

Curriculum Vitae

Miranda Zapor Cruz

Associate Professor of Theology
Director of The Sacred Alliance

EDUCATION

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| 2014 | Doctor of Philosophy in Religion, Politics, and Society
Baylor University | Waco, Texas |
| 2008 | Master of Divinity
Princeton Theological Seminary | Princeton, New Jersey |
| 2005 | Bachelor of Arts in Religion
Whitworth University | Spokane, Washington |

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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| 2018 to Present | Director, The Sacred Alliance
Center for the Ministry of Reconciliation
Wesley Seminary | Marion, Indiana |
| 2018 to Present | Associate Professor of Theology | |
| 2014 to 2018 | Assistant Professor of Theology
Indiana Wesleyan University | Marion, Indiana |
| | Courses Taught: | |
| | THE-101: Theology of Christian Life (On-site and Online) | |
| | THE-233: Systematic Theology 1 | |
| | THE-311/589: Ecclesiology | |
| | THE-420/588: Life and Legacy of Augustine of Hippo | |
| | THE-588: Special Topics in Modern Theology: Bonhoeffer | |
| | REL-290: History of the Christian Church | |
| | REL-291: History of Protestantism | |
| | REL-531: American Christianity (Online) | |
| | REL-588: Reformation History and Theology | |
| June 2017 | Certified as a Candidate for Ordained Ministry
Indiana Conference of the United Methodist Church | |
| 2016 to Present | Adjunct Professor
Wesley Seminary | Marion, Indiana |
| | Courses Taught: | |
| | CHST-500: Global Church History (Online and Onsite Intensive) | |
| | THEO-500: Introduction to Theology (Online) | |
| 2012 to 2014 | Teacher of Record in the Baylor Interdisciplinary Core
Baylor University Honors College | Waco, Texas |

Courses Taught:

BIC 1413: World of Rhetoric I

BIC 1323: World of Rhetoric II

- 2010, 2011 **Faculty in the Summer Language Institute**
LCC International University Klaipeda, Lithuania
Advanced Integrated English Language Skills
- 2007 **Young Adult Education Intern**
Bishop Speaks A.M.E. Zion Church Accra, Ghana
- 2006-2007 **Adult Education Intern**
Princeton United Methodist Church Princeton, NJ

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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- 2018 **HLC Emerging Leaders in Assessment Seminar**
- 2015, 2016 **Acton University**
Member of a delegation representing the Kern Program, gaining education and teaching tools related to religious liberty.
- 2015 **Oikonomia Network Annual Meeting**
Member of a delegation representing the Kern Program, gathering information and resources related to faith, work, and economics.
- 2013-2014 **Teaching Capstone in Higher Education, Baylor University**
The Graduate School's TeaCHE program enhances readiness for teaching in higher education.
- 2011-2012 **Conyers Graduate Scholars Program, Baylor University**
A program of the Graduate School and the Institute for Faith and Learning examining connections between faith, learning, and vocation.
- 2006-2007 **Teaching Ministry Program, Princeton Theological Seminary**
A ministry internship program designed for students who intend to pursue careers in higher education.

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

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- 2017 Wesleyan Theological Society Annual Conference, March 2017
Paper Title: "Methodists, Millennials, and the Means of Grace"
- 2015 "Incitement to Dialogue: Josef Hromádka's Call for Christian-Marxist Dialogue in *Gospel for Atheists*." *Theology Today* 72(1) (2015) 32-46.
- 2014 "The Role of Catholicism in the Development of Lithuanian National Identity." *Church History and Religious Culture* 94 (2014) 1-26.

- 2013 Keston Center Symposium: “Religion in Political Culture in Communist Countries: Past, Present, and Future.” November 2013
Paper Title: “From Crusades to Cathedrals: A History of Catholicism and Lithuanian National Identity”
- 2012 Association for the Advancement of Baltic Studies, April 2012
Paper Title: “Sajudis and the Lithuanian Catholic Church”

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

College of Arts and Sciences

- Chair – Assessment Committee (2018-Present)
- University Assessment Council (2018-Present)
- Assessment Committee (2016-Present)
- Spiritual Life Committee (2016-2018)
- Faculty Development Committee (2016-2018)
- John Wesley Honors College Theology Faculty Search Committee (2017-2018)
- Shared Governance Task Force (2017)
- Enrollment Management Committee (2015-2016)
- John Wesley Honors College History Faculty Search Committee (2015-2016)

School of Theology and Ministry

- Assessment Fellow (2018-Present)
- Graduate Studies Committee (2018-Present)
- First Year Experience Faculty (2015, 2016, 2017, 2018)
- Curriculum Committee (2015-Present)
- Assessment Committee (2016-Present)
- New Course Development: History of the Christian Church, History of Protestantism, Theology of Christian Life online modality (Spring 2015)
- Counseling and Theology Faculty Search Committees (2015-2016)

CHURCH AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Castleton United Methodist Church

- Sunday Morning Children’s Message, 2016-Present
- Mission U Children’s Programming Co-Leader, May 2018
- Elementary School Camp Counselor, July 2017
- Confirmation Mentor, Spring 2017 & 2019
- Adult Education Class Leader, 2016-Present

Still Waters Adult Day Center

- Lunch preparation and service volunteer, 2015-Present