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Education

Doctor of Philosophy in History, Minor in Historical Theology, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary

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Academic, Research and/or Professional Experience

Dr. Bill Sumruld, Professor of History and Religion, earned a Ph. D. in History, with a minor in Historical Theology, from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and took post-graduate hours in Roman History from Texas Christian University and courses in Online Pedagogy from New Mexico State University.

While attending Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and Texas Christian University, Dr. Sumruld taught Latin at Trinity Valley School, St. Thomas More Institute, and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary all in Fort Worth Texas. Dr. Sumruld has taught at University of the Southwest since 1989.

He is the author of Augustine and the Arians: The Bishop of Hippo's Encounters with Ulfilan Arianism, as well as a number of journal articles and book reviews. Dr. Sumruld is also a multiple year honoree of Who's Who Among America's Teachers, has been a participant in the Aspen Institute at the Wye Island facility, and is a member of the Oxford Round Table.

Interests

Dr. Sumruld is an avid reader of history, philosophy, religion, and science. He has made multiple public presentations on the Constitution and the Bill of Rights. He has for many years authored a weekly religion column for the Hobbs News Sun. He has painted a number of military miniatures, is a trained singer (who donates this talent in a twice monthly worship service at Hobbs Health Care Center, and has had a few of his poems published.

Fun Facts

Dr. Sumruld is a happily married proud grandfather, who tells and writes original stories for his youngest granddaughter. He is also a great grandfather. He sometimes uses war games or other gaming simulations in his classes (where appropriate) to illustrate important issues. Dr. Sumruld also serves as a deacon at Crosswinds Community Church and teaches a Sunday school class there.