

DEPARTMENT OF THEOLOGY AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES
RESEARCH SEMINARS
2023–2024



Seminars are hybrid, and will take place roughly every second Wednesday from 4–5.30pm in Hollybank (CHB008) and simultaneously on Teams (TRS Research Seminars 2023–2024).

To become a member of the Team, contact trs@chester.ac.uk (please do this well in advance of the first seminar you wish attend).

Wednesday 18th October 2023

Professor William Horbury (University of Cambridge)
The Martyrdom of Pionius and Jewish-Christian Controversy

Wednesday 8th November 2023

Dr Deborah Casewell (University of Chester)
Antigone Again? Reading Kierkegaard in and with Simone Weil

Wednesday 15th November 2023

Professor Joseph Webster (University of Cambridge)
When Witnesses Talk Back: Ethnographic and Eschatological Reflections on Experiences of Intolerance among Jehovah's Witnesses in Contemporary Northern Ireland

Tuesday 28th November 2023, 7.30pm (CHB002)

Chester Theological Society

Professor Philip Alexander (University of Manchester) and Bishop Mark Tanner (Bishop of Chester)
Reflections on the Image of Exile in Christian Thought. How Useful is it in Our Time?
Admission: £3 (£1 for students). Includes a glass of wine. (in-person only)

Wednesday 29th November 2023

Dr Stephen Jones (Keele University)
Does Islam Oppose Science? British Muslim Religious Leaders on Evolution and Ijaz

Wednesday 17th January 2024

Dr Stefan Williams Fa (Lund University)
Lovers of the Family of the Prophet: Cultivating Relations with the Unseen in Muslim Devotion

Wednesday 31st January 2024

Postgraduate Training and Research Day

Wednesday 14th February 2024

Dr Alison Woolley (Seeds of Silence)
'Being Given a Huge Hug': The Development and Findings of a Holistic, Tripartite Support Project with Women undertaking Doctoral Research in Theology

Wednesday 28th February 2024

Dr Ashely Cocksworth (University of Roehampton)
The Passion of Joy: Finding Suffering in Joy

Wednesday 13th March 2024

Dr Alison Ruth Gray (Westminster College, Cambridge)
'Musical in the classroom? Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat from a pedagogical perspective

Wednesday 27th March 2024

Dr Timothy Judson (Regents Park College, Oxford)

Dark Weeping and Light Sleeping: Whiteness as a Doctrine of De-formation

Thursday 6th-Friday 7th June 2024

Postgraduate Summer School

Dr Katie Cross (University of Aberdeen) and Dr Scott Midson (University of Manchester)

Plus presentations of work in progress from TRS postgraduate students.