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Teaching Positions

Indiana University, Bloomington, IN 2019–Present
Assistant Professor of Religious Studies and Jewish Studies
Alvin H. Rosenfeld Chair in Hebrew Bible

Bates College, Lewiston, ME 2018–2019
Visiting Assistant Professor of Religion (Judaism and Christianity)

Education

Yale University, New Haven, CT 2012–2018
Phd, Religious Studies, Hebrew Bible
Dissertation Title: “Ezra, Empire and the Archive: Archival Historiography in Second Temple Judah” Directed by Carolyn J. Sharp, Professor of Homiletics, Yale Divinity School and Hindy Najman, Oriel and Laing Professor of the Interpretation of Holy Scripture, Oxford University

Yale Divinity School, New Haven, CT 2011–2012
Master of Sacred Theology
Thesis Title: “Voicing the Postexilic God: Malachi’s Rhetoric and Postexilic Theology”

Yale Divinity School, New Haven, CT 2008–2011
Master of Divinity

Awards, Honors, and Fellowships

Manfred Lautenschlaeger Award for Theological Promise May 2021
For *Archival Historiography in Jewish Antiquity* (2020)

Lilly Graduate Fellow 2012–2015
Lilly Fellows Program at Valparaiso University

Publications

Books

Archival Historiography in Jewish Antiquity
Oxford University Press, February 2020.

Articles

Persia Is Everywhere Where Nothing Happens: Imperial Ubiquity and Its Limits in Ezra-Nehemiah.

Bible & Critical Theory 16:1 (2020): 1-20.

Writing in Three Dimensions: Scribal Activity and Spaces in Jewish Antiquity

Scribes and Scribalism in Social Context. Ed. M. Leuchter; London: T&T Clark, 2020.

The Cited Documents of Ezra-Nehemiah: Does Their Authenticity Matter?

Biblical Interpretation 27 (2019): 372-89.

Zechariah, Zerubbabel and Zemarai: Ideological Development in Early Postexilic Judah

Sibyls, Scriptures, and Scrolls: John Collins at Seventy. JSJ Supplements. Eds. J. Baden, H. Najman, E. Tigchelaar; Leiden: Brill, 2017.

Works in Progress

Radiant Genealogies: A Note on *Genealogy and History in the Biblical World*.

Essays on the Prophets, the Writings, and the Ancient World in Honor of Robert R. Wilson, forthcoming.

On Media, Power, and Making Maps: A Response to David Lambert

Metatron, forthcoming.

A Bad End for “Good” Books? Scriptural Fantasies and Fears in “The Good Place” and “Good Omens”

The Bible and Popular Visual Media. Edited by R. Welton, Z. Domoney-Lyttle. Bloomsbury/T&T Clark, forthcoming.

Poor Circulation: The Embodied Economics of Nation-Making in Haggai, Malachi, and Zechariah 1-8.

Journal of Biblical Literature, forthcoming.

Theaters of Empire and Exile in Daniel and Esther

Cambridge Companion to Biblical Narrative. Edited by K. Bodner. Cambridge University Press, forthcoming.

"The Thing is Certain According to the Law of the Medes and the Persians" (Dan 6:12): Varieties of Writing, Truth, and Power in the Book of Daniel (with James Nati)

PERSIAS project, forthcoming.

Mobile Rituals and Fragmented Space: Theologies of Collection and Expulsion in Early Judaism

Ritual Space and Ritual Text: New Perspectives on Monumentality and Monumental Texts in the Southern Levant. Edited by J. Smoak, A. Mandell, L. Cleath. HeBAI, Mohr Siebeck, forthcoming.

Archives Remade: Building Virtual Collections in Ancient Jewish Historiography

'As It Is Written'? Uses of Sources in Ancient Mediterranean Texts. Edited by C. Meccariello, J. Singeltary. Mohr Siebeck, forthcoming.

Reviews, Entries, and Responses

Review: Laura Quick, *Dress Adornment, and the Body in the Hebrew Bible* (Oxford, 2021). *Association for Jewish Studies Review*, 2021: 434-5.

Review: Donna Laird, *Negotiating Power in Ezra-Nehemiah* (SBL 2016)

Journal of Hebrew Scriptures, 2019.

Review: Sidnie White Crawford and Cecilia Wassen, *The Dead Sea Scrolls at Qumran and the Concept of a Library* (Brill 2015)

Revue de Qumran, 2019.

