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### EMPLOYMENT

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Buckingham Professor of New Testament Criticism and Interpretation. Yale Divinity School and Yale Department of Religious Studies. 2019-  
Secondary appointments: Department of Classics; Program in Women, Gender, Sexuality Studies. Senior Fellow, MacMillan Center.  
Professor of New Testament and Early Christianity. Harvard Divinity School. 2011-2019.  
Associate Professor of New Testament and Early Christianity. Harvard Divinity School. 2008-2011.  
Assistant Professor of New Testament and Early Christianity. Harvard Divinity School. 2003-2008.  
Assistant Professor, Department of Religious Studies. Occidental College. 2000-2003.

### EDUCATION

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Th.D. New Testament/Early Christianity. Harvard Divinity School.  
M.Div. Harvard Divinity School.  
A.B. English Literature, Certificate in Near Eastern Studies. Princeton University.

### BOOKS

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*Ancient Christians and the Power of Curses: Magic, Aesthetics, and Justice*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, forthcoming (April 2024). 307p. 9 figures; 14 plates.  
*Archaeology and the Letters of Paul*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2019. Paperback: 2021. 336p. 20 figures; 13 line drawings.  
Reviews: Caroline Johnson Hodge (*JTS*), Bruce Longenecker (*BMCR*), Thomas Davis (*CBQ*), Olegs Andrejevs (*Religion and Theology*), James Prothro (*RSR*), Anthony Keddie (*Mouseion*), Jason Borges (*Biblical and Early Christian Studies*), Carolyn Osiek (*Biblical Theology Bulletin*)  
Book panels: SBL/AAR November 2021 (San Antonio) with J. Magness, A. Harrill, R. Ascough, B. Kahl; Christian Scholars Conference June 2022 with Betsey Robinson and Richard Wright.  
*Christian Responses to Roman Art and Architecture: The Second-Century Church Amid the Spaces of Empire*. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2010. Paperback: 2012. Xvi, 334p.  
Reviews: Richard Brilliant (*VC*), Jeremy Schott (*Choice*), Nicola Denzey Lewis (*CAA*), Philip Harland (*Mouseion*), A. J. Droge (*BMCR*), Kyle Harper (*JRA*), Jane Heath (*JSNT*), Robin Jensen (*J ECS*), Josef Lössl (*JTS*), Todd Penner and Davina Lopez (*BibInt*), Morwena Ludlow (*Ecclesiology*), Rebecca McGann (*JRS*), James Carleton Paget (*Journal of Ecclesiastical History*), Victoria Rimell (*Vergilius*), Ellen Swift (*CR*), Christine Thomas (*JAAR*), Verkerk (*CH*), Carrie Vout (*Perspective*), Troels Myrup Kristensen (*Ancient History Bulletin*), M. J. Thate (*Trinity Journal*), Joshua Jipp (*Themelios*)  
“An Ecstasy of Folly”: *Prophecy and Authority in Early Christianity*. Harvard Theological Studies no. 52. Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 2003. Xii, 225p.  
Reviews: E. Castelli (*JAAR*); R. Dupertuis (*RSR*); S. Felder (*BMCR*); R. Lim (*CH*); S. Bartchy (*Bulletin of the Royal Institute for Inter-Faith Studies*); J. Lössl (*JEH*); J. Marshall (*JBL*); G. Menzies (*Pneuma*); M. Tilley (*CBQ*)

### CO-EDITED VOLUMES

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*From Roman to Early Christian Cyprus: Religion and Archaeology*. Laura Nasrallah, AnneMarie Lujendijk, and Charalambos Bakirtzis, eds. WUNT 437. Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2020.  
Reviews: R. Sweetman (*CR*); G. Deligiannakis (*NovTest*); M. Edwards (*JECH*)

*From Roman to Early Christian Thessalonikē: Studies in Religion and Archaeology.* Laura Nasrallah, Charalambos Bakirtzis, and Steven J. Friesen, eds. Harvard Theological Studies 64; Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 2010. Xiv, 437p.

Reviews: M. Rautman (*Classical Review*); E. Rizos (*JRA*); C. Dickenson (*BMCR*); J. Bartels (*sehpunkte*)

*Prejudice and Christian Beginnings: Investigating Race, Gender, and Ethnicity in Early Christian Studies.* Laura Nasrallah and Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza, eds. Minneapolis, MN: Fortress Press, 2009.

Paperback: 2010. Xiv, 319p.

Reviews: C. Selzer (*CH*), Y. Lin (*BibInt*); M. Edwards (*Expository Times*); C. Zeichmann (*RBL*)

## **ARTICLES AND CHAPTERS**

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Sarah Porter and Laura Nasrallah, "Things." In *Religion in Context: Graeco-Roman Religious Practises in their Socio-Cultural Milieu*, ed. Jan N. Bremmer, Jörg Rüpke and Georgia Petridou. J.B. Metzler Verlag, forthcoming.

Jeremy L. Williams and Laura S. Nasrallah, "Justice: How can god(s) enact justice for the enslaved?" in ed. Jeremiah Coogan, Howley, and Candida Moss, *Writing, Enslavement, and Power*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, forthcoming.

"Aesthetics: New Testament, the Classics, and a Case Study in 1 Corinthians." In *Divided Worlds? Contemporary and Interdisciplinary Challenges in Classics and New Testament Studies*, ed. Benny Liew, Caroline Johnson Hodge, and Timothy Joseph. Semeia Studies; Atlanta, GA: SBL Press, 2023.

"The Work of Nails: Religion, Mediterranean Antiquity, and Contemporary Black Art." *Journal of the American Academy of Religion* 90.2 (2022) 1-21.

Jennifer Quigley and Laura Nasrallah, "Cost and Abundance in Roman Philippi: The Letter to the Philippians in its Context." In Steven J. Friesen, Daniel N. Schowalter, and Michalis Lychounas, eds. *From colonia augusta to communitas christiana: Religion and Society in Transition*. Leiden: E. J. Brill, 2021.

"Judgment, Justice, and Destruction: *Defixiones* and 1 Corinthians." *Journal of Biblical Literature* 140.2 (2021): 347-67.

"*Christemporos*: Christ and the market in early Christian texts." *Biblical Interpretation* 30.4 (2021): 1-29. doi:10.1163/15685152-20211634

"A Formation of a Christian Archive? The case of Justin Martyr and an imperial rescript." In Alice König, Rebecca Langlands, and James Uden, eds. *Literature and Culture in the Roman Empire, 96-235. Cross-Cultural Interactions*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2020.

"The worshipping self, the self in light." In Maren R. Niehoff and Joshua Levinson, eds. *Constructions of the Self in the Roman Empire*. Tübingen: Mohr/Siebeck, 2020.

"Introduction (and an Analysis of Religion by Means of the Annex of Eustolios)." Pages 1-23. In Laura Nasrallah, AnneMarie Luijendijk, and Charalambos Bakirtzis, eds. *From Roman to Early Christian Cyprus: Religion and Archaeology*. WUNT 437. Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2020.

"Material Culture and Historical Analysis." In Benjamin Dunning, ed. *Handbook of Gender and Sexuality in the New Testament*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2019.

Benjamin Dunning and Laura Nasrallah. "Introduction." In Taylor Petrey et al., eds. *Re-making the World: Christianity and Categories. Essays in Honor of Karen L. King*. WUNT 434. Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2019.

Jennifer Quigley and Laura Nasrallah. "HarvardX's Early ChristianityX: The Letters of Paul: A retrospective on online teaching and learning." In Claire Clivaz et al., eds., *Digital Biblical Studies* Leiden: E. J. Brill, 2019.

"Saying 'No.' Krister Stendahl on Scripture and on Leadership." In Paula Fredriksen and Jesper Svartvik, eds., *Krister Among the Jews and Gentiles*. Mahwah, NJ: Paulist Press, 2018.

