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Education

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| 2010 | PhD in Religious Studies, Faculty of Religious Studies, McGill University
Dissertation: "The Ends of Medicine at the End of Life: Understanding the Ordinary-Extraordinary Means Distinction in an Age of Pervasive Technology" |
| 2005 | MA in Religious Studies, Faculty of Religious Studies, McGill University
Thesis: "Theocentric Ethics for a Secular World: Toward a General Application of the Ethical Thought of James M. Gustafson" |
| 2003 | BA in Biblical and Theological Studies – BTh (joint degree), Faculty of Arts, Booth University College
Thesis: "The Place of the Trinity in the Thought of H. Richard Niebuhr" |

Professional Employment

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| 2012 – 2026 | Christian Ethics Consultant, The Salvation Army Ethics Centre |
| 2015 – 2026 | Adjunct Faculty, Booth University College |
| 2024 – 2026 | Sessional Instructor, Tyndale University |

Publications

Books

Suffering Well and Suffering With: Reclaiming Marks of Christian Identity. Eugene, OR: Cascade, 2023.

Refereed Journal Articles

- "The Salvation Army and Human Dignity." *Word & Deed* 23:2 (2020): 5 – 14.
- "Berating Bewitched by Hope: A reply to John Paley's Hope, Positive Illusions and Palliative Rehabilitation," with James E. Read and Beverley Smith. *Progress in Palliative Care* 23:2 (2015): 92.

Book Reviews

- Review, *My Body, Their Baby: A Progressive Christian Vision for Surrogacy* by Grace Y. Kao. *Perspectives on Science and Christian Faith* 77:1 (2025): 55 – 56.
- Review, *Keeping Faith in Faith-Based Organizations: A Practical Theology of Salvation Army Health Ministry* by Dean Pallant. *Word & Deed* 16:1 (2013): 70 – 72.

Other Publications

- "The Pursuit of Happiness." *Salvationist* (January – February 2026): 20 – 21.
- "Making Room for Inefficiency." *Faith Today* (September – October 2024): 40 – 42.
- "Come to Light: Exposing the Dark Corners of Power and Sexual Abuse in Ministry." *Salvationist* (September – October 2022): 16 – 17.
- "The Earth is the Lord's." *The Officer* (April – June 2022): 18 – 20.
- "Wrestling with God." *Salvationist* (May – June 2022): 20 – 21.
- "Exvangelical: Why Are So Many People Deconstructing Their Faith?" *Salvationist* (April 2022): 16.
- "Let's Talk About Racism." *Salvationist* (November 2021): 17.
- "Final Words: Medical Assistance in Dying and Pastoral Care" *Salvationist* (September 2020): 14 – 15.
- "Peace in a Time of Pandemic: The Message of Philippians and COVID-19." *Salvationist* (May 2020): 17.
- "In the Valley: Learning to Suffer with Each Other." *Salvationist* (March 2020): 17.
- "Is It in You to Give? Organ Donation Raises Difficult Questions." *Salvationist* (May 2019): 16.
- "Dignity for All: How King David Elevated the Son of His Enemy." *Salvationist* (April 2019): 11.

Web-based Publications

- "The Danger of Deepfake AI." *Salvationist Blog*, February 27, 2025.
- "Between Two Extremes," *Wipf and Stock Blog*, December 19, 2023.
- "The Church in the Metaverse," *Salvationist Blog*, April 19, 2023.
- "Mary Consoles Eve," *Salvationist Blog*, December 19, 2022.
- "Suffering Well and Suffering With." *Salvationist Blog*, November 5, 2021.
- "Truth Be Told: Reckoning with the Fall of a Hero," with James E. Read. *Salvationist Blog*, June 3, 2020.

Awards and Honours

2025	Personal Opinion Piece, The Word Guild
2024	Debra Fieguth Social Justice Award, The Word Guild
2022	First Place, Biblical Theological Reflection; Second Place, Service Journalism, Canadian Christian Communicators Association
2020	Third Place, Department Column, Canadian Christian Communicators Association
2019	Third Place, Department Column, Canadian Christian Communicators Association
2016	Third Place, Theological Reflection, Canadian Christian Communicators Association
2015	Third Place, Column Series, Canadian Christian Communicators Association
2014	Third Place, Opinion Piece, Canadian Christian Communicators Association
2008	Doctoral Fellowship, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (two years, \$20,000/year)
2005	Doctoral Research Scholarship, Fonds de recherche du Québec – Société et culture (three years, \$21,000/year)

2004 Canadian Graduate Scholarship (Master's), Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (one year, \$15,000)

Conference Papers and Invited Talks

2025 Panelist, "Grace Y. Kao, 'My Body, Their Baby,'" Diving Deeper Virtual Panel Discussion, American Scientific Association

2025 Presenter, "Breakfast with the Author: Suffering Well and Suffering With," Society of Christian Ethics Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL

2024 Interviewee, "Learning to Suffer Well with Aimee Patterson," Salvationist Podcast

2024 Interviewee, "Severe Suffering and the Call to Compassion with Aimee Patterson," The Theology Mill Podcast

2024 Conference Paper, "Compassion: Unique Opportunities in Spiritual Care," Booth University College Annual Chaplaincy Conference, Winnipeg, MB

2024 Panelist, "MAiD: Exploring Theological, Pastoral and Ethical Considerations," St. Paul's Anglican Church Medical Assistance in Dying Panel, Winnipeg, MB

2024 Interviewee, "Book Talk: Suffering Well and Suffering With," Westwood Community Church, Winnipeg, MB

2024 Interviewee, "Book Talk: Suffering Well and Suffering With," Roland United Church, Roland, MB

2023 Interviewee, "Suffering Well and Suffering With: Reclaiming Marks of Christian Identity," The Story We Tell Ourselves: A Salvationist Women Podcast

2023 Presenter, "Gene Editing and the Ethics of Technology," Canadian Council of Churches Faith and Life Sciences Reference Group Launch Event (virtual)

2022 Conference Paper, "Let Love Be Genuine: Considering Pornography from a Christian Ethics Perspective," International Symposium on Human Sexuality, The Salvation Army, Singapore

2020 Presenter, "All Our Relations," The Salvation Army Territorial Program Services Conference, Mississauga, ON (cancelled due to COVID-19)

2020 Presenter, "Faith in a Time of Pandemic" and "Is the Bible Anti-Racist?" Territorial Virtual Music School, The Salvation Army

2020 "Medical Assistance in Dying and The Salvation Army," The Salvation Army College for Officer Training, Winnipeg, MB

2019 Conference Paper, "The Salvation Army and Human Dignity," American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA

2018 Interviewee, "Sexual Ethics," Faith Today Podcast

2017 Conference Paper, "A New Final Enemy: Reflections on Dying, Suffering and Autonomy," 9th Annual Wesley Studies Symposium, Tyndale Seminary, Toronto, ON

Teaching Experience

Tyndale University

Medical Ethics at the End of Life, online (graduate level, Fall 2024, 2025, 2026)

The Salvation Army and Ethical Issues, online (graduate level, Fall 2017, 2021, 2025)

Booth University College

The Salvation Army and Ethical Issues, online (undergraduate level, Fall 2017, 2021, 2025, 2027)

Professional Ethics for Ministry, face to face and online (undergraduate level, Winter 2024, 2027, Intensive 2016, 2017, 2019, 2023, 2024)

Christianity and Social Justice, face to face (undergraduate level, Fall 2016)

Introduction to Religious Ethics, face to face and online (undergraduate level, Fall 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014)

Canadian Mennonite University

Theological Ethics, online (undergraduate and graduate levels, Winter 2027)

University of Winnipeg

Professional Ethics and the Practice of Spiritual Care, face to face (graduate level, Fall 2011, 2014)

Workshops and Trainings

Tyndale Centre for Grief and Loss

Medical Assistance in Dying: A Three-Part Series, online (2024, 2025, 2026)

The Salvation Army Ethics Centre

Suffering Well and Suffering With: A Study and Discussion Series, online (Winter 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027)

Gender, Sexuality and Christian Ethics: A Study and Discussion Series, online (Fall 2017, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026, Fall and Winter 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021)

Framework for Ethical Decision-Making Training (2020 – 2026)

Faith-Based Facilitation Training (2020 – 2026)

Moving Beyond “I’m Not Racist” (2020 – 2024)

The Salvation Army Territorial Executive Council

Care at the End of Life (2019)

The Salvation Army Social Services Council, USA Central Territory

Human Sexuality and Ethical Decision-Making (2019)

Service to the Profession

University Service

2020 – 2026 Member, Research Ethics Board, Booth University College, Winnipeg, MB

2014 – 2026 Member, Master’s Students Supervisory Committee, The United Centre for Theological Study, University of Winnipeg, Winnipeg, MB

2011 Member, Research Ethics Board, Mount Allison University, Sackville, NB

Other Professional Service

2026 Member, Tyndale Centre for Grief and Loss Board, Toronto, ON
2026 Co-chair, Canadian Council of Churches Faith and Life Sciences Reference Group
2025 Member, Canadian Council of Churches Faith and Life Sciences Reference Group
2022 – 2023 Member, International Research Network, The Salvation Army
2012 – 2026 Member, Moral and Social Issues Committee, The Salvation Army, Canada
2020 – 2026 Member, International Faith-Based Facilitation Network, The Salvation Army
2020 – 2026 Member, Truth and Reconciliation Committee, The Salvation Army, Canada

Community Service

2011 – 2026 Lay Ministry Volunteer, Saint Mary's Road United Church, Winnipeg, MB
2017 – 2020 Member, Board of Directors, Initiatives for Just Communities, Winnipeg, MB
2016 – 2017 Chair, Board of Directors, Initiatives for Just Communities, Winnipeg, MB

Professional Affiliations

2012 – 2026 Member, American Academy of Religion
2012 – 2026 Member, Society for Christian Ethics