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EDUCATION

- 1988 Ph.D. Christian Origins, University of Pennsylvania (dissertation: “New Perspectives on Biblical Vocabulary and Translation Technique: Sirach’s Relation to Its Presumed Hebrew *Vorlage*”; Supervisor, Robert A. Kraft)
1978 M.Div. (summa cum laude) Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary
1975 B.A. (cum laude) Philosophy/Religion, Ursinus College

ACADEMIC HONORS, GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS

- 2018 Polonsky Fellow, Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies, Oxford University
2016 Inaugural Dirk Smilde Fellow, Qumran Institute, University of Groningen, The Netherlands
2016 Dean’s Award for Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity Excellence, Humanities
2011- University Distinguished Professor, Lehigh University
2010 The Jeremie Lecture in Septuagint and Hellenistic Judaism, University of Cambridge (Oct 11, 2010)
2010 Invited Main Paper, 20th Congress of the International Organization for the Study of the Old Testament (IOSOT), Helsinki, Finland, 2010.
2009 Eleanor and Joseph F. Libsch Research Award, Lehigh University
2009 Humanities Center Summer Grant, Lehigh University
2005 Andrea and Charles Bronfman Distinguished Visiting Professor in Judaic Studies. The College of William & Mary (September 19–23, 2005)
1998-00 Class of 1961 Professor, Lehigh University
1992-93 Yad Hannadiv/Barecha Foundation Fellowship for Jewish Studies, Jerusalem
1992 Phi Beta Delta Honor Society of International Scholars, Lehigh University
1991 Franz Fellowship, Lehigh University
1987-88 Penn-Mellon Dissertation Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania
1983-84 Penn-Israel Travel Fellowship for Study in Israel, University of Pennsylvania
1977 Lillian D. Poling Prize, Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary
1976 Women’s Auxiliary Scholarship Award, Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary
1975 The Peters Prize, Ursinus College
1975 Departmental Honors, Ursinus College

TEACHING AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2001- Professor, Dept. of Religion Studies, Lehigh University
1994-01 Associate Professor, Dept. of Religion Studies, Lehigh University
1990-94 Assistant Professor, Dept. of Religion Studies, Lehigh University
1989-90 Visiting Assistant Professor, Dept. of Religious Studies, Franklin and Marshall College
1988-90 Post-Doctoral Fellow, University of Pennsylvania
1986-87 Visiting Instructor, Dept. of Religion Studies, Lehigh University
1985-86 Teaching Fellow in Religion, Dept. of Religious Studies, University of Pennsylvania
1985-86 Lecturer in Greek, Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary
1984-88 Coordinator of Text Variant Analysis, Computer Assisted Tools for Septuagint Studies Project, University of Pennsylvania
1984-85 Editorial Assistant, *Early Judaism and Its Modern Interpreters*, SBL Centennial Series, vol. 2. R. A. Kraft and G. W. E. Nickelsburg, eds.
1984-85 Editorial Assistant, *Ruth*, Computer Assisted Tools for Septuagint Studies Project, vol. 1. By John R. Abercrombie, William Adler, Robert A. Kraft, Emanuel Tov.

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- 1983-84 Research Assistant, Computer Assisted Tools for Septuagint Studies Project, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
- 1980-83 Research Assistant, Computer Assisted Tools for Septuagint Studies Project, University of Pennsylvania
- 1979-83 Teaching Fellow in Christian Origins, University of Pennsylvania
- 1981-82 Lecturer in Religion, Eastern College
- 1982 Lecturer in Religion, St. Joseph's University
- 1977-78 Teaching Assistant in Philosophy of Religion, Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY

- 2022 Habilitationsschrift External Evaluator, Dr. Alma Brodersen, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, Munich, Germany
- 2022 Ph.D. Thesis, External Reader and Examiner, Paul Beckman, Université Saint-Paul, Ottawa.
- 2021-23 Editorial Board Member, SBL Septuagint and Cognate Studies Monograph Series
- 2020 Ph.D. Thesis, External Evaluator, Jean Maurais, McGill University
- 2019 Dissertation Defense Opponent, Katri Antin, University of Helsinki
- 2018-21 Steering Committee, Deuterocanonical and Cognate Literature Program Unit, Society of Biblical Literature
- 2018 Ph.D. Thesis, Preliminary Evaluator, Katri Antin, University of Helsinki
- 2017- Associate Editor, *Journal for the Study of Judaism Supplements* (monograph series, Brill)
- 2016 Ph.D. Thesis, External Reader and Examiner, Jason Zurawski, University of Michigan
- 2015 Ph.D. Thesis, External Reader and Examiner, John Screnock, University of Toronto
- 2013-18 Editor for the Book of Ben Sira, *Textual History of the Hebrew Bible*, (Brill)
- 2012- Area Editor, Judaism—Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism (H–Z), *The Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception* (Berlin: Walter de Gruyter)
- 2010-16 Series General Editor, *Journal for the Study of Judaism Supplements* (monograph series, Brill)
- 2009 Ph.D. thesis, External Reader, Ibolya Balla, Murdoch University (Western Australia)
- 2008 Ph.D. thesis, External Reader, Leong Cheng Michael Phua, Westminster Theological Seminary
- 2007- Editorial Board, *Journal for the Study of Judaism* (Brill)
- 2007-13 Co-Editor in Chief, Society of Biblical Literature Commentary on the Septuagint (with Albert Pietersma, 2007–2011; Robert Hiebert, 2011–2013)
- 2007-10 Associate Editor, *Journal for the Study of Judaism Supplements* (monograph series, Brill)
- 2007 External Review Committee Member for Religious Studies, Philosophy, and Classical Studies Departments, College of William & Mary
- 2005-09 Chair, Committee on Research and Publications, Society of Biblical Literature
- 2005-11 President, International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies
- 2004-13 Series Editorial Board, Deuterocanonical and Cognate Literature (Walter de Gruyter)
- 2004-05 Ph.D. Thesis External Reader and Examiner, Paul McLean, Jannes Smith, University of Toronto
- 2001-05 Member, Committee on Research and Publications, Society of Biblical Literature
- 2000-05 Vice-President, International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies
- 1998-05 Steering Committee, Hellenistic Judaism Section, Society of Biblical Literature
- 1994-14 Steering Committee, Wisdom and Apocalypticism in Judaism and Early Christianity Group, Society of Biblical Literature
- 1997-99 At-Large Member, Executive Committee, International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies
- 1995-98 At-Large Representative, General Council, Society of Biblical Literature
- 1991-98 Co-Chair, Hellenistic Judaism Section, Society of Biblical Literature
- 1991-97 Secretary, International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies
- 1994-96 Co-coordinator (with Theodore Bergren, University of Richmond), IOUDAIOS-L electronic discussion network
- 1993-94 Associate Coordinator, IOUDAIOS-L electronic discussion network
- 1992-93 Advisory Board, IOUDAIOS-L electronic discussion network
- 1990-91 Co-Chair, Philadelphia Seminar on Christian Origins. Topic: Jewish Pseudepigrapha in Christian Literature
- 1990, 92 Honors Program Examiner, Swarthmore College

