



NAME Joel Thiessen

COMPLETED ACADEMIC DEGREES

Degree Name	Subject Area	Where Completed	Date of Completion
Doctor of Philosophy	Sociology	University of Waterloo	2011
Master of Arts	Sociology	University of Waterloo	2006
Bachelor of Arts	Behavioural Science	Nazarene University College	2004

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT

Appointment Level	Institution	Dates (Yr to Yr)	Subject Area
Professor	Ambrose University	2017 to Present	Sociology
Associate Professor	Ambrose University	2013 - 2017	Sociology
Assistant Professor	Ambrose University	2008 - 2013	Sociology

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

Appointment Level	Institution	Dates (Yr to Yr)
Social Sciences Department Chair	Ambrose University	2021 – Present
Director of Flourishing Congregations Institute	Ambrose University	2016 - Present

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Institution	Dates (Yr to Yr)	Courses Taught (Course # and Name)
Ambrose University	2008 - Present	SO 121 (Principles of Sociology); SO 200 (Sociology of Families); SO 205 (Sociology of Sport); SO 220 (Social Problems); BHS 240 (Research Methods); SO 240 (Sociology of Education); SO 311 (Contemporary Social Theory); SO 320 (Sociology of Religion); SO 340 (Religion and Culture in Canada); SO 350 (Religious Diversity in North America); BHS 400 (Seminar in Behavioural Science); BHS 415 (Advanced Qualitative Methods); SO 495 (Independent Research Study in Sociology)

SCHOLARLY PARTICIPATION

Books Authored or Edited

Dates (Yr to Yr)	Activity (Name of book, publisher etc)
2021	Book (McAlpine, Bill, Joel Thiessen, Keith Walker, and Arch Wong. <i>Signs of Life: Catholic, Mainline, and Conservative Protestant Congregations in Canada</i> . Toronto, ON: Tyndale Academic Publishing)
2020	Book (Thiessen, Joel and Sarah Wilkins-Laflamme. <i>None of the Above: Nonreligious Identity in the US and Canada</i> . New York, NY: New York University Press)
2019	Book (Bibby, Reginald, Joel Thiessen, and Monetta Bailey. <i>The Millennial Mosaic: How Pluralism and Choice Are Shaping Canadian Youth and The Future of Canada</i> . Toronto, ON: Dundurn Press)
2015	Book (Joel Thiessen. <i>The Meaning of Sunday: The Practice of Belief in a Secular Age</i> . Montreal, QC: McGill-Queen's University Press)
2014	Book (Lorne L. Dawson and Joel Thiessen. <i>The Sociology of Religion: A Canadian Perspective</i> . Don Mills, ON: Oxford University Press)

Refereed Publications

Dates	Activity (Name of article and journal)
2022	Book Chapter - Wilkins-Laflamme, Sarah and Joel Thiessen. "Are Atheists Typically Young People?" Pp. 100-104 in <i>Atheism in 5 Minutes</i> , edited by Teemu Taira. Sheffield, UK: Equinox Publishing.
2022	Book Chapter - Thiessen, Joel and Sarah Wilkins-Laflamme. "Do Atheists Value Some Religions More Than Other Religions?" Pp. 239-243 in <i>Atheism in 5 Minutes</i> , edited by Teemu Taira. Sheffield, UK: Equinox Publishing.
2022	Article – Thiessen, Joel, Kennedy Quantz, Arch Wong, Keith Walker, and Bill McAlpine. "Evangelistic Belief and Behavior among Canadian Congregants." <i>Studies in Religion</i> 51(4): 459-479.
2021	Article - Wong, Arch, Joel Thiessen, Bill McAlpine, and Keith Walker. "Discipleship from Catholic, Mainline and Conservative Protestant Congregant Perspectives in Canada." <i>Journal of Beliefs and Values</i> . 1-18.
2021	Book Chapter - Thiessen, Joel and Sarah Wilkins-Laflamme. "Nice, Tolerant, Indifferent Canadians: Religious Nones North of the 49 th ." <i>Secularity and NonReligion in North America</i> , edited by Jesse M. Smith and Ryan T. Cragun. New York, New York: Bloomsbury Publishing.
2021	Article - Thiessen, Joel. "Evangelism and 'Nones and Dones' in Canada." <i>Northwest Institute for Ministry Education Research</i> . Available at: https://nimer.ca/evangelism-and-nones-and-dones-in-canada/ .
2020	Article - Wilkins-Laflamme, Sarah and Joel Thiessen. "Religious Socialization and Millennial Involvement in Organized and Digital Nonbelief Activities." <i>Secularity and Nonreligion</i> 9 (2): 1-15)
2019	Article - Wong, Arch, Bill McAlpine, Joel Thiessen, and Keith Walker. "Are you Listening? The Relevance of what Pastoral/Denominational Leaders and

