

ALWAY/EMMANUEL SYMPOSIUM  
 BRIDGES AND BOUNDARIES:  
 RELIGIOUS DIVERSITIES IN THE  
 21ST CENTURY CLASSROOM

Draft Schedule (Last updated: December 17, 2024)

<b>Sunday, January 12</b>		
7-8:30 PM	<b>Keynote Presentation:</b> Marianne Moyaert "Nostra Aetate: What Has It Taught and Mistaught Us about Interreligious Dialogue?"	Father Madden Hall
<b>Monday, January 13</b>		
9 AM	Welcome, Introductions, and Breakfast	Charbonnel Lounge
9:15-10 AM	Panel 1a: Poster Session: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Amy Fraler</li> <li>• Chia-An (Victor) Tung</li> <li>• Karine Sciborowski</li> </ul>	Charbonnel Lounge
10-10:30 AM	Break	Charbonnel Lounge

<p>10:30-NOON</p>	<p><b>Panel 2a: Trauma-informed Pedagogy</b>  <b>Location: Mary Ward Room</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Iris Gildea "When trauma calls and spirituality responds: A survivor-centred and embodied phenomenology of pedagogical praxis"</li> <li>• Pravina Prodrigues "The Case of the Missing Interlocutors: Methodological Issues in Mindu-Christian Studies"</li> <li>• Beth Anne Fisher "Moving Toward Collaborative Power: Autonomy and Self-responsibility"</li> <li>• Jizhang Yi and Michael Miao "Two Concepts of the Middle Way: Confucian Zhong Yong and Nagarjuna's Middle Path in Teaching Religious Diversity"</li> </ul> <p>Followed by QnA with panelists</p>	<p><b>Panel 2b: Collaborative Session "Power Dynamics &amp; Privilege: Considerations in IRD Planning, Facilitation and Participation "</b>  <b>Location: Emmanuel College Chapel</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Audrey Ferrer and Benjamin Kamine</li> </ul>	<p><b>Panel 2c: Collaborative Session "Interreligious Education as Memory-Space: Activating Historical Consciousness for Integrated and Decolonial Classroom Practice"</b>  <b>Location: Romero Room</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Valeria Verganie, Abdul Basit Zarar, and Geneva Blackmer</li> </ul>
<p>NOON-1:30 PM</p>	<p>Lunch  Location: Charbonnel Lounge</p>		

<p>1:30-3 PM</p>	<p><b>Panel 3a: Collaborative Panel "Pedagogies At, In, and Beyond Boundaries"</b> <b>Location: Mary Ward Room</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Allen Jorgenson, D. Mitra Barua, Debbie Lou Ludolph, Gerard Yun, and Ara Parker</li> </ul>	<p><b>Panel 3b: Collaborative Session "Engaging Diversities in Truth and Reconciliation"</b> <b>Location: Emmanuel College Chapel</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reid Locklin, Tristan Gosselin, and Ingrid Zoe Wong</li> </ul>	<p><b>Panel 3c: Comparative Theology</b> <b>Location: Romero Room</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Katie Mahowski Mylroie "Fellowship of Fractured Selves"</li> <li>• Akhil Thomas "Poetics of displacement"</li> <li>• Shinjae Lee "Interreligious Learning for Social Justice: Case Study for Dalits in India"</li> <li>• Geneva Blackmer and Abdul Basit Zafar "A Comparative Theological Approach to Mitigating Cultural Racism in Religious Education: A Response to Reported Microaggressions and Colonial Legacies"</li> </ul> <p>Followed by QnA with panelists</p>
<p>3-3:30 PM</p>	<p>Break Location: Charbonnel Lounge</p>		

<p>3:30-5 P%</p>	<p><b>Panel 4a: Religious-Secular Dynamics Active in Interfaith Pedagogy</b>  <b>Location: Mary Ward Room</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paper 9: Gilles Beauchamp "Religious literacy as a virtue of epistemic justice in the classroom and beyond"</li> <li>• Paper 10: Julia de Boer "Second Language Education as Training for Interreligious Dialogue"</li> <li>• Paper 12: Benjamin Sax and Syed Rizwan "Interreligious Dialogue on the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict with Emerging Religious Leaders: Interreligious Missteps and Opportunities"</li> </ul> <p>Followed by QnA with panelists</p>	<p><b>3:30-4:15 PM</b>  <b>Panel 4b: Collaborative Session "Embodied Stories of Jesus and Interfaith Conversations "</b>  <b>Location: Emmanuel College Chapel</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mona Tokarek Lafosse and Erin Stone</li> </ul> <p><b>4:15-5 PM</b>  <b>Panel 5b: Collaborative Session "Expanding Interfaith From Dialogue to Practice"</b>  <b>Location: Emmanuel College Chapel</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Michael Burt, Jason McKinney, Ema Rado, and Laura Boruch</li> </ul>	<p><b>Panel 4c: Collaborative Session "Navigating Minority Religious Identity in the Theological Classroom: A Workshop With 3 Perspectives"</b>  <b>Location: Romero Room</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Beth Anne Fisher, Marla Goldstone, and Michelle Voss</li> </ul>
<p>7-8:30 PM</p>	<p><b>Plenary Panel:</b> "Bridging Religious Boundaries in the University Classroom: Creating Spaces for Difficult Conversations"  Randal Schnoor, York University and  Imtiaz Yusuf, International Institute of Intellectual Thought and Civilization (ISTAC-IIUM)</p>	<p>Father Madden Hall</p>	

<b>Tuesday, January 14</b>		
Tuesday, January 14, 9:30-11 AM	<p><b>Panel 7a: Decolonizing Interfaith Pedagogy</b>  <b>Location: Mary Ward Room</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Valeria Vergani "Interfaith Settlerhood? The Limits and Potential of Interreligious Education Through Critical Settler Colonial Studies"</li> <li>Néstor Medina and Ahmeda Mansaray-Richardson "Decolonization and Interreligious learning: A Conversation"</li> <li>Joshua Samuel "Joys, Limits, and Possibilities of Knowing the Religious Other: Interreligious Learning in the Context of Religious Nationalisms"</li> </ul> <p>Followed by QnA with panelists</p>	<p><b>Panel 7b: Collaborative Session "Interreligious teaching in the 21st century classroom and context"</b>  <b>Location: Romero Room</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Natana DeLong-Bas and Megan Hopkins</li> </ul>
11-1:30 PM	<p>Lunch  Location: Charbonnel Lounge</p>	
12:30-2 PM	<p><b>Panel 8a: Interfaith Pedagogies with Young Learners</b>  <b>Location: Mary Ward Room</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Domenik Ackerman "Doing Comparative Theology with Children's Books? A Case in Transferring Comparative Theology into Society"</li> <li>Stewart Heatwole "Sustaining Theological Pedagogies: Integrating Culturally Sustaining Pedagogies in a Religiously Diverse Theology Class"</li> <li>Greg Mileski "Service Learning in an Interreligious Context"</li> <li>Semiha Topal "Fostering inter religious understanding beyond the classroom: sharing pedagogical strategies as faculty and program manager"</li> </ul>	<p><b>Panel 8b: Foregrounding Theologies and Ethics of Pluralism in Teaching</b>  <b>Location: Romero Room</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Joshua Stein "Radical Online: Christian-Jewish Dialogue and Digital Antisemitic Extremism"</li> <li>Yanchen Liu "Bridging Confucian and Jewish Identities: Family Reverence and Ritual Adaptation in the Kaifeng Jewish Community"</li> </ul>