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Special Interests: (1) Early Christianity (2) Greco-Roman Religions (3) Archaeology (4) Early Judaism

Education:

University of Pennsylvania	2000-2007	Ph.D. in Religious Studies
University of Pennsylvania	1993-2000	M.A. in Religious Studies
Harvard College	1986-1990	B.A. in Comparative Religion, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>

Doctoral Dissertation: *Emperors and Cities: the Transformation of Sacred Space in Late Antiquity*
Advisor: Robert A. Kraft; Readers: Ann Matter, Vasiliki Limberis

Undergraduate Honors Thesis: *The Crucifixion as Human Sacrifice: an Examination of the Greek and Jewish Framework*
Advisor: Gregory J. Riley; Readers: Kimberley Patton, David G. Mitten

Teaching Experience:

Lecturer, San Diego State University 2007-present
Courses: RELS 100 Exploring the Bible (Two classes of RELS 100 every Fall and Spring from 2015-Fall 2007)
RELS 373 Women and the Bible (Spring 2015, 2014, 2013), RELS 305 New Testament (Fall 2010 and 2009)
HIST 503 Rome (Spring 2007)

Lecturer, University of San Diego 2009-present
Course: THRS 119 Christianity and Its Practice (Fall and Spring 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010 and 2009)

Instructor, University of Pennsylvania 1996-2002
Courses: RELS 135 Christian Origins (Spring 2002), RELS 133 Introduction to Christianity (Fall 1998 and Fall 1996), RELS 007 Understanding the Cult Controversy (Summer 2002 and Summer 1996),
RELS/URBS 317 Character, Moral Development, and Civic Consciousness (Fall 1999),
RELS 003 Religion and Literature (Summer 1998), RELS 110 Greek and Roman Religion (Spring 1997)

Publications:

"Temple" (5000 word entry) in *Routledge Dictionary of Ancient Mediterranean Religions*. forthcoming

"Job, Testament of" (1000 word entry) in *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception* (30 volumes). De Gruyter. forthcoming

"Male-female Sexuality: Roman World" (3300 word entry) in *Oxford Encyclopedia of Bible and Gender Studies* (OEBGS). Edited by Julia M. O'Brien. Oxford University Press. 2014

Article in Edited Collection
"Struggling with Satan: A Literary Analysis of the Testament of Job." In *Of Scribes and Sages: Early Jewish Interpretation and Transmission of Scripture, Vol. 2. Studies in Scripture in Early Judaism and Christianity* 10, Edited by Craig A. Evans. New York: T & T Clark International, pp. 4-19. 2004

Publications in Process:

Book Project:

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From Temples to Churches: Imperial and Civic Transformation of Religious Cityscapes

Journal Article:

"Constantine's 'In Kind' Donations and the Economy of the Early Christian Church"

Presentations:

- "Disentangling Collective Identities: Urban Transformation from Hybridized Greco-Roman-Anatolian to Christian" on the *Identity in Ancient Mediterranean Religions Panel* of the Society of Ancient Mediterranean Religion at the Annual Meeting of the APA 2010
- "Constantine's 'In Kind' Donations and the Economy of the Early Christian Church" *Early Christianity & the Ancient Economy Consultation* at the Annual Meeting of the SBL 2008
- "Making their Mark: Pagan, Jewish and Christian Graffiti at Aphrodisias" *Archaeology of Religion in the Roman World Panel* at the Annual Meeting of the SBL 2008
- "Transforming Religious Identities on the Landscape of Late Antique Aphrodisias" Bi-Annual meeting of *Penates*, the UC multi-campus research seminar in Late Antiquity 2008, invited speaker
- "A Goddess and Her City: Aphrodisias as Offering to Aphrodite" *Archaeology of Religion in the Roman World Panel* at the Annual Meeting of the SBL 2007
- "Aphrodite at Aphrodisias: A Case Study in Greco-Anatolian and Roman Hybridization" *Greco-Roman Religions Panel* at the Annual Meeting of the SBL 2007
- "How to Make a Christian City: The Reorientation and Festal Use of Aphrodisias" *Aphrodisias Panel* at the Annual Meeting of the Archaeological Institute of America 2007
- "Late Antique Paganism Retreats to the *Domus*" *Archaeology of Religion in the Roman World Panel* at the Annual Meeting of the SBL 2006
- "Pagan and Christian Houses in Late Antiquity" Archaeological Institute of America, San Diego Chapter 2006
- "City in Transition: Pagan and Christian in Late Antique Aphrodisias" Archaeological Institute of America, San Diego Chapter 2005
- "Healing Our Communities through Collaborative Partnerships" Eastern Regional Meeting of the Association of Clinical Pastoral Education 2000
- "Struggling with Satan: A Literary Analysis of the Testament of Job" *Pseudepigrapha Panel* at the Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature 1999
- Moderator of the American Apocalypse Symposium University of Pennsylvania Rare Book Collection 1999
- "The Virgin Mary in Islamic Tradition" Regional Meeting of the American Academy of Religion/Society of Biblical Literature 1996

