

Curriculum Vitae
ANDREW M. DAVIS, PH.D.

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SUMMARY

- Philosopher, theologian, and scholar of religion with extensive global experience. Instruction, research, program development and publishing focus on the intersections of philosophy, theology, science, religion, ethics and spirituality in the western intellectual tradition.
- Excellent leadership, teamwork, and networking ability, coupled with strong skills in program development, conference organization, editing and publishing. Recognized for interpersonal effectiveness, clarity of presentation, academic achievement, and mentoring passion.
- Recipient of academic scholarships, awards and international fellowships.
- Current Program Director for the Center for Process Studies, Claremont School of Theology at Willamette University.

EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy: Religion and Process Philosophy, Claremont School of Theology, Claremont CA
May, 2020

Recipient: Claremont Scholarship

Award: The 2020 Presidential Award for Academic Excellence

Award: Doctoral Fellowship with [FASPE](#) (Fellowships at Auschwitz for the Study of Professional Ethics)

Nomination and Election: The International Society of Science and Religion ([ISSR](#))

Dissertation: "Mind, Value and the Cosmos: On the Relational Nature of Ultimacy."

Committee: Roland Faber, Ph.D.

Philip Clayton, Ph.D.

Daniel A. Dombrowski, Ph.D.

Qualifying Examinations:

1. Philosophy of Religion, Philip Clayton, Ph.D.
2. Process Philosophy and Theology, Roland Faber, Ph.D.
3. Comparative Religion and Theology, Özgür Koca, Ph.D.
4. Constructive Natural Theology, Monica Coleman, Ph.D.

Language Examinations:

1. German
2. French

Master of Arts Degree: Interreligious Studies, Claremont School of Theology, Claremont, CA

Recipient: Full Tuition Scholarship

May 2013

Award: The 2013 Award for Excellence in Biblical Studies

Thesis: “Qur’anic Refinements to Biblical Anthropomorphism: A Comparative Exposition”

Bachelor of Arts Degree: Philosophy and Theology, Point Loma Nazarene University, San Diego, CA.

Recipient: Department Scholarship

May 2011

GLOBAL/MULTICULTURAL EDUCATION & EXPERIENCE

Fellowship at Auschwitz for the Study of Professional Ethics (FASPE)

Summer 2017

- Intensive two-week fellowship program in Germany and Poland dedicated to professional ethics and contemporary ethical issues faced by religious and theological educators. Examined the role of clergy and religious belief in Nazi Germany and the Holocaust. Integrated approach included historical, theological, philosophical, and literary sources; survivor testimony, and on-site workshops in Berlin, Auschwitz and other key holocaust locations.

Delhi, India, International School for Jain Studies

June 2012

- Intensive one-month academic study in partnership with Claremont Lincoln University and the International School for Jain Studies. Participated in religious and cultural programs and lectures in Delhi, Agra, Hastinapur, Varanasi, Jaipur, and other relevant historical locations.

Palestine and Israel

January 2012

- Participant in academic study program “Challenge and Hope in the Holy Land” with emphasis on the political and interreligious dimensions of the conflict. Attended seminars and lectures in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Bethlehem, Beit Sahour, Haifa, Galilee, Nablus and Nazareth.

Semester at Sea: “Engineering a New Tomorrow,” University of Virginia

May 2011

- Voyage throughout Central America emphasizing humanitarian projects and needs articulated by the United Nations 2015 Millennium Development Goals.
 - Port of Spain, Trinidad:* Mt. St. Benedict Monastery, meetings and dialogue with local students.
 - Colon, Panama:* Church of the Black Christ, Portobello; cultural activities at Embera Indian village.
 - Puerto Limon, Costa Rica:* Meetings regarding youth and educational development.
 - Puerto Cortes, Honduras:* Seminars concerning poverty and unemployment.
 - Puerto Barrios, Guatemala:* Dialogue regarding educational needs and opportunities.
 - Belize City, Belize:* Interreligious dialogue and interaction with cultural artists and entrepreneurs.