	Theological Educators are Saying about Preparing Leaders for Ministry.” <i>Practical Theology</i> 12 (3)
2018	Article - Thiessen, Joel, Arch Wong, Bill McAlpine and Keith Walker. “What is a Flourishing Congregation? Leader Perceptions, Definitions, and Experiences.” <i>Review of Religious Research</i> 61 (1): 13-37
2017	Article – Thiessen, Joel and Sarah Wilkins-Laflamme. “Becoming a Religious None: Irreligious Socialization and Disaffiliation.” <i>Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion</i> 56 (1): 64-82
2016	Article – Thiessen, Joel. “A Sociological Description and Defence of Secularization in Canada.” <i>Post-Christendom Studies</i> 1: 97-124
2016	Article – Thiessen, Joel. “Kids, You Make the Choice: Religious and Secular Socialization among Marginal Affiliates and Nonreligious Individuals.” <i>Secularism and Nonreligion</i> 5 (1): 1-16
2016	Book Chapter – Thiessen, Joel. “Sociological Foundations of Christian Morality.” Pp.47-61 in <i>Christian Morality: An Interdisciplinary Framework for Thinking about Contemporary Moral Issues</i> , edited by G.W. Sutton and B. Schmidly. Eugene, OR: Pickwick.
2013	Article – Thiessen, Joel and Bill McAlpine. “The Function of Sacred Space: A Sociological and Theological Examination.” <i>International Journal for the Study of the Christian Church</i> 13 (2): 133-146
2013	Book Chapter – Thiessen, Joel. “Missionaries in our own Backyard: The Canadian Context.” Pp. 127-144 in <i>Missionary Methods: Research, Reflections, and Realities</i> , edited by Craig Ott and J.D. Payne. Pasadena, CA: William Carey Library.
2012	Article – Thiessen, Joel. “Marginal Religious Affiliates in Canada: Little Reason to Expect Increased Church Involvement.” <i>Canadian Review of Sociology</i> 49 (1): 69-90
2010	Article – Thiessen, Joel. “Churches are Not Necessarily the Problem: Lessons Learned from Christmas and Easter Affiliates.” <i>Church and Faith Trends</i> 3 (3): 1-24
2008	Article – Thiessen, Joel and Lorne L. Dawson. “Is There a ‘Renaissance’ of Religion in Canada? A Critical Look at Bibby and Beyond.” <i>Studies in Religion</i> 37 (3-4): 389-415; reprinted in Lori Beaman edited book in 2012, <i>Religion and Canadian Society: Contexts, Identities, and Strategies. 2nd Edition</i> . Pp.91-114

Non-Refereed Publications

Dates	Activity (Name of article and journal)
2022	Book Review - Thiessen, Joel. Book Review of <i>Religion at the Edge: Nature, Spirituality, and Secularity in the Pacific Northwest</i> , edited by Paul Bramadat, Patricia O’Connell Killen, and Sarah Wilkins-Laflamme. <i>Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion</i> 62 (1): 212-213.
2022	Book Review - Thiessen, Joel. Book Review of Richard N. Pitt’s <i>Church Planters: Inside the World of Religion Entrepreneurs</i> . <i>Review of Religious Research</i> 64 (3): 573-575.
2021	Report - Alpha Canada and Flourishing Congregations Institute. “The Priority and Practice of Evangelism: Canadian Church Leader Perspectives in 2021.”

