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Short presentation

I obtained a cand.theol. degree in 2018 from the University of Copenhagen with study stays in France, England, and Germany. In 2023, I received a dual Ph.D. in church history (University of Copenhagen) and French literature (Université Rennes 2) for a thesis on spiritual intimacy and mysticism in the early modern period. During the fall and winter of 2023/24, I am a postdoc in Canada at the Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières, and from spring 2024 until January 2025, I am affiliated with Université Sorbonne Nouvelle Paris 3. Both stays are funded by the Carlsberg Foundation's Internationalization Postdoctoral Scholarship (https://www.carlsbergfondet.dk/da/Forskningsaktiviteter/Bevillingsstatistik/Bevillingsoversigt/CF23_0161_Bastian-Felter-Vaucanson). I am simultaneously attached to the Centre for Privacy Studies as an affiliated researcher. My research revolves around descriptions of private religious experiences in the early modern period, especially among female mystics and their male associates. I am interested in the interaction between private faith and social conventions. At the core of my research is the question of how the inner spiritual lives of women and men were influenced by social factors, and how social conventions were affected by private religious experiences. My research has particularly focused on the lay mystic Jeanne Guyon (1648-1717) and the Ursuline nun Marie de l'Incarnation (1599-1672).

Employment

Guest Researcher

Section of Church History
København S, Denmark
28 Feb 2023 → nu

Guest Researcher

Section of Church History
København S, Denmark
5 Sep 2023 → nu

Research assistant

Section of Church History
København S, Denmark
31 Dec 2022 → 8 Jul 2023

Research Assistant

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København S, Denmark
1 Jan 2023 → 8 Jul 2023

Postdoctoral Fellow

Département de lettres et communication sociale, Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières (UQTR)
Trois-Rivières (Québec), Canada
1 Aug 2023 → 15 Jan 2024

October 2018	Cotutelle PhD Student at Centre d'études des langues et littératures anciennes et modernes (CELLAM), université Rennes 2
August 2018	PhD-fellow at The Danish National Research Foundation Centre for Privacy Studies (PRIVACY), The Faculty of Theology, University of Copenhagen
March 2018	Cand.theol. from The Faculty of Theology, University of Copenhagen

January - March 2018 Visiting Student at the Faculty of Modern and Medieval Languages, Cambridge University
September 2016 - January 2017 Erasmus student at Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster
September - December 2015 Visiting Student at the Département de la littérature et linguistique française, Sorbonne Nouvelle Paris 3
2015 Ba.theol. from the Faculty of Theology, University of Copenhagen

Research outputs

La conversation éternelle: L'intimité spirituelle dans les lettres de Madame Guyon à Fénelon

Vaucanson, Bastian Felter, 2024, (Accepted/In press) Paris: Hermann. (Les collections de la République des Lettres).

Le pouvoir de la faiblesse: L'éthos mystique de Jeanne Guyon à la lumière de sa correspondance

Vaucanson, Bastian Felter, Freidel, N. (ed.), Scribnai, J. (ed.) & Gauthier-Mamaril, E. (ed.), 2024, (Accepted/In press) In: Tangence.

Privacy Misconstrued? The Correspondence between Fénelon and Maintenon

Nørgaard, Lars Cyril & Vaucanson, Bastian Felter, 2024, (Accepted/In press) *Early Modern Correspondence : The Privacy Perspective*. Green, M. & Nørgaard, L. C. (eds.). Brepols Publishers

Refractions of Privacy in Early Modern Letter Writing

Vaucanson, Bastian Felter & Green, M., 2024, (Accepted/In press) *Early Modern Correspondence: The Privacy Perspective*. Green, M. & Nørgaard, L. C. (eds.). Brepols Publishers

Between Faith and Works: Fénelon's Conception of Charity for a Monarch

Vaucanson, Bastian Felter, Feb 2023, In: *French Historical Studies*. 46/1, p. 37-55

La conversation éternelle: L'intimité spirituelle dans la correspondance Guyon-Fénelon

Vaucanson, Bastian Felter, 2023, *Université Rennes 2*. 293 p.

FRANÇOIS-XAVIER CUCHE, L'Absolu et le monde. Études sur les écrits du Petit Concile. Bossuet, La Bruyère, Fénelon et leurs amis. Paris, Honoré Champion, « Lumière Classique », n° 110, 2017. Un vol. 15,5 x 23,5 de 712 p.

