



## DORDT COLLEGE

### Faculty Presentation Travel Awards Granted for 2015

**Alsum-Wassenaar, Sarah** (June – 2015)

To present artwork at the Christians in the Visual Arts Conference, June 11-14, 2015 at Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

**Attema, Art** (October – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “Unique Affiliate Partnerships: College Departments, Schools, Communities, and Regional Connections” at the 54th Annual Financial Literacy and Economic Education Conference. St. Petersburg, Florida.

**Breems, Nick** (May – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “Understanding Everyday Use of the Computer: How Philosophy can be Practical” at the Association of Christians in the Mathematical Sciences Conference. Redeemer University College – Ancaster, Ontario.

**Breems, Nick** (July – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “Why is the combination of computers and procrastination overlooked in the research community?” at the 9th Biennial Procrastination Conference. Bielefeld, Germany.

**Brue, Ethan** (June – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “Sola Gratia: Grace in the Engineering Curriculum and Profession – An Oxymoron?” at the Christian Engineering Conference. Seattle, Washington.

**Clark, Tom** (January – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “Developing the Horizon Content Knowledge of Teachers through a Math Teachers’ Circle”. Joint Mathematics Meetings of AMS and MAA – San Antonio, Texas.

**Clark, Tom** (May – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “Math Teachers’ Circle: A Bridge from the College to the Community” at the Association of Christians in the Mathematical Sciences Conference. Redeemer University College – Ancaster, Ontario.

**Culpepper, Scott** (April – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “Get on Your Knees and Fight Like a Man: Shifting from World Peace to Spiritual Warfare in Contemporary Christian Music”. Upper Midwest Region American Academy of Religion and Society for Biblical Literature Conference, Luther Seminary – St. Paul, Minnesota.

**De Roo, Neal** (May – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “Facticity and Transcendence Across the Disciplines” at the Interdisciplinary Coalition of North American Phenomenologists. Brock University – St. Catharines, Ontario.

**De Roo, Neal** (October – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “Meaning, Being and Expression: A Phenomenological Justification for Interdisciplinary Scholarship” at the annual meeting of the Society for Phenomenology and the Human Sciences. Atlanta, Georgia.

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**De Roo, Neal** (November – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “Getting Spiritual: A Plan for Reaching Conservative Christians with Postmodern Religion” at Subverting the Norm III at Drury University. Springfield, Missouri.

**De Smith, Bob** (April – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “Language Variety in Love's Labour's Lost”. Northern Plains Conference in Early British Literature, Mayville State – Mayville, North Dakota.

**De Smith, Bob** (May – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “Mike Nichols, Margaret Edson, Vivian Bearing, and John Donne: Tracing the Religious Elements of Edson’s Wit (Pulitzer, 1999; HBO film 2001)” at the Western Regional Conference on Christianity and Literature. Seattle University – Seattle, Washington.

**Elgersma, Bill** (November – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “An At-risk Writing Program that Benefits both Students and Educators” at the National Council of Teachers of English. Minneapolis, Minnesota.

**Eppinga, Robbin** (May – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “G.R.A.C.E.: Transforming Exams into Learning Experiences” at the Teaching Professor Conference. Atlanta, Georgia.

**Fessler, Paul** (April – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “Holding Out for A Hero: Franz Sigel, Peter Osterhaus, and German-Americans During the Civil War”. Society for German-American Studies – St. Louis, Missouri.

**Hawley, Luke** (November – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “An At-risk Writer Program that Benefits both the Students and the Educators” at the National Conference of Teachers of English. Minneapolis, Minnesota.

**Heldt, Rikki** (April – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “Flipping the Foreign Language classroom - Panel Discussion”. NACFLA Conference, Biola University – La Mirada, California.

**Holtrop, Steve** (March – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “Is It Time to Treat Traditional Undergrads as Adult Learners?”. Higher Learning Commission Annual Conference – Chicago, Illinois.

**Janssen, Mike** (May – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “Symbolic Powers of Ideals: Problems and Progress”. Association of Christians in the Mathematical Sciences Conference – Ancaster, Ontario.

**Janssen, Mike** (August – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “The Importance of Alpha” at the MAA MathFest. Washington, D.C.

**Kornelis, Pat** (April – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “A Case For Professional Development Schools: Transforming Teacher Preparation”. National Field Experience Conference – Greeley, Colorado.

**Lappenga, Ben** (March – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “Community Edifying ‘World Construction’ in Paul and His Interpreters”. Colossian Forum: Re-Imagining Conference – Evanston, Illinois.