"I do not wish to be rich': The 'Barbarian' Tatian Responds to *Sortes*." Pages 290-308. In AnneMarie Luijendijk and William Klingshirn, eds. *My Lots Are in Thy Hands*. Religions in the Graeco-Roman World; Leiden, Brill, 2018.

"Public Letters: Early Christian Letters and Roman Epigraphic Evidence." Pages 281-302. In C. Breytenbach and J. M. Ogereau, eds. *Authority and Identity in Emerging Christianities in Asia Minor and Greece*. Ancient Judaism and Early Christianity. Leiden/Boston: Brill, 2018.

- “Ezekiel’s Vision in Late Antiquity: The Case of the Mosaic of Moni Latomou, Thessalonikē.” Pages 76-89. In Antony Eastmond and Myrto Hatzaki, eds. *The Mosaics of Thessaloniki Revisited: Papers from the 2014 Symposium at the Courtauld Institute of Art*. Athens: Kapon Editions, 2017.
- “Imposing Travelers: An Inscription from Galatia and the Journeys of the Earliest Christians.” In Maren Niehoff, ed. *Journeys in the Roman East: Imagined and Real*. Pages 273-86. Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2017.
- “Lot Oracles and Fate: On Early Christianity among Others in the Second Century.” Pages 213-42. In James Carleton Paget and Judith Lieu, eds., *Christianity in the Second Century*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2017.
- “‘Out of Love for Paul’: History and Fiction and the Afterlife of the Apostle Paul.” Pages 73-96. In Judith Perkins and Ilaria Ramelli, eds. *Early Christian and Jewish Narrative: The Role of Religion in Shaping Narrative Forms*. Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2015.
- “1 Corinthians.” Pages 427-71. In Margaret Aymer, Cynthia Briggs Kittredge, and David Sanchez, eds., *Fortress Commentary on the Bible: The New Testament*. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2014.
- “‘You Were Bought with a Price’: Freedpersons and Things in 1 Corinthians.” In Steven J. Friesen, Sarah James, and Daniel N. Schowalter, eds. *Corinth in Contrast: Studies in Inequality*. New York: Brill, 2013.
- “Grief in Corinth. The Roman City and Paul’s Corinthian Correspondence.” In Annette Weissenrieder and David Balch, eds. *Contested Space: Houses and Temples in Roman Antiquity and the New Testament*. WUNT. Pp. 109-140. Tübingen: Mohr/Siebeck, 2012.
- “Spatial Perspectives: Space and Archaeology in Roman Philippi.” In Joseph Marchal, ed. *Studying Paul’s Letters: Contemporary Perspectives and Methods*. Pp. 53-74. Minneapolis, MN: Fortress Press, 2012.
- “The Embarrassment of Blood: Early Christians and Others on Sacrifice, War, and Rational Worship.” In Jennifer Wright Knust and Zsuzsanna Várhelyi, eds. *Ancient Mediterranean Sacrifice*. Pp. 142-166. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2011.
- and Melanie Johnson-DeBaufre. “Beyond the Heroic Paul: Toward a Feminist and Decolonizing Approach to the Letters of Paul.” In Christopher Stanley, ed. *The Colonized Apostle: Paul through Postcolonial Eyes*. Pp. 161-174. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2011.
- “Introduction” and “Early Christian Interpretation in Image and Word: Canon, Sacred Text, and the Mosaics of Moni Latomou.” In *From Roman to Early Christian Thessalonikē: Studies in Religion and Archaeology*, edited by Laura Nasrallah, Charalambos Bakirtzis, and Steven J. Friesen. Pp. 1-9 and 361-96. Harvard Theological Studies 56; Cambridge, MA: distributed through Harvard University Press, 2010.
- “The Knidian Aphrodite in the Roman Empire and Hiram Powers’s *Greek Slave*: On Ethnicity, Gender, and Desire.” In *Prejudice and Christian Beginnings: Investigating Race, Gender, and Ethnicity in Early Christian Studies*. Edited by Laura Nasrallah and Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza. Pp. 51-78. Minneapolis, MN: Fortress Press, 2009.
- “The Earthen Human, the Breathing Statue: The Sculptor God, Greco-Roman Statuary, and Clement of Alexandria.” In *Beyond Eden: The Biblical Story of Paradise [Genesis 2-3] and Its Reception History*, edited by Konrad Schmid and Christoph Riedweg. Pp. 110-40. Forschungen zum Alten Testament II. Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2008.
- “The Acts of the Apostles, Greek Cities, and Hadrian’s Panhellenion.” *Journal of Biblical Literature* 127.3 (2008) 533-65.
- “The Rhetoric of Conversion and the Construction of Experience: The Case of Justin Martyr.” In *Studia Patristica: Papers presented at the Fourteenth International Conference on Patristic Studies held in Oxford 2003*, edited by F. Young, M. Edwards, and P. Parvis. Pp. 467-74. Leuven and Dudley, MA: Peeters, 2006.
- “Prophecy, the Periodization of History, and Early Christian Identity: A Case from the So-Called Montanist Controversy.” In *Religious Identity in Late Antiquity*, edited by Elizabeth Digeser and Robert Frakes. Pp. 13-35. Toronto: Edgar Kent, Inc., 2006.
- “Empire and Apocalypse in Thessaloniki: Interpreting the Early Christian Rotunda.” *Journal of Early Christian Studies* 13.4 (2005) 465–508.
- “Mapping the World: Justin, Tatian, Lucian, and the Second Sophistic.” *Harvard Theological Review* 98.3 (2005) 283-314. Translated into Czech as “Skutky apoštolů, řecká města a Hadriánovo Panhellenion,” *Salve* 3.16 (2017) 153-80.

- “‘Now I Know in Part’: Historiography and Epistemology in Early Christian Debates about Prophecy.” In *Walk in the Ways of Wisdom: Essays in Honor of Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza*. Eds. Melanie Johnson-DeBaufre, Cynthia Kittredge, and Shelly Matthews. Pp. 244-65. Valley Forge, PA: Trinity Press International, 2003.
- “‘She became what the words signified’: The Greek Acts of Andrew’s Construction of the Reader-Disciple.” In *The Apocryphal Acts of the Apostles*, edited by François Bovon et al. Pp. 233-58. Cambridge MA: Harvard University Press CSWR, 1999.

#### **ONLINE CONTENT**

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- HarvardX/edX course: Early Christianity: The Letters of Paul. 2014. Videos available at <https://www.edx.org/course/early-christianity-the-letters-of-paul> or <https://lettersofpaul.yalepages.org/>
- Divination and prediction. 2015. Short lectures for HarvardX/PredictionX. <https://www.predictionx.org/casting-lots>

#### **REVIEWS**

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- Anthony Keddie. *Class and Power in Roman Palestine: The Socioeconomic Setting of Judaism and Christian Origins*. *Church History* 89.4 (2020): 899-900.
- David Frankfurter, ed., *Guide to the Study of Ancient Magic*, *Review of Biblical Literature*. <http://rblnewsletter.blogspot.com/2020/05/20200537-frankfurter-guide-to-study-of.html>
- James Harrison and Lawrence Welborn, eds., *The first urban churches 2: Roman Corinth*. Writings from the Greco-Roman world Supplement series, 8. Atlanta: SBL Press, 2016. *Bryn Mawr Classical Review*. <http://bmcr.brynmawr.edu/2017/2017-08-37.html>
- Ann Marie Yasin. *Saints and Church Spaces in the Late Antique Mediterranean. Architecture, Cult, and Community*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press 2009. *Sehepunkte* 11 (2011), Nr. 9 [15.09.2011], <http://www.sehepunkte.de/2011/09/17277.html>
- Rex D. Butler. *The New Prophecy and “New Visions”: Evidence of Montanism in The Passion of Perpetua and Felicitas* (Washington, D.C.: Catholic University of America Press, 2006). *Journal of Religion* 88.1 (Jan. 2008) 103-4.
- Jaś Elsner and Ian Rutherford, eds., *Pilgrimage in Graeco-Roman and Early Christian Antiquity* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2005). *Bryn Mawr Classical Review*. February 2007. <http://bmcr.brynmawr.edu/2007/2007-02-19.html>
- Carolyn Osiek and Margaret Y. MacDonald with Janet H. Tulloch. *A Woman’s Place: House Churches in Earliest Christianity*. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2006. *Journal of Biblical Literature* 125.3 (2006) 617-622 and online *Review of Biblical Literature* [https://www.bookreviews.org/pdf/4984\\_5600.pdf](https://www.bookreviews.org/pdf/4984_5600.pdf)
- Cornelia Cyss Crocker. *Reading 1 Corinthians in the Twenty-First Century*. New York/London: T&T International, 2004. *Religious Studies Review* 32.1 (January 2006) 42.