Semester at Sea: Global Circumnavigation, University of Virginia

Spring Semester 2009

- Cadiz, Spain:* Catholic Cathedrals, Seville, Alhambra Palace, Granada.
- Casablanca, Morocco:* Hassan II Mosque and interreligious dialogue, cultural programs, Marrakesh.
- Walvis Bay, Namibia:* Participation in cultural rituals and activities.
- Cape Town, South Africa:* Robben Island, dialogue and lectures on Apartheid.
- Port Louis, Mauritius:* Cultural programs and lectures on interreligious diversity.

- Chennai, India*: Shrine of St. Thomas, lectures on ethical implications of the caste system, participant in religious rituals in Dalit “untouchable” villages, interreligious dialogue.
- Bangkok, Thailand*: Grand Palace, Buddhist Temples; meeting with NGO representatives.
- Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam*: Interreligious dialogue at the Tây Ninh Holy See Temple of the Cao Dai Faith; Vietnam Memorial.
- Hong Kong and Shanghai, China*: Cultural programs and activities, participant in cross-cultural teamwork exercise.
- Kobe and Yokohama, Japan*: Buddhist Temples, Sacred Christian Cemetery, interreligious dialogue.
- Puerto Quetzal, Guatemala*: Cultural tours and youth service.

Kathmandu, Nepal

Summer 2008

- Service team member with “Love Works” program from Point Loma Nazarene University. Presentations and interactions with religious congregations, activities in youth development, and participant in building construction and restoration.

PRESENTATIONS AND INSTRUCTION

“The Relational Nature of Ultimacy: An Overview of *Mind, Value and Cosmos*”

Open and Relational Online Conference. Panel discussion of my recent book, February 19, 2022.

“Process Philosophy and Cosmology: A Survey of Issues”

Staffordshire University, UK. Invited three week online module on philosophy and cosmology, with emphasis on *Mind, Value and Cosmos*. January, 2022.

“Being and Becoming: A Historical and Thematic Introduction to Process Philosophy,” 2021

Claremont School of Theology, Process Summer Intensive

“Experience Everywhere: A Universe of Feeling,” 2021

Claremont School of Theology, Process Summer Intensive

“Possibility, Novelty and Value: Evolutionary Advance in Cosmology of Process and Purpose,” 2021

Claremont School of Theology, Process Summer Intensive

“God as Poet of the World: The Philosophical Function of God in a Universe of Process and Purpose,” 2021

Claremont School of Theology, Process Summer Intensive

“Process Panentheism: Critiques, Models, Attributes, Religious Significance,” 2021

Claremont School of Theology, Process Summer Intensive

“Mind, Value, and Cosmos: On the Relational Nature of Ultimacy,” 2021

Cobb Institute, Claremont CA

“God, Value and Ontological Gratitude: On the Axiological Foundations of Worship,” 2019
American Academy of Religion, San Diego, CA, Open and Relational Theologies Unit

“Paths to Spiritual Depth: Insights from Leaders of Our Age,” 2018.
The Cosmic Campfire: Rekindling Humanities Biggest Questions, Chapel Hill, NC

“Pantheism: The Other God of the Philosophers,” 2017.
Florida International University (FIU), Miami, FL

“Pantheism 101: “In Whom We Live and Move and Have Our Being.”” *FIU*, 2016

“Pantheism and the Resurgence of ‘God.’” *FIU*, 2015

“Qur’anic Refinements to Biblical Anthropomorphism: A Comparative Exposition.” *FIU*, 2014

“The World Is A Book: A Call to Travel,” 2013
Napa Valley College, Napa, CA

PUBLICATIONS AND RESEARCH

Books

- Andrew M. Davis, *Philosophical Foundations of Process Theology: An Introduction to Alfred North Whitehead* (**forthcoming**, 2023). A detailed yet playful introduction to the process philosophy of Alfred North Whitehead for graduate and undergraduate students of philosophy, theology and religion.
- Andrew M. Davis, *Mind, Value, and Cosmos: On the Relational Nature of Ultimacy* (Lanham: Lexington, 2020). An investigation into the nature of ultimacy and explanation, particularly as it relates to the status of, and relationship among, Mind, Value, and the Cosmos. Draws its stimulus from longstanding “axiomatic” convictions as to the ultimate status of Mind and Value in the western tradition of philosophical theology, and chiefly from the influential modern proposals of A.N. Whitehead, Keith Ward, and John Leslie, arguing for the ultimacy of relationality—what Whitehead calls “mutual immanence.” Endorsed by David Ray Griffin, John B. Cobb Jr., Nicholas Rescher, Robert Cummings Neville, Peter Forrest, John Leslie, Keith Ward, Daniel Dombrowski and PBS Closer to Truth host, Robert Lawrence Kuhn.

