

Curriculum Vitæ

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Timothy R. Butler is a pastor, professor, editor and writer with experience covering theology, literature, philosophy, technology and politics. He presently serves as a Assistant Pastor of Discipleship at Grace Presbyterian Church, Adjunct Professor of Religion at Lindenwood University and Editor-in-Chief of *Open for Business*. Butler earned a BA in English Literature and Religious Studies from Lindenwood University and an M.Div at Covenant Theological Seminary. He is presently a Ph.D. student focused on Reformation Studies at Concordia Seminary (St. Louis).

Educational Background

BA, University Honors and *Summa Cum Laude*, Lindenwood University, December 2006.

- Double major in Religion (Religious Studies) and English Literature; minor in Philosophy.
- Cumulative GPA of 4.00.

M.Div, *Magna Cum Laude*, Covenant Theological Seminary, January 2011.

- Elective work was focused on historical theology, particularly history related to the Reformation and Renaissance era.

Presently pursuing a Ph.D. in Reformation Studies at Concordia Seminary (St. Louis), with anticipated completion in 2015.

Academic Honors and Awards

- A participant in the Lindenwood Honors College with 13 honor projects completed (8 required for university honors).
- 2006 Howard Barnett Essay Award for the essay "Out of Context: Pluralism as a Theology," awarded by the Lindenwood English Department.
- 2006 Harmon Religion Award awarded by the Lindenwood Religion Department.
- Alpha Lambda Delta Senior Certificate (2006).
- Membership in Alpha Lambda Delta honors society (2003), Alpha Chi (2005) and Lindenscroll honor society (2005).
- Listing in *National Deans List* 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2006 editions and *Who's Who Among American College and University Students* 2005 and 2006 editions.
- Included on Lindenwood University's Dean's Honor List for nine semesters (Fall 2002-Fall 2006).
- Recipient of Lindenwood full scholarship (2002-2006).
- Recipient of the Missouri "Bright Flight" Scholarship program.

Fields of Interest

- Theology
 - Reformed Theology, especially:
 - Historical Theology related to Martin Bucer
 - Eucharistic Doctrine
 - Theological Influence on Literature
 - Thomistic Theology
- Religious Studies
 - Comparative religious studies.
 - Philosophy of Religion
 - Literary Criticism and Biblical Hermeneutics
- Literature, especially focused on:
 - William Shakespeare
 - T.S. Eliot
- Political and Economic Theory
- Photography
- Technology

Work Experience

Lindenwood University, 2011-Present.

University Chaplain, 2013-Present.

- Administering and building the campus ministry groups.
- Developing chapel services for the Lindenwood community.
- Pastoral care and counseling for students, faculty and staff.
- Providing guidance to students considering ministry callings.

Adjunct Professor of Religion, 2011-Present.

- Planning and teaching religious studies classes at the university.

Grace Presbyterian Church of St. Charles County, 2010-Present.

Assistant Pastor of Discipleship, 2012-Present

- Position oversight of the church's adult Christian education program, preaching, regularly leading some aspects of liturgy, administration and other duties.
- Member of the Missouri Presbytery (PCA).

Ministry Intern, 2010-2012.

- Position involved experience in adult teaching, adult curriculum planning, preaching, regularly leading some aspects of liturgy and administration.

Teaching Assistant, Covenant Theological Seminary, 2007-2012.

- Served as a TA for classes linking Historical and Practical Theology.

CAMS Consultant, Covenant Theological Seminary, 2008.

Editor-in-Chief, *Open for Business*, 2001-Present.

Founder, Universal Networks, 1998 - Present.

- Consultant to a variety of customers in a range of industries, including public speaking and churches.
- Forged strategic alliance with partners DeviceForge, LLC and LinuxandMain.com, LLC for the LinuxDailyNews portal.
- Founded *Open for Business*, an online magazine on technology, philosophy and life.
- Created the ServerForest web hosting service.

Founder and Developer, *LinuxDailyNews*, 2002-2004.

Documentation Editor, KDE League, Inc. 2001-2002.

- Developed technical specification for graphical tutorial system.
- Created a 200+ page tutorial documented KDE, e.V.'s K Desktop Environment.
- Became volunteer member of working group at end of project.

Academic Papers/Presentations

Book Review: "Robert Wright. *The Evolution of God* (2009)." *Journal of International and Global Studies*. 1.2 (2010): 183-186.

Working Paper: "Economics, Justice and the Quest for Sustainable Development." *Student Working Paper* 1. Institute for the Study of Economics and the Environment. 1 May 2006.

Forum Presentation: *The Pluralism Project*. Coffee Conversations in Philosophy and Religion. Lindenwood University. 18 April 2006.

Television Presentation: *Lindenwood Honors Symposium*. LUHE-TV, St. Charles, MO. Multiple airings, April 2004.

Symposium Presentation: *The Need to Be Saved*. First Annual Lindenwood University Honors Symposium. Lindenwood University. 1 Apr. 2004.

Book Contributions

"Commanding Unix." *The Mac OS X Snow Leopard Bible*. Indianapolis: John Wiley & Sons, 2009.

Professional Publications

"Domain name games will unravel the Internet - Even before Benedict XVI was crowned, his papal name was taken by a 'cybersquatter.'" *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*. 28 Apr. 2005: B7.

“Consider naming rights to fill Symphony's coffers.” *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*. 11 Feb. 2005: B7.

“The Itchy Open Source Problem.” *Linux and Main*. 8 July 2002.
<<http://linuxandmain.com>>.

See also regular columns published in:

Open for Business. Oct. 2001 – Present. <<http://www.ofb.biz>>.

B!Zine: The E-Magazine for Burst! Media, LLC clients. 2000-2001.
<<http://www.bzinemagazine.com>>.

Professional Associations

American Academy of Religion, 2012-Present.

Technical and Specialized Skills

Photography and Film

- SLR photographer specializing in landscape and macro photography.
- Digital light room experience
- Video short editing

Computer Related

- Advanced knowledge of UNIX/Linux, Windows and Mac OS X platforms, including heterogeneous network experience.
- CAMS Academic Portal and EZProxy administration experience.
- Web design consultant and backend specialist with 15-year track record.
- Web hosting server administration.