2021	Article - Thiessen, Joel. "Religious Opinions, Beliefs and Attitudes in Canada." Eurel Project. Available at: https://eurel.info/spip.php?rubrique1131 .
2021	Book Review - Thiessen, Joel. Book Review of Ryan Burge's <i>The Nones: Where They Came From, Who They Are, and Where They Are Going</i> . <i>Review of Religious Research</i> 63 (3): 487-488.
2020	Book Review - Thiessen, Joel. Book Review of Pamela E. Klassen and Monique Scheer's <i>The Public Work of Christmas: Difference and Belonging in Multicultural Societies</i> . <i>Sociology of Religion</i> 81 (4): 494-496.
2017	Edited Book – Thiessen, Joel, Arch Wong, Bill McAlpine, and Keith Walker, eds. <i>A Preliminary Look at Flourishing Congregations in Canada: What Church Leaders are Saying</i> . Calgary, AB: Flourishing Congregations Institute
2016	Book Review – Thiessen, Joel. Book Review of Josh Packard and Ashleigh Hope's <i>Church Refugees: Sociologists Reveal Why People are DONE with Church but not Their Faith</i> . <i>Sociology of Religion</i> 77 (4): 439-440
2016	Book Review – Thiessen, Joel. Book Review of Christel Manning's <i>Losing Our Religion: How Unaffiliated Parents Are Raising Their Children</i> . <i>American Sociological Association Section on the Sociology of Religion Newsletter Fall 2016</i> : 6-7
2016	Book Review - Thiessen, Joel. Book Review of Sam Reimer and Michael Wilkinson's <i>A Culture of Faith: Evangelical Congregations in Canada</i> . <i>Sociology of Religion</i> 77 (1): 104-106
2015	Report – Bird, Warren, Joel Thiessen, and 13 others. "Large Canadian Churches Draw an Estimated 300,000 Worshippers Each Week: Findings from a National Study." <i>Leadership Network</i> . 12 pages
2015	Book Review – Thiessen, Joel. Book Review of Douglas J. Davies and Adam J. Powell's <i>Sacred Selves, Sacred Settings: Reflecting Hans Mol</i> . <i>Reviews in Religion and Theology</i> 22 (4): 325-327
2014	Book Review – Thiessen, Joel. Book Review of David A. Williamson and George Yancey's <i>There is No God: Atheists in America</i> . <i>Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion</i> 53 (2): 453-455
2011	Book Review - Thiessen, Joel. Book Review of Reginald Bibby's <i>Beyond the Gods and Back: Religions' Demise and Rise and Why it Matters</i> . <i>Church and Faith Trends</i> 4 (1): 1-4

Conference Presentations

Dates	Activity (Name of article and journal)
2023	Conference Presentation – "Congregational Storytelling and Culture Building: Navigating Transitions in One Catholic Parish" for Religious Research Association Annual Meeting in Salt Lake City, UT.
2022	Conference Presentation – "Volunteering in Congregations: Organizational Strain and Resilience in a Pandemic" for Religious Research Association Annual Meeting in Baltimore, MD
2022	Conference Presentation – "None of the Above: Nonreligious Identity in the US and Canada" (with Sarah Wilkins-Laflamme). Author of "Authors Meets Critics" session for Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting in Baltimore, MD

