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Curriculum Vitae
Western Theological Seminary
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EDUCATION

Th.D. Theology and Ethics, Duke University, Durham, NC. 2022.
M.Div. Western Theological Seminary, Holland, MI. 2016.
B.A. Theology, Minors in Philosophy and Chemistry, Trinity Christian College, Palos Heights, IL. 2012.

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor of Theology and Ethics, Western Theological Seminary, Holland, Michigan, USA
2022 – Present.
Postdoctoral Associate, Duke University, Divinity School, Durham, North Carolina, USA, Jan. 2022 –
July 2022.
Advisor, Presbyterian/Reformed House of Studies, Duke University, Divinity School, North Carolina,
USA, 2021 – 2022.

PUBLICATIONS

Books

J. Todd Billings, Suzanne McDonald, and Alberto La Rosa Rojas, ed. *Generously Reformed: Rooted Deep, Reaching Wide* (Grand Rapids: Baker Academic Press) Forthcoming 2023.

Book Chapters

“A Migrant at the Lord’s Table: A Reformed Theology of Home” in *Reformed Public Theology: A Global Vision for the Life of the World*, ed. Matthew Kaemingk (Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2021).
“The God Who Elects Leaving” in *Before the Face of God: Essays in Honor of Tom Boogaart* (Grand Rapids: Historical Series of the RCA, May 2019).

Book Reviews and Other Writings

Tisha M. Rajendra, *Migrants and Citizens: Justice and Responsibility in the Ethics of Immigration* in *In All Things*, August 9, 2018, Available URL:

<https://inallthings.org/telling-truthful-narratives-a-review-of-migrants-and-citizens/?highlight=rajendra>.

Matthew Kaemingk, *Christian Hospitality and Muslim Immigration in an Age of Fear*, in *Perspective: A Journal in Reformed Thought* 33, no. 4 (2018): 21-24.

Robert W. Heimburger, *God and the Illegal Alien: United States Immigration Law and a Theology of Politics* in *Reading Religion*, May 23, 2018, Available URL:

<http://readingreligion.org/9781107176621/>.

Judy Chan, *No Strangers Here: Christian Hospitality and Refugee Ministry in Twenty-First-Century Hong Kong* in *Reading Religion*, May 23, 2018, Available URL:

<http://readingreligion.org/9781532604157/>.

Matthew Kaemingk, *Christian Hospitality and Muslim Immigration in an Age of Fear* in *Reading Religion*, May 23, 2018, Available URL:

<http://readingreligion.org/9780802874580/>.

M. Daniel Carroll R. & Leopoldo A. Sanchez M., Ed., *Immigrant Neighbors Among Us:*

Immigration Across Theological Traditions, in *In All Things*, March 6, 2018, Available URL:

<https://inallthings.org/immigrant-neighbors-among-us-review/>.

FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

- 2020 - 2021 HTI/Lilly Dissertation Fellowship, Hispanic Theological Initiative, Princeton, NJ
- 2020 - 2021 Religions & Public Life Graduate Fellowship, Kenan Institute for Ethics, Duke University
- 2020 - 2021 Golieb Fellowship in Interfaith Education & Engagement, Duke University
- 2019 - 2020 Graduate Fellowship, Kenan Institute for Ethics, Duke University
- 2016 - 2021 Th.D. Doctoral Fellowship, Duke Divinity School
- 2014 Systematic Theology Award, Western Theological Seminary
- 2014 Hebrew Reading & Exegesis Award, Western Theological Seminary
- 2012 Lincoln Laureate, Trinity Christianity College

INVITED TALKS

- 2022 “Reconciling Migration and the Longing for Home” Break-out session at the Summer Institute for Reconciliation, Duke Divinity School (May 11-13, 2022).
“Reformed Public Theology and the Global Church: Challenges and Opportunities” Panelist with Ruth Padilla DeBorst and Agnes Chiu, hosted by Dr. Matthew Kaemingk, Kuyper Conference, Calvin University and Seminary (April 5-7, 2022)
- 2019 “Christ and the Immigrant’s Body at the Lord’s Supper: Toward a Theology of Migration and Place,” Hope College -Western Theological Seminary Theology Seminar, Hope College, Holland, MI, March 8, 2019.

OTHER SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS

- 2022 “Migration, the Longing for Home, & the Christian Life,” A Public Lecture at Western Theological Seminary, Holland, MI. April 7, 2022.
- 2021 “Placemaking and the Preferential Option for the Displaced,” Society of Christian Ethics, Washington DC, January 5, 2021.
- 2020 “Participation in the Indwelling God: Toward a Theology of Home,” American Academy of Religion, online, December 9, 2020.
“The Migrant’s Longing for Home: Toward a Reformed Theology of Home” Theology and Ethics Colloquium, Duke University, April 3, 2020.
- 2018 “Where is Jesus From? A Reflection on Karl Barth and Jon Sobrino’s Christologies and Immigration,” Karl Barth and the Future of Liberation Theology, 2018 Annual Karl Barth Conference at Princeton Theological Seminary (June 17-20, 2018).

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Duke Divinity School – Independently Designed and Taught Courses (2019 – 2022)

Karl Barth and Reformed Theology (2022)

Una Introducción a la Ética Cristiana (2019)

International Teaching – Independently Designed and Taught Courses (2017 – 2019)

Teología en la Iglesia Primitiva—Advanced Methodist Course of Study, Ahuachapán, El Salvador (2019)

Teología de los Sacramentos—Peru Theological Education Initiative, Chincha, Perú (2017)

Duke Divinity School – Teaching Assistant (2017 – 2022)

Antropología Trinitaria (2022)

Doctrina Metodista (2021)

Intro to Christian Theology (2019, 2018, 2017)

Intro to Christian Ethics (2020, 2019, 2017)

Modern European Christianity (2018)

Theology of Karl Barth (2018)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Application Committee Member, Fellowship of Protestant Ethics (2020-2021)

Planning Committee, Duke Graduate Conference in Theology (Cancelled due to Covid-19)

“Engaging Liberation and Reconciliation Through Latin America” (2018-2019)

Co-convener of Theology and Ethics Colloquium, Duke Divinity School (2018-2019)

MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

Hispanic Theological Initiative Scholar

Member of the American Academy of Religion

Member of the Society of Christian Ethics

Fellowship of Protestant Ethics

FOREIGN LANGUAGES

Spanish (Native reading, writing and speaking ability, translation experience)

French (Basic Reading)

Biblical Hebrew (Basic Reading)

Koine Greek (Basic Reading)

CHURCH INVOLVEMENT

Licensed Candidate of Reformed Church in America, Holland Classis (Holland, MI)

Employment

Pastoral Intern, Second Reformed Church, Zeeland MI. May 2014-December 2015

Interim Youth Director, Pillar Church, Holland MI, January 2013- May 2013

REFERENCES

Available Upon Request