**Lappenga, Ben** (March – 2015)

To present academic paper titled “‘I Myself am an Israelite’: Revisiting Paul’s Use of Ζῆλος in Romans 9-11”. Society of Biblical Literature Central States Regional Meeting – St. Louis, Missouri.

**Lappenga, Ben** (November – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “James 3:13-4:10 and the Language of Envy in Proverbs 3:21-35” at the Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting. Atlanta, Georgia.

**Lief, Jason** (January – 2105)

To present an academic paper titled “Cultivating a ‘Religionless’ Social Imaginary: Youth Ministry in a Secular Age”. Biennial Conference of the International Association for the Study of Youth Ministry, London School of Theology – London, England.

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**Lief, Jason** (October – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “A Technology of Faith Formation” at the Association of Youth Minister Educators Conference. San Diego, California.

**MacInnis, John** (May – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “The Inter-referentiality of Music, Soul, and Cosmos in Eriugena’s Commentary on Martianus Capella’s De Nuptiis, Book I”. International Congress on Medieval Studies, Western Michigan University – Kalamazoo, Michigan.

**Marra, Gwen** (July – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “Using Dialogic Discussion to Boost Vocabulary” at the International Literacy Association Conference. St. Louis, Missouri.

**Matthews, Joshua** (May – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “David Fincher’s Harsh Mercy: The Use of Guns in Hollywood Compositions”. Western Regional Conference on Christianity and Literature – Seattle University in Seattle, Washington.

**Olson, Erin** (March – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “Learning by Leading: Using Social Work Month Planning as Task Group Engagement”. Baccalaureate Program Directors Annual Conference – Kansas City, Missouri.

**Olson, Erin** (November – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “Finding Meaning in Work: Calling and Life Satisfaction among BSW Students” at the North American Association of Christians in Social Work Conference. Grand Rapids, Michigan.

**Ploegstra, Jeff** (May – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “G.R.A.C.E.: Transforming Exams into Learning Experiences” at the Teaching Professor Conference. Atlanta, Georgia.

**Shim, Jay** (July – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “Identity and Content of Christian University Education in the Mission Fields” at the Pan Asian-African Universities Association at the Yanbian University of Science & Technology. Yanji, China.

**Starkenburg, Ed** (October – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “Unique Affiliate Partnerships: College Departments, Schools, Communities, and Regional Connections” at the 54th Annual Financial Literacy and Economic Education Conference. St. Petersburg, Florida.

**Tazelaar, Mark** (March – 2015)

To present academic paper titled “Breached Horizons: How Marion Helps Us to Understand Kierkegaard’s Fear and Trembling”. Centre of Advanced Research in European Philosophy Conference – London, Ontario.

**Van Engen, Kae** (March – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “The Vital Sign in Healthcare ... Are You Missing It?”. International Listening Association Conference – Virginia Beach, Virginia.

**Vander Werff, Justin** (June – 2015)

To present two academic papers titled “Finding Your Path” and “Distinctively Christian Engineering: Implementing Guiding Principles in our Civil Curriculum” at the Christian Engineering Conference. Seattle, Washington.

**Versluis, David** (June – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “Interweaving the Two Worlds — Jonathan Nesci’s 2014 ‘100 Variations’: An ode to Saarinen’s First Christian Church, Columbus, Indiana” at the CIVA Biennial Conference June 2015 - Between Two Worlds: Contemporary Art and the Church. Calvin College – Grand Rapids, Michigan.

**Visscher, Channon** (March – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “Protolunar Disk Evolution and the Depletion of Volatile Elements in the Moon”. 46<sup>th</sup> Lunar and Planetary Science Conference – The Woodlands, Texas.

**Visscher, Channon** (August – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “Chemistry of the Protolunar Disk and Volatile Depletion in the Moon” at Goldschmidt2015. Prague, Czech Republic.

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**Visser, John** (October – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “‘Holistic Flourishing’ Business Models as a Way of Bridging the Business/Non-Business Gap at Christian Colleges and Universities” at the Christian Business Faculty Conference at Regent University. Virginia Beach, Virginia.

**Zonnefeld, Val** (May – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “A Subject-Centered Approach to Integrate Faith and Learning” at the Association of Christians in the Mathematical Sciences Conference. Redeemer University College – Ancaster, Ontario.

**Zonnefeld, Val** (November – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “Critical Thinking & High-level Discourse in a 1:1 Environment” at the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics Regional Conference. Minneapolis, Minnesota.