#### **AT PRESS, WITH AN EDITOR, OR UNDER REVIEW**

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- “Making Justice: *Defixiones*, Imperial Rescripts, and Justin Martyr.” *Zeitschrift für Antikes Christentum*
- “What’s Love Got to Do with It? Violence and the Category of Erotic Magic.”
- “Justice and ancestral fault: What we might learn at the Areopagus.”

#### **WORK IN PROGRESS**

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- The Letters of Paul: A Love (Hate) Story*. Under contract, Eerdmans Press.
- 1 Corinthians: A Commentary*. Hermeneia Series. Under contract, Augsburg Fortress Press.

#### **INSTITUTIONAL AND GUILD LEADERSHIP (SELECTED)**

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- American Academy of Religion.  
Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession. 2024-.

Society of Biblical Literature. Council. 2018-2023.  
 Chair, Task Force Search for Executive Director, 2022-2023.  
 Chair, Governance sub-committee. 2021-23.  
 President, Regional Society of Biblical Literature (New England and Eastern Canada). 2019-2020.  
 Co-chair. Anti-Racism Task Force. Yale Divinity School. 2020-2022.  
 Provost's Advisory Committee. Harvard University. 2017-2019.  
 Provost's Academic Leadership Forum. Harvard University. 2015-2016.  
 Annual Meeting Program Committee Chair. Society of Biblical Literature. 2012-2014.  
 Standing Committee on the Study of Religion, Harvard University. Th.D. director. 2011-2013, 2015-2016.  
 Faculty Council (elected). Harvard Divinity School. 2011-2013, 2018-2019.  
 Working Group on Religion. Harvard University. 2012-2013.  
 Decanal Search Advisory Committee. Harvard University. Fall 2011-Spring 2012.  
 Faculty Council (elected position). Occidental College. 2002-2003.

#### **CONFERENCES ORGANIZED**

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- 2015 "From Roman to Early Christian Cyprus: A Conference on Religion and Archaeology." Harvard Divinity School. Co-organized with Dr. Charalambos Bakirtzis (director, Foundation A. G. Leventis, Cyprus) and Prof. AnneMarie Lujendijk, Princeton University. 2-3 October 2015.
- 2013 "How Bodies Matter: The Intersection of Science, the Humanities, and Religion in the Study of the Ancient Mediterranean World." 15-16 March 2013. Harvard Divinity School. Co-organized with Steven J. Friesen.
- 2007 "Symposium on Race and Ethnicity in New Testament and Early Christian Studies." Harvard Divinity School. Co-directed with Professor Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza.
- 2007 "From Roman to Early Christian Thessalonikē: A Conference on Religion and Archaeology." Harvard Divinity School. Co-organized with Dr. Charalambos Bakirtzis, Ephor of Byzantine Antiquities, Thessaloniki, Greece and Prof. Dr. Steven Friesen, University of Texas (Austin).

#### **INVITED LECTURES**

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- 2024 "Glossolalia and Poetics: From 1 Corinthians to the Poetry of M. NourbeSe Philip." McLester Lecture. University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Department of Religious Studies. 28 February 2024.  
 "Ancestors, Inheritance, and Reparations: Why Ancestral Fault Might be a Good Idea." University of Pennsylvania Department of Religious Studies. 1 February 2024.
- 2023 Carmichael Walling Lectures, Abilene Christian University. "Getting Justice, Making Reparations: Paul, Race, Gender, and Enslavement. Lecture 1: How do you get Justice? Righteousness, Curses, and the Letters of Paul. Lecture 2: Paul on the Areopagus: The Furies and God's Judgment." 16 November 2023.  
 "Intergenerational responsibility and ancestral fault: What we might learn at the Areopagus." Cornell University, Department of the Classics. 3 November 2023.  
 "Speaking in/of Tongues: Ancient Christianity, South Korean Pentecostalism, and the Poetry of M. NourbeSe Philip." Department of Religion. Middlebury College. 12 October 2023.  
 "Urban Magic. Christians and Ritual in Antiquity; or, on Athens, Judgment, and Anger," Colloquium Biblicum Lovaniense LXXII, Leuven, 18-20 July 2023.
- 2022 Everett Ferguson Lecture, Christian Scholars Conference, Nashville, TN. "Speaking of Tongues." June 2022.
- 2021 R. T. Orr Lecture, Huron at Western University, London, Ontario. "Seeking Justice: The

- Letters of Paul and Operations of Power.” 8-9 November 2021.  
CRASIS Master Class leader and keynote speaker. “Glossolalia, Composition, and *Voces Magicae*: Language’s Limitations and Excess.” Groningen, Netherlands (virtual). 11-12 March 2021.
- 2020 “Making Justice. Imperial Rescripts, *Defixiones*, and Justin Martyr.” Keynote at Apologists and Empire, King’s College London (virtual). December 2020.  
“Using the Bible to Curse.” Regional SBL (New England and Eastern Canada) presidential address. Boston, MA. March 2020.
- 2019 “Fixing History: Ethics, Ritual, and Two Objects at Princeton.” Danforth Lecture, Princeton University Department of Religion, December 2019.  
“A theology of *defixiones*? Roman Corinth, the Sanctuary of Demeter and Kore, and Christ-followers.” Main paper at the Studiorum Novi Testamenti Societas. Marburg, Germany, August 2019.  
“Yearning to see God: Early Byzantine art, theology, and science.” Vassiliadis Lecture, The Center for Hellenic Studies, The University of San Diego. March 2019.  
“A Small Disaster: Doing Things with Words in Fourth-Century Antioch.” Plenary at Shifting Frontiers in Late Antiquity 13. Claremont, Ca. March 2019.  
“History and Race: The Letters of Paul in Antiquity and Modernity.” David L. Dungan Lecture, University of Tennessee, Knoxville. February 2019.
- 2018 “Race, Time, and the Letter to the Romans.” Seminar at the Berkley Center for Politics and Religion, Georgetown University, November 2018.  
“Christemporos: Christ networks and market economies.” Social History and the New Testament section, SNTS. Athens, Greece, August 2018.  
“Paul’s Letter to the Romans: Between the Obelisks of Psamtik II and Benito Mussolini.” August Boeckh Lecture, Humboldt Universität, Berlin, 4 June 2018.  
“Travel and Hospitality: Epigraphic evidence, the Letter to the Galatians, and Beyond.” August Boeckh Seminar, Humboldt Universität, Berlin, 4 June 2018.  
“A Public-Private Letter: From Ta-Nehisi Coates to the Letters of Paul and Beyond.” UCLA, April 2018.  
“Whom are you addressing?: Paul’s Letters, Imperial Correspondence, and Inscriptions in Antiquity.” Brite Divinity School/Texas Christian University, 8 March 2018.  
“Rethinking History: Obelisks, Statues, and the Letter to the Romans.” Plenary address to the Southwest Regional SBL, 10 March 2018.
- 2017 “The Significance of Monuments. Paul’s Letter to the Romans, Augustus’s Obelisks, Mussolini’s Archaeology, and #tearthemdown.” Hearst Lecture, University of Northern Iowa, November 2017.  
“Authoritative Texts and Public Displays in the Spaces of the Roman Empire.” Seminar offered at “Authoritative Texts and Their Reception,” the Norwegian Institute of Paris, March 2017.
- 2015 “Early Christianity and the Roman Empire” for Georgetown University course: “Empires and Religion.” November 2015.
- 2014 “Matter and What Matters in Teaching and Learning: A Field Report from the College Art Museum.” Mead Art Museum, Amherst College. September 2014.  
“Direct Address: On Paul and Seneca, Imperial Rescripts, and Other Matters.” Center for Late Ancient Studies Symposium. Duke University. February 2014.
- 2013 “Apostle Paul, Saint Paul: The Ethics of History.” Hammond Lecture. Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. October 2013.  
Seminar presentation for course “In the Presence of the Divine,” Princeton and the Ancient World, at the Princeton University Art Museum. October 2013.

