

Curriculum Vitae – John Mark Capper

Professional Life Supervisor

Working with professionals in ministry and institutional leadership

I work with individuals or small groups to reflect on professional life: ethical and personal challenges; interpersonal development opportunities; and organisational structures, to reduce stress, increase focus and facilitate joy. “Making connections” is a recurrent theme. I (gently) challenge traditions and preconceptions, affirm inclusion and nurture the spiritual quest. Laughter is not beyond me.

What you may want to know about me

Revd Dr John Mark Capper

Ordained: Deacon Armidale 1985
(Anglican) Priest Collarenebri 1986

Interests: Applied Trinitarian Thought; Joy, hope and relationships; Postmodern Missional Models; Online Education; Supervision and Mentoring; Personal Care of Ministry Professionals; Contemporary Spiritual Experience and Expectations; Religion and Media, Music and the Arts.

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My Qualifications

2022 **Graduate Certificate in Professional Supervision** (University of Divinity)
2020 **Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors** (GAICD)
1999, 2008 **Certificate (IV) in Training and Assessment** (TAA40104)
1994-1997 **Ph D** (Karl Barth’s Theology of Joy) University of Cambridge 1998.
1990-1993 Studies towards Masters in Educational Administration
University of New England, Armidale N.S.W.
1987-1989 **Diploma in Social Science** University of New England 1990.
1983-1985 **Bachelor of Theology** (First Class Hons.), Ridley College 1986
Diploma of Ministry Ridley College, Melbourne, 1986.
1975-1978 **Bachelor of Engineering** (Hons.) University of New South Wales 1979.
Awards: Scholar of Selwyn College, Cambridge 1994; Horace Wilcox Prize (First in Theology, Ridley College) 1986; Felix Arnott Prize (First in BTh, Australian College of Theology) 1986.

My Employment History

2023 Assistant Academic Dean and Consultant to the Senior Team, Australian College of Ministries
2020-2022 Academic Dean (Part Time), Stirling College (University of Divinity)
Senior Lecturer in Theology
2013-2019 Director of Learning and Teaching, University of Divinity.
Member of the Academic Board, Learning and Teaching; Academic Quality; Academic Resources; Governance and Nominations; and Library Committees.
2012-2013 Dean, United Faculty of Theology in the (then MCD) University of Divinity.
2012-2013 Associate Minister (Part Time), Anglican Parish of St John’s Diamond Creek.
2003-2011 Dean Learning Teaching and Research and Senior Lecturer in Systematic Theology, Tabor Victoria. (Various titles during this time.)
1998-2002 Academic Dean, Tabor College NSW (PT then FT)
1996-1997 Assistant Lecturer and Pastor, Ridley Hall, Cambridge, England. (P/T)

1994-1998 Honorary Assistant Priest, Cottenham All Saints', Cambridge, England. (Diocese of Ely)
1989-present Regular locum ministries
1989-1993 Principal, Church Army College of Evangelism, Belrose, N.S.W.
1986-1988 Vicar, Anglican Parish of Collarenebri, (Diocese of Armidale), N.S.W.
1979-1982 Chemical Engineer, Shell Refining (Aust.) Pty. Ltd., Clyde Refinery (Sydney).

Some Highlights

Research Fellow, Christian Research Association (2021-)

Director, Careline Connections Ltd (2020-)

Member, Eva Burrows College Academic Committee (2020-)

Board Member, Careline Connections Limited (2020-)

Member, Victorian Vice-Chancellors' Committee working group on Pathways (VET and HE) (2018-2019)

Member: Australian and New Zealand Association of Theological Schools; Society for the Study of Theology (UK); Society of Biblical Literature; Higher Education Research and Development Society of Australasia, International Society for Scholarship of Teaching and Learning, Faith-Based Online Learning Directors (Committee).

Member, Australian College of Theology Limited. 2008-present

Degree and Graduate Studies Theology Moderator 2005-2018

Chair, Masters of Missional Leadership Course Review Panel (2015) and New College Review Panel (2016).

Council member of ANZATS (Australian and New Zealand Association of Theological Schools) 2009-2015.

Board Member, Tintern Schools (2008-) (Deputy Chair 2009-2019) Chair of Governance Committee (2013-2019).

Honorary Associate Priest, St Paul's Anglican Church, Ringwood (Diocese of Melbourne) 2004-

Member of the editorial committees for *Australian Pentecostal Studies* and *Interface* (now *InterfaceTheology*).

Co-founder and co-leader, Converse, a Sydney based network with international links, for innovative and missional church planters, (2001-2004).

