnick Dyer, Bates College, Presiding

- Drew Richardson, University of California, Santa Cruz
  
  *Raising the National Spirits(s): The Ino Mononoke Roku, Place-Making, and Monsters in Miyoshi, Japan*

- Learned Foote, Rice University
  
  *Sky Dancers and Delusions: Tibetan Gods and Monsters*

- Eric D. Mortensen, Guilford College
  
  *The Lake Bull Monster: Dechen Tibetan Folktales about mtsho glang and the Issue of Skepticism*

Responding

Amelia Hall, Naropa University

A19-320
Philosophy of Religion Unit
Theme: Modes of Selfhood in Islam: A Panel on Muhammad Faruque's Sculpting the Self: Islam, Selfhood, and Human Flourishing
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Etin Anwar, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Presiding

- Mohammad Amin Mansouri, University of Toronto
  
  *Modes of Selfhood in Islam: A Panel on Muhammad Faruque's Sculpting the Self: Islam, Selfhood, and Human Flourishing*

Responding

Oludamini Ogunnaike, University of Virginia
Shankar Nair, University of Virginia
Nora Jacobsen Ben Hammed, Bard College
Muhammad Faruque, University of Cincinnati
**A19-321**  
**Political Theology Unit**  
Theme: **Political Theologies of Unruly Subjectivity**  
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)  
Michelle Sanchez, Harvard University, Presiding

- Lisa Gasson-Gardner, University of Tennessee  
  *Getting Fat: Power and Possibility in a Fat Political Theology*
- John-Harmen Valk, Leiden University  
  *Political Theology and Desire: Revisiting Blumenberg’s Reoccupation Thesis*
- Christopher C. Brittain, Trinity College, Toronto  
  *Conspiracy Theory and the Stigmata of the Social Order: Towards a Practical response by Political Theology*
- Cassie Houtz, Harvard University  
  *The Place of Perception in Political Theology: Social Value and Allocation*

**Business Meeting**

David Newheiser, Australian Catholic University, Presiding

**A19-322**  
**Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Unit**  
Theme: **Directions in Pragmatism and Political Thought**  
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)  
Karen-Louise Rucks-Walker, Quinsigamond Community College, Presiding

- Nathan Garcia, Oblate School of Theology  
  *Christian Sentiments of Time: A Pragmatic Reimagining of Theological Time*
- Dwight Welch, Montana State University, Billings  
  *Eternal Life, A Reappraisal for Liberal Protestant Communities*
- Amanda Brown, Lehigh University  
  *Howard Thurman's Fellowship Church and the Tradition of American Pragmatism*
• Mary Friedline, Austin College

  *Incrementalism and the climate crisis: an assessment of pragmatist social and political thought*

A19-337
**Reading Religion**
Theme: Reading Religion Editorial Board Annual Meeting
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Kimberly Davis, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

**Panelists**

Evan Sandsmark, University of Virginia

A19-323
**Religion and Food Unit**
Theme: Current Research in Religion and Food
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Sarah Robinson, Pacific Lutheran University, Presiding

- Leah Sarat, Arizona State University

  *Where the Institution Becomes Flesh: Food Practices, Healing, and Resistance in Arizona’s For-Profit Immigrant Detention Regime*

- Juan E. Campo, University of California, Santa Barbara

  *Teaching about Religion and the Culinary Cultures of the Middle East*

- Rosa Huotari, University of Helsinki

  *Doing theology through commensality: Critical encounters in urban food assistance, Finland*

**Business Meeting**

Aldea Mulhern, California State University, Fresno, Presiding
Benjamin Zeller, Lake Forest College, Presiding
A19-324
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe
Religion and Popular Culture Unit
Theme: Souls of the New Machines: Technology and Human Catastrophe in the Popular Imagination
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Eden Consenstein, Princeton University, Presiding

- Bryan Ellrod, Emory University
  "The Soul of Soulless Conditions:” Utopian Aspirations & the Dangers of Messianism in Rossum's Universal Robots

- Kaitlyn Ugoretz, University of California, Santa Barbara
  "Blessed by the YouTube Gods”: Theorizing the Deification of the YouTube algorithm and Sacred Economy of Attention

Responding

Gabriel Levy, Norwegian University of Science and Technology

Business Meeting

Elijah Siegler, College of Charleston, Presiding
David Feltmate, Auburn University, Montgomery, Presiding

A19-335
Religions, Borders, and Immigration Seminar
Theme: Racialized Borders and Forced Migration: Histories and Contemporary Challenges
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Kristine Suna-Koro, Xavier University, Presiding

- Silas Allard, Emory University
  A Constellation of Foundings: Chae Chan Ping, Chinese Exclusion, and the Making of America

- Ernesto Fiocchetto, Florida International University
  Christianity and Forced Migration in Latin America: Ambivalent Roles and Challenges
• Aimee Hein, Boston College
  
  *Racialized Borders: The Development of U.S. Mythology and the Weaponization of U.S. Borders*

• Xiaodi Wu, Boston University
  
  *Healing is Not Linear, Neither are Migration Stories: Existential Considerations of Refugee and Asylum Seeker Experiences in Psychotherapy*

A19-325

**Science, Technology, and Religion Unit**  
Theme: *Science, Human Flourishing, and Human Nature*  
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)  
Gerald P. McKenny, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

**Panelists**

Patrick Smith, Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary  
John R. Bowlin, Princeton Theological Seminary  
Jennifer A. Herdt, Yale University  
Elizabeth Agnew Cochran, Duquesne University

A19-338

**Teaching and Learning Committee**  
Theme: *Committee Meeting*  
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)  
Jessica Tinklenberg, The Claremont Colleges, Presiding

**Panelists**

Nichole Phillips, Emory University  
Rudy V. Busto, University of California, Santa Barbara  
Kristina Lizardy-Hajbi, Iliff School of Theology  
Christophe D. Ringer, Chicago Theological Seminary

A19-326

**Professional Development - Pedagogy and Teaching**  
Transformative Scholarship and Pedagogy Unit, Women and Religion Unit, Women's Caucus, Women of Color Scholarship, Teaching, and Activism Unit  
Theme: *Teaching in Response to Changing Laws on Abortion*  
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)  
Laura Stivers, Dominican University of California, Presiding
• Sandra Sullivan-Dunbar, Loyola University, Chicago

  Religion, Reproductive Justice, and Democracy: Making the Connections in a Catholic University Classroom

• Jeremy Posadas, Austin College

  Teaching about Abortion without Talking about Abortion: A Case-Study

• Terry Hawley Reeder, Syracuse University

  Teaching from the Belly of the Beast: Abortion Pedagogy and Patriarchal Christianities

  Responding

Grace Kao, Claremont School of Theology

A19-336

Transnational Religious Expression: Between Asia and North America Seminar
Theme: Transnational Religious Expression: Between Asia and North America - Special Issue Workshop
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Holly Gayley, University of Colorado, Presiding

Panelists

Minjung Noh, Drew Theological School
Anandi Silva Knuppel, Lawrence University
Kin Cheung, Moravian University
Jesse Lee, Florida State University
Younghwa Kim, Emory University

Business Meeting

Justen Stein, Kwantlen Polytechnic University, Presiding

A19-327

Vatican II Studies Unit
Theme: Vatican II: Contested Authority, Competing Narratives
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Catherine E. Clifford, Saint Paul University, Presiding
- Mary Kate Holman, Benedictine University
  
  *Periti and Pariahs: Ecclesial Structures and Access to Dialogue at Vatican II*

- CLAIRE MALIGOT, Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes
  
  *The editorial successes of a counter-narrative, counter-memory, counter-legacy. "The Plot Against the Church", a challenge to Vatican II (1950s-1980s)*

- Daniel Rober, Sacred Heart University
  
  *Vatican II and World War II: Reckoning and Historical Memory*

**Business Meeting**

Dries Bosschaert, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Presiding
Kristin Colberg, College of Saint Benedict, Saint John's University, Presiding

**A19-328**

Yogācāra Studies Unit
Theme: **What is Yogacara?**
Saturday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Joy Brennan, Kenyon College, Presiding

**Panelists**

Karen O'Brien-Kop, University of Roehampton
Jonathan Gold, Princeton University
Jingjing Li, Leiden University
Ching Keng, National Chengchi University
Jay Garfield, Smith College
John Dunne, University of Wisconsin

**Reviewers**

Gereon Kopf, Luther College

**Business Meeting**

Douglas S. Duckworth, Temple University, Presiding
Saturday, 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

A19-340  
**Western Esotericism Unit and SBL Mysticism, Esotericism, and Gnosticism in Antiquity Unit**  
Theme: **New Approaches and Neglected Topics in Esotericism**  
Saturday, 4:00 PM-6:30 PM (In Person)  
Christa Shusko, Linnaeus University, Presiding  

**Panelists**  
Dylan Burns, University of Amsterdam  
April D. DeConick, Rice University  
Rebecca Lesses, Ithaca College  
Marla Segol, State University of New York, Buffalo  

**Responding**  
Egil Asprem, Stockholm University

Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM

A19-400  
**Receptions/Breakfasts/Luncheons**  
**American Academy of Religion**  
Theme: **Friends of the Academy Reception**  
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)  
Mayra Rivera, Harvard University, Presiding  
Alice Hunt, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

A19-407  
**Animals and Religion Unit and Comparative Studies in Religion Unit**  
Theme: **Poison & Poisoners in Religion**  
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)  
David Mozina, Boston College, Presiding  
- Ivette Vargas-O'Bryan, Austin College  
  *The Spectrum of Potency: Poisons as Medicine in Buddhist Traditions*  
- David Aftandilian, Texas Christian University
**Poison, Snakes and the Sacred in Traditional Cherokee Worldviews**

**Responding**

Eric D. Mortensen, Guilford College

**A19-408**

_Arts, Literature, and Religion Unit and Chinese Religions Unit and Daoist Studies Unit_

**Theme:** _Wandering in Realms of the Sacred: Daoism and Landscape Painting in China_

Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)

Kate Lingley, University of Hawai’i, Presiding

- Aaron Reich, Saint Joseph's University
  
  *Painting Outside the Lines: Daoism, Spontaneity, and the Formation of the “Untrammeled Class” of Painters in Ninth Century China*

- Anna Hennessey, University of California, Berkeley
  
  *Mountains as Humans and Humans as Mountains: Song Period Landscape Paintings and Daoist Alchemical Body Charts*

- Ziyun Liu, University of Wisconsin, Madison
  
  *The True Realm of Vision: The Visualization of Inner Alchemy in Yuan Shanshui Painting*

- Mark Meulenbeld, Hong Kong Polytechnic University
  
  *Ritual Perspectives on (Images of) Landscape*

**Responding**

Raoul Birnbaum, University of California, Santa Cruz

**Business Meeting**

Jessey Choo, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, Presiding

Jonathan Pettit, University of Hawai’i, Presiding

**A19-409**

_Books under Discussion_

_Buddhist Philosophy Unit and the Religion and Ecology Unit_

**Theme:** _Daniel Capper's Roaming Free Like Deer (Cornell University Press, 2022)_
Roundtable on Buddhist Ecological Ethics
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Constance Kassor, Lawrence University, Presiding

Panelists

William Edelglass, Barre Center for Buddhist Studies, Marlboro College
Colin Simonds, Queen's University at Kingston
David Fiordalis, Linfield College
Leah Kalmanson, University of North Texas
Karin Meyers, Mangalam Research Center

Responding

Daniel Capper, University of Southern Mississippi

A19-410
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe
Comparative Approaches to Religion and Violence Unit, Religion and Human Rights Unit, Religion, Media, and Culture Unit and Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Unit
Theme: Religious Violence Amid Global Confusion, Conspiracy, and Catastrophe
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Chase L. Way, Other, Presiding

- Heidi Ippolito, Iliff School of Theology, University of Denver
  
  QAnon, Memes, and Morality: How Pop Culture Fandom and Apocalypse Narratives Lay the Groundwork for Conspiratorial Communities

- Ruslan Yusupov, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
  
  Regarding the Difference of Others: Interethnic Family Space and Surveillance in Contemporary Xinjiang, China

- Emma Thompson, Princeton University
  
  Fighting Hindu Nationalism on Social Media: Indian Queer Activists and the Languages of Secularism

- Jay Givens, Wayland Baptist University
  
  When All Hell Breaks Loose: Christian Nationalism in Washington and Moscow
• Oscar Guana Osorio, Boston University

The Growth of Latin American Pentecostalism as a Decisive Political Conservative Minority and the Rise of Christ-Neofascism

A19-411
Death, Dying, and Beyond Unit
Theme: Before Your Eyes: A Virtual Reality Life and Death Experience
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM
Candi K. Cann, Baylor University, Presiding

Panelists
Amy Defibaugh, Temple University

A19-428
New Program Unit
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe
Energy, Extraction, and Religion Seminar
Theme: Religion, Extractivism, and Ongoing Catastrophe
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Terra Schwerin Rowe, University of North Texas, Presiding

Panelists
Willie J. Jennings, Yale University
Farhana Sultana, Syracuse University
Cara New Daggett, Virginia Tech

Business Meeting
Evan Berry, Arizona State University, Presiding

A19-433
Exploratory Session
Theme: Drugs & Religion roundtable
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Joseph Christian Greer, Harvard University, Presiding

Panelists
Gary M. Laderman, Emory University
Tanya Luhrmann, Stanford University
Wouter Hanegraaff, University of Amsterdam
A19-401
Receptions/Breakfasts/Luncheons
Graduate Student Committee
Theme: **AAR and SBL Graduate Student Happy Hour**
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)

A19-429
Hagiology Seminar
Theme: **Decentering the "Saint" in Comparative Hagiology: Terminology and Translation from Diverse Traditions**
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
R. Brian Siebeking, Gonzaga University, Presiding

Panelists

Nikolas Hoel, Northeastern Illinois University
William Sherman, University of North Carolina At Charlotte
Itohan Idumwonyi, Rice University
Brooke Schedneck, Rhodes College
Gregory Adam Scott, University of Manchester
Gil Ben-Herut, University of South Florida

A19-412
History of Christianity Unit
Theme: **The Uses of Persecution Narratives in the Christian Tradition**
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Petra Kuivala, University of Helsinki, Presiding

- Elissa Cutter, Georgian Court University
  
  *A Feminine Rhetoric of Persecution: The Strategic Historiography of the Nuns of Port-Royal*

- Neulsaem Ha, Calvin Theological Seminary
  
  *“Necessary and Sweet”: the Rhetoric of Persecution among the Missionaries in Korea during the Japanese Colonization*

- Darren Duerksen, Fresno Pacific University
  
  *The Narratives and Foes that Shape Us: American Evangelical Uses (and Abuses?) of Persecution Narratives*
A19-413
Human Enhancement and Transhumanism Unit
Theme: Imagination and Entanglement: Envisioning New Technological Worlds
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Seth Villegas, Boston University, Presiding

- Mark Larrimore, New School
  
  *Human enhancement in the service of “making kin”: Donna Haraway’s “Camille Stories” and posthuman religious futures*

- Jacob Boss, Indiana University, Bloomington
  
  *Kill the Law, Save the World*

Business Meeting

Amy Michelle DeBaets, Hackensack University Medical Center, Presiding

A19-430
Intersectional Hindu Studies: Feminist and Critical Race Approaches to Research and Teaching Seminar
Theme: Interrogating Critical Hindu Studies: Interdisciplinary Perspectives
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Shreena Gandhi, Michigan State University, Presiding

Panelists

Santhosh Chandrashekar, University of Denver
Sonja Thomas, Colby College
Thenmozhi Soundararajan, Equality Labs
Reema Rajbanshi, Haverford College

Business Meeting

Shreena Gandhi, Michigan State University, Presiding

A19-414
Jain Studies Unit
Theme: Jain Self-Representations: Negotiating Contemporary Jain Identity
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Morgan Curtis, Harvard University, Presiding
• Rahul Parson, University of California, Berkeley
  *Novelistic “Anekāntavāda” and Jains in Contemporary Hindi Literature*

• Steven Vose, Colorado College
  *Mass Self-Representation and the Making of Global Jain Publics Online: Theorizing the Shrimad Rajchandra Mission’s Social Media Strategies*

• M. Whitney Kelting, Northeastern University
  *The Modern is Masculine, the Modern is Jain*

**Responding**

John E. Cort, Denison University

**Business Meeting**

Gregory Clines, Trinity University, Presiding
M. Whitney Kelting, Northeastern University, Presiding

A19-431
New Program Unit
*Language, Poiesis, and Buddhist Experiments with the Possible Seminar*

Theme: *Second session of "Rethinking the Conceptual Toolkit"*

Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Roy Tzohar, Tel-Aviv University, Presiding

• Jed Forman, University of California, Berkeley
  *How to Develop a Taste for Words: Jñānaśrīmitra’s Theory of Poiesis*

• Alexander Hsu, University of Notre Dame
  *That’s Edutainment! Medieval Buddhist Anthologies in a Chinese Generic System*

**Responding**

Natalie Gummer, Beloit College
Thomas Mazanec, University of California, Santa Barbara
Charles Hallisey, Harvard University
**Business Meeting**

Roy Tzohar, Tel-Aviv University, Presiding  
Nancy Lin, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding

**A19-415**  
*Men, Masculinities, and Religions Unit and Religion Film, and Visual Culture Unit*  
Theme: **Muslim Masculinities on Screen**  
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)  
Ermin Sinanovic, Shenandoah University, Presiding

- Samah Choudhury, Ithaca College  
  "New Brown America": *Religious Caricature and Black Aesthetics in the Comedy of Hasan Minhaj*

- Tazeen Ali, Washington University, St. Louis  
  *Sex, Masculinity, and American Islam in Hulu’s Ramy*

- Kristian Petersen, Old Dominion University  
  *Queer Constructions of Muslim Masculinity*

**Responding**

Nabil Echchaibi, University of Colorado

**A19-416**  
*Music and Religion Unit*  
Theme: **Popular Music, Creativity, and Theological Discourse**  
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)  
Joshua Busman, University of North Carolina, Pembroke, Presiding

- W. Glenn Jonas, Campbell University  
  *Mary and the Boss: Scenes from the Life of the Virgin Mary in the Music of Bruce Springsteen.*

- Stephen Martin, Azusa Pacific University  
  *Creatio Generativa: Music in Conversation with ‘Theologies of Creation’*
Marcia Pally, New York University

The Theology and Theodicy of Leonard Cohen: God, Sex, and Politics

A19-417
Platonism and Neoplatonism Unit
Theme: Nature and the Platonic Tradition
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Willemien Otten, University of Chicago, Presiding

• Jennifer Rycenga, San Jose State University

The Minutest of Things: Regarding Lichens in Light of the _Enneads_

• Matthew Eaton, King's College

Cusanus, Bruno, and Deep Incarnation: An Ecofeminist Assessment of Potential Neoplatonic Resources for Contemporary Ecotheology

• Jonathan Lyonhart, Lincoln Christian University

In Nature but not of Nature: Henry More on Divine Space

• Annalea Thiessen, University of Chicago

Waking Up in Walden: The Platonic Sun in Thoreau

A19-402
Program Committee
Theme: How to Propose a New Program Unit
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Whitney Bauman, Florida International University, Presiding
Tiauna Lewis, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

A19-403
Public Understanding of Religion Committee
Theme: Aspen Institute Salon: Bringing Religion Scholars into the Mainstream
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Rachel Mikva, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding

Panelists

Simran Jeet Singh, New York University

A19-404
Reading Religion
Theme: **Reading Religion 101**
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Kimberly Davis, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

Panelists

Kevin Schilbrack, Appalachian State University
Evan Sandsmark, University of Virginia

A19-405
Regions Committee
Theme: **Regions Forum**
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Brian K. Pennington, Elon University, Presiding

Panelists

Derrick Lemons, University of Georgia
Matthew Vaughan, Columbia University
Tiffany Puett, Institute for Diversity and Civic Life, Austin, TX

A19-418
Religion and Cities Unit
Theme: **Imagining and Remembering Urban Communities**
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Fatimah Fanusie, Institute for Islamic, Christian, and Jewish Studies, Presiding

- L. Patrick Burrows, Other
  
  *What Happened to Hayti?: Memory and Spatiality of Spirit after Urban Renewal*

- Amanda Henderson, University of Denver
  
  Cole Chandler, Colorado Village Collaborative
  
  *A Catastrophe of Catastrophes, Religion and Homelessness in Denver*

- Laura Snell, University of California, Santa Barbara
  
  *Material Negotiations: Christianity, Ontology, and Civic Identity in Richmond, Virginia’s Monument Avenue*
Responding

Edward Dunar, Albertus Magnus College

A19-419
Religion and Memory Unit
Theme: The (Life) Stages of Memory: Religion, Commemoration, and the Cultivation of Identity
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Christopher Cantwell, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, Presiding

- Sarah Hedgecock, Columbia University
  
  *Pioneer Girls and the Nostalgic Whiteness of Ideal Evangelical Girlhood*

- Marie-Therese Mäder, University of Munich
  
  *Studying the Mediated Memories of Weddings*

- Jessica Albrecht, Heidelberg University
  
  *Biographical research and the decolonial lens. This history and memory of white women educators in Sri Lanka*

Responding

Jodi Eichler-Levine, Lehigh University

Business Meeting

Rachel Gross, San Francisco State University, Presiding
Christopher Cantwell, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, Presiding

A19-420
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe
Religion and Science Fiction Unit
Theme: The World at Risk: Science-fictionality, Religion and Catastrophe
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Laura Ammon, Appalachian State University, Presiding

- Christopher Sheklian, Radboud University

  *In the Face of the Catastrophic Loss of a Form of Life: The Eleventh Century Armenian*
Catholicos Petros Getadaj and the Speculative Fiction of Arkady Martine

- Rachel Wagner, Ithaca College

The Pseudo-Science Fiction of Alex Jones' COVIDLAND

- Jovana Isevski, University of California, Riverside

The Drowned Buddha: Buddhism, Ecology, and Mythopoeic Science in Kim Stanley Robinson's Science in the Capital Trilogy

Business Meeting

Laura Ammon, Appalachian State University, Presiding
Emanuelle Burton, University of Illinois, Chicago, Presiding

A19-421
Religion in Southeast Asia Unit
Theme: Keywords in the Study of Southeast Asia Religion
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Marko Geslani, University of South Carolina, Presiding

- Fabian Graham, National University of Singapore

Interrogating the Notion of “Cult” as a Social Formation in Chinese vernacular Religion: A comparative study of Chinese healing rituals in contemporary Singapore and Taiwan

- Jeizelle Solitario, University of Toronto

Religion, Culture, and History: The Construction of Filipino Servant Subjectivity

- Shalahudin Kafrawi, Hobart and William Smith Colleges

The Epistemology of Humanitarian Islam: Context and Roadmap

Responding

Jack Meng-Tat Chia, National University of Singapore

A19-422
Religion, Sport, and Play Unit
Theme: **Religion and Sport under Duress**  
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)  
Terry Shoemaker, Arizona State University, Presiding

- Francis Klose, Rosemont College
  
  *Lent Disrupted: COVID-19 and the 2020 Major League Baseball Season*

- Cody Musselman, Yale University
  
  *The “Sport of Fitness” becomes the Sport of Health: CrossFit Health in the COVID Era*

- Nicholas Fieseler, University of Calgary
  
  *Wrestling with Religion: A Theodramatic Exploration of Religion in Popular Culture*

**Reviewers**

Randall Balmer, Dartmouth College

**A19-432**  
**Religions, Borders, and Immigration Seminar**  
Theme: **Nation-State Borders, Global Migration, and Religious Practices in a Time of Increasing International Political Conflict.**  
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)  
Loye Ashton, Aoyama Gakuin University, Presiding

**Panelists**

Anne Blankenship, North Dakota State University  
Michael Canaris, Loyola University, Chicago  
Mary Beth Yount, Neumann University  
Kirsteen Kim, Fuller Theological Seminary

**Business Meeting**

Kristine Suna-Koro, Xavier University, Presiding

**A19-423**  
**Schleiermacher Unit**  
Theme: **Theology and the Plight of the Humanities in the Modern University**  
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)  
Kevin Vander Schel, Gonzaga University, Presiding
Panelists

Jennifer A. Herdt, Yale University
Jonathan Teubner, Australian Catholic University
Asher Biemann, University of Virginia
Chad Wellmon, University of Virginia

Business Meeting

Kevin Vander Schel, Gonzaga University, Presiding
Taraneh Wilkinson, University of Cincinnati, Presiding

P19-434
Society for Comparative Research on Iconic and Performative Texts
Theme: Material-Textual Approaches for the Study of US Protestantism
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Michael Baysa, Princeton University, Presiding

- Sonia Hazard, Florida State University
  
  *The Political Economy of Format: Books, Tracts, and the American Tract Society’s Complicity in Slavery*

- Seth Perry, Princeton University
  
  *From Babylon to Lynchburg: Using Material Texts Approaches to Contextualize Sources*

- Daniel Vaca, Brown University
  
  *Giving Is Good for You: The Persuasive Power of Donation Envelopes*

- Brook Wilensky-Lanford, University of North Carolina
  
  *Opening The Gates Ajar: The Politics of Circulation and Heavenly Access in the Long Reconstruction*

A19-406
Professional Development
Receptions/Breakfasts/Luncheons

Status of LGBTIQ Persons in the Profession Committee
Theme: Annual LGBTQIA+ Professional Development Conversation/Mixer
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Panelists

Benae Beamon, Bucknell University, Presiding

Eziaku Nwokocha, Princeton University

A19-424
Study of Islam Unit
Theme: Reimagining Gendered Being in Muslim Discourse
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Elliott Bazzano, Le Moyne College, Presiding

- Nura Sophia Liepsner, Princeton University
  Ways of Being. ‘A’isha Taymūr’s conceptualization male guardianship and divine order.

- Hinasahar Muneeruddin, University of North Carolina
  Twitter Trans(formations): Re-Envisioning Queer & Trans Muslim Becoming in the Digital Space

- Samira Musleh, University of Minnesota
  Feminist and Islamic Perspectives on the Labor of Biological Reproduction

A19-425
Theology and Continental Philosophy Unit
Theme: Afterlives of Christianity: Supersession and the Scholarly Construction of Religion
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Emily Filler, Washington and Lee University, Presiding

- Benjamin Steele-Fisher, University of California, Davis
  Mythography and the Jewish Question: Between Lack and Excess

- Timothy Snediker, University of California, Santa Barbara
  How Do We Recognize Christianity?

- Madison Tarleton, College of Charleston
  Personifications of Alterity and Theological Superiority: Strasbourg’s Synagoga and
Ecclesia as an Illustrative Example of Material Supersession in Medieval Europe

- Lucas Wright, University of California, Irvine

Theory and Narration: Philosophy of Religion, Supersessionism, and the Status of History

Responding

Larisa Reznik, Pomona College

A19-426
Theology of Martin Luther King Jr. Unit
Theme: New Cartographies in Kingian Studies
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Larry Perry, University of Tennessee, Presiding

- Jaden Janak, University of Texas at Austin

The Beloved Community as Abolition: Mutuality, Solidarity and Kingian Philosophies of Liberation

- David Justice, Saint Louis University

King and the Human: Recovering and Reimagining the Dream of a Beloved Community

- Aaron Grizzell, Graduate Theological Union

Martin Luther King, Jr's Black Religious Primordium

Business Meeting

Leonard McKinnis, University of Illinois, Presiding
Montague Williams, Point Loma Nazarene University, Presiding

A19-427
Books under Discussion
Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Unit
Theme: Ninetieth Anniversary of The Socialist Decision (Wipf & Stock, 2012)
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Rachel Sophia Baard, Union Presbyterian Seminary, Presiding

- Victoria Slabinski, University of Virginia
On “Myths of Origin” and the “True Origin”: Tillich’s *Socialist Decision* and Contemporary Post/De-Colonial Considerations

- Kirk MacGregor, McPherson College

*The Power of Religious Socialism to Combat Global Climate Catastrophes*

**Reviewers**

Kristin Johnston Largen, Wartburg Theological Seminary

Saturday, 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

**A19-500**

**Presidential Theme** - Religion and Catastrophe

**Presidential Address**

Theme: **Presidential Address - Mayra Rivera**
Saturday, 7:00 PM-8:00 PM (In Person)
Amir Hussain, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding

**Panelists**

Mayra Rivera, Harvard University

Saturday, 8:30 PM-10:00 PM

**A19-503**

**Receptions/Breakfasts/Luncheons**

**International Connections Committee**

Theme: **International Members Reception**
Saturday, 8:30 PM-10:00 PM (In Person)
Olga Kazmina, Moscow State University, Presiding

**Panelists**

John P. Burgess, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary
Wei-Jen Chen, Chicago Theological Seminary
Kimberly Hill, University of Texas, Dallas
James Ponniah Kulanndi Raj, University of Madras
Kimberly Hill, University of Texas, Dallas
Fabio Rambelli, University of California, Santa Barbara

**A19-501**

**Receptions/Breakfasts/Luncheons**

*Journal of the American Academy of Religion (JAAR)*
Theme: **JAAR Reception for Authors and Editorial Board Members**  
Saturday, 8:30 PM-10:00 PM (In Person)  
Saturday, 9:00 PM-10:30 PM

**A19-502**  
Receptions/Breakfasts/Luncheons  
**Status of LGBTIQ Persons in the Profession Committee**  
Theme: **Annual LGBTIQ Reception**  
Saturday, 9:00 PM-10:30 PM (In Person)  
Benae Beamon, Bucknell University, Presiding

**Panelists**

W. Scott Haldeman, Chicago Theological Seminary

Sunday, 7:30 AM-8:45 AM

**A20-100**  
Receptions/Breakfasts/Luncheons  
**American Academy of Religion**  
Theme: **Annual Business Meeting**  
Sunday, 7:30 AM-8:45 AM (In Person)  
Mayra Rivera, Harvard University, Presiding  
Alice Hunt, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

Sunday, 9:00 AM-9:30 AM

**A20-101**  
**Graduate Student Committee**  
Theme: **Graduate Student Committee Business Meeting**  
Sunday, 9:00 AM-9:30 AM (In Person)  
Sabina Ali, Indiana University, Bloomington, Presiding

Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

**A20-102**  
Presidental Theme - Religion and Catastrophe  
**African Diaspora Religions Unit**  
Theme: **The Snake Who Swallowed Its Own Tail: Haiti, Catastrophe, and the Controversy of Religious Resilience**  
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)  
Kyrah Malika Daniels, Boston College, Presiding
Panelists

Shamara Alhassan, Arizona State University
Eziaku Nwokocha, Princeton University

A20-103
Books under Discussion
Afro-American Religious History Unit and Pentecostal-Charismatic Movements Unit
Theme: 15th Anniversary Book Panel on Dr. Anthea Butler's Women in the Church of God in Christ (University of North Carolina Press, 2007)
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Kijan Bloomfield, Columbia University, Presiding

Panelists

Judith Casselberry, Bowdoin College
Ahmad Greene-Hayes, Northwestern University
Ambre Dromgoole, Yale University
Jonathan Langston Chism, University of Houston, Downtown
Monique Moultrie, Georgia State University
David Daniels, McCormick Theological Seminary

Responding

Anthea Butler, University of Pennsylvania

A20-104
Anthropology of Religion Unit
Theme: Body, Technology, Object: ethnographic perspectives on material religion
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
James Bielo, Miami University, Presiding

- Ian VanderMeulen, New York University
  Digitizing the Divine: Sonic Materiality and mp3 Qur’ans

- Christina Pasqua, University of Toronto
  (Re)producing the Bible: Notes on the Creative Labor behind Visual Translation

- Sowparnika Balaswaminathan, Concordia University, Montreal
  Casting Selves : Religious Labor, Aesthetic Practice, and the Commodity Object
• Marisa Franz, New York University

_**Dust to Dust: Graveside Tributes at a Cemetery and Site-Specific Decay**_

**Responding**

Zareena Grewal, Yale University

**A20-105**

**Arts, Literature, and Religion Unit**

**Theme: Aesthetics of Decay**

Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)

George Pati, Valparaiso University, Presiding

- Ryan Darr, Princeton University

_**Religion through and beyond Catastrophe: Octavia Butler and Margaret Atwood**_

- Tara Flanagan, Maria College

_**Simone de Beauvoir on Aesthetics, Aging, and the Limits of Medicine**_

- Nikolas Hoel, Northeastern Illinois University

_**Disfigurement as Power in Byzantium: The Literary Representation of the Strange Case of the “Graptoi”**_

- Kristen Drahos, Carthage College

_**Pathography as Iconography: Narrative Icons for the Church**_

**Business Meeting**

Gloria Hernández, West Chester University, Presiding

George Pati, Valparaiso University, Presiding

**A20-106**

**Asian North American Religion, Culture and Society Unit and Religion, Colonialism, and Postcolonialism Unit**

**Theme: Asian American Settler Colonialism and Climate Change: Notes Towards a New Conversation**

Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)

Kathy Chow, Yale University, Presiding
Panelists

Eleanor Craig, Harvard University
Mihee Kim-Kort, Indiana University
SueJeanne Koh, University of California, Irvine

Responding

Tammy Ho, University of California, Riverside

A20-107
Bioethics and Religion Unit and Japanese Religions Unit
Theme: Bioethics and Religious Pluralism in the Age of Covid and Advanced Medical Technology
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Jessica Starling, Lewis and Clark College, Presiding

- Tim Graf, Nanzan University
  Buddhist Clerical Minorities during COVID-19 in Japan
- Nathan Knutson, Harvard University
  Evaluating Alcohol Related Liver Transplant Practices Through Contemporary Pagan Ethics
- Kevin Lazarus, Emory University
  Lessons from Familial Moral Agency in the COVID ICU
- Nichole Flores, University of Virginia
  Solidarity and Institutional Partnerships: Lessons from Effective Responses to the Covid-19 Pandemic among Black and Brown Communities

A20-108
Body and Religion Unit
Theme: Borders and Bodies: Blood, Flesh, Disease, Trauma
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Wesley Barker, Mercer University, Presiding

- Adam Newman, University of Illinois
The Cow’s Curse: Disease, Immunity, and the Body Politic in a North Indian Kingdom

- Manuela Ceballos, University of Tennessee

The Blood and Body of Saint Teresa

- Katherine Guerrero, Yale University

In the Bushes Along the River Bank: Sentient Flesh at the U.S-Mexican Border

- Hye Hyun Han, Graduate Theological Union (GTU)

Somatic Spirituality for those Traumatized by Human Objectification: Utilizing Authentic Movement as a Spiritual Practice

A20-109
Buddhism Unit
Theme: Performing Time in Buddhist Literature: Creative Re-imaginings of Past, Present, and Future
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Chenxing Han, Institute of Buddhist Studies, Presiding

- Elaine Lai, Stanford University

Straying into Samsaric Time According to Heart Essence Literature

- Sinae Kim, Princeton University

When is “One Time” (yishi 一時)?

