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EDUCATION

Fuller Theological Seminary - Pasadena, CA

Ph.D., Intercultural Studies, 2010
Dissertation, *Street Signs: Toward a Missional Theology of Urban Cultural Engagement*

Regent College - Vancouver, BC

Master of Christian Studies, Applied Theology, 2005
Thesis, *Church, Culture, and the Kingdom: A Critique of Dispensational Ecclesiology in Consideration of Missional Church Theology*

University of Washington - Seattle, WA

B.A., Business Administration: Information Systems, 2001

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Seattle Pacific University - Seattle, WA

Assistant Professor of Missiology, School of Theology, Fall 2011-present
Assistant Professor of Missional Theology, School of Theology, 2010 -2011
Instructor of Missional Theology, School of Theology, 2008 - 2010

Courses Taught:

Undergraduate

- Global and Urban Ministry Minor: *Intro to Global and Urban Ministry, Holistic Ministry, Living in Another Culture,* and *Cross-Cultural Communication*
- University Foundations: *Christian Formation: Justice*

Seattle Pacific Seminary

- *Christian Formation in Mission - Acts of Mercy and Justice* (urban immersion intensive in partnership with New Horizons, Union Gospel Mission, Urban Impact, and Rainier Avenue Church)
- *Christian Formation: Discipleship and Mission in Context* (Asian American Christianity intensive in partnership with Japanese Presbyterian Church and the Wing Luke Museum of the Asian Pacific American Experience)

Regent College - Vancouver, BC

Graduate Teaching Assistant, *Jesus in Film* (Interdisciplinary Biblical Studies course), 2004

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

University Faculty Diversity Committee Chair, 2012-2013
University Faculty Diversity Committee, 2011-2014
Asian American Ministry Program faculty advisor, 2009-present
ASSP's "Intercultural Competency in the Classroom" faculty participant, 2011
CBTE's "Embracing the Whole Gospel" Steering Committee, 2010
School of Theology Graduate Curriculum Committee, 2009-2012
Faculty Housing Committee, 2012

Director of Global and Urban Ministry Minor; advisor and internship supervisor, 2008-present

PRESENTATIONS

"Street Prophets: Hip Hop, Urban Missiology, and Community Praxis," Annual Meeting of the American Society of Missiology, June 2012.

"The Multi-ethnic Church in Mission," Ministering in a Multi-Cultural World, November 2011.

"Merciful Justice," SPU/CBTE's "Embracing the Whole Gospel" Conference, May 2011.

'Interfaith Dialogue in an Asian Pacific American Context," Sacred Seattle at the Wing Luke Asian Museum, February 2011.

"Missional Theology and Glocalization," SPU Day of Common Learning, October 2010.

"Urban Exegesis in Seattle's Rainier Valley," Annual Meeting of the American Society of Missiology, June 2010.

"Embodied, Prophetic, Subversive: Toward A Missional Theology of Cultural Engagement," School of Intercultural Studies Doctoral Seminar 2009, Fuller Theological Seminary.

"Immigrants and Hipsters in Transition," School of Intercultural Studies Doctoral Seminar 2008, Fuller Theological Seminary.

PUBLICATIONS

"Reading the City: Cultural Texts and Urban Community," *Missio Dei Journal* 3/2 (August 2012).

Street Signs: Toward a Missional Theology of Urban Cultural Engagement, American Society of Missiology Monograph Series, Wipf & Stock/Pickwick (2012).

"Urban Theological Education at SPU: Encountering Neighbors and Race in Seattle," *Common Ground Journal* 8/1 (Fall 2010).

"Urban Exegesis in Seattle's Rainier Valley," *Journal of Urban Mission* 1/2 (July 2010).

RESEARCH GRANTS

"Contextualizing Biblical and Theological Education for Asian American Students," The Center for Biblical and Theological Education at SPU, May 2011.

CHURCH EXPERIENCE

Quest Church - Seattle, WA
Ministry Director of Community Groups, 2006 - 2008
Director of College Ministry, 2005 - 2006

Chinese Baptist Church - Seattle, WA
Director (interim) of Youth and Young Adult ministries, 2002 - 2003
Youth Ministry Intern, 1999 - 2001

Classes, seminars, and workshops taught: Faith & Race, Faith & Economics (Depth Classes series), Faith & Justice, Community Advocacy & Praxis, Cultivating Missional Communities

URBAN/GLOBAL COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Urban Impact – Seattle, WA
Board Member, 2012 – present

Assisting in governance for strategic community transformation and Christian Community Development to break the cycles of social, material and spiritual poverty in urban neighborhoods.

Wing Luke Asian Museum New Dialogues Initiative: Faith & Spirituality - Seattle, WA
Community Advisory Committee, 2009 - 2011

Collaborated with Wing Luke Asian Museum and leaders in the Asian/Pacific Islander-American community to develop an exhibit program around interfaith dialogue and issues of faith and spirituality in a local APIA context.

Rainier Vista Multicultural Committee - Seattle, WA
Core Subcommittee Member, 2006 - present

Community organizing to develop social investment and cooperation between diverse constituencies of homeowners, tenants, immigrants, and resettled refugees in a mixed-used, mixed-income neighborhood redevelopment of the Seattle Housing Authority.

South Seattle Community Group - Seattle, WA
Facilitator/Group Leader, 2005 - 2009

Provided leadership for developing and implementing a local neighborhood ministry of presence through an intentional, holistic Christian community group in the Rainier Valley.

Quest Global Presence Thailand - Thailand/Burma
Team Member, 2006

Researched global partnerships with local and international NGOs and faith-based organizations in Bangkok, Chiang Mai, and in villages and refugee camps along the Thai-Burma border.

Central Asia Mission Team - Xinjiang, China
Team Member, 2001

Developed summer English program in partnership with long-term missionaries in the region; designed and taught conversational English class and information technology elective course for students at Urumqi Vocational College in Northwestern China.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Academy of Religion
American Society of Missiology

ACADEMIC HONORS

Urban Mission Award, Fuller Theological Seminary, 2010
Fuller Theological Seminary Global Studies Scholarship, 2006-2009
Golden W Academic Scholarship, 1998
University of Washington Undergraduate Scholar Award, 1997

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Urban missiology, Asian American Christianity, globalization and mission, missiological contextualization in contemporary Western culture, urban anthropology, missional ecclesiology, theology of the built environment, new urbanism