- “Out of Love of Paul: Archaeology, Literature, and the Apostle Paul.” Drew Theological School. September 2013.
- “On the Market (in Roman Corinth): Archaeology and Theology in Biblical Studies.” Plenary address, Upper Midwest Regional SBL, Luther Seminary, Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN. April 2013.
- 2012 “Christ-Followers as Commodities? 1 Corinthians, Slavery, and Manumission” (lecture). “Will I be Freed from Slavery/I Endure Slavery? Tatian and other Christians between the *Sortes* and Stoic Philosophy” (seminar). Catholic University of America, October 2012.
- 2011 “Corinthian Grief? Paul’s Letters and the Roman City of Corinth.” Biblical Archaeological Society, San Francisco meeting.
- “‘I do not wish to be rich’: The ‘Barbarian’ Christian Tatian Responds to *Sortes*.” *Sortilege in Late Antiquity*. A symposium at Princeton University. 12-13 Nov. 2011.
- “The Letter to the Philippians: Archaeology and Paul’s Early Hearers.” Paul-Philippi: Two Millennia. Centre of Historical Studies, Philippi, Greece. 20-22 May 2011.
- Discussion of *Christian Responses to Roman Art and Architecture*. Fordham University. 8 Mar. 2011.
- 2010 “Revelation: From Rasta to Archaeological Ruins.” Kraft-Hiatt Lecture, Brandeis University. April 2010.
- “Grief in Corinth: The Roman City and Paul’s Corinthian Correspondence.” Princeton University. (Co-sponsored by the Department of Religion and the Center for Hellenic Studies.) February 2010.
- 2009 “Mobility and Place: Corinth and Grief in the First Century CE.” *Herbsttagung für TOPOI Excellence Cluster*. Humboldt University, Berlin. October 2009.
- Senior Fellow, TOPOI Excellence Cluster B-III-2 at Humboldt University, Berlin. 27 Sept. 09-10 Oct. 09.
- 2009 “St. Paul Among Others: How Scholars and Paul’s Communities Have Viewed Him.” St. Paul Jubilee Year Lecture Series. St. Joseph’s College. Hartford, CT. 31 March 2009.
- “Paul the Christian, Paul the Jew: Making Sense of Paul for the Church Today.” Keynote Address, Year of St. Paul. St. Bernard’s School of Theology and Ministry and the Diocese of Rochester, NY. 13 March 2009.
- 2008 “The Embarrassment of Blood: Sacrifice and Rational Worship (I-II CE).” *What the Gods Demand: Blood Sacrifice in Mediterranean Antiquity*. Boston University. 19-21 November 2008.
- 2007 “The Earthen Human, the Breathing Statue: Genesis 2’s Sculptor God and Greco-Roman Statuary.” *Al di là dell’Eden: la narrazione biblica del Paradiso (Genesi 2-3) et la storia della sua ricenzone (Beyond Eden: The Biblical Story of Paradise [Genesis 2-3] and Its Reception History)*. Organized by the University of Zürich in collaboration with the Istituto Svizzero Roma, the Waldensian Faculty, and the Pontifical Biblical Institute. Rome. 19-20 October 2007.
- “A Crisis of Representation: Justin, Roman Violence, and the Semiotics of Empire.” *Sanctified Violence in Ancient Mediterranean Religions: Discourse, Ritual, Community*. University of Minnesota. 6-8 October 2007.
- “Revelation in the Early Second Sophistic: Early Christians and Others on Seeing and Knowing God.” *Conference on Revelation, Literature, and Community*. Princeton University Department of Religion. 14-17 January 2007.

- 2006 “The Pedagogical Image: The Gendered Body, Greco-Roman Statuary, and the Early Christian Imagination.” Harvard Divinity School. Women’s Studies Program in Religion and Women, Gender, Religion Forum. 23 October 2006.  
 “To Have the Body of a God/dess: Early Christians and Greco-Roman Statuary.” Williams College, MA. 28 September 2006.  
 ““Those Who Have Stirred Up the World”?: The Geography of Acts.” Furman University, South Carolina. 4 April 2006.  
 “Crises of Justice, Crises of Representation: Early Christian Apologetics and Metropolitan Centers.” Keynote Address. Graduate Student Conference. Pappas Patristic Institute. 23 March 2006.

**PRESENTATIONS AND CONFERENCE PAPERS (\*INVITED)**

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- 2023 Panelist, Review of Shively T.J. Smith’s *Interpreting 2 Peter through African American Women’s Moral Writings* (SBL Press, Mar 2023) in SBL Program Unit: African American Hermeneutics and  
 Panelist, Envisioning the Future of Doctoral Programs in Biblical Studies organized in part by SBL Program Unit: Asian and Asian-American Hermeneutics. Society of Biblical Literature Conference. San Antonio TX. November 2023.
- 2022 \*and Jeremy Williams. “How can god(s) enact justice for the enslaved?” Symposium: Enslavement, Writing, and Power in the Roman Mediterranean. Held at Columbia University. September 2022.
- 2021 “As you struck the chariot of Pharaoh”: Canon to Curse. Beyond Canon: Heterotopien religiöser Autorität im spätantiken Christentum (FOR 2770). June 2021.
- 2019 Response to Ellen Muehlberger’s *Moment of Reckoning: Imagined Death and Its Consequences in Late Ancient Christianity—A Cross-Disciplinary Engagement*. SBL Program Unit: Violence and Representations of Violence.  
 Panelist. Stanley Stowers’s *A Rereading of Romans 25 Years On*. SBL Program Unit: Pauline Epistles. San Diego, CA. SBL/AAR. November 2019.
- 2018 “Philology and History in the Context of Black Lives Matter.” SBL Program Unit: Racism, Pedagogy, and Biblical Studies. Denver, CO. November 2018.  
 “From Paul to St. Longinus the Roman Soldier: Acts, Jews, and the Roman Empire.” SBL Program Unit: The Book of Acts. Denver, CO. November 2018.  
 “The Worshipping Self: Christians and Jews in the Liturgical Spaces of Late Antiquity.” Conference: Constructions of the Self in Ancient Mediterranean Cultures. Israel Institute of Advanced Study. May 2018.
- 2017 “Roman Thessalonikē: Labor and Quiet.” SBL Program Unit Polis and Ekklesia. Boston, MA. November 2017.  
 \* “Letters and Voice. Paul’s Letters, Imperial correspondence, Diogenes of Oinoanda, and an Epigraphic not-quite-Habit.” Columbia Seminar for the Study of the New Testament. New York City. October 2017.  
 \*Panelist. “Using Material Culture to Teach the Bible.” Regional Society of Biblical Literature. Yale University. March 2017.  
 \* ““My mind hesitates about what it should be quiet about’: Vision and the Limits of Knowledge in Late Antiquity.” conference: “The Sacred Image between Revealing and Concealing: New directions in the interpretation of the sacred in ancient and medieval art,” organized by Prof. Adrian Staehli et al. April 2017.  
 \* “Beyond Relevance: Teaching and Researching Early Christianity in the Present Moment.” Panelist. North American Patristics Society, May 2017.
- 2016 \* “What’s all this about ‘pagan monotheism’? Ancient and modern investments in the idea of the highest god. Bowdoin College Conference “Religion Before Religion.” October 2016.



