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Interim Associate Dean, School of Ministry Studies
Grace College and Theological Seminary
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EDUCATION

PhD 2013

Concentration: Intercultural Studies/Missions
Minors: Cultural Anthropology; Evangelism and Church Growth
The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

Dissertation: How Shall they Hear? The Interface of Urbanization and Orality in North American Ethnic Church Planting

Supervisor: David Sills

Research Interests: Diaspora Missiology, Religion in Migrant Contexts, Multi-Ethnic Church, Refugee Ministry, Urban Missions, Orality, Community Research, Anthropology

MDiv 2009

Concentration: Missions
The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

B.S. 2005

Major: Interpersonal and Organizational Communication
University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point

FULL-TIME TEACHING APPOINTMENTS

2024 – Present, Associate Professor of Intercultural Studies
Grace College and Theological Seminary

2017 – 2024, Associate Professor of Intercultural Studies
William Carey University

Faculty of the Year Award Winner, 2020
Faculty Research Award Winner, 2020

2015 – 2017, Assistant Professor of Intercultural Studies
Southeastern Bible College

2014 – 2015, Lecturer of Anthropology
Methodist College Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

ADJUNCT TEACHING APPOINTMENTS

2017 – 2024
Columbia International University

PhD Dissertation Supervisor for Diaspora Studies
PhD Research Methodologies Consultant
MA Migration Studies, Professor

2013 - 2021, Adjunct Professor – Master of Christian Studies
Union University

Spring 2017, Adjunct Professor
Samford University

2014 – 2015, Visiting Professor
Malaysia Baptist Theological Seminary

2011 – 2014, Adjunct Professor
The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

SELECT COURSES TAUGHT

Undergraduate

Applied Anthropology for Missions
Cultural Research
Race, Culture, and the Church
World Religions
Intercultural Field Experience
Entrepreneurial Missions
Intercultural Communication
Principles and Practices of Missions
Intercultural Life and Work
Systematic Theology
Introduction to the New Testament
Introduction to the Old Testament

Graduate

Introduction to Migration and Mission
Theology of Missions
Hermeneutics
Church History
Systematic Theology
Intercultural Communication
Cultural Anthropology
Ethnographic Research
Cross-Cultural Church Planting
Ministry in Oral Cultures

ACADEMIC ADMINISTRATION

2026 – Present, Interim Associate Dean

Grace College and Theological Seminary

2024 – Present, Director of Intercultural Studies (Including DICS)

Grace College and Theological Seminary

2024 – 2026, Associate Director of Doctoral Studies

Grace College and Theological Seminary

2020 – 2024, Department Chair, Intercultural Studies

William Carey University

2018 – 2025, Vice President for Publications; Executive Leadership Board

Evangelical Missiological Society

2017 – 2023, Affiliate Director for the Consortium for Global Education

William Carey University/CGE

2015 – 2017, Program Coordinator for Intercultural Studies

Southeastern Bible College

2009 – 2013, Associate Director of the Master of Arts in Intercultural Leadership

The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

2009 – 2013, Assistant Director of the Bevin Center for Missions Mobilization

The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Casey, Anthony F. *Peoples on the Move: Community Research for Ministry and Missions*. Eugene, OR: Wipf & Stock, 2020.

Casey, Anthony and Enoch Wan. *Church Planting Among Immigrants in US Urban Centers: The Where, Why, and How of Diaspora Missiology in Action*. Portland, OR: Institute of Diaspora Studies, 2014. 2nd edition 2016.

Casey, Anthony (Contributor). *Explore: Pathways to Missions*. Rockville, VA: International Centre for Excellence in Leadership, International Mission Board, SBC, 2011.

Series Editor, Evangelical Missiological Society Monograph Series, 2018 – 2025.

Book Chapters

“St. Paul Hiebert’s or Ours? New Frontiers in Missionary Anthropology and the Advancement of the Great Commission.” In *New Frontiers in Missiology: Exploring Innovation, Global Shifts, and the Future of Mission*. Pasadena: William Carey Library, 2025.

“The Rise of Orality in Modern Missions Practice.” In *Missionary Methods: Research, Reflections, and Realities*. Pasadena: William Carey Library, 2013:107-26.

Journals

Casey, Anthony and Corinne Fraley. “The Art of Goodbye: How TCKs Navigate Friendship and Loss in an Ever-Changing World.” In *Evangelical Missions Quarterly*. 2025.

Co-Editor. *Journal of the Evangelical Missiological Society*. 2018 – 2025.

“Professor as Mentor: The Life and Work of Sue Russell.” *Journal of the Evangelical Missiological Society*. Vol. 2 No. 2 (Fall 2022): 1-17.

“Majority World Theological Education in the Globalized Age.” *Journal of Global Christianity*. Vol. 7.1 (April 2022): 8-20.

“Missiologist as Vocational Calling: The Life and Work of Robert J. Priest.” *Journal of the Evangelical Missiological Society*. Vol. 1 No. 2 (Fall 2021): 1-19.

