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WORK HISTORY

Professor- Religion and Philosophy, Indiana Wesleyan University

January 2015 to present

Associate Professor- Religion and Philosophy, Indiana Wesleyan University

September 2004 – January 2015

Assistant Professor- Religion and Philosophy, Indiana Wesleyan University

September 1999 – August 2004

Interim Director of Training and Personnel, Wesleyan World Missions

June 1998 - August 1999

Responsible for member care of 152 Wesleyan missionaries and families in 42 countries, including counseling, emergency medical evacuation, etc. Provided oversight of three-week Missionary Training Institute. Planned and coordinated annual week-long missionary retreat. Developed training modules on interpersonal relations and team-building.

Assistant to the General Director, Wesleyan World Missions

June 1996 - May 1998

Coordinated implementation of adoption of unreached people groups by North American churches. Coordinated partnerships with North American churches in support of JESUS Film teams in four countries.

Missionary to Russia, Wesleyan World Missions

May 1994 - April 1996

Wrote curriculum for and taught parenting classes at several locations in Vladimir, Russia. Taught class on Family Systems Therapy at Moscow Center for Psychology and Psychotherapy. Taught premarital class at Pedagogical Institute in Murrom. Directed week-long day camp in Lakinsk. Provided counseling to Wesleyan World Missions and CoMission team members.

Director of Counseling Ministries, Levant Wesleyan Church, Falconer, NY and Director of Southern Tier Christian Counseling Center, Falconer, NY

September 1992 - July 1994

Provided counseling services to church members and members of surrounding communities. Taught several marriage enrichment classes. Assisted pastor with issues of church discipline.

Child and Family Specialist, Chemical Dependency Springville Human Services Center, Springville, NY

July 1991 - August 1992

Provided counseling services to family members of chemically-dependent individuals. Conducted individual, group and family counseling sessions. Taught classes regarding chemical dependency and sobriety.

Staff Counselor, Houghton College, Houghton, NY

September 1989 - May 1991

Provided counseling services to students of college. Co-led groups addressing issues of sexual abuse and eating disorders.

OTHER TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Instructor- Humanities Philosophy (1995-98)

Indiana Wesleyan University, Marion, IN

Visiting Lecturer- Family Systems Theory and Therapy (1995)

Moscow Center for Psychology and Psychotherapy- A Christian Perspective Moscow, Russia

Teaching Assistant- Marriage and Family Relations (1989-90)

Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY

EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy in Religious Studies (2010)

Trinity St. David, University of Wales, Lampeter Ceredigion, Wales, UK

Dissertation: 'Dostoevsky as Apologist'

Master of Arts in Marriage and Family Therapy (1991)

Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY Syracuse University Fellowship Who's Who in American Colleges & Universities

Master of Arts in Philosophy of Religion (magna cum laude) (1984)

Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Deerfield, IL

Thesis: 'The Theodicy of Fyodor M. Dostoevsky: The Theistic and Atheistic Presentations in His Major Fiction.'

Master of Divinity (magna cum laude) (1983)

Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Deerfield, IL

Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy and Humanities (magna cum laude) (1977)

Houghton College, Houghton, NY

MEMBERSHIPS

International Dostoevsky Society

North American Dostoevsky Society

ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

"Who was a Part of the Church Catholic?"

Spring Colloquium, 2000 Division of Religion and Philosophy, Indiana Wesleyan University

"The Tenses of Salvation"

Fall Colloquium, 2000 Division of Religion and Philosophy, Indiana Wesleyan University

"Can Evangelicals Learn Anything From Other Religions?"

John Wesley Honors College Panel Discussion, October 11, 2001

"Toward a Christian Ethic of War"

Fall Colloquium, 2001 Division of Religion and Philosophy, Indiana Wesleyan University

"Toward a Hermeneutic of Compassion"

Fall Colloquium, 2002 Division of Religion and Philosophy, Indiana Wesleyan University

"Toward Compassion- A Worldview Testimony"

Fall Colloquium, 2003 Division of Religion and Philosophy, Indiana Wesleyan University

Response to John Sanders "Open Theism: An Over-correction?"

Spring Colloquium, 2004 Division of Religion and Philosophy, Indiana Wesleyan University

Presented Chris Bound's paper on "Homosexuality in the Thought of the Church"

Fall Colloquium, 2005 Division of Religion and Philosophy, Indiana Wesleyan University

Response to Christopher Anderson "Viewing the Foreigner: Ethnographic Films, Christian Conversion, and American Methodist Missions." Fall, 2005 41st Graduate Student Theological Seminar, Free Methodist HQ, Indianapolis, IN

Responded to Wim Corduan "Apologetics in the 21st Century" CAS Faculty Retreat, January 2007 Indiana Wesleyan University

"Prince Myshkin and Redemption: An Idiot's Guide to *The Idiot*." Spring 2013 Theological Research Seminar, Indiana Wesleyan University

"The Roots of Dostoevsky's Pragmatism"

Fall 2013 John Wesley Honor's College Principium Lecture, Indiana Wesleyan University

SUPERVISION

Master's thesis: Acute Grief Handbook by Eddie McCoy

Graduate School, Indiana Wesleyan University

CURRICULA DEVELOPMENT

PHL 330/REL 330 Philosophy and Theology in Film

INT 410 Islam: Understanding and Dialogue

ENG 180 X/HST 180 X/PHL 180 X "Who Killed Mother Russia?" Integrated 180's

CHAPEL PRESENTATIONS

World Religions Chapel- "Three Essential Questions" With Dr. David Vardaman November 25, 2013 Indiana Wesleyan University Chapel

World Religions Chapel- "The Soteriological Problem of Evil" With Dr. David Vardaman April 7, 2014 Indiana Wesleyan University Chapel

World Religions Chapel- "Islam" With Dr. David Vardaman November 19, 2014 Indiana Wesleyan University Chapel

OTHER INVOLVEMENT

School of Life Foundations Taskforce

General Education Committee Taskforce

Search Committee for Dean of CAS

Multiple Faculty Search Committees

Academic Media Policy Committee (3 years)

Student Development Movie Review Committee (5 years)

Nominating Committee (8 years)

CAS Faculty Promotion and Review Committee (5 years-chaired for 2 years)

Personnel Committee of Global Partners (formerly Wesleyan World Missions) 1997-2014.

Taught Sunday School class for three years at College Wesleyan Church on Richard Foster's *Devotional Classics*