- Adam Miller, University of Chicago

(Re)Writing the Past (and Future) through Joy: The Story of Māra in the Precious Banner Sūtra

- Shayne Dahl, Harvard University

The Heart Sutra in Contemporary Japanese Mountain Asceticism

Responding

Natalie Gummer, Beloit College

Business Meeting
Reiko Ohnuma, Dartmouth College, Presiding
Bryan Lowe, Princeton University, Presiding

A20-110
Catholic Studies Unit and Cultural History of the Study of Religion Unit
Theme: Real Lives, Real Presence: A Roundtable on Robert Orsi’s Contributions to the Study of Religion
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Matthew Cressler, College of Charleston, Presiding

Panelists
Sarah M. Pike, California State University, Chico
Jason C. Bivins, North Carolina State University
Katherine Dugan, Springfield College
Josef Sorett, Columbia University
Michael Puett, Harvard University
Kristy Nabhan-Warren, University of Iowa
James Hill, Northwestern University
Mona Oraby, Howard University
Kathryn Lofton, Yale University
John Seitz, Fordham University

Responding
Robert A. Orsi, Northwestern University

A20-111
Childhood Studies and Religion Unit and Law, Religion, and Culture Unit
Theme: Children and the Carceral
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Mélena Laudig, Princeton University, Presiding

- Laura Simpson, Villanova University
  Infantile Citizenship and Carceral Imaginaries

- Hannah Ferguson, University of Toronto
  Retrieving 'The Child' as Subject: The Psychological Parenthood Principle and Human Beings as Psychological and Relational Persons

- Rebekah Gordon, Florida State University
We Believe the Children... Even When We Shouldn’t: The Dangers of Relying on Narrative Constructions of Identity in Criminal Law

- Max Thornton, Drake University

Who Owns the Future? Parents, Children, Gender, and Whiteness in the 2020s United States

A20-112
Chinese Religions Unit and Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Unit
Theme: Innovative Elements of “Funerary Buddhism” in Medieval China and Tibet
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Catherine Hartmann, Other, Presiding

- Max Brandstadt, University of California, Berkeley

In the Monastery, Out of this World: Differences Between Lay and Monastic Funerary Rites in Medieval Chinese Buddhism

- Lan Li, McMaster University

“The Solitary Cliff that Hides the Soul”: Cave Burial as Funerary Practice at Longmen in the Tang

- Yi Ding, DePaul University

Postmortem Option Selection: Funerary Phowa ("Consciousness Transfer") and Bardo Practices in Early Kagyu Texts

- Rory Lindsay, University of California, Santa Barbara

Bringing in the Bardo: Sakya Innovations in the Funerary Rituals of the Sarvadurgatipariśodhana Tantra

Responding

Brandon Dotson, Georgetown University

P20-140
Colloquium on Violence and Religion
Theme: Victimhood, Mimetic Escalation and the Current Crisis
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Grant Kaplan, Saint Louis University, Presiding
• George Dunn, Zhejiang University
  *Populism, Patriotism, and National Chauvinism: A Mimetic Analysis*

• Joel Hodge, Australian Catholic University
  *Re-Sacralising Modernity: Competing over the Victim in Modernity*

• Brett McLaughlin, Boston College
  *The Contemporary Barrage of Victimhood: The Posture of Vengeful Lament and Resentment*

A20-113
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe
Comparative Approaches to Religion and Violence Unit and Religion and Human Rights Unit
Theme: *Religious Responses to Ecocide and the Rise of Climate Nationalism*
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Kelly Denton-Borhaug, Moravian College, Presiding

• Luke Beck Kreider, University of Virginia
  *Environmental Security, Religious Imagination, and Anthropocene Politics*

• Michael McNally, Carleton College
  *Protecting Native Sacred Places as a Matter of Native Sovereignty*

• Ryan Juskus, Wake Forest University
  *Slow Violence or Slow Sacrifice?: Theorizing Religion and Environmental Justice*

• D. Brendan Johnson, Duke University
  “Let me see your face, Let me hear your voice”: A Constructive Prosoponic Foundation for the Rights of Nature in an Age of Catastrophe

• Matthew Hartman, Graduate Theological Union
  *The Rise of Climate Nationalism: Media, Migration, and New Religious Formations on the Right*
Responding

Wendy Wiseman, University of California, Santa Barbara

A20-114
Comparative Theology Unit and Theology Without Walls
Theme: The Concept of Home in Comparative Theology and Theology Without Walls
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Jeanine Diller, University of Toledo, Presiding

Panelists

Wesley J. Wildman, Boston University
Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University
John Thatamanil, Union Theological Seminary
Catherine Cornille, Boston College
S. Mark Heim, Yale University
Wilhelmus Valkenberg, Catholic University of America

A20-115
Contemporary Islam Unit
Theme: #Muslims: Critical Muslim Mediations on Piety, Authority, and Legibility through Online Contexts
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Yasmine Flodin-Ali, University of North Carolina At Chapel Hill, Presiding

- Sana Patel, University of Ottawa
  Democratizing Ijtihad: Young Muslims Conducting Religious Research Online

- Aysha Khan, Harvard University
  TikTok Qariahs: Women’s Quran Recitation, Digital Islamic Authority and Private-Public Fluidity

- Amadu Kunateh, Harvard University
  Grace Extended: BarakaBoys and Young Muslim Spiritual Practice Online

- Abtsam Saleh, Harvard University
  “These are for girls only”: Experience, Authority, and the Practice of Naṣiḥa in Online Contexts
• Ariella Gayotto Hohl Khan, Harvard University

    #MusulmanaLatina: Latina Muslim Women Contesting Normative Islamic Practice
    Online

Responding

Nurhaizatul Jamil, Pratt University

Business Meeting

Noah Salomon, University of Virginia, Presiding
Zahra Ayubi, Dartmouth College, Presiding
Kayla Renee Wheeler, Xavier University, Presiding

A20-116
Ethics Unit and Religion and Politics Unit
Theme: Lessons and Legacies of Twenty-First Century Wars
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
John D. Carlson, Arizona State University, Presiding

• Randy Thompson, University of Washington

    The Southern Baptist Convention and Operation Iraqi Freedom

• Anand Gopal, Arizona State University and The New Yorker

    On Intention: Moral Lessons from America’s Recent Wars

A20-117
Hinduism Unit and Religion and Popular Culture Unit
Theme: Hinduism in Contemporary Popular Fiction and Film: Themes of Family, Fantasy, and Gender
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Nicole Karapanagiotis, Rutgers University, Camden, Presiding

• Pranati Parikh, Harvard University

    Photographs Between Pages: Family, Friends, and the Gods in *Kuch Kuch Hota Hai* and *Kabhi Khushi Kabhie Gham*

• Diana Dimitrova, University of Montreal
Hinduism and Popular Culture: Sita in Hindu Traditions and in Popular Imagination

- Tracy Pintchman, Loyola University, Chicago
  
  *Rewriting Sita: Sita as Warrior, Prime Minister, and “the Vishnu” in Amish Tripathi’s Fantasy Novel, Sita: Warrior of Mithila*

- Nell Hawley, Harvard University
  
  *“I Was Never a Tale, but the Truth:” Fantasy, Language, and Second-Generation American Hinduism in Roshani Chokshi’s Aru Shah Series*

Responding

Deepra Dandekar, Free University of Berlin

A20-118
Indigenous Religious Traditions Unit and Native Traditions in the Americas Unit
Theme: A Beloved Among Us: Celebrating the Life and Work of Our Colleague Michelene Pesantubbee
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Mary Churchill, Sonoma State University, Presiding

Panelists

Gabriel Estrada, California State University, Long Beach
Sarah Dees, Iowa State University
Michael Zogry, University of Kansas
Ines Hernandez-Avila, University of California, Davis
Jason Sprague, University of Michigan, Dearborn
Suzanne J. Crawford O’Brien, Pacific Lutheran University

A20-119
Innovations in Chaplaincy and Spiritual Care Unit and Psychology, Culture, and Religion Unit
Theme: Ethical Care? Moral Advocacy and the Challenge of Working in Institutions
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Sarah Jobe, Duke University, Presiding

- Beth Toler, Moravian College

  *Bidden or Not Bidden: God and the Practice of Religious and Spiritual Integration in Contemporary Counseling*
• Janelle Moore, Emory University, Graduate Division of Religion
  
  *Democratizing and Historicizing Care: An Exploration of Movement Chaplains’ Moral Advocacy*

• Jeremy Schulz, Independent Scholar
  
  *Honoring the Decision to Die: Spiritual Care and Medical Aid in Dying*

• Kristen Hydinger, Boston University
  Xiaodi Wu, Boston University
  Steve Sandage, Boston University
  Laura Captari, Boston University
  Sarah Crabtree, Boston University
  Elise Choe, Boston University

  *Religion is not a tool – From moral neutrality to moral responsibility*

A20-120

*Islamic Mysticism Unit and Platonism and Neoplatonism Unit*

Theme: *Esoteric Neoplatonic Ontologies in the Islamic World*

Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Cyrus Zargar, University of Central Florida, Presiding

Panelists

Vincent Cornell, Emory University
Kevin Corrigan, Emory University
Shankar Nair, University of Virginia
Ilma Qureshi, University of Virginia
Sayeh Meisami, University of Dayton
Syed Zaidi, Emory University

A20-121

*Korean Religions Unit and New Religious Movements Unit*

Theme: *New Religions in Korea*

Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Holly Folk, Western Washington University, Presiding
• Eileen Barker, London School of Economics and Political Science

  Does It Matter Where We Are? A comparative contemplation on the relevance of country for religions in Korea

• Edward A. Irons, The Hong Kong Institute

  Leadership and Doctrine in Bocheon-gyo: An Investigation Into Rapid Growth Under Colonialism

• Kyungsoo Lee, Rice University

  Organic God: Cosmotheistic retelling of Genesis in Korean NRMs, focusing on Jin Jinhwa’s Principle

A20-122

Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe

Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Unit, Liberation Theology Unit, and Women and Religion Unit

Theme: Catástrofe, Esperanza, y Lucha: Puerto Rico a Cinco Años de María y el Plan Promesa (Catastrophe, Hope, and Struggle: Puerto Rico after Five Years Since Hurricane María and the Promesa Legislation)

Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)

Teresa Delgado, Iona College, Presiding

• Kristina Lizardy-Hajbi, Iliff School of Theology

  Remembering Jurakán: Resilience and Reclamation in the Wake of Colonially Induced Environmental Destruction

• Ashley Coleman Taylor, University of Texas at Austin

  The Body as Contested Site in Legacies of Puerto Rican Resistance

• Emanuel Padilla, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

  Wake Work, Death-Life, and Re-narrating Puerto Rico

Responding

Hilda Lloréns, University of Rhode Island

Reviewers
Ruben Rosario Rodriguez, Saint Louis University

A20-123
Books under Discussion
Lesbian-Feminisms and Religion Unit
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Michelle Wolff, Augustana College, Presiding

Panelists
Willie J. Jennings, Yale University
Stephanie Powell, Manhattan College
Laura Suzanne Lieber, University of Chicago

Responding
Mari Jorstad, Vancouver School of Theology

Business Meeting
Sarah Bloesch, University of North Carolina At Chapel Hill, Presiding

A20-124
Mysticism Unit and Western Esotericism Unit
Theme: Queerness and the Mystical Body
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Manon Hedenborg White, Södertörn University, Presiding

- Marla Segol, State University of New York, Buffalo
  *Queer Moses, Weird Moses: the power of experimental body in Jewish mystical texts*

- Jay Michaelson, Chicago Theological Seminary
  *The Queernesses of Sabbatean Mystical Messianism*

- Zaccary Haney, Loyola University, Chicago
  *Theological Becomings: Body as Mystical-Theological Subject in Bernard of Clairvaux*

Responding
A20-125
North American Religions Unit and Religion and Sexuality Unit
Theme: 'To Make the Wounded': On Sexual Panics in Evangelicalism
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Amy DeRogatis, Michigan State University, Presiding

- Daniel Ballon, Emory University
  "Nailing Our Sexualities to the Cross": Black Gay Fundamentalism in a Time of Sexual Panic

- William Stell, Princeton University
  Writing (Off) the ‘Gay Church’: Antigay Evangelical Discourse on the Metropolitan Community Churches in the 1970s

- William Boyce, University of Virginia
  Abuse, Scandal, and Slow Panic: The Evangelical Story of Kanakuk Kamps

- Kelsey Hanson Woodruff, Harvard University
  "A Calculated and Continual Attack:" Preserving Patriarchal Power in an Egalitarian Megachurch

Responding
Lynne Gerber, Independent Scholar

A20-126
Philosophy of Religion Unit
Theme: Why Study Religion?
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Savannah Finver, Ohio State University, Presiding

- Stephen Bush, Brown University
  On the Limits of Philosophical Justifications for the Legitimation of Religious Studies

- Erin Kidd, Saint John's University
On Wanting More than More than Belief

• Noreen Khawaja, Yale University

In Every Crisis

• Kevin Schilbrack, Appalachian State University

Ontology, Folk Justification, and the Normative Turn in Religious Studies

Responding

Richard B. Miller, University of Chicago

A20-139

Publications Committee
Theme: Committee Meeting
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Timothy Beal, Case Western Reserve University, Presiding

Panelists

Anthony Cerulli, University of Wisconsin, Madison
Margaret D. Kamitsuka, Oberlin College and Conservatory
Andrea Jain, Indiana University - Purdue University, Indianapolis
Alda Balthrop-Lewis, Australian Catholic University
Jonathan Tran, Baylor University
John Nemec, University of Virginia
Robert A. Yelle, University of Munich

A20-127

Religion and Cities Unit
Theme: Centering Community: A Roundtable Discussion on Lived Religion and the City
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Daisy Vargas, University of Arizona, Presiding

Panelists

Pauline Lee, Saint Louis University
Harold Morales, Morgan State University
Rupa Pillai, University of Pennsylvania
Patrick Polk, University of California, Los Angeles
Amy Landau, University of California, Los Angeles
Business Meeting

Rupa Pillai, University of Pennsylvania, Presiding
Fatimah Fanusie, Institute for Islamic, Christian, and Jewish Studies, Presiding

A20-128
Religion and Disability Studies Unit
Theme: Disability and the Church: Human Difference and Practicing Christian Community
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
David Scott, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

Panelists

Julia Watts Belser, Georgetown University
John Swinton, University of Aberdeen
Lauren F. Winner, Duke University
Natalie Wigg-Stevenson, Emmanuel College

Responding

Sarah Jean Barton, Duke University
Rebecca Spurrier, Columbia Theological Seminary

A20-129
Books under Discussion
Religion and Ecology Unit
Theme: The Spirit of Soul Food: Race, Faith, and Food Justice (University of Illinois Press, 2021) Book Roundtable
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Joseph Wiebe, University of Alberta, Augustana, Presiding

Panelists

Derek Hicks, Wake Forest University
Rachel Brown, University of Victoria
Chantal Forbes, California Institute of Integral Studies
Deborah Rogers, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School
Andrea McComb Sanchez, University of Arizona
Yuria Celidwen, Independent Scholar
Norbert Wilson, Duke University
Responding

Christopher Carter, University of San Diego

A20-130
Religion and Economy Unit
Theme: Beyond Capitalism: Four Constructive Proposals toward Ecological, Equitable, Democratic Economic Life
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Rosetta E. Ross, Spelman College, Presiding

Panelists

Joerg Rieger, Vanderbilt University
Cynthia Moe-Lobeda, Graduate Theological Union, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary
Filipe Maia, Boston University
Jeremy Posadas, Austin College

Responding

Carmen Lansdowne, First United Church

Reviewers

Karen Baker-Fletcher, Southern Methodist University

A20-131
Books under Discussion
Religion and Memory Unit and Study of Judaism Unit
Theme: Yerushalmi’s Zakhor (University of Washington Press, 1982) at 40: Reconsidering Jewish Memory in Theory and Practice
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Sam Shonkoff, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

• Tsiona Lida, Harvard University

  The ascent of fallen Jews: Affect and historical memory in Walter Benjamin and Yosef Hayim Yerushalmi

• Evan Goldstein, Yale University
Born Without Precedent: Literature and the Memory of Genealogy after Zakhor

- Joshua Krug, Kehillah Jewish High School

Teaching "Lizkor" Amidst The State of the World: The Case of Kehillah

Responding

Rachel Gross, San Francisco State University

A20-132
Books under Discussion
Religion, Affect, and Emotion Unit and Ritual Studies Unit
Theme: When Rituals Don't Feel Good: A Conversation about Dana W. Logan’s Awkward Rituals: Sensations of Governance in Protestant America (University of Chicago Press, 2022)
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Sonia Hazard, Florida State University, Presiding

Panelists

Marko Geslani, University of South Carolina
Ian MacCormack, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Constance Furey, Indiana University
Charles McCrary, Arizona State University

Responding

Dana Logan, University of North Carolina, Greensboro

A20-133
Science, Technology, and Religion Unit
Theme: The Role of Philosophy of Science in Science-Engaged Theology
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Meghan Page, Loyola University, Maryland, Presiding

Panelists

Elise Crull, City College of New York
Hans Halvorson, Princeton University
Alan Love, University of Minnesota
Eric Martin, Baylor University
Jeffrey Koperki, Saginaw Valley State University
Responding
Natalie Carnes, Baylor University
Andrew Prevot, Boston College

A20-134
South Asian Religions Unit
Theme: Religion and/as Labor
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Anand Venkatkrishnan, University of Chicago, Presiding

- Ashlee Andrews, University of North Carolina at Greensboro
  The Value of Hindu Women’s Domestic Worship (and Other Reproductive Labor)

- Andrew Kunze, Purdue University
  Advertising Seva: Devotional Labor and the Gift of Free Press in Swaminarayan Hinduism

- Priya Kothari, University of California, Berkeley
  Between Marga and Sampradaya: Divinely Graced Labor in the Vallabha Devotional Community

- Joel Lee, Williams College
  The Bhajan Singer and the Qawwal: Caste and the Labor of Performance

Responding
Amanda Lucia, University of California, Riverside

Business Meeting
Jennifer Ortegren, Middlebury College, Presiding
Sarah Pierce Taylor, University of Chicago, Presiding

A20-135
Tantric Studies Unit
Theme: Tantric Posthumanisms: New Perspectives from Śaiva and Buddhist Tantric Traditions
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Glen Hayes, Bloomfield College, Presiding

- Loriliai Biernacki, University of Colorado
  
  *Machine Life in a Tantric Panentheism*

- Jason Schwartz, University of California, Santa Barbara
  
  *Honor Them for They are Not Natural Men: Nonhuman Rights in Pre-modern Śaiva Political Theology*

- James Gentry, Stanford University
  
  *Networks of Materiality and Meaning in the Efficacy of Tantric Pills that Liberate through Eating*

- Elaine Fisher, Stanford University
  
  *The "Life-breath Liṅga": The Non-human Agency of a Personal Object of Worship*

**Responding**

Sthaneshwar Timalsina, San Diego State University

**Business Meeting**

Anna Golovkova, Cornell University, Presiding

**A20-136**

**Theology and Religious Reflection Unit**

Theme: *Agency and Solidarity Beyond the Human*

Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)

Abdul Rahman MUSTAFA, University of Paderborn, Presiding

- Laura Schmidt Roberts, Fresno Pacific University
  
  *'The World is Full of Persons, Only Some of Whom are Human': Recasting Personhood and Relationality for Mennonite Ecotheology and Environmental Ethics*

- Cesar Baldelomar, Boston College
  
  *Beyond Imago Dei: The Prospects of Afropessimism and Epistemologies of the South for Theological Anthropology*
• Ban Htang, Union Theological Seminary

Entangled Agencies: Toward Deep Solidarities

Reviewers

Michelle Voss Roberts, Emmanuel College, Toronto

Business Meeting

Linn Tonstad, Yale University, Presiding

A20-137
Wesleyan and Methodist Studies Unit
Theme: Post-Colonial Biblical Interpretation and the Wesleyan/Methodist Traditions
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Natalya Cherry, Texas Christian University, Presiding

Panelists

Dion Forster, Stellenbosch University
Jung Choi, Duke University
Alroy Mascrenhe, independent scholar

Business Meeting

Cindy K. Wesley, University of Northern Colorado, Presiding
Jung Choi, Duke University, Presiding

A20-138
Women's Caucus
Theme: New Books on Gender and Religion
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Deborah Fulthorp, Grand Canyon University, Presiding

• Wil Gafney, Brite Divinity School

A Women's Lectionary for the Whole Church, Years A (Mathew) and W (standalone)

• Shannen Williams, University of Dayton

Subversive Habits: Black Catholic Nuns in the Long African American Freedom Struggle
• Emily Dumler-Winckler, Saint Louis University
  
  *Modern Virtue: Mary Wollstonecraft and a Tradition of Dissent*

• Hadia Mubarak, Queens University
  
  *Rebellious Wives, Neglectful Husbands: Controversies in Modern Qur’anic Commentaries*

• Sharon Davis, McCormick Theological Seminary
  
  *The Trauma of Sexual and Domestic Violence: Navigating My Way Through*

• Kathleen McPhillips, University of Newcastle, Australia
  
  Naomi R. Goldenberg, University of Ottawa
  
  *The End of Religion. Feminist Reappraisals of the State*

• Angela Parker, Mercer University
  
  *If God Still Breathes, Why Can’t I? Black Lives Matter and Biblical Authority*

**Responding**

Kimberly Carter, California Institute of Integral Studies

Sunday, 11:15 AM-12:15 PM

**A20-141**

Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe

**Plenaries**

Theme: *Plenary Address: Ramón Cruz*

Sunday, 11:15 AM-12:15 PM (In Person)

Mayra Rivera, Harvard University, Presiding

**Panelists**

Ramón Cruz, Sierra Club

**A20-142**

Professional Development - Mentoring

Receptions/Breakfasts/Luncheons

**Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee and Status of**
Women in the Profession Committee
Theme: Women's Mentoring Lunch
Sunday, 11:15 AM-12:15 PM (In Person)
K. Christine Pae, Denison University, Presiding
Amy Elizabeth Steele, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
Swasti Bhattacharyya, Harvard University, Presiding

Panelists
Su Yon Pak, Union Theological Seminary
Ann Gleig, University of Central Florida
Juliane Hammer, University of North Carolina At Chapel Hill
Traci C. West, Drew University
Kate Ott, Drew Theological School
Grace Kao, Claremont School of Theology
Margaret D. Kamitsuka, Oberlin College and Conservatory
Eboni Marshall Turman, Yale University
Monique Moultrie, Georgia State University
Kate E. Temoney, Montclair State University
Michal Raucher, Rutgers University, New Brunswick
Heike Peckruhn, Daemen College
Rebecca Todd Peters, Elon University
Monica Coleman, University of Delaware
Aysha Hidayatullah, University of San Francisco

Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM
P20-237
Books under Discussion
African Association for the Study of Religion
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Isabel Mukonyora, Western Kentucky University, Presiding

Panelists
Emily Onyango, St. Paul's University
Diana Lunkwitz, University of Hamburg
Jehu J. Hanciles, Emory University
Jay Carney, Creighton University

Responding
A20-202
African Diaspora Religions Unit, Afro-American Religious History Unit, Eastern Orthodox Studies Unit, and North American Religions Unit
Theme: A Sorrowful Joy: Honoring and Remembering Dr. Albert J. Raboteau
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Peter Thuesen, Indiana University - Purdue University, Indianapolis, Presiding

Panelists
Leslie D Callahan, University of Pennsylvania
Tracey Hucks, Colgate University
Kelsey Moss, University of Southern California
Judith Weisenfeld, Princeton University

A20-200
Professional Development - Publishing
Applied Religious Studies Committee
Theme: Writing for a Popular Audience: Six Scholars in Conversation
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Jana Riess, Religion News Service, Presiding

Panelists
Anthea Butler, University of Pennsylvania
Kristin Kobes Du Mez, Calvin University
Pete Enns, Eastern University
Stephen Prothero, Boston University
Simran Jeet Singh, New York University

A20-203
Body and Religion Unit and Comparative Studies of Religion Unit and North American Association for the Study of Religion
Theme: Moving Body as Foundational to the Proper Study of Religion: A Response to and Celebration of the work of Sam Gill
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Jeffrey Stephen Lidke, Berry College, Presiding

Panelists
Hugh B. Urban, Ohio State University
Michael Zogry, University of Kansas
John Thibudeau, University of Rochester
Aaron W. Hughes, University of Rochester
Seth Schermerhorn, Hamilton College
Mary Corley Dunn, Saint Louis University
Jeanette Reedy Solano, California State University, Fullerton
Kimberley Patton, Harvard University

Responding
Sam Gill, University of Colorado

Business Meeting
Oliver Freiberger, University of Texas, Austin, Presiding
Ivette Vargas-O'Bryan, Austin College, Presiding

A20-204
Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Unit
Theme: Crossing Boundaries: Bonhoeffer and Black, Womanist, and Liberation Theologies
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Karen V. Guth, College of the Holy Cross, Presiding

- Michael Mawson, Charles Sturt University
  The Stumbling Block and the Lynching Tree: Reading Bonhoeffer’s Christology with James Cone

- Htoi San Lu, Vanderbilt University
  Integrating Body and Community: Engaging Dietrich Bonhoeffer and M. Shawn Copeland’s Ecclesiological Approaches

- David Gides, University of Providence
  Parts for the System: Bonhoeffer and the Liberation Theologians

Business Meeting
Karen V. Guth, College of the Holy Cross, Presiding
Matthew Puffer, Valparaiso University, Presiding

A20-205
Buddhism in the West Unit and Buddhist-Critical Constructive Reflection Unit
Theme: **Secularizing Buddhism**  
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)  
Caroline Starkey, University of Leeds, Presiding  
Melissa Anne-Marie Curley, Ohio State University, Presiding

**Panelists**

Funie Hsu, San Jose State University  
David McMahan, Franklin and Marshall College  
Pamela D. Winfield, Elon University  
Charles B. Jones, Catholic University of America  
Sharon A. Suh, Seattle University  
Richard K. Payne, Graduate Theological Union

**Business Meeting**

Barbra R. Clayton, Mount Allison University, Presiding

A20-206  
**Christian Spirituality Unit**  
Theme: **Situating Spirituality: Articulating the Edges of the Known**  
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)  
David B. Perrin, University of Waterloo, Presiding

- David De La Fuente, Fordham University
  
  *“The Soul of Theology” and the “Bodies” of Christ: Scripture, St. Paul, and M. Shawn Copeland’s Spirituality of Racial Justice*

- Melisa Ortiz Berry, Bushnell University
  
  *Gender, Diversity, and Evangelical Spirituality*

- Kristen Daley Mosier, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
  
  *Divided Waters: How a via aquatica Encourages Ecological Conversion*

- Aizaiah Yong, Pacific School of Religion
  
  *Can We Be What We Are Looking For? A Call to Embracing and Recreating Multiple Worlds through the Practice of Radical Inter-in-dependence*

A20-207  
**Christian Systematic Theology Unit and Gay Men and Religion Unit and Queer Studies**
in Religion Unit
Theme: Celebrating and Challenging the Convulsions of, and Beyond, Queer and Trans Studies in Religion and Theology: Honoring the Work of Mark Jordan
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Brandy Daniels, University of Portland, Presiding

- Kori Pacyniak, University of California, Riverside
  *Queer Calling: Imagination & Becoming in the work and teaching of Mark D. Jordan*

- Cameron Partridge, St. Aidan's Episcopal Church
  *Shapes for an Open Body: Celebrating and Transing the Formative Work of Mark Jordan*

- Siobhan Kelly, Harvard University
  *A Prelude After Jordan, or Camp Sodomy for Trans Studies*

- Peng Yin, Emory University
  *Queer Unlearning: Queer Theology as Apophatic Theology*

- Melissa M. Wilcox, University of California, Riverside
  *Truth, Power, and Priests in Dungeons: Queering the Study of Religion*

**Responding**

Mark Jordan, Harvard University

A20-208
Class, Religion, and Theology Unit
Theme: Class Futures: Against the Capitalocene, For Liberation
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Joerg Rieger, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

- Adam Vander Tuig, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York
  *Anthropocene, Capitalocene, and Maneggiocene: The Insidious Ecocide of Modern Managerialism*

- George Schmidt, Vanderbilt University
The Capitalocene and Its Eschaton: Visioning the Proletarianization of Ecology

- Hesron Sihombing, Iliff School of Theology

Digital Labor and Subjectivity in the Capitalocene: A Critique of Neoliberalism

- Michael Laminack, University of Denver

Neoliberal Political Subjectivity in the Capitalocene

- Sharaiz Chaudhry, The University of Edinburgh

Islamic Liberation Theology in Practice: A Comparative Analysis of British Muslims’ Activism Against Class Inequality

- Connor Williams, Trinity College, Dublin

The Need for a Labor Theology of Liberation

A20-209

Cognitive Science of Religion Unit
Theme: Current Theories and Applications of the Cognitive Science of Religion
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Hester E. Oberman, University of Arizona, Presiding

