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Biography

Dr. John B. White is a native of the Midwest and in particular, he is a Hoosier where he raced in the legendary cycling race, "The Little 500" at Indiana University, on Team Cutters, which the film *Breaking Away* dramatizes. His PhD is from The University of Edinburgh where he studied moral theology with Michael Northcott and his dissertation was on Christianity and Sports- Sport and Christian ethics: Towards a theological ethic for sport. He also completed an M.Div. and an M.A. at T.E.D.S. where he completed his thesis with Kevin Vanhoozer. John's publications have appeared in *Sport, Ethics and Philosophy*, *Implicit Religion*, *Studies in Christian Ethics*, *Practical Theology*, *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Bible and Ethics*, and he recently co-edited books with Routledge Press (2016), Cambridge Scholars and Mercer Press (2017). He also has a book under contract with Baker Academic. He is the Principal Investigator and Faculty Director of the newly established Faith and Sport Institute: Running the Race Well at Baylor University, which is funded by a grant from Lilly Endowment, Inc. He is regularly interviewed on the subject matter of Christianity and sports in prominent news media and periodicals such as CBS, *Sports Illustrated*, *Wall Street Journal* and *USA Today*. For more information about the intersection of Christianity and sports, see "The Declaration of Sport and Christian Life" which John is a Founding member of the Sport and Christianity Group (2013-) which developed this manifesto.

Industry Expertise

Religious Institutions, Writing and Editing, Education/Learning, Research

Areas of Expertise

Christianity and Sports, Constructive Theology, Theological Ethics, Moral Theology, Theology of Culture

Affiliations

Faith and Sport Institute: Running the Race Well (Lilly Endowment): Faculty Director , American Academy of Religion (AAR) : Member, Society for the Study of Christian Ethics (SSCE) : Member

Event Appearances

The Violence of Everyone and No One: Sport, Banality, and Structural Change
Sports and Violence Conference

Sacramental Body Matters: Reimagining Sensual and Strenuous Bodies in Sports
Inaugural Global Congress on Sports and Christianity

The Face and Soul of Sports: Who are We Becoming in the School of Sports?
Baylor Symposium on Faith and Culture: The Spirit of Sports

Education

The University of Edinburgh
Ph.D. Theological Ethics

Trinity International University
M.A. Philosophy of Religion

Trinity International Divinity School
M.Div. Systematic Theology

Indiana University
B.S. Business

Accomplishments

2018 Outstanding Faculty Award Winner
2018

Greenhoe Lecturer at Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary's annual Festival of Theology
2017

Nominated for Outstanding Professor (tenure-track) for Scholarship at Baylor University
2015 - 2016

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