

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, February 22nd

3:30–4:00 p.m. Registration and check-in

Session 1A: Law and the State

4:00–6:00 p.m.

Dodd Hall Auditorium

Respondent: Dr. Amanda Porterfield

Moderator: Adam Brasich

The Colony's Two Bodies: Sovereignty and Materiality in Early Massachusetts

Ana Schwartz

University of Pennsylvania, Department of English

Politics of Faith: Redefining the Professional Identity of Chaplains during the First World War

Jason Warren

University of Kentucky, Department of History

"To Promote the Discipline and Doctrine of the Protestant Episcopal Church": Politics, Law, and Denomination Building in early national Virginia, 1785-1811

Roy Rogers

City University of New York, Graduate Center

Shepherding Our National Conscience: *The U.S. Senate Chaplain*

Robert Lewis Mason

Duke University, Divinity School

The Slippery Semantics of Neutrality

Kathryn Yates

Georgia State University, Department of Religious Studies

**Session 1B: Critical Reflections on the
Teaching of World Religions**

4:00–6:00 p.m.
Werkmeister Room

Respondent: Dr. Shem Miller

Moderator: Cory Fritch

**The Politics of Subversion: Using Burton Mack to
Undermine the Idea of the "Christian Tradition"**

Tara Baldrick-Morrone

Florida State University, Department of Religion

**The Importance of "Classification" in Teaching World
Religions; or, On Using Justin Bieber to Teach J. Z. Smith**

Michael A. Graziano

Florida State University, Department of Religion

**"Women and Pollution": Using World Religions
Textbooks as Data**

Brad Stoddard

Florida State University, Department of Religion

"The Politics of Theory and Method"

A Keynote Address by Dr. Aaron Hughes,
University of Rochester, Department of Religion and Classics
6:30 p.m., Dodd Hall Auditorium

8:00 p.m.

Announcement of the Leo Sandon Best Paper Award

Afterward: Reception, Dodd Hall Foyer

Saturday, February 23rd

8:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast, Dodd Hall Foyer

<p>Session 2A: Identity Politics of Christianity In Antiquity 9:00–11:00 a.m. Dodd Hall Auditorium</p>

Respondent: Dr. Nicole Kelley

Moderator: Thomas Whitley

Slavery in the *Passion of Perpetua and Felicitas*

Harold Short

Florida State University, Department of Religion

The Virgin, the Bishop, and "the Mother of God": Conflict that Catalyzed the "Theotokos" Debate

Elizabeth Scott

Florida State University, Department of Religion

"What Can Only Be Said by the Martyrs": Troubling Intertexts and the Psalmist-Martyr of Origen's *Exhortation to Martyrdom*

Roberto J. De La Noval

University of Notre Dame, Early Christian Studies Program

"Jesus Wept" in the work of Sts. Augustine and John Chrysostom

Joshua McManaway

University of Notre Dame, Department of Theology

Session 2B: Religion, Gender, and Heteronormativity

9:00–11:00 a.m.

Werkmeister Room

Respondent: Dr. Rachel Lindsey

Moderator: Jacob Hicks

Anxious Honor & Piety: Self Control as Social Control in the Civil War Era South

James Hill Welborn III

University of Georgia, Department of History

Flash Without Feminism: A Glimpse Into the Politics of Gender in the American Megachurch

Sara Crocker

Clemson University, Department of Communication Studies

Cowboy Christianity: A Masculine Movement

Sarah "Moxy" Moczygemba

University of Florida, Department of Religion

Just Call Me Jack: Madame Blavatsky's Gender Politics

John L. Crow

Florida State University, Department of Religion

Community Questions: Mennonite Discourses of Belonging and Exclusion

Stephanie Krehbiel

University of Kansas, Department of American Studies

Session 2C: Catholicism, Politics, and the State

9:00–11:00 a.m.

