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### **Cefndir**

Mae Emyr yn Ymchwilydd Cynorthwyol yng Nghanolfan y Santes Fair, ac yn Ymchwilydd Cynorthwyol yn Uned Ymchwil Crefyddau ac Addysg Warwick ym Mhrifysgol Warwick. Ganwyd ac addysgwyd ef yng Nghymru. Bu'n astudio ar gyfer BTh mewn Diwinyddiaeth ym Mhrifysgol Cymru, Bangor ac ym 2004, dechreuodd ar waith ymchwil ôl-radd mewn Diwinyddiaeth Ymarferol dan arolygiaeth Yr Athro Leslie J Francis. Enillodd radd MPhil ym 2006 a PhD ym 2008 o Brifysgol Bangor.

### **Ymchwil**

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