

hel  
global network player authority PewDiePie guilt god Let's Play angel undead wtf authentic mediatization Skill pvp contest  
game rule system avatar WoW blessing noob kills demon fact body fight pop's spe ingame PSt discussion digital  
religion game analysis The Last of Us healing you're into-scape soul dialo ritual virtual identity buff priest genesis clan wedding  
simulation ludology death resurrection funeral runes immersion community symbols salvation mage Xbox 360PVE  
narrative

## Issue 02 (2015)

### **articles**

The WoW Factor: A Virtual Ethnographic Study of Sacred Things and Rituals in World of Warcraft

Sonja C. Sapach, 1

Spirits in the Aether: Digital Ghosts in Final Fantasy XIV

Tim Appignani, Kaylee Kruzan, Indira Neill Hoch, 25

Extending the Dimensions of the Social World through Game-Worlds

Jonathan Tuckett, 61

Methods for Analyzing Let's Plays: Context Analysis for Gaming Videos on YouTube

Kerstin Radde-Antweiler, Xenia Zeiler, 100

### **interview**

Interview with Third Faction

by *gamevironments*, 140

### **research reports**

Establishment of a new AAR-Seminar "Video Gaming and Religion"

by Kerstin Radde-Antweiler, 153

IASGAR: The new International Academy for the Study of Gaming and Religion

by Xenia Zeiler, 156

### **game review**

The Witcher 3: A Wild and Modern Hunt to Medievalise Eastern and Northern Europe

by Derek Fewster, 159

## Establishment of a new AAR seminar “Video Gaming and Religion”

Kerstin Radde-Antweiler

### Abstract

Report on the establishment of a new AAR seminar “Video Gaming and Religion”.

**Keywords:** AAR, Video Gaming and Religion Seminar

### Whoohoo!

It’s time for a party! We applied successfully for a Video Gaming and Religion Seminar at the American Academy of Religion (<http://www-aarweb.org>). The AAR’s Program Committee has accepted our proposal for a new Program Unit and established the Video Gaming and Religion Seminar (<https://papers.aarweb.org/content/video-gaming-and-religion-seminar>). Our application was even declared a “sterling application, which contained strong letters of support, concrete publishing outputs, and a clear vision of Seminar's purposes. This Seminar will hopefully be a model of international collaboration and engagement.”

153

Now, we are authorized for a five-year term (2015-2019) and are allotted one session at each Annual Meeting. If you are interested in joining us at one of the next conferences, please look out for the seminar’s yearly Call for Papers!

The steering committee consists of the following members:

- Gregory Grieve, University of North Carolina (USA), [gpgrieve@uncg.edu](mailto:gpgrieve@uncg.edu) (chair)
- Kerstin Radde-Antweiler, University of Bremen (Germany), [radde@uni-bremen.de](mailto:radde@uni-bremen.de)