- “HarvardX’s Early Christianity: The Letters of Paul: A retrospective on online teaching and learning.” with Jennifer Quigley and Chan Sok Park. SBL Digital Humanities Program Unit. November 2016.
- \*“Direct Address and the Formation of an Archive: Early Christianity in the Second Century.” Literary and Cultural Interactions in the Roman Empire. University of Exeter, UK. June 2016.
- “Seeing God? Mosaics, Optics, and Theology in Late Antiquity.” North American Patristic Society. May 2016.
- 2015
- \*“What Violence Does: Representing *Bia* in Antiquity.” For retrospective for Program Unit Violence and Representations of Violence among Christians and Jews. Society of Biblical Literature. Atlanta, GA. November 2015.
- \*“Public Letters: Early Christian Letters and Roman Epigraphic Evidence.” Conference: Authority and Identity in Emerging Christianities in Asia Minor and Greece. Excellence Cluster TOPOI. Humboldt Universität zu Berlin. October 2015.
- “From Roman to Early Christian Cyprus: A Case Study in the House of Eustolios.” From Roman to Early Christian Cyprus: A Conference on Religion and Archaeology. Harvard Divinity School. October 2015.
- \*Jennifer Quigley and Laura Nasrallah, “Cost and Abundance in Roman Philippi: The Letter to the Philippians in its Context.” Paper for a conference: Philippi: From *colonia augusta* to *communitas christiana*: Religion and Society in Transition.” July 2015, Philippi/Kavala, Greece.
- \*“Imposing Travelers: An Inscription from Galatia and the Journeys of the Earliest Christians.” Paper for a conference: Journeys in the Roman East: Imagined and Real. Hebrew University, June 2015.
- \*“Practices of Seeing God(s) in Late Antiquity.” Ranieri Colloquium (“Integrating Judaism and Christianity into the Study of the Ancient World”), The Center for Ancient Studies/Skirball Department of Hebrew and Judaism Studies, New York University. 27 March 2015.
- 2014
- \*“Lack, Abundance, and Religious Life at Philippi (I-II CE).” Archaeology of Religion in the Roman World Section. Society of Biblical Literature, November 2014, San Diego, CA.
- \*“How Do Paul’s Letters Matter for Political Philosophy?” Paul and Politics Section. Society of Biblical Literature, November 2014, San Diego, CA.
- \*“Ezekiel’s Vision at Moni Latomou (Thessalonikē).” Paper for a workshop “The Mosaics of Thessalonikē Revisited.” Courtauld Institute of Art. London, UK. 30 May 2014.
- \*“*Anagkē* and Material Transformation at Corinth.” Paper for a conference “Coming Back to Life: Performance, Memory, and Cognition in the Ancient Mediterranean.” McGill University/Concordia University, Montreal, Canada. 8-11 May 2014.
- 2013
- \*“Dice Oracles, Fate, and Providence: A project in collapsing doctrine and practice.” Conference: Christianity in the second century: themes and developments. Cambridge University. March 2013.
- “Religion and the Materialist Turn.” At symposium “How Bodies Matter: The Intersection of Science, the Humanities, and Religion in the Study of the Ancient Mediterranean World.” March 2013.
- 2012
- \*“What Matters: Material Culture and Commodity in the Study of the Corinthian Correspondence.” Polis and Ekklesia Section. Society of Biblical Literature. Chicago, IL. November 2012.
- \*“Expansive Archaeology and the New Testament.” Invited panelist for the topic The Future of Biblical Studies hosted by the SBL student advisory board. Society of Biblical Literature. Chicago, IL. November 2012.

- 2010 Panelist. Academic Excellence, Scholarship, and Diversity in Theological and Religious Studies. Sponsored by the Standing Committee on Diversity, Harvard Divinity School. 4 March 2010.
- 2009 Invited Reviewer. Discussion of Joe Marchal, *The Politics of Heaven: Women, Gender, and Empire in the Study of Paul* and Davina Lopez, *Apostle to the Conquered: Reimagining Paul's Mission*. Paul and Politics Section. Society of Biblical Literature. New Orleans, LA. November 2009.  
Invited Panelist. "Rethinking Prophecy in Late Antiquity." Philadelphia Seminar on Christian Origins. At the Society of Biblical Literature. New Orleans, LA. November 2009.
- 2008 "The Aphrodite of Knidos: Early Christians and Others on Images and Desire." Art and Religions of Antiquity Section. Society of Biblical Literature. Boston, MA. November 2008.  
"The Earthen Human, the Breathing Statue: The Sculptor God, Greco-Roman Statuary, and Clement of Alexandria." Boston Area Patristics Society. January 2008.
- 2007 "Thessalonikē's Revelation: Towards a New Understanding of Iconography and Canon." From Roman to Early Christian Thessalonikē: A Conference on Religion and Archaeology. Harvard Divinity School. 10-14 May 2007.
- 2006 "The Pauline Correspondence: Struggling Subjectivities under Empire." Paul and Politics Section. Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting. Washington, D.C. November 2006. Co-written and delivered with Melanie Johnson-DeBaufre.  
"A Mad Passion for Idols': Early Christianity and Cities of Statues." Christian Late Antiquity and Its Reception Section. Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting. Washington, D.C. November 2006.  
"Statuary Anxieties: Debates over Representation, Power, and True Religion in the Second Century." North American Patristics Society. Chicago, IL. May 2006.
- 2005 "Justin and Athenagoras Talk to the Empire: Rethinking the Category of Apologetic." Boston Area Patristics Society. December 2005.  
"Greek Cities under Rome: Hadrian's Panhellenion and Paul's Travels." Archaeology of Religion in the Roman World Section. Society of Biblical Literature Annual Conference. Philadelphia, PA. November 2005.  
"Who Apologizes? Questioning the Category of Apologetic." Social History of Formative Christianity and Judaism Section. Society of Biblical Literature Annual Conference. Philadelphia, PA. November 2005.
- 2004 "Empire and Apocalypse in Thessaloniki: Interpreting the Early Christian Rotunda (Church of St. George)." Boston Area Patristics Society. December 2004.  
"Reconstructing Sites, Constructing Religion." Archaeological Excavations and Discoveries: Illuminating the Biblical World Section. Society of Biblical Literature Annual Conference. San Antonio, TX. November 2004.  
"Violent Rhetoric, Roman Violence: Justin Martyr and Tatian." Violence and Representations of Violence among Jews and Christians Consultation. Society of Biblical Literature Annual Conference. San Antonio, TX. November 2004.  
"The Rhetoric of Conversion in Early Christianity: The Case of the Rotunda in Thessaloniki." North American Patristics Society. Chicago, IL. May 2004.  
"New Testament and Early Christianity: Disciplinary Boundaries, or, Is There a Discipline at All?" Panel: From New Testament to Church History: Early Christian Studies and Disciplinary Boundaries. American Society of Church History. January 2004.

- 2003 “The Rhetoric of Conversion and the Construction of Experience: The Case of Justin Martyr.” Oxford Patristic Conference. Oxford, England. August 2003.
- 2002 “‘An Ecstasy of Folly’: Early Christian Struggles over Prophecy in Tertullian and Epiphanius’ *Panarion* 48.1.4-13.8.” North American Patristics Society. Chicago, IL. May 2002.
- 2000 “Early Christian Constructions of Identity through Debates over Prophecy and Ecstasy.” SBL. Nashville, TN. November 2000.
- 1998 “Eusebius and the Construction of Constantine’s Empire.” Regional conference of the SBL/AAR. Newton, MA. April 1998.