- F. LeRon Shults, University of Agder


- Erin Kidd, Saint John's University

  Liturgical Blocking

- Caleb Froehlich, University of Edinburgh

  Assessing Sacred Art and Spiritual Understanding at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe

- Sarah Bixler, Princeton Theological Seminary

  Conversion as Bonding: Adolescent Attachment to God and Community in Anabaptist Perspective

Business Meeting
A20-210

Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe

Comparative Religious Ethics Unit

Theme: Climate Change and Climate Justice from a Comparative Perspective

Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)

Jung Lee, Northeastern University, Presiding

- James Waters, Florida State University
  
  Comparative Religious Ethics and the Reimagining of Nature: The Promises and Dangers of Hybrid Religious Ecologies

- Sarah Robinson, Pacific Lutheran University
  
  Is Ecological Usury Changing the Climate?: Climate Debt and Ethics in Muslim Communities

- Jonathan E. Brockopp, Pennsylvania State University
  
  Muslim Responses to Climate Change: a preliminary analysis

- Víctor Thasiah, California Lutheran University
  
  Zen Master Thich Nhat Hanh on Environmental Justice

Business Meeting

Shannon Dunn, Gonzaga University, Presiding

A20-211

Contemporary Pagan Studies Unit

Theme: Is the Medium the Message? : Witchcraft, Social Media and Personal Mutability

Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)

Christopher Chase, Iowa State, Presiding

- Mary Hamner, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

  #Witch: Contemporary Witchcraft, Teenagers, and the Impact of Social Media on a Developing Religious Tradition

- Marcelitte Failla, Emory University
Cultivating Inherent Power: The Black Witch, Ontology, and African-Derived Religion

- Chris Miller, University of Waterloo

“Like and Follow for More!”: Social Media Infrastructure and Religious Transformations on #WitchTok

Business Meeting

Giovanna Parmigiani, Harvard University, Presiding

A20-212
Critical Approaches to Hip-Hop and Religion Unit
Theme: See You at The Crossroads: Communities and Meaning Making in Hip Hop Culture
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Elonda Clay, Vrije University Amsterdam, Presiding

- Jeta Luboteni, Boston University

"Sounds like a Paradox:" Islam, Hip-Hop, and the KMN Gang

- Jonathan Calvillo, Boston University

Rhyme and Resonance: From Latinx Pentecostalism to Latinx Hip Hop in Los Angeles

Responding

Christopher Driscoll, Lehigh University

Business Meeting

Justin Smith, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding
Daniel White Hodge, North Park University, Presiding

A20-213
Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Unit
Theme: Speculative Technologies
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Katja Rakow, Utrecht University, Presiding

Panelists

Samira Mehta, University of Colorado
Omri Elisha, City University of New York
Alison Renna, Yale University
Suzanne Van Geuns, University of Toronto
Heather Mellquist Lehto, University of Toronto
Judith Ellen Brunton, University of Toronto

Responding

John Modern, Franklin & Marshall College

**A20-214**
**Daoist Studies Unit**
Theme: *On Whose Terms?: Daoist Studies and the Study of Judaism, Collaborative Efforts to Redress Categories of Religion*
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Jordan D. Rosenblum, University of Wisconsin, Presiding

Panelists

Michael Naparstek, University of Tennessee
Cara Rock-Singer, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Lily Vuong, Central Washington University
Debra Ballentine, Rutgers University
Gil Raz, Dartmouth College
Tobias Zuern, Reed College

**A20-215**
**Death, Dying, and Beyond Unit**
Theme: *Traumatic Deaths*
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Jamie Brummitt, University of North Carolina At Wilmington, Presiding

- Kendall Marchman, University of Georgia
  
  *Dying to Go to the Pure Land: Accounts of Suicide among Pure Land Practitioners in the Tang Dynasty*

- Verena Meyer, Columbia University
  
  *Murder at the Palace: Conversion, Violence, and Politics in Islamic Java*

- Layla Koch, Yale University
  
  *The Sacrifice upon the Altar: Mother of Holiness Phoebe Palmer as a Triumphant*
Agent of Death

- Andrew Monteith, Elon University

“Timely Suicide Might Have Saved the World”: The Eugenics Movement and Ableist Moralities of American Public Protestantism

Business Meeting

Amy Defibaugh, Temple University, Presiding
Candi K. Cann, Baylor University, Presiding

A20-216
Hindu Philosophy Unit
Theme: Kumārila on the Intrinsic Validity of Cognitions: A Philosophical Roundtable
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Parimal G. Patil, Harvard University, Presiding

Panelists

John Taber, University of New Mexico
Lawrence McCrea, Cornell University
Elisa Freschi, University of Toronto
Michael Allen, University of Virginia

Business Meeting

Michael Allen, University of Virginia, Presiding
Parimal G. Patil, Harvard University, Presiding

A20-217
History of Christianity Unit
Theme: Martyrdom Rhetoric in Christian History: Then and Now
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Roy Fisher, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding

- Travis Ables, Regis University

The Constant Urgings of Her Flesh: Martyrdom Rhetoric and Technologies of Shame in the Twelfth Century

- Aaron Hollander, Graymoor Ecumenical and Interreligious Institute
Jalane D. Schmidt, University of Virginia

Martyrdom and Monumentality among the Confederate Dead

- Tara Baldrick-Morrone, Wake Forest University

Modern-Day Martyrdom: Operation Rescue and Anti-Abortion Activism in 1980s and 1990s America

Business Meeting

Lloyd Barba, Amherst College, Presiding
Roy Fisher, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding

A20-218
Indian and Chinese Religions Compared Unit and Religion, Affect, and Emotion Unit
Theme: History of Emotions in India and China
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Jay Garfield, Smith College, Presiding

- Adam Liddle, University of Virginia

Affective Atmospheres: Acoustic and Alone

- Aleksandra Restifo,

Emotion as a Karmic Modification: _Rasa_ in Ajitasena’s Alaṅkārācintāmaṇi (15th century)

- Gerrit Lange, Philipps University of Marburg

Hot and Cold, Fragrant and Pungent: Hindu (Syn-)Aesthetics of Divine Emotions and Bodies

- Mercy Dutta, Jawaharlal Nehru University

Kāvyas and the Construction of the Love Spectrum: The Early Indian Case

- Esther-Maria Guggenmos, IKGF, University of Erlangen-Nuremberg

Shaping Emotions in Chinese Buddhist Ritual

A20-219
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe
Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Unit and Religion and Migration Unit
Theme: From Catastrophe to Belonging: Exploring the Aftermath of Forced Migration
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Ángel Gallardo, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

- Rady Roldan, Boston University
  
  Diego Mendoza Lacán, Unitarianism, and the Recentering of the Sanctuary Experience in New England

- Adam Waters, Yale University
  
  Latin American Liberation Theology and the Making of the 1980s Sanctuary Movement

- Michael Woolf, Harvard University
  
  Sanctuary Everywhere!: The Other Sanctuary Movements of 2022

- Matilde Moros, Virginia Commonwealth University
  
  Testimonio: A Decolonial Method Against Catastrophe

Reviewers

Ruben Rosario Rodriguez, Saint Louis University

A20-220
Books under Discussion

Law, Religion, and Culture Unit
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Brook Wilensky-Lanford, University of North Carolina, Presiding

Panelists

Steven Green, Willamette University
Sonia Hazard, Florida State University
Lucia Hulsether, Skidmore College
Samah Choudhury, Ithaca College
Kevin Rose, University of Virginia
Responding
Charles McCrary, Arizona State University

Business Meeting
Spencer Dew, Ohio State University, Presiding
Leslie Ribovich, Transylvania University, Presiding

A20-221
Native Traditions in the Americas Unit
Theme: Indigenous Futures - Crisis, Prophesy, and Futurism
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
David Walsh, Gettysburg College, Presiding

- Tiffany Hale, Barnard College and Columbia University
  
  *Ashfalls, Eclipses and Epidemics: Chaos and Early Ghost Dance Prophecies*

- Sydney Beckmann, University of Arizona
  
  *The Pan-Indian Problem: Implications for the Understanding of Tradition*

- Jorge Legoas, Queen's University, Kingston
  
  *Epistemologies of what is to come: Indigenous weather forecasting between divination and planning*

- Matt Sheedy, University of Bonn
  
  *Indigenous Futurism, Activism, and Media Representation*

Responding
Felicia Lopez, University of California, Merced

Business Meeting
Andrea McComb Sanchez, University of Arizona, Presiding
Suzanne J. Crawford O'Brien, Pacific Lutheran University, Presiding

A20-222
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe
Open and Relational Theologies Unit, Religion and Disability Studies Unit, Sacred Texts, Theory, and Theological Construction Unit  
Theme: Grief, Trauma, and Care in Times of Catastrophe  
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)  
David Scott, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

- Skyler Jay Keiter-Massefski, Yale University  
  *Finite Bodies, Finite Worlds: Cultivating Resistance in a World that Ends*
- Samuel Youngs, Bryan College  
  *The Damage of Doctrine - Understanding Theologized Trauma*
- Courtney Wilder, Midland University  
  *God With Us: Trauma, Freedom, and Theology of Disability*
- Tim Middleton, University of Oxford  
  *Witnessing Catastrophe: A Theology of Ecological Trauma*

A20-223  
Philosophy of Religion Unit  
Theme: New Directions for Theorizing Race and Sovereignty in Religious Studies  
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)  
Eleanor Craig, Harvard University, Presiding

- Devin Singh, Dartmouth College  
  *Obligated Flesh: Servitude, Debt, and Racialized Carceral Capitalism*
- Joseph Winters, Duke University  
  *Sovereignty, Excess, and Black In/alterity*
- An Yountae, California State University, Northridge  
  *Becoming Archipelago: Place, Territoriality, and the Sacred*
- Danube Johnson, Harvard University  
  *Oedipus colonus at Lébos*
• Panashe Chigumadzi, Harvard University

*Ethiopianism and the Possibilities of Black Sovereignty*

**Business Meeting**

Stephen Bush, Brown University, Presiding  
Lori K. Pearson, Carleton College, Presiding

**A20-224**  
**Religion and Cities Unit and Religion, Genocide, and Holocaust Unit**  
**Theme:** Community Engaged Research: Lessons from the Good Life Project  
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)  
Fatima Bamba, American University, Presiding

**Panelists**

Adriana Nieto, Metropolitan State University of Denver  
Kate DeConinck, University of San Diego  
Teresa Smallwood, Vanderbilt University  
Nathan Jérémie-Brink, New Brunswick Theological Seminary  
Daisy Ocampo, California State University, San Bernardino

**Responding**

Sarah K. Pinnock, Trinity University

**A20-225**  
**Religion and Economy Unit**  
**Theme:** Gendering Religious Labor in Asian Communities  
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)  
Gwendolyn Gillson, Illinois College, Presiding

**Panelists**

Lindsey DeWitt, University of California, Los Angeles  
Dana Mirsalis, Harvard University  
Kati Fitzgerald, Yale University  
Natasha Heller, University of Virginia  
Napakadol Kittisenee, University of Wisconsin  
Zi Chen, Cambridge University

**Responding**
Paulina Kolata, Lund University

**Reviewers**

Karen Baker-Fletcher, Southern Methodist University

**A20-235**

Religion, Attire, and Adornment in North America Seminar

Theme: *Women, Power, and the Meaning(s) of Religious Dress*

Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)

Marie W. Dallam, University of Oklahoma, Presiding

- Lisa Poirier, DePaul University
  
  *Building Indigenous Futures with Beaded Belts, Bags and Chucks*

- Deborah Whitehead, University of Colorado, Boulder
  
  *“Everybody Gets a Box of Stuff, and What Did You Do With It?”: LuLaRoe and the Rhetoric of Freedom through Fashion*

- Jeremy Rapport, College of Wooster
  
  *Clothing Spiritual Reality: The Sartorial Styles of Mary Baker Eddy*

- Andrea Johnson, California State University, Dominguez Hills
  
  Leah Payne, George Fox University
  
  *Power Before Thrones of God and Man: Women, Adornment, and Public Life in White American Pentecostalism*

**Responding**

Martha L Finch, Missouri State University

**A20-226**

Religion, Media, and Culture Unit

Theme: *Rituals, Genres, and the Technological Infrastructure of Religious Media*

Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)

William Chavez, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

- Jeremy Schulz, Independent Scholar
Triss Ingels, Boston University

"Death Reborn Revolution": Trans-Formative Future and Sailor Moon

- Hee-Kyu Heidi Park, Ewha Womans University

Myung-Sahm Suh, EWHA Womans University, Korea

Consecration of Game & Gamification of the Sacred: Understanding ‘Squid Game’ as a Sacrificial Rite

- Caroline Matas, Princeton University

Defending the Homefront: Sacred White Evangelical Motherhood and War Rhetoric

- Lily Zwaan, Independent Scholar

Religion, Freedom, and Limits in Super Smash Bros. Melee

- Eric Chalfant, Queen's University, Kingston

“I Don’t Chase. I Attract:” TikTok and the Algorithms of New Thought.

A20-227
Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Unit
Theme: Transnational Solidarity, Israel/Palestine and Intellectual Legacies of Desmond Tutu
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Atalia Omer, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

Panelists

Mitri Raheb, Dar al-Kalima University
Michael Battle, General Theological Seminary
Anne Joh, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
Farid Esack, University of Johannesburg
Rebecca Alpert, Temple University
Daniel Bannoura, Bethlehem Study Center

Business Meeting

Santiago H. Slabodsky, Hofstra University, Presiding

A20-228
Religious Conversions Unit and South Asian Religions Unit
Theme: Race, Caste and Conversion in Colonial South Asia
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Arun W. Jones, Emory University, Presiding

- Afsar Mohammad, University of Pennsylvania
  
  *The Idiom of Conversion: Local Sufi Narratives and the Making of a Casteless Being*

- Torsten Tschacher, Freie Universität Berlin
  
  *Diagnosing ‘Ignorance’: Conversion, Race, and Reform among Muslims in Madras and Ceylon*

- Deepra Dandekar, Free University of Berlin
  
  *From Humble Hut to Heavenly Palace*

- Eliza Kent, Skidmore College
  
  *The Racialization of Sin and Salvation: Pandita Ramabai and the Discourse of Conversion and Social Reform*

- Megan Robb, University of Pennsylvania
  
  *Becoming Elizabeth: The Christian Conversion of a Mughal Lady in the 18th century*

Responding

Brian A. Hatcher, Tufts University

A20-229
Ritual Studies Unit
Theme: Sacred Geography, Narrativity, and Imagination in Recent Pilgrimage Studies
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Michael Houseman, École Pratique des Hautes Études, Presiding

Panelists

Marion S. Grau, MF Norwegian School of Theology, Religion and Society
Kathryn Barush, Santa Clara University
André Brouillette, Boston College

Business Meeting
A20-230
Schleiermacher Unit, Theology and Religious Reflection Unit, and Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Unit
Theme: Exploring Theological Genres
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Taraneh Wilkinson, University of Cincinnati, Presiding

- Samuel Needham, University of Toronto
  
  *Hot Takes: The Future of Theological Genres*

- Caleb Hendrickson, Carleton College
  
  *The Picture in the System: "The Picture of Christ" in Schleiermacher and Tillich and the Ekphrastic Task of Theology*

- Jeanne Stevenson-Moessner, Southern Methodist University
  
  *The Discarded Image in Schleiermacher’s Theological System-Building*

Reviewers

Michelle Voss Roberts, Emmanuel College, Toronto
Kristin Johnston Largen, Wartburg Theological Seminary

A20-231
Sociology of Religion Unit
Theme: Robert Wuthnow and the Sociology of Religion in America
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Rebecca Catto, Kent State University, Presiding

Panelists

Wendy Cadge, Brandeis University
Nichole Phillips, Emory University
Elaine Howard Ecklund, Rice University
Brian Steensland, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI)

Responding

Robert Wuthnow, Princeton University
Business Meeting

Dusty Hoesly, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
Elaine Howard Ecklund, Rice University, Presiding

A20-201
Professional Development
Status of Women in the Profession Committee
Theme: Responding to Changes from the Pandemic: Instituting New Ways to Organize, Work, Collaborate, and Research
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Sarah Imhoff, Indiana University, Bloomington, Presiding

Panelists

Ann Gleig, University of Central Florida
Jacqueline Hidalgo, Williams College
Zayn Kassam, Pomona College
Boyoung Lee, Iliff School of Theology
Lisa M. Allen, Interdenominational Theological Center

A20-232
Study of Islam Unit
Theme: Graduate Student Session
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Kristian Petersen, Old Dominion University, Presiding

- Yasmine Flodin-Ali, University of North Carolina At Chapel Hill
  Hats and Manuscripts: The Racialization of Muslims through Material Culture

- Iskander Abbasi, University of Johannesburg
  Islamic Liberation Theology and Environmental Stewardship

- Syed Eisar Haider, University of Notre Dame
  Local expressions, global arenas: Shia Muslim pilgrims in Iraq

- Allison Kanner-Botan, The University of Chicago
  Mad Love: Islamic Thought and the Politics of Desire in the Legend of Layla and
Majnun

- Laura Stauth, University of Göttingen
  
  *Going Live from Home: gendered and religious debates on indecency in post-revolutionary Egypt*

- Sana Patel, University of Ottawa

  *Hybrid Islam: How Young Muslims Practice Islam in Online and Offline Spaces*

Business Meeting

Zaid Adhami, Williams College, Presiding
Elliott Bazzano, Le Moyne College, Presiding

A20-233

Professional Development - Pedagogy and Teaching

**Teaching Religion Unit and Transformative Scholarship and Pedagogy Unit**

Theme: *Teaching Critical Religious Studies*

Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)

Beverley Foulks McGuire, University of North Carolina, Wilmington, Presiding

Panelists

Jenna Gray-Hildenbrand, Middle Tennessee State University
Hussein Rashid, Islamicate L3C
M. Cooper Minister, Shenandoah University
Katherine C. Zubko, University of North Carolina At Asheville
Jill DeTemple, Southern Methodist University
Martha Smith Roberts, Denison University
Annie Blazer, College of William & Mary
Joseph Tucker Edmonds, Indiana University - Purdue University, Indianapolis

A20-234

Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe

**Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Unit**

Theme: *Catastrophe and Prophecy in Tibetan Religious Contexts*

Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)

Jue Liang, Denison University, Presiding

- Vesna Wallace, University of California, Santa Barbara
Other People’s Prophecies and Subversive Reinterpretations

- William McGrath, Manhattan College
  Outbreaks of Widespread Disease in the Cataclysmic Prophecies of Tibetan Buddhism

- Jetsun Deleplanque, University of Chicago
  Millenarianism, Utopia, and the Founding of the Bhutanese State

- Matthew King, University of California, Riverside
  Trülku Drakpa Gyeltsen, Dorjé Shukden, and the Time of Revolutionary Inner Asia

- Natasha Mikles, Texas State University
  Between Two Apocalypses: Catastrophic Millennialism and Narrative Modeling in the Gesar Epic

- Naljor Tsering, École Partique des Hautes Études
  rGya nag skag bzlog: The Chinese Way of Deflecting Disaster or Deflecting Chinese Disasters

Responding

Brandon Dotson, Georgetown University

A20-236
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe
Women's Caucus
Theme: Overcoming Catastrophes: Diverse Ways of Agency, Healing, Human Flourishing and the Importance of Inclusive Ritual and Just Material Liturgies
Sunday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Ulrike Auga, Humboldt University of Berlin, Presiding

- Telesia Musili, University of Nairobi
  Re-reading the Annunciation (Luke 1:26-38) Through the Lenses of African Women’s Theologies

- Fiona Dyball, Charles Sturt University
  Let the Word Dwell in You Richly: An Upcoming Study of Practices and Resources for
the Sung Responsorial Psalm in the Post-Conciliar Catholic Mass in the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne, Australia.

- Loreen Maseno, Maseno University, Kenya

  Pentecostal Women in the Virtual Space: A Grounded Theology from Kenya

- Venu Mehta, Claremont School of Theology

  Female Worship in the Male-Centric Theology: Devotion to the Jain Goddess Padmāvatī

Responding

Teresa Forcades Vila, Monastery Montserrat Barcelona

Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM

A20-333
New Program Unit
Anglican Studies Seminar
Theme: 2022 Meeting of the Anglican Studies Seminar, Part 1
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Sheryl A. Kujawa-Holbrook, Claremont School of Theology, Presiding
Scott MacDougall, Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Presiding

- Carla Roland, General Theological Seminary

  Historical Antecedents of the Anglican Church in Mexico and the Proposed Use of the Mozarabic Rite

- Hilary Bogert-Winkler, University of Connecticut

  Historical Antecedents of the Church of Ireland and Protestant Identity

- Lora Walsh, University of Arkansas

  Historiographical Methods for Examining "Operative Ecclesiologies" in Anglican Studies

A20-300
Professional Development - Employment
Applied Religious Studies Committee
Theme: Beyond the Academy: Pursuing Jobs Off of the Tenure Track
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Sara Kamali, Kamali Consulting, Presiding

Panelists

Yuria Celidwen, Independent Scholar
Kate Soules, Boston College
Robert P. Jones, Public Religion Research Institute

A20-334
Full Papers Available
Artificial Intelligence and Religion Seminar
Theme: Explorations and Issues in Artificial Intelligence and Religion
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Tracy J. Trothen, Queen's University, Presiding

- Joyce Konigsburg, DePaul University
  
  *Artificial Intelligence and the Vatican: Complementary Perspectives to Resolve Climate Change*

- Randall Reed, Appalachian State University
  
  *Digital Jesus*

- David Zvi Kalman, Shalom Hartman Institute of North America
  
  *What Is The Correct Metaphor For Artificial Intelligence?*

A20-304
Buddhism Unit
Theme: Methods, Theories, and Disciplinary Formations in the Study of Buddhism
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Jessica Zu, University of Southern California, Presiding

Panelists

Amy P. Langenberg, Eckerd College
Ann Gleig, University of Central Florida
Wendi Adamek, University of Calgary
Nalika Gajaweera, University of Southern California
Kai Shmushko, Tel Aviv University
Victoria Montrose, University of Southern California
Buddhist Pedagogy Seminar
Theme: Teaching Buddhism: Environment, Violence, and Role Play
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Beverley Foulks McGuire, University of North Carolina, Wilmington, Presiding
Todd T. Lewis, College of the Holy Cross, Presiding

- Ellen Posman, Baldwin Wallace University
  Blurring the Buddhist-Indigenous Lines in Environmental Work

- Julie Regan, La Salle University
  Touching the Earth & Making Connections in the Woods

- Geoffrey Barstow, Oregon State University
  Teaching Buddhist Violence via the Samurai

- J. Noel Hubler, Lebanon Valley College
  Joel Dubois, California State University, Sacramento
  King Ashoka, Emperor Wuzong, and the Dalai Lama Walk into a Classroom: Using historical simulations to teach Buddhism.

Childhood Studies and Religion Unit
Theme: Teaching Childhood and Religion: A Roundtable
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Andrew Walker-Cornetta, Princeton University, Presiding

Panelists
Wendy Love Anderson, Washington University, St. Louis
Susan Ridgely, University of Wisconsin, Madison
Karen-Marie Yust, Union Presbyterian Seminary

Business Meeting
Sally Stamper, Capital University, Presiding
**A20-306**  
*Chinese Religions Unit and Daoist Studies Unit and Indian and Chinese Religions Compared Unit and Religions, Medicines, and Healing Unit*  
Theme: **Situating Medicine and Religion in Asia**  
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)  
C. Pierce Salguero, Penn State University, Presiding

**Panelists**

- Michael Stanley-Baker, Nanyang Technological University  
- Yan Liu, Harvard University  
- Suzanne Newcombe, The Open University  
- Hsiao-wen Cheng, University of Pennsylvania  
- Anthony Cerulli, University of Wisconsin, Madison

**A20-336**  
*Constructive Muslim Thought and Engaged Scholarship Seminar*  
Theme: **Approaches and Methodologies in Constructive Muslim Thought**  
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)  
Sam Houston, Stetson University, Presiding

**Panelists**

- Kirsten Wesselhoeft, Vassar College  
- Basit Iqbal, University of California, Berkeley  
- Sarra Tlili, University of Florida  
- Oludamini Ogunnaike, University of Virginia

**Business Meeting**

Martin Nguyen, Fairfield University, Presiding  
Najeeba Syeed-Miller, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding

**A20-337**  
Full Papers Available  
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe  
*Contextualizing the Catholic Sexual Abuse Crisis Seminar*  
Theme: **Clergy Sexual Abuse: Catastrophe, Trauma, and Trust**  
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)  
Kathleen Holscher, University of New Mexico, Presiding

- R. Marie Griffith, Washington University in St. Louis

  *Containment, Compromise, Catastrophe: Women Employed by the Church to Manage*
the Crisis

- Alana Harris, King’s College London
  *Lessons from the Side-lines? Interdisciplinary Insights on Trauma and Survivor Testimony*

- Brandon Vaidyanathan, Catholic University of America
  Tricia Bruce, University of Notre Dame
  Cella Masso-Rivetti, New York University
  *Priests, Trust, and Crisis: Findings from the National Study of Catholic Priests*

Business Meeting

Brian Clites, Case Western Reserve University, Presiding
Megan McCabe, Gonzaga University, Presiding

A20-307
Eastern Orthodox Studies Unit
Theme: *Orthodox Christian Hymns, Music, & Sound*
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Brian A. Butcher, McGill University, Presiding

- Nathan Williams, University of Toronto
  *Arvo Pärt, Icons of the Voice, and Orthodox Musical Ecumenism*

- Jillian Marcantonio, Duke University
  *Quiet but Pervasive: The Holy Spirit in the Hymns of Romanos the Melodist*

- Michelle Stearns, Seattle School of Theology and Psychology
  *Being Conformed to the Good: How Arvo Pärt’s Tintinnabuli Compositions can help to elucidate Gregory of Nyssa’s view of Epectasis*

Responding

Peter Bouteneff, St. Vladimir’s Orthodox Theological Seminary
International Development and Religion Unit
Theme: International Development, Religion and Power
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
John Rees, University of Notre Dame, Australia, Presiding

- Blayne Harcey, Arizona State University
  
  Locating Lumbini: the United Nations, Development, and Buddhism in the 20th Century

- David Howlett, Smith College
  

- Emma Tomalin, University of Leeds
  
  Olivia Wilkinson, Joint Learning Initiative on Faith and Local Communities
  
  NGO-isation, local faith actors and ‘legitimate’ humanitarian action in South Sudan

Business Meeting

John Rees, University of Notre Dame, Australia, Presiding

A20-309
Interreligious and Interfaith Studies Unit
Theme: The Triple-Edged Sword of Inclusion: Retelling History, Weaponizing Interfaith, and Navigating the Public Square
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Feryal Salem, American Islamic College, Presiding

- Erika Tittle, Coastal Carolina University
  
  Challenging White Christian Supremacy by Telling Interfaith History

- Jeremy Fricke, Tri-Faith Initiative
  
  Cooperation in the Face of the Apocalypse: How the Far Right Has Co-opted the Model of Interreligious Dialogue

- Andrew Davies, University of Birmingham
  
  Maryyum Mahmood, University of Birmingham
On the Basis of Faith: Inclusion as Ideology, Narrative and Culture in the Public and Interreligious Engagement of Birmingham’s Edward Cadbury Centre

Responding

Anne Hege Grung, University of Oslo

A20-310
Jain Studies Unit
Theme: The Aesthetics of Excess in Jain Literature
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Steven Vose, Colorado College, Presiding

- Gregory Clines, Trinity University
  "Sport is of Four Types:” Exhaustive Characterization in Raviṣeṇa’s Padmapurāṇa

- Itamar Ramot, University of Chicago
  Vernacular Excess: Making a Jaina Text Local

- Seema Chauhan, University of Oxford
  Keep Calm and Carry On Practising Restraint: Jain Narratives about Excessive Hindus

- Morgan Curtis, Harvard University
  Exceeds Expectations: Poetic Excess and Inversion in the Cīvakacintāmaṇi

- Aleksandra Restifo,
  Shame: The Work of Emotion in Medieval Jainism

Responding

James Ryan, CIIS

P20-340
Karl Barth Society of North America
Theme: God and Human Creatures
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Cambria Kaltwasser, Northwestern College, Orange City, Presiding

- Daniel Rempel, University of Aberdeen
The Witness of Disabled Creatures: Karl Barth and Disability Theology in Conversation

- David Lilley, Murfreesboro, TN

Perception and Fidelity: Rest in the Anthropocene

- Michael Brain, Wycliffe College (University of Toronto)

The Light and the Darkness: Karl Barth on Christ's Twofold State and the Two Sides of Creation

A20-311
Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Unit
Theme: Kierkegaard and the Press, Then and Now
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Nigel Hatton, University of California, Merced, Presiding

- Tekoa Robinson, Villanova University

Kierkegaard, Social Media, and Despair

- Joseph Westfall, University of Houston

Authorship and Accountability: Kierkegaard and Anonymity in the Press

- John Haman, University of Dubuque

Kierkegaard, Lippmann, and the Phantom Public in a Digital Age

Business Meeting

Lee Barrett, Lancaster Theological Seminary, Presiding
Jennifer Veninga, St. Edward's University, Presiding

A20-312
Liberation Theologies Unit
Theme: Honoring the Life and Work of Dr. Paul Farmer, MD
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Nixon Cleophat, Bloomfield College, Presiding

Panelists

Alison Lutz, Church Divinity School of the Pacific
Beth Eddy, Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Rachel Sophia Baard, Union Presbyterian Seminary

Responding

Claudio Carvalhaes, Union Theological Seminary

A20-338
Mahabharata and Classical Hinduism Seminar
Theme: Jewels, Jnana, and Justice: Soteriological Methods in the Mahabharata
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Bruce M. Sullivan, Northern Arizona University, Presiding

- Surit Mishra, Villanova University
  *Cosmic Order and Human Action in the Mahābhārata*

- Nathan McGovern, University of Wisconsin, Whitewater
  *Situating the Mahābhārata and Its “Proto-Sāṃkhya” Teachings within the Context of a Brahmanical Reaction to the Śramaṇic Worldview*

- Shubha Pathak, American University, Washington, D.C.
  *The Gemhearted Hero and His Gemheaded Foe: A Materiophilosophical Method for Interpreting the Mahābhārata’s Aversion of Universal Catastrophe through Arjuna’s Vaiṣṇava Nivṛtti and Aśvatthāman’s Saiva Pravṛtti*

Business Meeting

Arti Dhand, University of Toronto, Presiding

A20-313
Books under Discussion
Middle Eastern Christianity Unit
Theme: Book Review Panel Discussion of Mitri Raheb’s The Politics of Persecution: Middle Eastern Christians in an Age of Empire (Baylor University Press, 2021)
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Deanna Womack, Emory University, Presiding

Panelists

Gary Burge, Calvin Seminary
Atalia Omer, University of Notre Dame
Elizabeth Prodromou, Tufts University
Candace Lukasik, Washington University in St. Louis
Mourad Takawi, University of the Incarnate Word

Responding

Mitri Raheb, Dar al-Kalima University

A20-339
New Directions in the Study of Religion, Monsters, and the Monstrous Seminar
Theme: Latinx Shapeshifters, Popular Ghosts, and the Globalized West: Pushing Disciplinary Boundaries
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Kelly Murphy, Central Michigan University, Presiding

- James W. Perkinson, Ecumenical Theological Seminary
  
  *Dueling Monsters: What Mythic Monstrousness Can Reveal About Globalized Western Culture*

- Stefan Sanchez, Rice University
  
  *On Humanity, Nature, and Shapeshifting*

- Richard McCarty, Mercyhurst University
  
  *The Phenomenological Reality of Monsters and their Cosmological and Ethical Implications*

Business Meeting

Natasha Mikles, Texas State University, Presiding

A20-314
New Religious Movements Unit
Theme: New religious movements and entheogens
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Donald Westbrook, San José State University, Presiding

