

Joshua D. Vajda, Th.M.

EDUCATION

Th.M.	Dallas Theological Seminary	2012
	Major: Systematic Theology	
	Supervisors: Douglas K. Blount and Glenn R. Kreider	
	Thesis: <i>Seeing the Unseen: Imagination in the Theological Method of Kevin J. Vanhoozer</i>	
B.S.	Central Michigan University	2005
	Major: English	

ADDITIONAL GRADUATE STUDIES

	The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary	2023
	10 credits toward a PhD in Historical & Theological Studies	
	Dallas Theological Seminary	2012-13
	13 credits toward a PhD in Theological Studies	

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor of Record

Cornerstone University		2016-present
Christian Doctrine I (Online)	THE-238	Jul. 2024
Christian Doctrine II (Online)	THE-345	May 2024
Christian Doctrine I (Online)	THE-238	May 2024
Philosophy in Culture (Online)	PHI-211	Mar. 2024
Philosophy in Culture (Online)	PHI-211	Mar. 2023
Christian Doctrine II (HyFlex)	REL-345	Dec. 2022
Christian Doctrine I (HyFlex)	REL-238	Oct. 2022
Philosophy in Culture (Online)	PHI-211	Jun. 2022
Philosophy in Culture	PHI-211	May 2022
Christian Doctrine II (HyFlex)	REL-345	May 2022
Christian Doctrine I (HyFlex)	REL-238	Apr. 2022
Philosophy in Culture	PHI-211	Feb. 2022
Philosophy in Culture (Online)	PHI-211	Jan. 2022
Digital Literacy	IDS-131	Oct. 2021
Christian Doctrine II (HyFlex)	REL-345	Aug. 2021
Christian Doctrine I (HyFlex)	REL-238	Jul. 2021
Philosophy in Culture (Online)	PHI-211	Apr. 2021
Interpretive Analysis of Old Testament Literature (Online)	REL-233	Jan. 2021
Philosophy in Culture (Online)	PHI-211	Aug. 2020
Interpretive Analysis of Old Testament Literature (Online)	REL-233	Feb. 2020
Christian Doctrine I	REL-238	Oct. 2019

Philosophy in Culture	PHI-211	Feb. 2019
Philosophy in Culture	PHI-211 *second section	Feb. 2019
Christian Doctrine II (Online)	REL-345	Oct. 2018
Christian Doctrine II	REL-345	Aug. 2018
Philosophy in Culture	PHI-211	May 2018
Interpretive Analysis of Old Testament Literature (Online)	REL-233	Apr. 2018
Philosophy in Culture	PHI-211	Aug. 2017
Philosophy in Culture	PHI-211	Mar. 2017
Philosophy in Culture	PHI-211	Nov. 2016
Philosophy in Culture	PHI-211	May 2016

Dallas Theological Seminary Lay Institute 2011
 Reconciling Science with Scripture Lay Inst. 4160 Sp. 2011

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Dallas Theological Seminary		2017–2020
History and Philosophy of Christian Education (Online)	EML102 (Sten-Erik Armitage)	Sp. 2020
History and Philosophy of Christian Education (Online)	EML102 (Carisa Ash)	Sp. 2018
History and Philosophy of Christian Education (Online)	EML102 (Carisa Ash) *2 nd sect.	Sp. 2018
History and Philosophy of Christian Education (Online)	EML102 (Sten-Erik Armitage)	Fall 2017

Tutor

Grand Rapids Theological Seminary 2018
 Writing specialist for the Urban Cohort Su. 2018

Grader

Dallas Theological Seminary		2010–2012
Introduction to Theology	ST101 (Doug Blount)	Sp. 2012
Introduction to Theology	ST101 (Doug Blount)	Fa. 2011
Introduction to Theology	ST101 (Doug Blount)	Fa. 2010

RELATED EXPERIENCE

Instructional Design and Curriculum Support

Cornerstone University 2015–2021
 Learning Experience Designer Jun. 2019–Jan. 2021
 Instructional Technology and Curriculum Specialist Jun. 2015–May 2019

