

Irving Hexham
Short Curriculum Vitae and List of Publications
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Place of Birth: Whitehaven, Cumbria, England
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Present positions: Professor, University of Calgary, Canada
Adjunct Professor, Northwest University, South Africa

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Qualifications:

Ph.D. History, University of Bristol, 1975
M.A. "with commendation," Theology and Religious Studies, University of Bristol, 1972
B.A. (Hons.), Religious Studies, University of Lancaster, 1970
University Matriculation, by correspondence study, five British "A" levels, 1967
Lecturing and teaching course, Mere College, North Western Gas Board (NWGB), 1966
Management training course, North Western Gas Board, 1964
Advanced Diploma, Industrial Gas Technology, Stretford Technical College, 1964
Intermediate Diploma, Domestic Gas Technology, Stretford Technical College, 1963
City & Guilds, Certificate, Gas Fitting, NWGB Training School, Stockport, 1962

Academic Honors and Recognition:

Elected Fellow of the Royal Historical Society, UK, 2010
Festschrift presented at the Humboldt University in Berlin, 2008:
Border Crossings: The Explorations of an Inter-disciplinary Historian, edited by Ulrich van der Heyden and Andreas Feldtkeller, Stuttgart, Franz Steiner Verlag, 2008.
Academic consultant, Department of Canadian Heritage, 2002
Academic consultant, United Nations High Commission, 2002
Academic consultant, *Canadian Broadcasting Corporation*, since 1989
Academic consultant, Manitoba Human Rights Commission, 1982

Elected Fellow of the Royal Anthropological Institute, UK, 1976

Academic Interests: Religion and Politics, Political Religions; Nationalism and Religion; Afrikaner Nationalism; National Socialism; New Religious Movements; World Christianity and Christian Missions, African Initiated/Independent Churches; Modern Religious Thought, Academic Fraud.

Undergraduate Education

B.A. (Hons.) Religious Studies - with a *concentration in the History and Philosophy of Religion*: courses included: Reformation History; History of Science; History of Religion; Phenomenology of Religion; Buddhism, Hinduism, Islam; Modern Religious and Atheistic Thought; Modern Theology; Old and New Testament; Church History; Philosophy of Religion; Political Philosophy; Philosophy of History; and the Sociology of Religion. Tutors: Ninian Smart, Edward Conze, James Richmond, Robert Morgan, and James Dickie (Yakub Zaki), among others, Department of Religious Studies, University of Lancaster.

Graduate Education

M.A. Religious Studies and Theology - *concentration in Anthropology*: courses included African Religions, Contemporary Religions, and Social Anthropology with Michael Banton and Ian Hamnett. Using participant observation and life history interviews the thesis which westernized forms of Indian religions, of theosophical origin, supported by a rich eclectic mythology, in the town of Glastonbury. Supervisor: F.B. Welbourn, Department of Religious Studies and Theology, University of Bristol. Thesis title: *Some Aspects of the Contemporary Search for an Alternative Society* (1972).

Ph.D. History and Theology - *concentration in History*: the thesis was based on participant observation in an Afrikaner Nationalist community and archival research in Britain, the Netherlands, and South Africa. The dissertation dealt with the origins of the ideology of apartheid and the relationship between Calvinism and Afrikaner Nationalism prior to 1920. Supervisor: Kenneth Ingham, Department of History, University of Bristol. Thesis title: *Totalitarian Calvinism: The Reformed ("Dopper") Community in South Africa, 1902-1919*.

Post-doctoral education

German language course, The Goethe Institute, Berlin, 1995
Graduate Seminar, Buddhism, with Prof. Michael Hahn, University of Calgary, 1992
Teaching and presentation course, Shell Canada, 1987
Workshop on Survey Research, University of Manitoba, 1983

Overseas Experience - Field Research and Study

Approximately three years fieldwork and archival research in South Africa
Approximately four years fieldwork and archival research in Germany
Fieldwork and archival research in Britain

Full time employment:

University of Calgary, 1984 to present.

University of Manitoba, 1980-1984

Regent College (Graduate School), Vancouver, 1977-1980

Bishop Lonsdale College, University of Derby, England, 1974-1977

Stretford Technical College, 1966-1967

North Western Gas Board, Ashton-Under-Lyne, England 1956-1966

North Western Gas Board, Stockport, England, 1958-1967

Courses taught at other institutions include:

Liverpool Hope University, Liverpool, England, 2005, 2008

Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany, 2003

North American Baptist Seminary, Edmonton, 1986

University of Lethbridge, 1983, 1984

Vancouver School of Theology, 1980, 1983

Trinity Western University College, Langley, B.C., 1979

Open University, England, 1970-1972; 1974-1977

Invited guest lectures presented at:

Canada: UBC, British Columbia (1979); University of Lethbridge (1984) University of Manitoba, (1980); University of Alberta (1981); University of Toronto (2005)

Germany: University of Marburg (1993); Humboldt University, Berlin (1995)

Korea: Chonnam University, Gwangju; Sogan University, Seoul; Wonkwang University, Iksan; all in 2015.