Edited Books

- *Process Astrobiology: Metaphysics, Meaning, and the Organic Universe*. Edited by Andrew M. Davis and Roland Faber (**forthcoming**, 2023, under review by Oxford University Press). First-ever volume exploring the relevance of process philosophy to astrobiology and the scientific search for extraterrestrial intelligence. Features new scientific, philosophical and theological/religious perspectives on the nature of life in an organic, evolutionary universe. Contributors include: Steven J. Dick, Ted Peters, Constance Bertka, Bruce Damer, Matthew David Segall, Ilia Delio, Brianne Donaldson, Roland Faber, Chelsea Haramia, Noreen Herzfeld, Wahida Khandker, Jeffery Long, Mark Lupisella, Darek Malone-France, Theodore Walker Jr. and Andrew M. Davis
- Roland Faber, *The Ecology of God: Whiteheadian Excursions in Eco-Theology, Togetherness and Divine Liberation*. Compiled and edited by Andrew M. Davis. (**forthcoming**, Pickwick, 2023). A

volume of Roland Faber's most compelling writings on the tangled themes of eco-theology, society and eschatology, in critical dialogue with a diversity of eco-theologians, environmental philosophers and process and poststructuralist thinkers. Topics include metaphysics, philosophical theology, philosophy of mind; issues of sustainability, education and the future of religion; and pertinent concerns of the theological tradition including evil, eschatology and apocalyptic transformation.

- *How I Discovered Cosmic Consciousness: An Anthology of Spiritual Memoirs, Vol. 2.* Edited by Andrew M. Davis (Rhinebeck: Monkfish Publishing Company, **forthcoming**, 2023). A volume of personal spiritual journeys and discoveries written by key leaders, including: Rupert Spira, Peter Russell, Ervin Laszlo, Christopher M. Bache, Kabir Helminski, Amit Goswami, Jude Currivan, Sheri Kling, Beverley Lanzetta, Jay McDaniel, Raymond Moody, Becca Tarnas, Karen Johnson and A.H. Almaas.
- *Process Cosmology: New Integrations in Science and Philosophy.* Edited by Andrew M. Davis, Maria-Teresa Teixeira and Wm. Andrew Schwartz (Palgrave Macmillan, 2022). Key scientific and philosophical voices from around the world present the newest reaches of Whitehead's process philosophy and associated process philosophies of Bergson, James, Pierce, Merleau-Ponty and a variety of others, in dialogue with contemporary issues in physics, cosmology, astrobiology, metaphysics, aesthetics and religion. Contributors include: Jeroen B. J. Van Dijk, Attila Grandpierre, Otávio S. R. D. Maciel, Maria-Teresa Teixeira, Wm. Andrew Schwartz, John Pickering, Rodrigo Petronio, Luís Morais, Glen Veitch, Philip Rose, John Becker, Friedrich Sieben, Andrew Kirkpatrick, Pedro Nuno Pereira Lopes, Miloš Ševčík, Leonard Gibson, John Buchanan and Andrew M. Davis.
- *Nature in Process: Organic Proposals in Philosophy, Society and Religion.* Edited by Andrew M. Davis, Maria-Teresa Teixeira and Wm. Andrew Schwartz (Process Century Press, 2022). New essays exemplifying the interdisciplinary shift to organic modes of thought undergirding Whitehead's philosophy and the need to re-think the world of nature, the place of human beings, and our current ecological precarity. Contributors include: John Pickering, Luca Vanzago, Jason Brown, Herman F. Greene, John B. Cobb, Jr., Maria-Teresa Teixeira, Moirika Reker, Mark Dibben, Arran Gare, Charles Walter, Andrew M. Davis, Robert Gnuse, Farhan A. Shah, Wm. Andrew Schwartz, Leslie A. Muray.
- Roland Faber, *Depths as Yet Unspoken: Whiteheadian Excursions in Mysticism, Multiplicity and Divinity.* Compiled and edited by Andrew M. Davis. (Eugene: Pickwick, 2020). A volume of Roland Faber's foremost writings on the mystical reaches of Whitehead's thought, in dialogue with a diversity of voices, from process philosophers and theologians, to mystical and poststructuralist thinkers. Topics include: metaphysics, cosmology, everyday experience, religious pluralism, interreligious violence, spirituality, and longstanding concerns of the theological tradition, including creation, the trinity, revelation, religious experience and divine mystery.
- *Propositions in the Making: Experiments in a Whiteheadian Laboratory.* Edited by Roland Faber, Michael Halewood and Andrew M. Davis. (Lanham: Lexington, 2020). A volume of creative interdisciplinary proposals/applications of Whitehead's theory of "propositions" as "lures for feeling." Contributors include: Roland Faber, Michael Halewood, James Burton, Brianne Donaldson, Diego Gil, Susanne Valery Granzer, Matthew Goulsh, Erin Manning, Brian Massumi, Andrew Murphie, Timothy Murphy, and A.J. Nocek.
- *How I Found God in Everyone and Everywhere: An Anthology of Spiritual Memoirs, Vol. 1.* Edited by Andrew M. Davis and Philip Clayton (Rhinebeck: Monkfish Publishing Company, 2018). A volume of