- Laurie A. Cozad, Merrimack College
**High on God**

- Christopher Senn, Rice University

  *In Acidum Veritas: Timothy Leary as Entheogenic Prophet*

- Dusty Hoesly, University of California, Santa Barbara

  *The Universal Life Church and the Growth of Cannabis Churches: Psychedelic Spirituality, Spiritual Entrepreneurship, and the Failure of Religious Freedom in America*

- Brad Stoddard, McDaniel College

  *What's Drugs Got to do With it? Entheogenic Communities and the Law*

**Business Meeting**

Joseph Laycock, Texas State University, Presiding
Jeremy Rapport, College of Wooster, Presiding

**A20-315**

**North American Religions Unit**

Theme: *On and Beyond Positionality: A Conversation*

Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Laura S. Levitt, Temple University, Presiding

**Panelists**

Rachel Lindsey, Saint Louis University
Shreena Gandhi, Michigan State University
Juliane Hammer, University of North Carolina At Chapel Hill
Barbara Sostaita, Harvard University
Biko Gray, Syracuse University

**A20-316**

Books under Discussion

**Platonism and Neoplatonism Unit and Religion in Europe Unit**

Theme: *Considering the Complicated Legacy of European Christianity and the Environment: Reflections on the Publication of the Cambridge Companion to Christianity and the Environment (2022)*

Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Alexander J.B. Hampton, University of Toronto, Presiding
Panelists

Jörg Lauster, Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich
Jacob Sherman, California Institute of Integral Studies
Willemien Otten, University of Chicago

Responding

Lisa Sideris, University of California, Santa Barbara

A20-317
Books under Discussion
Psychology, Culture, and Religion Unit
Theme: Reading Political Realities through Psychoanalytic Lenses: Book Panel with Phillis Sheppard (Tilling Sacred Ground (Lexington Books, 2022)) and Pamela Cooper-White (The Psychology of Christian Nationalism (1517 Media, 2022))
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Peter Capretto, Phillips Theological Seminary, Presiding

Panelists

Pamela Cooper-White, Union Theological Seminary
Phillis Isabella Sheppard, Vanderbilt University

A20-301
Sessions Honoring AAR Award Winners
Public Understanding of Religion Committee
Theme: 2022 Martin E. Marty Award for the Public Understanding of Religion
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Evan Berry, Arizona State University, Presiding

Panelists

Anthea Butler, University of Pennsylvania

A20-318
Quaker Studies Unit
Theme: Quakers in Asia and Africa
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Laurel D. Kearns, Drew University, Presiding

- Oscar Lugusa Malande, Friends Theological College
Quakerism and African People: Examining the influence of Quakerism on African Religion

- Andrew Taylor, College of St. Scholastica

Toward A Postcolonial Revaluation of Liberal Quaker Missions in China

Responding

Gale Kenny, Barnard College

Business Meeting

Jennifer Buck, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding
David Harrington Watt, Haverford College, Presiding

A20-319
Books under Discussion
Religion and Food Unit
Theme: Author Meets Readers: Psyche A. Williams-Forson's Eating While Black: Food Shaming and Race in America (University of North Carolina Press, 2022)
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Aldea Mulhern, California State University, Fresno, Presiding

Panelists

Sakena Young-Scaggs, Stanford University
Derek Hicks, Wake Forest University
Scott Barton, New York University

Responding

Psyche Williams-Forson, University of Maryland

A20-320
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe
Religion and the Social Sciences Unit
Theme: Race and Religion: Engaging Trauma, Inequality, and Catastrophe
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Roger Baumann, Hope College, Presiding
• John Sheridan, University of Iowa
  
  *Hutterites and the Catastrophic New World Order*

• Indhira Udofia, University of North Carolina, Greensboro
  
  *Spits, Skits, and Spaces: The Role of Digital Presence and Social Media in Conceptualizing Spiritual Trauma in the Black Church*

• Andrea Henderson, University of South Carolina
  
  Oneya Okuwobi, Ohio State University
  Brenton Kalinowski, Rice University

  *The Impact of Race, Gender, and Religious Identities on How Science and Religion Are Used to Understand Death and Dying*

• David Sikkink, University of Notre Dame
  
  Michael Emerson, University of Illinois, Chicago

  *Religion and Black/White Residential Segregation: How Religious and Regional Context Matters*

**Business Meeting**

Sara Williams, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding
Rachel Schneider, Rice University, Presiding

**A20-321**

**Religion in Southeast Asia Unit**

Theme: *Recent books in the study of religion in Southeast Asia*

Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Susanne Kerekes, Skidmore College, Presiding

**Panelists**

Trent Walker, Stanford University
Terenjit Sevea, University of Pennsylvania
Jason Carbine, Whittier College
Megan Brankley Abbas, Colgate University
M. K. Long, Cornell University
Ismail Alatas, New York University
Htet Min Lwin, York University

**Business Meeting**

Etin Anwar, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Presiding
Alexandra Kaloyanides, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, Presiding

**A20-322**

Religion, Affect, and Emotion Unit
Theme: *Affective Returns: A Lightning Session*
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Maia Kotrosits, University of Waterloo, Presiding

**Panelists**

Michal Beth Dinkler, Yale University
John McCormack, Aurora University
Jenna Supp-Montgomerie, University of Iowa
Max Dugan, University of Pennsylvania
Ali Noori, University of Pennsylvania
Candace Jordan, Princeton University

**Business Meeting**

Marvin Wickware, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, Presiding

**A20-323**

Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe
Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Unit
Theme: *The Holocaust and Slavery: A Comparison*
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
John Soboslai, Montclair State University, Presiding

**Panelists**

Benjamin Sax, Institute for Islamic, Christian, and Jewish Studies
Rebecca Carter-Chand, Jack, Joseph, and Morton Mandell Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies
Kate E. Temoney, Montclair State University

**A20-324**

Religious Conversions Unit
Theme: *New Scholarship on the Politics of Conversion*
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Marc Pugliese, Saint Leo University, Presiding

- Oakley Hill, George Mason University
  
  *The Intertextuality of Latter-day Saint Deconversion: Comparing the Moral-Politics of President Nelson and the Ex-Mormon Exodus*

- Benjamin Hohman, Boston College
  
  *“Repenting for the Sin of Racism through Holistic Conversion”*

- Laura Simpson, Villanova University
  
  *Conversion and Carcerality*

**Business Meeting**

Edith Szanto, University of Alabama, Presiding
Eliza Kent, Skidmore College, Presiding

A20-325

**Sacred Texts and Ethics Unit**

Theme: *Scripture, Everyday Ethics and Power: A Comparative Ethnographic Perspective*

Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Caroline Tee, University of Chester, Presiding

**Panelists**

Joseph Blankholm, University of California, Santa Barbara
Omri Elisha, City University of New York
Darcie Price-Wallace, Northwestern University
Amin El-Yousfi, University of Chester
Lea Taragin-Zeller, University of Cambridge

**Responding**

James Bielo, Miami University

**Business Meeting**

Tyler Atkinson, Bethany College, Presiding
Elizabeth Goldstein, Gonzaga University, Presiding

A20-326
Scriptural Reasoning Unit
Theme: Reading Plague: Disease and Distancing in the Abrahamic Traditions
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Ashleigh Elser, Hampden-Sydney College, Presiding

Panelists
Susannah Ticciati, King's College London
Daniel Weiss, University of Cambridge
Faiza Masood, Princeton University

Business Meeting
Laurie Zoloth, University of Chicago, Presiding

A20-327
Books under Discussion
Secularism and Secularity Unit and Sociology of Religion Unit
Theme: Secular Ambivalence and Secular Misfits: A Roundtable on Joseph Blankholm’s The Secular Paradox (New York University Press, 2022)
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Rebecca Catto, Kent State University, Presiding

Panelists
Jacqui Frost, Rice University
Janet R. Jakobsen, Barnard College
Abou Farman, The New School
Bradley Onishi, Skidmore College

A20-328
Professional Development - Pedagogy and Teaching
South Asian Religions Unit
Theme: Teaching South Asian Islam(s)
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Ayesha Irani, University of Massachusetts, Boston, Presiding

Panelists
Ali Altaf Mian, University of Florida
Hinasahar Muneeruddin, University of North Carolina
Jennifer Ortegren, Middlebury College
Anand Taneja, Vanderbilt University
Teena Purohit, Boston University
Karen Ruffle, University of Toronto

A20-302
Professional Development
Status of LGBTIQ Persons in the Profession Committee
Theme: Recognizing and Responding to Trans Antagonism: Intersectional Strategizing towards Care
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Benae Beamon, Bucknell University, Presiding

Panelists
Thelathia Young, Bucknell University

A20-303
Professional Development
Student Lounge Roundtable
Theme: Quelling the Qualms of Qualifying Exams
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Sabina Ali, Indiana University, Bloomington, Presiding

Panelists
Brian Hillman, Indiana University, Bloomington

A20-329
Professional Development - Pedagogy and Teaching
Teaching Religion Unit and Transformative Scholarship and Pedagogy Unit
Theme: Democratic Deliberation in Religious Studies/Theology Classrooms
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Elizabeth Gish, The Kettering Foundation, Presiding

Panelists
Elizabeth W. Corrie, Emory University
Jasmine Johnson, Emory University
Ian Curran, Georgia Gwinnett College
Amy Valdez Barker, Emory University

Responding
Callid Keefe-Perry, Boston College
Business Meeting

Laura Stivers, Dominican University of California, Presiding
Michael Fisher, San Jose State University, Presiding

A20-330
Books under Discussion
*Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Unit*
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Michele Watkins, University of San Diego, Presiding

Responding
Kirk MacGregor, McPherson College

Reviewers
Kristin Johnston Largen, Wartburg Theological Seminary

Business Meeting

Bryan Wagoner, Davis & Elkins College, Presiding

A20-331
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe
*Women of Color Scholarship, Teaching, and Activism Unit*
Theme: *Transcending and Transforming Catastrophes: Women of Color and Strategies for Survival*
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Sailaja Krishnamurti, Queen’s University, Presiding

Panelists
Oluwatomisin Oredein, Brite Divinity School
Shazetta Thompson-Hill, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School
Hsiao-Lan Hu, University of Detroit Mercy
Lorena Parrish, WESLEY THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
Nadia Hasan, National Council of Canadian Muslims

Business Meeting
Deborah Rogers, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School, Presiding

A20-332
Books under Discussion
Yogācāra Studies Unit
Theme: Sonam Kachru's Other Lives (Columbia University Press, 2021): A Roundtable Session
Sunday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Davey Tomlinson, Villanova University, Presiding

Panelists
Natalie Gummer, Beloit College
Roy Tzohar, Tel-Aviv University
Karin Meyers, Mangalam Research Center
Bryce Huebner, Georgetown University
Emily Lawson, University of British Columbia

Responding
Sonam Kachru, University of Virginia

Reviewers
Gereon Kopf, Luther College

Sunday, 3:00 PM-5:00 PM

A20-341
Tours
Tours
Theme: Historic Haunted Denver Tour
Sunday, 3:00 PM-5:00 PM (In Person)

Sunday, 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

A20-342
Books under Discussion
Chinese Christianities Unit and Ethnic Chinese Biblical Colloquium
Theme: The Oxford Handbook of the Bible in China (2021)
Sunday, 4:00 PM-6:30 PM (In Person)
Khiok-Khng (K.K.) Yeo, Garrett-Evangelical Theology Seminary, Presiding
Kevin Chau, University of the Free State, Presiding
• Khiok-Khng (K.K.) Yeo, Garrett-Evangelical Theology Seminary

  *Bible in China and the World: De-nationalism and Re-contextualization in the Bible’s Translation, Expression, Interpretation, and Reception*

• Gang Song, University of Hong Kong

  *The Basset-Su Chinese New Testament: Multilingual Border Crossing*

• Chloe Starr, Yale University

  *The Bible in Modern Chinese Fiction and Literary Engagement*

• Joseph Tse-Hei Lee, Pace University

  *The Bible and Popular Christianity in Modern China*

• Clover Xuesong Zhou, Journalist and Art Critic, Los Angeles

  *Chinese Contemporary Christian Arts and Global Issues of Justice*

**Responding**

Dale T. Irvin, Georgetown University
Sarah Zhang, GETS Theological Seminary

Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM

**A20-400**

Professional Development - Employment
Academic Labor and Contingent Faculty Committee and Class, Religion, and Theology Unit

Theme: **Pursuing Solidarity with Contingent Faculty Beyond the Pandemic**

Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Kerry Danner, Georgetown University, Presiding

• Amy Artman, Missouri State University

  *The Triage Units of Higher Education*

• Haley Feuerbacher, Southern Methodist University

  *"Not in It for the Money:" The Power Dynamics of Compassion Fatigue Among*
Contingent Faculty

- Anna Harrison, Loyola Marymount University

Creating a More Hospitable Community: Solidarity in Practice

Business Meeting

Rosetta E. Ross, Spelman College, Presiding
Jeremy Posadas, Austin College, Presiding

A20-401
Professional Development

Academic Relations Committee
Theme: The Genie is Out of the Bottle: Departmental/Program Challenges and Opportunities "Post" COVID
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Susan E. Hill, University of Northern Iowa, Presiding

Panelists

Jennifer Rycenga, San Jose State University
Deborah Whitehead, University of Colorado, Boulder

A20-435
New Program Unit

Anglican Studies Seminar
Theme: 2022 Meeting of the Anglican Studies Seminar, Part 2
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Sheryl A. Kujawa-Holbrook, Claremont School of Theology, Presiding

- Jennifer Snow, Church Divinity School of the Pacific

Response to Papers Discussed in Part 1 of the 2022 Seminar Meeting

Business Meeting

Scott MacDougall, Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Presiding

A20-406
Books under Discussion

Buddhism Unit and Chinese Religions Unit
Theme: Author Meets Critic: Reading Matthew King's In the Forest of the Blind (Columbia University Press, 2022) for Decolonizing Buddhist Studies
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Rae Dachille, University of Arizona, Presiding

Panelists

Gray Tuttle, Columbia University
Sangseraima Ujeed, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
John Kieschnick, Stanford University
Alexandra Kaloyanides, University of North Carolina, Charlotte

Responding

Matthew King, University of California, Riverside

A20-436
Professional Development - Pedagogy and Teaching

Buddhist Pedagogy Seminar
Theme: Teaching Buddhism Outside the Classroom
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Trung Huynh, University of Houston, Presiding

- Sherab Chomphel, Banaras Hindu University
  Conflict of Modernity among Tibetan Buddhist Religious Institutions

- Leigh Miller, Maitripa College
  Fruits of the Practice: Contemplative Experience after Contemplative Educational Training

- Xiandong Shi, University of the West
  Buddhist Ministry to 2nd - Generation Chinese American Buddhist Children: Addressing the Development of Ethnic Identity

Business Meeting

Gloria I-Ling Chien, Gonzaga University, Presiding

A20-407
Catholic Studies Unit
Theme: Mediums, Media, and Mediators in Global Catholicism
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Kristin Bloomer, Carleton College, Presiding
• Fabrizio Cilento, Messiah University

  *Cinema Has Not Yet Been Invented: André Bazin’s Ontology of Moving Images*

• Michael Rogers, University of Toronto

  *Devotion as Transgressive Lament: Santa Muerte and the Globalization of Heterodoxy.*

• Gary Slater, Wilhelms-Universität Münster

  *The Cartographic Catholic: Mapping Prejudice and Praxis Within a Contested Global Space*

• Lauren Horn Griffin, Louisiana State University

  *Mediating Catholicism in a Digital World: Internet Cultures Beyond the National/Global Binary*

**A20-408**  
*Christian Systematic Theology Unit*  
Theme: *Theology, Race, and Decolonial Thought*  
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)  
Jessica Wong, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding

• Stephen Calme, Carlow University

  *Cross-racial Epistemic Solidarity*

• Natalya Cherry, Texas Christian University

  *Justice, hope, Joy: an Embodied Soteriology*

• Erica Ridderman, Duke University

  *Rethinking Justice and Mercy with Pope Francis, Walter Kasper, and Decolonial Thought*

**A20-409**  
*Constructive Muslim Thought and Engaged Scholarship Seminar*  
Theme: *Interventions and Intersection in Engaged Scholarship*  
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)  
Martin Nguyen, Fairfield University, Presiding
Panelists

Anna M. Gade, University of Wisconsin, Madison
Muhammad Faruque, University of Cincinnati
Kameelah Rashad, Muslim Wellness Foundation
Rudolph Ware, University of Michigan

A20-410
Contemplative Studies Unit
Theme: **Contemplative Praxis: its Roots in traditional Religious Praxis in Relation to Contemporary Concerns**
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Harold D. Roth, Brown University, Presiding

- Eileen Goddard, University of California, Santa Barbara
  
  *Meditation and Correct Perception in the Gauḍīya Vaiṣṇava Tradition*

- Stephen Molvarec, Boston College
  
  *Thomas Keating’s “Blend of Teas”: Keating as a reader and interpreter of The Cloud of Unknowing*

- Iva Patel, Augsburg University
  
  *“Enlightening the Mind-Heart”: Mechanics of Contemplation in Swaminarayan Hindu Devotion*

- Yuria Celidwen, Independent Scholar
  
  *Spirit Medicine beyond Mind Medicine: Indigenous Ethics for Western Psychedelic Research*

Responding

Loriliai Biernacki, University of Colorado

Business Meeting

Harold D. Roth, Brown University, Presiding
Judith Simmer-Brown, Naropa University, Presiding

A20-411
Contemporary Islam Unit
Theme: Critiquing and Engaging the Modern in Muslim Literatures, Technologies, and Arts
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Kirsten Wesselhoeft, Vassar College, Presiding

- Matthew Hotham, Ball State University
  Djinn as Agents, Allies, and Allegories: P. Djeli Clark’s Vision of an Anti-Colonial Muslim Modernity
- Saman Fazeli, University of Chicago
  Islam and Digital Culture Under the Islamic Republic: Islamic Learning and “the Noor Computer Research Center” in Iran
- Zareena Grewal, Yale University
  Muslim Superheroines and the Culture Wars

Responding
Arafat Razzaque, University of Toronto

A20-412
Daoist Studies Unit
Theme: Barbarians, Women, and Disciples: Inscribing Social Authority in Medieval Daoism
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Michael Stanley-Baker, Nanyang Technological University, Presiding

- Liying Xu, Arizona State University
  Authority and Identity in the Editing of the Zhen’gao
- Jonathan Pettit, University of Hawai’i
  A Man and a Woman: Sexual Identity and Textual Transmission in Upper Clarity Daoism
- Matthew Wells, University of Kentucky
  One’s Story in Another’s: Editorial Interventions by Disciples in Shangqing Biographies
Responding

Jessey Choo, Rutgers University, New Brunswick

A20-438
Exploratory Session
Theme: Emerging Technologies: The Spiritual Dimensions of Next-Generation Virtual Realities
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Erik Davis, San Francisco, CA, Presiding

- Christopher Senn, Rice University
  The Meta Experience Machine

- Jeremy F. Cohen, McMaster University
  Fear of a Transhuman Future: Metaverse, Neuralink, and the New World Order

- Jacob Boss, Indiana University, Bloomington
  The Keybase and the Glory

- Sara Jo Swiatek, University of Chicago
  Containing the Future: Unpacking the Temporal and Spatial Dimension of the Metaverse

Responding

Sharday Mosurinjohn, Queen's University

A20-413
Hinduism Unit
Theme: The Sanskrit Dilemma
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Varun Khanna, Swarthmore College, Presiding

Panelists

Manasicha Akepiyapornchai, Cornell University
Gregory Clines, Trinity University
Marko Geslani, University of South Carolina
Jamal Jones, University of Wisconsin, Madison
A20-414
Innovations in Chaplaincy and Spiritual Care Unit
Theme: Diversities in Chaplaincy
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Sarah Jobe, Duke University, Presiding

- Chris Paige, OtherWise Engaged Publishing
  Centering the Health Disparities of Black Transgender Women in the Conversation about Transgender-Affirming Spiritual Care

- Wietske Merison, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
  Sisterhood, Shame and Spiritual Healing: Islamic Chaplaincy for Female Victims of Sexual Violence

- Kimberley Gordy, Union Theological Seminary
  Expanding the Lens of Chaplaincy Through Black Women’s Communal Roles in Black Literature and Lived Experience

Responding
Pamela Cooper-White, Union Theological Seminary

Business Meeting
Michael Skaggs, Brandeis University, Presiding

A20-415
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe
Korean Religions Unit
Theme: Catastrophe, Recovery, and Korean Christianity
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Minjung Noh, Drew Theological School, Presiding

- Haewon Yang, Goyang, Korea
  Injured Family, Injurious Family: Religion, Family, and the Individual in Park Wansuh’s Spiritual Journey
- Sarah Williams, Drew Theological School
  
  *The Dead Will Show Us the Way Forward: Catastrophe of a Life and Ontologies of Orphanhood*

- Shin-Young Kim, Seoul National University, Drew Theological School
  
  *Christian Environmental Activism and Weekly Funeral Procession Protest at the Wolsong Nuclear Power Plants*

**Responding**

Hyemin Na, Emory University

**Business Meeting**

Liora Sarfati, Tel Aviv University, Presiding
Chong Bum (Sean) Kim, University of Central Missouri, Presiding

**A20-416**

**Middle Eastern Christianity Unit**

Theme: *Middle Eastern Christianity, Materiality, and Identity*

Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Tala AlRaheb, Emory University, Presiding

- Maroun El Houkayem, Duke University
  
  *Women, Children, and Slaves: Christian Apocalypses in the Early Islamic Period*

- Eric DeVilliers, University of Notre Dame
  
  *Getting to Heaven Together: Common Approaches to Knowing God in Miaphysite and Muslim Theology*

- Weston Bland, University of Pennsylvania
  
  *World War II as a Vocabulary of Coptic Precarity in Post-War Egypt*

- Nathan Hershberger, Duke University
  
  *Were We Not ‘Children of the Promise?’ Election, Palestinian Christian Identity, and the Fortitude of Elias Chacour*

**A20-417**
Mormon Studies Unit
Theme: Mormon Studies as Religious Studies
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Sara Patterson, Hanover College, Presiding

Panelists
Laurie Maffly-Kipp, Washington University, Saint Louis
Max Mueller, University of Nebraska
David Walker, University of California, Santa Barbara
Katherine Mohrman, University of Colorado, Denver
Sujey Vega, Arizona State University

A20-418
Nineteenth Century Theology Unit and Schleiermacher Unit
Theme: Theological System-Building: Doctrine, Method, and Context
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Annette G. Aubert, Westminster Theological Seminary, Presiding
Matthias Gockel, University of Basel, Presiding

- Christine Helmer, Northwestern University
  System and World-Building

- James Lee, Concordia University, Chicago
  The Science of the Atonement: Johannes von Hofmann’s Theology of the Atonement

Responding
Johannes Zachhuber, University of Oxford

A20-419
North American Hinduism Unit and Religion, Media, and Culture Unit
Theme: Digital Hindu Publics: How Capital, Community, and Cultural Nationalism Shape Transnational Hindu Social Media Spaces
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Deeptangshu Das, University of Denver, Presiding

- Aditya Bhattacharjee, University of Pennsylvania
  A Facebook Family for the Global Ganesh: Making a Digital Public of Thai-Hindu-Buddhists
Justin Henry, Georgia College & State University

*Hinduism and the New Spirit of Capitalism: Transactions between Neoliberal Online Discourse in India and North America*

Juli Gittinger, Georgia College & State University

*Gatekeeping Hinduism: Contesting Voices of Authority and Authenticity on Social Media*

Prea Persaud, University of North Carolina At Charlotte

*When the Oppressor becomes the Oppressed: The Problem of the White Convert*

**A20-420**

**Platonism and Neoplatonism Unit**

**Theme:** *One and Many in Plato and the Platonic Tradition: Varieties of Platonism*

Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)

Kevin Corrigan, Emory University, Presiding

- Mark Wiebe, Lubbock Christian University

  *Models and Metaphors in the Doctrine of God: An Analysis and Defense of the Doctrine of Divine Simplicity*

- Samuel Baudinette, University of Chicago

  *On Active and Possible Intellect: Eckhart of Gründig’s Account of Beatitude and the Subordination of Grace to Nature as a Problem for Christian Platonism*

- Daniel Kimmel, Syracuse University

  *Platonism, Theurgy, and Lactantius’ Divine Institutes*

- Clelia Attanasio, Cambridge University

  *The Role of Birds in Richard of St. Victor’s Benjamin Major: the Epistemological Path of the Power of Imagination*

**Business Meeting**

Douglas Hedley, University of Cambridge, Presiding
Psychology, Culture, and Religion Unit
Theme: Psychology, Culture, and Religion: Works in Progress
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Kirsten Sonkyo Oh, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding

Business Meeting
Lisa M. Cataldo, Fordham University, Presiding

A20-402
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe
Public Understanding of Religion Committee
Theme: Public Scholarship on Religion and Environmental Catastrophe
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Amanda Nichols, University of Florida, Presiding

Panelists
Jeremy Sorgen, University of California, Berkeley
Rebecca Bartel, San Diego State University
Seth Gaiters, University of North Carolina, Wilmington
Elizabeth Bucar, Northeastern University
Greg Johnson, University of California, Santa Barbara

A20-403
Professional Development - Publishing
Receptions/Breakfasts/Luncheons
Publications Committee
Theme: AAR Publications Committee Reception
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Timothy Beal, Case Western Reserve University, Presiding

Panelists
Alda Balthrop-Lewis, Australian Catholic University
Andrea Jain, Indiana University - Purdue University, Indianapolis
Margaret D. Kamitsuka, Oberlin College and Conservatory
John Nemec, University of Virginia
Jonathan Tran, Baylor University
Robert A. Yelle, University of Munich
Theo Calderara, Oxford University Press

A20-422
Queer Studies in Religion Unit
Theme: **Entangled with(in) the World: Queer and Trans Studies in Religion across Traditions**  
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)  
Elyse Ambrose, Meadville Lombard Theological School, Presiding

- Grace Elizabeth Dy, University of Washington
  Ellen Perleberg, University of Washington
  *Chosen Mishpachah: Exploring Knowledge Transmission in Queer Jewish Communities*

- Sahin Acikgoz, University of Michigan
  *Framing (Trans)Gender: Domestication of Religious, Racial, and Ethnic Difference in Turkish Film Industry*

- Justin Sabia-Tanis, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities
  *The Next World: Art and Queer Survivance*

- Emma Thompson, Princeton University
  *Strategic Secularism: Indian Queer Activism and the Muslim Other*

- Learned Foote, Rice University
  *Tibetan Sky Dancers and Queer Theory*

**Business Meeting**

Brandy Daniels, University of Portland, Presiding

**A20-423**  
Books under Discussion  
**Religion and Politics Unit**  
Theme: **Authors Meet Critics: The Flag and the Cross: White Christian Nationalism and the Threat to American Democracy (Oxford University Press, 2022)**  
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)  
John D. Carlson, Arizona State University, Presiding

**Panelists**

Sarah Riccardi-Swartz, Arizona State University  
Bradley Onishi, Skidmore College  
Jocelyne Cesari, Harvard University
Responding

Samuel Perry, University of Chicago
Philip Gorski, Yale University

A20-424
Religion and Public Schools: International Perspectives Unit
Theme: What is the Impact of Religion Education? Secularism, Religious Literacy, and Interreligious Pedagogy in Practice
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Angela Bernardo, Sapienza University of Rome, Presiding

- Kate Soules, Boston College
  
  *Does religious literacy education make any difference and how do we know? A review of evaluation and assessment practices in religious literacy education*

- Lina Hauan, University of Southeastern Norway
  
  *Conversations about religion: critique, conflict, and curiosity*

- Nicole Bauer, University of Innsbruck
  
  *Religion and Identity in Interreligious Education Processes in Austria: Results of a Qualitative Study*

Business Meeting

Erik Owens, Boston College, Presiding

A20-437
Religions and Families in North America Seminar
Theme: Religion and Families in North America: Looking forward to next steps
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Mandy McMichael, Baylor University, Presiding

Panelists

Laura McTighe, Florida State University
Susan Ridgely, University of Wisconsin, Madison

Business Meeting
A20-425
Sacred Texts and Ethics Unit
Theme: Reconsidering Genre in Religious Ethics
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Jonathan Schofer, University of Texas, Presiding

- Nicholas Andersen, Tufts University

  Pan-Africanism and Ethics in Martin Delany’s Official Report of the Niger Valley Exploring Party

- Raissa Von Doetinchem De Rande, Princeton University

  Reason, Revelation, and the Significance of Genre: Considering Ibn Masarra (d. 931)’s and Ibn Ṭufayl (d. 1185)’s Approach to the Promises and Pitfalls of Reasoned Ascent

- Cyril Uy, James Madison University

  Prayer, Deconstruction, and Boundless Play: Knowing and Being in Sa’d al-Dīn Ḥamūya’s (d. 1252) Avant-Garde Sufism

- Christopher Yang, Brown University

  On Didactic Verse and Psychagogy in Early Daoist Texts

Responding

Claire Sufrin, Northwestern University

A20-426
Science, Technology, and Religion Unit
Theme: The Language and Politics of Science-Engaged Theology: Jewish and Christian Approaches
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Joanna Leidenhag, University of Leeds, Presiding

Panelists

Jesse Couenhoven, Villanova University
Mark Harris, University of Edinburgh
Meghan Page, Loyola University, Maryland
Hava Tirosh-Samuelson, Arizona State University
Linn Tonstad, Yale University
Daniel Weiss, University of Cambridge

A20-427
Sikh Studies Unit
Theme: Orality and Aurality
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Nirinjan Khalsa, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding

Panelists

Michael Hawley, Mount Royal University
Francesca Cassio, Hofstra University
Tejpaul Bainiwal, University of California, Riverside
Sharanjit Kaur Sandhra, University of the Fraser Valley

Business Meeting

Jasjit Singh, University of Leeds, Presiding

A20-404
Professional Development
Student Lounge Roundtable
Theme: Imposter Syndrome, the Pressures of Academia, and Mutual Support
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Sabina Ali, Indiana University, Bloomington, Presiding

Panelists

Alexander McCrae, Concordia University

A20-428
Study of Islam Unit
Theme: Adapting Islamic Law in Contemporary Social Contexts
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Francesca Chubb-Confer, University of Chicago, Presiding

• Esra Tunc, University of California, Santa Barbara

  Zakat and Forms of Sociality in Financialized Philanthropy

• Seyed Hossein Hosseini Nassab, Emory University
HIV AIDS in Islamic Jurisprudential Works: Sunni and Shi’i Perspectives

- Sohaib Khan, Williams College

  Secularizing the Shari’a? How Deobandi-Muslim Jurists Authorized the Limited Liability Corporation

A20-429
Study of Judaism Unit
Theme: Jewish Memory and the Politics of Place in and beyond Israel/Palestine
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Shari Rabin, Oberlin College and Conservatory, Presiding

- David Seidenberg, Northampton, MA

  Decolonizing and Colonizing: Paradoxes of Jewish Environmentalism, Jewish Power, and Jewish Identity

- Gideon Elazar, Ariel University, Bar Ilan University

  Shared Space and Shared Memory in a Contested City: Walking through Hebron's Tomb of the Patriarchs

- Mendel Kranz, University of Chicago

  The Politics of the Arab-Jew in Postcolonial France

A20-405
Professional Development - Pedagogy and Teaching
Sessions Honoring AAR Award Winners
Teaching and Learning Committee
Theme: A Conversation with Rabbi Laura Duhan-Kaplan, Ph.D.
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Jessica Tinklenberg, The Claremont Colleges, Presiding

Panelists

Laura Duhan-Kaplan, Vancouver School of Theology

A20-430
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe
Theology and Continental Philosophy Unit
Theme: **This Is the End: Apocalypse in Contemporary Theory**
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Anthony Paul Smith, La Salle University, Presiding

