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EDUCATION

2020	Ph.D., Comparative Theology Dissertation: The Community of Friends of God: Comparative Theology and the Construction of an Inclusive Theology of Saints	Boston College
2013	M.A., Islamic Studies and Christian-Muslim Relations Thesis: From Religious Polemics into Comparative Theology: Ibn Taymiyya and Theodore Abū Qurra on the Trinity as a Case Study	Hartford Seminary
2010	B.A., Christian Theology	Jakarta Theological Seminary

PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

2020 – 2022	Visiting Assistant Professor of Comparative Theology and Muslim-Christian Relations and Louisville Postdoctoral Fellow	Hartford Seminary
2018 – 2019	Teaching Fellow	Boston College

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Melepas Bingkai: Melangkahi Eksklusivisme, Melewati Inklusivisme, Melampaui Pluralisme.
Jakarta: Grafika Kreasindo, 2014.

Edited Volumes

Abraham S. Wilar, Agustina R. Samosir, Hans A. Harmakaputra (editors). *Ziarah Iman, Ziarah Politik: Sketsa-sketsa Teologi Politik Indonesia Kontemporer.* Jakarta: Grafika Kreasindo, 2020.

Mery Kolimon, Hans A. Harmakaputra, Toar B. Hutagalung, Rappan Paledung (editors). *Menolak Diam: Gereja Melawan Perdagangan Orang.* Jakarta: BPK Gunung Mulia, 2018.

Ronald Arulangi, Hans Abdiel Harmakaputra, Nindy Sasongko, Abraham Wilar (editors). *Dari Disabilitas ke Penebusan: Potret Pemikiran Teolog-Teolog Muda Indonesia.* Jakarta: BPK Gunung Mulia & Asosiasi Teolog Indonesia, 2016.

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

“Jesus, the Last Scapegoat: A Chinese-Indonesian Christian Theological Imagination for Peacebuilding and Reconciliation.” *Journal of Social Encounters* (under review)

- “Say ‘No’ to Christmas? An Analysis of the Islamic Fatwa on the Prohibition of Wearing Non-Muslim’s Attributes in Indonesia.” *The Muslim World* Special Issue “Islam and the Others in Indonesia” (2020) (Accepted)
- “Grace, the Holy Spirit, and Love: Comparing the Thoughts of St. Augustine, Peter Lombard, and William of St. Thierry.” *Jurnal Teologi Reformed Indonesia*, Volume 7 Number 1 (2017): 33-42.
- “Postcolonial Turn in Christian Theology of Religions: Some Critical Appraisals.” *Journal of Ecumenical Studies*, Vol. 51 Number 4 (2016): 604-621.
- “Between Transcendence and Violence: Gianni Vattimo and Rene Girard on Violence in a Secular Age.” *Contagion: Journal of Violence, Mimesis, and Culture* Vol. 23 (2016): 117-136.
- “Toward an Indonesian Postcolonial Christology: Discerning Some Key Elements.” *Exchange: Journal of Missiological and Ecumenical Research*, Vol. 45 Number 2 (2016): 173-193.
- “Islamism and Post-Islamism: ‘Non-Muslim’ in Socio-Political Discourse of the United States and Indonesia.” *Al-Jami’ah: Journal of Islamic Studies* Vol. 53 Number 1 (2015): 179-204.
- “Dari Polemik dan Konfrontasi ke Dialog dan Pemahaman Bersama: Selayang Pandang Perjumpaan Tauhid dan Trinitas di dalam Sejarah.” *Jurnal Transformasi*, Volume 11, Nomor 1 (2015): 67-87.
- “Discerning the Motives of Muslim-Christian Debates in the Early ‘Abbāsīd Period: The Cases of Timothy I and Theodore Abū Qurra.” *Miqot: Jurnal Ilmu-ilmu Keislaman*, Volume XXXVIII, Number 2 (2014): 435-445.
- “Friends or Foe?: The Dynamics between the Pancasila State and Islam in Indonesia.” *GEMA TEOLOGI*, Volume 38, Number 1 (2014): 65-86.
- “Becoming a Perfect Human: Ibn ‘Arabī’s Thoughts and Its Spiritual Legacy.” *Ulumuna, Jurnal Studi Keislaman*, Volume 17, Number 2 (2013): 347-358.
- “‘There is No God but Allah:’ An Indonesian-Christian Reading on Miroslav Volf’s Allah: A Christian Response.” *Jurnal Amanat Agung*, Volume 9, Number 1 (2013): 153-176.
- “A Preliminary Research on the Islamic Concept of Jesus as the Spirit and Word of God: From Polemics towards a Comparative Theology.” *Indonesian Journal of Theology*, Volume 1, Number 1 (2013): 90-102
- “The Trinity as Liberation: An Analysis of Leonardo Boff’s Theological Imagination.” *Sola Experientia*, Volume 1, Number 1 (2013): 36-45.

