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Curriculum Vitae

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Education

Doctor of Philosophy; Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN
Graduate Department of Religion
March 2021

Master of Divinity; Yale Divinity School, New Haven, CT
2009 - 2012

Master of Arts; Yale University, New Haven, CT
Concentration: Urban Education Studies
2007 - 2008

Bachelor of Arts; Yale University, New Haven, CT
Major: Molecular, Cellular, and Developmental Biology
2000 – 2005

Fellowships, Academic Honors, and Awards

Postdoctoral Fellowship, Louisville Institute, 2018 - 2020

Dissertation Fellowship, Louisville Institute, 2017 – 2018

The Fellowship in Theology and Practice, Vanderbilt University; Ph.D. Studies
(full tuition and fees scholarship and annual stipend), 2012 – 2018

Provost's Graduate Fellowship, Vanderbilt University; Ph.D. Studies
(annual stipend), 2012 – 2017

Doctoral Fellowship, Forum for Theological Exploration
(two-year annual stipend), 2012 – 2014

Jess H. and Hugo A. Norenberg Prize, Yale Divinity School; awarded for excellence in preaching and leading corporate worship, 2012.

Hugh Porter Prize, Yale Institute of Sacred Music, 2012.

Yale Institute of Sacred Music Fellowship, Yale Divinity School; Master of Divinity studies (full tuition and fees scholarship), 2010 – 2012.

Publications

Journal Book Reviews

Lifting the Veil: 2 Corinthians 3:7-18 in Light of Jewish Homiletic and Commentary Traditions, by Michael Cover. In *Homiletic*, Vol. 1, No. 1, 2016.

Staging Faith: Religion and African American Theater from the Harlem Renaissance to World War II, by Craig Prentiss. In *Practical Matters*, Spring 2015.

Book Chapters

“Free Your Mind – Funkadelic and the Nitty-Gritty Hermeneutic.” In *Theology and Protest Music*, eds. Jonathan Harwell and Heidi Altman. Lexington Press, 2023 (anticipated)

“Year B Sermon Series.” In *Preacher’s Guide to Lectionary Sermon Series*, Volume II. Westminster John Knox Press.

“Preaching What We Practice: Homiletic Pedagogy for Ministerial Preparation.” In *Church on Purpose: Reinventing, Discipleship, Community, & Justice*, eds. Adam L. Bond and Laura Mariko Cheifetz. Judson Press, 2015.

Articles

“Teaching in Times of Crisis: Practices and Promises of Liberative Pedagogies.” In *Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion*, Spring 2020.

“The Sound of Celebration: Digital Interventions in the Black Church Whooping Tradition.” In *FIRE!!!- The Multimedia Journal of Black Studies*, Spring 2020.

“Through a Glass, Diligently.” In *Reflections* (Yale Divinity School), Spring 2012.

Academic Presentations

“Beyond the ‘Babel’ – Hard Facts and Hopeful Faith.” Lecture given at **University of Mount Union**, April 2022.

“Food Insecurity as Fundamental Alienation.” Lecture given at **East Ohio Conference - United Methodist Church**, October 2021.

“Public and Political Dimensions of Black Religious Leadership.” Lecture given at **Methodist Theological School in Ohio**, February 2021.

“Rethinking the Leadership of the Civil Rights Movement – The March on Washington.” Lecture given at **James Madison University**, October 2020.

“Hoodie Sunday: Religious Resistance to Cultural Crisis.” Lecture given at **Methodist Theological School in Ohio**, March 2020.

“Teaching in Times of Crisis: Practices and Promises of Liberative Pedagogies.” Presentation at the **American Academy of Religion (AAR)**, November 2019.

“In the Beginning Was the Word: Understanding the Intersection of Rhetoric, Race, and Religion.” Presentation given at **Religious Communication Association**, November 2019.

“As I Come to a Close: The Hammond B3, Whooping, and Homiletical Theory.” Presentation given at Antiphony, Otherwise: A Symposium, **Yale Institute of Sacred Music**, April 2019.

“Practical Theology and Futuristic Reclamations: Following Dale P. Andrews to the Leading Edges of Scholarship, Practice, and Activism.” Presentation given at **Association of Practical Theology, American Academy of Religion (AAR)**, November 2018.

“Where Are We (Going)? The Intertwined Vectors of Practical and Public Theology.” Presentation given at **Practical Theology Session, American Academy of Religion (AAR)**, November 2018.