- Matthew Peterson, University of Chicago
  
  *Apocalypse beyond Disclosure: On Jean Vioulac's Monstrous Phenomenology*

- Thomas Lynch, University of Chichester
  
  *New Apocalyptic Tones? Continental Philosophy Beyond the Continent and the Question of the World*

- Andrew Kaplan, Emory University
  
  *Apocalypse of Blackness: Afropessimist Meditations*

- Kimberly Matheson, Loyola University Chicago
  
  *Inconsistent Apocalypse: Giorgio Agamben and Francois Laruelle*

**A20-431**
Books under Discussion

**Theology of Martin Luther King Jr. Unit**
Theme: **A Dream or a Nightmare? A Roundtable on James Cone's Martin & Malcolm & America (Orbis, 1991)**
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Pamela Lightsey, Meadville Lombard Theological School, Presiding

**Panelists**

Victor Anderson, Vanderbilt University
AnneMarie Mingo, Pennsylvania State University
Stanley Talbert, Union Theological Seminary
Michele Watkins, University of San Diego

**Business Meeting**

Leonard McKinnis, University of Illinois, Presiding

**A20-432**

**Western Esotericism Unit**
Theme: **A World of Hidden Masters: Conspiracy Theories, Religion, and the Occult**
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
A20-433
Women and Religion Unit
Theme: Reflection on Radical Praxis
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Georgette Ledgister, Harvard University, Presiding

- Paola Cavaliere, Osaka University
  
  *COVID-19 as a crisis of reproductive labour: women's search for religious and spiritual coping strategies in Japan*

- Aixin Aydin, University of Texas
  
  *Gender-based violence as religious persecution in the U.S. asylum system*

- Hilary Scarsella, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School
  
  *Racial Terror and Sexual Abuse in the Church*

- Himanee Gupta-Carlson, SUNY Empire State College
  
  *Spirituality and Farming on Settler-Colonialist Lands: An Autoethnographic Reflection*

A20-434
Yoga in Theory and Practice Unit
Theme: Gendering the Body, Embodying Gender: Theorizing Gender, Power, and the Yogic Body
Sunday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Patricia Sauthoff, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Presiding

- Agi Wittich, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Embodying Femininity: Menstruation-Oriented Iyengar Yoga as Gender Performativity

- Aalekhya Malladi, Emory University

Gender, Guise, and Performance: Analyzing the Cūḍāla Episode in a Telugu Yoga Vāśiṣṭha

- Sundari Johansen Hurwitt, California Institute of Integral Studies

She Who is the Body of Yoga (yogavapuṣā): Interrogating the Child Body in Kaula Tantrism

- Ruth Westoby, SOAS University of London

Masculinity, depletion, and the reversal of reproduction in haṭha yoga

Responding

Anya Foxen, California Polytechnic State University

Business Meeting

Christopher Patrick Miller, Arihanta Academy, Presiding

Monday, 7:30 AM-8:45 AM

A21-100
Receptions/Breakfasts/Luncheons
Program Committee
Theme: Program Unit Chairs’ Breakfast
Monday, 7:30 AM-8:45 AM (In Person)
Whitney Bauman, Florida International University, Presiding

Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

A21-137
Academic Labor and Contingent Faculty Committee
Theme: Business Meeting
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Nicole Kirk, Meadville Lombard Theological School, Presiding

Panelists

Willie J. Jennings, Yale University
A21-102
Professional Development
Academic Relations Committee
Theme: Religion and DEI: Possibilities and Limitations
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Susan E. Hill, University of Northern Iowa, Presiding

Panelists
Samira Mehta, University of Colorado
Melissa Borja, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Abel Gomez, Syracuse University
Stephanie Frank, Columbia College, Chicago
Heather Miller Rubens, Institute for Islamic, Christian, and Jewish Studies
Elyse Nelson Winger, Tufts University

A21-103
African Religions Unit
Theme: Roundtable on the Contribution of Afe Adogame to the Study of Religions in Africa
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Sheila Otieno, Boston University, Presiding

Panelists
Jacob K. Olupona, Harvard University
Mary Nyangweso, East Carolina University
Ruth Amwe, Princeton Theological Seminary
Corey Williams, Leiden University

Responding
Afe Adogame, Princeton Theological Seminary

A21-104
Afro-American Religious History Unit
Theme: Souls, Sounds, and Sources: A ‘State of the Field’ Roundtable for African American Religious History
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Matthew Harris, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Panelists
Alexis S. Wells-Oghoghomeh, Vanderbilt University
Nicole Turner, Yale University
Jamil Drake, Florida State University
Richard B. Turner, University of Iowa
Vaughn Booker, Dartmouth College

**Business Meeting**

Tobin Shearer, University of Montana, Presiding

**A21-101**
American Lectures in the History of Religions Committee
Theme: American Lectures in the History of Religions: Professor Daisy Machado on Religion and the Borderland
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Duncan Williams, University of Southern California, Presiding

**Panelists**

Daisy L. Machado, Union Theological Seminary

**Responding**

Felipe Hinojosa, Texas A&M University, College Station

**A21-105**
Books under Discussion
Anthropology of Religion Unit and Evangelical Studies Unit
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Eric Hoenes Del Pinal, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, Presiding

**Panelists**

Finbarr Curtis, Georgia Southern University
Elizabeth Shakman Hurd, Northwestern University
Syeda Beena Butool, Florida State University
Joseph Blankholm, University of California, Santa Barbara

**Responding**

Méadhbh Mclvor, Oxford University
Business Meeting

Jennifer A. Selby, Memorial University of Newfoundland, Presiding
James Bielo, Miami University, Presiding

A21-138
Applied Religious Studies Committee
Theme: Committee Meeting
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Amy Defibaugh, Temple University, Presiding

Panelists
Joshua Bartholomew, Saint Paul School of Theology
Molly Bassett, Georgia State University
Daniel Fisher-Livne, Hebrew Union College
Sara Kamali, Kamali Consulting
Jenny Wiley Legath, Princeton University
Benjamin Marcus, Religious Freedom Center
Monya Stubbs, Chicago Theological Seminary
Mary Beth Yount, Neumann University

A21-106
Arts, Literature, and Religion Unit
Theme: Aesthetics and Narratives of Change
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
S. Brent Plate, Hamilton College, Presiding

- Sofia Maurette, University of Maryland
  
  A Catholic avant-garde: defining a lost theological aesthetic program from the 1920s Argentina

- Abigail Gillman, Boston University
  
  Franz Kafka, the Mashal, and Parabolic Style

- Evan Goldstein, Yale University
  
  Is Modernism Jewish?: Modernist Aestheti

- Amira Abou-Taleb, University of Helsinki
Rethinking Modernism in Examining Islamic Art: Towards a More Holistic Approach

- Lacey Jones, Yale University

Ruining Modernism: The Decadent Secular in Djuna Barnes' Nightwood

A21-107
Professional Development - Employment
Body and Religion Unit
Theme: Teaching Bodies, Mothering Bodies
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Teresa L. Fry Brown, Emory University, Presiding

Panelists
Ekaterina Lomperis, George Fox University
Lakisha Lockhart, Chicago Theological Seminary
Sarah Farmer, Indiana Wesleyan University

Business Meeting
Wesley Barker, Mercer University, Presiding
Gwendolyn Gillson, Illinois College, Presiding

A21-108
Buddhism Unit
Theme: Sonic Dharma: Chanting and Reciting in the Global Buddhist Landscape
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Rongdao Lai, McGill University, Presiding

- Sara Swenson, Syracuse University
  Murmurs and Yelps: Buddhist Ethical Soundscapes in Vietnam

- Miroj Shakya, University of the West
  Overcoming Poverty: The Tradition of Recitation of the Vasudharā Dhāraṇī in the Newar Buddhist community of Nepal

- Funie Hsu, San Jose State University
  Paying Homage: Reciting, American Racial Formation, and Asian American Buddhists
Jens Reinke, Leipzig University

*Form is Emptiness and Emptiness is Form? Chinese Mahayana Chanting in Translation*

Alex Grabiner, McGill University

*The Call of Bell and Drum: Ritual Structures and Innovations in Chinese Buddhist Liturgy*

A21-109
**Buddhist Critical-Constructive Reflection Unit**
Theme: **Buddhism and Religious Others: Reflections on Historical Encounters and Representations**
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Christopher Jones,, Presiding

**Panelists**

Perry Schmidt-Leukel, University of Muenster
Nathan McGovern, University of Wisconsin, Whitewater
Aleksandra Wenta, University of Florence

A21-110
**Chinese Christianities Unit and World Christianity Unit**
Theme: **The Worlds of Chinese Christianities**
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Christie Chui-Shan Chow, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

- Yucheng Bai, Duke University
  *American City on a Chinese Hill: Jonathan Chao and Chinese Public Theology*
- Stephanie Wong, Valparaiso University
  *Countering the Anti-Christian Movement: Catholic Catechetical Art in the 1920-30s*
- Lydia Gerber, Washington State University
  *Toward an independent Hakka Church: The contributions of four western educated Chinese Basle missionaries in the 1870s and 1880s in Guangdong*
- Xi Chen, Chinese University of Hong Kong
Wu Yifang and the Registration of Ginling College, 1929-30

Responding

Anthony Clark, Whitworth University

A21-111
Christian Systematic Theology Unit
Theme: Horizons of Hope in Philosophical Theology
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Judith Wolfe, University of St Andrews, Presiding

Panelists

King-Ho Leung, University of St Andrews
Amber Bowen, University of Aberdeen
Darren Sarisky, Australian Catholic University
Oliver Keenan, University of Oxford
Oliver Crisp, University of St Andrews
John R. Betz, University of Notre Dame

Business Meeting

Natalia Marandiuc, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

A21-112
Comparative Studies in Religion Unit
Theme: Querying Eco-Aesthetics
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Roberta Sabbath, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Presiding

- Janice Poss, Claremont Graduate University
  
  Brancusi’s Faith in Art “Bird in Space” in Conversation with Romanian Orthodox Icons and Tibetan Buddhist T’angkas

- Edward Arnold, Columbia University
  
  Guhyasamāja and Kālacakra systems of Unexcelled Yoga Tantra and Eco-Aesthetics

- Nayawiyyah Muhammad, California State University, Long Beach
  
  Environmental Aesthetics and Islam: An Analysis of Eden and Heaven in Islamic
Narratives

- Cara Judea Alhadeff, Independent Scholar
  *Promiscuous Crossings: Transforming Climate Chaos through the Sephardic Jewish Body*

- Gwendollyn Ulrich-Schlumbohm, Claremont Graduate University
  *Mothers of the Abrahamic Tradition and Eco-Feminism*

- Sarra Tili, University of Florida
  *Dominion, Stewardship, or Integration - Insights into the Qur'an's Environmental Ethics*

A21-113
Books under Discussion

Confucian Traditions Unit
Theme: **Author Meets Critics: Mercedes Valmisa's Adapting: A Chinese Philosophy of Action (Oxford University Press, 2021)**
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Aaron Stalnaker, Indiana University, Bloomington, Presiding

Panelists

- Michael Ing, Indiana University
- Sarah Mattice, University of North Florida
- Julianne Chung, York University

Responding

Mercedes Valmisa, Gettysburg College

Reviewers

Gil Raz, Dartmouth College

Business Meeting

Michael Ing, Indiana University, Presiding
Aaron Stalnaker, Indiana University, Bloomington, Presiding

A21-114
Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Unit
Theme: **Is There a Neoliberal Capitalist Spirituality? Authors Meet Authors Roundtable**  
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)  
Sean McCloud, University of North Carolina At Charlotte, Presiding

**Panelists**

Amanda Lucia, University of California, Riverside  
James Dennis LoRusso, Georgia State University  
Susannah Crockford, Ghent University  
Andrea Jain, Indiana University - Purdue University, Indianapolis

**Business Meeting**

Kristin Scheible, Reed College, Presiding

**A21-115**  
Books under Discussion  
**Ecclesial Practices Unit and Practical Theology Unit**  
Theme: **Book Panel: The Wiley Blackwell Companion to Theology and Qualitative Research (2023)**  
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)  
Sabrina Müller, Zurich University, Presiding  
Theodore Hickman-Maynard, Harvard University, Presiding

**Panelists**

Peter Ward, King's College, London  
Rachelle Green, Fordham University  
Clare Watkins, University of Roehampton  
Easten Law, Georgetown University  
Knut Tveitereid, MF Oslo  
Bonnie Miller-McLemore, Vanderbilt University

**A21-116**  
**Ethics Unit**  
Theme: **Collective Action Problems and Religious Ethics**  
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)  
Frederick Simmons, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

- Creighton Coleman, University of Virginia

    *Pentecostal Contempt and Collective Action*
• Jeremy Sabella, Dartmouth College
  
  *Solidarity and Grace: Sustaining Collective Action in the Digital Age*

• David Robinson, Regent University

  *Kenotic Ethics and the Problem of Ecological Collective Action: Recovering Hegel’s Social Ethics in a Time of Climate Catastrophe*

• Mary Nickel, Princeton University

  *That they may all be one: Religious Resources for Collective Action*

**Business Meeting**

Nichole Flores, University of Virginia, Presiding  
Frederick Simmons, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

**A21-135**  
**Exploratory Session**  
**Theme:** Global-Critical Conceptions of Self and Persistence: South Asia, Africa, and East Asia  
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)  
Timothy D. Knepper, Drake University, Presiding

**Panelists**

Agnieszka Rostalska, Ghent University  
Ana Bajzelj, University of California, Riverside  
Anil Mundra, University of Chicago  
Marie-Helene Gorisse, Ghent University  
Louis Komjathy, Independent Scholar  
Herbert Moyo, University of KwaZulu-Natal  
Gereon Kopf, Luther College  
Yuko Ishihara, Ritsumeikan University  
Maki Sato, University of Tokyo

**Responding**

Nathan R. B. Loewen, University of Alabama

**A21-117**  
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe  
Professional Development - Pedagogy and Teaching
Theme: **Teaching Climate ‘Crisis’ in the 21st Century**
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Amanda Nichols, University of Florida, Presiding
Jeremy Sorgen, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding

**Panelists**

Carol Wayne White, Bucknell University
Catherine Keller, Drew University
Elaine Nogueira-Godsey, Methodist Theological School in Ohio
Jacqueline Hidalgo, Williams College
Karen DeVries, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs

A21-118

**Hinduism Unit**
Theme: **Swaminarayan Hinduism: Extending Categories of Knowledge and Practice within Hindu Studies**
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Andrew Kunze, Purdue University, Presiding

- Iva Patel, Augsburg University
  
  *When an Ant meets an Elephant: Discourses of Manifestation in Early Swaminarayan Literature*

- Cynthia Packert, Middlebury College
  
  *The Power of the Portrait in 19th century Swaminarayan Visual Culture*

- Emilia Bachrach, Oberlin College and Conservatory
  
  *Gurus of the “Practical & Spiritual”: Asceticism and Women’s Leadership in Swaminarayan Traditions*

- Hanna Kim, Adelphi University
  
  *Devotion, Curated: on BAPS, Swaminarayan Studies, and their Orthodoxies*

**Responding**

Arun Brahmbhatt, St. Lawrence University
A21-119
Indigenous Religious Traditions Unit and Religion and Ecology Unit and Religions in the Latina/o Americas Unit
Theme: Indigenous Ecologies: Decolonial Approaches to Environmental Practices
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Renan Dos Santos, University of São Paulo, Presiding

- Frances Flannery, James Madison University
  - Brian Kolia, Malua Theological College
    - Climate Change as Decolonization? Reimagining a Post-Catastrophe World through Reciprocal Relationality: Shaping Indigenous Futurity Outside of and Within Colonizer Religions

- James Waters, Florida State University
  - Leaving “Stewardship” at the Door: An Anticolonial Approach to Indigenous-Christian Environmental Activism

- Rebecca Mendoza Nunziato, Harvard University
  - Reknitting Kinship with Copal Incense: Applying Ritual Relationality from Indigenous Mesoamerica to 21st Century U.S. Contexts

- Jonathan Anderegg, Oregon State University
  - Repentance and Remembrance before Reconciliation: Christianity, Colonialism and the Rebuilding of Trust after Ecological Tragedy

Responding

Meaghan Weatherdon, University of Toronto

A21-120
Interreligious and Interfaith Studies Unit
Theme: Advancing Interreligious Studies: An Interactive Workshop
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Marianne Moyaert, Vrije University Amsterdam, Presiding
Younus Mirza, Shenandoah University, Presiding
Hans Gustafson, University of St. Thomas, Presiding
Margarita M. W. Suarez, Meredith College, Presiding
Barbara A. McGraw, Saint Mary's College of California, Presiding

- Jeannine Hill Fletcher, Fordham University
  *Decentering White Supremacy through Teaching our Institutional History*

- Loye Ashton, Aoyama Gakuin University

Nancy Klancher, Bridgewater College

Guy Nave, Luther College

*The Overlooked Benefits of Virtual Exchange and COIL for Expanding Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Interreligious and Interfaith Studies*

- Lucinda Mosher, Hartford International University for Religion and Peace
  *Georgetown Companion to Religious Studies*

- Shannon Frediani, Starr King School of Theology
  *Decolonizing Interreligious Education: Developing Theologies of Accountability*

- Syed Atif Rizwan, Catholic Theological Union
  *Interreligious Dialogue at the Crossroads of Social Justice: The Case of Formerly Incarcerated Citizens*

- Fatimah Fanusie, Institute for Islamic, Christian, and Jewish Studies

  Alisha Tatem, Institute for Islamic Christian Jewish Studies

  Christine Gallagher, Institute for Islamic Christian Jewish Studies

  *Untapped Potential: Interreligious Leadership In The Field*

- Linda Bredvik, Heidelberg University
  *Sites of Narrative Overlap: Religious diversity through a linguistic lens*

- Adil Hussain Khan, Loyola University, New Orleans
  *Towards a Theory of Interreligious Relations*
• Mahjabeen Dhala, Graduate Theological Union

  Transformative Interfaith Engagement: Centering Minority Perspectives

• Hisham Qureshi, University of Georgia

  Andrew Smallwood, Candler School of Theology

  Nadia Talebi, University of Georgia

  Experience and motivations of minority students who prioritize their religious, secular, and spiritual (RSS) identities to form and operate interfaith-based student clubs on public campuses.

Business Meeting

Rachel Mikva, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding
Feryal Salem, American Islamic College, Presiding

A21-121
Full Papers Available
Islam, Gender, Women Unit
Theme: Gender, Space, and Time
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Fatima Seedat, University of Cape Town, Presiding

• Anna Piela, Northwestern University

  Articulations of the White habitus among Polish White female converts to Islam

• Sadiyya Shaikh, University of Cape Town

  Ibn ʿArabi and Mystical Disruptions of Gender: Theoretical Explorations in Islamic Feminism

• Feyza Burak-Adli, Boston University

  SUFI ETHICS, NEOLIBERAL AESTHETICS, and GENDERED RELIGIOUS AUTHORITY in TURKEY: The Case of Shaykha Cemalnur Sargut

Business Meeting

Saadia Yacoob, Williams College, Presiding
A21-122
Japanese Religions Unit
Theme: Religion on the Move: Religious Networks in the Peripheries of Premodern Japan
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
D. Max Moerman, Barnard College, Presiding

- Bryan Lowe, Princeton University
  *The Promise and Perils of Movement: Mobile Preachers and the Study of Eighth- and Ninth-century Japanese Buddhism*

- Abigail MacBain, Columbia University
  *Precepts in the Peripheries: The Three Ordination Platforms of Nara, Dazaifu, and Shimotsuke*

- Marta Sanvido, University of California, Berkeley
  *A Kesa for Amaterasu: Conceptual and Spatial Mobility in Sōtō Zen’s Trialetics of Ise*

- Takashi Miura, University of Arizona
  *Deifying Those Who Died to Save the Village: Rural Shrines Commemorating Tokugawa Protest Martyrs*

A21-123
Men, Masculinities, and Religions Unit
Theme: Masculine Love, Intimacy, and Kinship
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Linda G. Jones, University of Pompeu Fabra, Presiding

- Madeline Gambino, Princeton University
  *"That Man Is You!" Superabundant Love and Catholic Revitalization in Paradisus Dei*

- Kyle Byron, University of Toronto
  *Spiritual Reproduction: Christian Evangelism and the Intimacies of Missionary Kinship among Men*

- Bryson White, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
  *Black Male Intimate Bonds in the Shadow of (Social) Death: Tupac Shakur and Black*
Male Intimacy

Business Meeting

Sarah Imhoff, Indiana University, Bloomington, Presiding
Alyssa Maldonado-Estrada, Kalamazoo College, Presiding

A21-124
Mormon Studies Unit and Religions, Medicines and Healing Unit
Theme: Exploring the Religio-Medical Imaginaries of Mormonism
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Janan Graham, Harvard University, Presiding

Panelists

Cristina Rosetti, Utah Tech University
Brittany Romanello, Arizona State University
Kristine Wright, Princeton University
Eden Consenstein, Princeton University

Responding

Emily Clark, Gonzaga University

Business Meeting

Sara Patterson, Hanover College, Presiding
Taylor Petrey, Kalamazoo College, Presiding

A21-125
Mysticism Unit and Open and Relational Theologies Unit
Theme: Relational Cosmologies and Mystical Practices for Ecological Repair
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Jon Paul Sydnor, Emmanuel College, Boston, Presiding

- David Seidenberg, Northampton, MA
  Moshe Cordovero's Prescient Ethics

- Natan Margalit, Aleph Ordination Program
  The Piaseczner Rebbe’s Mystical Creation Myths: Renewing our Relation to Creation
• Michael Putnam, Brown University

*The Voice of Stone: Panpsychism and Decolonization in the Desert*

• Axel Marc Oaks Takacs, Seton Hall University

*‘You are standing on red ground!’: Restoring Trampled Land in Nishnaabeg Cosmologies of Relation in Dialogue with Christian and Islamic Sources*

Responding

Joy R. Bostic, Case Western Reserve University

**A21-126**

**North American Religions Unit**

Theme: *Finding American Religion in Unexpected Places*

Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)

Isaac Weiner, Ohio State University, Presiding

• Adrienne Krone, Allegheny College

*Jews and Chickens in the Anthropocene*

• Mihee Kim-Kort, Indiana University

*"To Keep in Their Place": The Confession of 힌야름 (H Mart) as a Mode of Self-Surveillance and Means for Survival*

• Michael McLaughlin, Florida State University

*"We’ll Just Have to Get Guns and Be Men": Armed Households, Church Kitchens, and the Gendering of the Black Panther Party*

• Marie Pagliarini, Saint Mary's College

*The Power of Spiritual Tattooing*

Responding

Chad Seales, University of Texas, Austin

**A21-127**

Books under Discussion

**Philosophy of Religion Unit and Theology and Religious Reflection Unit**
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Kris Trujillo, University of Chicago, Presiding

**Panelists**

Noreen Khawaja, Yale University  
Joseph Winters, Duke University  
Martin Kavka, Florida State University

**Responding**

Constance Furey, Indiana University  
Sarah Hammerschlag, University of Chicago  
Amy M. Hollywood, Harvard University

**Reviewers**

Michelle Voss Roberts, Emmanuel College, Toronto

**A21-128**

Religion and Politics Unit and Women and Religion Unit  
Theme: **Abortion and Religion: Experiences of Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Women in the US**  
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)  
Michal Raucher, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, Presiding

**Panelists**

Monique Moultrie, Georgia State University  
Zahra Ayub, Dartmouth College  
Teresa Delgado, Iona College  
Rebecca Todd Peters, Elon University

**Business Meeting**

K. Christine Pae, Denison University, Presiding  
Boyung Lee, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

**A21-129**

Religion and Popular Culture Unit  
Theme: **Buffy the Vampire Slayer at 25: Perspectives on a Religion and Popular Culture Original**
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
David Feltmate, Auburn University, Montgomery, Presiding

- Christina Pasqua, University of Toronto
  *A Woman’s Worth: Knowledge and Sexuality in Joss Whedon’s Buffyverse*

- Elissa Cutter, Georgian Court University
  *“Not to obey you, of course, because that’s anachronistic and misogynistic”: Authorial Intent in Interpreting Buffy the Vampire Slayer*

- Kristine Whaley, St. Petersburg College
  *The Real Power of Buffy: How Buffy and the Invisible Girl Affirm a Theology of Empowering Relationships*

- Ellen Posman, Baldwin Wallace University
  *Willow Rosenberg as the Original Jewitch*

Responding
Juli Gittinger, Georgia College & State University

**A21-130**
*Religion, Colonialism, and Postcolonialism Unit*

Theme: *Postcolonial Perspectives on Christianity: Middle East, India, and North America*

Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Adrian Hermann, University of Bonn, Presiding

- Maroun El Houkayem, Duke University
  *Power and Appropriation: Manuscript Catalogues*

- Karl Johnson, University of Colorado
  *Colonialism, Ecological Appropriation, and Mohawk Catholic Devotion in the Representation and Celebration of St. Kateri Tekakwitha*

- Clara Joseph, University of Calgary
  *Portuguese Colonization and the Freedom Struggle of the Thomas Christians of India*
in the Seventeenth Century

Business Meeting

Kathy Chow, Yale University, Presiding
Adrian Hermann, University of Bonn, Presiding

A21-131
Books under Discussion
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe
Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Unit
Theme: Routledge Handbook of Religion, Mass Atrocity, and Genocide (2021)
Contributors Panel
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Rebecca Carter-Chand, Jack, Joseph, and Morton Mandell Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies, Presiding

- Shawn Kelley, Daemen University
  Genocide in Antiquity
- Kerri J. Malloy, San José State University
  Renewing the world: disrupting settler-colonial destruction
- Aria Razfar, University of Illinois at Chicago
  The power of one: narrative analysis and an Iranian Jewish Shoah survivor
- Khyati Tripathi, The University of Petroleum and Energy Studies in Dehradun
  “Nature and Death” in the 1947 India-Pakistan Partition Genocide
- Rubina Peroomian, University of California, Los Angeles
  Religion: A Driving Force But not a Major Cause Of the Turkish Genocide of Armenians

Responding

Sara Brown, Center for Holocaust, Human Rights & Genocide Education

Business Meeting

Kate E. Temoney, Montclair State University, Presiding
Benjamin Sax, Institute for Islamic, Christian, and Jewish Studies, Presiding
A21-140
Sacred Writes
Theme: The Risks of Going Pubic: An Interactive Workshop
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Elizabeth Bucar, Northeastern University, Presiding

Panelists
Megan Goodwin, Northeastern University

A21-132
Books under Discussion
Space, Place, and Religion Unit
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Jeanne Halgren Kilde, University of Minnesota, Presiding

Panelists
Barbara Ambros, University of North Carolina
David Bains, Samford University
Susan L. Graham, Saint Peter's University
David Simonowitz, Pepperdine University

Responding
Matthew Mitchell, Allegheny College
Katie Oxx, Saint Joseph's University

Business Meeting
Brooke Schedneck, Rhodes College, Presiding

A21-139
Status of People with Disabilities in the Profession Committee
Theme: Status of Persons with Disabilities in the Profession Committee Meeting
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Devan Stahl, Baylor University, Presiding

Panelists
A21-133
Study of Islam Unit
Theme: Recovering Historical Constructions of Islam
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Shankar Nair, University of Virginia, Presiding

- Daniel Watling, University of Chicago
  Recovering Almohad Islam: Apocalypticism and Takfīr

- Khan Asfandyar Shairani, University of Notre Dame
  Shah Wali Allah, Revivalist Mystic or Modern Reformer?, 1703-1762

- Brannon Ingram, Northwestern University
  Ghulam Ahmad Parvez (1903-85) and the Category of Religion: Beyond ‘Islamism’ and ‘Modernism’

- Arzu Yalcinkaya, Uskudar University, Turkey
  Sufi Intellectuals in the Late Ottoman and Early Turkish Republican Era: The Bridging Role of Ken’ān Rifā‘ī and and Veled Çelebi İzbudak

A21-134
Tantric Studies Unit and Yoga in Theory and Practice Unit
Theme: Mantras, Medical Knowledge, and Meditation in Tantric Healing Traditions
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Patricia Sauthoff, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Presiding

- Adam Krug, University of Memphis
  Pathology as Script: Medical Demonology and the Buddhist Mahāsiddhas

- Shaman Hatley, University of Massachusetts, Boston
  Lotus, Moon, and Nectar: On the History and Imagery of Longevity Meditations in
Tantric Śaivism

- Ryan Damron, The 84000

  Medicine and Mantric Power: A Preliminary Survey of Medical Lore in the Buddhist Kriyātantras

- Meera Kachroo, St. Thomas More College, Saskatoon,

  Hermeneutics and Healing in Contemporary Śrīvidyā

A21-136
Women's Caucus
Theme: Recovering Herstories: Women on the Australian Continent
Monday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Cristina Lledo Gomez, BBI-The Australian Institute for Theological Education, Presiding

- Michelle Eastwood, University of Divinity, Melbourne
  Aunty Jean Phillips - Indigeniety and Invisibility

- Cathryn McKinney, University of Divinity, Melbourne, Australia
  Biographical Encounter: A Posture of Dissent

- Deborah Fulthorp, Grand Canyon University
  Harbinger Mary Florence “Molly” Ayers: Shattering Colonialist-Centered Epistemologies within Australian Pentecostal Spirituality

- Rosalind F. Hinton, LAOUTLOUD
  Kathleen McPhillips: Feminist Frameworks for Exploring Religion-State Complicity in Gender Violence

Responding

Tracy McEwan, University of Newcastle, Australia

Monday, 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

A21-141
Religion in Premodern Europe and the Mediterranean Unit and SBL Art and Religions of Antiquity Unit
Theme: The Magic of the Crafted Image: Paintings, Talismans, Assemblages
Monday, 9:00 AM-11:30 AM (In Person)
Karen Stern, Brooklyn College, Presiding

- Mai Lootah, Rice University
  VISIONARY PRACTICES IN ROYAL COURTS: IMAGES AND TEXT AS DIVINATORY AGENTS IN THE FĀLNĀMA

- Ilona Rashkow, State University of New York, Stony Brook
  “Help Me Get Pregnant ... and then Protect Us” – Fertility Amulets and Talismans in Ancient Israel

- Nicole Archambeau, Colorado State University
  Wax Objects in Medieval European Healing

- David Frankfurter, Boston University
  The Theory of the Graphic Assemblage

Monday, 11:15 AM-12:15 PM

A21-142
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe

Plenaries
Theme: Environmental Justice in Times of Catastrophe
Monday, 11:15 AM-12:15 PM (In Person)
Mayra Rivera, Harvard University, Presiding

Panelists

Christopher Carter, University of San Diego
Hilda Lloréns, University of Rhode Island
David Walsh, Gettysburg College

A21-144
Program Committee
Theme: Program Committee Meeting
Monday, 11:15 AM-12:15 PM (In Person)
Whitney Bauman, Florida International University, Presiding
Panelists

Monica Coleman, University of Delaware
Ann Gleig, University of Central Florida
Derek Hicks, Wake Forest University
Robert P. Jones, Public Religion Research Institute
Lerone Martin, Stanford University
M. Cooper Minister, Shenandoah University
Reiko Ohnuma, Dartmouth College
Atalia Omer, University of Notre Dame
Jin Y Park, American University, Washington, D.C.
Jeremy Posadas, Austin College
Claudia Schippert, University of Central Florida
Roger A. Sneed, Furman University

A21-143
Professional Development - Mentoring
Receptions/Breakfasts/Luncheons
Status of People with Disabilities in the Profession Committee
Theme: Open Conversations Luncheon
Monday, 11:15 AM-12:15 PM (In Person)
Devan Stahl, Baylor University, Presiding

A21-145
Women's Caucus
Theme: Women's Caucus Business Meeting
Monday, 11:15 AM-12:15 PM (In Person)
Elizabeth Ursic, Mesa Community College, Presiding