personal spiritual journeys and discoveries written by key leaders, including: Deepak Chopra, Richard Rohr, Matthew Fox, Rupert Sheldrake, Cynthia Bourgeault, Ilia Delio, Keith Ward, John B. Cobb Jr., Loriliai Biernacki, Marjorie H. Suchocki and Rabbi Bradley Shavit Artson.

Book Chapters

- “From Negation to Exemplification: A Deeper Whiteheadian Cosmotheology” in *Process Astrobiology: Metaphysics, Meaning and the Organic Universe* (**forthcoming**, 2023).
- “God as Reason: The Axianoetic Tradition” in *T&T Clark Encyclopedia of Christian Theology*. Edited by Jana Bennett et al. (**forthcoming**, T&T Clark, 2023).
- “On Helping God by Becoming God” in *Partnering With God: Exploring Collaboration in Open and Relational Theology*. Edited by Thomas J. Oord et al. (SacraSage Press, 2021).
- “Introduction: Mediations for Process Cosmology” in *Process Cosmology: New Integrations in Science and Philosophy*. Edited by Andrew M. Davis et al. (Palgrave Macmillan, 2021).
- “Whiteheadian Cosmotheology: Platonic Entities, Divine Realities and Shared Extraterrestrial Values” in *Process Cosmology: New Integrations in Science and Philosophy*. Edited by Andrew M. Davis et al. (Palgrave Macmillan, 2021).
- “Divine Wilder/ness: Nature, Panentheism, and Eco-Theological Ethics” in *Nature in Process: Organic Proposals in Philosophy, Society, and Religion*. Edited by Andrew M. Davis et al. (forthcoming, Process Century Press, 2021).
- “Editors Introduction: Sparks Before a Theopoetic Wildfire” in Roland Faber, *Depths As Yet Unspoken: Whiteheadian Excursions in Mysticism, Multiplicity, and Divinity*. Edited by Andrew M. Davis (Pickwick, 2020).
- “Introduction: The Journey Ahead” in *How I Found God in Everyone and Everywhere: An Anthology of Spiritual Memoirs*. Edited by Andrew M. Davis and Philip Clayton (Monkfish, 2018).
- “Conclusion: Returning to God After God” in *How I Found God in Everyone and Everywhere: An Anthology of Spiritual Memoirs*. Edited by Andrew M. Davis and Philip Clayton (Monkfish, 2018)