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Respondent: Dr. Aline Kalbian

Moderator: Sam Houston

**Catholic Lay Trustees and the Politics of Early Republic
Catholicism**

Jeffrey Wheatley

Florida State University, Department of Religion

**"Zealous Apostles of the Vaccine": The French
Episcopate, the Smallpox Vaccine, and Church-State
Relations during the Aftermath of the French Revolution**

Sean P. Phillips

University of Notre Dame, Department of History

**Preventing Heresy: Censorship and Privilege in Mexican
Publishing, 1590-1612**

Albert A. Palacios

*University of Texas at Austin, Lozano-Long Institute of Latin
American Studies*

Session 3A: Memory and Narrative Frameworks

11:15 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Dodd Hall Auditorium

Respondent: Dr. David Kirby

Moderator: Emily Clark

**Readers Should Find This Interesting and Instructive; Or,
How to Be Like a Methodist Circuit Rider**

Charles McCrary

Florida State University, Department of Religion

**Redeeming Occupied Memories: Formation Rooted in the
Past with a Vision for the Future**

Sonja B. Williams

St. Thomas University, Department of Theology and Ministry

"Kolosalno! There is something here...Power, energy, the future!": Of Haunting, Steel, Progress, and the Urban Religious Landscape

Andy McKee

University of Missouri-Columbia, Department of Religious Studies

Anglican Propaganda in the Great War and Post-War Disillusionment

Kerrie Holloway

University of North Alabama, Department of History

Session 3B: Democracy, Virtue, and Political Advocacy

11:15 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Werkmeister Room

Respondent: Dr. John Kelsay

Moderator: Thomas J. Carrico, Jr.

Egypt's Muslim Brotherhood Era: Religion in Revolution and Political Ordering

Marwa Maziad

University of Washington, Near Middle Eastern Studies Program

American Muslims Engaged: Political Advocacy as Civic Education

Garrison Doreck

University of California at Irvine, Department of Anthropology

Torture and the Social Imagination: Human Rights, Radical Orthodoxy, and Democracy

Joshua S. Lupo

Florida State University, Department of Religion

Jeffrey Stout and the Democratic Virtues

Ross Moret

Florida State University, Department of Religion

Session 3C: Buddhism and the State

11:15 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

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Respondent: Dr. Jimmy Yu

Moderator: Dianna Bell

**Bridging Gaps: Yüngi Zhuhong and Secular Divisions
During the Wanli Period**

James Zeller

Florida State University, Department of Religion

**Power and Progress in Japanese Buddhism: Superstition,
Religion, Mysticism and the Development of Japanese
Buddhism in America**

Kelsie Stewart

University of Florida, Department of Religion

**Nested Nations: Nationalism Theory and Buddhism in
Japan**

Peter Herman

Georgetown University, Department of Theology

1:00–2:00 p.m. Lunch, Dodd Hall Foyer

Analyzing the Graduate Study of Religion

A Roundtable Discussion

2:00–3:30 p.m.

Dodd Hall Auditorium

Moderator: Charles McCrary

Participants:

Adam Cushing, *Florida State University, Department of Religion*

Chad W. Gardner, *Florida State University, Department of Religion*

Stephanie Krehbiel, *University of Kansas, Department of American Studies*

Mona Oraby, *Northwestern University, Department of Political Science*

Ana Schwartz, *University of Pennsylvania, Department of English*

Jason Warren, *University of Kentucky, Department of History*

Gene Zubovich, *University of California at Berkeley, Department of History*

**Session 4A: Religion and the Politics of Citizenship
in Nineteenth-Century America**

3:45–5:45 p.m.

Dodd Hall Auditorium

Respondent: Dr. John Corrigan

Moderator: Shaun Horton

**“I am Alive and I am Awaiting your Arrival in the Land of
Justice and Equality!”: Spiritualism and Afro-creoles in
New Orleans**

Emily Suzanne Clark

Florida State University, Department of Religion

**"Imperfectly Understood": Father Mollinger's Divine
Intervention in Post-Nativist Pittsburgh**

Kate Lukaszewicz

Duquesne University, Public History Program

"A Catholic that Loves Not His Country Does Not Understand His Religion": Catholic Influence on Union Civil War Diplomacy, Politics of Citizenship, and State Formation

David K. Thomson
University of Georgia, Department of History

Session 4B: Religion and Legal Identity

3:45–5:45 p.m.

Werkmeister Room

Respondent: Dr. Kathleen Erndl

Moderator: LaBron Chance

The New Deal's Legacy and the Fate of Ecumenism

Gene Zubovich
University of California at Berkeley, Department of History

The Mythopolitics of Ravana: Tamil Identity and the *Ramayana*

Brent Gordon
Florida State University, Department of Religion

Gender Equality in the Hindu Succession Act

Ian Reed
Florida State University, Department of Religion

Session 4C: Religion, Science, and the Secular

3:45–5:45 p.m.

