

# **William Struthers, Ph.D.**

**Professor of Psychology at Wheaton College**

Wheaton, IL, US

Dr. Struthers studies the impact of pornography consumption, neurological effects of environmental enrichment, and science-faith issues.

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## **Description**

Dr. Struthers' lab research interests are in the neural mechanisms that underlie behavioral arousal and the processing of novel environments. His research employs the use of stereotaxic surgery, immunochemistry, and behavioral manipulations to investigate gene expression in the cingulate cortex and basal ganglia.

He recently received a grant from the Faraday Institute for Science and Religion, an interdisciplinary research enterprise based at St Edmund's College, Cambridge University (UK) to examine uses and abuses of neuroscience research in society. Dr. Struthers has also been named a Visiting Research Fellow to Biola University's Center for Christian Thought in 2014 for his work on the impact of sexual exploitation on spirituality, and is part of the Oxford Interdisciplinary Seminars in Science and Religion: Bridging the Two Cultures of Science and the Humanities.

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## **Industry Expertise**

Education/Learning, Laboratory Services, Biotechnology, Research, Training and Development

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## **Topics**

Psychology, Science and Faith in Dialogue, Biological Bases of Personhood, Biological Bases of Spirituality, Neuroethics, Compulsive Sexuality, Novelty and the Brain, Psychology Education, History and Psychology, Men and Addictions, Neuroscience and the Soul, Psychopharmacology, Behavioural Neuroscience, Activism Against Sexual Exploitation, Biological Bases of Behavior, Pornography Addiction

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## **Affiliations**

Society for Neuroscience, Faculty for Undergraduate Neuroscience, International Neuroethics Society, Association for Psychological Science

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## **Past Talks**

### **Pornography in Cultural and Clinical Contexts**

Department of the Navy Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Training Seminar

### **PornBrain. What Neuroscience is (and isn't) Telling Us about Digital Sexuality**

Love and Fidelity Network

**Effects of Enriched Housing on the Expression of Novelty-Shuttling Induced Fos-Like Immunoreactivity in the Cingulate Cortex and Basal Ganglia**  
Society for Neuroscience 46th Annual Meeting

**Behavioral and ERP responses to emotionally evocative images among high and low trait anger college age men**  
Society for Neuroscience 46th Annual Meeting

**Reducing Moral Distress in Nursing- Do Interventions Really Work?**  
American Nurses Credentialing Center National Magnet Conference

**On Harms and Hope: The Myriad Injustices of Pornography and How Some are Fighting Back**  
Sexuality, Integrity, and the University Conference, Love and Fidelity Network

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## **Education**

**The University of Illinois at Chicago**  
Ph.D. Biopsychology

**The University of Illinois at Chicago**  
M.A. Biopsychology

**Illinois Wesleyan University**  
B.A. Psychology

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