"The Thargelia Reconsidered" 1996
Religious Studies Colloquium, University of Pennsylvania

Work Related Experience:

Section Editor (Early Christianity), *Journal of Lutheran Ethics* 2005-2009

As section editor I contributed articles periodically to this on-line journal located at <www.elca.org/jle>. My *Journal of Lutheran Ethics* articles include: "Placing the Early Christian Family in its Roman Context," 9, no. 2 (2009); "Rendering to Caesar and to God: Paying Taxes in the Roman World," 6, no. 4 (2006); "Placing Early Christianity as a Social Movement within its Greco-Roman Context," 6, no. 1 (2006); and "Truth is Stranger than Fiction: *The Da Vinci Code* and Early Christianity," 5, no. 11 (2005).

Coordinator, Program in Universities, Communities of Faith, Schools and Neighborhood Organizations (PUCFSN), University of Pennsylvania 1998-2002

This program, situated within the Center for Community Partnerships at UPENN, drew communities of faith into partnerships with the other major non-profit organizations in West Philadelphia and connected them with the vision of the University. As Coordinator, I established and maintained the partnerships, oversaw student interns, developed courses within the departments of Religious Studies and Urban Studies, and held three large meetings of our constituent members each year. By the end of the three years during which I ran the program, we had created a range of after-school programs for youth, job training programs for adults, and a computer recycling program that was placing more than 500 computers per year into the community. We had also made significant strides in breaking down barriers between the University and the surrounding community and integrating the community with the life and work of the University. The program continued thanks to another three year grant that we successfully obtained from the J.B. DuPont Foundation before I left my role as Coordinator.

Research Assistant, Millennium Collection 1997-1999
Annenberg Rare Book and Manuscript Library, University of Pennsylvania

I archived a collection detailing modern end-times groups for Special Collections at the University of Pennsylvania. The collection included more than twenty boxes of scattered materials which I sorted, organized, and made accessible to researchers. In 1999, the collection was placed on display at the University Library. In partnership with one of the archivists, I created the display and co-wrote the guide for the display. I also moderated a conference featuring national speakers invited to celebrate the opening of the collection.

Research Assistant, Sardis Archaeological Expedition (Harvard University) 1990-1992

I worked full-time for two years as research assistant for the Sardis Expedition (an archaeological excavation ongoing in Turkey since 1958). My duties included overseeing the running of the excavation's research office in Cambridge, organizing materials from the field excavation seasons, assisting in article and book publication (especially the forthcoming *Synagogue and Churches* monographs), and helping visiting scholars access the collection. I also oversaw ten undergraduate students and several doctoral students working part-time to maintain the collection.

Professional Organizations:

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Archaeological Institute of America, San Diego Chapter

Vice President and Program Coordinator (2005-present), Program Coordinator (2004-2005)

Member of the AIA Annual Meeting Outreach Committee (2007)

Member of the AIA Societies and Membership Committee (completed two three-year appointments on the national board)

Philadelphia Seminar on Christian Origins

Secretary (1994-1998)

Society of Biblical Literature

American Academy of Religion

Penates Late Antiquity Group

Society for Ancient Mediterranean Religions