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Respondent: Dr. Matthew Day

Moderator: Ross Moret

Affecting (a) Modernity: The Death of God Trope and the Discursive Politics of Managing Religion

Mark Nagle
Indiana University, Department of Communication and Culture

The Bracketing of Truth and Its Roots in Calvin

Chad W. Gardner

Florida State University, Department of Religion

**The Theological Origins of American Liberalism: The
Orthodox-Unitarian Controversy and Debate in the Public
Sphere over the Meaning of the Liberal Idea in Boston,
1805-1815**

Scott Shubitz

Florida State University, Department of History

Strategies for the Academic Study of Religion

A Roundtable Discussion

6:00-7:30 p.m.

Dodd Hall Auditorium

Moderator: Tara Baldrick-Morrone

Participants:

Dr. Joseph Hellweg, *Florida State University, Department of Religion*

Dr. Aaron Hughes, *University of Rochester, Department of Religion and
Classics*

Dr. Martin Kavka, *Florida State University, Department of Religion*

Dr. Rachel Lindsey, *Florida State University, Department of Religion*

Afterward: Reception, Dodd Hall Foyer

Sunday, February 24th

8:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast, Dodd Hall Foyer

**Session 5A: Political Resistance in Second Temple
Judaism**
9:00–11:00 a.m.
Dodd Hall Auditorium

Respondent: Dr. Matthew Goff

Moderator: Harold Short

**War in Heaven: A Form Critical Approach to the War Scroll
(1QM) through the Combat Myth**

James R. Prather

Abilene Christian University, Department of Theology

**A Critique of Religious Explanations of the First Jewish-
Roman War**

Adam Cushing

Florida State University, Department of Religion

**Parody and Travesty: A Bakhtinian Reading of Esther 6:1-
14**

David A. Skelton

Florida State University, Department of Religion

**Angels as God's Satraps in 2 Maccabees 3: The
Transposition of Darius's Satrapic Administration**

J. Andrew Sowers

Harding School of Theology

Session 5B: Religion and Government in Africa

9:00–11:00 a.m.

Werkmeister Room

Respondent: Dr. Joseph Hellweg

Moderator: Lauren Cosgrove

Yaltaweke Addis Haymanot: The Battle for Ethiopia in Political and Sacred Space (1974–1991)

Yonatan Binyam

Florida State University, Department of Religion

Hierarchies of Citizenship: The Bahá'ís in Egypt

Mona Oraby

Northwestern University, Department of Political Science

Spiritualizing Everyday Life: Processes of Incorporation in Short-term Mission Trips

Elaine Christian

Teachers College, Columbia University, Anthropology and Education Program

Session 6A: Islam and Politics

11:15 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Dodd Hall Auditorium

Respondent: Dr. Adam Gaiser

Moderator: Rosemary Kellison

Unveiling Piety: A Discussion of *Hijab*, History, and Agency within the Egyptian Women's Mosque Movement

Tiffany Lee

University of Florida, Center for Women's Studies and Gender Research

The Contours of Conscience: Maududi, Freedom of Conscience, and Comparative Religious Ethics

Sam Houston

Florida State University, Department of Religion

Unbelief as Wartime Polemic in Surat al-Anfal

Thomas J. Carrico, Jr.

Florida State University, Department of Religion

**Heresy on the Margins: Islam as a Christian Heresy in
John of Damascus' *De Haeresibus***

Thomas J. Whitley

Florida State University, Department of Religion

Session 6B: Relationality, Agency, and Experience

11:15 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Werkmeister Reading Room

Respondent: Dr. Martin Kavka

Moderator: Jeremy Zorn

**Naturalized Bioethics: Addressing Concerns in the Clinical
Setting**

Jesse Northrup

Florida State University, Department of Religion

**Feminist Theory & William James's *The Varieties of
Religious Experience*: Filling a Gap**

Lauren A. Cosgrove

Florida State University, Department of Religion

**Liberationist Praxis via Aesthetics and Performance as
Projects in Radical Ethics**

Aaron Ellis

Florida State University, Department of Religion

GUEST SPEAKER



Dr. Aaron Hughes is Professor of Religion in the Department of Religion and Classics at the University of Rochester. His research focuses on Jewish studies, Islamic studies, and method and theory in the study of religion. His most recent book, *Abrahamic Religions: On the Uses and Abuses of History* (Oxford University Press, 2012), discusses the creation of the term “Abrahamic religions” and questions its usefulness for the academic study of religion. In January 2013, he became the editor for the *Method and Theory in the Study of Religion*.

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