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Curriculum Vitae

Faculty of Theology and Religion
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Research Interests:

Primary: Problem of Evil (Anti-Theodicy), Post-Kantian Theology

Secondary: Fyodor Dostoevsky, Philosophy of Religion, Post-Kantian Continental Philosophy (Nietzsche, Heidegger).

Education

MPhil University of Oxford, 2025-Current, Philosophical Theology

B.A. University of Oxford, 2022-2025, Philosophy and Theology (**First Class Honours**)

High School Harrow International School Hong Kong, 2017-2022

Primary School Diocesan Boys' School, 2010-2016

Scholarly Engagement:

Journal Articles (*Indicates Peer Review):

1. * "[Perspectives on the Problem of Evil](#)" *The Evangelical Review of Theology* 48, no. 4 (2024): 362-375
2. * "[Fyodor Dostoevsky: The Genesis of Genius](#)" *The Evangelical Review of Theology and Politics* 12 (2024): 79-90.

Articles in Progress:

Under review:

1. On the Characterization of Theoretical and Pastoral Problems of Evil

Under development:

1. On the Influences Behind and Influences of Fyodor Dostoevsky's Problem of Evil
2. Fyodor Dostoevsky's Problem of Evil: From Anti-Theodicy to Resolution

Book Reviews:

1. "[Mark Edwards: The Problem of Evil in the Ancient World: Homer to Dionysius the Areopagite](#)" *The Evangelical Review of Theology and Politics* 12 (2024): 19-20.

Academic Presentations:

1. "Dostoevsky's Problem of Evil: An East-West Engagement", *Challenges to Religious Worldviews, East-West Dialogue*, Inaugural Conference of the Asian Society for Philosophy of Religion (August 2025)

Public Philosophy:

Media:

1. Philosophy for All: [YouTube](#) and Podcast
 - a. Promotes philosophical and theological education through interviews, concept overviews, and introductions.
 - b. Regular dialogues with leading scholars like Dr. George Pattison, Dr. Aaron Simmons, Dr. Robert Hanna, and more.
 - c. Reaches over 10,000 people per month

Magazines:

1. "[How Then Shall We Pray?](#)" *Erasmus* 3 (2024)

2. "[Ascending the Sea of Fog: Meditations on Caspar David Friedrich's 'Wanderer'](#)" *Erasmus* 1 (2024)
3. "[The Foundations of Secularism: The Gifts of Modernity](#)" *An Unexpected Journal* Vol. 7, no. 1 (2024)
4. "[Interpreting Myshkin: The Idiot](#)" *An Unexpected Journal* Vol.6, no.4 (2023) 118-136.
5. "[Alienation and Affiliation: Two Sides of the Same Coin](#)" *XinSai Magazine* 3 (2023) 36-38.
6. "[The Problem of 'Equality'](#)" *The Humanities Harrovian* 2 (2021) 47-49
7. "[The Psychology of Human Perfection](#)" *The Psych Perspective* 1 (2021) 38-42
8. "[Cantor's Paradise: Infinity on Earth](#)" *Scientific Harrovian* 6 (2021) 150-165.
9. "[Science, Cosmology, and the Existence of God](#)" *Scientific Harrovian* 6, no.1 (2020) 10-21.
10. "[The Philosophical Groundings of Equality](#)" *The Humanities Harrovian* 1 (2020) 35-40.

Presentations:

2024:

1. "Christianity for All: Being in the World", 4 Talk Series, Union Church, Hong Kong, (August 2024)
2. Address to the Youth of St John's Church, Hong Kong (Sept 2024)

2023:

1. "Christianity and the Problem of Evil", The Vine Church, Hong Kong (July 2023)
2. "The Problem of Evil and Its Variations", The Resurrection Church, Hong Kong. (July 2023)
3. "Christianity for All: Being in the World", 4 Talk Series, Kowloon International Baptist Church, Hong Kong (November 2023)
4. "On The Incarnation" [The Vine Church](#), Hong Kong (December 2023)

2021:

1. "Cantor's Paradise: Infinity on Earth?", [TEDx](#) (February 2021)

Fiction and Poetry:

1. "[The Forester's Daughter](#)" *Erasmus* 7 (2024) [a short fiction]
2. "[Ecce Homo](#)" *Erasmus* 4 (2024) [a poem]

Certificates:

1. Research Integrity: Research Involving Human Participants—University of Oxford (2025)
2. Research Integrity: Introductory Core Course—University of Oxford (2025)
3. 10X Marketing—Grant Cardone (2023)
4. YouTube Starter Kit—Sean Cannell, Think Media (2023)
5. Paradox and Infinity—MITx Courses (2021)
6. Justice—Harvardx Courses (2020)

Members and Affiliations:

Society of Christian Philosophers