

# **BENJAMIN E. NORQUIST**

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## **EDUCATION**

PH.D. STUDENT / anticipated 2022, Azusa Pacific University, Department of Higher Education

Planned dissertation: "States of Isolation: Palestinian Higher Education as a Site for Intellectual Development Under the Israeli Occupation," Christopher Collins, Chair

Comprehensive exams: Diversity, Equity and Inclusion; Higher Education Leadership (with perfect scores); pedagogy and curriculum design

M.A. LIBERAL ARTS / 2006, Saint John's College

Thesis: "The Bread and the Wine: An Analysis of Last Supper Imagery in Nietzsche's Thus Spake Zarathustra"

B.A. HISTORY / 2004, Bryan College, minor in political science, honor society

History Senior of the year, 2004

Thesis: "Historical Portraiture: An Analysis of the Historiography on Sir Thomas More"

## **FURTHER TRAINING AND CERTIFICATES:**

- Conversational Arabic, College of DuPage, 2017
- Statistics, College of DuPage, 2017
- Developing New Academic Degree Programs, Academic Impressions, 2016
- Using Atlas.ti in Social Research, Atlas.ti Company, 2016
- Social Research, Wheaton College, 2016

## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Higher Education in Conflict Regions

Innovation in Higher Education

Design Thinking and Institutional Systems

## **PUBLICATIONS**

Miller, B. & Norquist, B. (submitted for review) "Holy Cities and Suburbs: Clustering of Religious Organizations in Four Urban Locations."

Norquist, B. (forthcoming in 2021) Book review of *Orientalism, Zionism and Academic Practice: Middle East and Islam Studies in Israeli Universities*. *International Journal of Middle East Studies*.

Alayan, A. & Norquist, B. (2020). Vocational Discernment Themes in Popular Christian Literature. *Journal of Psychology and Christianity* 39(3). 198-213.

Norquist, B. (2020) On Vocation. In Burge, G. & Lauber, D. (Eds.), *Questions Every College Student Asks*, Downers Grove, IL: IVP Academic.

Collins, C. & Norquist, B. (2019) "Globalization and Higher Education." In *The SAGE Encyclopedia of Higher Education, Volume 5*. Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE Publishing.

- Miller, B. & Norquist, B. (forthcoming in 2021). "Placing Knowledge Production: Locating Faith-Based Liberal Arts Colleges in Regional and Municipal Context." *Journal of Journal of Christian Higher Education*.
- Norquist, B. (2019) Review of the book *Education in Post-Conflict Transition: The Politicization of Religion in School Textbooks*, by Jozelic, J. & Ognjenovic, G. *International Journal of Christianity and Education*. DOI: 10.1177/2056997119888851
- Norquist, B. (2018) "Being White in the (White) Faith and Work Movement." Green Room.
- Norquist, B. (2017) "Americans Talk about their Jobs: Studs Terkel Tapes Come Back to the Public Ear," [greenroomblog.org](http://greenroomblog.org)
- Norquist, B. (2017). "Proposal for a *Theology of Management*" Green Room.

## PRESENTATIONS

- Norquist, B. (2018). "Vocation Formation: Four Institutional Models." CCCU International Forum
- Norquist, B. (2017). "Entrepreneurship in College: The Next Generation of Founders." Praxis Alternative Imagination Summit, 2017
- Norquist, B. (2016). "Entrepreneurship Education in the Liberal Arts." American Enterprise Institute.
- Norquist, B. (2014). "Your Job as Common Good,." Q Gathering.
- Norquist, B (2013). "Promoting Community Initiative among Student Leaders." CCCU regional meeting.
- Norquist, B. (2010). "International Justice Mission and CCCU Institutions." International Forum for Critical Breakthroughs.

## FACULTY APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor / Bryan College, 2008-2014

Courses:

- Readings in Ancient Christian Spirituality
- The Church as a Global Community
- Readings in Contemp. Christian Spirituality
- Liberal Arts Seminar
- Civility in Public Life
- Dynamics of Human Trafficking
- International Human Trafficking
- Religious Perspectives on Social Justice

## EMPLOYMENT

MANAGING DIRECTOR, CENTER FOR FAITH AND INNOVATION / Wheaton College, 2019-present

- Secure grant funding
- Direct the CFI Innovation Lab
- Manage strategic communications
- Develop curricular strategies

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, OPUS INSTITUTE / Wheaton College, Wheaton, IL, 2014-2019

- Secured grant funding – awarded 5 grants from 2 foundations for a total of \$2M+ to date
- Advanced research – institutional research and reporting on internship accessibility and outcomes and skills development in liberal arts curricula

- Lead core functions - design programs and metrics, budgets (500K/year)
- Developed and managed external partnerships – examples: StoryCorps, Lilly Endowment, & Praxis Labs

**DIRECTOR, INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION / Bryan College, Dayton, TN, 2007-2014**

- Authored and directed Human Rights Study Tour, credit-bearing course on violent oppression, risk factors, forms of exploitation, and interventions, student participants from political science, psychology, and business with stateside coursework and on-site meetings in Cambodia
- Planned 80+ interdisciplinary events with guests such as Darrel Falk, Anthony Esolen, and Marva Dawn
- Designed and introduced 16-credit interdisciplinary certificate program on violent oppression in consultation with advisors from the U.S. Dept. of Justice and U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services
- Managed 3 international education programs, risk assessment, due diligence, training, insurance, liability
- Cultivated 7 new partners in the Caribbean, Asia, & Africa, managed partners in 20+ countries

### **CONSULTING PROJECTS**

**READER & REVIEWER, HIGHER EDUCATION INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION / 2017**

The Wharton School of Management and Quacquarelli Symonds team up to recognize institutions around the world advancing innovation in higher education. I reviewed and judged presence learning portfolios from universities in Africa, Latin America, and the Middle East.

**WORKING IN COMMUNITY ADVISORY COUNCIL / Wheaton College / 2017**

**READER AND JUDGE, VOCATION AND PLACE ESSAY CONTEST / Center for Urban Engagement / 2017**

**PRODUCER, JUSTICE VIRTUES / The Justice Conference, 2015**

Produced a multimedia curriculum strategy for engaging attendees in the months following the conference. Filmed interviews with conference speakers such as Cornell West and Gabriel Salguero. Resulted in a resource with 25+ minutes of finished clips and 66 pages of written content.

**JOB-SKILLS COACH / Rhea County Prison / 2014**

Weekly visits with inmates and classes in life skills; graduates have gone on to secure jobs and reunite with families

**COMMUNITY ADVOCATE / Rhea County, TN / 2013**

Mobilized residents of Cranmore Cove to engage public forums regarding a proposed mining operation

**ACADEMIC DIRECTOR, NORTHSTAR CONFERENCE / International Justice Mission / 2011 – 2012**

Brokered a partnership with International Justice Mission contracting Bryan College to serve as the academic partner for IJM's student leadership conference. Designed credit-bearing coursework embedded in themed conference tracks.

**WORKSHOP APPRENTICE / Smithsonian Museums, 2005**

Completed sanding and finishing processes on *Monkeys Grasp for the Moon* for Chinese artist Xu Bing. The original is displayed in the Sackler Gallery, Washington D.C.