1988-89 Co-Chair, Philadelphia Seminar on Christian Origins. Topic: Translation in Antiquity

PUBLICATIONS

a. Books

- The Wisdom of Jesus Ben Sira*. Hermeneia Commentary Series. (In preparation)
- Sirach*. SBL Commentary on the Septuagint. (In preparation)
- 2015 *The Letter of Aristeas: 'Aristeas to Philocrates' or 'On the Translation of the Law of the Jews'*. Commentaries on Early Jewish Literature. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter. [ISBN: 978-3-11-043904-5]
- 2008 *Praise Israel for Wisdom and Instruction: Essays on Ben Sira and Wisdom, The Letter of Aristeas and the Septuagint*. JSJSup 131; Leiden: Brill. [ISBN: 978-90-04-16908-1]
- 2007 *A New English Translation of the Septuagint*. Co-editor with Albert Pietersma and translator. New York: Oxford University Press. [ISBN: 978-0-19-528975-6]
- 2005 *Conflicted Boundaries in Wisdom and Apocalypticism*. Co-editor with Lawrence M. Wills and principal contributor. Symposium Series. Atlanta: Society of Biblical Literature. [ISBN: 1-58983-184-5]
- 2000 *The Apocryphal Ezekiel*. Co-editor and contributor with Michael E. Stone and David Satran. SBLEJL 18. Atlanta: Society of Biblical Literature. [ISBN: 0-88414-022-9]
- 1999 *A Multiform Heritage: Studies on Early Judaism and Christianity in Honor of Robert A. Kraft*. Editor and principal contributor. Scholars Press Homage Series 24. Atlanta: Scholars Press. [ISBN: 0-7885-0583-1]
- 1989 *No Small Difference: Sirach's Relationship to Its Hebrew Parent Text*. SBLSCS 26. Atlanta: Scholars Press. [ISBN: 1-55540-374-3]

b. Articles, Book Chapters, and Other Publications

"The Septuagint as a Source for New Testament Study" (with James K. Aitken [†]). To appear in *The New Testament in its Second Temple Jewish Context*, Ron Herms, Archie Wright, and Loren Stuckenbruck, eds. Eugene, OR: Wipf and Stock.

"Issues in the Textual Criticism of the Deuterocanon." To appear in *The Oxford Handbook of the Textual Criticism of the Bible*. Sidnie White Crawford and Tommy Wasserman, eds. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

"Creation and Virtue in Second Temple Period Wisdom and Liturgical Texts," with Hindy Najman. To appear in *Bridging Educational Virtues and Values: Greco-Roman, Jewish, and Early Christian Paideia and its Relevance in Past and Present*. Gabrielle Gelardini, Kåre S. Fuglseth, and Per Jarle Bekken, eds. Religious Diversity and Education in Europe. Münster: Waxmann.

Revisions to Introduction and Notes to the Wisdom of Ben Sira. To appear in *The New Oxford Annotated Bible*, 6th Edition. Michael Coogan, editor. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

"Imagined and Unruly: The *Letter of Aristeas* and the Septuagint." To appear in *Unruly Books: Rethinking Ancient and Academic Imaginations of Religious Texts*. Esther Brownsmith, Liv Ingeborg Lied, and Marianne Bjelland Kartzow, eds., Bloomsbury/T&T Clark, Forthcoming Dec. 2024.

"Ben Sira 22:27–23:6." To appear in *Prayer in the Ancient World*. Daniel Falk and Rodney Werline, eds. Leiden: Brill.

“Ben Sira 36:1–22.” To appear in *Prayer in the Ancient World*. Daniel Falk and Rodney Werline, eds. Leiden: Brill.

“Letter of Aristeas.” To appear in *T&T Clark Handbook to Hellenistic Jewish Literature in Greek*. Marieke Dhont, ed. New York: Bloomsbury/T&T Clark, Forthcoming April 2025.

Articles to appear in the *Encyclopedia of the Bible and its Reception*, vol 23.

Patroclus (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism)
Perseus, son of Philip V (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism)

Articles to appear in the *Encyclopedia of the Bible and its Reception*, vol 24.

Pharison (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism)
Phaselis (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism)
Philip, Governor of Jerusalem (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism)
Philip II King of Macedon (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism)
Philip V, Ruler of Macedon (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism)
Philip, Son of Herod the Great (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism)
Philo of Byblos (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism)
Pomegranate (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism)
Posidonius (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism)

Articles to appear in the *Encyclopedia of the Bible and its Reception*, vol 25.

Ptolemy, son of Dorymenes (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism)
Ptolemy, son of Abubus (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism)
Ptolemy, son of Dositheus (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism)
Ptolemy, husband of Cleopatra (Esth 11:1) (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism)
Ptolemy, brother of Nicolaus of Damascus (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism)
Ptolemy, reader of Herod’s will (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism)
Ptolemy, of Ascalon (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism)
Ptolemy Macron (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism)
Ptolemy, son of Mennaeus (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism)
Purim (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism)

“The Use of the Apocrypha Among Jews.” To appear in *The Apocrypha and Septuagint*. Bruce Longenecker, James Aitken(†), and Marieke Dhont, eds. ALNTS. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan Academic.

“The Master-Disciple Relationship in the Book of Ben Sira.” To appear in *Rabbinic Instruction in Context*. Elisabetta Abate, ed. Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht.

“The Letter of Aristeas.” To appear in *The Wiley-Blackwell Companion to Old Testament Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha*. Randall Chesnutt, ed. Hoboken: Wiley-Blackwell.

2024a “Ben Sira 36:1–22.” *Database of Religious History*. <https://religiondatabase.org/landing>.

2024b “In Memoriam: Robert A. Kraft.” In *Journal of Septuagint and Cognate Studies* 56 (2023): 9–11.

2024c Articles in the *Encyclopedia of the Bible and its Reception*, vol 22.

Ordeal of Jealousy (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism), 628–629
Orthosia (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism), 859
Ox (person) (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism), 1022–1023

