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### **Biography and Research Statement**

Scott Craig is a PhD Student at the University of Ottawa in Religious studies under the supervision of Dr. Peter Beyer. Craig's research is primarily focused on theories of globalization and the development and expansion of American Zen Buddhism. Craig is also working as a research assistant for the Religion and Diversity Project under Dr. Peter Beyer.

Craig completed his Bachelor of Arts in Religious Studies at Wilfrid Laurier University. He then went on to complete his Master's degree in Religious Studies at Wilfrid Laurier University where his research was focused on American Buddhism and theories of globalization. While completing his Master's degree Craig was given the opportunity to present his work on Zen Buddhism in the West at the Interdisciplinary Arts Conference in 2012. Craig was also invited to present his work on American Zen and Globalization at the New York Conference on Asian Studies at SUNY Binghamton in 2013. Craig has also lectured on 'religion in modern day Japan' for a second year undergraduate course titled 'Asian Religions: China and Japan' at Wilfrid Laurier University. In addition, Craig has also facilitated tutorial lectures for a course titled "Religions of the Americas: Indigenous, African and European" offered at Wilfrid Laurier University.