

SONIA KWOK WONG

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

Ph.D. (Doctor of Philosophy)

Vanderbilt University, Graduate Department of Religion, Nashville, TN (2009-present)
Major: Hebrew Bible (with concentration on the Deuteronomistic History)
Minor: Ancient Near East
Language Reading Proficiency: French, German, Greek, Biblical Hebrew, Aramaic
Dissertation Proposal: “The Solomonic Kingdom as a Fantasy of the Imperialized Yehudites”

M.A. (Master of Arts) *en passant*

Vanderbilt University, Graduate Department of Religion, Nashville, TN (2013)

M.Div. (Master of Divinity)

Divinity School of Chung Chi College (DSCCC; 2005-2008)
The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK)
Graduate Thesis Submitted: “The Commission of Moses in Exodus 3:1–4:18: Rhetoric to the Babylonian Diaspora”

Diploma in Eco-Tourism

The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, College of Lifelong Learning (2004)

B.Ed. (Bachelor of Education in Secondary Education)

The University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada (1991-1994)
Major: Mathematics
Minor: Music

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Guest Lecturer (Spring 2015; Spring 2013)

Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN

Course: Ancient Goddesses

Lecture Topic: “The Empress of Heaven (*Tian Hou*) and the Politics of Religion”

Teaching Assistant (Fall 2010; Fall 2009)

Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN

Course: Introduction to Hebrew Bible

Pastoral Staff Intern (Summer 2007)

Tseung Kwan O Methodist Church (TKOMC), Hong Kong

- Provided pastoral care to three women groups
- Planned and conducted cell group leader training scheme
- Gave a devotional talk on “The Life Transformation of Peter”
- Preached several times in different occasions
- Provided vocal training for worship leaders

Hospital Chaplain Intern (Summer 2006)

Clinical Pastoral Education Center, Alice Ho Miu Ling Nethersole Hospital, Hong Kong

- Completed the requirements for one unit of Clinical Pastoral Education
- Served in the Mental Day Hospital and provided pastoral care for patients
- Organized spiritual groups for patients
- Participated in prison ministries

Graduate Mistress (1994-2005)

NLSI Lui Kwok Pat Fong College, Hong Kong

- Teacher of Mathematics and music
- Class mistress, 1994-2002, 2003-2005
- Director of the school choirs, 1994-2005
- Member of Extra-curricular Activities Committee, 1994-1995, 1998-2005
- Member of Academic Committee, 2003-2005
- Member of the Standing Committee of the Parent-Teacher Association, 1997-1999
- Member of Teaching Resources Committee, 1996-1997
- Member of the Computer Assisted Learning Working Group, 1995-1996

Senior Activities Coordinator (Summer 1992)

Edmonton Chinese Alliance Church, Edmonton, Alberta

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AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

Full Scholarship (Vanderbilt University, August 2009-July 2014)
International Travel Grant (Vanderbilt University, 2010)
Tuition Scholarship (Vanderbilt University, August 2008-July 2009)
The Dean's List Award (CUHK, 2009)
Theology Student of the Year (DSCCC, CUHK, 2008)
Theology Student of the Year (DSCCC, CUHK, 2007)
Theology Student of the Year (DSCCC, CUHK, 2006)
Higher Education Award (Interprovincial Pipe Line Inc., 1992)
Red Deer College Student Achiever Certificate of Excellence (1991)
Alexander Rutherford Scholarship (Alberta Students Finance Board, 1991)

PUBLICATIONS

“A Comparison of Chinese Creation Myths and Biblical Texts.” In *Global Perspectives on the Bible*, edited by Mark Roncace and Joseph Weaver, 2-3. Boston: Pearson, 2014.

“The Notion of *ṣṣḥ* in the Book of Leviticus and Chinese Popular Religion.” In *Leviticus and Numbers*, edited by Athalya Brenner and Archie Chi Chung Lee, 77-95. Minneapolis: Fortress, 2013.

