The International Academy of Apologetics, Evangelism & Human Rights

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Professors in Residence (2021)

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Donald T. Williams (M.Div., Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Ph.D. University of Georgia) is R. A. Forrest Scholar at Toccoa Falls College. His academic specialties include Theology & Literature, and Narnia & Middle Earth. His latest books: Deeper Magic: The Theology behind the Writings of C.S. Lewis and An Encouraging Thought: The Christian Worldview of J.R.R. Tolkien.

Kerry Kuehn, Ph.D. (Univ. of California, Santa Barbara), B.S in Applied and Engineering Physics, (Cornell Univ.), Professor of Physics at Wisconsin Lutheran College. Dr. Kuehn has published in a variety of scientific journals and is the author of a widely acclaimed four volume work, A Student’s Guide through the Great Physics Texts. He is a specialist in the history and philosophy of science.

The Location

Strasbourg, enchanting capital city of the Alsace, on the Rhine River dividing France and Germany; at once ancient (with its still inhabited medieval quarter and its university founded by John Calvin) and modern (the seat of the Council of Europe and the European Court of Human Rights); only one-half hour from the Black Forest, one hour from Heidelberg, two hours from the Swiss Alps, three hours from Luxembourg, and 2 hours and 20 minutes (on the TGV) from Paris.

The Program

In 2021, the International Academy will offer the following lecture and seminar program, taught in English by the Professors in Residence:

- The Apologetic Task Today
- Biblical Authority
- Philosophical Apologetics
- Scientific Apologetics
- Historical Apologetics
- Literary Apologetics: C.S. Lewis & J.R.R. Tolkien
- Legal Apologetics and Human Rights
- Cults, Sects, and the World's Religions
- Apologetics and Medical Issues

Each of these ten subjects will be treated by one or more of the Professors in Residence for a minimum of 4 hours (total class instruction: 45 hours). A reading list will be provided on initial registration so as to permit background study prior to the summer session.

All participants attending at least 90% (40 hours) of scheduled class sessions will receive a Certificate of Completion/Certificat d’Assiduité from the Academy. Those registrants wishing to receive U.S. academic credit will sit for a written examination on the final day of the program. Successful completion of this culminating examination qualifies a student for 3 semester hours of academic credit; additional credit up to a total of 9 semester hours may be earned by arrangement with Concordia University Wisconsin (undergraduate credit) or with the Academy itself (graduate credit). On attending a second Academy program in Strasbourg (not necessarily in consecutive years), and after completing the written examination at the end of that session, one may sit for an oral examination which, if successfully completed, leads to designation as a Fellow of the Academy (F.C.A.). Also, on attending a second Academy session in Strasbourg, one may defend a thesis on an approved apologetics topic, thereby obtaining the Academy’s Diploma in Christian Apologetics (Dipl.C.A.) or Human Rights (Dipl.H.R.).

Sponsors

- Bucer Seminar, Bonn, Germany
- Apologetics Canada
  Abbotsford, BC, Canada
- Christian Apologetics Program, Biola University, La Mirada, CA, U.S.A.
- Evangelical Apologetics Societies of New Zealand and Australia

The Costs

Only $2,995, exclusive of transportation to/from Strasbourg. This amount covers registration, lodging throughout the session, and a majority of meals. It also covers all tuition and instructional fees for the Academy and a minimum of 3 semester hours of U.S. academic credit for those who qualify. A full day’s bus excursion to the Vosges mountains and the medieval villages of the Alsace the week of Bastille Day is also included. This amazingly low price is possible because the French government subsidizes bona fide foreign students as well as students who are French nationals.

The Scholarship Fund provides 10 scholarships of $1,000 each to needy students to attend the 2021 International Academy Summer Study Session.

An additional scholarship of $1,500 for a science educator or a student majoring in science or science education is generously provided by Drs. Don and Mary Korte, Fellows of the Academy.

Criteria: (1) financial need; and (2) intended benefit from participation. Application is made by personal letter.

Who May Participate?

University, college and seminary students; clergy; laity; lawyers; lecturers and researchers; student workers; and members of human rights organizations. Only 20 registrants will be accepted in toto for the summer of 2021, so register as soon as possible!

How to Register

Send $300 non-refundable deposit, together with your email address and phone number. The remainder ($2,695, also non-refundable) is due in two equal payments on February 1 and April 1, 2021. (Make checks payable to “M. le Pr. J.W. Montgomery” and mail them to the Strasbourg address below using ordinary airmail, not a commercial mailing service such as UPS or FedEx or any service requiring a signature.) Your deposit holds your place. You will receive a full packet of materials, including the official registration form to be filed with proof of status, in accord with French university practice. Registrants should plan to arrive during the business day on Monday, July 12, 2021.

Registration deadline: March 1, 2021.

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