#### **AWARDS AND GRANTS: RESEARCH**

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- 2023 Hilles Fund. Yale University. (\$5,000 for publication costs)
- 2021-2022 Senior Fellow. Center for Advanced Studies: Beyond Canon, University of Regensburg.
- 2019 Senior Fellow. MacMillan Center. Yale University.
- 2017 Participant, Institute for Advanced Study, Hebrew University, Jerusalem. Seminar: “The Subject of Antiquity: Contours and Expressions of the Self in Ancient Mediterranean Cultures.” December 2017.
- Dumbarton Oaks Director’s Fellow. September 2017.
- Marion and Jasper Whiting Foundation travel grant, with Jennifer Quigley (\$2,612 for travel to a workshop on epigraphy in early Christian Philippi, at TOPOI Excellence Cluster, Berlin)
- 2013-2014 Henry Luce III Fellow in Theology (\$70,000)
- 2006-2007 Lilly Faculty Fellowship
- 2004 American Association of University Women American Postdoctoral Fellowship  
Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion Summer Research Grant. (\$2,000)
- 1999-2000 Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship.
- 1998-1999 Harvard Divinity School Dissertation Fellowship.
- 1998 (Sept.) Scholarship, stipend. School of Modern Greek. Aristotle University, Thessaloniki.
- 1997-1998 Clarence G. Campbell Scholarship. Harvard Divinity School.
- 1995-1997 Harvard Divinity School Tuition Grant and Stipend.

#### **AWARDS AND GRANTS: TEACHING AND CONFERENCES**

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- 2023-24 Yale MacMillan Center and Yale University Dean of the Humanities’s Discretionary Fund, funding for a course on Dura Europos and Antioch, to be taught in spring 2023 with Prof. AnneMarie Luijendijk, Princeton University. \$8,700.
- 2017 Harvard Provostial Fund for the Arts and the Humanities for a course on late antique Antioch, to be taught in fall 2018 in conjunction with a course at Princeton by Prof. AnneMarie Luijendijk. \$4,000.
- 2015 “From Roman to Early Christian Cyprus: A Conference on Religion and Archaeology.” Harvard Divinity School. \$10,000 with additional contributions from the A. G. Leventis Foundation (\$15,000) and Princeton University (\$7,000).
- 2011-2013 “How Bodies Matter: Religion, Archaeology, and Physical Anthropology in the Ancient Mediterranean World: A Symposium.” Battelle Memorial Institute. \$35,000.
- 2009-2010 “Archaeology of the New Testament World.” Provost’s Instructional Technology Content Fund. Harvard University. \$10,000.
- 2006-2007 “Symposium on Race and Ethnicity in New Testament and Early Christian Studies.” Co-directed with Professor Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza. Center for the Study of World Religions, Harvard Divinity School. \$15,000.
- “From Roman to Early Christian Thessalonikē: A Conference on Religion and Archaeology.” Center for the Study of World Religions. Harvard Divinity School.

- Co-organized with Dr. Charalambos Bakirtzis, Ephor of Byzantine Antiquities, Thessaloniki, Greece and Prof. Dr. Steven Friesen, University of Texas (Austin). \$15,000.
- spring 2005      “Uses of the Bible in Present-Day Popular and Political Culture.” Harvard University Provost’s Instructional Technology Content Fund. \$8,200.
- 2003-2004      Selected participant. Wabash Center Workshop on Teaching and Learning for Undergraduate Religion Faculty.
- 1995              Harvard University Certificate of Distinction in Teaching.

## **COURSES**

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### Yale

- REL 566/RLST 862 Grief and Emotions: Ancient Philosophy and Theology, Modern Conversations. Fall 2019, 2022.
- REL 584 Greek Exegesis: 1 Corinthians.
- EMWAR (Early Mediterranean and West Asian Religions) seminar. Academic year 2019-2020.
- RLST 861/REL 583 Archaeology of the Roman Empire for the study of New Testament and early Christianity. Spring 2020.
- RLST 395/REL 510 The Letters of Paul: Ethnicity, Enslavement, Empire, and the End of the World. Fall 2020.
- RLST 136: The History and Contemporary (Ab)uses of the New Testament. 8 undergraduates. Fall 2020.
- Reading and research: Aelius Aristides. Fall 2020.

### YDS

- Summer course. “The Letters of Paul: Archaeologies and Theologies.” June 2022.
- Summer course. “The Letter to the Romans: Justice and Race in Antiquity and Today.” July 2023.

### HarvardX

- Course module: Early Christianity: The Letters of Paul. (ca. 30,000 registrants, launched January-February 2014. Materials available at <http://div.hds.harvard.edu/lettersofpaul/>.)

### Harvard University/Harvard Divinity School

- Freshman Seminar: The Christian Bible Then and Now: Formation and Debates. Fall 2015.
- HDS 1202/FAS Rel 1400. Introduction to the New Testament: History and Interpretation. Offered regularly, in rotation with other faculty. (lecture)
- HDS 1518/FAS Rel 1404. Early Christianity in the Roman Empire. Fall 2008. (lecture)
- HDS 1544/FAS Rel 1413. Paul’s Letters and Their Interpreters: Ethnicity, Empire, the Body, and the End of the World. Offered regularly. (lecture)
- HDS 1546/FAS 1315. Prophecy, Ecstasy, and Dreams in Early Christian History. Fall 2003, Fall 2013. (lecture)
- HDS 1555. Greek Exegesis of 1 Corinthians. Spring 2012.
- HDS 1870/FAS Rel 2348ab. Archaeology of the New Testament World. The course includes three to five weeks of travel in Greece and Turkey. Spring 2005, 2009, 2011, 2013, 2015 (2005: co-taught with Professor David Mitten, Loeb Professor of Classical Art and Archaeology). (seminar)
- HDS 1880. Seminar: Paul and his Afterlife. Spring 2006. (seminar)
- HDS 1887/FAS Rel 1409. The New Testament, Biblical Studies, and Empire: Seminar. Fall 2003, 2007, 2011. (seminar)
- HDS 1893/FAS Rel 1440. On Grief: Theology, Philosophy, and Demography in Earliest Christianity. Spring 2010, Spring 2016. (seminar)
- HDS 1980/FAS Rel 3420f. Seminar for Advanced New Testament Students. Topic: Apologetics in Antiquity. 2005-2006. (seminar)
- HDS 1980/FAS Rel 3420f. Seminar for Advanced New Testament Students. Topic: Slavery and Manumission. 2012-2013. (seminar)

HDS 2010. Politics and Scripture in the United States. Offered with Prof. David Holland. Spring 2018. (seminar)  
HDS 4511. Introduction to the Histories, Theologies, and Practices of Christianity. Co-taught with Professor Kevin Madigan. Fall 2005. (lecture)  
Religion 2002. Contemporary Conversations in the Study of Religion. Spring 2018. (seminar for fourth-semester Ph.D. students)  
HDS 2075/FAS Rel 2360. Antioch from the Seleucids to Late Antiquity. Fall 2018. A course co-taught at Princeton University by Professor AnneMarie Luijendijk.

#### Occidental College

The World of the New Testament. Spring 2001, 2002.  
The History of Early Christianity. Fall 2001, 2002.  
The Suffering Self: Ascetics, Martyrs, and ‘Hypochondriacs’ in the Ancient Greco-Roman World. Spring 2001, 2002.  
Dreams, Visions, and Prophecy in Judaism, Pagan Religions, and Early Christianity. Fall 2000.  
The Bible and Colonialism. Fall 2002.  
The Politics of Prophecy in the Ancient Mediterranean World. Fall 2000, 2001.  
Tale of Three Cities (team-taught, interdisciplinary course). Spring 2003.  
Independent studies and theses supervised: “Early Christian Entertainment: The Masculinization of Roman Spectacle”; “Women in the New Testament”; “Feminist/Womanist Perspectives”; “Theories of the Bible and Empire.”

