

LOUISVILLE INSTITUTE INSTALLS RYAN RAMSEY AS POSTDOCTORAL FELLOW AT PITTSBURGH THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Beginning July 15, 2024, Ryan Ramsey will join the faculty of Pittsburgh Theological Seminary for two years as visiting assistant professor of history and World Christianity. Ramsey's work at PTS will be supported by the Louisville Institute, which has awarded him its Postdoctoral Fellowship for the 2024-2026 term.

Louisville Institute Postdoctoral Fellowships provide early career theological educators with vocational and professional formation through a two-year placement as a visiting scholar at a graduate theological school, college, university, or education and research organization in the United States and Canada. Fellows are typically scholars studying Christian faith and life, the practice of ministry, religious trends and movements,



Christian and other faith-based institutions, and religion and social issues, and preference is given to those who demonstrate an interest in theological education as a vocation, who express an understanding of the current challenges and opportunities of theological education, and who articulate connections between their doctoral work and these trends and dynamics.

Ramsey is a scholar of World Christianity whose work includes and intersects with decoloniality, interreligious engagement, popular theological development, and historiography. His doctoral dissertation is entitled "Decolonial, Indigenous, Christian: The Life and Religion of Teresa Urrea (1873-1906)," and his academic specializations include Pentecostal and Charismatic movements, Christianity in the Global South, and ecumenical and interfaith relations. Ramsey is co-editor of the forthcoming volume The Five Distinctives of World Christianity: Essays in Honor of Carlos F. Cardoza-Orlandi. His work has been published in *Pathways for Ecumenical and Interreligious Dialogue*, *Journal of Ecumenical Studies*, and *Religions*, and he is the author of additional work forthcoming in the Brill Encyclopedia of Global Pentecostalism: North American Supplement and American Educational History Journal. He has completed all the requires for a Ph.D. in religion at Baylor University and holds additional degrees in religion (M.A.R., Yale University) and biblical and theological studies (B.A., Lee University).

"We are thrilled to welcome Ryan as a visiting scholar at PTS," said Dr. Angela Hancock, vice president for academic affairs and dean of faculty at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. "The Seminary is proud to support scholarship in the field of World Christianity, and Ryan's way of approaching contemporary ecumenical and intercultural relationships with historic awareness will help prepare our students to be mindful bridge-builders in their future ministries."

Ramsey commented: "I'm honored to be joining the faculty at PTS, a school whose vision for theological education recognizes Christianity's enduring diversity and forms students who embody the best of the Christian tradition. I am deeply grateful to the Louisville Institute for supporting our work together."

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