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## **EDUCATION**

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- Dec 2013     **Indiana Wesleyan University**, Marion, IN  
Doctor of Organizational Leadership (Ed. D.)
- Dissertation topic:  
*“Leading change in the local church: Exploring the relationship between transformational, transactional, and change-oriented leadership and their impact on leadership effectiveness among pastors in a Protestant denomination in the Mid-Western United States”*
- Dec 2009     **Indiana Wesleyan University**, Marion, IN  
Master of Arts in Advanced Leadership Studies
- Aug 1978     **Western Michigan University**, Kalamazoo, MI  
Master of Arts in Counseling
- May 1973     **Indiana Wesleyan University**, Marion, IN  
Bachelor of Arts in Religion

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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- 2019-  
Present     **Interim Dean**  
School of Theology & Ministry
- 2013-2019  
Present     **Chair, Division of Practical Theology**  
School of Theology & Ministry
- 2015-  
Present     **Associate Professor of Religion**  
Practical Ministries Department  
School of Theology & Ministry, Indiana Wesleyan University  
College of Arts and Sciences
- 2007-  
2015     **Assistant Professor of Religion**  
Practical Ministries Department  
School of Theology & Ministry, Indiana Wesleyan University  
College of Arts and Sciences

2017            **Adjunct Faculty, Doctor of Organizational Leadership**  
Indiana Wesleyan University  
Seminar and Praxis. DOL-760B

Fall 2016-    **Old Testament Survey First Year Experience (BIL-101-FYA)**  
Fall 2018       *Instructor*

Fall 2015,    **New Testament Survey First Year Experience (BIL-102-FYC)**  
Fall 2014       *Instructor*

Sp 2014       **Honors Scholarship Project (HNR-497) external supervisor**  
John Wesley Honors College, Student: Kiersten Beagan

Fall 2014     **Honors Scholarship Project (HNR-498) external supervisor**  
John Wesley Honors College, Student: Kiersten Beagan

S1 2015       **Honors Scholarship Project (HNR-497) external supervisor**  
John Wesley Honors College, Student: Adam Munshaw

Fall 2015     **Honors Scholarship Project (HNR-498) external supervisor**  
John Wesley Honors College, Student: Adam Munshaw

2011           **Curriculum Author, Wesley Seminary**  
*Wesleyan Church History & Polity (CHST-536)*  
Indiana Wesleyan University  
College of Graduate Studies

2008           **Curriculum Author, College of Adult & Professional Studies**  
*Preaching and Teaching the Bible (REL-280)*

2006           **Visiting Professor, Evangelical Wesleyan Bible College**  
Vladimir, Russia

2005           **Curriculum Author, Graduate Studies in Ministry**  
*The Leadership of Preaching (MIN-522)*  
Indiana Wesleyan University

2011-         **Adjunct Faculty, Wesley Seminary at IWU**  
2017           2011, *Wesleyan Church History & Polity, CHST-536*  
2011, 2015, 2016, *The Bible as Christian Scripture, BIBL-500*  
2015, 2016, *Transformational Communication, PROC-520*  
2016, *Transformational Communication with Children & Youth,*  
PROC-525

- 2004-2009 **Adjunct Faculty**, Graduate Studies in Ministry  
 Indiana Wesleyan University  
 2007, *Bible Interpretation*, MIN-511  
 2007, 2008, 2009, *Contemporary Theological Trends*, MIN-533  
 2007, *Theology of Holiness*, MIN-543  
 2004, 2005, 2008, *Leadership of Preaching*, MIN-522
- 2002-05 **Adjunct Faculty**, School of Theology & Ministry  
 Indiana Wesleyan University  
 College of Arts and Sciences

### **PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS**

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- 2016 **Responder, Graduate Students Theological Seminar**  
 Topic: Ministerial Education and Effectiveness  
 by Dr. Priscilla Hammond  
 Indianapolis
- 2014 **Keynote speaker, Queensland, Australia**  
 March *Leading Change in the Local Church*  
 National Pastors and Spouses and Leaders Conference  
 Wesleyan Methodist Church of Australia
- 2014 **Presenter, Tobias Leadership Conference**  
 April *Leading Change in the Local Church: Some Preliminary  
 Implications from a Recent Study*
- 2013 **Presenter, Pastors Training Conference: The Discipline**  
*L'Eglise Wesleyenne d'Haiti, La Gonave, Haiti*

### **EDUCATIONAL TRAVEL**

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- 2018 **Jordan & Israel**, Faculty sponsor with Dr. Brian Bernius and  
 Dr. Steve Horst on Summer in Israel educational trip.
- 2017 **Greece**, Faculty sponsor with Dr. Abson Joseph and Dr. Steve  
 Horst on New Testament and Philosophy educational trip.