Book Chapters

- “Resistensi Kudus: Orang-Orang Kudus dan Teologi Politik dari Margin.” Dalam *Ziarah Iman, Ziarah Politik: Sketsa-Sketsa Teologi Politik Indonesia Kekinian*. Editor Abraham S. Wilar, Agustina R. Samosir, dan Hans A. Harmakaputra. Jakarta: Grafika Kreasindo, 2020.
- “Scriptural Reasoning Antara Alkitab Ibrani, Perjanjian Baru, dan Al-Quran.” Dalam *Misi Baru dalam Kemajemukan: Teologi Lintas-Iman dan Lintas Budaya; Buku Penghormatan 80 Tahun Prof. Dr. Olaf Schumann*. Editor Darius Dubut. Tomohon: UKIT Press, 2018.

- “Luther, Islam, dan Kita: Pandangan Martin Luther terhadap Islam dan Implikasinya bagi Keberagaman Pluralistik di Indonesia.” Dalam *Silver and Diamond: Kumpulan Tulisan dalam Rangka Dies Natalis Sekolah Tinggi Teologi Bandung ke-25 dan Peringatan 500 Tahun Reformasi Protestan*. Editor Togardo Siburian dan Mary Dewi Chandra. Bandung: Penerbit STT Bandung, 2017.
- “Radical Love and Forgiveness as Foundation of Reconciliation: A Theological Imagination for GKI Yasmin Case in Indonesia.” In *Violence, Religion, Peacemaking*. Edited by Douglas Irvin-Erickson and Peter C. Phan. New York: Palgrave, 2016.
- “Comparing Husayn’s Martyrdom and Jesus’ Crucifixion: An Excursion on Finding Common Concern.” Dalam *Dari Disabilitas ke Penebusan: Potret Pemikiran Teolog-Teolog Muda Indonesia*. Editor Ronald Arulangi, Hans Abdiel Harmakaputra, Nindyo Sasongko, Abraham Wilar. Jakarta: BPK Gunung Mulia & Asosiasi Teolog Indonesia, 2016.

Book Reviews

- “Martin L. Sinaga, Beriman dalam Dialog.” *Indonesian Journal of Theology* Vol. 7, No. 2 (2018): 227-229.
- “Robert L. Winzeler, Popular Religion in Southeast Asia.” *Journal of Dharma Studies* 2 (2019): 221-223.
- “Sufism, Pluralism and Democracy, edited by Clinton Bennett and Sarwar Alam.” *Interreligious Studies and Intercultural Theology*, Vol. 2, No. 2 (2018): 268-270.
- “Social Identities between the Sacred and the Secular. Edited by Abby Day, Giselle Vincett, and Christopher R. Cotter; Miguel A. De La Torre, Doing Christian Ethics from the Margins, 2nd ed., rev. and exp; Miguel A. De La Torre, Liberation Theology for Armchair Theologians.” *Journal of Ecumenical Studies*, Vol. 50, No. 4 (2015): 612-614.
- “Albertus Bagus Laksana, Muslim and Catholic Pilgrimage Practices: Explorations through Java.” *Indonesian Journal of Theology*, Vol. 3, No. 1 (2015): 128-131.

Dictionary/Encyclopedia Entries

- “Indonesia.” *World Christian Encyclopedia*, 3rd ed. Eds., Todd M. Johnson and Gina A. Zurlo, 394-399. Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press, 2020.

Web-Based Publications

- “Interfaith Relations in Contemporary Indonesia: Challenges and Progress.” Institute on Culture, Religion & World Affairs. Boston University and Henry Luce Foundation (2016). <https://www.bu.edu/cura/files/2016/11/Hans-Draft-Paper-CURA-Oct-27-fin.pdf>

Editorials

- Harmakaputra, Hans A and Katie Mylroie (guest editors). “Perspective on Personhood: Comparative Insights into Self, Community, and Cosmos.” *Journal of Interreligious Studies*, Issue 29 (2020): 2-5.
- VanZandt-Collins, Michael and Hans A. Harmakaputra (guest editors). “Figures and Reconfiguring: A New Direction in Comparative Theology?” *Journal of Interreligious Studies*, Issue 25 (2019): 3-7.