Oziel (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism), 1027

- 2024d Notes to “Ecclesiasticus, or The Wisdom of Jesus Son of Sirach.” *The SBL Study Bible*. New York: HarperCollins.
- 2023a Articles in the *Encyclopedia of the Bible and its Reception*, vol 21.
- Nicanor 01 (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism)
 Numenius (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism)
 Ocina (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism)
 Odomera (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism)
- 2023b “The Earliest and Most Complete Story of the Translation of the Pentateuch into Greek: The Letter of Aristeas (excerpts).” In *Plurilingualism in Traditional Eurasian Scholarship. Thinking in Many Tongues*. Glen W. Most, Dagmar Schäfer and Mårten Söderblom Saarela, eds. Leiden: Brill, 2023, 317–28.
- 2023d “Ben Sira and Cat Stevens: Raising Sons to Stand in the River of Tradition.” In *Above, Below, Before, and After: Studies on Judaism and Christianity in Dialogue with Martha Himmelfarb*. Ra’anon Boustan, David Frankfurter, and Annette Yoshiko Reed, eds. TSAJ 188. Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2023, 43–59.
- 2022a “Where is the Torah in Ben Sira?” In *Torah: Functions, Meanings, and Diverse Manifestations in Early Judaism and Christianity*. William M. Schniedewind, Jason M. Zurawski, and Gabriele Boccaccini, eds. EJS 56. Atlanta: SBL, 145–65.
- 2022b “What’s in a Name? The Book of Ben Sira and Its Paratexts.” In *Understanding Texts in Early Judaism: Studies on Biblical, Qumranic, Deuterocanonical and Cognate Literature in Memory of Géza Xeravits*. József Zsengellér, ed. DCLS 48. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 207–221.
- 2022c “Interdisciplinary Intersections: Septuagint Studies, Classics, and Translation Studies.” In *Narratives on Translations Across Eurasia and Africa: From Babylonia to Colonial India*. Sonja Brentjes, ed. Contact and Transmission: Intercultural Encounters from Late Antiquity to the Early Modern Period 3. Turnhout: Brepols, 45–66.
- 2022d “‘Do Not Defraud the Life of the Poor’: Notes on the Greek of Sir 4:1–10.” In *Ben Sira in Conversation with Jewish Traditions: Festschrift for Nuria Calduch-Benages*. Francis M. Macatangay and Javier Ruiz-Ortiz, eds. Together with Renate Egger-Wenzel. DCLS 47. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 65–77.
- 2022e Articles in the *Encyclopedia of the Bible and its Reception*, vol 20.
- Names, Naming (Places) (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism), 729–31.
 Nathanael, son of Salamiel (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism), 847.
 Nazirite, Nazirites (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism), 1129–1131.
- 2022f “Globalization and the ‘Hellenization’ of Jews in the Second Temple Period.” *Journal for the Study of Judaism* 53 (2022): 469–488.
- 2022g “Weisheit and Sirach.” In *Gerhard von Rad and the Study of Wisdom Literature*. Timothy Sandoval and Bernd U. Schipper, eds. AIL 46. Atlanta: SBL, 139–159.
- 2021a “Ἰσοδυναμῆω and Translation into Greek in Sirach.” *Journal for the Study of Judaism* 52 (2021): 500–521.
- 2021b “Ben Sira.” In *The Oxford Handbook of Wisdom and the Bible*. Will Kynes, ed. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 583–598.
- 2021c “The Septuagint in Second Temple Judaism.” In *The T&T Clark Handbook of Septuagint Research*, William A. Ross and W. Edward Glenny, eds. Edinburgh: T&T Clark, 231–241.

- 2021d “Ben Sira’s Pseudo-Pseudepigraphy: Idealizations from Antiquity to the Early Middle Ages” (with Eva Mroczek). In *Sirach and its Contexts: The Pursuit of Human Flourishing*. Greg Schmidt Goering, Samuel Adams, and Matthew Goff, eds. JSJS 196. Leiden: Brill, 213–239.
- 2021e “The Production of Greek Books in Alexandrian Judaism.” In *Times of Transition: Judea in the Early Hellenistic Period*. Sylvie Honigman, Christophe Nihan, and Oded Lipschits, eds. *Mosaics 1: Studies in Ancient Israel*. University Park, PA: Penn State/Eisenbrauns/Institute of Archaeology at Tel Aviv University, 241–251.
- 2021f “The Letter of Aristeas and the Place of the Septuagint in Alexandrian Judaism.” In *Alexandria—Hub of the Hellenistic World*. Benjamin Schliesser et al., eds. WUNT 460. Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 229–244.
- 2021g “Seeing is Believing: The Travelogue in the *Letter of Aristeas*.” *NTT Journal for Theology and the Study of Religion* 75 (2021): 161–176.
- 2021h Article in the *Encyclopedia of the Bible and its Reception*, vol 19.
Mochmur (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism), 498.
- 2021i “‘With a spirit of understanding’ (Sir 39:6): Spirit and Inspiration in the Wisdom of Ben Sira.” In *The Spirit Says: Inspiration and Interpretation in Israelite, Jewish, and Early Christian Texts*. Ronald Herms, John R. Levison, and Archie T. Wright, eds. Ekstasis 8. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 149–165.
- 2021j “‘Time is on My Side’: Concepts of Time and Group Identity in Early Jewish Literature.” In *Notions of Time in Deuterocanonical and Cognate Literature*. Stefan Beyerle and Matthew J. Goff, eds. DCLS. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 19–41.
- 2021k Revisions to the NRSV Translation (NRSVue) of “Ecclesiasticus, or the Wisdom of Jesus Son of Sirach.” National Council of Churches of Christ in the United States of America.
- 2020a “Unbridled Libido: Ben Sira and the Billy Graham Rule.” In *Testing and Temptation in Second Temple Jewish and Early Christian Texts*. Daniel Smith and Loren Stuckenbruck, eds. WUNT 2.519. Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 171–185.
- 2020b Articles in the *Encyclopedia of the Bible and its Reception*, vol 18.
Melchiel (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism), 523.
Menorah (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism), 646–648.
Merran (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism), 785–786.
Mesaloth (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism), 790–791.
Michal (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism; with Hanna Tervanotko), 1152–1154.
- 2020c “Wisdom Literature.” In *Early Judaism and Its Modern Interpreters: Second Edition*. Matthias Henze and Rodney Werline., eds. Atlanta: SBL, 437–460.
- 2019a “The Persian Glosses and the Text of Manuscript B Revisited.” In *Discovering, Deciphering and Dissenting: Ben Sira Manuscripts after 120 Years*. James K. Aitken, Renate Egger-Wenzel, and Stefan C. Reif, eds. ISDCL Yearbook. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 125–145.
- 2019b “Ptolemy II’s Gift to the Temple in the *Letter of Aristeas*.” TheTorah.com (<https://thetorah.com/ptolemy-iis-gift-to-the-temple-in-the-letter-of-aristeas/>; posted Feb 7, 2019).
- 2019c “The Pseudepigrapha within and without Biblical Studies.” In *The Old Testament Pseudepigrapha: Fifty Years of the Pseudepigrapha Section at the SBL*. Matthias Henze and Liv Ingeborg Lied, eds. SBLEJL 50. Atlanta: SBL, 2019, 133–156.

