



10th Summer Institute on Theology and Disability
Hosted by Western Theological Seminary
and Hope College, Holland, MI – May 20-23

Planning Ahead:
Costs & Travel

Registration

- Online registration will be handled by Hope College, open **March 1, 2019**
- Registration is slightly lower this year because the meal plan is a separate cost.
- There is no registration charge for personal assistants.

	Early Bird <i>(Before April 15)</i>	After April 15
Standard:	\$500	\$600
Student/Seminarian:	\$400	\$500
Exhibitor: <i>(includes 1 registration)</i>	\$800	\$800

Personal Care Assistant: Complimentary

Community Day: \$50 (Lunch included)
(Monday)

Individual Days: \$200
(Tuesday through Thursday)

Meal Plan \$150 for 4 days. \$40 per day.
(Includes breakfast, lunch, supper)

Administrative Fees \$6.75 per day,
 \$5 registration, and
 3.5% credit card processing

Scholarships

The scholarships will be our standard \$250 credit towards registration costs, primarily for students but some available for people with disabilities. **We cannot assist with travel or lodging. The number of scholarships will depend on sponsorship grants and contributions.** Some other options include:

- If you are a person with a disability or a family member, check with your state's [Council on Developmental Disabilities](#). Some of them have funds to help people with

disabilities and family members to attend out of state conferences. Call and ask. They will tell you if there is an online process for applying.

- Registrants have also received support from their own congregations, employer, and/or faith group in the past.
- We welcome gifts or grants for scholarship funds and sponsorships.

Contact Bill Gaventa at bill.gaventa@gmail.com.

Lodging

A Campus Map of Hope College can be viewed online at maps.hope.edu

Cook Hall, the college dorm we used in 2016, and **Haworth Inn**, the conference center hotel at Cook College, are adjacent to one another. Cook Hall is not available before or after the Summer Institute. Haworth may be, but at their normal rates. Reservations are made online through the SITD Registration Site at Hope College.

Cook Hall (115 East 10th St. Holland, Michigan 49423) Most suites have two bedrooms with two twin beds in each and a private bath. All rooms are air-conditioned. A wi-fi code can be provided. There is an exercise room, laundry room, and lounges in the building. There are a few suites that are handicap accessible. Thus, there are a number of possible combinations for sharing a suite with 2, 3, or 4 people. **Suite cost per night: \$135.00 plus 2% tax. Includes linen.**

Haworth Inn and Conference Center (225 College Avenue Holland, Michigan 49423) Amenities include: complimentary deluxe continental breakfast, wi-fi, a pass for the Holland Aquatic Center, on-site wellness room, and a pass for the Dow Physical Education Center

- Hotel Room with 2 Queen Beds (Sunday-Friday): **\$165.39 plus tax.**
- Hotel Room with 1 King Bed HA (Sunday-Friday): **\$165.39 plus tax.**
- Higher regular rates on Saturday or Friday nights.

Other Lodging Options: This is a list of preferred hotels from the Hope College Website. Note that some are within walking distance. There are also other options.

- [Haworth Inn and Conference Center](#)
Located on Hope's campus
- [CityFlats Hotel](#)
0.6 miles north of campus
- [Courtyard Holland Downtown by Marriott](#)
0.6 miles north of campus
- [Country Inn by Carlson](#)
2.8 miles north of campus
- [DoubleTree](#)
1.9 miles southeast of campus
- [Fairfield Inn](#)
3.3 miles north of campus
- [Hampton Inn](#)
3.2 miles north of campus
- [Holiday Inn Express](#)
3.4 miles north of campus
- [Hyatt Place](#)
21.9 miles east of campus
- [Residence Inn](#)
3.5 miles southeast of campus

- [Teerman Lofts](#)
0.5 miles west of campus
- [The Beach House at Lake Street](#)
6.2 miles west of campus
- [The State Rooms at Yacht Basin](#)
5.8 miles west of campus
- [Wickwood Inn](#)
11.5 miles southwest of campus

AirBnB: There are a number of rooms and places listed on the Airbnb site.

Transportation and “Getting there”

The closest airport is Grand Rapids. There will be shuttles from the Grand Rapids organized by Western Seminary and the Institute. Approximate cost each way: \$40.

We will be exploring conference rates for car rental from the Grand Rapids airport.

We may be organizing a limited number of shuttles or small bus from **Chicago O’Hare Airport** on Sunday, May 19 and back to Chicago on Friday morning, May 24. It is about 90 miles away (2 hours). As you check flights, let us ASAP if Chicago is clearly your preferred airport (Email bill.gaventa@gmail.com). Another option would be to enable several people to rent cars together with Institute and share rides with others.

Continuing Education Units (CEU’s)

CEU’s will be provided through Western Theological Seminary. There will be two options:

- **One day:** 0.6 CEU at \$10
- **Four days:** 2.4 CUE at \$20

Pre-register and pay for CEU’s through online registration when it opens. Western Theological will provide a Certificate. Daily sign-in and out will be required.

Summer Institute Accommodations and Supports

Lynn Swedberg (lmswedberg@comcast.net) will be our Accommodations Coordinator again this year with the help of several other people on our 2019 Planning Team. Please note accommodations needed in your online registration and she will be in touch with you to ensure we have those supports in place. She will be working closely with Bill Gaventa, her team, and the staff at Western Theological Seminary and Hope College to provide all needed supports.

Additional information about the Summer Institute on Theology and Disability is available at faithanddisability.org/projects/summer-institute/

For updates about the Summer Institute, sign up for our Facebook page:
www.facebook.com/theologydisability

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