Published Articles

- “Process Theology and the Global Philosophy of Religion Project,” **forthcoming**, *Process Perspectives*, vol. XX (2022), XX.
- “God, Value, and Ontological Gratitude: On the Axiological Foundations of Worship,” *Toronto Journal of Theology* 36/1 (2020), 33-43.
- “The Divine Wilderness: God, Nature and Today’s Leaders,” *Oracle 20-20*, vol. 28.11, December 2018.
- “How I Found God in Everyone and Everywhere: Word Spread’s about a New Book from Claremont’s Own,” *Process Perspectives*, vol. 40.2 (2018), 6-7.
- “Cobb, Neville and the Riddle of God,” *Process Perspectives*, vol. 40.1 (2017), 21-23.
- “The Panentheistic Heart of Philip Clayton’s Recent Lecture,” *Process Perspectives*, vol. 38.1 (2016), 19.

Book Reviews and Article Abstracts

- Kraay, Klaas, J. *Does God Matter?: Essays on the Axiological Consequences of Theism* (New York: Routledge, 2018). *Modern Believing*, **forthcoming**, April 2022 (63.2).
- Bracken, Joseph A. “Incarnation, Panentheism and Bodily Resurrection: A Systems-Oriented Approach.” *Theological Studies*, published in *Process Studies*, vol. 54.2 Fall/Winter (2016), 286.

- Mullins, R.T. “The Difficulty with Demarcating Panentheism.” *Sophia*, published in *Process Studies*, vol. 54.2 Fall/Winter (2016), 288-289.
- Nikkel, David H. “Affirming God as Panentheistic and Embodied.” *Sophia*, published in *Process Studies*, vol. 45.2 Fall/Winter (2016) 290.

CONFERENCE, COURSE AND PROGRAM ORGANIZATION AND DEVELOPMENT

- “Philosophy of Psychedelics: Exploring Frameworks of Exceptional Experience,” Organized by the University of Exeter and the Center for Process Studies. Online, April 14-16, 2021. Website: philosophyofpsychedelics.com
- “Ecological Civilization and Organic Communitarianism,” Organized by The Center for Process Studies. Online, May 21-26, 2021. Website: claremontecoforum.org/
- “Process Summer Intensive,” The Center for Process Studies, Claremont School of Theology, July 6-10, 2021: Select Lecture Playlist [here](#). Webpage: <https://ctr4process.org/event/cst-process-summer-intensive/>.
- “Astrobiology, Exo-Philosophy and Cosmic Religion,” Organized by The Center for Process Studies, the Whitehead Research Project and Willamette University. Sponsored by the John Templeton Foundation. Forthcoming, Salem OR, May 5-7, 2022. Website: processastrobiology.com/

RADIO, YOUTUBE & PODCAST INTERVIEWS

- *Closer to Truth Chats* (Global Philosophy of Religion Project, University of Birmingham), 2021
Host: Robert Lawrence Kuhn. [Watch](#).
- *Homebrewed Christianity*, 2021
Host: Tripp Fuller, Ph.D. [Listen](#).
- *Question Your Answers Podcast*, 2021
Host: Andre and Mary-Anne Rabe. [Listen](#).
- *In Times Like These*, a production of Claremont Lincoln University, 2019
Host: Stephanie Varnon-Hughes, Ph.D. [Listen](#).
- *Homebrewed Christianity*, 2018
Host: Tripp Fuller, Ph.D. [Listen](#).
- *The Intersection of Success and Spirituality*, 2018
Host: Joshua Ogaldez. [Listen](#).
- *Transformation Talk Radio*, 2018
Host: Dr. Pat Baccili. [Listen](#).
- Dreamvisions 7 Radio Network, 2018
Host: Deborah Beauvais. [Listen](#).