Review: Elie Assis' *Identity in Conflict: The Struggle between Esau and Jacob, Edom and Israel* (Eisenbrauns 2016)

Journal of Hebrew Scriptures, Spring 2017.

Labor (Work) in Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism

Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception. Eds. C. Helmer, S. McKenzie, T. Römer, J. Schröter, B. Walfish, E. Ziolkowski; Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 2017.

Contributing Voices: Power in the Book of Ruth

Ruth: The Wisdom Bible Commentary. Eds. A. Laffey and M. Leonard-Fleckman; Collegeville, Minn.: Liturgical Press, 2017.

Response to Christl Maier's 'The Nature of Deutero-Jeremianic Prose'

Jeremiah's Scriptures: Production, Reception, Interaction, and Transformation. Eds. H. Nahman and K. Schmid; Leiden: Brill, 2017. Leiden: Brill, 2017.

Conferences and Presentations

Book Review Panel: *Archival Historiography in Jewish Antiquity* [respondent]

Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting [virtual]

November 2021

San Antonio, Texas

Poor Circulation: The Embodied Economics of Nation-Making in the Postexilic Prophets

European Association of Biblical Studies Annual Meeting [virtual]

August 2021

Globalizing Biblical Studies [panelist]

International Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting [virtual]

July 2021

Varieties of Writing, Truth, and Power in the Book of Daniel (with James Nati)

Association of Jewish Studies Annual Conference [virtual]

December 2020

Archival Historiography in Jewish Antiquity

Oxford and Cambridge Bible Seminar [virtual]

November 2020

Oxford University, Oxford, UK

"Good Books"? Protestant Television without the Bible

Popular Visual Media Culture and the Bible

April 2020

University of Exeter, Exeter, UK [virtual]

Persia Is Everywhere Where Nothing Happens: Imperial Ubiquity and Its Limits in Ezra-Nehemiah

Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting
San Diego, California

November 2019

Response to Oded Lipschits, “Jerusalem Between the Bible and Archaeology”

Indiana University
Bloomington, Indiana

November 2019

Archives Remade: Building Virtual Collections in Ancient Jewish Historiography

‘As It Is Written?’ Uses of Sources in Ancient Mediterranean Texts
Georg-August-Universität Göttingen

October 2018

Citation, Collection, and the Protection of Memory in Second Maccabees 11

Society of Biblical Literature Annual Conference: Philology in Hebrew Studies
Boston, Massachusetts

November 2017

“And these were their number”: The Citation of Decrees, Letters, and Lists in Ezra-Nehemiah and their Archival Implications

Society of Biblical Literature Annual Conference: Ezra-Nehemiah Section
San Antonio, Texas

November 2016

Archive, Imitation, and the Search for Identity in the Book of Ezra

Society of Biblical Literature Annual Conference: Ezra-Nehemiah Section
Atlanta, Georgia

November 2015

Lamentations: The Trauma of Exile and the Ethics of Protest

Invited lecture in Old Testament Interpretation
Yale Divinity School, New Haven, CT

April 15, 2015

Response to Prof. Christl Maier, “The Nature of Deutero-Jeremianic Prose”

Jeremiah’s Scriptures Conference
Ascona, Switzerland

June 23, 2014

An Unholy War: The Ethics of Retribution in Judges 8:1-21

New England Society of Biblical Literature, Regional Conference
Newton, Massachusetts

April 16, 2010

Courses Taught

*indicates graduate-level course

Text and Trauma*

Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

Spring 2021

Introduction to Jewish History: The Bible to the Spanish Expulsion

Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

Fall 2020

The Bible and Ethics: Love, Poverty, and War

Fall 2020

Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

Introduction to the Hebrew Bible
Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

Fall 2019, Spring 2020, Spring 2021

Gender and Power in the Hebrew Bible
Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

Fall 2019

The Bible, Trauma, and American Identity
Bates College, Lewiston, ME

Spring 2019

The Bible and Empire
Bates College, Lewiston, ME

Spring 2019

Religion and Grief
Bates College, Lewiston, ME

Fall 2018

Gender and Power in Christianity
Bates College, Lewiston, ME

Fall 2018

Jews and Judaism in Antiquity
Bates College, Lewiston, ME

Fall 2018

Confrontations with Empire in the Hebrew Bible: English Exegesis of Esther, Daniel, and Ezra-Nehemiah*

Spring 2018

Yale Divinity School, New Haven, CT

Religion and Grief
Yale College, New Haven, CT

Fall 2017

Elementary Biblical Hebrew [intensive course]*
Yale Divinity School, New Haven, CT

Summer 2016