Panelists

Deborah Fulthorp, Grand Canyon University
Kimberly Carter, California Institute of Integral Studies
Elizabeth Freese, Auburn Seminary
Ulrike Auga, Humboldt University of Berlin
Cristina Lledo Gomez, BBI-The Australian Institute for Theological Education
Rosalind F. Hinton, LAOUTLOUD
Colleen D. Hartung, 1000 Women in Religion Wikipedia Project
Tracy McEwan, University of Newcastle, Australia
Theresa A. Yugar, California State University, Los Angeles
Mahjabeen Dhala, Graduate Theological Union
Jonathon Eder, Mary Baker Eddy Library
Julia Berger, Montclair State University
Emily Silverman, Graduate Theological Union
Colette Qualtieri, Arizona State University
Winifred Whelan, Saint Bonaventure University

Responding

Elaine Nogueira-Godsey, Methodist Theological School in Ohio

Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM

A21-200
Professional Development - Employment
Academic Relations Committee and Applied Religious Studies Committee and Graduate Student Committee
Theme: What Can Religion Departments Do To Support More Diverse Careers?
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Susan E. Hill, University of Northern Iowa, Presiding

Panelists
Amy Defibaugh, Temple University
Rebecca Alpert, Temple University
Tyler Fuller, Boston University
SueJeanne Koh, University of California, Irvine
Joshua Lazard, Boston University
Elyse Nelson Winger, Tufts University

A21-203
Theme: Honoring the Scholarship, Sisterhood, and Scholastic Legacy of Dianne M. Stewart and Tracey E. Hucks
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Rachel E. Harding, University of Colorado, Denver, Presiding

Panelists
Jacob K. Olupona, Harvard University
Thomas A. Tweed, University of Notre Dame
Teresa Delgado, Iona College
Adam Clark, Xavier University
M. Kamari Clarke, Yale University
Musa Dube, Emory University
Responding

Tracey Hucks, Colgate University
Dianne Stewart, Emory University

A21-204
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe
Animals and Religion Unit
Theme: **Catastrophes of Conscience: Valuing Life on Multiple Scales**
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Katharine Mershon, Western Carolina University, Presiding

- Emma Lietz Bilecky, Princeton Theological Seminary
  
  *Compost, Cooperation, Catastrophe, Consent: Toward an Ethics of Soil-making across Species and Scales*

- Barbara Ambros, University of North Carolina
  
  *Rescuing Cattle and Bestializing Butchers: Animals and Marginality in Early Modern Japan*

- Reva ShieldChief, University of Arizona
  
  *Skidi-Pawnee Relationality Kinship epistemologies guiding Skidi-Pawnee Values and Mores; Religious expression in everyday living*

Business Meeting

Christopher Carter, University of San Diego, Presiding
Eric Meyer, Carroll College, Presiding

A21-205
Full Papers Available
Anthropology of Religion Unit
Theme: **Global Religious Pluralities: Interfaith Encounters in the Pursuit of Social Change**
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
James Walters, London School of Economics and Political Science, Presiding

- Lindsay Simmonds, London School of Economics
Women of Faith: Peacebuilding in the Israel-Palestine Region

- Chris Chaplin, London School of Economics

  *Redefining Plurality: Religious Belonging and Interfaith Encounters amongst Grassroots Faith Activists in Indonesia*

- Hanane Benadi, London School of Economics

  *The Religious Temporalities of Climate Change in the Middle East*

Responding

Craig Calhoun, Arizona State University

A21-206
Arts, Literature, and Religion Unit
Theme: Modernism and Religious Art
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Tracy Fessenden, Arizona State University, Presiding

- Laura Perez, University of California, Berkeley

  *The Politics of Telluric Animism and Interdependence in the Work of Remedios Varo, Leonora Carrington, and Luchita Hurtado*

- Ann Braude, Harvard University

  *Spiritual Paths and Artistic Innovation*

- Colleen McDannell, University of Utah

  *‘Doing Realism, That’s the Rebellious Thing’: Latter-day Saint Art Renewal*

A21-207
Augustine and Augustinianisms Unit
Theme: Analyses and Therapies of Grief and Loss in Augustine
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Sarah Stewart-Kroeker, University of Geneva, Presiding

- Timothy Troutner, University of Notre Dame

  *Leaving the Stoic Citadel: Chrétien, Augustine, and the Trauma of Human Death*
• Justin Hawkins, Yale University

  Augustine's Pseudo-Stoic Virtue of Magnanimity as a Response to Suffering and Trauma

• Kevin Grove, University of Notre Dame

  Grief Failed, Needed, and Shared: Augustine's Preaching on Grief in Christ

• Alex Fogleman, Baylor University

  With Christ in the Valley of Tears: Augustine on Grief and its Virtues

Business Meeting

Paul R. Kolbet, Yale University, Presiding

A21-208
Bioethics and Religion Unit and Religions, Medicines, and Healing Unit
Theme: Pain, Suffering & Mortality: Religious Healing in Comparative Perspectives
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Terri Laws, University of Michigan, Dearborn, Presiding

• Stewart Clem, Aquinas Institute of Theology

  Pain Management and the Problem of Redemptive Suffering in Christian Medical Ethics

• Brett McCarty, Duke University

  Attention, Agency, and Bearing Witness: Faith-Based Responses to the Opioid Crisis in Southern Appalachia

• Michelle Bentsman, Harvard University

  Amazonian Plant Medicine Ceremony as a Site of Spiritual “Surgery” for Westerners

• Jamie Marsella, Harvard University

  "Thou Hast Laid the Little Children into Our Arms": The New York Baby Welfare Association and Religious Pluralism in Progressive Era New York City

Business Meeting

Kyrah Malika Daniels, Boston College, Presiding
Kristy Slominski, University of Arizona, Presiding

A21-209
Buddhism Unit and Buddhist Philosophy Unit
Theme: Legacies of Violence: Trauma, Buddhism, and our Collective Bodies
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Kevin Buckelew, Northwestern University, Presiding

Panelists

Ray Buckner, Northwestern University
Rima Vesely-Flad, Warren Wilson College
Natalie Avalos, University of Colorado, Boulder
Kali Cape, University of Virginia
Sara Lewis, Naropa University

A21-210
Christian Spirituality Unit
Theme: Pandemic, Pilgrimage and Practice: Contemporary Spiritual Journeys
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
André Brouillette, Boston College, Presiding

- Rafael Luevano, Chapman University
  Pandemic and Pilgrimage: Exodus of the Central American Caravans

- Lisa M. Hess, United Theological Seminary, Ohio
  Bradley H. Hirschfield, National Jewish Center for Learning and Leadership
  It's More Complicated Than We Know: A Longitudinal Study of Pilgrimages in Emergent Future Leadership

- Samantha Miller, Whitworth University
  Off-Campus Courses as Immersive Contemplative Education: Optimal Conditions for Lasting Growth

- Kathryn Barush, Santa Clara University
  Art as Pilgrimage in a Time of Pandemic

Business Meeting
A21-211
Christian Systematic Theology Unit
Theme: Theologies of Hope and Joy
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Nicholas Adams, University of Birmingham, Presiding

- Liza Anderson, College of St. Scholastica
  *The Ordeal of Hope in the Monastic Literature of Christian Late Antiquity*

- Tammy Wiese, Emory University
  *The Blood of Christ Mediating Hope Through Life or Death? Exploring the Theology of the Blood of Christ as Resurrected Life*

- Kathryn Reinhard, Gwynedd Mercy University
  *The Gratuitous Joy of Salvation: Reconsidering Atonement with Julian of Norwich*

- Thomas Breedlove, Baylor University
  *Wounded Words and Wounded Nature: The Phenomenality of Joy and Desire in Jean-Louis Chrétien and Gregory of Nyssa*

A21-213
Class, Religion, and Theology Unit and Religion and Economy Unit
Theme: Religion at Work: New Directions for Studying Religion in the Waged Workplace
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Heath Carter, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

Panelists
Lauren R. Kerby, Princeton University
Isaac Weiner, Ohio State University
George Gonzalez, City University of New York
Francisco Garcia, Vanderbilt University

Reviewers
Karen Baker-Fletcher, Southern Methodist University

A21-214
Comparative Religious Ethics Unit
Theme: Suffering and Evil in Nature: Comparative Responses from Ecstatic Naturalism and Healing Cultures
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Elaine Padilla, University of La Verne, Presiding

- Jonathan Weidenbaum, Berkeley College
  Selving in a Dangerous World: William James, Buddhism, and Ecstatic Naturalism
- Joseph Harroff, American University, Washington, D.C.
  Redemptive Suffering with Tianming 天命: An Ecstatically Naturalist Reading of Sacred Selving in Early Confucian Ethics
- Desmond Coleman, Drew University
  On Being Sunk: The Salvific Experience of Blackness, Reading W. E. B. Dubois and G. W. F. Hegel
- Jea Sophia Oh, West Chester University
  Fecundity and Healing of the Great Mother: Reading Corrington’s Nature and Nothingness via Yin-Yang Thinking

Responding

Robert S. Corrington, Drew University

A21-215
Comparative Theology Unit and Society for Hindu-Christian Studies
Theme: God's Body: Hindu-Christian Comparative Theology
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Bhakti Mamtora, College of Wooster, Presiding

- Sarju Patel, University of Chicago
  Aquinas’s Bodiless God and a Hindu God’s Body: Hindu-Christian Philosophical Theology
Sarang Patel, University of Chicago

Perceiving God with Form: Circularity and Symmetry

Akshay Gupta, University of Cambridge

Divine Embodiment, Divine Personhood, and Perfect Being Theology

Responding

Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University

A21-216
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe

Cultural History of the Study of Religion Unit

Theme: Thinking the "world" at the brink of the planet: a roundtable conversation on theorizing the "world" in religious studies in an age of climate catastrophe
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Kathryn Reklis, Fordham University, Presiding

Panelists

J. Kameron Carter, Indiana University
Mayanthi Fernando, University of California, Santa Cruz
Willis Jenkins, University of Virginia
Pamela Klassen, University of Toronto
Kathryn Lofton, Yale University
Vijaya Nagarajan, University of San Francisco
Mona Oraby, Howard University
James Padilioni, Swarthmore College

Business Meeting

Marko Geslani, University of South Carolina, Presiding
Elizabeth Ann Pritchard, Bowdoin College, Presiding

A21-217

Ecclesiological Investigations Unit and Vatican II Studies Unit

Theme: “Nothing genuinely human fails to raise an echo in their hearts”: women, men and a church for the world in Joseph Cardijn’s theological vision
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Massimo Faggioli, Villanova University, Presiding
Panelists

Alana Harris, King's College London
Katharine Massam, University of Divinity, Melbourne
Stefan Gigacz, University of Divinity, Melbourne
Charles Mercier, Legion of Christ College of Humanities

Responding

Ana Maria Bidegain, Florida International University

A21-218
Ethics Unit
Theme: Ethnography and Religious Ethics
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Elizabeth Agnew Cochran, Duquesne University, Presiding

- Janna Hunter-Bowman, Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary
  ethnography and theological ethics: undocumented immigrant led movements as agents under duress

- Jeremy Sorgen, University of California, Berkeley
  Lessons of the Ethnographic Turn for Religious Ethics

- Eric Hilker, University of Virginia
  Surprised by the Neighbor: Ethnography as a Form of Encounter

- Stephanie Thurston, University of Illinois
  Power, Ethics, and Identity: An Ethnographic Account of Religion at Brooklyn High

A21-219
Gay Men and Religion Unit
Theme: The Visions of “Inverts”: Gay Men and Religious Reversals
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Richard McCarty, Mercyhurst University, Presiding

- Max Thornton, Drake University
God's Hole: Toward a Theology of Circlusion

- Tyson Herberger, University of Southeastern Norway

Bar Hamedurei: The Potential Implications of an Ancient Denial of Leviticus' Prohibition on Gay Sex

- Adam Beyt, Fordham University

Erotic Intimacy and Eschatological Hope: A Mystical-Political Response to Michael Bernard Kelly's Christian Mysticism's Queer Flame

- Aaron Brown, University of California, Riverside

“I Just Wanted to See...”: Seeing and Black Queer Grief in the Jeffrey Dahmer Case

Business Meeting

Richard McCarty, Mercyhurst University, Presiding
Michael Pettinger, New York University, Presiding

A21-220

History of Christianity Unit and Religions in the Latina/o Americas Unit

Theme: Faith and Power: Latina/o Religious Politics Since 1945
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)

Jennifer Scheper Hughes, University of California, Riverside, Presiding

Panelists

Maggie Elmore, University of California, Berkeley
Sergio Gonzalez, Marquette University
Felipe Hinojosa, Texas A&M University, College Station

Responding

Daniel Ramirez, Claremont Graduate University

A21-221

Indigenous Religious Traditions Unit

Theme: Indigenous Entanglements: Queer Transness, Media, Festivals, the Doctrine of Discovery, and Decolonization
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)

Gregory D. Alles, McDaniel College, Presiding
• Gabriel Estrada, California State University, Long Beach
  
  *Queer Transness and Indigenous Peoplehood with/in Caxcan and Christian Festival Media*

• Philip P. Arnold, Syracuse University

  Adam D. J. Brett, Syracuse University

  Jordan Loewen-Colón, Syracuse University

  *The Doctrine of Discovery Podcast and Virtual Onondaga*

• Pierre Bourgeois, Fordham University

  *The Zapatista Reclamation of Indigenous Land: the unintended result of a decolonized Catholic church*

**Responding**

Eglute Trinkauskaite, Maryland Institute College of Art

**Business Meeting**

Seth Schermerhorn, Hamilton College, Presiding

**A21-222**

**Islamic Mysticism Unit**

**Theme:** *Literary Symbols and Cultural Practices of Premodern Sufism: Recent Discoveries*

**Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)**

Tehseen Thaver, Princeton University, Presiding

• Aiyub Palmer, University of Kentucky

  *The Social Basis of the Master-Disciple Relationship in al-Hakim al-Tirmidhi’s Kitab al-Hikma*

• Patrick D'Silva, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs

  *One Breath, Two Aims: Classifying zikr and 'ilm-i dam in early-modern Persian encyclopedias*
• Arjun Nair, University of Southern California

  *Drinking Islamic Wine? Exploring a Cognitive Metaphor in Some Middle Period Islamic Texts*

• Jason Welle, Pontifical Institute for Arabic and Islamic Studies

  *Don’t Cry for Me, al-Qushayrī*

**Responding**

Parisa Zahiremami, University of Toronto

**Business Meeting**

M. Shobhana Xavier, Queens University, Presiding
Cyrus Zargar, University of Central Florida, Presiding

**A21-224**

Full Papers Available

**Nineteenth Century Theology Unit**

**Theme: Theodicy in Nineteenth-Century Religious Thought**

**Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)**

Charles J. T. Talar, University of St. Thomas, Presiding

• Nicholas Andersen, Tufts University

  *The Shape of Theodicy in Early Nineteenth-Century African American Thought*

• Jörg Lauster, Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich

  *Theodicy - Resistance from the Power of Thought and the Courage against Evil*

• Samuel Kessler, Gustavas Adolphus College

  “*Theodicy and the Spirits of Evil in the Theological Writings of Rabbi Kaufmann Kohler (1843-1926)*”

**Responding**

Hans Schwarz, University of Regensburg

**Business Meeting**

Sheila Briggs, University of Southern California, Presiding
Zachary Purvis, University of Gottingen, Presiding

A21-225
North American Hinduism Unit
Theme: Engaged Hindu Publics and the Politics of Religious Difference on Campus: A Roundtable Discussion
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Brian A. Hatcher, Tufts University, Presiding

Panelists

Dheepa Sundaram, University of Denver
Shana Sippy, Centre College
Brian K. Pennington, Elon University
Gaurika Mehta, Columbia University
Anuradha Sajjanhar, University of Minnesota

Business Meeting

Shana Sippy, Centre College, Presiding
Dheepa Sundaram, University of Denver, Presiding

A21-238
Origen and Origen Reception Seminar
Theme: Desire, Authority, and Ideals in Origen's Biblical Scholarship
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Jonathan Zecher, Australian Catholic University, Presiding

- Miriam DeCock, Aarhus University
  *Origen's Sources of Exegetical Authority*

- Anders-Christian Jacobsen, Aarhus University
  *The Erotic Theology of Origen*

- John Solheid, University of St. Michael's College
  *The Human Condition and What to Do About It: Origen and Augustine in Dialogue*

- Joseph Carnes Ananias, Duke University
  *The Spiritual Senses and the Spiritual Sense of Scripture: Origen's Doctrine of the*
Spiritual Senses as a Condition for the Possibility of Spiritual Exegesis

- Judy Kim, University of Notre Dame
  
  *Who is the “Heretic” (Αἱρετικός) to be Shunned?: Origen’s Understanding of the Apostolic Injunction in Titus 3:10–11*

- Daniel Johnson, University of Leicester
  
  *The Reception of Origen in the Christology of Isaac Watts*

### A21-226
Practical Theology Unit
Theme: **The paradigm of growth: practical theological challenges**
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Hee-Kyu Heidi Park, Ewha Womans University, Presiding
Kirsten Donskov Felter, Centre For Pastoral Education and Research, Presiding

- Victoria Turner, University of Edinburgh
  
  *The ‘Missing Generation’: Exploring the Consequences of the Growth Ideology to Younger Christians*

- Eliana Ku, University of Toronto
  
  *Lament as Hospitality, the Essence of Community Building for Impossible Amalgamation Between Care and Growth amid the Tears of Global Refugee*

- Ryan R. Gladwin, Palm Beach Atlantic University
  
  *Growth or Transformation?: Moving towards a decolonial and practical theology of transformation*

### A21-201
Professional Development - Publishing
Publications Committee
Theme: **Reflection and Theory in the Study of Religion**
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Alda Balthrop-Lewis, Australian Catholic University, Presiding
Jonathan Tran, Baylor University, Presiding

**Panelists**

Mohammed Gamal Abdelnour, Al-Azhar University, Cairo and University of York, U.K.
A21-227
Qur'an Unit
Theme: Studies of the Qur'an
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Samuel Ross, Texas Christian University, Presiding

- Raymond Farrin, American University of Kuwait
  Apocalyptic Themes in the Early Qur'an: A Statistical Review
- Stephen Burge, Institute of Ismaili Studies
  The Life-Giving and Life-Destroying Power of Water: Faith and the Signs of God in Surat Yunus
- Kathryn M. Kueny, Fordham University
  The Melancholic Messenger: Tracing emotions of despair and an ethics of care in prophetic narratives
- Michael VanZandt Collins, Boston College
  Toward Rectifying Terrestrial Habits: Corruption in the Earth, Prophetic Action, and the Hope of Dialogue
- William Sherman, University of North Carolina At Charlotte
  True Furqans and Pseudo-Qur'an's: Secularism, Polemic, and Imitation

A21-228
Religion and Sexuality Unit
Theme: Irreconcilable Manifestations? Rethinking Anglican universal gay subjects, spiritual power in the House of (Audre) Lorde, Black queer millennial spiritual survival
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Benae Beamon, Bucknell University, Presiding

- Jane Nichols, Yale University
  Colonial Pasts, Neocolonial Presents: Faith and the Making of the Universal Gay
Subject

- Courtney Rabada, Northwestern University
  
  *House of the Lorde: Audre Lorde, the Erotic, and Burlesque as Power*

- Whitney Bond, Chicago Theological Seminary
  
  *Where Two or Three Are Gathered: A Reclamation of Black Spirituality, Community, and Politics of Survival for Black Queer Millennials*

Responding

Thelathia Young, Bucknell University

Business Meeting

Claudia Schippert, University of Central Florida, Presiding
Sarojini Nadar, University of the Western Cape, Presiding

A21-229

Religion and the Social Sciences Unit and Sociology of Religion Unit

Theme: Exploring the Pandemic Impact on Congregations: Insights from Churches Across the US

Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)

Rachel Schneider, Rice University, Presiding

- Arthur Farnsley, Indiana University-Purdue University, Indianapolis
  
  *Religious Congregations’ Adaptation to Change in Indianapolis, IN*

- Isabela Rosales, Iliff School of Theology
  
  Gregorio Pena Camprubi, Denver University
  
  Kristina Lizardy-Hajbi, Iliff School of Theology
  
  *Congregational Life in the Time of Pandemic: Preliminary Results from Denver Case Studies*

- Allison Norton, Hartford Seminary
  
  Patricia Tevington, Hartford Institute for Religion Research
  
  *Solidarity at Six Feet Away? Congregant Experiences in Different Worship Modalities*
and Gatherings in Hartford, Connecticut

- Daniel Cueto-Villalobos, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities

  Withdrawal, Introspection, and Mobilization: How Twin Cities Churches Respond to Crisis

Responding

Scott Thumma, Hartford Seminary

A21-230
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe
Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Unit
Theme: Affective Apocalypses
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Joel Mayward, George Fox University, Presiding

- Joel Clarkson, University of St. Andrews

  Gaming the Apocalypse: Participation in the Unthinkable in Video Games

- Joseph Kickasola, Baylor University

  Hopeful Gesture after Catastrophe: Deafness, Signing, and Embodied Aesthetics in Sound of Metal and Drive My Car

- Meghan Beddingfield, Southern Methodist University

  ‘Maybe the world is finally coming to an end': How the Global Boom of Kdramas Introduced Han to the Apocalyptic Genre

Business Meeting

Kutter Callaway, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding
Rebecca Moody, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Presiding

A21-231
Sacred Texts, Theory, and Theological Construction Unit
Theme: New work in Sacred Texts, Theory and Theological Construction
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Jennifer L. Koosed, Albright College, Presiding
• Flora Tang, University of Notre Dame

_Biblical Hermeneutics through Decolonial Trauma Theory: Original Trauma and Intergenerational Trauma of Migration in Genesis 12, 20, and 26’s Wife-Sister Narratives_

• Abel Aruan, Boston University

_Nature as Divine Face: Creationality and Sacramentality Reconciled_

• Kaia D. S. Ronsdal, University of Oslo

_Spaces of Presence: Holding pieces of the (dead) other in our hands_

**Business Meeting**

Karen Bray, Wesleyan College, Presiding
Robert Seesengood, Albright College, Presiding

**A21-232**

Secularism and Secularity Unit

Theme: _Properties of the Secular: Occupied, Zoned, Surveilled, Meta_

Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Lucia Hulsether, Skidmore College, Presiding

• Drake Konow, University of Texas, Austin

_“Listen to the Sound of the Cherokee”: Religion, Land, and Performative Sovereignty in Dolly Parton’s Sha-Kon-O-Hey!_

• Brandi Denison, University of North Florida


• Nicole Carroll, Stanford University

_“In violation of everything this country stands for”: Secularism, Space, and the Criminalization of Religion in Church of Lukumi Babalu Aye v. Hialeah_

• Lacey Jones, Yale University

_Virtually Presence: Zuckerberg’s Metaverse and the Future of Repair_
Business Meeting

Bradley Onishi, Skidmore College, Presiding
Lucia Hulsether, Skidmore College, Presiding

A21-233
South Asian Religions Unit
Theme: *South Asia Beyond the Indo-Persian: Scholarly Flows Between Iran and India*
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Nicholas Boylston, Harvard University, Presiding

- Nariman Aavani, Harvard University
  
  *Intellectual Networks Between Iran and India in Mughal India: Muhammad Dihdār Shirāzī (d. 1610) on Unity of Being (waḥdat al-wujūd)*

- Shahrad Shahvand, Harvard University
  
  *A Legal Dispute in Mughal Lahore: Qadi Nurullah Shushtari (d. 1610)'s Critique of the Later Hanafi Scholars of Transoxiana*

- Latifeh Aavani, Harvard University
  
  *From India to Iran: The Narrative of the Shi'i Ulama on Islamic Reformism in the late 19th and early 20th centuries*

- Raihan Ahmed, University of Virginia
  
  *Re-Locating 15th Century Indian Sufism in the Global Islamicate: Mahāʿimī's Irāʾah al-Daqāʾiq"*

A21-202
Status of People with Disabilities, Racial and Ethnic Minorities, and Women in the Profession Committees
Theme: *Lessons from the Pandemic: Creating a “New Normal” for Minoritized Communities*
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Devan Stahl, Baylor University, Presiding

Panelists

Nicholas Shrubsole, University of Central Florida
K. Christine Pae, Denison University
Santiago Pinon, Texas Christian University
A21-234
Study of Islam Unit
Theme: Panic in the Hegemony - Islamic Piety, Gender, and Authority Crises
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Shehnaz Haqqani, Mercer University, Presiding

- Walaa Quisay, University of Birmingham
  "Feminizing Modernity: Anglo-American Neo-traditionalism and the Crisis of Muslim Masculinity"

- Nicole Correri, Boston University
  "Special Men - Qanoners and the the followers of the Infallible Shi’i Imams- exploring parallels in authority construction in non-hegemonic male populations"

- Amirah Fadhlina, Boston University
  "Conditions of Possibility, Queering Islam, and the Rise of Trans Activism in Indonesia"

- Garrett Kiriakos-Fugate, Boston University
  "What then remains of religion?": Neotraditional Muslim-American Men Preaching against Queer Threats to the Straight Cis-Gendered Path.

Responding

Kristian Petersen, Old Dominion University

A21-235
Study of Judaism Unit
Theme: Jewish Thought and Women’s Lives
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Andrea Dara Cooper, University of North Carolina, Presiding

- Marjorie Corbman, Molloy College
  The Seething Sea of Life: Emma Goldman and Russian Jewish Political Thought Between Apocalypse and Mutual Aid

- Sarah Zager, Yale University
  Abstraction and Lived Experience in the Philosophy of Nima Adlerblum (1881-1974)
Jessica Carr, Lafayette College

*Shadows, Secrets, and Sensitivity: Liana Finck’s Passing for Human as Mood Memoir, Biblical Commentary, and Sense of Self*

**Responding**

Cara Rock-Singer, University of Wisconsin-Madison

**Business Meeting**

Andrea Dara Cooper, University of North Carolina, Presiding
Shari Rabin, Oberlin College and Conservatory, Presiding

**A21-236**

**Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Unit**
Theme: *Dreams in Tibetan Buddhism*
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Andrew Quintman, Wesleyan University, Presiding

- Palden Gyal, Columbia University
  
  *Bringing Light to the Dark Borderlands: Dreams as Missionary Technologies*

- Jacob Dalton, University of California, Berkeley
  
  *Dream Yoga and the Transformation of Unconscious Fixations in Early Dzogchen*

- Dominique Townsend, Bard College
  
  *Dreamers & Workers: The Fifth Dalai Lama’s Dream & Early Modern Tibetan Labor Relations*

- Michael Sheehy, University of Virginia
  
  *Dreaming Oneself Awake: Contemplative and Performative Dynamics in Shangpa Dream Yoga Manuals*

- Kurtis Schaeffer, University of Virginia
  
  *Dreamscape, Divination, Delusion: Making Sense of the Multiple Forms of Dream Literature in Tibet*

- Benjamin Bogin, Skidmore College
Lotuses Before They Bloom: Yolmo Tenzin Norbu’s Dream Cycle (Mnal Lam Gyi Skor)

Responding
Janet Gyatso, Harvard University

Business Meeting
Brandon Dotson, Georgetown University, Presiding
Nicole Willock, Old Dominion University, Presiding

A21-237
World Christianity Unit
Theme: Gender and Social Reconstitution in World Christianity
Monday, 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (In Person)
Janice McLean-Farrell, New Brunswick Theological Seminary, Presiding

- Sun Yong Lee, Princeton Theological Seminary
  Kingdoms in Conflict: The 1941 World Women's Day of Prayer Case in Colonial Korea

- Beck Henriksen, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
  Hegemonic Masculinity and the Intertwining of U.S. Missionary Exceptionalism and Rwanda as Model Nation

- Mallory Matsumoto, University of Texas, Austin
  Baptismal Naming and (Re-)Building Indigenous Community in Early Colonial Guatemala

- Philip Wingeier-Rayo, Wesley Theological Seminary
  Migrant, Model and Minister: Leadership in a Pentecostal Church in Cuernavaca, Mexico

- Gina Zurlo, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary
  Putting the Pacific Islands on the Map: Gender, Climate, and Christianity

Business Meeting
Briana Wong, Wake Forest University, Presiding
Janice McLean-Farrell, New Brunswick Theological Seminary, Presiding
Monday, 1:00 PM-5:00 PM

A21-240
Tours
Tours
Theme: Sacred Sites Tour
Monday, 1:00 PM-5:00 PM (In Person)
David Bains, Samford University, Presiding
Daniel Sack, Washington, DC, Presiding

Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM

A21-300
Professional Development
Academic Relations Committee
Theme: Decolonizing the Study of Religion: Debates and Practical Strategies
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Peter Valdina, Albion College, Presiding

Panelists

Natalie Avalos, University of Colorado, Boulder
Richard Newton, University of Alabama

A21-302
African Diaspora Religions Unit
Theme: Making a Way Outta No Way: Celebrating Rachel E. Harding's Scholarship and Activism
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Tracey Hucks, Colgate University, Presiding

Panelists

Dianne Stewart, Emory University
Emilie M. Townes, Vanderbilt University
Melanie L. Harris, Texas Christian University
James Manigault-Bryant, Williams College
LeRhonda Manigault-Bryant, Williams College
Marcia Minter, Indigo Arts Alliance
Daniel Minter, Indigo Arts Alliance

A21-303
Arts, Literature, and Religion Unit
Theme: **Dance and Religious Dynamics**
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Cia Sautter, University of St. Thomas, Presiding

- Ilona Rashkow, State University of New York, Stony Brook
  
  *Dirty Dancing: Whirling for Joy in Ancient Israel*

- Deborah Rogers, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School
  
  *Reading the Ring Shout: Expanding Embodied Discourse*

- Lina Aschenbrenner, University of Erfurt
  
  *Creating affects while dancing: Insights into the aesthetics of Hawaiian hula dance practiced by non-Hawaiians*

A21-304
Augustine and Augustinianisms Unit and Eastern Orthodox Studies Unit
Theme: **Origen and Augustine in Conversation**
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Erin Walsh, University of Chicago, Presiding

- Alexander Pierce, University of Notre Dame
  
  *Origen(ism) in the Early Pelagian Controversy (411/2–ca. 415)*

- Christopher Mooney, University of Notre Dame
  
  *Teaching Forgiveness: Paradigms of Grace and Debt in Origen and Augustine’s Thinking on Human Forgiveness*

- Charles Rivera, Yale University
  
  *Two Graces: John 1:16 in Origen and Augustine*

Responding

Elizabeth Ann Dively Lauro, Independent Scholar
Elizabeth Klein, Augustine Institute

A21-305
Buddhist Philosophy Unit
Theme: **Collective Karma in Buddhist Philosophy and Lived Religion**
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Gareth Fisher, Syracuse University, Presiding

**Panelists**

Joy Brennan, Kenyon College  
Jessica Zu, University of Southern California  
Timothy Loftus, Temple University  
Sara Swenson, Syracuse University  
Susanne Kerekes, Skidmore College

**A21-306**  
Catholic Studies Unit and Religion and Politics Unit  
Theme: **Religion and Democracy**  
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)  
Terrence Johnson, Georgetown University, Presiding

- Elizabeth Sperber, University of Denver  
  Paige Wietzel, University of Denver
  
  *Catholicism and (the ongoing) Struggle for Democracy in Africa: Presenting a New Archive of Church Documents and Qualitative Analysis*

- Elizabeth Gish, The Kettering Foundation  
  Sarah Taylor Peck, Community Christian Church, North Canton, Ohio
  
  *Purple Churches and Democratic Hope*

- Paul Ladouceur, University of Toronto
  
  *Orthodox Critiques and Affirmations of Liberalism and Democracy*

- Jeffrey Meyers, DePaul University
  
  *Theology Defending Democracy: Lessons From Around the World*

**A21-307**  
Childhood Studies and Religion Unit  
Theme: **Horror, Hope, and Holiness: Representing Childhood and Religion in Media**  
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)  
Sally Stamper, Capital University, Presiding
• Verena Eberhardt, University of Munich

  *Children as Bearers of Hope for a Future Society. Religious Diversity in Media for Children*

• James Hill, Northwestern University

  *The Pained Blackwitness of Little Michael Jackson*

• Kishundra King, Vanderbilt University

  *Being Womanish: Revisiting and Reimagining Black Girlhood*

**A21-308**

**Chinese Religions Unit**

Theme: *Feminism and Beyond in Chinese Religions*

Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)

Mayfair Yang, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

• Ting Guo, University of Toronto

  *#MeToo beyond Confucianism: Gender Activism against the Reinvention of Traditions*

• Chengpang Lee, University of Chicago

  *Building an Alternative Religious Order: Revisiting the Role of Venerable Xiudao in the Creation of Tzu-Chi, 1958-1963*

• Zhange Ni, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

  *Correlative Cosmology, Dividual Subjectivity, and Women’s Fantasy-Romance in Contemporary China*

• Jing Wang, University of Pennsylvania

  *Against Han Patriarchy: Sinophone Muslim Women’s Lineage in Modern China*

**A21-332**

Full Papers Available

New Program Unit

**Foucault and the Study of Religion Seminar**

Theme: *Heterogeneity, Racialization, Religion in Late Foucault*

Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Niki Clements, Rice University, Presiding

- Daniel Schultz, Whitman College
  *Foucault, Religion, and Racialization*

- Jonathan Thumas, Harvard University
  *Hermitage and Heterotopia: Foucault and Japanese Buddhist History*

- David Maldonado Rivera, Kenyon College
  *The Human Race Could Not Be Held Together: Foucault and the Histories of Premodern Race Making*

- Brandy Daniels, University of Portland
  "Foucault, Religion, and the Politics of Identity (or, how not to be a Christian?)"

