

# ADAM P. GROZA, PH.D.

## CURRICULUM VITAE

### Current Position

Vice President of Enrollment and Student Services  
Associate Professor, Philosophy of Religion  
Gateway Seminary of the Southern Baptist Convention (Ontario, CA)  
June 2010 - Present  
Direct reports: Director of Student Life, Director of Enrollment, Registrar and Director of Student Success, and Administrative Assistant to the Vice President

### School Profile

1,826 total students, 5 physical campuses, 12 million-dollar budget, 37 trustee elected faculty, ATS and WASC accredited, \$59 million endowment

### Previous Positions

Director of Admissions and Appointed Faculty Member  
Southwestern Seminary and Scarborough College  
Fort Worth, Texas  
2007-2010  
*Expanded enrollment team from 6 to 10 employees, oversaw rebranding efforts, launch of new online application, growth of College enrollment from 147 to 249 (69%)*

Associate Director of Riley Events Center  
Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary  
Fort Worth, Texas  
2005-2007  
*Responsible to create, promote, and manage school sponsored conferences such as Christian Faith and Arts, Apologetics, Christian Counseling, and Baptist Heritage.*

Hospice Chaplain  
Bridgeway Hospice  
Fort Worth, Texas  
2005  
*Provided spiritual care for end of life patients and recruited and managed (15) volunteers*

Warehouse Manager  
North American Eyewear  
Fort Worth, Texas  
2004-2005  
*Related to field sales representative and customers to place, track, and ship orders. Oversaw one other employee.*

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Sales Associate

Practitioners Publishing Company/Thompson Reuters

Fort Worth, Texas

2001-2003

*Outbound sales to exiting client base for new software and publications related to tax and accounting*

Customer Service Representative

Public Storage National Headquarters

Glendale, CA

1999-2001

*Processed in-bound reservations for storage units through United States*

Field Director

D.L. Culiver for State Treasurer

Phoenix, Arizona

*Recruited and managed volunteers for political events, marketing, and promotion of candidate*  
1998

### Education

Ph.D.

Philosophy of Religion (Major) Ethics (Minor)

Dissertation: “*Siris Revisited (Did George Berkeley Change His Mind?)*”

Southwestern Baptist Seminary

2009

Th.M. Philosophy of Religion

Thesis Title: “A Comparison Between the Design Arguments of William Paley and Bill Dembski”

Southwestern Baptist Seminary

2003

M.Div. Theology

The Master’s Seminary

2001

B.S.

Political Science

Northern AZ University

1998

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### **Continuing Education**

Beginning Korean  
Yonsai University/Coursera  
2020

Fundraising and Development Specialization  
UC Davis/Coursera  
2020

### **Church Ministry Experience**

Interim Pastor  
Bryant St. Baptist Church  
Yucaipa, California  
Current

Interim Pastor  
Del Cerro Baptist Church  
San Diego, California  
2017-2018

Elder  
Red Hill Baptist Church  
San Anselmo, California  
2013-2015

Deacon  
Rock Creek Baptist Church  
Crowley, Texas  
2006-2010

Senior Pastor  
Fairview Baptist Church  
Fairview, Texas  
2002-2004

Youth Pastor  
Fairview Baptist Church  
Fairview, Texas  
2000-2002

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### **Speaking and Other Ministry Experience**

Hawaii Pacific Leadership Training  
Maui/Hawaii/Oahu, September 2019

The Gathering Annual Collegiate Retreat  
Hilo, Hawaii, January 2019

Philosophy Seminar  
Logos Christian University  
Kerala, India, January 2019

Philosophy of Religion Seminar  
Baptist Collegiate Ministry  
Honolulu, Hawaii, November 2018

Midwest Leadership Summit  
Springfield, Illinois, January 2018

Agricola Theological Institute  
Helsinki, Finland, March 2017

Annual Sermon, California Southern Baptist Convention  
Sacramento, California, November 2016

Inland Empire Baptist Association, Pastors Retreat  
Idyllwild, California, May 2016

Cross Church Collegiate Ministry  
Fayetteville, Arkansas, February 2016

Campus Crusade Western Region Annual Meeting  
Irvine, California, January 2016 and January 2017

Lifeway College Week  
Glorieta, New Mexico, August 2014-2019

Chapel Speaker, California Baptist University  
Riverside, California, November 2015

Bay Area Bible Study Conference  
Tracy, California, April 2015

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Christian Challenge, Chico State University  
Chico, California, October 2015

Ratio Christi, San Jose State University  
San Jose, California, April 2014

Leadership Training at Arizona Baptist Convention Annual Meeting  
Tucson, Arizona, November 2014

Bridging Leadership Conference  
Seoul, South Korea, October 2014

International Fellowship of Evangelical Students  
Prague, Czechoslovakia, February 2009

### **Academic Experience**

Associate Professor of Philosophy of Religion  
Gateway Seminary (Formerly Golden Gate Seminary)