2020	Conference Presentation - "None of the Above: Nonreligious Identity in the US and Canada." "Meet-the-Authors" session for Nonreligion in a Complex Future Project, Online (with Sarah Wilkins-Laflamme)
2020	Conference Presentation - "Why Tell Others About Jesus When You Can Just Be Nice?" for Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting in Pittsburgh, PA. Accepted for Presentation (cancelled due to COVID-19)
2020	Conference Presentation - "None of the Above: Nonreligious Identity in the US and Canada." Author of "Authors Meets Critics" session for Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting in Pittsburgh, PA. Accepted for Presentation (cancelled due to COVID-19)
2020	Conference Presentation - "None of the Above: Nonreligious Identity in the US and Canada." Author of "Authors Meets Critics" session for Canadian Society for the Study of Religion Annual Meeting in London, ON. Accepted for Presentation (cancelled due to COVID-19)
2019	Conference Presentation - "Canada's Churches: Realities, Challenges, Opportunities, and Responses" for Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting in St. Louis, MO
2019	Conference Presentation - "Flourishing Congregations & Leadership: Canadian Perceptions and Experiences" for Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting in St. Louis, MO
2019	Conference Presentation - "College and University Academics in Applied Research" for Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting in St. Louis, MO
2019	Conference Presentation - "Views of the 'Other': The Religiously Affiliated and Unaffiliated in Canada" for Non-Religion and Secularity Workshop in Waterloo, ON
2019	Conference Presentation - "Religious None Perceptions toward the Religiously Affiliated in the United States and Canada" (with Sarah Wilkins-Laflamme) for Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Meeting in New York, NY
2019	Conference Presentation - "Religious Nones and Civic Engagement in Canada" (with Sarah Wilkins-Laflamme) for Canadian Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting in Vancouver, BC
2018	Conference Presentation - "Pulpit and Pew: National Survey Results in Canadian Congregations." Conference Presentation (with Arch Wong, Keith Walker, and Bill McAlpine) for Religious Research Association Annual Meeting in Las Vegas, NV
2018	Conference Presentation - "Religious Nones' Socio-Political Attitudes and Behaviors in North America." Conference Presentation (with Sarah Wilkins-Laflamme) for Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting in Las Vegas, NV
2018	Conference Presentation - "Religiosity, Spirituality, and Secularity among Nones in the United States and Canada." Conference Presentation (with Sarah Wilkins-Laflamme) for Nonreligion and Secularity Research Network Conference, in London, UK
2017	Conference Presentation - "Creative Knowledge Mobilization." Conference Presentation for Engaging Communities through Research Event, in Waterloo, ON

2017	Conference Presentation - "Building a Comprehensive Model for Religious None Growth in North America." Conference Presentation (with Sarah Wilkins-Laflamme) for Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting in Washington, DC
2017	Conference Presentation - "Comparing Religious Nones in Canada and the United States." Conference Presentation (with Sarah Wilkins-Laflamme) for Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Meeting in Montreal, QC
2016	Conference Presentation - "Flourishing Congregations in Canada: Preliminary Observations." Conference Presentation (with Arch Wong) for Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting in Atlanta, GA
2016	Conference Presentation - "Religious Nones in Canada: Freedom from Religion." Conference Presentation for Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Meeting in Seattle, WA
2016	Conference Presentation - Panel Member in "Author Meets Critics" session with Christel Manning (author of <i>Losing Our Religion</i>) for Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Meeting in Seattle, WA
2016	Conference Presentation - "The Meaning of Sunday: The Practice of Belief in a Secular Age." Author of "Author Meets Critics" session for Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Meeting in Seattle, WA
2016	Conference Presentation - "Canadian Large Church Survey: Introduction and Demographic Realities." Conference Presentation for Canadian Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting in Calgary, AB
2016	Conference Presentation - "The Meaning of Sunday: The Practice of Belief in a Secular Age." Author of "Author Meets Critics" session for Canadian Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting in Calgary, AB
2016	Conference Presentation - "A Glimpse into the Future in the United States: Religious Nones in Canada." Invited presenter for Association of Nazarene Sociologists and Researchers Annual Meeting in Kansas City, MO
2016	Conference Presentation - "Religious Nones in Canada: A Qualitative Exploration." Conference Presentation for Evangelical Missiological Society (Canada Region) in Calgary, AB
2015	Conference Presentation - "Too Much of a Good Thing? Faculty and Work-Life Balance." Conference Presentation for Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Meeting in Chicago, IL
2015	Conference Presentation - "Becoming a Religious None: Irreligious Socialization and Disaffiliation." Conference Presentation (with Sarah Wilkins-Laflamme) for The Canadian Society for the Study of Religion Annual Meeting in Ottawa, ON
2015	Conference Presentation - "Where is the Evidence? People who Privilege Science over Religion." Invited presenter for Science and Religion: Exploring the Spectrum Workshop in Toronto, ON
2015	Conference Presentation - "USA/Canada Sunday School and Discipleship Ministries International Consultation." Invited presenter (with Rich Houseal) for Association of Nazarene Sociologists and Researchers Annual meeting in Kansas City, MO
2015	Conference Presentation - "Religious Nones in Canada and the United States." Invited presenter for M15 Conference in Kansas City, MO