- 2019d “Aristeas, Letter of.” In *T&T Clark Encyclopedia of Second Temple Judaism*. Loren T. Stuckenbruck and Daniel M. Gurtner, eds. London: Bloomsbury T&T Clark, 1.109–110.
- 2019e “Ben Sira.” In *T&T Clark Encyclopedia of Second Temple Judaism*. Loren T. Stuckenbruck and Daniel M. Gurtner, eds. London: Bloomsbury T&T Clark, 1.130–133.
- 2019f “The Septuagint as a Hellenistic Greek Text.” *Journal for the Study of Judaism* 50 (2019) 497–523.
- 2019g Articles in the *Encyclopedia of the Bible and its Reception*, vol 17.
 Maked (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism), 573.
 Mariamme (Place) (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism), 909–910.
- 2019h “The Wisdom of Ben Sira or Sirach, Lead Article.” In *The Textual History of the Hebrew Bible, Vol 2B. Deuterocanonical Literature*. Matthias Henze and Frank Feder, eds. Leiden: Brill, 187–198. [Also section editor for Ben Sira]
- 2018a “Ben Sira.” In *The Oxford Classical Dictionary Fifth Edition*. Sander Goldberg, ed. Oxford University Press. [DOI: 10.1093/acrefore/9780199381135.013.8128]
- 2018b “Sirach, Introduction and Notes.” In *The Oxford Annotated Bible Fifth Edition*. Michael Coogan, ed. New York: Oxford University Press.
- 2018c “The Dead Sea Scrolls and the Study of the Ancient World.” In *T & T Clark Companion to the Dead Sea Scrolls*. Charlotte Hempel and George J. Brooke, eds. Edinburgh: T&T Clark, 216–227.
- 2018d “A Character in Search of a Story: The Reception of Ben Sira in Early Medieval Judaism.” In *‘Wisdom Poured Out Like Water’: Studies in Jewish and Christian Antiquity in Honor of Gabriele Boccaccini*. J. Harold Ellens et al., eds. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 377–395.
- 2018e “The Problem of the Hyphen and Jewish/Judean Ethnic Identity: The *Letter of Aristeas*, the Septuagint, and Cultural Interactions.” In *Strength to Strength: Essays in Honor of Shaye J. D. Cohen*, Michael Satlow, ed. Brown Judaic Studies. Providence, RI: Brown University Press, 115–135.
- 2017a “What Does India Have to Do with Jerusalem? Ben Sira, Language, and Colonialism.” In *Jewish Cultural Encounters in the Mediterranean and Near Eastern World*. Mladen Popovic, Myles Schoonover, and Marijn Vandenberghe, eds. JSJSup 178. Leiden: Brill, 136–156.
- 2017b “Greek *Paideia* and the Jewish Community in the Letter of Aristeas.” In *Second Temple Jewish Paideia in Context*. Jason M. Zurawski and Gabriele Boccaccini, eds. BZNW 228. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 2017, 93–112.
- 2017c Article in *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception. Volume 15. Kalam–Lectio Divina*. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter.
 Lament, Lamentation (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism), 691.
- 2017d “Sirach 10.1–18: Some Observations on the Work of the Translator.” In *Texts and Contexts of the Book of Ben Sira/Texte und Kontexte des Sirachbuches*. Gerhard Karner, Frank Ueberschaer, and Burkard M. Zapff eds. SBLSCS 66. Atlanta: SBL, 163–188.
- 2017e “Translation, Reception, and the Historiography of Early Judaism: The Wisdom of Ben Sira and Old Greek Job as Case Studies.” In *“When the Morning Stars Sang”: Essays in Honor of Choon Leong Seow on the Occasion of his Sixty-Fifth Birthday*. Christine Roy Yoder and Scott C. Jones, eds. BZAW 500. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 239–254.

- 2017f “Were the Jews of Qumran Hellenistic Jews?” *Dead Sea Discoveries* 24 (2017): 356–377.
- 2016a “Epistole Jeremiou / Epistula Ieremiae / Brief Jeremias.” In *Einleitung in die Septuaginta*. Handbuch zur Septuaginta LXX.H. Band 1. Siegfried Kreuzer, ed. Gütersloh: Gütersloher Verlagshaus, 606–612. [English translation in *Introduction to the LXX*, Siegfried Kreuzer, ed., Waco: Baylor University Press, 2019, 559–564.]
- 2016b “Hellenistic Period Literature in the Land of Israel.” In *The Wiley-Blackwell Companion to Ancient Israel*. Susan Niditch, ed. Chichester, West Sussex: Wiley-Blackwell, 493–509.
- 2016c Articles in *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception. Volume 13. Integrity–Jesuit Order*. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter.
 Isaac, Testament of, 288–289
 Jacob, Testament of, 609–611
 Jeremiah, Additions to, 948
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- 2016d “Ben Sira and Hellenistic Literature in Greek.” In *Tracing Sapiential Traditions in Ancient Judaism*. Hindy Najman, Jean-Sébastien Rey, and Eibert Tigchelaar, eds. JSJSup 174. Leiden: Brill, 71–88.
- 2016e “Perfecting Translation: The Greek Scriptures in Philo of Alexandria” (with Hindy Najman). In *Sibyls, Scriptures, and Scrolls: John Collins at Seventy*. Joel Baden, Hindy Najman and Eibert Tigchelaar, eds. JSJSup 175. Leiden: Brill, 897–915.
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- 2015b “Epistle of Jeremiah.” In *The T&T Clark Companion to the Septuagint*. James Aitken, ed. London: T&T Clark, 520–527.
- 2015c “‘She Undid Him with the Beauty of Her Face’ (Jdt 16.6): Reading Women’s Bodies in Early Jewish Literature” (with Suzanne M. Edwards). In *Religion and the Female Body in Ancient Judaism and Its Environments*. Géza G. Xeravits, ed. DCLS 28, Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 73–108.
- 2015d Article in *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception. Volume 10. Genocide–Hakkoz*. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter.
 Guilt (with Sidnie Crawford), 1002–1003
- 2015e Article in *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception. Volume 11. Halah–Hizquni*. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter.
 Haman (with Karen Jobes), 82–83
- 2015f “Cultural Creativity in Egyptian Judaism.” In *A Most Reliable Witness: Essays in Honor of Ross Shepard Kraemer*. Susan Ashbrook Harvey et al., eds. Brown Judaic Studies; Providence, RI: Brown University Press, 111–120.
- 2014a Articles in *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception. Volume 8. Essenes–Fideism*. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter.
 Eve, Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism, 290.
 Exorcism, Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism, 523.
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- 2014c “Preliminary Thoughts about Preparing the Text of Ben Sira for a Commentary.” In *Die Septuaginta: Text—Wirkung—Rezeption*. Wolfgang Kraus and Martin Karrer, eds. Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 89–109.
- 2014d “Hellenization and Jewish Identity in the Deuterocanonical Literature.” In *Canonicity, Setting, Wisdom in the Deuterocanonicals: Papers of the Jubilee Meeting of the International Conference on the Deuterocanonical Books*. Géza Xeravits, József Zsengéller and Xavér Szabó, eds. DCL Studies 22. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 29–68.
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- Demetrius of Phalerum, 522–523
- 2013b “Pseudonymous Authorship and Structures of Authority in the *Letter of Aristeas*.” In *Scriptural Authority in Early Judaism and Ancient Christianity*. Géza Xeravits, Isaac Kalimi and Tobias Niklas, eds. DCL Studies 16. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 43–62.
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- Edict, Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism, 398
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- 2013d “Torah and Sapiential Pedagogy in the Book of Ben Sira.” In *Wisdom and Torah: The Reception of ‘Torah’ in the Wisdom Literature of the Second Temple Period*. Bernd U. Schipper and D. Andrew Teeter, eds. JSJS 163. Leiden: Brill, 157–186.
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- 1990d John Barton, *Oracles of God: Perceptions on Ancient Prophecy in Israel After the Exile*. *Religious Studies Review* 16 (1990): 271.
- 1989 Richard A. Horsley, *Jesus and the Spiral of Violence: Popular Jewish Resistance in Roman Palestine*. *Theology Today* 45 (1988–1989): 499–501.
- 1988 Leslie John McGregor, *The Greek Text of Ezekiel: An Examination of Its Homogeneity*. *Religious Studies Review* 14 (1988): 166–167.
- 1986 Louis Stulman, *The Other Text of Jeremiah*. *Hebrew Studies* 27 (1986): 142–143.
- 1984 F. V. Reiterer, “Urtext” and Übersetzungen: Sprachstudie über Sir 44,16–45,26 als Beitrag zur Siraforschung. *Jewish Quarterly Review* 75 (1984): 182–185.

