

# Renton Rathbun, PhD

## Education

<b>PhD Historical and Theological Studies in Apologetics</b>	April 2021
Westminster Theological Seminary	
<b>Further doctoral studies in philosophy</b>	Spring 2013
Villanova University	
<b>Further doctoral studies in Theology</b>	Fall 2012
United Lutheran Seminary	
<b>ThM Systematic Theology</b>	June 2011
Puritan Reformed Theological Seminary	
<b>MA Philosophy</b>	August 2006
University of Toledo	
<b>MFA Creative Writing</b>	May 2003
Minnesota State University	
<b>MA Interpretative Speech</b>	May 2000
Bob Jones University	
<b>BA English Education</b>	May 1998
Bob Jones University	

## Professional Experience

<b>Director of the Center for Biblical Worldview</b>	July 2021 - Present
Bob Jones University	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Developing alignment in biblical worldview among BJU Press, BJU, BJA, SCOPE, and BJU Seminary.</li></ul>	
<b>Biblical Worldview National Speaker</b>	July 2019 - Present
BJU Press	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>National speaker on biblical worldview and apologetics</li></ul>	

**Biblical Worldview Specialist**

Jan. 2019 – July 2021

BJU Press

- Member of a think tank, which develops strategies for incorporating biblical worldview shaping throughout all BJU Press products.

**Teaching Experience**

**Adjunct Professor**

2019 – present

Bob Jones University and BJU Seminary (Greenville, SC)

- Classes Taught:

Apologetics and Worldview, Creation/New Creation, Bio Ethics, Advanced Apologetics, Literature and Composition

**Associate Professor of Humanities**

2003 – 2018

Owens State Community College (Toledo, OH)

- Classes Taught in Philosophy:

Critical Thinking, Introduction to Philosophy, Principles of Ethics, Medical Ethics, Introduction to Humanities, Introduction to Popular Culture

- Classes Taught in English:

English Composition I and II, Creative Writing, Creative Nonfiction, Accelerated College Writing

- Classes Taught in Speech:

Public Speaking, Interpersonal Communication, Small Group Communication, Human Communication

- Course Development and Implementation:

Created and developed the course “Critical Thinking”

Created and developed the course “Medical Ethics”

**Adjunct Professor**

Aug. 2014 – Dec. 2018

University of South Carolina Upstate (Spartanburg, SC)

- Classes Taught: Composition I and Composition II

**Adjunct Professor**

Aug. 2015 – Aug. 2018

Greenville Technical College (Greenville, SC)

- Classes Taught:

Introduction to Philosophy, Logic, Ethics

**Adjunct Professor**

April 2013 – Aug. 2014

Geneva Reformed Seminary (Greenville, SC)

- Classes Taught:

History of Philosophy and Christian Thought, Biblical Hermeneutics

**English and Speech Professor**

2000 - 2003

Pillsbury Baptist Bible College (Owatonna, MN)

- Classes Taught:

English Composition, Public Speaking, Interpersonal Communication,  
Introduction to Theater, Acting I & II, Stagecraft, History of Theater,  
Directing for Stage, Staging and Performing Literature

**Speech Instructor**

1998 – 2000

Bob Jones University (Greenville, SC)

- Classes Taught:

Fundamentals of Speech

**Media Appearances**

**Ginger Hubbard Show**

Teaching Kids to Think Critically

January 17, 2023

<https://parentingwithgingerhubbard.podbean.com/e/ep-105-teaching-kids-to-think-critically-with-dr-renton-rathbun/>

Parenting from a Biblical Worldview

October 10, 2022

<https://www.gingerhubbard.com/blogs/podcast/episode-091-parenting-from-a-biblical-worldview-with-dr-renton-rathbun>

**The Zan Tyler Podcast**

Reality War: The Importance of a Biblical Worldview

<https://zantylers.com/podcast/011-renton-rathbun/>

**Steve Noble Show**

2022 - 2023

“Lies the Church Accepts” An Interview with Rosaria Butterfield (Hosted by Renton Rathbun)

<https://thestevenobleshow.com/2023/03/30/lies-the-church-accepts/>

Toxic Masculinity

<https://thestevenobleshow.com/2023/01/26/toxic-masculinity-2/>

Gay and Christian?