2014	Conference Presentation - "The Afterlife that Few Desire." Conference Presentation for American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting in San Diego, CA
2014	Conference Presentation - "Religious Nones in Canada: A Qualitative Exploration." Conference Presentation for Nonreligion and Secularity Research Network Annual Meeting in Claremont, CA
2014	Conference Presentation - "Dwindling Demand: Abandoning Religious Involvement and Affiliation in Canada." Conference Presentation for Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting in Indianapolis, IN
2014	Conference Presentation - "Kids, You Make the Choice: Religious Socialization in Canada." Conference Presentation for Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Meeting in San Francisco, CA
2014	Conference Presentation - "Religious Nones in Canada: A Qualitative Exploration." Panel Organizer and Presenter for The Canadian Society for the Study of Religion Annual Meeting in St.Catharines, ON
2012	Conference Presentation - "Missionaries in our own Backyard: The Canadian Context." Invited presenter for Evangelical Missiological Society Annual Meeting in Chicago, IL
2012	Conference Presentation - "Secularization not Polarization." Session Convener and Participant in "Author Meets Critics" session with Reginald Bibby (author of <i>Beyond the Gods and Back</i>) for Canadian Sociological Association Annual Meeting in Waterloo, ON
2012	Conference Presentation - "The Function of Sacred Space in Church Settings." Session Convener and Presenter (with William McAlpine) for Canadian Sociological Association Annual Meeting in Waterloo, ON
2012	Conference Presentation - "Christianity in Multicultural Canada." Invited Plenary Speaker for Evangelical Missiological Society (Canada Region) in Edmonton, AB
2010	Conference Presentation - "Rational Choice Theory and Religion in Canada: An Empirical Assessment." Conference Presentation for Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting in Baltimore, MD
2009	Conference Presentation - "A Demand Side Explanation for Religious Behaviour: The Canadian Circumstance." Session Convener and Presenter for Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting in Denver, CO
2009	Conference Presentation - "A 'Religious Renaissance' in Canada? Are Marginal Religious Affiliates Ready to Return to the Fold?" Conference Presentation for Universitair Centrum Sint-Ignatius Antwerpen Summer School in Antwerp, Belgium
2006	Conference Presentation - "Organized Religion and Private Spirituality in Canada: Religious Renaissance or Continued Secularization?" Session Convener and Presenter for Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting in Portland, OR
2006	Conference Presentation - "Is Canada Experiencing a Religious Renaissance?" Conference Presentation for Canadian Sociology and Anthropology Association Annual Meeting in Toronto, ON
2006	Conference Presentation - "The Nature and Significance of Religion and Spirituality in Canada: Examining Reginald Bibby's Renaissance Thesis."

	Conference Presentation for University of Waterloo Graduate Student Research Conference in Waterloo, ON
2016	Conference Presentation - "The Nature and Significance of Private and Public Religion in Canada: Examining Reginald Bibby's Renaissance Thesis." Invited Presenter for Nazarene University College Behavioural Science Conference in Calgary, AB

Research Grants

Dates	Activity (Name of grant and research)
2023-2025	Grant – Joel Thiessen (PI) and Arch Wong. Jack Shand Research Award (Society for the Scientific Study of Religion), "Congregations at the Nexus of Faith Transmission and Spiritual Formation"
2020-2023	Grant – Michael Wilkinson (PI), Joel Thiessen, Katie Steeves, Mark Chapman, Cathy Holtmann, and Sam Reimer. Council for Christian Colleges and Universities Networking Grant, "Flourishing Congregations in Canada"
2018-2019	Grant - Sarah Wilkins-Laflamme (PI), Joel Thiessen, Lori Beaman, Peter Beyer, Steven Tomlins, Stephen LeDrew, Geraldine Mossiere, and Reginald Bibby. Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Insight Development Grant, "Surveying Millennials' Non-Religious Homophily and Social Distance"
2018-2019	Grant - Joel Thiessen. Ambrose University Research Grant Fund, "The 'Religious Nones' of North America"
2017-2019	Grant - Joel Thiessen, Arch Wong, and Bill McAlpine. Stronger Together Research Grant, "Flourishing Congregations Research Project – Survey Phase"
2017-2020	Grant - Keith Walker, Joel Thiessen, Arch Wong, and Bill McAlpine. Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Insight Grant, "Flourishing Canadian Congregations in Catholic, Mainline, and Conservative Protestant Sectors"
2017-2019	Grant - Joel Thiessen and Sarah Wilkins-Laflamme. Jack Shand Research Award, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, "The 'Religious Nones' of North America"
2015	Grant - Joel Thiessen. Ambrose University Research Fund Grant, "The Meaning of Sunday"
2012-2013	Grant - Joel Thiessen. Church of the Nazarene Canada Research Grant, "The Meaning of Sunday"
2008-2010	Grant - Joel Thiessen. The Evangelical Fellowship of Canada Centre for Research on Canadian Evangelicalism Healthy Churches Research Grant, "The Meaning of Sunday"
2008-2010	Grant - Joel Thiessen. Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Doctoral Fellowship, "Active and Marginal Religious Affiliates in Canada"
2006-2007	Grant - Joel Thiessen. Ontario Graduate Scholarship, "Active and Marginal Religious Affiliates in Canada"