d. Electronic Publication

- 1990 “Some Methodological Considerations of the Rabbis’ Knowledge of the Proverbs of Ben Sira.” ([ftp://ftp.lehigh.edu/pub/listserv/ioudaios-l/Articles/bwsira](http://ftp.lehigh.edu/pub/listserv/ioudaios-l/Articles/bwsira))
- 1987a “The Hebrew-Greek Parallel Alignment of the Wisdom of Ben Sira.” In *PHI Demonstration CDROM #1*. Packard Humanities Institute.
- 1987b “The Greek-Latin Parallel Text of Origen’s Homily on Jer 2.21ff and Jerome’s Latin Translation.” With Robert Kraft and Theodore Bergren. In *PHI Demonstration CDROM #1*. Packard Humanities Institute.

LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS

- 2023a “The Ancient Past and the Future of the Humanities.” Panel with Prof. Michal Bar Asher-Siegel (Ben Gurion University of the Negev). Berman Center for Jewish Studies/Humanities Center, Lehigh University, January 30, 2023.
- 2023b “‘These Are the Last Days’: A Literary Trope in Early Christian Texts?” “World(s) Ending(s).” Berman Center/Groningen Religious Studies Faculty Workshop. June 5, 2023.
- 2023c Review Panel, Yonatan Adler, *The Origins of Judaism*. Archaeology of Roman Palestine Section, SBL Annual Meetings, San Antonio, TX, November 19, 2023.
- 2023d “In Memoriam: James K. Aitken.” Cambridge University Meeting. San Antonio, TX, Nov 18, 2023.
- 2023e “In Memoriam: Robert A. Kraft.” Annual Meeting of the International Organization of Septuagint and Cognate Studies, San Antonio, TX, November 20, 2023.
- 2022a “The Wisdom of Ben Sira in the NRSVue.” Panel on the NRSVue. Mid-Atlantic Regional SBL Meeting, March 14, 2022 (Remote).
- 2022b “Creation and Virtue in Second Temple Wisdom and Liturgical Texts” (with Hindy Najman). “Virtues and Values in Greco-Roman, Jewish, and Christian Paideia at the Turn of the Common Era.” Nord University, Bodø, Norway, May 31, 2022.

- 2022c Panel Presentation and Discussion on “Metacriticism of Pseudepigrapha Scholarship.” Pseudepigrapha Section/Metacriticism of Biblical Scholarship Section. SBL Annual Meetings, Denver, CO, November 19, 2022.
- 2022d “Translation from Hebrew to Greek in Ancient Judaism.” “Translation Projects Across the Ancient World.” Center for Ancient Studies, University of Pennsylvania, Dec 3, 2022.
- 2021a “Unsent Letters: The Epistle of Jeremiah and the Letter of Aristeas.” “Books Known Only by Title Webinar Series,” Centre for Advanced Study (CAS) at the Norwegian Academy of Science and Letters. May 19, 2021 (Remote).
- 2021b “Some Modalities of Revelation in Ancient Jewish Literature.” “Enoch Seminar/LMU Munich Congress on Apocalypticism in Antiquity.” Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, Munich. May 24, 2021 (Remote).
- 2021c “Travel and Translation: Ben Sira’s Grandson and Globalization.” “Globalization in Ancient Judaism and Early Christianity: Theory and Practice.” University of Münster, Germany, July 13, 2021 (Remote).
- 2021d “Ben Sira’s Pseudo-Pseudepigraphy” (with Eva Mroczek). “Authorial Fictions and Attributions in the Ancient Mediterranean III.” BRANE Collective Colloquium. November 9, 2021 (Remote).
- 2020a Response to papers by Gerbern Oegema, Karina Martin Hogan, and Gregory Sterling in “How do non-apocalyptic texts engage with the issue of the origin of evil and the theological problems it raises.” Enoch Seminar Online. June 30, 2020 (Remote).
- 2020b Panelist on Second Temple Wisdom Literature, Seminar on Proverbs, Yale University, Oct. 15, 2020 (Remote).
- 2020c “Who was a Jew? Jewish Diversity in the Second Temple Period.” “Moments in Jewish History.” Philip and Muriel Center for Jewish Studies. November 32, 2020 (Remote).
- 2020d “Globalization and the Hellenization of Jews.” Hellenistic Judaism Section. Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meetings. December 9, 2020 (Remote).
- 2019a “What’s in a Name: Ben Sira and the Personhood of the Sage.” “Legendary Characters: Attribution and Personhood in Ancient Judaism.” Princeton University, April 29, 2019.
- 2019b “Time is on My Side: Concepts of Time and Identity in Early Judaism.” Keynote Lecture at “Notions of Time in Deuterocanonical and Cognate Literature.” Conference of the International Society for the Study of Deuterocanonical and Cognate Literature. Alfried Krupp Wissenschaftskolleg, Greifswald, Germany, July 17, 2019.
- 2019c “Conceptualizing Commentary as Translation in the *Letter of Aristeas*.” British Association of Jewish Studies. Oxford University, July 24, 2019.
- 2019d “Translating an Ancient Translation.” Religious Studies Colloquium. McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, Nov. 12, 2019.
- 2019e “Seeing is Believing: The Travelogue in the *Letter of Aristeas*.” Jewish, Christian, and Graeco-Roman Travel Group. Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meetings. November 23, 2019.
- 2019f “Wisdom and Apocalypticism after 25 Years.” Wisdom and Apocalypticism Group. Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meetings. November 23, 2019.
- 2018a “Ben Sira and Cat Stevens: Raising Sons to Stand in the River of Tradition.” “Truth, Lies, and Language in Ancient Mediterranean Religion.” University of California, Davis, March 13, 2018.