FELLOWSHIP AND GRANTS

2020	Louisville Postdoctoral Fellowship	Louisville Institute
2019	Wabash Center Teaching and Learning Workshop	Wabash Center
2019 – 2020	Sixth Year Dissertation Fellowship	Boston College
2019 – 2020	Bishop Thomas Hoyt Fellowship	Collegeville Institute
2019 – 2020	Scholar in Residence	Collegeville Institute
2019	Fortin Memorial Summer Grant	Ernest Fortin Memorial Foundation
2018	Asian Summer Theological Institute	United Lutheran Seminary
2018	Fortin Memorial Summer Grant	Ernest Fortin Memorial Foundation
2017	Fortin Memorial Summer Grant	Ernest Fortin Memorial Foundation
2016	Fortin Memorial Summer Grant	Ernest Fortin Memorial Foundation
2014 – 2019	University Fellowship	Boston College
2013	Global Ecumenical Theological Institute	The Henry Luce Foundation
2013	Summer Intensive Program Grant	International Institute for Islamic Thought (IIIT)
2011-2012	International Peacemaking Program	Hartford Seminary

AWARDS AND HONORS

2013	Celie J. Terry Prize	Hartford Seminary
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TEACHING EXPERIENCES

Instructor of Record

Boston College

Religious Quest 2 (Winter/Spring 2019)

Religious Quest 1 (Fall 2018)

Emmanuel College

Jesus and Christian Ethics (Winter/Spring 2018, Winter/Spring 2019)

Islam (Fall 2018, Winter/Spring 2017)

World Religions (Winter/Spring 2017)

Jakarta Theological Seminary

Islam in Indonesia (Winter/Spring 2014)

Introduction to Islam (Fall 2013)

Methods in Writing Thesis (Fall 2013)

Teaching Assistant

Boston College

Religious Quest 2 - Prof. James W. Morris (Winter/Spring 2017)

Religious Quest 1 - Prof. James W. Morris (Fall 2016)

Self and Social Responsibilities 2 - Prof. Matthew Kruger (Winter/Spring 2016)

Self and Social Responsibilities 1 - Prof. Matthew Kruger (Fall 2015)

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

Conferences Organized

- 2019 Asosiasi Teolog Indonesia, 6th Annual Meeting, Meretas Polarisasi Pendidikan Kristiani, July 31 – August 2, Jakarta, Indonesia.
- 2019 Engaging Particularities XVII, Perspective on Personhood: Comparative Insights into Self, Community, and Cosmos, April 7-8, Boston College, Boston, MA.
- 2018 Asosiasi Teolog Indonesia, 5th Annual Meeting, Teologi Politik dan Marginalitas: Memetakan Persinggungan Agama, Politik, dan Budaya Masa Kini, July 31 – August 2, Ungaran, Jawa Tengah, Indonesia.
- 2018 Engaging Particularities XVI, Figures and Reconfiguring, April 8-9, Boston College, Boston, MA.
- 2017 Asosiasi Teolog Indonesia, 4th Annual Meeting, Misiologi Kontemporer: Global dan Lokal, August 8-10, Malang, Jawa Timur, Indonesia.
- 2017 Engaging Particularities XV, *Exclusivity and Inclusion in Religious Communities*, April 2-3, Boston College, Boston, MA.
- 2016 Asosiasi Teolog Indonesia, 3rd Annual Meeting, *Corak Baru dalam Teologi Biblika Indonesia*, August 9-11, Yogyakarta, Indonesia.
- 2016 Engaging Particularities XIV, *The Otherness of the Self: Exploring Boundaries Between Religious Tradition*, April 3-4, Boston College, Boston, MA.
- 2015 Asosiasi Teolog Indonesia, 2nd Annual Meeting, *Merenungkan Identitas Diri di Hadapan Sang Lain*, August 4-6, Yogyakarta, Indonesia.
- 2014 Asosiasi Teolog Indonesia, 1st Annual Meeting, August 7-9, Yogyakarta, Indonesia.