- Biko Gray, Syracuse University
  *Sojourner Truth, Parrhesia, and Critical Praxis*

**Business Meeting**

Daniel Wyche, University of Chicago, Presiding

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**A21-309**
Professional Development - Pedagogy and Teaching
**History of Christianity Unit**
Theme: *Teaching Angry Christians*
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Minji Lee, Reunion Institute, Presiding

**Panelists**

Mark Clatterbuck, Montclair State University
Kate E. Temoney, Montclair State University
John Soboslai, Montclair State University
Samuel Perry, University of Chicago
Mia Bloom, Georgia State University
A21-310
Indian and Chinese Religions Compared Unit
Theme: Buddhist Worldshaping through Art, Rituals, and Meditation
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Michael Allen, University of Virginia, Presiding

- Pinyan Zhu, Kent State University

- Dixuan Yujing Chen, Grinnell College
  *Creating a Healing Meditation: Transformation and Acculturation of Buddhism in China*

- Athanaric Huard, École Pratique des Hautes Études
  *The ritual consecration (abhiṣeka) of the yogin in the "Qizil Yoga Manual"*

Business Meeting
Karen O'Brien-Kop, University of Roehampton, Presiding
Eyal Aviv, George Washington University, Presiding

A21-311
International Development and Religion Unit
Theme: Decolonization, Development & Faith: A Dialogue with Local Practitioners
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Marie Stettler Kleine, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Presiding

Panelists
Jill DeTemple, Southern Methodist University

A21-312
Interreligious and Interfaith Studies Unit and Lesbian-Feminisms and Religion Unit
Theme: Agile Boundaries
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Rachel Mikva, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding

- Rachel A. Heath, Vanderbilt University
  *Beyond Boundaries? Intimacy, Desire, and the Possibility of Consent in Interfaith*
Relations

- Russell CD Arnold, Regis University
- Alyse Knorr, Regis University

Queering Interfaith

- Wendy Mallette, Yale University

Revisiting a ‘Puritanical Feminist Crusader’: Andrea Dworkin, Supersessionism, and Queer Progress Narratives

A21-313
Korean Religions Unit
Theme: Korean Confucianism at a Crossroads
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Young-chan Ro, George Mason University, Presiding

Panelists

- Donald Baker, University of British Columbia
- Edward Chung, University of Prince Edward Island
- Hwa Yeong Wang, State University of New York, Binghamton
- So-Yi Chung, Sogang University

A21-335
Mormon Studies Unit
Theme: Mormonism and "Under the Banner of Heaven" Discussion
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Taylor Petrey, Kalamazoo College, Presiding

Panelists

- Robert A. Orsi, Northwestern University
- Jana Riess, Religion News Service
- Max Mueller, University of Nebraska
- Cristina Rosetti, Utah Tech University

A21-314
Books under Discussion
New Religious Movements Unit
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Benjamin Zeller, Lake Forest College, Presiding

Panelists

Jeffrey Wheatley, Iowa State University
Susannah Crockford, Ghent University
Cody Musselman, Yale University
Philip Deslippe, University of California, Santa Barbara

A21-315
North American Religions Unit
Theme: Religion and Nation Beyond Nationalism
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Laura McTighe, Florida State University, Presiding

- Adam Waters, Yale University
  
  Liberation Theology as Christian Left Internationalism: Father Sergio Torres and the "Theology in the Americas" Project

- Johanna Mueller, Stanford University
  
  American Nationalism and the Early Foreign Missions Movement

- Kristina Reinis, Harvard Divinity School
  
  Redefining Bercovitch’s Jeremiad: Maria W. Stewart and the formation of the African and Female Jeremiad

Responding

Heather D. Curtis, Tufts University

A21-316
Philosophy of Religion Unit
Theme: Love and the Political Imagination
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Lori K. Pearson, Carleton College, Presiding

- Donnell Williamson, Brown University
  
  A Love Supreme: Kierkegaard and Baldwin on Neighborly Love’s Intermediary
• Anne Castro, Florida International University

    Feminist Readings of Love Towards a Decolonial Political Imagination in Mother Tongue

• Christopher DiBona, Brown University

    Love's Freedom: Rethinking the Roots of Liberal Democracy

A21-301
Films
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe
Public Understanding of Religion Committee
Theme: Religion and Don't Look Up
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Evan Berry, Arizona State University, Presiding

Panelists

Gabriel Levy, Norwegian University of Science and Technology
David Sirota, Journalist and Screenwriter

A21-317
Quaker Studies Unit
Theme: History, Secularism, and the Quakers
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Jennifer Rycenga, San Jose State University, Presiding

• Rhiannon Grant, Woodbrooke Quaker Study Centre, Birmingham, UK

    The History of Quaker History

• Izzak Novak, Northwestern University

    "Democracy of God": Religious Liberals and Refusal of the Secular

Responding

David Harrington Watt, Haverford College

A21-318
Books under Discussion
Religion and Human Rights Unit
Theme: Author-Meets-Critics: Jonathan Malesic, The End of Burnout: Why Work
Drains Us and How to Build Better Lives (University of California Press, 2022)
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Laura Alexander, University of Nebraska, Omaha, Presiding

Panelists

Vincent Lloyd, Villanova University
C. Melissa Snarr, Vanderbilt University
Lauren R. Kerby, Princeton University
Joshua Carpenter, Florida State University

Responding

Jonathan Malesic, Southern Methodist University

Business Meeting

Jenna Reinbold, Colgate University, Presiding

A21-319
Religion and Migration Unit
Theme: Religion, Migration and Belonging: Exploring Diverse Regional and Religious Perspectives
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Eunil David Cho, Boston University, Presiding

- Ulrich Schmiedel, University of Edinburgh

  *Migration beyond Migrancy? Conceptualizations of Migration in European Multi-Faith Refugee Relief*

- Gabriel Catanus, Fuller Theological Seminary

  *Touching the Ground: The Struggle for Home in Filipino American Theology*

- Nanette Spina, University of Georgia

  *Asian Transnational Religion Building Transnational Belonging: Global Adhiparasakthi in North American Hindu Communities*

- Amy Fallas, University of California, Santa Barbara

  *“Extranjeros Indeseables:” Migration, Religion, and Racialization of Palestinians in 20th Century El Salvador*
Business Meeting

Nanette Spina, University of Georgia, Presiding

A21-320
Religion and Popular Culture Unit
Theme: A Marvelous Creation: The Marvel Cinematic Universe and Religion
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Kaitlyn Ugoretz, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

- John McCormack, Aurora University
  
  Kevin Feige’s Constantinian Moment, or: How the History of Christianity Can Illuminate the Marvel Cinematic Universe

- Joel Hodge, Australian Catholic University
  
  “The most natural thing in the world”: Understanding the metaphysical vision of the MCU

- Chanelle Robinson, Boston College
  
  Afro-Futurism and the Sacred: Revisiting Marvel’s ‘Black Panther’

A21-321
Books under Discussion
Religion and the Social Sciences Unit
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Harlan Stelmach, Dominican University of California, Presiding

Panelists

Mark Juergensmeyer, University of California, Santa Barbara
Jennifer Ratner-Rosenhagen, University of Wisconsin
Charles Camic, Northwestern University
Philip Gorski, Yale University

Responding

Matteo Bortolini, University of Padua

A21-322
Religion, Sport, and Play Unit
Theme: Complicating Religion: Sports, Exercise and Navigating Life
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Jeffrey Scholes, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs, Presiding

- Joseph Cheah, University of Saint Joseph
  Cultural Pursuits and Religion: The Dao of Karate-do

- Kathleen Mroz, Emmanuel College, Boston
  The Church of the Sunday Long Run: Endurance Sport as Alternative to Institutional Religion?

- Erica Ridderman, Duke University
  “Jesus Tough”: Evangelical Sports Ministry and Theological Justifications for Athletic Suffering

Reviewers
Randall Balmer, Dartmouth College

Business Meeting
Carmen Marie Nanko-Fernandez, Catholic Theological Union, Presiding

A21-323
Religions in the Latina/o Americas Unit
Theme: Negotiating Religious Identities and Alternative Archives in the Latina/o/x Americas
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Matthew Casey-Pariseault, Arizona State University, Presiding

- Amanda Baugh, California State University, Northridge
  Loving Nature is Fundamental: American Environmentalism and Latinx Catholic Imaginations

- Sofia Maurette, University of Maryland
  The Magazine Noel and The Formation of the Catholic Woman in the 1920s Argentina

- Bair Eloyevich Puig Zhamaganov, University of Rosario, Columbia
Transition to Buddhism in Bogotá, Colombia: fifty self-perception stories of converted practitioners

Responding

Jessica Delgado, Ohio State University

A21-333
Full Papers Available
Religious Reflections on Friendship Seminar
Theme: Spiritual Friendship: Sacramental, Transformational, and Pedagogical Perspectives
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Hussam S. Timani, Christopher Newport University, Presiding

- Margaret Gower, Saint Mary's College
  "What are you going through?" Friendship as Sacrament

- Sarah Bixler, Princeton Theological Seminary
  Friends in Crisis: Rediscovering Early Anabaptist Leaders within a Catholic Friendship Tradition

- John M. Thompson, Christopher Newport University
  Dharma as Friendship: Thich Nhat Hanh's Engaged Buddhism

- Laura Duhan-Kaplan, Vancouver School of Theology
  Spiritual Friendship in the Inter-Religious Studies Classroom: Lessons from Hevruta Study

A21-324
Scriptural Reasoning Unit
Theme: Women's Voices in the Study of Religion: An Interreligious Engagement
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Nicholas Adams, University of Birmingham, Presiding

Panelists

Susannah Heschel, Dartmouth College
Linn Tonstad, Yale University
Zahra Ayubi, Dartmouth College
A21-325
Sociology of Religion Unit
Theme: Religion and Social Justice: Navigating Race, Sexuality, and Politics in Faith Communities
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Amidu Elabo, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

- Angel Clark, Boston University
  *The Burdens of Organizational Change: Spiritual Formation among Racialized and LGBTQIA+ Seminary Students*

- Gerardo Marti, Davidson College
  Mark Mulder, Calvin University
  Kevin Dougherty, Baylor University
  *When White Progressive Christians Commit to Confronting Whiteness in their Churches: Race, Religion, and the Challenge of Antiracism in American Christianity*

- Wes Markofski, Carleton College
  *Protecting Sacred Waters: Mobilizing Indigenous and Western Meanings of Science and Spirituality in the Battle over Line 3*

- Nicolette Manglos-Weber, Boston University
  *Calling for Peace, Crying for Change: Crisis Moments and Religious Politics in Uganda*

A21-326
South Asian Religions Unit
Theme: Ethics of Conviction: Negotiating Gender, Caste, and Religion in India
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Sarah Pierce Taylor, University of Chicago, Presiding

- Harini Kumar, University of Chicago
  *Cultivating Authority: Muslim Women, Islamic Pedagogy, and Ethical Life in South India*

- Drishadhvati Bargi, University of Minnesota
Becoming maternal, becoming conscientious? Inner conviction and the image of the Dalit dissenter in times of Hindu Majoritarianism.

- Zehra Mehdi, Columbia University

  *Remembering to Mourn, Mourning to Remember: Majilis as a site of political resistance.*

**Responding**

Anand Taneja, Vanderbilt University

**A21-327**

**Study of Judaism Unit**

Theme: *American Jewish Thought at Midcentury: Not as Dull as You Thought.*
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Elias Sacks, University of Colorado, Presiding

- Rachel Gordan, University of Florida

  *Accounts of Returns to Judaism: Jewish Thought for the Postwar American Reader*

- Robert Erlewine, Indiana Wesleyan University

  *Varieties of Religious Naturalism: God and Salvation in Richard Rubenstein and Mordecai Kaplan*

- Sarah Imhoff, Indiana University, Bloomington

  *Gender, Genre, and American Jewish Thought: The Case of Irma Levy Lindheim*

**Responding**

Martin Kavka, Florida State University

**A21-334**

**Teaching against Islamophobia Seminar**

Theme: *Colonialism, Othering, and Anti-Muslim Racism: Histories and Legacies of Islamophobia*
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Sajida Jalalzai, Trinity University, Presiding

- Iskander Abbasi, University of Johannesburg
Coloniality and the Muslim World: Before and Beyond the Atlantic and Americas

- Matthew Hotham, Ball State University

  "Please Be Courteous to Your Muslim Neighbors": Concern Trolling, Ritual Purity, and the Construction of Muslim Otherness in Islamophobic Rhetoric on Dogs

- Maha Elgenaidi, Islamic Networks Group (ING)

  Zachary Markwith, Islamic Networks Group

  "Islamophobia and Its Impact in the US and World: A Strategy for Teaching about Anti-Muslim Racism"

A21-328
Professional Development - Pedagogy and Teaching
Teaching Religion Unit
Theme: Disrupting the Canon: Teaching as Resistance
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Jacob Barrett, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Presiding

- Marie-Therese Mäder, University of Munich

  Stefanie Knauss, Villanova University

  Teaching Religion and Ethics with Short Films

- Rebecca Moody, Worcester Polytechnic Institute

  Brick by Brick: Using Intentional Citational Practices to Disrupt Canonical Norms

- Laura Taylor, College of Saint Benedict, Saint John's University

  We Don’t Talk About Barth, No, No, No!: Implementing Conscientious Citational Methods as Critical Feminist Pedagogical Practice in the Theology Classroom

A21-329
Traditions of Eastern Late Antiquity Unit
Theme: Texts and Identities in Late Antiquity
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)
Laura Locke Estes, Pepperdine University, Presiding

- Abdulla Galadari, Khalifa University
Greco-Arabian Gnosticism

- James McGrath, Butler University

  *Late Antique Texts and Earlier History: The Case of John the Baptist and Mandaean Sources*

- Emanuel Fiano, Fordham University

  *The Idea of the Law in Isho'bokht of Rev Ardarshir*

- James Wolfe, Ohio State University

  *WHAT DOES ARMENIA HAVE TO DO WITH ATHENS? PLUTARCH, PAIDEIA, AND AESOP IN THE BUZANDARAN PATMUT’IWNK’*

Business Meeting

Sara Ronis, St. Mary's University, Texas, Presiding
James Walters, Hill Monastic Manuscript Library, Presiding

A21-330

**Vatican II Studies Unit**

**Theme:** *Vatican II: The Ecclesial and Pastoral Ecosystem of Pope Francis*

Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)

Jaisy Joseph, Villanova University, Presiding

- Henry Shea, Boston College

  *Soteriological Expansion: Vatican II and the Universality of the Divine Will to Save*

- Jos Moons, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven

  *The Holy Spirit, the Sensus Fidelium, and the Synod 2021-2023. The Remarkably Diverse Reception of Lumen gentium 12 by Pope Francis and Academic Theologians*

- Massimo Faggioli, Villanova University

  *The Contested Authority of Vatican II in the USA in the Last Fifty Years: the Anti-Vatican II Narrative, from the Fringes to the Center of the Institutional Church*

A21-331

**Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe**

**Western Esotericism Unit**
Theme: **Esotericism, Catastrophe, Apocalypse**  
Monday, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (In Person)  
Egil Asprem, Stockholm University, Presiding

- David Grumett, University of Edinburgh  
  *Distillation at the end of time*
- Timothy Grieve-Carlson, Rice University  
  *No Wisdom in Nature: Protestant Hermeticism During the Little Ice Age*
- John Allison, Rice University  
  *Black Sun Rising: Jason Reza Jorjani’s Esoteric Eugenics*

**Business Meeting**

Egil Asprem, Stockholm University, Presiding  
Christa Shusko, Linnaeus University, Presiding  
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM

**A21-403**  
**Anthropology of Religion Unit**  
Theme: **New Forays in Theory in Method in the Anthropology of Religion**  
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)  
Jennifer A. Selby, Memorial University of Newfoundland, Presiding

- Shreya Maini, Duke University  
  *Beyond the Binary of Fate Versus Probability: Theorizing Religious Coincidence through Ethnography*
- Ken Chitwood, Freie Universitat Berlin  
  *Ethnographic journalism and the public understanding of religion*
- Amanda J. G. Napior, Boston University  
  *From the Inside: Spiritual Anthropologies of Personal Transformation in a Massachusetts Prison*
- Jacob Tischer, Boston University
Experience and Experiment: Making Taiwan through Pilgrimage

Responding

Jon Bialecki, University of Edinburgh

A21-400
Professional Development - Employment
Professional Development - Pedagogy and Teaching
Applied Religious Studies Committee, Death, Dying, and Beyond Unit, and Teaching Religion Unit
Theme: Working and Teaching Outside the Academy: A Roundtable on Death, Dying, and Beyond Landscapes
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Amy Defibaugh, Temple University, Presiding

- Elana Jefferson-Tatum, Tufts University
  Birth Work is Grief Work, too!
- Aaron Klink, Duke University
  From Doctrine to Practice: Teaching Clinicians About Engaging Religious Faith in End of Life Care
- Bhakti Mamtora, College of Wooster
  Preparing Students for Careers Outside of the Academy through Applied Religious Studies
- Jeremy F. Cohen, McMaster University
  Mandy BENOUALID, Independent Scholar
  Talk Death Daily

A21-404
Books under Discussion
Body and Religion Unit and Human Enhancement and Transhumanism Unit
Theme: Author Meets Critics: Roundtable on Philip Butler’s Black Transhuman Liberation Theology: Technology and Spirituality (Bloomsbury, 2021)
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Leonard McKinnis, University of Illinois, Presiding
Panelists

Megan Leverage, Central Michigan University
Nicole Symmonds, Emory University
Sylvester Johnson, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

Responding

Philip Butler, Iliff School of Theology

A21-405
Buddhism in the West Unit
Theme: Transnational Buddhism, Health and Covid-19
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Kim Lam, Deakin University, Presiding

- XIAO HAN, University of Quebec, Montreal
  Chinese’ digital Sangha’s Buddhist response to Covid-19 in French Canada (Montreal)

- Natasha Mikles, Texas State University
  The Buddhist Cultural Tool-kit and COVID-19: A Case Study of the Fo Guang Shan Xiang Yun Community

- C. Pierce Salguero, Penn State University
  Surveying Buddhism & Health in the U.S.

Business Meeting

Scott Mitchell, Institute of Buddhist Studies, Presiding
Caroline Starkey, University of Leeds, Presiding

A21-406
Buddhist Philosophy Unit
Theme: Is Buddhist political thought possible? Normative, historical, and exegetical approaches
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Emily McRae, University of New Mexico, Presiding
• Arya Moallem, Harvard University

  *Heavenly Bodies and Fiscal Policy: on being Buddhist and Bureaucrat in Early Modern Tibet*

• Anthony White, Binghamton University

  *Buddhism, Nonduality, and the Politics of Nonviolence*

• Pierre-Julien Harter, University of New Mexico

  *Are kleśas political? Toward the possibility of a Buddhist political thought*

• Charles Goodman, State University of New York, Binghamton

  *Why No Political Philosophy in Buddhism? A Hypothesis*

**A21-407**

**Catholic Studies Unit**

Theme: *Catholics’ Horror: Sources and Consequences of Catholic Fear*

Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)

Jack Downey, University of Rochester, Presiding

• Joshua Canzona, University of North Carolina At Chapel Hill

  *Blood and Beauty: Anne Rice and the Vampire in Catholic Horror*

• Mathew Schmalz, College of the Holy Cross

  *Catholic Body Horror: Asceticism and Eroticism in Fred Schepisi’s The Devil's Playground (1976)*

• William Chavez, University of California, Santa Barbara

  Mariangela Carpinteri, University of California, Santa Barbara

  *Immaginario Satanista: The “Catholic Horror” of Global Satanic Conspiracy*

• Emma J. Anderson, University of Ottawa

  *The Telltale Heart: A True-Crime Canadian Catholic “Cold Case”*

**Responding**
Christina Pasqua, University of Toronto

A21-408
Chinese Christianities Unit
Theme: Sinophone as Method: Pushing the Boundaries of the Field of Chinese Christianities
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Chloe Starr, Yale University, Presiding

Panelists

Justin Tse, Singapore Management University
Easten Law, Georgetown University
Ting Guo, University of Toronto
Tsz Him Lai, Drew University

Business Meeting

Christie Chui-Shan Chow, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

A21-409
Christian Systematic Theology Unit
Theme: A Theology for the 21st Century?
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
David True, Wilson College, Presiding

Panelists

Michelle Sanchez, Harvard University
Ruben Rosario Rodriguez, Saint Louis University
James K. A. Smith, Calvin University
Sarah Coakley, University of Cambridge

Responding

Douglas F. Ottati, Davidson College

A21-410
Comparative Approaches to Religion and Violence Unit and Religion and the Social Sciences Unit and Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Unit
Theme: Religious Resistance to Political Injustice, Brutality, and Despair
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Robert Smith, University of North Texas, Presiding
• Seth Gaiters, University of North Carolina, Wilmington
  *Ferguson Foundations and Black (Religio)Digital Networks of Uprising*

• Valeria Vergani, Stanford University
  *Sharing Prophecies of Harmony: Online Movement Building, Indigenous-Settler Futurities, and the Weaving of Interfaith Universalism*

• Shalahudin Kafrawi, Hobart and William Smith Colleges
  *Strengthening Social Cohesion Through Humanitarian Islam*

• Donald Miller, University of Southern California, Dornsife
  *Engaged Spirituality: A Novel Methodology for Studying Exemplary Humanitarians*

**Business Meeting**

Chase L. Way, Other, Presiding
Kelly Denton-Borhaug, Moravian College, Presiding

**A21-411**
Books under Discussion

**Comparative Religious Ethics Unit and Confucian Traditions Unit**
Theme: *Roundtable on Tao Jiang’s book Origins of Moral-Political Philosophy in Early China (Oxford University Press, 2021)*
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Jingjing Li, Leiden University, Presiding

**Panelists**

Jin Y Park, American University, Washington, D.C.
On-cho Ng, Pennsylvania State University
Michael Puett, Harvard University

**Responding**

Tao Jiang, Rutgers University, New Brunswick

**Reviewers**

Gil Raz, Dartmouth College
A21-412
Contemporary Islam Unit and Religion and Ecology Unit
Theme: Islam and Ecology: Muslim Perspectives on Climate Justice and Environmental Ethics
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Kimberly Wortmann, Wake Forest University, Presiding

- Etin Anwar, Hobart and William Smith Colleges
  
  *Facing the environmental apocalypse and the pursuit of climate justice in Indonesia*

- Iskander Abbasi, University of Johannesburg
  
  *On Being a Steward of the Earth: An Islamic Liberation Theology Approach*

- Sarra Tlili, University of Florida
  
  *Dominion, Stewardship, or Integration? Insights into the Qur’an’s Environmental Ethic*

Responding

Robert Tappan, Towson University

A21-413
Eastern Orthodox Studies Unit
Theme: Science and Orthodox Christian Thought and Practice
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Philip Dorroll, Wofford College, Presiding

- Christopher Howell, Duke University
  
  *A Sacred Evolutionary Cosmos - Philip Sherrard, Theodosius Dobzhansky, and the Theological Challenge of Climate Change*

- Eugenia Torrance, University of Notre Dame
  
  *Gregory Palamas, Natural Philosophy, and the Tradition of Learned Skepticism*

- Sarah Livick-Moses, Boston College
  
  *Healing the ‘Burden of Worthlessness’: Trauma Studies and Christian Contemplative Theology*
• Hermina Nedelescu, Scripps Research Institute

*The Neurobiological Basis of Motivated Behavior and Orthodox Christians during the COVID Pandemic*

**A21-414**  
**Ecclesial Practices Unit**  
Theme: *Young People and Ecclesial Imagination in Times of Crisis*  
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)  
Sarah Kathleen Johnson, Vancouver School of Theology, Presiding

• Eunil David Cho, Boston University  
  Wonchul Shin, Villanova University

*Practicing Radical Hope in the Face of Violent Uncertainty: How Undocumented Young Adults Tell Religious Stories to Reimagine Their Future in the US*

• Mary Scine, Flagler College

*Catastrophe In The Lives Of Young People On The Margins, And The Church’s Response*

• Wai-Yin Christina Wong, Chinese University of Hong Kong

*“Ecclesial imagination” in a Moment of Kairos: A Study of Christian Youth Protest Against the Church in Hong Kong*

**A21-415**  
**Ethics Unit**  
Theme: *Guilt, Blame, and Justification: Social Ethics in the Context of Resistance*  
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)  
Jonathan Tran, Baylor University, Presiding

• Joseph Lim, University of Notre Dame

*Blame for Circumstance-Induced Racist Traits*

• Dallas Gingles, Southern Methodist University

*Christ, Intrinsic Laws, and Guilt in Bonhoeffer's "History and the Good 2"*

• Olaoluwatoni Alimi, Princeton University
(When) Is Violent Resistance Permissible? The Analogy of Just War

A21-432
Full Papers Available
New Program Unit
Foucault and the Study of Religion Seminar
Theme: Sex, Ethics, & the Flesh in Foucault
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Daniel Wyche, University of Chicago, Presiding

- Louis Ruprecht, Georgia State University
  *Foucault, Ethics and Religion: Beyond Freudian Stoicism*
- Maureen Kelly, University of Chicago
  *Truth-Telling: on Foucault, Christianity, and Comparison*
- Kirsten Collins, University of Chicago
  *That Other Fornication: Judaism, Race and Flesh in Foucault's Concept of Critique*
- Donovan Schaefer, University of Pennsylvania
  *Power-Knowledge-Pleasure: Rethinking the Religious/Secular Binary with Foucault*
- Ellen T. Armour, Vanderbilt University
  *Resourcing Resistance to Bio-disciplinary Power: A Case Study*

A21-416
Books under Discussion
Hindu Philosophy Unit and Sikh Studies Unit
Theme: Roundtable on Arvind-Pal Singh Mandair’s Sikh Philosophy: Exploring Gurmat Concepts in a Decolonizing World (Bloomsbury, 2022)
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Puninder Singh, University of Michigan, Presiding

Panelists
Jeffery D. Long, Elizabethtown College
Ananda Abeysekara, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Monika Kirloskar-Steinbach, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
Rita Dhamoon, University of Victoria
Responding

Arvind Mandair, University of Michigan

A21-417
Islamic Mysticism Unit and Religious Conversions Unit
Theme: *Initiation: Conversion By Another Name?*
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Linda Mercadante, Methodist Theological School in Ohio, Presiding

- Rebecca Faulkner, Princeton University
  *American Ahmadiyya in the 1920s*

- Mark Sedgwick, Aarhus University
  *Initiation and Conversion in Western Sufism*

- Edith Szanto, University of Alabama
  *Joining the Kasnazani Order: The Politics of Initiation and Conversion in Iraqi Kurdistan*

A21-418
Japanese Religions Unit and Hagiography Society
Theme: *Holy Death, People and Places: Reincarnation, Resurrection, Martyrdom, and the Ambiguity of Death*
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Anna Harrison, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding

- Eric Swanson, Loyola Marymount University
  *Animating the Compassion of the Dharma King: An Assessment of Jien's Vision of Prince Shōtoku in Exaltations of the Imperial Prince in Five Sections*

- Jesse Drian, University of Southern California
  *Dead Connections: The Affective and Devotional Reception of Death and Deification in Itsukushima no honji*

- Roy Fisher, Loyola Marymount University
Holy Martyrs in 2 Maccabees and Matthew’s Jesus

- Charlotte Radler, Loyola Marymount University

"Marvelous in Life and Death: Christina the Astonishing as Co-Redemptrix and Alternative Model of Authority"

Responding

Nikolas Hoel, Northeastern Illinois University

A21-419
Martin Luther and Global Lutheran Traditions Unit
Theme: Reading Luther’s Influences: Political, Mystical, and Scriptural Theologies
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Kristen E. Kvam, Saint Paul School of Theology, Presiding

- Annette G. Aubert, Westminster Theological Seminary

  The Political Theology of Martin Luther

- Samuel Dubbelman, Boston University

  Martin Luther and Mystical Theology

- Tapio Leinonen, University of Helsinki

  God’s Word with a Human Touch: Luther on the Human Experience of Moses the Narrator

Business Meeting

Kristen E. Kvam, Saint Paul School of Theology, Presiding
Jacob Erickson, Trinity College, Dublin, Presiding

A21-420
Moral Injury and Recovery in Religion, Society, and Culture Unit
Theme: Moral Injury, Agency, and Experience
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Michael Yandell, Emory University, Presiding
Joseph Wiinikka-Lydon, Guilford College, Presiding

- Connie Bahng, Boston University
A Thurmanite-Han Account of Receptive Moral Injury

- Brian Powers, Durham University

Moral Injury in a Polarised world: A typology based on Agency

- Lily An Kim, McMaster Div College, McMaster Univ.