Member, Australian College of Theology Council and Board of Diploma Studies (1991-3).

Chaplain, Girls' Friendly Society, Diocese of Sydney (1991-4).

Member, Australian Council of Churches' Working Group on Evangelism (1992-4).

Board Member, Anglican Provident Fund, Sydney (1992-4).

Member of the following Academic and Curriculum Advisory Boards:

2005-2011 Tabor Victoria.

2005-2009 Harvest Bible College.

2006-2010 Tabor NSW.

2008-Present Avondale College NSW.

2009-2016 Tabor Tasmania.

2010-2014 Alphacrucis College

ALTC Professional Excellence Initiative, 2010-2011.

ALTC/OLT's national Citations for Outstanding Contributions to Student Learning assessor.

Management group member, Tabor Victoria's ALTC funded research project "Transformational learning in the 'helping professions' as best practice" (2010-2011).

Member and secretary, Melbourne Anglican Diocese Committee to Review Theological Education, Ministerial Formation and Continuing Education for Ministry, established by the Synod in 2010, and reporting *Suited by their Learning* to Synod in 2012.

My Academic Work

Edited Books

Economic and Ecotheological Responses to Laudato Si', ATF Theology, 2015 (also published as *Interface Theology* 1, 2, 2015).

Book Chapters

"Ambiguous Peace", in *A Curious Machine: Wesleyan Reflections on the Posthuman Future*. ed Glen O'Brien and Arseny Ermakov, 2023 (planned).

"Divine Joy and Human Gladness in Life in Christ", in *Incarnation, Salvation, Healing: Wesleyan Perspectives on Human Flourishing* ed. Dean Smith and Rob Frager Wipf & Stock, 2020.

"Serious joy of the ultimate decision" in Simon Hattrell (ed./trans.) *Election, Barth and the French Connection*, Wipf & Stock, 2016.

"Teaching theology online in class" in *Teaching Theology in a Technological Age*, ed. Yvette Debergue and James R. Harrison, Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2015, 337-353.

"Joy – Missing dimension in Barth studies", *Karl Barth: A future for post-modern theology?* Melbourne, December 1998. Published in *Karl Barth: A future for post-modern theology?* ed. Geoff Thompson and Christiaan Mostert, ATF, Hindmarsh, SA, 2000, 98-121.

Refereed Journal Articles

"When do university students and graduates know what careers they want: A research-derived framework", *Journal of Teaching and Learning for Graduate Employability*, 8,1,2017, 3-21. (With Shelley A. Kinash, Linda Crane, Mark Young and Ashley Stark.)

"Charles Wesley on Work and Divine Ubiquity" *Aldersgate Papers*, 7, 2009, 17-29.

"Apostolic Leadership in Australia" *Church Growth Digest*, 24,1, 2002, 171f.

"Obstacles and opportunities for technological innovation in business teaching and learning", *International Journal of Management Education*, 1,1,2000.*

"Christian Community and Cyberspace: A case study in exposure to new possibilities", *Third International Conference of Religion, Media and Society*, Edinburgh, July 1999.*

"Exploiting the web for education: an anonymous asynchronous role-simulation", *Australian Journal of Educational Technology*, 15, 1, 1999. *

"Educational Innovation: Hype, Heresies and Hopes", *Asynchronous Learning Networks Magazine*, 3, 2, 1999. *
(* indicates co-authored with Mark A. Freeman)

Popular Media Items

Same-Sex Marriage, Two Views. *The Melbourne Anglican*, September 2015.

Same-sex marriage is legal, so why have churches been so slow to embrace it? *The Conversation*, Feb 13, 2018
(<https://theconversation.com/same-sex-marriage-is-legal-so-why-have-churches-been-so-slow-to-embrace-it-91564>)

Professional Development (Delivered)

2021 Reviewer of four masters, one bachelors and one graduate certificate; one institutional reaccreditation (various bodies)

2020 Bachelor of Theology External Review Tabor College (Invited)

2020 Curriculum Review Facilitation Eva Burrows College (Contracted)

2020 Graduate Employment and Diversity Forum National, through University of Queensland

2020 Assessment Practice in Theological Education Stirling Theological College

2020 Assessment Practice in Counselling Education Stirling Theological College

2013-2018 Development and Delivery of Teaching for Learning Conference University of Divinity

Professional Development (Received)

2021 Needed Now Higher Ed Conference CMM and Sally Kift

2021 Higher Education Standards Forum TEQSA

2020 Leader as Coach Course Proteus Leadership

2019 Experts Forum TEQSA

2019 Stakeholder Forum Higher Education Standards Panel