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- 2018b “Jews, Jewish Identity, and the Bible in the Hellenistic World.” David Patterson Lecture. Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies. Oxford University. May 14, 2018.
- 2018c “Ἰσοδυναμῆω and Translation into Greek in Sirach.” “Greek Expanded, Greek Transformed: The Vocabulary of the Translators and the Cultural World of the Translators/Seminar on Jewish History and Literature in the Graeco-Roman Period.” Oxford University. May 15, 2018.
- 2018d “The Letter of Aristeas, Greek Education, and the Jewish Community in Alexandria.” University of Uppsala. Uppsala, Sweden, May 24, 2018.
- 2018e “The Book of Ben Sira in Medieval Judaism: MS B from the Cairo Geniza.” Seminar on Early Biblical Interpretation, Oriel College. Oxford University, May 31, 2018.
- 2018f Response to Jan Joosten, “Joseph and the Limits of Wisdom (Gen 47:13–26).” Workshop on Wisdom and Ethics, Center for the Study of the Bible and the Humanities. Oriel College, Oxford University, June 4, 2018.
- 2018g Panel discussing Wisdom and Ethics. Workshop on Wisdom and Ethics, Center for the Study of the Bible and the Humanities, Oriel College. Oxford University, June 4, 2018.
- 2018h “The Manuscripts of Ben Sira and What They Tell Us About the Ancient Text.” Chabad Society. Oxford. June 5, 2018.
- 2018i “The Sage and the Formation of Subjects in Early Jewish Literature: Ben Sira, 4QInstruction, Wisdom of Solomon.” Penn State University, CAMS Lecture Series. October 24, 2018.
- 2018j “Authority and Leadership in Ben Sira and the Qumran Sapiential Texts 4QInstruction and 4QBeatitudes.” Qumran Section. Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, Nov. 18, 2018.
- 2018k Panel Review of “Erich Gruen, *The Construct of Identity in Hellenistic Judaism*.” Hellenistic Judaism Section. Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, Nov. 19, 2018.
- 2017a “Why Study Judaism? The Jews and the Bible in the Ancient World.” Lutheran Theological Seminary, Hong Kong. March 14, 2017.
- 2017b “Manuscripts, the Book of Ben Sira, and the Problem of the Author.” Lutheran Theological Seminary, Hong Kong. March 16, 2017.
- 2017c “Response to John J. Collins, ‘The Persistence of non-Mosaic Judaism.’” Lutheran Theological Seminary, Hong Kong. March 17, 2017.
- 2017d “Unbridled Libido: Ben Sira and the Billy Graham Rule.” Seminar on Ancient Judaism. Yeshiva University, May 4, 2017.
- 2017e “Unbridled Libido: Ben Sira and the Billy Graham Rule.” “Testing and Temptation in Second Temple and Early Christian Texts.” Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, Munich, Germany, May 21, 2017.
- 2017f “Where is the Torah in Ben Sira?” 9th Enoch Seminar on “From *torah* to Torah: Variegated Notions of Torah from the First Temple Period to Late Antiquity.” Camaldoli, Italy, June 19, 2017.
- 2017g “Ben Sira’s Pseudo-Pseudepigraphy: Ideal Authors and Characters from Antiquity to the Middle Ages” (Co-written with Eva Mroczek). “The Pursuit of Human Flourishing: A Virginia Conference on the Book of Sirach and its Contexts.” July 10, 2017.
- 2017h “Writing a Commentary on the Book of Ben Sira.” SBL Deuterocanonical and Cognate Literature Section, SBL Annual Meetings, Boston, MA, Nov. 18, 2017.

- 2016a “The Text Strikes Back: Jews and the Bible in the Hellenistic World.” Dirk Smilde Lecture, Feb. 5, 2016, Qumran Institute, University of Groningen, The Netherlands.
- 2016b Master for “Culture Religion, and Society—Interdisciplinary Studies in the Ancient World” (CRASIS) Master Class. Feb 11, 2016, University of Groningen, The Netherlands.
- 2016c “Greek *Paideia* and the Jewish Community of Alexandria in the *Letter of Aristeas*.” Keynote Lecture. CRASIS Annual Meeting, Feb 12, 2016, University of Groningen, The Netherlands.
- 2016d “Were the Qumran Sectarians Hellenistic Jews?” “The Dead Sea Scrolls and Hellenism.” The Fifth Groningen-Leuven Encounter on the Dead Sea Scrolls, Groningen, April 14, 2016.
- 2016e “Reading Ben Sira as an Old Testament Book.” Old Testament Seminar. Oxford University, May 9, 2016.
- 2016f “The *Letter of Aristeas* and Greek *Paideia*.” Israel in Egypt Project. Oxford University, May 10, 2016.
- 2016g “The Master-Disciple Relationship in the Book of Ben Sira.” “Ethical Reading: Philology, Philosophy and Poetry.” Oxford University, May 25, 2016.
- 2016h “The Persian Glosses and the Text of Ms B Revisited.” “Discovering, Deciphering, and Dissenting: Ben Sira’s Hebrew Text, 1896–2016.” Cambridge University, Sept. 12, 2016.
- 2016i “Introduction to the Book of Ben Sira.” Pseudepigrapha Section. Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meetings, San Antonio, November 19, 2016.
- 2016j “Ben Sira.” Society of Biblical Literature Commentary on the Septuagint Panel. Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meetings, San Antonio, November 21, 2016.
- 2016k Review of Eva Mroczek, *The Literary Imagination in Jewish Antiquity* (Oxford, 2016). Philology in Hebrew Studies Group. Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meetings, San Antonio, November 19, 2016.
- 2015a “The *Letter of Aristeas* and Greek *Paideia*,” University of Toronto. March 5, 2015.
- 2015b “Greek *Paideia* and the Jewish Community of Alexandria in the *Letter of Aristeas*.” 5th Nangeroni Meeting (Enoch Seminar), University of Naples. “Second Temple Jewish *Paideia* in its Ancient and Hellenistic Contexts.” June 30, 2015–July 4, 2015.
- 2015c “The Problem of the Hyphen and Jewish/Judean Ethnic Identity: The *Letter of Aristeas*, the Septuagint and Cultural Interactions.” “La Septante au Croisement des Cultures de l’Antiquité: Perspectives comparées sur la tradition grecque de la Bible hébraïque.” Université de Lausanne, October 7, 2015.
- 2015d “Translation and the Historiography of Early Judaism: The Case of Ben Sira.” “Making Sense of Religious Texts: Patterns of Agency, Synergy and Identity.” Netherlands Royal Academy of Arts and Sciences, October 29, 2015.
- 2015e “Old Testament Pseudepigrapha, the Dead Sea Scrolls and Early Judaism as a Scholarly Category.” Pseudepigrapha Section. Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meetings, Atlanta, Nov 22, 2015.
- 2015f Main Respondent on a panel reviewing my commentary *The Letter of Aristeas: ‘Aristeas to Philocrates’ or ‘On the Translation of the Law of the Jews’* (Commentaries on Early Jewish Literature. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 2015). Joint session of Hellenistic Judaism and Pseudepigrapha Sections, Society of Biblical Literature Meetings, Atlanta, Nov 22, 2015.