“When I Write, I Feel the Pleasure of God: The Life and Work of Scott Moreau.” *EMS Occasional Bulletin*. Vol. 34 No. 4 (Fall 2020): 21-26.

“Identifying and Reaching Ethnic Groups in the City.” *Great Commission Research Journal*, Vol. 4 (Summer 2012): 60-75.

Associate Editor. *The Southern Baptist Journal of Missions and Evangelism*. 2013-2014.

Book Reviews

Migration and the Making of Global Christianity in Evangelical Missions Quarterly, Vol. 59:1 (Spring 2023).

Leading with Story: Cultivating Christ-Centered Leaders in a Storycentric Generation. *Themelios*, Vol. 43:2, 335-37.

Introduction to Global Missions. In *Books at a Glance*, August 2014.

The Jesus Documents. In *The Southern Baptist Journal of Missions and Evangelism*, Vol. 1 (Fall 2012): 64-65.

A Holy Ambition: To Preach Where Christ has not been Named. In *The Southern Baptist Journal of Missions and Evangelism*. Vol. 1 (Summer 2012): 68-69.

Great Commission Companies: The Emerging Role of Business in Missions, 2nd ed. In *The Great Commission Research Journal*. Vol. 3 (Winter 2012): 274-77.

CONFERENCE PAPERS

2023 “St. Paul Hiebert’s or Ours? New Frontiers in Missionary Anthropology and the Advancement of the Great Commission.” Presented at the Evangelical Missiological Society National Conference Fall 2023.

2023 “St. Paul Hiebert’s or Ours? New Frontiers in Missionary Anthropology and the Advancement of the Great Commission.” Presented at the Evangelical Missiological Society SE Regional Meeting Spring 2023.

*Paper selected for presentation at the EMS national conference

2021 With Corinne Fraley. “The Art of Goodbye: How TCKs Navigate Friendship and Loss in an Ever-Changing World.” Presented at the Evangelical Missiological Society National Conference September 18, 2021.

2021 With Corinne Fraley. “The Art of Goodbye: How TCKs Navigate Friendship and Loss in an Ever-Changing World.” Presented at the Evangelical Missiological Society SE Regional Meeting March 20, 2021.

*Paper selected for presentation at the EMS national conference

2019 Special Track Coordinator, “Research Methods in Missiology.” Evangelical Missiological Society National Meeting, Dallas, TX September 2019.

- 2019** “A Short Term, Team Based Approach to Ethnographic Research.” Presented at the Evangelical Missiological Society National Meeting, Dallas, TX September 2019.
- 2018** “Sacred and Secular: Cultural and Religious Change Across Three Generations of Hmong in Central Wisconsin.” Presented at the Evangelical Missiological Society SE Regional Meeting March 24 in Wake Forest, NC.
- 2017** “Majority World Theological Education in the Age of Globalization and Diaspora Missions.” Presented at the Evangelical Missiological Society National Meeting in Dallas, TX.
- 2017** “Theological Education in the Age of Globalization and Diaspora Missions: Is Brain Drain Still a Relevant Concern?” Presented at the Evangelical Missiological Society SE Regional Meeting in Columbia, SC.
*Selected for presentation at the EMS national conference.
- 2016** “Caring for the Stranger in our Midst: Biblical and Practical Guidelines for Ministry in the Midst of a Refugee Crisis.” Presented at the Evangelical Missiological Society national conference in Dallas, TX.
- 2016** “Caring for the Stranger in our Midst: Biblical and Practical Guidelines for Ministry in the Midst of a Refugee Crisis.” Presented at the Evangelical Missiological Society regional conference in Wake Forest, NC.
*Paper selected for presentation at the EMS national conference.
- 2014** “Anthropology in the City: Models of Assimilation and Cultural Identity in the Urban Diaspora Context.” Presented at the Evangelical Missiological Society meeting in Chicago.
- 2013** “Counseling as Spiritual Warfare: An Assessment of Charles Kraft’s Approach to Christian Counseling.” Presented at the Evangelical Missiological Society meeting in Chicago.
- 2012** “The Rise of Orality in Modern Missions Practice.” Presented at the Evangelical Missiological Society national meeting in Chicago.
- 2012** “The Rise of Orality in Modern Missions Practice.” Presented at the Evangelical Missiological Society regional meeting in Chicago.
*Paper selected for presentation at the national conference.
- 2012** “The Use and Limitations of the Oral Tradition in the New Testament and Implications for Ministry in Oral Cultures Today.” Presented at the Evangelical Theological Society meeting at Moody Bible Institute.
- 2011** “Identifying and Reaching Ethnic Groups in the City.” Presented at the Evangelical Missiological Society meeting in Conyers, GA.