Subject Matter Expert

Cornerstone University		2016–2024
Christian Doctrine I	THE-238	2024
Christian Doctrine II	REL-345	2021
Christian Doctrine I	REL-238	2021
Financial Fundamentals for Managers *supplemental	FIN-351	2018
Interpretive Analysis of Old Testament Literature	REL-233	2017

Workshop Speaker/Guest Speaker

Cornerstone University		2016–2021
Faculty worship on Christ-centered worldview integration		Nov. 2021
Christ-Centered Worldview orientation for Ed.D. students (video)		May 2021
Christ-Centered Worldview orientation for Ed.D. students (livestream)		May 2020
Faculty workshop on grading and providing feedback (co-taught)		Feb. 2020
Christ-Centered Worldview orientation for Ed.D. students		May 2019
Substitute instructor for PHI-211 Philosophy in Culture		Jun. 2018
Christ-Centered Worldview orientation for Ed.D. students		May 2018
Christ-Centered Worldview orientation for Ed.D. students		May 2017
Faculty worship on Christ-centered worldview integration		2016
Christ-Centered Worldview orientation for Ed.D. students		May 2016
Dallas Theological Seminary		2013
Substitute instructor for ST106 Eschatology		Sp. 2013

Group Leader

Dallas Theological Seminary		2012–2013
Spiritual Formation: Community	SF102	Sp. 2013
Spiritual Formation: Identity	SF101	Fa. 2012

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Evangelical Theological Society		2009–present
Evangelical Philosophical Society		2011–2012, 2017–present
American Academy of Religion		2012–2013
Society of Biblical Literature		2012–2013
North American Patristics Society		2012–2013

PRESENTATIONS

- “Five Principles for Cultural Engagement,” Church Ministries Conference, Calvary Baptist Church, Grand Rapids, MI, 2017.
- “Gay Evangelicals? Themes in Recent Works Promoting Evangelical Affirmation,” Evangelical Theological Society, Midwest Regional Meeting, Chicago, IL, 2015.
- “Letters to Sam Harris: An Assessment of Responses to Sam Harris’ Letter to a Christian Nation,” Evangelical Theological Society, Southwest Regional Meeting, Dallas, TX, 2013.
- “Assessing Carlson and Longman’s Plea for Theistic Evolution,” Evangelical Theological Society, Southwest Regional Meeting, Dallas, TX, 2011.

HONORS AND AWARDS

Graduated with honors, Dallas Theological Seminary	Aug. 2012
Dallas Theological Seminary Presidential Scholarship	2008–2010
Graduate <i>Magna cum laude</i> , Central Michigan University	Aug. 2005
Central Michigan University Dean's List	2001–2005
Central Michigan University Outstanding High School Student Scholarship	2001–2005
Michigan Competitive Scholarship	2001–2005
Michigan Merit Award	2001–2003

GRADUATE COURSES

Theology (Systematic, Philosophical, and Historical)

The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary		2023
Foundations for Theological Studies	Gregory A. Wills	Fa. 2023
History of Western Philosophy	John D. Wilsey	Fa. 2023
Dallas Theological Seminary		2008–2013
Doctoral Seminar in American Evangelicalism	D. Jeffrey Bingham	Sp. 2013
Independent Study: Readings in Prolegomena	Glenn R. Kreider	Sp. 2013
Doctoral Seminar in Modern Theology and Theologians	D. Jeffrey Bingham	Fa. 2012
Doctoral Seminar in Theological Systems	Glenn R. Kreider	Fa. 2012
Introduction to Logic	Douglas K. Blount	Fa. 2011
Apologetics	Douglas K. Blount	Su. 2011
Systematic Theology Colloquium	Glenn R. Kreider	Sp. 2011
Seminar on Jonathan Edwards	John Hannah	Sp. 2011
Postmodernism	Douglas K. Blount	Fa. 2010
Eschatology	Glenn R. Kreider	Su. 2010
Soteriology	Scott Horrell	Sp. 2010
Seminar on the History and Theology of the Reformation	John Hannah	Sp. 2010
Church in the Modern Era: Europe and America	John Hannah	Sp. 2010
Philosophy of Religion	Douglas K. Blount	Fa. 2009
Angelology, Hamartiology, and Anthropology	Lanier Burns	Fa. 2009
The Church to the Modern Era	D. Jeffrey Bingham	Su. 2009
Sanctification and Ecclesiology	Nathan Holsteen	Su. 2009
History of Philosophy	Douglas K. Blount	Sp. 2009
Trinitarianism	Douglas K. Blount	Sp. 2009
Introduction to Theology	Douglas K. Blount	Fa. 2008

