Call for Proposals

This Consultation explores issues at the intersection of Christian theology and higher education. Papers are invited on the following topics:

- The (declining?) role of denominations in church-related institutions
- The challenges for non-Christian faculty at church-related institutions, and the converse
- Fundamentalism(s) on campus

- The postmodern student (visual culture, personal spiritualities, "incredulity toward metanarratives")

- The perception of theology among other academic disciplines
- The formative role of external funding sources
- Notions of scarcity and abundance in the "market" of higher education
- The idea of a "theology of administration"

- If proposals warrant, we hope to sponsor a joint session on James Davison Hunter's *To Change the World* (New York, NY: Oxford University Press, 2010)

We prefer papers that move beyond mere description and endeavor to analyze issues from a theological perspective.

Mission

This Consultation focuses on scholarly investigations of the questions that arise at the intersection of academic life and Christian religion. Some of these conversations occur within church-related colleges and universities and in theological seminaries. However, because of the increasing significance of Christian discourse in American public life, the relationship between Christianity and academia is a live issue on secular campuses as well. The issues that drive this Consultation include questions about academic freedom, institutional mission and identity, and the relationship between the scholarly study of religion — particularly Christian practices among students, faculty, and administrators.

Anonymity of Review Process

Proposals are anonymous to Chairs and Steering Committee Members during review, but visible to Chairs prior to final acceptance or rejection.

Questions?

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