“Black Religious Leaders in the Public Sphere.” Lecture delivered at **Emory University School of Law, Center for the Study of Law and Religion**, Atlanta, GA, February 2018.

“Henry Mitchell’s *Celebration and Experience in Preaching*.” Lecture delivered at **Vanderbilt Divinity School**, Nashville, TN, March 2017.

“David Buttrick’s *Homiletic: Moves and Structures*.” Lecture delivered at **Vanderbilt Divinity School**, Nashville, TN, February 2017.

“I’m What the Game Made Me: The Formation of the Contemporary Black Preacher.” Lecture delivered at the **Consultation of African American Pastors and Homileticians**, Indianapolis, IN, April 2016.

“African American Preaching and Celebration: A Brief History.” Lecture delivered at the **Danish Festival of Homiletics**, Copenhagen, Denmark, May 2015.

“Definitions of Black Preaching: A Tense Past, A Present Futurity.” Paper given at **Academy of Homiletics (AOH)**, Louisville, KY, December 2013.

“Prophetic Preaching as a Means of Spiritual and Social Restoration.” Paper given at **Southeastern Conference for the Study of Religion (SECSOR)**, Greenville, SC, March 2013.

“Religious Performativity and the African-American Homiletic Tradition in James Weldon Johnson’s *God’s Trombones*.” Paper given at **Yale Institute of Sacred Music**, New Haven, CT, March 2012.

Church Seminars and Sermons

“Meritocracy and Other Familiar Myths.” Sermon preached for Admitted Students Day at **Yale Divinity School**, New Haven, CT, April 2021.

“Solid As a Rock.” Sermon preached at **Faith Ministries Church**, Columbus, OH, November 2019.

“Dirty Deliverance.” Alumni Day Sermon at **Methodist Theological School in Ohio**, Delaware, OH, October 2019.

“The Fire This Time.” Sermon preached at **All Faith Chapel at Vanderbilt Divinity School**, Nashville, TN, January 2019.

“Tales from a Non-Prophet.” Sermon preached at the **Yale Divinity School Alumni Convocation at Yale Divinity School**, New Haven, CT, October 2018.

“It’s a Group Thing.” Sermon preached at **Writing Workshop** for the **African Methodist Episcopal Church Publishing Board**, Nashville, TN, March 2018.

“Rethinking our Rituals.” Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Service. Sermon preached at **Berea College**, Berea, KY, January 2017.

“Re-membering.” Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Service. Sermon preached at **St. Paul’s School**, Concord, NH, January 2017.

“Truth, Revelation, and Biblical Narrative: Wrestling with Texts.” Lecture delivered at **Watson Grove Missionary Baptist Church**, Nashville, TN, July 2016.

“Trusted Translations: A Brief Look at the Bible (Writing, Translation, and Interpretation).” Lecture delivered at **Watson Grove Missionary Baptist Church**, Nashville, TN, July 2015.

Teaching Experience

Assistant Professor, Methodist Theological School in Ohio, 2020 - present

Courses Taught:

Introduction to Homiletics, Fall 2020 – Spring 2022

Collaborative Homiletics: Theory and Practice, Fall 2020/2021

Ecology, Place, and Justice, Spring 2020

Community Organizing and Preaching, Spring 2020

Introduction to Worship, Fall 2021

Spirituality and Change, Summer 2022

Visiting Assistant Professor, Methodist Theological School in Ohio, 2018 – 2020

Courses Taught:

Introduction to Homiletics, Fall 2018 – Spring 2020

Collaborative Homiletics: Theory and Practice, Fall 2018/2019

Samuel DeWitt Proctor Conference, Spring 2019/2020

Visiting Lecturer, Columbia Theological Seminary, 2017 – 2018

Courses Taught:

Black Religious Leaders from the Civil Rights Era to the Present, Winter 2018

Preaching and Public Proclamation, Spring 2018

Teaching Fellow, Vanderbilt University, 2012 - 2015

Preaching in African American Traditions

Dr. Dale P. Andrews, Instructor, Fall 2015 and 2012.

U.S./Mexico Border Immersion Travel Seminar

Dr. Amy Steele, Instructor, Summer 2014.

Prophetic Preaching and Social Justice Ethics

Drs. Dale P. Andrews and Amy Steele, Instructors, Spring 2014.

Fundamentals of Preaching

Dr. John S. McClure, Instructor, Spring 2014.

Professional Affiliations

American Academy of Religion

Academy of Homiletics

African American Intellectual History Society

National Communication Association