“The Birth, Early Life, and Commission of Moses: A Reading from Post-Handover Hong Kong.” In *Exodus and Deuteronomy*, edited by Athalya Brenner and Gale A. Yee, 139-155. Minneapolis: Fortress, 2012.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

“The Notion of *k-p-r* in The Book of Leviticus and Chinese Popular Religion,” a session paper presented at the annual meeting of the *Society of Biblical Literature*. (Atlanta, GA; November 2010)

“The Legitimacy of the Atoning Efficacy of *ḥaṭṭā'ūt* and *'āšām*: A Reading from the Chinese Popular Religious Context,” a session paper presented at the biennial meeting of *Society of Asian Biblical Scholars Biennial Conference*. (Hong Kong; June 2010)

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Critical Methods: Postcolonial Theories, Psychoanalytic Criticism, Cross-textual Criticism, Ideological Criticism, Feminist Criticism

Biblical Texts: Deuteronomistic History, the Pentateuch

Historical Studies: Persian Empire, Ancient Near East

Religious Studies: Politics and Chinese Popular Religion

MEMBERSHIP AND ORGANIZATIONS

Society of Biblical Literature, Student Member (2008-present)

Society of Asian Biblical Studies, Student Member (2008-2012)

The United Methodist Church, Hong Kong, Member (2007-present)

SKILLS AND QUALIFICATIONS

Languages Proficiency—Verbal, Writing, Reading: Cantonese, Mandarin, Taiwanese, English

Languages Proficiency—Reading: Biblical Hebrew, Aramaic, Greek, Ugaritic, Akkadian, French, German

Grade 8 Singing with Merit, The Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music (ABRSM), 2006

Grade 5 Theory of Music with Distinction, ABRSM, 2003

Introductory Certificate in Italian, The University or Hong Kong School of Professional and Continuing Education, 2004

LONG-TERM RESIDENCY

United States, July 2008-present

Hong Kong, 1994-2008

Canada, 1987-1994

TRAVEL EXPERIENCE

China, United States, Canada, United Kingdom, Russia, Australia, Spain, Portugal, Israel, Egypt, Morocco, Japan, South Korea, Thailand, Philippines, Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, China, Taiwan, Macau

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VOLUNTEER AND CHURCH-RELATED ACTIVITIES

Adult Sunday-School Teacher, TKOMC, Hong Kong, January-June 2008

Worship Pianist, St. Mark Lutheran Church, Hong Kong, 1997-2007

Group Leader for the Student Union of the Divinity School of Chung Chi College, CUHK, 2006-2007

Devotional Coordinator of a Working Youth Fellowship, North Point Alliance Church (NPAC), Hong Kong, 1999

Teaching Adviser, Faculty of Education, CUHK, 1995-1999

Counselor of a Youth Fellowship, NPAC, 1995-1997

Assistant Conductor of Youth Choir, Edmonton Chinese Alliance Church (ECAC), 1991-1994

President of Youth Choir Executive Committee, ECAC, 1993-1994

Devotional Coordinator of a Youth Fellowship, ECAC, 1992

Executive-VP of the Youth Fellowship, Red Deer Chinese Alliance Church, 1991

Recreational Coordinator of a Youth Fellowship, ECAC, 1990

Sermons

- “Angels Uninvited, Hebrews 13:1-3,” Hung Shan Christian Church, Hong Kong (June 2008)
- “Faith and Doubt, John 20:19-31,” SKH Holy Trinity Church (March 2008)
- “Heart and Mouth, Luke 18:9-14,” TKOMC, Hong Kong (October, 2007)
- Justice and Righteousness, Isaiah 5:1-7,” TKOMC, Hong Kong (August, 2007)
- “The Hidden Curriculum, Genesis 32,” TKOMC, Hong Kong (August, 2007)
- “Refocusing, Luke 10:28-42,” TKOMC, Hong Kong (July, 2007)