Panels Organized

- 2019 American Academy of Religion, Comparative Theology, San Diego, CA.
“Who Do They Say That I Am?” Jesus in Comparative Theological Perspective

Papers Presented

- 2020 American Academy of Religion, Religious Reflections on Friendship Seminar, Boston, MA. “Friends of God, Friends of Humans: A Muslim-Christian Comparative Theology Reflection on Sainthood and Friendship.”
- 2020 Upper Midwest American Academy of Religion, Interreligious Studies Unit, “State, Law, and Interreligious Relations: Analyzing the Impact of the Blasphemy Law in Indonesia for the Muslim-Christian Encounter in Public Space.” (cancelled due the COVID-19)
- 2019 American Academy of Religion, Comparative Theology, San Diego, CA. “A Comparative Theology Approach to the Quranic Notion of Jesus as the ‘Word of God’ and ‘Spirit from God.’”
- 2019 The Christian-Muslim Studies Network, 3rd Annual Meeting, The Limits of Justice: Ethics, Law, and Theology in Christian-Muslim Relations, Emory University, Atlanta, GA. “Seeking Justice, Embracing Ethics: Mapping Christian Responses to the Blasphemy Law in Indonesia.”
- 2018 Asosiasi Teolog Indonesia, 5th Annual Meeting, Teologi Politik dan Marginalitas, Ungaran, Jawa Tengah, Indonesia. “Resistensi Kudus: Orang-Orang Kudus dan Teologi Politik dari Margin.”

- 2018 American Society for the Study of Islamic Societies (ACSIS), Islam in the Post-Obama Era, Boston, MA. "Say 'No' to Christmas: An Analysis of the Islamic Fatwa on the Prohibition of Wearing Non-Muslims' Attributes in Indonesia."
- 2017 American Academy of Religion, Religion in Southeast Asia, Boston, MA. "The 'Conservative Turn' in Indonesian Islam and Indonesian Christians Responses: A Preliminary Research."
- 2017 School Of Divinity, New College, The University Of Edinburgh, Reframing Christian-Muslim Encounters: Theological and Philosophical Perspectives, Scotland. "Contesting the Meaning of 'Unbelievers' in Indonesia: An Islamic Fatwa on the Prohibition of Wearing Non-Muslim's Attributes and a Christian Response,"
- 2017 The University of Paderborn, Theological Foundations of Liturgical Practice in Judaism, Christianity and Islam Conference, Germany. "The Ka'ba and Christ: Constructing a Christian Liturgy that Engages the Others."
- 2017 Boston College, Engaging Particularities, Exclusivity and Inclusion in Religious Communities, Boston, MA. "Contesting the Meaning of 'Unbelievers' in Indonesia: An Islamic Fatwa on Christmas and a Christian Response."
- 2015 American Academy of Religion, Ritual Studies Group, Atlanta, GA. "Between Etiquette and Religious Precept: A Comparison of the Islamic Discourse of Shaking Hands between the Sexes in the United States of America and Indonesia."
- 2015 Asosiasi Teolog Indonesia, 2nd Annual Meeting, Yogyakarta, Indonesia. "'Non-Muslim' di dalam Diskursus Sosial-Politik Indonesia di era Post-Islamisme: Kontroversi Gubernur Non-Muslim di Jakarta."
- 2015 Fordham University, Awakening From the Inhuman: Religion and Resistance, Bronx, NY. "The Trinity in Women's Eyes: Comparing African Women's and Womanists' Perspectives."
- 2015 American Academy of Religion, Regional Meeting, New England-Maritime, Boston, MA. "'Non-Muslim' in Socio-Political Discourse of Islamism and Post-Islamism: Some Examples from Pakistan, the US and Indonesia."
- 2015 Kroc Institute, University of Notre Dame, Beyond Boundaries: Shifting Dynamics in Peace and Conflict Studies, Notre Dame, IN. "Movements from Below: Mapping the Shift in Interfaith and Peace-Building Movements in Contemporary Indonesia."
- 2015 The Florida State University, Department of Religion 14th Annual Graduate Student Symposium, Religion and Resistance, Tallahassee, FL. "'Non-Muslim' in Socio-Political Discourse of Indonesian Post-Islamism: The Case of Controversy on a Non-Muslim Governor of Jakarta."
- 2015 School of Theology and Ministry, Boston College, Lumen et Vita, Sustained by Hope: The Place and Significance of Christian Hope in the World, Boston, MA. "The Last Scapegoat: Theological Imagination for Indonesian-Chinese Christians Based on Forgiveness and Hope."
- 2014 Asosiasi Teolog Indonesia, 2nd Annual Meeting, *Merenungkan Identitas Diri di Hadapan Sang Lain*, Yogyakarta, Indonesia. "Berteologi Bersama Sang-Liyan: Perkenalan terhadap Teologi Komparatif."
- 2013 New York Theological Seminary, Nurturing Peace in Contexts of Global Violence, New York City, NY. "Radical Love and Forgiveness as Foundation for Reconciliation: A Theological Imagination for GKI Yasmin Case."