- 2014a “Perfecting Translation: The Greek Scriptures in Philo of Alexandria” with Hindy Najman (Yale University). Yale University Symposium “Philo’s Readers: Affinities, Reception, Transmission and Influence,” April 1, 2014.
- 2014b “The Wisdom of Ben Sira: The Problem of Text and Commentary.” Rice University Symposium, “The Rest is Commentary 2,” April 27, 2014.
- 2014c “The Production of Greek Books in the Alexandrian Jewish Community.” Tel Aviv University/Université de Lausanne Conference “Judea in the Long Third Century BCE: The Transition Between the Persian and Hellenistic Periods,” June 1, 2014.
- 2014d Video Interview/podcast on Marginalia Review on the Interlinear Paradigm in Septuagint Studies, June 30, 2014 (<http://www.timothymichaellaw.com/the-septuagint-sessions-7-benjamin-g-wright-on-the-interlinear-paradigm/>)
- 2014e “Sirach 10.1–18: Some Observations on the Work of the Translator.” *Texte—Kontexte-Lebenswelten: Textformen des Sirach-Buches im geistes-und kultur geschichtlichen Horizont des Hellenismus*. Katholische Universität, Eichstätt, Germany, September 13, 2014.
- 2014f “Greek *Paideia* and the Jewish Community in Alexandria in the *Letter of Aristeas*.” David Noel Freedman Memorial Lecture, University of Michigan, October 9, 2014.
- 2014g “Ben Sira and Hellenistic Literature in Greek.” “Rethinking the Boundaries of Sapiential Traditions in Ancient Judaism.” Université de Lorraine, Metz, France, October 22, 2014.
- 2014h “The Creation of Early Judaism as a Scholarly Category.” “Collaborations: Directions in the Study of Religion,” Lehigh University, October 28, 2014.
- 2014i Review of Lutz Doering, *Ancient Jewish Letters and the Beginnings of Christian Epistolography*. Hellenistic Judaism Section, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meetings, Nov. 24, 2014.
- 2014k “The Importance of the Septuagint for the Study of the Bible.” WDIY (Lehigh Valley NPR), Dec 4, 2014.
- 2013a “Revelation Then: Access to Revealed Knowledge in Early Jewish Wisdom and Apocalyptic Literature.” Rice University, Feb 5, 2013.
- 2013b “The Septuagint.” Seattle Pacific University, Feb 21, 2013 (via Skype).
- 2013c “Authors, Genres and Books in Antiquity: The Case of Genre.” Philadelphia Seminar on Christian Origins, Feb 28, 2013.
- 2013d “Miqva’ot and Ritual Bathing in Second Temple Judaism.” Rutgers University, March 13, 2013.
- 2013e “Translation and Discourses of Authority.” University of Chicago Symposium, “The Hebrew Bible in Translation,” April 8, 2013.
- 2013f Panel Presentation, “The Letter of Aristeas as a Greek Book.” Yale University Symposium, “The Rest is Commentary,” April 28, 2013.
- 2013g “Hellenization and Jewish Identity in the Deuterocanonical Literature.” “Aspects of Deuterocanonical and Cognate Literature.” Sapientia College of Theology and Károli Gáspár Reformed University, Budapest, Hungary, June 6, 2013.
- 2013h “Septuagint Summer School.” University of Göttingen/Septuaginta Unternehmen. Conducted 14 seminars on Septuagint and the book of Ben Sira from Aug 12–16, 2013.

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- 2013i Respondent to Papers in the Wisdom and Apocalypticism Section of the Society of Biblical Literature on “Pedagogical Concepts and Techniques,” SBL Annual Meetings, November 24, 2013.
- 2013j “Jewish Wisdom Literature and Ancient Hellenistic Science,” in the Hellenistic Judaism Section of the Society of Biblical Literature, SBL Annual Meetings, November 25, 2013.
- 2013k “What Does India Have to Do with Jerusalem? Ben Sira, Language and Colonialism.” “Jewish Cultural Encounters in the Mediterranean and Near Eastern World,” University of Groningen, The Netherlands, December 9, 2013.
- 2012a “What Pastors Need to Know About Modern Biblical Scholarship.” Moravian Theological Seminary, Feb. 7, 2012.
- 2012b “Translation, Scribalism, and Canon.” Yale University, Feb. 29, 2012.
- 2012c “Scribes, Translators and the Formation of Authoritative Scripture.” Changes in Sacred Texts and Traditions, Saariselkä, Finland, March 26, 2012.
- 2012d “Hellenistic Jewish Literature in the Land of Israel.” Amherst College, April 5, 2012.
- 2012e “‘She Undid Him with the Beauty of Her Face’ (Jdt 16.6); Reading Women’s Bodies in Early Jewish Literature” with Suzanne M. Edwards (English Dept., Lehigh University). Religion and the Female Body in the Ancient East Mediterranean, Budapest, Hungary, May 29, 2012 (Keynote Lecture).
- 2012f “Preliminary Thoughts about Preparing the Text of Ben Sira for a Commentary.” Die Septuaginta: Text—Wirkung—Rezeption. Kirchliche Hochschule, Wuppertal, Germany, July 23, 2012.
- 2011a “Some Aspects of the Relationship between the Dead Sea Scrolls and the Study of Early Judaism.” Université de Lausanne, Lausanne, Switzerland, April 1, 2011.
- 2011b “1. The *Letter of Aristeas* and the LXX: Production, Reception and the Problem of Origins. 2. The Wisdom of Ben Sira and the Authorization of Sapiential Teaching.” Panel presentation and discussion for “Text, Authority, and Interpretation in the Worlds of Hellenism and Early Judaism.” Department of Classical and Near Eastern Studies, University of Minnesota, April 29, 2011.
- 2011c “Temporality and Exemplarity.” Panel presentation and discussion with Suzanne Edwards (Dept. of English). Lehigh University, Humanities Center, Tenth Anniversary Celebration, May 6, 2011.
- 2011d “Response to Hindy Najman ‘Con-Figuring 4Ezra.’” 6th Enoch Seminar. Gazzada, Italy, June 26, 2011.
- 2011e Interview on WDIY (Bethlehem Public Radio), “The Dead Sea Scrolls.” Lehigh Valley Discourse. Aired November 24, 2011 (6:00–7:00pm).
- 2011f “Torah and Sapiential Pedagogy in the Book of Ben Sira.” Symposium on Wisdom and Torah in Ancient Judaism, Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany, September 22, 2011.
- 2010a “Pseudonymous Authorship and Structures of Authority in the Letter of Aristeas,” The Concept of Authority in Early Jewish Literature. Sapientia College of Theology, Budapest, Hungary, May 20, 2010.
- 2010b Keynote Lecture. “Conflicted Boundaries: Ben Sira, Sage and Seer.” The 20th Congress of the International Organization for the Study of the Old Testament (IOSOT). Helsinki, Finland, August 4, 2010.
- 2010c “The *Letter of Aristeas* and Septuagint Origins Redux.” 2010 Jeremie Lecture in Hellenistic Judaism and Septuagint. University of Cambridge, Cambridge, England, October 11, 2010.

