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PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

David E. Smith Assistant Professor, Center for Healthcare Ethics and Human Dignity
Harding University, College of Bible and Ministry • 2025 to Present

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Bioethics
Technology & AI Ethics
Theology of Language & Nature
Stone-Campbell Movement

EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy • *Program*: Religion • *Concentration*: Theology and Ethics
Baylor University • Waco, TX • *Graduation*: August 2025
Dissertation: Transhumanism and Nature's Guide: Exploring Enhancement Technologies through Natural Law and Ordinary Language • *Committee*: Devan Stahl, Neil Messer, Paul Martens, Jonathan Tran, Jason T. Eberl

Master of Arts • *Concentration*: Systematic Theology • *GPA*: 4.00
Harding School of Theology • Memphis, TN • *Graduation*: May 2019
Thesis: Scripture and Revelation: Comparing Alexander Campbell, William J. Abraham, and Kevin Vanhoozer • *Committee*: Mark Powell, John Mark Hicks, Allen Black

Bachelor of Arts • *Major*: Bible & Religion
Bachelor of Science • *Major*: Computer Science • *Summa Cum Laude*
Harding University • Searcy, AR • *Graduation*: December 2015
Minors: English, Math

Certifications:

Teaching Capstone in Higher Education • Baylor University
Library Digital Scholar • Baylor University

PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

Journal Publications:

“Transhumanism within the Natural Law: Transforming Creation with Nature as Guide,”
Religions 15, no. 8 (2024)
“Discovering the Heart of the Biblical Narrative: A Survey of Solutions to a Postliberal Criticism,” *Restoration Quarterly* 62, no. 2 (2020)

Book Reviews:

Nature as Guide: Wittgenstein and the Renewal of Moral Theology, by David Goodill • *Studies in Christian Ethics* 36, no. 3 (August 2023)
Climate Change, Religion, and Our Bodily Future, by Todd LeVasseur • *Reading Religion* (January 2023)
Politics after Christendom, by David VanDrunen; *Faith in American Public Life*, by Melissa Rogers • *Perspectives in Religious Studies* 49, no. 3 (December 2022)
Feminist Theology and Contemporary Dieting Culture, by Hannah Bacon • *Reading Religion* (September 2022)

Conferences:

“Direct Communication and the Torment of Separateness” • American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting 2024
“The Need for Moral Enhancement and the Possibility of ‘Going Off the Rails’” • American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting 2024
Convener: “Stanley Cavell’s Influence on Theology” • Christian Scholars’ Conference 2024
“Cavell’s Automaton and Implications for Automata” • American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting 2023
“Technology Toward the Common Good” • Baylor Symposium on Faith and Culture 2023
“Congregation in Crisis: A Texas Church of Christ and their Decision Concerning Gender Roles” • Christian Scholars’ Conference 2023
“The Theological Take on Technology: Beyond Technophile and Troglodyte” • Southwest Commission on Religious Studies 2023
“The Natural Law and Technology” • Princeton Theological Seminary Koinonia Forum 2023
“The Enchantments of Mammon and a Romantic View of Business” • Christian Scholars’ Conference 2022

TEACHING & WORK EXPERIENCE

Courses Taught:

Baylor University

REL 1310: Christian Scriptures

REL 1350: Christian Heritage

Baylor College of Medicine

Year 1: Ethics Thread, Introduction (facilitator)

Year 2: Ethics Thread, Transition to Clerkship (facilitator)

Guest and Repeat Lectures:

CFIT 6610: Bioethics • Harding University

Business Ethics

Double Effect

REL 4395: Bioethics • Baylor University

Medical Ethics and Theology

Cross-Cultural Dialogue

Birth Control

Prenatal and Preimplantation Genetic Diagnosis

Defining Death

Transhumanism and Embodiment

HON 3200: Honors Colloquium • Baylor University

Blurring the Lines between Nature, Grace, and the Ordinary

Genetic Engineering: Could You “Play God” If You Tried?

Pain and Dietary Ethics: Can’t I Just Enjoy My Food?

REL 2480: Introduction to Ministry • Baylor University

Introduction to Hermeneutics

Survey of American Protestant History

BOLD 2010: Creation and Kingdom • Harding University

Genesis 2

REL 1350: Christian Heritage • Baylor University

Christian Ethics and War

Trends in Contemporary Christianity

Graduate Assistant, Baylor University • August 2020 to May 2025

Grant Participant: John Templeton Foundation, *Illuminating Theology Through Psychological Science* • \$2.5 million

Grant Assistant: Wabash Center, *Disability Pedagogy: Mapping a Lay of the Land* • \$8,200

Writing Consultant, Baylor University • August 2023 to May 2025

Software Developer • August 2015 to July 2020

SERVICE & PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Academic Organizations:

American Academy of Religion • Member

Human Enhancement Unit • Steering Committee

Fellowship for Protestant Ethics • Member

Community and University Engagement:

Bioethics Professional Learning Community

Baylor Student Opportunity & Accessibility Resources • Volunteer

Baylor Graduate Student Association • Representative

Baylor University Scholar Expert Interviewer • Volunteer

Baylor Ethics Initiative • Graduate Student Partner

Baylor Ethics Society • Consultant

National Ethics Bowl • Coach

National Bioethics Bowl • Coach

Host 2024 • Judge, Administrative Assistant

Robinson Church of Christ • Leadership Council

Shepherd’s Heart Food Pantry • Volunteer

Digital Humanities & Website Creation:

Illuminating Theology • Academic Resources

Disability Theology Database • Academic Resources
Devan Stahl • Academic Profile
Jay Allen • Ministry Profile
Robinson Church of Christ
Haslet Church of Christ
HOPE Addiction Recovery Ministries
COVID-19 Effects on Congregational Life • Research Project

Congregational Speaking:

Beebe Church of Christ (AR)
Robinson Church of Christ (TX)
First Presbyterian, Waco (TX)
Central Church of Christ (AR)
College Hill Church of Christ (TX)
Burleson Church of Christ (TX)
Garden Ridge Church of Christ (TX)
Southside Church of Christ (TX)
Haslet Church of Christ (TX)

HONORS & AWARDS

Christian Scholarship Foundation, Abraham J. Malherbe Fellowship • 2025–2026
Baylor University, Postdoctoral Teaching Fellow (Offered) • 2025
Baylor University, Outstanding Student Instructor Finalist • 2025
Louisville Institute, Postdoctoral Fellowship Finalist • 2025