Biblical Studies and Languages

Dallas Theological Seminary		2008–2013
Hebrews, General Epistles, and Revelation	Stanley Toussaint	Sp. 2012
Exegesis of Romans	Daniel Wallace	Fa. 2011
Old Testament Prophets	Stephen Bramer	Su. 2011
Acts and Pauline Epistles	James Allman	Su. 2011
Hebrew Exegesis II and Old Testament Introduction	John Hilbur	Sp. 2011
Old Testament History II and Poetry	Eugene Pond	Fa. 2010

Hebrew Exegesis I	Dorian Coover-Cox	Fa. 2010
The Gospels	Mark Bailey	Su. 2010
Introduction to New Testament Exegesis	Hall Harris	Sp. 2010
Elements of Hebrew II	Brian Webster	Sp. 2010
Elements of Hebrew I	Brian Webster	Fa. 2009
Intermediate Greek	Hall Harris	Fa. 2009
New Testament Introduction	Darrell Bock	Sp. 2009
Elements of Greek II	Michael Burer	Sp. 2009
Old Testament History I	James Allman	Sp. 2009
Elements of Greek I	Michael Burer	Fa. 2008
Bible Study Method and Hermeneutics	Howard Hendricks	Fa. 2008

Education, Pastoral Ministry

Dallas Theological Seminary		2008–2013
Pastoral Counseling	C. Gary Barnes	Su. 2012
Expository Preaching II	Abraham Kuruvilla	Fa. 2011
Expository Preaching I	Paul Pettit	Sp. 2011
Teaching in Christian Higher Education	Michael Lawson	Fa. 2010
Teaching Process	Susan Edwards	Fa. 2009
Audiovisual Presentations	Don Regier	Fa. 2009
Education Process of the Church	Susan Edwards	Fa. 2008
Evangelism	Willie Bolden	Fa. 2008
Spiritual Life	Abraham Kuruvilla	Fa. 2008

MINISTRY EXPERIENCE

Magnify Church (Rockford, MI)		2020–present
Life Groups & Men’s Ministry Assistant		May 2023–present
Small Group Leader, 1829		Fa. 2022–Sp. 2023
Adult Electives Teacher		Sp. 2021–present
Magnify Bible Institute Instructor		Sp. 2020–Fa. 2020
West Cannon Baptist Church (Belmont, MI)		2015–2017
Adult Sunday School Teacher		Jan. 2015–Aug. 2017
Cross Training Instructor		Sp. 2015–Fa. 2015
Intern		Jan. 2015–May 2015
The Ridge Church (Carrolton, TX)		2011
Youth group guest speaker on science and Scripture		2011
Watermark Community Church (Dallas, TX)		2011
Training Day Instructor		Sp. 2011–Fa. 2011
Campus Religious Leaders Association (Mt. Pleasant, MI)		2007–2008
Secretary		Fa. 2007–Sp. 2008

First Baptist Church (Mt. Pleasant, MI)	2004–2008
Truth Project Facilitator *two sections	Sp. 2008
Director of College Ministry	2006–2008
High School Sunday School Teacher	2004–2006
College Ministry President	Fa. 2001–Sp. 2004
Immanuel Lutheran Church (Mt. Pleasant, MI)	2003
Youth group guest speaker on the trustworthiness of the Bible	2003