Boston College and the Center for Christian-Jewish Learning are pleased to announce the appointment of Jesper Svartvik to the 2020-2021 Corcoran Visiting Chair in Christian-Jewish Relations.

Dr. Svartvik studied at Lund University in his native Sweden, the Swedish Theological Institute in Jerusalem, and the Hebrew University, and holds a doctorate in New Testament studies from Lund University (2000). He is the former holder of the Krister Stendahl Chair of Theology of Religions, which included teaching and research both in Jerusalem and Lund. In 2019 he was awarded the Raoul Wallenberg Honor from Muhlenberg College “in recognition of his substantial contributions to Jewish-Christian relations.” His areas of expertise include New Testament studies, interreligious relations in general, and Jewish-Christian relations in particular.


During his tenure as the Corcoran Chair, Dr. Svartvik will write a book on ways to read the New Testament without presupposing supersessionism, teach a graduate level course, and host a conference.