<https://thestevenobleshow.com/2022/10/06/gay-and-christian/>

A Christmas Worldview?

<https://thestevenobleshow.com/2022/12/08/do-you-have-a-christmas-worldview/>

How to be an Animal?

<https://thestevenobleshow.com/2022/09/15/how-to-be-an-animal/>

Christian College... Really?

<https://thestevenobleshow.com/2022/07/21/christian-college-really/>

Killing Lost People

<https://thestevenobleshow.com/2022/05/19/killing-lost-people/>

Talking to Unbelievers

<https://thestevenobleshow.com/2022/04/14/talking-to-unbelievers/>

Theology vs. Worldview

<https://thestevenobleshow.com/2022/02/10/theology-vs-worldview/>

**Highest Potential with Steve Pettit**

December 7, 2021

The Center for Biblical Worldview

<https://anchor.fm/highest-potential/episodes/The-Center-for-Biblical-Worldview-e1bc9vv>

**The Busy Mom Podcast with Heidi St. John**

April 2020

Former Professor Says It’s True... Colleges Are Trying To Undermine Your Child’s Faith With Renton Rathbun

<https://heidistjohn.com/blog/podcasts/biblical-worldview-renton-rathbun-912>

**Professional Speaking Engagements**

**Biblical Worldview Conference** (World War II Museum, New Orleans, LA)

June 2023

- Christianity and Secularism: What Does it Mean to Teach as a Christian

**Rocky Mountain Homeschool Conference** (Denver, CO) June 2023

- Intro to Apologetics
- Worldview and Apologetics
- BIG Apologetics
- The Problem of the Unbeliever in Apologetics
- Applied Apologetics

**Palmetto Family Conference** (Atlanta, GA) June 2023

- The framework of Critical Thinking
- Biblical Worldview and Critical Thinking

**Thrive! NCHE Homeschool Conference** (Winston Salem, NC) May 2023

- LGBTQ+Ideology: What Your Students are Facing and How to Respond
- Walking Away from the Faith: Preparing for the Public University

**Teach Them Diligently Conference** (Pigeon Forge, TN) May 2023

- LGBTQ+Ideology: What Your Students are Facing and How to Respond
- Biblical Worldview is Critical Thinking
- Speaking the Truth in a Secular World

**Biblical Worldview Conference** (Museum of the Bible, DC) April 2023

- Christianity and Secularism: What Does it Mean to Teach as a Christian

**The Golden State Connection: An Educators Conference** (New Port Beach, CA) February 2023

- What is the World is a Worldview?
- LGBTQ+Ideology: What Your Students are Facing and How to Respond
- Walking Away from the Faith: Preparing for the Public University
- Christianity and Secularism: What Does it Mean to Teach as a Christian

**League of Christian Schools Conference** (Daytona Beach, FL) November 2022

- A Biblical Worldview of Leadership
- Where is the Bible in our Christian Schools?