**Zuidema, Leah** (March – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “What’s Blogging Got to Do With It?: Story as Advocacy”. Society for Information Technology & Teacher Education Conference – Las Vegas, Nevada.

**Zuidema, Leah** (April – 2015)

To present academic paper titled “Administrators as Literacy Sponsors for Teacher Writers”. American Educational Research Association Conference – Chicago, Illinois.

**Zuidema, Leah** (July – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “Drop Everything & Write: Blogging & Advocating for Best Practice” at the Conference on English Education at Fordham University. New York City, New York.

**Zuidema, Leah** (November – 2015)

To present an academic paper titled “Teacher-Writers” at the National Council of Teachers of English. Minneapolis, Minnesota.

## Faculty Project Grants Awarded in 2015

**Clark, Tom** (Summer – 2015)

To attend Project NExT, at MathFest 2015, August 3-8, 2015 in Washington, D.C., a national professional development program to which he was accepted.

**Cosgrove, Walker** (June – 2015)

To attend the National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Seminar “Teaching the Christian Intellectual Tradition Summer Seminar: Teaching Dante's Divine Comedy” at Samford University in Birmingham, Alabama, May 31-June 5, 2015.

**Cosgrove, Walker** (Fall – 2015)

To attend “Challenges and Opportunities of Teaching about Islam in a Post-9/11 World” at Gordon College, in Wenham, Massachusetts.

**Drissell, Matt** (July – 2015)

To attend “Teaching European Art in Context”, sponsored by the Council of Independent Colleges, June 20-24, 2015, in Portland, Oregon.

**Hawley, Luke** (July – 2015)

To attend the Sewanee Writers' Conference, July 21 – August 1, 2015 in Sewanee, Tennessee.

**Janssen, Mike** (August – 2015)

To attend Project NExT, at MathFest 2015, August 3-8, 2015 in Washington, D.C., a national professional development program to which he was accepted.

**Kobes, Wayne** (Spring – 2015)

To participate in the "Confessing What You Believe" Conference of the Fellowship Community/ECO, January 27-30, 2015 in San Diego, California.

**Matthews, Josh** (June – 2015)

To attend the National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Seminar “Teaching the Christian Intellectual Tradition Summer Seminar: Teaching Dante's Divine Comedy” at Samford University in Birmingham, Alabama, May 31-June 5, 2015.

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**McCarthy, Mark** (February – 2015)

For a project grant to attend a workshop for Campus Representatives to the Fulbright Scholar Program, February 12-15, 2015 at the IIE/CIES Offices, Washington, DC.

**Pitts, Lee** (July – 2015)

To attend the College Media Association Summer Workshop, July 22-24, 2015 at the University of Houston in Houston, Texas.

**Stoub, Darren** (Summer – 2015)

For a project grant "Exploring cellular communication during inflammation events."

**Veenstra, Charles** (March – 2015)

To attend the International Listening Association conference in March 2015 in Virginia Beach, VA, and, as First Vice-President-elect, learn the administrative roles associated with this new appointment and network.

**Visser, John** (June – 2015)

To provide curriculum development and integration of Christian perspectives to professors at Northrise University, June 11-23, 2015, in Zambia, Africa.

**Vos, Ron** (May – 2015)

To offer a seminar on improving agriculture to farmers at Northrise University, May 18-22, 2015, in Zambia, Africa

**Wallace, Josiah** (March – 2105)

To participate in "The Lincoln Assassination" Stage Combat Workshop March 21-22, 2015, at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, March 21-22, 2015, to become better equipped as a teacher and choreographer of stage combat.

**Zonnefeld, Val** (Academic Year 2015-16)

For "Girl Power: Encouraging Females in the Mathematics, Statistics and Computer Science Department", a mentoring program to support female students in the Math, Statistics & Computer Science disciplines.

## Faculty Course Release Grants Awarded in 2015

**De Haan, Robert** (Fall – 2015)

75% post graduate leave of absence for the fall 2015 semester to analyze the data and submit a scientific journal article based on the completion of a five year, field-based nitrate nitrogen research project, as well as to conduct a variety of related regional and national outreach activities.

**Hawley, Luke** (Fall – 2015)

25% reduction in teaching load for the fall 2015 semester to complete a draft of a novel titled "The Birth of Birds".

**Taylor, Jeff** (Fall – 2015)

25% course load release funded by the Andreas Center for Fall of 2015 to spearhead the Andreas Center's Iowa Conference on Presidential Politics which is geared toward scholars of political science, history, culture, and applied theology, and will highlight Iowa's unique role as the first-in-the-nation state in terms of presidential politics.

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