#### **ADVISING**

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##### Doctoral Students—Advisor (Harvard)

Cavan Concannon. Ph.D. 2010. “Ecclesia Laus Corinthiensis: Negotiating Ethnicity Under Empire.” Professor of Religion, University of Southern California.  
Katherine Shaner. Th.D. 2012. “The Religious Practices of the Enslaved: A Case Study of Roman Ephesos.” Associate Professor of New Testament (tenured), Wake Forest Divinity School.  
Jung Choi. Th.D. 2017. “‘Earn the Grace of Prophecy’: Early Christian Prophecy as Practice.” Associate Dean for Global and Intercultural Formation; Director, Asian House of Studies; Duke Divinity School.  
Tyler Schwaller. Th.D. 2017. “The Use of Slaves in Early Christianity: Slaves as Subjects of Life and Thought.” Assistant Professor of Religious Studies and Ackerman/Hurdle Chaplaincy Chair, Wesleyan College, Macon, GA.  
Eunyoung Lim. Th.D. 2018. “Entering the Kingdom of God (Not) Like Little Children: Images of Infants and Religious Ideas Contested in Christian Origins.” Assistant Professor. Department of Religion, Middlebury College.  
Jennifer Quigley. Th.D., 2018. “Divine Accounting: Theo-economics in the Letter to the Philippians.” Assistant Professor, Vanderbilt Divinity School.  
Karen Connor McGugan. Ph.D., 2020. “‘Suppers in the times of the Kingdom’: Food, Drink, and the Resurrection Body in Early Christian Thought.” Curate, The Chapel of the Cross, Chapel Hill, NC.  
Jeremy Williams. Ph.D. “Making Criminals: An Analysis of the Rhetoric of Criminality in the Acts of the Apostles.” Assistant Professor, Brite Divinity School.  
Sarah Porter. Ph.D. “Early Christian Deathscapes.” Assistant Professor, Gonzaga College.

##### Doctoral Students—Advisor (Yale)

Julia Nations Quiroz. Co-advisor with Felicity Harley McGowan.  
Joseph Lee. Co-advisor with Maria Doerfler  
Jon-Paul Lapeña  
Chris Atkins. Co-advisor with Brad Inwood.

Dissertation/Exams Committee Member, Harvard University

In New Testament and Early Christianity: Sarah Griffis, Heather McLetchie-Leader, J. Gregory Given, Margaret Butterfield, Roberto Mata, Margaret Stevenson, Katherine Bain, Mitzi Smith, Simon Lee, Mikael Haxby, Thomas Christopher Hoklotubbe, Chance Bonar, Joseph Kimmel  
Inês Torres (NELC, Egyptology), Eric Jarrard (Hebrew Bible), Julia Judge (Classics), W. Sasson Chahanovich (NELC, Ottoman Studies)

Dissertation/Exams Committee Member, Yale University

Camille Angelo, Kavya Bhat, Timothy Gannett, John Paul Lapeña, Chris Atkins, Blair Betik (Art History), Eleanor Martin (History/Classics)

Dissertation Committee Member, external

Anuj Amin, Stanford University

David Kaden, University of Toronto, external examiner (2014)

Jason Combs, UNC, Department of Religion, external examiner (2016)

Nathan Leach, University of Texas, Austin (2021)

M.Div. theses supervised, selected

2017 Sitraka St. Michael, “#wearenotafraidtokisshistory: A Homiletical Letter on Parenting for the 21st Century” HDS

Rachel Jeon, “The Peace of Christ, to Far and Near: A Rhetorical Critical Reading of Ephesians 2:11–22 from a Korean Perspective” HDS

2016 Hannah Stoler, “A Feminist De-centering and Re-centering of 1 Corinthians 13:4-8 for Survivors of Domestic Violence” HDS

Undergraduate theses (Harvard) supervised

2016 Elizabeth McLampy, “How to Read Body Language: Constructions of Power, Women, and ‘The Gaze’ in Early Christianity” (Committee on the Study of Religion) (winner of the Hoopes Prize)

2009 Jacob Buchholz, “First Timothy and the Question of Women’s Leadership in the Church: An Analysis of Evangelical Biblical Hermeneutics” (Committee on the Study of Religion)

#### **OTHER PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS (SELECTED)**

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“What Jeff Sessions Got Wrong While Quoting the Bible.” Margaret Aymer and Laura Nasrallah, *Washington Post* Acts of Faith/Perspective. June 2018.

[https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/acts-of-faith/wp/2018/06/15/what-jeff-sessions-got-wrong-when-quoting-the-bible/?utm\\_term=.89f55b5e9eba](https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/acts-of-faith/wp/2018/06/15/what-jeff-sessions-got-wrong-when-quoting-the-bible/?utm_term=.89f55b5e9eba)

Faculty Speaker. Multireligious Commencement Service. Harvard Divinity School. May 2018.

<https://hds.harvard.edu/news/2018/05/24/joy-saying-i-don%E2%80%99t-know>.

Panelist. Archaeology at Philippi. Greek Embassy on behalf of Dumbarton Oaks. Washington, D.C. 4 May 2018.

Panelist. Gender in Academia. Norwegian Institute of Paris, March 2017.

American Values and Religious Voices, Letter to the President and Administration.

<http://www.valuesandvoices.com/letter45/>

“Casting out Fear.” Morning Prayers, Holden Chapel, Harvard University. 15 November 2016.

<https://hds.harvard.edu/news/2016/11/15/casting-out-fear>

“Black Lives Matter and the Bible.” University Lutheran Church, Cambridge MA; Christian Graduate Student Leadership Group, Cambridge MA.

“What Violence Does: Representing *Bia* in Antiquity.”

<http://www.ancientjewreview.com/articles/2016/3/8/what-violence-does-representing-bia-in-antiquity>

“Ancient Christian Communities and Present-Day Events.” Panel with Charles Stang, Sargon Donabed, Jason Ur. Center for Middle Eastern Studies. March 2015.

“The Matter of Religion and Theology.” With Barbara Schreur (M.Div. candidate) and Tyler Schwaller (Th.D. candidate). Convocation Address, Harvard Divinity School.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d0RKxoFbzss>

“34,000 People and the Letters of Paul: A presentation about the HarvardX course module The Letters of the Apostle Paul.” with Jennifer Quigley. Massachusetts Bible Society. October 2014.

“Sacred Meat” (original title: “On the Market in Roman Corinth”). *Biblical Archaeology Review* (January/February 2014) 67-68. [https://www.baslibrary.org/biblical-archaeology-review/40/1/14?ip\\_login\\_no\\_cache=%FA%22%FA%86%1D%AF%C7%8C](https://www.baslibrary.org/biblical-archaeology-review/40/1/14?ip_login_no_cache=%FA%22%FA%86%1D%AF%C7%8C)

“Whence and For Whom Do We Study Religion?” *Harvard Divinity Bulletin* 39.1-2 (2011). <https://bulletin.hds.harvard.edu/articles/winterspring2011/whence-and-whom-do-we-study-religion>

“Christianity, Images, and the Second Sophistic.” Presentation in the Classics Department Colloquium, “Edifices of History.” Harvard University. March 2007.

Introduction to Luke. Presentation in Morning Forum, University Lutheran Church, Cambridge, MA. January 2006.

“Walking the Ancient City.” In Philip Sellev and James D. Smith, III., eds. *The Fabric of Early Christianity: Reflections in Honor of Helmut Koester by Fifty Years of Harvard Students*. Eugene, OR: Wipf & Stock, 2006. 126-30.

