Logan Hoffman

Assistant Professor of Humanities & Theology



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About Me

I am a theology and philosophy professor, local church minister, and Modern Theology researcher. My teaching is normally done among undergraduates and seeks to introduce them to the riches of the Wesleyan-Methodist branch of the orthodox Christian tradition as well as draw them into a deeper experience and expression of the life of faith. My research focuses on the challenges offered to Christian orthodoxy in the Modern period as well as the various attempts to respond to those challenges by significant theological figures.

Education History



Doctor of Philosophy in School of Religions and Theology

Trinity College Dublin

Year of Graduation: 2023

- Dissertation: "Reconceiving Theology after the Anthropological Turn: The Doctrine of God in Friedrich Schleiermacher's The Christian Faith"
- Supervisor: Dr. Maureen Junker-Kenny
- Successfully passed Viva Voce examination without revision (the highest possible result)



Master of Divinity

Princeton Theological Seminary Year of Graduation: 2012



Bachelor of Arts in Religion & Philosophy, Minor in Theology

Indiana Wesleyan University Year of Graduation: 2009

Work Experience



Assistant Professor of Humanities & Theology

John Wesley Honors College at Indiana Wesleyan University | Fall 2023 - Present

• I teach courses on the Christian theological tradition, the Christian Scriptures and Christian interpretation of the Scriptures, and Philosophy.

Postdoctoral Teaching Fellow in Theology & the Humanities

John Wesley Honors College at Indiana Wesleyan University | Fall 2022 - Spring 2023 (1 year)

 Taught an introductory course on the Christian theological tradition and Christian higher education, a Survey course on the Old Testament, an upper-level Eschatology course, and a course on peacebuilding focused on The Troubles in Northern Ireland.

Honors Instructor in the Humanities

John Wesley Honors College at Indiana Wesleyan University | Fall 2017; Fall 2021 - Spring 2022 (1 year, 5 months)

• Taught courses on the nature of the Bible and historical ways the Christian church has engaged its Scriptures.

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Work Experience (Cont.)



Adjunct Professor

Indiana Wesleyan University | Fall 2015 - Fall 2020 (5 years)

 Courses taught include Theology of Christian Life, Introduction to Christian Theology, Survey of Church History, and Introduction to Philosophy.



Assistant On-site Director, Irish Studies Programme

Taylor University | January 2018 to June 2020 (2 years, 6 months)

• Co-facilitated a semester-long study abroad program for CCCU students in Ireland.



Resident Pastor

College Wesleyan Church - Marion, IN | July 2015 - May 2017 (1 year, 11 months)

- Staff Pastor at a large local church (~1500), in charge of leading Sunday night services, preaching regularly, teaching Adult Education classes, and pastoral care of shut-ins.
- Initiated and developed new programs including Immigrant Connection, a non-profit immigration legal services clinic, and The Preaching Academy, a leadership and skills development group for laity called to preach.



Associate Pastor

The Well - Christchurch, NZ | May 2012 - April 2015 (2 years, 11 months)

- Associate Pastor and founding member of a church plant in Christchurch, New Zealand.
- Various Responsibilities included regular preaching, teaching, and pastoral care; marketing and outreach work including website development, door-to-door evangelism, and local community development efforts; and cross-cultural recruitment and leadership development.

Publications

- "A Twofold Method: Schleiermacher's Dogmatic Method and the Interpretation of "The Christian Faith." Conference Paper at American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, San Antonio, TX, November 18-21, 2023. Forthcoming.
- "Baptism" and "The Wesleyan Church" in *Historical Dictionary of Methodism*. eds. Chris Anderson and Jennifer Woodruff Tait. 4th ed. Lanham: The Scarecrow Press, Inc. Forthcoming.
- "The Coming of the Kingdom: Lessons from the Global South for Wesleyan Eschatology." Conference Paper at the Wesleyan Theological Society Annual Meeting, Wilmore, KY, March 2-4, 2023.
- Review: Pedersen, Daniel J., Schleiermacher's Theology of Sin and Nature: Agency, Value, and Modern Theology. International Journal of Systematic Theology, 2020.
- James K. A. Smith's Awaiting the King: Reforming Public Theology, Christian Higher Education 17:5 (2018).

Grants, Fellowships, and Awards

- 1252 Studentship Recipient (Trinity College Dublin) Chosen for one of three university-wide postgraduate studentships, covering the full cost of tuition and a living stipend. This studentship included the expectation of guest lecturing in multiple courses.
- Princeton Theological Seminary Grant Covered 90% of tuition.

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Teaching Experience

Courses Taught

- HNR 310 "Honors Colloquium: Eschatology" Spring 2023
- BIL 101 "Old Testament Survey" Spring 2023
- HNR 330 "Practices of Redemptive Communities" Spring 2023, 2022
- HNR 170 "What is Truth?" Fall 2022
- HNR 475 "How Then Shall We Live?" Spring 2022
- THE 101 "Theology of Christian Life" Fall 2020
- ITS 325 "Peacebuilding and Reconciliation" (Facilitator) Fall (2018, 2019) & Spring (2019, 2020)
- ISP 355 "Celtic Christianity" Fall (2019) & Spring (2019, 2020)
- PHL 180 "Introduction to Philosophy Fall 2017, 2015
- THEO 500 "Introduction to Christian Theology" Fall 2016
- REL 241 "Survey of Church History" Spring 2016

Routinely given the highest possible score in the category "I would rate this instructor as 'excellent'." Course Evaluations available upon request.

Research Experience

- Researched and presented to the Postgraduate Seminar in the School of Religions, Theology, and Peace Studies (Trinity College Dublin) on multiple occasions.
- Conducted independent research studies with Dr. J. Ross Wagner (now of Duke Divinity School) on the Sermons of John Wesley and with Dr. Bruce L. McCormack (Professor emeritus at Princeton Theological Seminary) on Karl Barth's Church Dogmatics IV.1.
- Research Assistant for Prof. Russ Gunsalus Summer 2008

Languages, Skills, Certifications

- Basic Reading Proficiency in Koine Greek and German.
- Department of Justice Accredited Legal Representative in Immigration Law Spring 2017 Spring 2020
- WAVES Suicide Bereavement Program trained facilitator Fall 2014

References

- Dr. Maureen Junker-Kenny, Fellow Emeritus, School of Religion, Trinity College Dublin mjunkerk@tcd.ie
- Dr. Kevin M. Vander Schel, Associate Professor of Religious Studies; Director of Undergraduate Programs, Gonzaga University
 vanderschel@gonzaga.edu
- Dr. J. Russell Hawkins, Professor; Acting Dean, John Wesley Honors College at Indiana Wesleyan University rusty.hawkins@indwes.edu