2005-2006	Grant - Joel Thiessen. Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Graduate Scholarship, "The Nature and Significance of Religion and Spirituality in Canada"
2005-2010	Grant - Joel Thiessen. University of Waterloo President's Graduate Scholarship, "The Nature and Significance of Religion and Spirituality in Canada" and "Active and Marginal Religious Affiliates in Canada"
2004-2010	Grant - Joel Thiessen. University of Waterloo Graduate Scholarship, "The Nature and Significance of Religion and Spirituality in Canada" and "Active and Marginal Religious Affiliates in Canada"

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

Dates	Name of Presentation to Name of Organization
2024	4 invited lectures with different universities, churches, and denominational groups
2023	2 invited lectures with different universities, churches, and denominational groups
2022	13 invited lectures with different universities, churches, and denominational groups
2021	13 invited lectures with different universities, churches, and denominational groups
2020	"Building a Strong Online Profile." Invited panelist for Nonreligion in a Complex Future Webinar, Online
2020	"Discipleship." Invited lecture for North American Baptist Conference Alberta Region, Online
2020	"Intergenerational Ministry." Invited lecture (with Helen Thiessen) for Nazarene Youth International Leadership Conference, Mount Vernon, OH
2020	"The Character of Flourishing Congregations in Canada." Invited lecture for Master's College and Seminary, Online
2020	"None of the Above: Nonreligious Identity in Canada." Invited lecture (with Dr. Sarah Wilkins-Laflamme) for Chester Ronning Centre for Study of Religion and Public Life, Camrose, AB
2020	"The Multifaceted Layers of Discipleship in Canadian Churches." Invited plenary speaker for Ambrose Pastor's Conference, Calgary, AB
2019	"The Millennial Mosaic." Invited plenary speaker for Ambrose Alumni Lecture Series, Ottawa, ON
2019	"Circle Drive Volunteer Workshop." Invited plenary speaker for Circle Drive Alliance Church, Saskatoon, SK
2019	"Signs of Hope in Canadian Congregations." Invited session presenter for Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada Synod of Alberta and the Territories, Calgary, AB
2019	"Flourishing Congregations: Findings From a Cross National Study Of Congregations in Canada." Invited plenary speaker for Association of Nazarene Sociologists and Researchers Annual Conference, Kansas City, KS
2019	"Flourishing Congregations: From Understanding to Practice." Invited plenary speaker for Mennonite Faith and Learning Society Conference, Abbotsford, BC