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

- International Society for Science and Religion (ISSR)
- American Academy of Religion
- The Center for Process Studies
- The Center for Open and Relational Theology

- International Process Network

GRADUATE ACADEMIC COURSEWORK

Ph.D. Religion and Process Studies

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| -Zoroastrianism | -Whitehead Seminar: <i>Process and Reality</i> |
| -Mysticism East and West | -Problem of Evil |
| -Major Works in Political Philosophy | -Panentheism: Origins, Development, Relevance |
| -Comparative Theologies and Practices | -Religions and Exo-Life |
| -Problems in Christology | -Eco-process Theology |
| -Process Thought, Critical Theory and Violence | -Philosophy and Theology of Schleiermacher |

M.A. Interreligious Studies

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| -Survey of Islamic Philosophy, Theology and Mysticism | -Buddhism and Christianity |
| -Atheism and Secularity | -Dimensions of the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict |
| -Animal Theology and Ethics | -Jesus the Teacher |
| -Introduction to Rabbinic Literature | -Basic Aspects of New Testament Study |
| -World of the Bible | -History of World Christianity |
| -Religions of India | -Survey of Jewish History |
| -Postcolonialism | -Interreligious Dialogue and Leadership |
| -Whitehead and World Religions | -The Qur'an and its Interpreters |
| | -Ministry and the Problem of Evil |

EMPLOYMENT AND EXPERIENCE

- **Program Director**, *The Center for Process Studies*, 2020-current, Claremont School of Theology, Salem OR. Organize, oversee, and conduct academic research in process-relational thought; develop educational resources including: academic conferences, book series, and courses exploring the implications and irreducible relevance of mind and value, process and interconnection, novelty and change to a variety of disciplines including: philosophy, science, ecology, religion, theology, culture, education, psychology, and political theory. Schedule and lead weekly CPS team meetings, working individually and collectively with faculty and staff on domestic and international projects, both online and face-to-face.
- **Research & Teaching Assistant**, 2016-2019: *Theology and Process Studies*, Claremont School of Theology
Under the guidance of Roland Faber Ph.D., organization and class development, syllabus and textbook preparation, online maintenance and in-class execution of courses including: “Systematic Theology,” “Religions and Exo-life,” “Eco-Process Theology,” “The Future of Religions: The Bahá'í Faith,” “The Relativity of Religious Truth,” “God as Poet of the World,” “The Spirit Beyond Matter: Religions and Near Death Experiences,” “Whitehead and Postmodern Thought,” “The Transreligious Discourse: Buddhism and Christianity,” and “Trinity Revisited: Models, Alterations, Alternatives.” Provided lecture presentations, seminar discussions, online conference meetings, academic advising/mentoring, administrative assistance to students, faculty and staff, development and execution of department conferences and writing projects including formatting, editing, and index creation for Roland Faber, *The*

Garden of Reality: Transreligious Relativity in a World of Becoming (Lexington, 2018) and *The Ocean of God: On the Transreligious Future of Religions* (Abingdon, 2019).

- **Resident Assistant**, 2016-2019: Claremont School of Theology Housing Leadership Team
In collaboration with housing staff and leadership, oversaw all housing endeavors including: move-ins and move-outs, conflicts and disturbances, maintenance, security and cleanliness, and community and teambuilding exercises among housing team and student residents.
- **Manager and Mentor**, 2017-2019: Sanctuary Coffee Church, Claremont California.
Managed daily operations and mentored college students through both individual and group conversations about matters of life and faith, including philosophy, theology, and religion.
- **Research Assistant**, 2017: *Philosophy of Religion and Science*, Claremont School of Theology
Under the guidance of Philip Clayton Ph.D., collaboration in research, editing and writing of scholarly articles, book projects, and conference papers in the philosophy of religion, science, and theology.
- **Editor/Reviewer**,
Read, evaluated, and offered detailed editorial comments for articles submitted for scholarly publication.
-*The Journal of Religion*, 2018
-*Journal of World-Philosophies*, 2018
-*Claremont Journal of Religion*, 2013
- **Instructor of Philosophy & Religion**, 2013-2015, Rincon Valley Christian High School, Santa Rosa, CA.
Designed and delivered courses in World Philosophies, Systematic Theology, Biblical Studies and Christian Worldview to high school students (grades 9-12). Courses included original lectures, visual presentations, debate, guest speakers, content examinations, group learning projects, and individual student counseling.
- **Educator/Editor/Counselor**, 2014, New Vintage Church, Santa Rosa, CA
Provided educational and leadership services to adults and youth. Wrote and edited organizational communications. Contributed teaching, counseling, and support services to members. Lead guest services team and leadership operations including scheduling, delegations, and mentoring.