Black Nursing and Moral Distress in the History of Disabilities Primary Care

A21-421
Music and Religion Unit
Theme: Ethics, Affect, and Political Theology through Song
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Alisha L. Jones, Indiana University, Bloomington, Presiding

- Melanie Hill, Rutgers University
  
  Sermonic Proclamation and Sacred Song: Reimagining the Prophetic Grace of Aretha Franklin

- Nathan Myrick, Mercer University
  
  Crowd Surfing in a Wheelchair: Trauma, Diversity, and Radical Hospitality at Furnace Fest XX[i]

- Andrew Ronnevik, Baylor University
  
  Dissonant/Dissident Drumbeats: Dalits, Music, and Affective Political Theology

Business Meeting

Joshua Busman, University of North Carolina, Pembroke, Presiding
Alisha L. Jones, Indiana University, Bloomington, Presiding

A21-422
North American Religions Unit
Theme: Earth, Water, Wind, and Fire: A Roundtable on Religion and the Anthropocene in North America
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Sarah McFarland Taylor, Northwestern University, Presiding

Panelists
Judith Ellen Brunton, University of Toronto
Michael Pasquier, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge
Peter Thuesen, Indiana University - Purdue University, Indianapolis
Sarah M. Pike, California State University, Chico

Responding

Richard Callahan, Gonzaga University

A21-423
Political Theology Unit and Secularism and Secularity Unit
Theme: Decolonial Critiques of the Secular/Religious Divide
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Santiago H. Slabodsky, Hofstra University, Presiding

Panelists

Laura Perez, University of California, Berkeley
Eduardo Mendieta, State University of New York, Stony Brook
Natalie Avalos, University of Colorado, Boulder
Rafael Vizcaino, DePaul University

Responding

An Yountae, California State University, Northridge

A21-424
Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Unit
Theme: Social Practice, Embodiment, and the Formation of Habit
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Joseph Winters, Duke University, Presiding

• Patrick Haley, Princeton Theological Seminary

  Appealing to the Imago Dei: A Neopragmatist Approach to Speech-Acts and Normative Status

• Michael Raposa, Lehigh University

  Martial Arts as Embodied Cognition: A Pragmatist Analysis

• Luke Zerra, Princeton Theological Seminary
Liturical Formation and the Pragmatics of Language

- Keith Menhinick, Emory University

Confronting Racist Habits: Practical Theological Implications of William James's View of Habit Change

Business Meeting

Joseph Winters, Duke University, Presiding
Karen-Louise Rucks-Walker, Quinsigamond Community College, Presiding

A21-401
Professional Development - Publishing
Publications Committee
Theme: Women in Publishing
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Andrea Jain, Indiana University - Purdue University, Indianapolis, Presiding

Panelists

Alda Balthrop-Lewis, Australian Catholic University
Amanda Lucia, University of California, Riverside
Irene Oh, George Washington University
Aline Kalbian, Florida State University

A21-425
Queer Studies in Religion Unit
Theme: The Trans Sounds of Black Freedom: Identifying Embedded Socio-emotional Assets in House Ball Families: Implications for HIV prevention, Grass Roots Organizing and a new understanding of a Theology of Liberation
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
MICHAEL ROBERSON, THE CENTER FOR RACE, RELIGION AND ECONOMIC DEMOCRACY, Presiding

Panelists

Charlene Sinclair, Union Theological Seminary

A21-426
Religion and Science Fiction Unit
Theme: Cyborgs and Subjectivity: Impacts of Apocalypse on The Self
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Emanuelle Burton, University of Illinois, Chicago, Presiding
• Jordan Conley, Boston University
  John Balch, Boston University
  
  *So Say We All: Battlestar Galactica and Environmental Humanities*

• Stephen Garner, Laidlaw College
  
  *Nurturing the Ghost in the Shell: Human Flourishing in Post-Apocalyptic Science Fiction*

• Girim Jung, Felician University
  
  *Techno-Orientalism and the Commodification of Asian Religious Cultures in the Wachowski's Matrix Series*

**A21-427**
Books under Discussion

**Religion in Europe Unit**
Theme: *Religion Around Walter Benjamin (Pennsylvania State University Press, 2022)*
by Brian Britt
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Samuel Kessler, Gustavas Adolphus College, Presiding

**Panelists**

Winnifred Sullivan, Indiana University
Stephanie Paulsell, Harvard University
Benjamin Sax, Institute for Islamic, Christian, and Jewish Studies

**Responding**

Brian M. Britt, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

**Business Meeting**

Carol Ferrara, Boston University, Presiding
John McCormack, Aurora University, Presiding

**A21-428**

**Religion in Premodern Europe and the Mediterranean Unit**
Theme: *Premodern Ecologies and Cosmologies*
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Lora Walsh, University of Arkansas, Presiding

- Kathryn M. Kueny, Fordham University
  
  *Earthquakes, Winds, Droughts, and Floods: Disaster response in premodern Muslim societies*

- Mai Lootah, Rice University
  
  **VISIONARY PRACTICES IN COURTS: ASTROLOGY AS A COSMOLOGY IN THE FALNĀMA**

- Timothy Grieve-Carlson, Rice University
  
  "To Remove a Wen During the Crescent Moon:” Ecological Healing in Premodern and Modern Ritual Practice

**Business Meeting**

Wendy Love Anderson, Washington University, St. Louis, Presiding
Claire Fanger, Rice University, Presiding
Martha Newman, University of Texas, Presiding

**A21-429**
Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Unit and Study of Judaism Unit
Theme: *Seeing Judaism: Centering Visuality in Jewish Culture*
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Jennifer Caplan, Towson University, Presiding

- Ishai Mishory, Columbia University
  
  *Jewish Period Eye: The Sense of Sight in ibn Saḥula’s Mashal ha-ḳadmoni (1491)*

- Brian Ogren, Rice University
  
  *Sacred Stories on the Profane Screen: On Cinematic Representations of Jewish Esoteric Lore*

- Ranana Dine, University of Chicago
  
  *Hath not a Jew Eyes?: Broadening Jewish Ethics to Include Visual Culture*

**A21-433**
Religious Reflections on Friendship Seminar
Theme: Friendship, Ethics, Theology, and the Pursuit of Justice
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Laura Duhan-Kaplan, Vancouver School of Theology, Presiding

- Allen G. Jorgenson, Wilfrid Laurier University
  
  Friendship, Ethics, and Indigenous Insights

- Justin Barringer, Southern Methodist University
  
  A Quaker and an Atheist Walk into a Revolution: Bayard Rustin and A. Philip Randolph’s Civic Friendship and Economic Justice

- Anne-Marie Ellithorpe, Vancouver School of Theology
  
  Friendship and the Prophetic Tradition: Abraham Joshua Heschel and Martin Luther King, Jr.

- Hussam S. Timani, Christopher Newport University
  
  A Comparative Exploration of “the Friendship of God” in the Catholic and Sufi Traditions

Business Meeting

Hussam S. Timani, Christopher Newport University, Presiding
Anne-Marie Ellithorpe, Vancouver School of Theology, Presiding

P21-435
Books under Discussion
Society for Comparative Research on Iconic and Performative Texts
Theme: Book Review Panel on Drawn to the Word: The Bible and Graphic Design (SBL Press, 2021) by Amanda Dillon
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Jonathan Homrighausen, Duke University, Presiding

Responding

S. Brent Plate, Hamilton College
Sonia Hazard, Florida State University
Jonathan Homrighausen, Duke University
Amanda Dillon, Dublin City University
A21-402
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe
Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee
Theme: Eurocentric Christianity as Catastrophic to Native and Indigenous Populations
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Swasti Bhattacharyya, Harvard University, Presiding

Panelists

C. Vanessa White, Catholic Theological Union

A21-434
Professional Development - Pedagogy and Teaching
Teaching against Islamophobia Seminar
Theme: Teaching Against Islamophobia: Pedagogical Approaches and Strategies
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Sajida Jalalzai, Trinity University, Presiding

Panelists

Krista Riley, Vanier College
Roshanarah Jahangeer, York University
Alison Melnick Dyer, Bates College
Megan Goodwin, Northeastern University

Business Meeting

Sajida Jalalzai, Trinity University, Presiding

A21-430
Professional Development - Pedagogy and Teaching
Traditions of Eastern Late Antiquity Unit
Theme: Teaching the Traditions of the Late Antique East: A Strategy Swap
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Abby Kulisz, Indiana University, Bloomington, Presiding

Panelists

Krista Dalton, Kenyon College
Jae Han, Brown University
Erin Walsh, University of Chicago
Naomi Koltun-Fromm, Haverford College
Natalie Reynoso, Fordham University
A21-431
Women and Religion Unit
Theme: Commemorating the Life and Work of Rosemary Radford Ruether
Monday, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (In Person)
Emilie M. Townes, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Panelists

Rosemary P. Carbine, Whittier College
Boyung Lee, Iliff School of Theology
Mary E. Hunt, Women's Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual
Stephanie Y. Mitchem, University of South Carolina
Judith Plaskow, Manhattan College

A21-500
Films
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe
Films
Theme: Religion and Catastrophe in a 40th anniversary screening of Koyaanisqatsi: Life Out of Balance (Reggio, 1982)
Monday, 8:00 PM-10:00 PM (In Person)
Elijah Siegler, College of Charleston, Presiding

Panelists

John Modern, Franklin & Marshall College

A21-501
Receptions/Breakfasts/Luncheons
Program Committee
Theme: Program Unit Chairs' and Steering Committee Members' Reception
Monday, 8:00 PM-10:00 PM (In Person)

Tuesday, 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM

A22-100
Arts, Literature and Religion Unit and Hinduism Unit and South Asian Religion Unit
Theme: A Splendid Land: Udaipur at the Smithsonian
Tuesday, 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM (In Person)
Shana Sippy, Centre College, Presiding
Panelists
Nell Hawley, Harvard University
John E. Cort, Denison University
Jennifer Ortegren, Middlebury College
Philip Lutgendorf, University of Iowa
Jack Hawley, Barnard College, Columbia University
Manpreet Kaur, Columbia University
Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida

A22-101
Buddhism Unit
Theme: New Work in Buddhist Studies
Tuesday, 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM (In Person)
Bryan Lowe, Princeton University, Presiding

- Caiyang Xu, Columbia University
  How “Chinese” is Mahāyāna? The Formation of the Mahāyāna Distinction in 20th century China

- Patrick Lambelet, University of California, Santa Barbara
  The Great Lord Reconsidered: Atiśa Dīpaṃkara and the Taming of the Tantras

- Marielle Harrison, University of Chicago
  THE STENCH OF MEAT: THE OLFACTORY REPERCUSSIONS OF MEAT CONSUMPTION IN MAHĀYĀNA BUDDHIST TEXTS

- Heather Moody, University of Virginia
  The Tibetan Treasure Tradition in the Light of Ratna Linpa’s _Lamp_

A22-102
Comparative Studies in Religion Unit
Theme: King Ashoka’s Dilemma: Using Historical Role Immersion Games to Teach Comparative Religion
Tuesday, 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM (In Person)
J. Noel Hubler, Lebanon Valley College, Presiding

Panelists
Joel Dubois, California State University, Sacramento

A22-103
Ethics Unit
Theme: Gentrification and Religious Ethics
Tuesday, 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM (In Person)
Rebecca Epstein-Levi, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

- Laura Stivers, Dominican University of California
  
  *Freedom to Flourish: Housing as a Right Not a Commodity*

- Sara Williams, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
  
  *Racial Accountability and Responsibility as Public Care: Examining Housing Reparations and Gentrification in Evanston*

- Ross Kane, Virginia Theological Seminary
  
  *Is Christ’s Body Gentrified?: An Analysis of Congregations and Gentrification*

A22-104
History of Christianity Unit
Theme: Saint Making: Power and Politics
Tuesday, 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM (In Person)
Erica Ramirez, Auburn Seminary, Presiding

- Elyse Raby, Santa Clara University
  
  *Mystical Bodies in the Mystical Body: Starvation, Sanctity, and Saint-making of Medieval Women Mystics*

- Dwight Newman, University of Saskatchewan
  
  *Conversos, Jewish Continuities, and Legal Procedures of Inquisition: Covert Complexities of Teresa as Saint within the Catholic Reformation Context*

- Marc Loustau, College of the Holy Cross
  
  *Confirming Benevolence: Canonization, Communist History, and the Hungarian State’s Project to Build a Christian National Culture*
A22-105
Religion and Ecology Unit
Theme: Assessing Environmental Strategies for Change: Conversion, Aesthetics, and Revelation
Tuesday, 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM (In Person)
Christiana Zenner, Fordham University, Presiding

- Colin Weaver, University of Chicago
  
  *Eco-conversion and Polarization in the Age of Climate Catastrophe*

- Dorothy Dean, Hastings College
  
  *Are Ashes All That Is Left? Grace Jantzen’s Aesthetics and the Beauty of Biodiversity*

- Emily Theus, Yale University
  
  *Crisis Clarity, or the Occlusion of Meaning? The Problems of Revealed Relationality*

A22-106
Religion and Popular Culture Unit
Theme: “Cult” Docuseries and Political Crises, Black Religion in Lovecraft Country, and Squid Game as Sacrificial Rite: Religion and Binge-Worthy Television
Tuesday, 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM (In Person)
America Wolff, Florida State University, Presiding

- DeAnna Daniels, Rice University
  
  *On Ghosts, Hoodoo, and Complex Subjectivity: Examining Horror and Black Religion in HBO's Lovecraft Country*

- Joshua Urich, Bowdoin College
  
  “‘So, sit back, relax, don’t join any cults, and enjoy these shows.’ ‘cult shows’ and political crises

A22-107
Science, Technology, and Religion Unit
Theme: Religion, the Body, and Human Modification Technologies
Tuesday, 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM (In Person)
Donovan Schaefer, University of Pennsylvania, Presiding

- Brittany Acors, University of Virginia
A Catastrophe of Body and Spirit: Religious Responses to Polio

- Jacqui Frost, Rice University
- Rachel Schneider, Rice University
- Elaine Howard Ecklund, Rice University
- Andrea Henderson, University of South Carolina

Divine Purpose? Religion, Race, and Life Extension Technologies

- Sharday Mosurinjohn, Queen's University

The Self in Simulation: Psychotherapy, VR, and AI

Business Meeting

Heather Mellquist Lehto, University of Toronto, Presiding
Josh Reeves, Samford University, Presiding

A22-108
Sociology of Religion Unit
Theme: Framing and Mobilizing Religion: National Contexts, Social Values, and the Meaning of Religion
Tuesday, 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM (In Person)
Warren S. Goldstein, Center for Critical Research on Religion, Presiding

- Ellie Ash, Boston University
  Narratives of Choice and Obligation in an American Jewish Congregation

- Galen Watts, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
  Sam Reimer, Crandall University

- Di Di, Santa Clara University
  Esther Chan, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
  Education, Work, and Politics: How Religiosity and National Context Shape Gender
Ideologies in Different Social Spheres

• Grace Tien, Brandeis University
  Wendy Cadge, Brandeis University

Chaplain Hiring and Training in Federal Government Organizations

A22-109
Study of Islam Unit
Theme: Regimes of Muslim Subject Formation
Tuesday, 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM (In Person)
Shatha Almutawa, Willamette University, Presiding

• Samaah Jaffer, Yale University
  Karbala as Discipline: Reflections on History, Memory, and Muslim Subjectivity

• Megan Robb, University of Pennsylvania
  Sweet Words: Calligraphy and the Emotions in South Asian Islam

• Patrick D'Silva, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs
  "Ayesha at Last" and "Hana Khan Carries On": Romance Novels and the New Adab of Muslim Self-Representation

• Kathleen Foody, North Carolina State University
  Classify to Conquer: Defining Muslim Differences Under US Empire

A22-110
Professional Development - Pedagogy and Teaching
Teaching Religion Unit
Theme: Addressing Dilemmas in Teaching Religion
Tuesday, 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM (In Person)
Anne Blankenship, North Dakota State University, Presiding

• Karen Trimble Alliaume, Lewis University
  Proximity Alert: Science Fiction as Public Theology for Nones

• Hilary Scarsella, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School
Anti-Racist, Decolonial Pedagogy for Teaching Gender and Sexuality Studies in Seminaries

- Shereen Bhalla, Hindu American Foundation

The Educator’s Guide To Hinduism: From Research to Practice

A22-111
Theology and Religious Reflection Unit
Theme: Art Practice, Ritual Practice, and the Question of Spiritual Insight
Tuesday, 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM (In Person)
David Newheiser, Australian Catholic University, Presiding

Panelists

Ben DeSpain, Australian Catholic University
Alda Balthrop-Lewis, Australian Catholic University
Amy M. Hollywood, Harvard University
Natalie Carnes, Baylor University

Responding

Lexi Eikelboom, Australian Catholic University

Reviewers

Michelle Voss Roberts, Emmanuel College, Toronto

Tuesday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

A22-112
Afro-American Religious History Unit
Theme: Frontiers of Nation-building: New Narratives of Black Religions through Biography, Iconography, Print, and Oral History
Tuesday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Nicole Turner, Yale University, Presiding

- Colin Bossen, First Unitarian Universalist Church of Houston

  Religion in Houston’s Pan-African Community

- Warren Lattimore, Duke University

  Between Accommodation's Philosophy and Respectability's Politics: Rosa Young and
the Theology of Respectability

- Joseph Stuart, University of Utah

  *Creating a Nation for Black Men: Education, the State, and the Transformation of the Allah Temple of Islam*

- Johanna Mueller, Stanford University

  *The Canaan of the New World: African American Emigration to Haiti in the Antebellum Period*

- Alexia Williams, University of Illinois

  *Julia Greeley, Denver’s Angel of Charity*

**A22-113**

President’s Theme - Religion and Catastrophe

*Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Unit and Religion and Economy Unit and Religion, Colonialism, and Postcolonialism Unit*

Theme: *Catastrophe and the Constellations of Racial Capitalism, Neocolonialism, and Religious Forms*

Tuesday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)

Helen Jin Kim, Emory University, Presiding

**Panelists**

Jonathan Tran, Baylor University
Matthew Harris, University of California, Santa Barbara
Keri Day, Princeton Theological Seminary
Devin Singh, Dartmouth College
Nichole Flores, University of Virginia

**Reviewers**

Karen Baker-Fletcher, Southern Methodist University

**Business Meeting**

Rebecca Bartel, San Diego State University, Presiding
Kati Curts, Sewanee: The University of the South, Presiding

**A22-114**

Buddhist Critical-Constructive Reflection Unit
Theme: **Re-Envisioning Buddhist Futures**
Tuesday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Melissa Anne-Marie Curley, Ohio State University, Presiding

- Christina A. Kilby, James Madison University
  *Mandalas of Security: Buddhist Approaches to Resilience and Humanitarian Relief*

- Kim Lam, Deakin University
  *Re-envisioning the youth phase through Buddhism as contemplative practice*

**Responding**

Barbra R. Clayton, Mount Allison University

**A22-115**

**Buddhist Philosophy Unit**
Theme: **Candrakīrti on Conventional Truth**
Tuesday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Jay Garfield, Smith College, Presiding

- Greg Seton, Dartmouth College
  *An Indian Critique of the Conventional of Candrakīrti*

- Jed Forman, University of California, Berkeley
  *Now I Know in Part: How Kedrub Saves Candrakīrti from Relativism*

- Jeremy Manheim, University of Wisconsin, Madison
  *Analysis, Overanalysis, & The Problem with Naturalism*

- Sonam Thakchoe, University of Tasmania
  *Taktsang Lotsawa, Tsongkhapa, and Illusionism*

- Tsering Samdup, Central Institute of Higher Tibetan Studies
  *Gorampa versus Tsongkhapa on Conventional Truth*

- John R. Newman, New College of Florida
  *Notes on one of Candrakīrti’s ‘favorite’ āgamas, in reference to his ideas on ‘the*
conventions of common people’ (lokavyavahāra)

- Tenzin Bhuchung, Emory University
  
  Two Truths in Gampopa’s Mahāmudrā Tradition

A22-116
Catholic Studies Unit
Theme: Global Circulations of Asian Catholics and the Making of 21st Century Catholicism
Tuesday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Stephanie Wong, Valparaiso University, Presiding

- George Bayuga, Yale University
  
  Queer Affect Abroad: Chinese Nuns and Remaking Catholic Worlds

- Bernardo Brown, International Christian University, Japan
  
  Sri Lankan Migrant clergy and the shaping of a new Catholic youth in Italy

- Michel Chambon, Hanover College
  
  Local autonomy and global sovereignty: the political entanglements of Chinese Catholics

- Thien-Huong Ninh, Cuesta College
  
  Our Lady of Lavang: Mediation of the Vietnamese Catholic Diaspora in the U.S., Germany, and Israel

- Brandon Vaidyanathan, Catholic University of America
  
  Engaged Expats and Disengaged Citizens: Civic Participation among Indian Catholic Professionals in Dubai and Bangalore

Responding

Hirokazu Miyazaki, Northwestern University

A22-117
Cognitive Science of Religion Unit
Theme: Cognitive Historiography of Religions
Tuesday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Paul Robertson, University of New Hampshire, Presiding

- Jennifer Carlier, Emory University, Laney Graduate School, Graduate Division of Religion

  *A Neuroscientific and Theological Understanding of Addiction*

- Hannah James, University of St Andrews

  *Forgiveness: A benefit or sacrifice?*

- Matthew Ong, UC Berkeley

  *The debate over family resemblances in religion: time for a reevaluation?*

A22-118

**Comparative Theology Unit**

**Theme:** The Political Implications of Comparative Theology

Tuesday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)

Bin Song, Washington College, Presiding

- Hans Harmakaputra, Boston College

  *Worldly Saint, Political Saint: Revisiting the Christian Notion of Holiness*

- David Maayan, Boston College

  *Metaphysical Politics: Constructing the Devotional Self in Early Hasidic Judaism and the Pauline Epistles*

- Katie Mahowski Mylroie, Boston College

  *The Politics of Women Priests: Gender in the Catholic and Hindu Priesthoods*

- Joseph Kimmel, Harvard University

  *“What is Your Name?”: Names Comparatively Compelled in Christian and Buddhist Texts*

- Ha Young Kang, Drew University

  *Hearing Voices: Pathology or a Path Toward Religious Authority of Women?*

Responding
Lucinda Mosher, Hartford International University for Religion and Peace

**A22-119**
Presidential Theme - Religion and Catastrophe
Ecclesiological Investigations Unit
Theme: *Catastrophe in the Life of the Church*
Tuesday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Scott MacDougall, Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Presiding

- Christopher C. Brittain, Trinity College, Toronto
  
  *For a Church that Looks Up Without Punching Down: Praying the Disaster in a Time of Climate Emergency*

- Shannon Quigley, University of Haifa
  
  *Women’s Religious Thought in Post-Shoah Jewish-Christian Dialogue*

- Emma McDonald, Boston College
  
  *Ecclesial Belonging and Moral Formation: A Qualitative Study of Catholic Women Coping with Infertility*

- Jason Steidl, Saint Joseph's University
  
  *Making Sense of Social and Ecclesial Catastrophe: DignityUSA, the HIV/AIDS Crisis, and Becoming Church outside the Church*

**Business Meeting**

Brian Flanagan, Marymount University, Presiding
Dennis Doyle, University of Dayton, Presiding

**A22-120**
Evangelical Studies Unit
Theme: *Evangelicals and Politics*
Tuesday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Peter Choi, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

- Chad Moore, Boston University
  
  *Evangelizing Enterprise: Enterprise Square, USA and Enterprise Evangelicalism’s Mission to Promote and Defend Capitalism*
• Andrew Gardner, Florida State University
  "Evangelicalism and the Catastrophic Potential of Early American Democracy"

• Marcia Pally, New York University
  The Ethics of White Evangelical Populism

• S. Kyle Johnson, Boston College
  From Ham’s Curse to Haiti’s Catastrophe: Demonic Genealogies and the Evangelical Missio.

• Janel Kragt Bakker, Memphis Theological Seminary
  Advancing the Kingdom of God: Evangelical Political Theology and Secularization

A22-121
North American Religions Unit
Theme: Innovative Sources for the Study of US Religions
Tuesday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Samira Mehta, University of Colorado, Presiding

• Lydia Willsky-Ciollo, Fairfield University
  Centering the Religious World of the Penobscot in Thoreau’s The Maine Woods

• Morgan Barbre, Indiana University, Bloomington
  On Door Swings: Mastery, Spatiality, and Familial Grammar in the 19th-Century American Home

• Kaitlyn Lindgren-Hansen, University of Iowa
  Crafted Proximities: Spiritualism, Clothing, and Writing in Elizabeth Keckley's Behind the Scenes

• Rachel Lindsey, Saint Louis University
  Record and Revelation: Photojournalism and the Visual Politics of Religion in the American Century

Responding
Sarah Dees, Iowa State University
A22-122
Philosophy of Religion Unit
Theme: Theory in the Wake of Hegel and Marx
Tuesday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Andrew Chignell, Princeton University, Presiding

- Jack Hanson, Yale University
  
  Hegel's Ritual System: Absolute Knowing and the Practice of Theory

- Andrew Tebbutt, University of Toronto
  
  Toward a Philosophy of Ritual Expression: Bell and Hegel against Thought-Action Dichotomies

- Inese Radzins, California State University, Stanislaus
  
  A Philosophy of Living Labor: Michel Henry and Simone Weil on Marx

- Kristóf Oltvai, The University of Chicago Divinity School
  
  Doxographic Intervention: the past and promise of a method in the philosophy of religion

A22-123
Reformed Theology and History Unit
Theme: Reflecting on the Belhar Confession After 40 Years
Tuesday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Joshua Ralston, University of Edinburgh, Presiding

- Rachel Sophia Baard, Union Presbyterian Seminary
  
  Christ, Context, and Culture: The Confession of Belhar in Continuing Conversation

- Derek Alan Woodard-Lehman, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary
  
  Protest Theology: Barmen, Belhar, and Black Lives Matter

- Henry Kuo, Greensboro College
  
  Doing the Truth: Belhar's Next Step

Responding
A22-124
Religion and the Social Sciences Unit
Theme: Islam, Secularism and Contestations of Identity in the State
Tuesday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Amanda Baugh, California State University, Northridge, Presiding

- Carrie Dohe, University of Toronto
  "What does religion have to do with nature conservation?" Investigating the Tensions in an Interreligious Nature Conservation Project in Germany
- Valentina Cantori, University of Southern California
  Stigmatized? Muslim American Advocates Crafting Public Images of Islam in the U.S.
- Caroline Tee, University of Chester
  Religious Charisma in the Shadow of the State: Pathways to ‘Routinisation’ in Turkey
- Samira I. Ibrahim, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
  The Voltaire of Iran: Insights in Shariati’s Sociological Theories of Religion

A22-125
Study of Judaism Unit
Theme: Jewish Thought and Indigeneity in North Africa
Tuesday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)
Sarah Hammerschlag, University of Chicago, Presiding

- Adam Stern, University of Wisconsin, Madison
  What is a “globalatin” translation?
- Tsivia Frank Wygoda, Bar-Ilan University, Israel
  Aporetic Indigeneity: Reclaiming North African Autochthony in Contemporary Algerian Jewish Literature
- Alma Heckman, University of California, Santa Cruz
  Anti-Semitism and Anti-Fascism in Interwar Morocco
• Yaniv Feller, Wesleyan University

_The Birth of the Indigenous from the Spirit of Exile: Jean Améry on the Paradoxes of Home_

**Responding**

Santiago H. Slabodsky, Hofstra University

**A22-126**

**Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Unit**

Theme: _Curating Covid and Healing: Womanist Rituals and Responses_

Tuesday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (In Person)

Cheryl Kirk-Duggan, Independent Scholar, Presiding

• Raedorah Stewart, Wesley Theological Seminary

_COVID Kills Us and Nobody Notices aka Womanist Response to Disability Awareness in the African American Church_

• Reelaviolette Botts-ward, University of California, Berkeley

_curating #blackgirlquarantine: digital altar work and ancestral collaging_

• Estee Dillard, Independent Scholar

_Where the Ritual resides: the influence of virtual communication and womanist ritual practices in African derived religious spaces._

**Responding**

Chanequa Walker-Barnes, Columbia Theological Seminary

Tuesday, 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

**A22-128**

**Chinese Religions Unit**

Theme: _A Panel in Celebration of Daniel B. Stevenson's Retirement_

Tuesday, 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM (In Person)

Jimmy Yu, Florida State University, Presiding

**Panelists**

Jacqueline I. Stone, Princeton University
A22-129
Christian Systematic Theology Unit
Theme: Constructive Proposals in Queer Theology
Tuesday, 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM (In Person)
Natalia Marandiuc, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

• David Dawson Vasquez, Pontifical Beda College
  Apophatic Anthropology: Dionysian Insights for Queer Explorations

• Jamie Myrose, Boston College
  Locating Non-Binary Persons in Messianic Times

• Patrick Haley, Princeton Theological Seminary
  Queer Hope: One Virtue's Limits and Potential for Queer Lives, Theory, and Theology

A22-130
Contemporary Islam Unit
Theme: Islamic Piety and Devotion in New Contexts
Tuesday, 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM (In Person)
Nick Lorenz, University of Chicago, Presiding

• Esra Tunc, University of California, Santa Barbara
  Algorithmic Piety? The Creation and Use of Algorithms for the Good and Just in Islamic Finance

• Max Dugan, University of Pennsylvania
  Devotional Resilience: Weathering Catastrophes with Islamic Tradition at a Halal Restaurant in North Philadelphia

• Stefan Williamson Fa, University of Birmingham
Responding

Candace Mixon, Occidental College

A22-131
Psychology, Culture, and Religion Unit
Theme: Joy, Hope, Resistance and Resilience: Contextual Responses to Suffering
Tuesday, 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM (In Person)
Danjuma Gibson, Calvin Theological Seminary, Presiding

- Brendan Case, Harvard University
  "Hoping against Hope": A Thomistic Critique of Contemporary Psychological Approaches to Hope and Optimism

- Julien Kennedy MacQuarrie, Independent Scholar
  Setting Hearts on Fire in a World on Fire: Toward an Existential Framework of Care for Adolescent Mental Health Patients with Suicidal Symptoms in the COVID-19 Pandemic

- Konnie Vissers, University of Toronto
  Resilience, Development, and Children's Spirituality: How Gardening as a Spiritual Practice for Children Builds Resilience in the Face of Trauma

A22-132
Religion and Politics Unit
Theme: Liberalism and Islam
Tuesday, 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM (In Person)
Jocelyne Cesari, Harvard University, Presiding

- Dragos Stoica, Concordia University, Montreal
  From Harlem to Mecca and Back: Malik el-Shabazz as the Paradigmatic Black Revolutionary Muslim.

- Ehsan Sheikholharam, University of North Carolina
  The Ismaili Global Network and the Ambiguity of Transnational Citizenship
• Morgane Thonnart, University of California, Santa Barbara

    ‘Islam’ in Gutfeld’s brand of (right-wing) comedy

**A22-133**
**Religions in the Latina/o Americas Unit**
**Theme: Emerging Scholarship Workshop**
Tuesday, 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM (In Person)
Jessica Delgado, Ohio State University, Presiding

• Jared Vazquez, Iliff School of Theology

    *Queering Puerto Rico: Reclaiming Taino and African Identity and Religion*

• Carlos Ramirez-Arenas, Syracuse University

    *Dancing Archives: Performance and Historiography in Salsa*

**Responding**

Daisy Vargas, University of Arizona
Justin Doran, Middlebury College

**A22-134**
**South Asian Religions Unit**
**Theme: The Monastery in South Asia**
Tuesday, 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM (In Person)
Jetsun Deleplanque, University of Chicago, Presiding

• Upali Sraman, Emory University

    *Rival Monastic Groups and the Messiness of Ethical Practice in Buddhist Vinaya Texts*

• Harsha Gautam, University of Texas, Austin

    *To Discuss, Defend and Dissent: Locating the Agency of the Students in the Saṅgha*

• Christopher Fleming, University of Oxford

    *The Royal Supervision of Monastic Religious Endowments in Medieval India: Jurisprudence and Epigraphy*

• Nabanjan Maitra, University of Texas, Austin
How a Great Tradition Universalizes: The Digvijaya Reconsidered

A22-135
Theology and Continental Philosophy Unit
Theme: Death, Destruction, and the Violence of the Present: Reflections onGrace Jantzen
Tuesday, 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM (In Person)
Adam Kotsko, North Central College, Presiding

Panelists

Marika Rose, University of Winchester
Amaryah Shaye Armstrong, Virginia Tech
Beatrice Marovich, Hanover College
Alex Dubilet, Vanderbilt University

Business Meeting

Anthony Paul Smith, La Salle University, Presiding

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Women and Religion Unit
Theme: Confronting Silences: Spiritual and Sexual Abuse in Buddhist, Christian, Jewish, and Muslim Perspectives
Tuesday, 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM (In Person)
Dawn Llewellyn, University of Chester, Presiding

Panelists

Ann Gleig, University of Central Florida
Wendy Dossett, University of Chester
Maryyum Mahmood, University of Birmingham
Lisa Oakley, University of Chester
Guila Benchimol, Safety, Respect, Equity Network