2019	"The Nones: An Evolving Story of Secularity in Canada." Invited plenary speaker (with Sarah Wilkins-Laflamme) at New Leaf Network Conference, Hamilton, ON.
2019	"Canadians, Churches, and Current Realities: A Fresh Perspective." Invited E.P. Wahl Lecture for Taylor Seminary, Edmonton, AB.
2019	"Flourishing Congregations: The Canadian Context and Your Church." Invited Simpson Lecture for Acadia Divinity College, Wolfville, NS.
2019	"Congregations Who Do (and Do Not) Look Outward." Invited session presenter for Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada Synod of Alberta and the Territories, Canmore, AB.
2019	"Religious Nones: Canada's Fastest Growing Religious Group" and "Passing on the Faith from One Generation to the Next." Invited workshop(s) speaker for Break Forth One 2019, Edmonton, AB.
2018	"Flourishing Congregations in Canada ... and Your Church." Invited plenary speaker at McKillop United Church, Lethbridge, AB.
2018	"Religious Nones, Canadian Congregations, and Centre Street Church." Invited session presenter for Centre Street Church Board and Senior Leadership Retreat, Calgary, AB.
2018	"Understanding those Beyond your Congregation ... and Why it Matters." Invited plenary speaker at Rosebank BIC Church, Kitchener, ON.
2018	"Understanding the 'Religious None' Landscape in Canada." Lecture at Centre for Studies in Religion and Society, in Victoria, BC.
2018	"The Nones: An Evolving Story of Secularity in Canada." Invited plenary speaker (with Sarah Wilkins-Laflamme) at New Leaf Network Conference, Victoria, BC; Vancouver, BC; Calgary, AB.
2018	"The State of Religion and Culture in Canada." Invited plenary speaker for Be in Christ Church of Canada Theological Day, Oakville, ON.
2018	"The Millennial Mosaic." Invited workshop speaker (with Reg Bibby and Monetta Bailey) for Nazarene Youth International Connect Conference, Calgary, AB.
2018	"The Habit of Sunday." Invited speaker for Westside King's Church, Calgary, AB.
2018	"Flourishing Congregations in Canada: Preliminary Observations." Invited plenary speaker for Lakeview United Church Council Retreat, Calgary, AB
2018	"Flourishing Congregations in Canada: Preliminary Observations." Invited plenary speaker for Wild Rose United Church Board Gathering, Calgary, AB
2018	"Prevailing Religious Trends in Canada ... and Why this should Matter." Invited plenary speaker for Canadian Baptists of Western Canada AB/NWT Pastor's Retreat, Gull Lake, AB.
2017	"Faith in a Divided World." Invited panelist at Westside King's Church, Calgary, AB.
2017	"The Changing Canadian Religious Landscape." Invited workshop presenter for Christian and Missionary Alliance Nurture and Venture gathering, Calgary, AB.
2017	"Passing on the Faith: Canadian Data and Considerations." Invited plenary speaker for Canada Central District Nazarene Youth International Retreat, Toronto, ON.

2017	"Flourishing Congregations in Canada: Preliminary Observations." Invited plenary speaker for United Church of Canada Calgary Presbytery, Calgary, AB.
2017	"Immigration, Religion, and Congregational Life in Canada." Invited plenary speaker for St. George's Anglican Church Retreat, Calgary, AB.
2017	"The Changing Canadian Religious Landscape." Invited workshop presenter for Christian and Missionary Alliance Home Ministries Seminar, Calgary, AB.
2017	"Religious Nones in Canada: Past, Present, and Future." Invited keynote speaker for Free Methodist Church in Canada General Conference, Toronto, ON.
2017	"Why People Leave the Church and Will They Come Back?" Invited workshop presenter for Evangelical Missionary Church of Canada General Assembly, Calgary, AB.
2017	"Less is More." Invited keynote speaker for the Canadian Association of Pregnancy Support Services Annual Conference, Calgary, AB.
2017	"Flourishing Congregations in Canada: Preliminary Observations." Invited presenter for Canadian Baptists of Western Canada Ministerial, Calgary, AB.
2017	"Flourishing Congregations in Canada: Preliminary Observations." Invited presenter for Westside King's Church Board Retreat, Calgary, AB.
2017	"Setting the Table: Religious Nones in North America." Invited presenter for Nazarene Youth International Leadership Conference, Kansas City, MO.
2017	"Religion in Canada & Possible Implications for Military Chaplains." Invited keynote speaker for The Canadian Armed Forces Chaplain Branch Training Sessions, Edmonton, AB.
2008-2016	40+ other presentations to similar groups noted above

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS, QUALIFICATIONS and EXPERIENCE

Professional Memberships
2018-present, Religious Research Association
2014-2015, American Academy of Religion
2014-present, The Canadian Society for the Study of Religion
2012-present, Association for Nazarene Sociologists and Researchers
2011-present, Nonreligion and Secularity Research Network
2008-present, Christian Sociological Association
2004-present, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion
2004-present, Association for the Sociology of Religion