

Tirzah E. Montanye

Curriculum Vitae
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RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Religion and Politics; Christian Political Thought; History of Political Thought; Political Ethics; Political Theology; Law and Religion; Public Law; Legal History; and Political Violence and Exclusion and the Politics of Memory, Reconciliation, and Reparation

EDUCATION

- B.A, Political Science, Wheaton College, 2020.
 - Thesis (with an honors designation): “‘God Is My Witness’: The Tangled Histories of Religion, Oaths, Perjury, and Civic Trust.”
 - Received departmental honors in political science.
 - Completed supplemental, graduate-level coursework in biblical studies and theology through participation in the Wheaton College Graduate School’s Accelerated M.A. in Biblical Exegesis.
 - Graduated *summa cum laude*.
 - Undergraduate GPA: 3.97; Graduate GPA: 4.0; Class Rank: Top 10% (exact rank unknown).

PUBLISHED RESEARCH

Peer-Reviewed Articles

- **Tirzah Elizabeth Montanye.** 2021. “‘A Word Fitly Spoken’: Dietrich Bonhoeffer and Truth in the Political Life.” *The Journal of Theta Alpha Kappa* 45(3): 60-80.

Working Papers

- **Tirzah Elizabeth Montanye.** “‘God Is My Witness: The Tangled Histories of Religion, Oaths, Perjury, and Civic Trust.” Accepted for inclusion in a forthcoming issue of *The Penn Undergraduate Law Journal*.

AWARDS, HONORS, AND SCHOLARSHIPS

- Political Studies Summer Program Funding, The Hertog Foundation, 2021.
- Summer Honors Program Funding, The American Enterprise Institute, 2020.
- Departmental Honors in Political Science, Department of Political Science and International Relations, Wheaton College, 2020.
- Wheaton College Scholastic Honor Society Membership & Scholarship, Wheaton College, 2020.
- Eta Beta Rho Nomination & Membership, Wheaton College, 2019.
- Center for Vocation and Career Summer Internship Scholarship, The Center for Vocation Career, Wheaton College, 2019.
- Law, Justice, and Culture Institute Scholarship; The Law, Justice, and Culture Institute; Olivet Nazarene University, 2019.
- Pi Sigma Alpha Nomination & Membership, Wheaton College, 2019.
- Theta Alpha Kappa Nomination & Membership, Wheaton College, 2019
- Faith, Politics, and Economics Scholarship; The Center for Faith, Politics, and Economics; Wheaton College; 2018.
- Blanchard Scholarship, Wheaton College, 2017-2020.
- Dean's and Honors Lists, Wheaton College, 2017-2020 (all semesters).

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

- "Strong Values and Hard Choices." The Families Valued Initiative Blog. November 11, 2020. <https://tinyurl.com/4td7uyb4>.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- Research Associate, Rachel Anderson, The Center for Public Justice, Summer 2020-Present.
- Research Assistant, Kristin Garrett, Wheaton College, Summer 2018-Spring 2020.

WORK EXPERIENCE

- Research Associate, Families Valued Initiative, The Center for Public Justice, Fall 2021-Present.
- Family Policy Intern Associate, The Center for Public Justice, Summer 2021
- Law & Public Policy Research Intern, Families Valued Initiative, The Center for Public Justice, Fall 2020-Spring 2021
- Legal Assistant, Beacon Law, Summer 2020-Spring 2021.
- Research and Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science and International Relations, Wheaton College, Summer 2018-Spring 2020.
- Legal Intern, Pennsylvania Justice Centers, Administer Justice, Summer 2019.
- Congressional Intern, U.S. House of Representatives, Summer 2018.
- Legal Intern, Trinity Law Firm, Summer 2018.
- Spanish Immersion Teaching Assistant, Lancaster Mennonite School, Winter 2016-Summer 2017.

- Legal Assistant, The Law Office of Mark T. Montanye, Summer 2014-Fall 2016

OTHER TRAINING & COURSEWORK

- Fellow, Political Studies Program, The Hertog Foundation, Summer 2021.
 - Course: Religion and Politics (Bryan Garsten).
- Fellow, Summer Honors Program, The American Enterprise Institute, Summer 2020.
 - Course: Freedom, Progress, and Tradition (Yuval Levin)
- Fellow; The Law, Justice, and Culture Institute; Olivet Nazarene University; Summer 2019.
 - Course: Law, Justice, and Culture (Charles Emmerich)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Pi Sigma Alpha National Honor Society for Political Science
- Theta Alpha Kappa National Honor Society for Religious Studies and Theology
- Eta Beta Rho National Honor Society for Students of Hebrew Language and Culture

SOFTWARE/ STATISTICAL SKILLS

- R, Stata, Qualtrics, and Excel.

LANGUAGE SKILLS (READING)

- Hebrew (Ancient and Modern) – Intermediate (high school and university courses; independent post-graduate study)
- German – Intermediate (university courses; independent post-graduate study)
- Latin – Elementary (independent post-graduate study)

VOLUNTEER/COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT WORK

- Emergency Shelter Volunteer, Elizabethtown Community Housing & Outreach Services, 2021-Present.
- Wheaton College Campus Advocacy Chapter Member, International Justice Mission, 2017-2020.
- Administrative Volunteer, Love INC. of Lancaster County, 2016-Present.