January 2012-Present

Courses Taught:

Introduction to Apologetics and Evangelism and Christian Ethics

Adjunct Instructor, California Baptist University  
Riverside, California, 2017-Present

Courses Taught:

Introduction to Philosophy

Goodness, Truth, and Beauty

Presidential Appointment to Faculty, Southwestern College (now Scarborough College)  
Fort Worth, Texas, 2009-2010

Courses Taught:

World Religions

Adjunct Professor of Philosophy, Southwestern Seminary (Extension Center)  
Little Rock, Arkansas, 2007-2008

Courses Taught:

Introduction to Apologetics

Adjunct Professor of Philosophy, Tarleton State University  
Stephenville, Texas, 2004-2005

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### Courses Taught:

Introduction to Philosophy

### Fellowships, Grants, and Awards

Teaching Fellow, Agricola Theological Institute, 2017-present

Research Fellow, Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission, 2015-Present

Lynn E. May Study Grant, Southern Baptist Archives Library Nashville, Tennessee, 2006-2007

Callahan Research Grant Recipient, The Acton Institution, 2003-2004

Presidential Scholar Award, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, 2003

Hooper Research Grant Recipient, Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, Arizona, 1997-1998

### Publications

*Faith Wins: Making it Through a Crisis of Belief*, New Hope Publishers. June 2020.

"Idealism and the Nature of God" in *Christianity and Idealism*, edited by Jim Spiegel. Bloomsbury Press. February 2016.

"A Positive Sexual Ethic" in *Ministry and the New Marriage Culture*, edited by Jeff Iorg. Broadman & Holman Press. October 2015.

Review of David H. Jenson, *Responsive Labor*, Louisville, KY: Westminster John Knox Press, 2006. *Markets and Morality*, Spring 2007.

Review of Mark Lewis Taylor, *Religion, Politics and the Christian Right*, Minneapolis: Augsburg Fortress Press, 2005. *Southwestern Journal of Theology*, Spring 2007.

### Papers Presented

"In the Absence of Evidence: Mill and James against Hume's 'Of Miracles' in Conversation with Ancient Voices and Sacred Texts"  
Rationality, Theism, and Atheism Conference of the Iranian Institute of Philosophy  
March 2021

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“God and the Problem of Evil”

Pepperdine University: Veritas Forum Lectures  
Malibu, CA, February 2019

“Old Testament Time and Worship”

Far West ETS: California Baptist University  
Riverside, CA, Spring 2019

“A Biblical Vision of the Good Life”

Korea University: Religious Scholars Series Lecture  
Seoul, South Korea, October 2014

“Berkeleyan Idealism and the Good Life”

California Baptist University Apologetics Conference  
Riverside, California, April 2013.

“Christ in the Old Testament and the Logic of Inerrancy”

Evangelical Theological Society Southwestern Regional Meeting  
Fort Worth, Texas, March 2011.

“Berkeley, Pantheism, and Panentheism”

Evangelical Theological Society Southwestern Regional Meeting  
Fort Worth, Texas, March 2009.

“Latter Day Atheists: Mormonism and the Problem of Omnipotence”

National Society of Christian Apologists National Meeting  
Kansas City, Kansas, May 2007.

“The Iraq War and Just War Criteria”

Evangelical Theological Society Southwest Regional Meeting  
Fort Worth, Texas, March 2007.

“The Flanders Factor: Evangelicals Through the Eyes of Pop-Culture”

Christianity and the Arts Conference  
Fort Worth, Texas, February 2006.

“Aesthetics and Scripture”

Evangelical Theological Society Southwest Regional Meeting  
Houston, Texas, March 2006.

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### Other Writing

“The Persistent (And Dangerous) Myth of Overpopulation”

christianpost.com

February 25, 2020

“The Problem of Evil (For Atheists)”

christianpost.com

February 21, 2020

“Global Citizenship Equals Global Disaster”

baptistpress.com

November, 2018

“The Medium of Preaching”

preachingsource.com

November, 2018

“Fatal Flaws in the ‘Gender as Social Construct’ Position”

erlc.com

May, 2018

“Gay Men in the NFL”

baptistpress.com

July, 2017

“Deep Preaching: Why Doctrine Matters in the Pulpit”

preachingsource.com

March, 2017

“Why Monogamy? A Response to Polyamory”

erlc.com

February 13, 2017

“Six Cultural Trends from The Bay Area and Why They Matter for Churches”

erlc.com

July 21, 2015

“Why I Kissed Social Media Goodbye”

cbmw.org

January 20, 2014



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“What Does the Bible Say About MMA?”

[baptistpress.com](http://baptistpress.com)

September 2, 2010

### **Professional Membership & Associations**

Evangelical Theological Society

Evangelical Philosophical Society

ATS Student Personnel Administrators

The International Berkeley Society