Invited Participant. “Workshop: How to Give a Better Presentation at the Meeting.” Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting. Washington, D.C. November 2006.

“The Politics of Memory.” *Harvard Divinity Bulletin* 33.2 (Fall 2005) 103-9. <https://bulletin.hds.harvard.edu/articles/autumn2005/politics-memory>

“(Who Counts as a) Woman in the New Testament World?” Lecture to Staff at Harvard Divinity School. March 2005.

Sermon on Matthew 5. Harvard Divinity School Episcopalian Chapel Service. February 2005.

#### **RELATED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (SELECTED)**

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Project Associate. Library Digital Initiative Grant for Archaeological Resources for New Testament Studies, Harvard Divinity School. (Approximately \$120,000 to digitize slides of archaeological sites in the Mediterranean.) 2004-2006.

Director. Archaeological Resources for New Testament Studies. Harvard Divinity School. 2003-2019 (co-director 2003-2010).

Shalom Hartmann Institute Theology Conference. 2016.

Invited discussant. Inaugural Conference of the Pappas Patristic Institute, Holy Cross School of Theology. Brookline, MA. April 2004.

Invited participant. “Teaching the Bible: An Interactive Consultation for Educators and Practitioners.” Sponsored by the Massachusetts Bible Society. Spring 2000.

Graduate Writing Fellow. Derek Bok Center for Teaching and Learning, Harvard University. Spring 1998.

Archaeology Intern. June 1995. Participated in review of an excavation of a basilica and *episkopeion* in Abdera in Thrace, Greece, under Professor Dr. Charalambos Bakirtzis.

Judge. Biblical Archaeological Society New Testament book award. Spring 2009.

#### **GUILD SERVICE (SELECTED)**

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Manuscript review for *Judgment of the Provinces* Ari Bryen, Vanderbilt University. September 2023.

ACLS (American Council of Learned Societies) Fellowship Review Board (2022, 2023).

Translational consultant, 1 Corinthians, SBL/National Council of Churches evaluation of New Revised Standard Version. Completed 2020.

Chair, Governance Committee, Sub-Committee of Society of Biblical Literature Council. 2021-.

Finance Committee, Society of Biblical Literature. 2020-23.

American School of Classical Studies in Athens. Managing Committee. Harvard co-representative. 2018-19.

Annual Meeting Program Committee. Society of Biblical Literature. 2009-2014. Chair. 2012-2014.

Co-Chair. “Violence and Representations of Violence Among Jews and Christians Consultation.” Society of Biblical Literature. 2005-2009. Member of steering committee. 2003-2011.

Steering Committee Member. “Space, Place, and Lived Experience in Antiquity.” Society of Biblical Literature. 2009-2016.

Steering Committee Member. Historical Paul. Society of Biblical Literature. 2016-2017.

Editorial Boards:

Culture, Religion, and Politics in the Greco-Roman World. Mohr Siebeck. 2015-.  
Beihefte zur Zeitschrift für die neutestamentliche Wissenschaft (BZNW), De Gruyter. 2016-.  
Early Christian Literature, Society of Biblical Literature. 2016-18.  
*Hermeneia* Commentary Series (Fortress Press). 2015-.  
*Journal of Early Christian Studies*. 2016-.  
*Biblical Interpretation* (Brill) 2017-.  
Co-editor with L. L. Welborn of Paul in Critical Contexts, Rowman & Littlefield. 2018-2019.  
*Journal of the American Academy of Religion*. 2010-2012.  
*Journal of Biblical Literature*. 2010-2013.  
*Religion Compass*. Blackwell Publishing. 2006-2011.  
American Editorial Board. *The Journal Henoah: Studies on Judaism and Christianity from Second Temple to Late Antiquity*. 2007-2011.

Reviews for Cambridge University Press, Oxford University Press, Columbia University Press, Princeton University Press, Yale University Press, *Harvard Theological Review*, the *Journal of Biblical Literature*, the *Journal of Early Christian Studies*, the *Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion*, among others.

Various promotion reviews

**UNIVERSITY SERVICE (SELECTED)**

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Yale University. Committee on the Economic Status of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences. Spring 2023-.  
Yale University Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies. Executive Committee. Fall 2020-.  
Steering committee, Archaia, Yale University. Fall 2019-.  
Co-chair. Spring 2023-.  
Dura-Europos Committee of Archaia. Fall 2020-Spring 2022.  
Yale University MacMillan Center. Initial review committee. Fall 2023.  
Yale University. Standing Advisory and Appointments Committee for the Arts Schools. Spring 2022-.  
Yale Divinity School DEIB Committee. Spring 2022-.  
Yale Divinity School Task Force on Anti-Racism. Co-chair with Prof. Willie Jennings. Fall 2020-Fall 2021.  
Yale University-Wide Committee on Sexual Misconduct. Fall 2020-Spring 2021.  
Assistant Director of Graduate Studies, Early Mediterranean and West Asian Religions Program, Yale University Department of Religious Studies. 2019-2020.  
Co-organizer, Ancient Studies Workshop Speaker Series, Archaia, Yale University, Fall 2019-Spring 2020.  
Promotion committee, chair. Department of Religious Studies, Yale University, Fall 2019.  
Standing Committee on the Study of Religion. Harvard University (FAS). Spring 2010-2013, 2014-2019.  
Doctoral Subcommittee. 2011-2013, 2015-2017, 2018-2019.  
Doctoral Admissions Subcommittee. 2010-2013.  
A.B. Subcommittee of the Committee on the Study of Religion. 2010-2011, 2013-2014.  
Vice Provost for Advancement in Learning Advisory Committee. 2014-2019.  
Standing Committee on Archaeology. Harvard University (FAS). Fall 2007-2019.  
Standing Committee on Diversity and Inclusion. Harvard University. 2017.  
Harvard Instructional Learning and Technology review committee. 2015.  
Search Committee, Hebrew Bible. Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations. 2017-2018.  
Search Committee, Dorot Chair for the Archaeology of Israel. Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations. Harvard University. 2015-2017.  
Faculty Council (elected). Harvard Divinity School. 2011-2013, 2018-2019.  
Working Group on Religion. Harvard University. 2012-2013.  
Chair, promotion review to tenure. 2016.  
Chair, promotion review to associate. 2013.  
Standing Committee for the Study of Women and Gender in Religion. Harvard University. Fall 2005-.  
Calendar Review Committee. Harvard Divinity School. Fall 2008.  
New Testament Search Committee. Harvard Divinity School. Spring-Fall 2008.  
Hebrew Bible/Old Testament Search Committee. Harvard Divinity School. Fall 2007.  
M.T.S. Review Committee, Harvard Divinity School. 2005-2006, Fall 2007.



Faculty Council (elected position). Harvard Divinity School. 2005-2006.  
Standing Committee on the Study of Religion. Harvard University (FAS). 2004-2006.  
    Doctoral Admissions Subcommittee of the Committee on the Study of Religion. 2004-2006.  
M. Div. Implementation Committee. Harvard Divinity School. Spring 2005.  
Administrative Board. Harvard Divinity School. Fall 2003.  
Faculty Council (elected). Occidental College. 2002-2003.  
Faculty Lunch Discussions on Pedagogy. Co-organizer. Occidental College. 2002-2003.  
Ad hoc Committee on the Evaluation of Teaching. Occidental College. 2001-2003.  
Watson Fellowship Committee. Occidental College. 2001-2003.  
Huntington Library and Botanical Garden Internship Committee. Occidental College. Spring 2002.

#### **ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIPS**

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American Academy of Religion. 1994-2005, 2010-.  
Society of Biblical Literature. 1994-.  
North American Patristic Society. 2001-.  
Studiorum Novi Testamenti Societas. 2014-. (elected)