- 2013 McGill University, McGill Institute of Islamic Studies Student Council, Montreal, QC. “Discerning the Motives of Muslim-Christian Debates in the Early ‘Abbāsīd Period: The Cases of Timothy I and Theodore Abū Qurra.”
- 2012 Boston College, Engaging Particularities, New Directions on Comparative Theology, Interreligious Dialogue, Theology of Religions and Missiology, Boston, MA. “Comparing Ḥusayn’s Martyrdom and Jesus’ Crucifixion: An Excursion on Finding Common Concern.”

ACADEMIC PAPERS AND PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

- 2020 Universitas Islam Negeri Syarif Hidayatullah, International Online Seminar (Webinar). “Fasting Traditions: The Comparative Religion Perspective.”
- 2019 St. John’s University, Minnesota, and Jay Phillips Center for Interfaith Learning. “The Community of Friends of God: An Exploration in Muslim-Christian Comparative Theology of Sainthood.”
- 2018 Sekolah Tinggi Filsafat Teologi Jakarta, Indonesia, “Kakbah dan Kristus: Teologi Komparatif dan Pemaknaan Ulang Liturgi Kristen.”
- 2015 Sekolah Tinggi Teologi INTI, Indonesia, “Mengenal Islamisme dan Post-Islamisme serta Perkembangannya di Indonesia.”
- 2015 Sekolah Tinggi Teologi Arastamar, Indonesia, “Perspektif Islam terhadap Agama-Agama Abrahamik.”

INVITED MINISTRY PRESENTATIONS

- 2019 Second Hour: A Curated Interfaith Series, First Baptist Church, Newton, MA. “Women and Religion: A Discussion on Gender Justice.”
- 2019 Second Hour: A Curated Interfaith Series, First Baptist Church, Newton, MA. “Sharia and Politics: A Discussion on Religion and Politics.”
- 2018 Second Hour: A Curated Interfaith Series, First Baptist Church, Newton, MA. “How to live with Others according to Scriptures?: Practicing Hospitality.”
- 2018 Second Hour: A Curated Interfaith Series, First Baptist Church, Newton, MA. “Spirituality and Devotion: Care of the Self.”
- 2016 Introduction to Islam, United Parish of Auburndale, Auburndale, MA. “Introduction to Islam.”
- 2015 Grace Community Church, Indonesia, “Kekerasan dalam Teks-Teks Agama Samawi.”
- 2015 Grace Community Church, Indonesia, “Tauhid dan Trinitas dalam Kerukunan Umat Beragama”

SERVICE TO PROFESSION

- 2020 – present Editor-in-Chief, Indonesian Journal of Theology
- 2020 – present Editorial Board, Theologia in Loco
- 2018 – 2019 Co-Coordinator Seminar, Boston College Center for Christian-Jewish Learning, “Altruism (Jewish, Christian, and Islamic Perspectives) and Our

Responsibility for the Other: An Interreligious and Inter-disciplinary Investigation.”
2013 – 2020 Managing Editor, Indonesian Journal of Theology
2013 – present Executive Board, Asosiasi Teolog Indonesia

SERVICE TO CHURCH

2018 – 2019 Co-organizer, the Interfaith Series, First Baptist Church, Newton, MA.
2014 – 2019 Co-coordinator, Indonesian Christian Fellowship, Boston

DEPARTMENTAL/UNIVERSITY SERVICE

2018 – 2019 Treasurer and Director of Programs Graduate International Student Association (GISA), Boston College
2017 – 2018 Director of Outreach Graduate International Student Association (GISA), Boston College
2016 – 2018 Treasurer of the Theology Graduate Student Association, Boston College

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

2014 – 2019 Coordinator, PARTAKERS, Boston College team

LANGUAGES

Bahasa Indonesia (native)
English (fluent)
Arabic (reading and research)
French (reading with dictionary)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

Muslim-Christian Studies Network
American Academy of Religion
Asosiasi Teolog Indonesia