<b>AiG Employee Development Training</b> (Creation Museum, KY) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A Biblical Worldview of Ethics</li></ul>	October 2022
<b>Biblical Worldview Conference</b> (Ronald Ragan Library, LA, CA) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Christian vs Secular</li></ul>	October 2022
<b>FACCS Christian Educators Conference</b> (Orlando, FL) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What in the World is a Worldview?</li><li>• Christian vs Secular</li></ul>	October 2022
<b>Great Lakes Christian Educators Conference</b> (Kalamazoo, MI) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What is waiting for Christian Students at the Public University</li><li>• LGBTQ+ Ideology: What your Students are Facing and how to Respond</li></ul>	September 2022
<b>Exchange Conference</b> (Greenville, SC) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Biblical Worldview of Leadership</li><li>• LGBTQ+ Ideology: What your Students are Facing and how to Respond</li></ul>	May 2022
<b>Teach Them Diligently</b> (Pigeon Forge, TN) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What is waiting for Christian Students at the Public University</li></ul>	May 2022
<b>Great Homeschool Convention</b> (Cincinnati, OH) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What in the world is a Worldview?</li></ul>	April 2022
<b>Biblical Worldview Conference</b> (Museum of the Bible) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Christian vs Secular</li></ul>	April 2022
<b>CoRE Conference</b> (Greenville, SC) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Failing at Home, Succeeding at Ministry: The 'Woke' Inside Us All</li></ul>	February 2022
<b>ACTS Conference</b> (Orlando, FL)	January 2022
<b>National Christian Educators Conference</b> (Daytona Beach, FL)	November 2021

<b>AiG Biblical Worldview Conference</b> (Petersburg, KY)	October 2021
<b>Christian Educators' Convention</b> (Dordt University)	October 2021
<b>NW Biblical Worldview Conference</b> (Portland, OR/Seattle, WA)	August 2021
<b>Foundations Summit</b> (Greenville, SC)	May 2021
<b>Schools United Professional Development Conference</b> (Fort Lauderdale, FL)	October 2020
<b>TABS Conference</b> (League City, TX)	Feb. 2020
<b>Foundations Summit</b> (Greenville, SC) <a href="https://www.facebook.com/bjupresshomeschool/videos/906281556480360/">https://www.facebook.com/bjupresshomeschool/videos/906281556480360/</a>	Feb. 2020
<b>2019 Southeast Christian School Convention</b> (Myrtle Beach, SC)	Sep. 2019
<b>ORUEF Educator's Conference 2019/2020</b> (Houston, TX)	Nov. 2019
<b>Renew-a-nation Conference</b> (Pikeville, TN)	July 2019

### **Academic Papers**

<b>Evangelical Theological Society Annual Conference</b> (Atlanta, GA) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Presented a paper entitled "Training Up a Child in the Way: A Covenantal View of Proverbs 22:6"</li></ul>	Nov. 2015
<b>Northwest Ohio Symposium on Science, Mathematics, and Technology Teaching</b> (Perrysburg, OH) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Presented two sessions entitled, "Teaching Science Ethically: Considering Religious Students in the Classroom."</li></ul>	Nov. 2010

**National Endowment for the Humanities Landmarks of American History and Culture workshop** (Fremont, OH) Mar. 2009

- Theme: "Progress and Poverty: The Gilded Age in American Politics and Literature, 1877-1901"

**Associated Writing Programs Convention** (New Orleans, LA) April 2002

- Presented collection of poems from *Father Circle* by: Renton Rathbun presented in workshop entitled, "New Voices."

**Christians In Theater Arts Convention** (San Francisco, CA) Oct. 2001

- *Grow Strangely Dim* by: Renton Rathbun (Full Length Play category) won Honorable Mention in National Playwrights' Competition.

**National Communication Association Convention** (Chicago, IL) Oct. 1999

- "B-B Guns & Combat Boots" (Creative Non-fiction Essay) presented in workshop entitled: "B-B Guns and Combat Boots: an autobiographical performance."

**Languages**

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| • Classical Latin   | Reading Knowledge |
| • Koine Greek       | Reading Knowledge |
| • Classical Hebrew  | Reading Knowledge |
| • Theological Dutch | Reading Knowledge |

**Military Experience**

United States Army

- **2nd Squadron, 6th Calvary, 11th Aviation Brigade** (Illisheim, Germany) 1991 - 1993

Medals Earned:

- 2 Army Achievement Medals
- National Defense Medal
- Good Conduct Medal
- Overseas Medal
- Army Service Medal

United States Army National Guard

- **South Carolina Army National Guard: 1/178th Field Artillery** (Greer, SC) 1993 - 1999