ACADEMIC SERVICE

2026 – Present, Deans Council

Grace College and Seminary

2026 – Present, Global Studies Committee

Grace College and Seminary

2026 – Present, Academic Core Committee

Grace College and Seminary

2024 – 2026, Human Research Subjects Committee

Grace College and Seminary

2024, Association of Theological Schools Reaffirmation

Provided significant assessment and report writing for Grace Seminary

2024 – 2026, Diversity Committee

Grace College and Seminary

2021 – 2023, Research Initiative Member

Consortium for Global Education

2020 - 2024, Chair, Professional Development Committee

William Carey University

2019 – 2024, Chair, International Student Programs Committee

William Carey University

2017 – 2024, President of Faculty Senate

William Carey University

2016 – 2018, Conference Program Coordinator

Evangelical Missiological Society Southeast Region

2014 – 2015, Curriculum Development Committee

Methodist College Kuala Lumpur

MINISTRY EXPERIENCE

2015 – Present International Student Ministry

Various U.S. Universities

2014 – 2015 Indigenous Pastoral Training

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

2008 – 2010 Associate Pastor

Vine Hill Baptist Church

2007 – 2013 Refugee Ministry

Louisville, KY

2007 – 2008 Church Planting Team

Crossroads to the Nations International Church

2005 SIL Linguistic Research

Tibet

2001 – 2005 CRU International Student Campus Ministry

Stevens Point and Madison, WI

INTERCULTURAL QUALITATIVE RESEARCH

Summer 2021 Biloxi, Mississippi

Supervised a research project focused on the Vietnamese diaspora.

Summer 2021 Clarkston, Georgia

Led research team focused on the ethnic business community of Clarkston.

2016 – Ongoing, Central Wisconsin

Hmong Research Project

Conducting a qualitative project on the Hmong population of Central Wisconsin with particular attention to religious change across the generations.

2014 – 2019 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Conducted immigration and people group research in metro Kuala Lumpur.

2009 – 2014 Louisville, Kentucky

Lead Researcher

Conducted ongoing ethnographic research on immigration for local social service agencies and churches.

2013 New York City

Global Gates

Led a team of students conducting immigration research on the Bengali diaspora.

2012 London, England

Researcher

Researched immigrant peoples for the International Mission Board. Our goal was to theorize dynamics of power, space, and economics in immigrant dominated neighborhoods and make recommendations for effective church planting strategies.

2009 Iqaluit, Nunavut, Canada

Researcher

Developed an ethnography of Inuit culture and Anglo relational dynamics for the North American Mission Board.

2008 Ancawasi, Peru

Researcher

Conducted cultural values research in order to develop an orality-based teaching curriculum for the Highland Quechua.

2005 Sichuan Province, China

Researcher

Pioneered linguistic research with SIL among isolated Kham Tibetan villages in order to identify dialectical boundaries and generate a 400 word base vocabulary.

2004 Sao Paulo, Brazil

Researcher

Pioneered a campus ministry with CRU at the University of Sao Paulo and researched student needs during a faculty strike to provide recommendations for more effective relations between students and staff.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

2022 Beeson Divinity School, “The Use of the Social Sciences in Modern Missiology.”

2020 Consortium for Global Education Annual Meeting, Panel Expert: “Overseas Internships in a Covid-19 World,” virtual conference.

2020 SE Asia Perspectives on World Mission Consortium, “Lesson 3: Your Kingdom Come.”

2018 Consortium for Global Education Annual Meeting, Panel Expert: “Academics and Faith: Joint Degrees and Overseas Opportunities,” Samford University.

2018 University of Foreign Military and Cultural Studies, Cultural Competency Training, Hattiesburg, MS

2017 William Carey University, Endowed Carey Lecture on Missions, Hattiesburg, MS

2017 Malaysia Baptist Theological Seminary, “Community Research Workshop,” KL, Malaysia

2016 Southeastern Bible College Missions Conference, “Islam in Greater Birmingham,” Birmingham, AL.

2015 Christian Fellowship Camp, “Discerning Denominational Differences,” KL, Malaysia

2015 Core Values Training, “An Overview of Essential Bible Doctrines,” KL, Malaysia

2014 Methodist Council Girl’s Camp, “Defending the Faith in a Defiant World,” KL, Malaysia

2014 Canaan Baptist Church, “Using Orality Strategies for Outreach,” KL, Malaysia

2013 Sojourn Community Church, “Urban Immigrant Identity,” Louisville, KY

2010 Christian Academy of Indiana, “Suffering and Missions,” New Albany, IN

2009 Christian Academy of Indiana, “Are You Called to Missions?,” New Albany, IN

2005 College Worship Evening, “Missions in China,” La Crosse, WI

2005 The Fire Missions Gathering, “Considering Missions,” Stevens Point, WI

2004 Fall Getaway Conference, “Biblical Basis of Missions,” Montello, WI

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Evangelical Missiological Society
International Orality Network

REFERENCES

Adam Greenway
Past President
Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
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North Greenville University
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International Mission Board
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