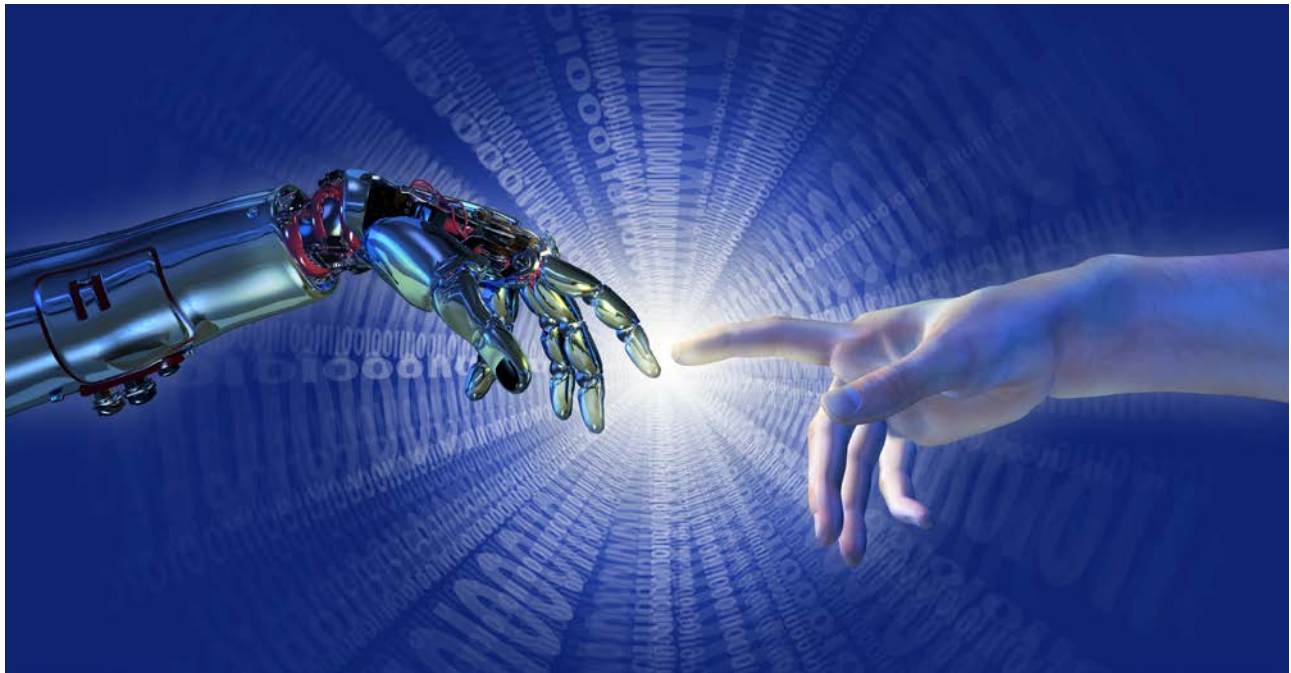




Canadian Centre for Scholarship and the Christian Faith

TECHNOLOGY AND THEOLOGY



Friday-Saturday 3rd-4th May 2019

Technology is developing faster than our moral capacity to deal with it. Specifically Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Transhumanism raise questions about what it means to be human. What is consciousness? What is soul? What are life and death? Can technology really give us eternal life? Theology is in a unique position to handle these questions and issues.

The Canadian Centre for Scholarship and the Christian Faith at Concordia University of Edmonton cordially invites you to our eighth annual conference. The theme for 2019 is *Technology and Theology*. This conference is done in collaboration with the Machine Learning and AI Interdisciplinary Research Cluster of Concordia University of Edmonton.

The keynote speaker is Dr Craig Gay from Regent College in Vancouver BC. Dr Gay has published extensively in the area of Technology and Theology. The title of his keynote lecture is "Downsized: Modern Technology and the Diminishment of the Human". This lecture is open to the public and **FREE** on Friday 3rd May 2019 at 7pm, with reception to follow, in the Tegler. For more information you may talk with Bill Anderson here CUE or by email at bill.anderson@concordia.ab.ca. Please register at <https://goo.gl/561nKf>. Post-Secondary students are eligible for a free grant to attend at <http://www.ccsf.org/conference/grant/>

Academic Papers and Poster Presentations along the lines of the theme of Technology and Theology may be approached interdisciplinarily from the Sciences, Humanities and Social Sciences and from the subdisciplines of computing science, biology, engineering, philosophy, theology, psychology, sociology, history, culture, art and ethics. There is a broad range of possible topics with some overlap. This list is neither exhaustive nor intended to be restrictive: Artificial Intelligence; AI, Consciousness and Soul; AI and Soteriology; AI and Eschatology; Genetics and Theology; Quantum Physics and Theology; AI and Transhumanism in the Movies; AI and Transhumanism on TV; AI and Transhumanism in Literature; Technology and Biblical Studies; Technology and Theology; Technology and the Church; Technology and Ethics; Technology and Sexuality; Technology and the Arts; Technology and Law; Technology and Philosophy; Technology and Fetishism; Social Media and Theology; Virtual Religion; Transhumanism and Soteriology; Transhumanism and Eschatology; Technology and Theology in Pop Culture. For guidelines and submissions go <https://goo.gl/Jhytpw>. The deadline for proposals is 18th April 2019.

Vernon Press will be publishing the proceeds of this conference. Scholars who want their original unpublished papers in this book must submit them for *adjudication* by 31st July 2019 to the editor Dr Bill Anderson at bill.anderson@concordia.ab.ca. *Scholars need not present at the conference to submit their papers for consideration.*