South Africa: University of Durban (1983); Durban Westville (1973); University of Cape Town (1981); University of Natal, Pietermaritzburg (1981); University of South Africa (1987); ; Potchefstroom University (1989); ; University of Pretoria (1989)

United Kingdom: University of Bristol (1985); University of Edinburgh (2005); University of Lancaster (1991); University of Manchester (1976); University of London (1983)

USA: Clackamas College, Oregon (1983); Harvard (1979); Lutheran Seminary St. Louis (2008); University of Maryland, College Park (1997; Princeton University (2012); Stanford University (1978).

Memberships:

Royal Historical Society, 1976-present

Royal Anthropological Institute, 2010-present

Centre for Military and Strategic Studies, University of Calgary, 2006-present

American Academy of Religion, 1980-present

Canadian Society for the Study of Religion, 1977-present

Berliner Gesellschaft für Missionsgeschichte, founding member, 1996-present

Deutsche Vereinigung für Religionsgeschichte, 2000-2012

Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, 1980-2015

South African Institute of Race Relations, 1969-2005

The Christian Institute of Southern Africa – 1969 until it was banned in 1977

Graduate supervision

M.A. students:

1. Wallace R. Johnson, *An Analysis of a Christian Development Project in Belize*, 1979. Retired. Former Professor and founder of the Religious Studies Department, Clackamas Community College, Portland Oregon and author of two books.
2. Mark Mullins, *Zen Buddhism in North America: Towards a Christian Understanding*. 1980. Professor, University of Auckland, New Zealand, author of fourteen academic books.
3. Donald Goertz, *Making a Bible Belt: Religion in Alberta in the 1920's and 1930's*, 1980. Professor, Tyndale University College, Toronto, author of two academic books.
4. Russ Horton, *Christian Economic Development in Africa*, 1980. Research Scientist with British Columbia Ministry of Forests
5. Harry D. Ayer, *A Study of the Christian Labor Association of Canada*, 1980. Head Librarian Ambrose University College, author of three academic books.
6. John Lee, *A Study of Min Jung Theology in Korea* (1985). Former President of the Anglican University of South Korea; Former Deputy Prime Minister and the Chairman of the Unification Commission; and South Korean Senator; Currently Educational Administrator.
7. John Dyke, *Values Clarification and Religious Education*, 1986 Baptist minister.
8. Jeanie Hunter, *An Analysis of the "Prosperity Gospel"*, 1993. School teacher.
9. Angela Lewis, *Kabalarian Philosophy as a New Religion*, 1994. This is the one student with whom I have lost touch.
10. Ann White, *Contemporary Revivalism* (1994). Retired: former Assistant Professor, Religious Studies, University of Calgary. Author of three academic books.
11. Kurt Widmar, *Aspects of Early Mormon History and Dogma*, 1994. Businessman and sessional lecturer Lethbridge University, author of two academic books.
12. Paula Holmes, *Charismatic fundamentalism and orality*, 1995. Her promising career was abandoned due to a crippling illness
13. Carson Pue, *Religion in Prairie City*, 1999. Special Assistant to the President of Trinity Wester University, author of two academic books.
14. Rebecca Aechtner, *Religion and the German Green Party* (2007). Anglican priest at Lancaster Priory, Lecturer, Religious Studies, Lancaster University, England, author of two academic books.
15. Tom Aechtner, *African Churches in Calgary*, 2008. Lecturer (Assistant Professor) University of Queensland, Australia, author of one academic book,
16. Jutta Kirsch, *The Monuments of Berlin*, 2010. Legal assistant and speaker in Germany.
17. Rachel Braun, *The Question of Metaphysical Guilt in Contemporary Protestant German Life Histories*, 2017. Project Organizer, Taylor Institute for Teaching and Learning, University of Calgary.

Ph.D. supervision with comments on the student's academic progress:

1. Douglas Cowan, *An Analysis of Christian anti-Cult Propaganda*. 1999. Professor University of Waterloo, author of twelve academic books.
2. Chang-Han Kim, *Korean Fundamentalism and the Anti-Cult Movement*, 2007. United Church Minister, and Assistant Professor, William Booth College, Winnipeg. Translator of various English works, into Korean.
3. Jay Richardson, *The Concept of Revelation in Early Mormon Theology and History*, 2008. Faculty position with the Church of Latter-Day Saints
4. Bill Nyman, *From Calvin, Pascal and Francis Schaeffer to Postmodern Apologetics*. For Northwest University, Potchefstroom Campus, South Africa, 2019 Librarian and Lecturer, Prairie College, Three Hills, Alberta.
5. Jutta Kirsch, Berlin, Germany, *Religion and Memory: Monuments and Historical Identity*. For Northwest University, SA. – ongoing

PhD external advisor:

Tim Callaway, PhD, *American Religion in Canada: The History of Prairie Bible College* 2010. Local advisor for the University of South Africa, Pretoria. Baptist Minister and author of two academic books.

Public Service:

I frequently speak in local churches and service clubs and make regular radio and television appearances on both local stations such as CHQR 770, and the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC). In 1989 Karla Poewe and I made two one hour documentaries on South Africa for the CBC's *Ideas* program. I have also been interviewed by the BBC World Service.