Vaucanson, Bastian Felter, 2020, In: *Revue d'Histoire Littéraire de la France*. 2, 120, p. 475-477

Om det som åbenbaringen skjuler, og det som åbenbares i det skjulte. Privat fromhedspraksis i François de Fénelons prinselige ideal, 1682-1715.

Vaucanson, Bastian Felter, 2020, In: *TEOL-information*. 61

Barokens spøgefugl får stækket sine vinger

Vaucanson, Bastian Felter, 2018, In: *Studenterkredsen*. 2, 68

"Eenfoldighedens Skønhed": En post-teologisk læsning af Christian Bastholms "Lov-Tale over Messias"

Vaucanson, Bastian Felter, 2017, *Religiøs oplysning: Studier over kirke og kristendom i 1700-tallets Danmark-Norge*. Reeh, T. (ed.). Viborg: Kirkehistoriske Samlinger, (Kirkehistoriske Samlinger; No. 3, Vol. 2017).

Fra Kannikestræde 12: Festskrift i anledning af Borchs Kollegiums 325-års jubilæum

Andresen, C. L. (ed.), Berndsen, J. (ed.), Svenningsen, J. (ed.) & Vaucanson, Bastian Felter (ed.), 2016, København: Statens Museum for Kunst.

Grâce au fragment

Nørgaard, Lars Cyril & Vaucanson, Bastian Felter, 2016, *Og teologi: Festskrift til Carsten Pallesen*. Eksistensen, p. 75-92
18 p.

Activities

Intimité et spiritualité dans l'imaginaire colonial / Intimacy and Spirituality in the Colonial Imaginary

Vaucanson, Bastian Felter (Organizer) & Vaillancourt, L. (Organizer)

4 Oct 2024 → 5 Oct 2024

Femmes en correspondances (XVIIe-XVIIIe siècles)

Vaucanson, Bastian Felter (Speaker)

9 Jun 2022

Staging the Self

Vaucanson, Bastian Felter (Participant)

27 Apr 2022

Séminaire romaniste

Vaucanson, Bastian Felter (Speaker)

16 Sep 2021

Public and Private

Vaucanson, Bastian Felter (Speaker)

8 Sep 2021 → 10 Sep 2021

Augustine on the Will

Wöller, Florian (Speaker), Vaucanson, Bastian Felter (Organizer), Jensen, Søren Frank (Organizer) & Rasmussen, E. K. (Organizer)

Sep 2021 → Dec 2021

Tenth Annual RefoRC Conference on Early Modern Christianity

Vaucanson, Bastian Felter (Speaker)

7 May 2021

Ph.d. dag

Vaucanson, Bastian Felter (Speaker)

15 Apr 2021

Privacy at Court?

Vaucanson, Bastian Felter (Speaker)

10 Dec 2020 → 12 Dec 2020

Conspicuous Privacy

da Silva Perez, Natália (Organizer), Vaucanson, Bastian Felter (Organizer) & Nørgaard, Lars Cyril (Organizer)

14 Oct 2019

Le sacrifice du roi. La charité comme vertu privée dans l'idéal princier de Fénelon

Vaucanson, Bastian Felter (Speaker)

14 Oct 2019

Université Rennes 2

Vaucanson, Bastian Felter (Visiting researcher)

1 Sep 2019 → 31 Aug 2020

The Representation of Mme de Maintenon in Fénelon's Letters of Spiritual Direction

Vaucanson, Bastian Felter (Other)

23 Jul 2019

Centre for Privacy Studies og François de Fénelon

Vaucanson, Bastian Felter (Other)
17 Jun 2019

Negotiating Privacy: Past, Present and Future.

Vaucanson, Bastian Felter (Organizer) & Henriksen, Anni Haahr (Organizer)
14 Jun 2019 → 15 Jun 2019

Le fruit défendu. Les amitiés particulières dans Fénelon

Vaucanson, Bastian Felter (Other)
8 May 2019

Saving the Sacred: Approaching Distance and Proximity in the Ceremonial at Versailles (1682-1715)

Vaucanson, Bastian Felter (Speaker) & Gigone, Fabio (Speaker)
5 Apr 2019

Hvad er Centre for Privacy Studies?

Vaucanson, Bastian Felter (Other)
2 Nov 2018

Yielding Power with Grace: Private Reading and Princely Education in Versailles (1689-99)

Vaucanson, Bastian Felter (Speaker)
11 Oct 2018