### **SERVICE BEYOND IWU**

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- 2014-  
 Present **Mentor**  
 Kid's Hope USA at Francis Slocum Elementary School
- 2016-  
 Present **Board Member**  
 District Board of Ministerial Development  
 Region 1, South #2 Zone  
 Crossroads District, The Wesleyan Church

2015-2017 **Board Member**  
Marion Community Gardens Association

2014-2015 **Storyteller**  
College Wesleyan Church, Children's Department

## **SERVICE AT IWU**

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### **Committees College of Arts & Sciences, IWU**

2017-2019 Chair, General Education Committee (CAS)

2014- Academic Affairs Council  
Present Academic Policies Committee  
Faculty Religious Life Council

### **Committees, School of Theology & Ministry, IWU**

2015- Admission to the Major Committee  
Present

2014- Cox Deeper Life Series  
Present Curriculum Mapping  
STM Media Policy Committee

### **Search Committee Member**

2013- Present 2017-2018,  
Inorganic Chemistry faculty search  
Biology: Plant biologist search

2016-17,  
STM Dean search  
Computer and Information Science faculty search  
Leadership Studies faculty & program coordinator  
Visiting professor of psychology

2015-16, Graduate Counseling faculty search  
STM, Practical Theology faculty search  
Criminal Justice faculty search

2014-2015 **IWU Structure Task Force**

2014-2016 **Interprofessional Education Committee**  
Indiana Wesleyan University

## **PASTORAL EXPERIENCE**

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- 2007      **Senior Adult Pastor**  
College Wesleyan Church, Marion, IN
- 2005      **Pulpit Supply Pastor**  
Aug-Dec      Schuyler Avenue Wesleyan Church, Lafayette, IN
- 2002-2005      **Congregational Life Pastor**  
College Wesleyan Church, Marion, IN
- 1991-2002      **Senior Pastor**  
First Wesleyan Church, Gastonia, NC
- 1989-1991      **Pastor**  
Friendship Wesleyan Church, Plainwell, MI
- 1978-1989      **Senior Pastor**  
Rowley Wesleyan Church, Williamston, MI
- 1973-1978      **Pastor**  
Hickory Corners Wesleyan Church  
Hickory Corners, MI

## **SHORT-TERM TEACHING**

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- 2017-2018      **IWU Chapel speaker** (co-speaker with Dr. Jim Lo), Jan 10, 2018
- 2017-2018      **Short-term Pulpit Supply**
  - Grant United Methodist Church
- 2015-2016      **Short-term Pulpit Supply**
  - Grant United Methodist Church
  - The Cross Church, Rochester, Indiana
- 2016      **Speaker, Christian Businessmen's Prayer Breakfast**  
Marion, IN
- 2014      **Fairmount, Indiana, Camp Speaker**  
With Dr. Anthony Graham
- 2014      **Crosswalk speaker** (Adult Education)  
Topic: *Counseling for non-counselors (6 sessions)*

2014, 2013, **Chapel Speaker**, Indiana Wesleyan University  
2012, 2011,  
2010

2011 **English Day Camp;**  
**Intro to Christian Ethics Intensive,**  
*IWU World Impact Team, Vladimir, Russia*

2012, 2010, **Bible Study Teacher, Adult Sunday School Teacher**  
2007 *Fairmount Wesleyan Family Camp*

2007 **Camp Speaker**, Family Camp, Vladimir, Russia

2004 **Pastoral Counseling Intensive Class**  
*Evangelical Wesleyan Bible College, Vladimir, Russia*