

## **Bradley H. Underwood**

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### **Education**

**PhD Student, Slavic Languages and Literature**, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL Aug 2020 - Present

**Master of Theological Studies**, Duke University, Durham, NC, May 2014

- Thesis: A Philosophical History of Interdisciplinarity between Theology and English Literature
- Ordained by Bear Valley Community Church (Cooperative Baptist Fellowship) in Colleyville Texas on Nov. 1, 2019

**Bachelor of Arts in History; International Studies**, Baylor University, Waco, TX, May 2008

- Dean's Honor List all semesters (3.92 GPA)
- Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society (2008)
- Outstanding Senior in History Award (2008)

**Kierkegaard Summer Fellows Program**, St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN, Summer 2013

**Russian 110, 111** Joliet Junior College, Joliet, IL, Fall 2017, Spring 2018

**Russian 103, 104, 201** University of Illinois at Chicago, Fall, 2018, Spring 2019, Fall 2019

**Greek 1013, 1023** University of Colorado, Summer 2018

**Spanish Universidad De Cantabria**, Santander, Spain, June 2003

### **Academic Presentations**

(Forthcoming) "Causality and Absence in Sergei Bulgakov's *Unfading Light* and Dostoevsky's *Notes from Underground*" (2022), The Association for Slavic, East European, & Eurasian Studies, Chicago, IL

"When Creation Loses its Charm: Andrei Platonov, Disenchantment, and Re-enchantment" (2022), Annual Meeting for American Association of Teachers of Slavic and East European Languages, Philadelphia, PA

"Madness, Nonsense, and Transcendence in Bulgakov's *Master and Margarita* and Vodolazkin's *Laurus*" (2019), Annual meeting for the Modern Languages Association. Chicago, IL

"Faulkner and Naturalism in *The Sound in the Fury*" (2015), Conference on "Naturalism: Questioning and Responding to the Master Narrative of Late Modernity." Charleston Southern University, Charleston, SC

“Kierkegaard and McCarthy on Sin and Repentance in a Violent World in *Outer Dark*” (2016), Annual meeting for the Society of the Advancement of Scandinavian Studies. New Orleans, LA

“Kierkegaard and Foucault on Confession,” (2013), Conference on “Kierkegaard and the Present Age.” Brigham Young University, Provo, UT

“Kierkegaard and Foucault on Confession” (2013), Conference on “Kierkegaard: A Christian Thinker for Our Time?” Baylor University, Waco, TX

### **Employment and Experience**

**Associate Director**, Research Initiative for the Study of Russian Philosophy and Religious Thought, Weinberg College Center for International and Area Studies, Northwestern University, 2022 –.

**Director, Christian Youth Center of Morris**, Morris, IL February 2017 – May 2020

- Meet with local government, school, and church leaders to work on the relationship between CYCM and surrounding community
- Coordinate various ecumenical/community service and/or worship events for area youth groups
- Regularly facilitate discussions with middle school and high school youth regarding spiritual and religious matters
- Give weekly sermons to groups of 20 to 35 youth

**Youth Minister, Lamberth Memorial Baptist Church**, Roxboro, NC November 2014 – 2016

- Taught and facilitated discussion for adult and high school groups of 10 to 20
- Regularly preached in main worship to groups of 50 to 70 people

**Teaching Assistant, Duke English Department**, Durham, NC August 2013 – December 2013

- Graded papers and tests for Professor Victor Strandberg’s course, “Classics of American Literature: 1915 – 1960”

**Farm Assistant, World Hunger Relief Inc.**, Waco TX, August 2009 – 2010

- Worked and lived on a 40-acre farm committed to the education and production of sustainable vegetable, fruit, herb, meat, and dairy products
- Led educational tours for middle school and elementary children concerning agriculture