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- 2010d “The Inspired Production and Interpretation of Literary Texts in Antiquity: The Letter of Aristeas.” Pseudepigrapha Section. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature. Atlanta, GA, November 22, 2010.
- 2009a “The Allegorical Interpretation of the Law in the *Letter of Aristeas*.” Philadelphia Seminar on Christian Origins. University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA, February 26, 2009.
- 2009b “Translation Greek in Sirach in Light of the Grandson’s Prologue.” Colloque International: “Identités et altérités: les différentes versions du Siracide.” Université Paul Verlaine, Metz, France, Oct 15, 2009.
- 2009c “Lehigh University’s South Mountain College.” Plenary Address. Patriot League Academic Conference on Alternative Pedagogies. October 30, 2009.
- 2009d Panelist, “The Inspired Production and Interpretation of Literary Texts in Antiquity.” Pseudepigrapha Section. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature. New Orleans, LA, November 21, 2009.
- 2009e “The Septuagint in Philo: Translation and Inspiration.” Philo of Alexandria Group. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature. New Orleans, LA, November 23, 2009.
- 2008a “The Letter of Aristeas and the Tradition of Scripture.” Graduate Seminar at the Center for Advanced Judaic Studies, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA, March 26, 2008.
- 2008b “The Epistle of Jeremiah: Translation or Composition?” Fourth International Conference on the Deuterocanonical Books. Shime’on Centre for Jewish Studies, Pápa, Hungary. May 15–17, 2008.
- 2008c “Moving Beyond Translating a Translation: Reflections on *A New English Translation of the Septuagint* (NETS).” Septuagint Translation(s): Retrospect and Prospect. Trinity Western University, September 18–20, 2008.
- 2008d “Introduction to the Septuagint.” Celebration of the 200th anniversary of Charles Thomson’s first English translation of the Septuagint, Bryn Mawr College and Harriton House, Bryn Mawr, PA, October 31, 2008.
- 2008e “The Role of the Sage: Ben Sira at the Boundary.” Wisdom and Apocalypticism Group. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature. Boston, MA. Nov. 22, 2008.
- 2007a “Jewish Cultural Creativity in Alexandria.” No Direction Home: Re-imagining Jewish Geography. Lehigh University, March 25, 2007.
- 2007b “*Jubilees*, Sirach and Sapiential Tradition.” Fourth International Enoch Seminar, Camaldoli, Italy, July 9, 2007, 2007.
- 2007c “The Law that God Commanded Us: Ben Sira’s Use of Torah.” International Meetings of the Society of Biblical Literature, Vienna, Austria, July 25, 2007.
- 2007d Response to Richard Horsley’s *Scribes, Visionaries, and the Politics of Second Temple Judea* (Louisville, KY: Westminster John Knox, 2007). Wisdom and Apocalypticism Section, Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, San Diego, CA, November 17–20, 2007.
- 2007e “Ben Sira on the Sage as Exemplar.” Pseudepigrapha Section, Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, San Diego, CA. November, 17–20, 2007.
- 2006a “The Use and Interpretation of Biblical Tradition in Ben Sira’s Praise of the Ancestors.” Third International Conference on the Deuterocanonical Books, Pápa, Hungary, May 18–20, 2006. (Revised version presented at the Jewish Studies Seminar, University of Toronto, June 26, 2006.)

- 2006b “The Septuagint and Its Modern Translators,” The Septuagint—Texts, Contexts and Cultural Setting, Wuppertal, Germany, July 21, 2006.
- 2006c “The Parting of the Ways between Judaism and Christianity” Fall mini-course, Institute for Jewish-Christian Understanding, Muhlenberg College (Oct. 17–Nov 14, 2006).
- 2005a “The Structure of the Parables of Enoch: Michael Knibb and George Nickelsburg.” Third International Enoch Seminar, Camaldoli, Italy, June 6–10, 2005.
- 2005b Andrea and Charles Bronfman Distinguished Visiting Professor in Judaic Studies - The College of William & Mary, Williamsburg, VA (Sept. 19–23, 2005)
 “Jewish Encounters with Hellenism: Pseudo-Aristeas and Philo”
 “Wisdom from on High: Woman Wisdom in Early Judaism and Christianity”
 “What Do the Dead Sea Scrolls Tell Us about the Text of the Bible?”
 “Jewish Scriptures in Greek Dress: The Importance of the Septuagint in Early Judaism”
 “Conflicted Boundaries in Jewish Wisdom and Apocalypticism”
- 2005c “Wisdom *and* Apocalypticism in Early Judaism and Christianity: How Far Have We Gotten in Ten Years?” Wisdom and Apocalypticism in Judaism and Early Christianity Group. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Philadelphia, PA. Nov. 21, 2005.
- 2005d “*Aristeas* §§158–160 on Tefillin and Mezuzot.” Graduate Seminar in Second Temple Jewish Literature (Prof. Michael E. Stone). Hebrew University of Jerusalem. December 15, 2005.
- 2005e “The Allegorical Interpretation of the Law in the *Letter of Aristeas*.” Pontifical Biblical Institute/Rothberg International School Lecture Series in Memory of Miriam Sheffer. Jerusalem, Israel. December 16, 2005.
- 2005f “The Wisdom of Ben Sira within Second Temple Judaism.” Graduate Seminar in Jewish Literature (Prof. Frank Polak), Tel Aviv University. December 18, 2005.
- 2004a “The Letter of Aristeas and the Reception History of the Septuagint.” Yale University, March 3, 2004.
- 2004b “Eschatology Without a Messiah in the Wisdom of Ben Sira.” “The Septuagint and Messianism.” Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven, Belgium, July 27–29, 2004.
- 2004c “The Letter of Aristeas: A Witness to the Reception History of the Septuagint.” International Meeting of the IOSCS, Leiden, The Netherlands, July 30–31, 2004.
- 2003a “Ben Sira Among the Rabbis.” Philadelphia Seminar on Christian Origins. Princeton University, March 13, 2003.
- 2003b “Ben Sira on Kings and Kingship.” “Representations of Monarchy in Hellenistic Culture.” Somerville College, Oxford University, March 24–26, 2003.
- 2003c “Some Remarks on One Methodological Assumption of the Gröningen Hypothesis of Qumran Origins.” Second International Enoch Seminar, Venice, Italy, July 1–4, 2003.
- 2002a “Antagonistic Wisdom Schools? The Relationship Between Ben Sira and *I Enoch*.” University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, March 18, 2002.
- 2002b “Translation as Scripture: The Septuagint in *Aristeas* and Philo.” “The Septuagint in Ancient Judaism and Early Christianity,” Bangor Theological Seminary, Bangor, ME, Sept. 8–11, 2002.
- 2002c “Wisdom and Instruction in Ben Sira and *I Enoch*.” Wisdom and Apocalypticism in Judaism and Early Christianity Group. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Toronto, Canada.

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- 2002d Response to Gabriele Boccaccini, *The Roots of Rabbinic Judaism*. Special Book Review Session. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Toronto, Canada.
- 2001a “Why a Prologue? Ben Sira’s Grandson and His Translation.” IOSCS. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Denver, CO, November 17–20, 2001.
- 2001b Response to Richard Horsley, “The Politics of Cultural Production in Second-Temple Judah.” Wisdom and Apocalypticism in Judaism and Early Christianity Section. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Denver, CO, Nov 17–20, 2001.
- 2001c A Reply to David Kraemer and Philip Davies on Ancient Jewish Food and Eating Practices. Hellenistic Judaism Section. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Denver, CO, Nov 17–20, 2001.
- 2001d “Ben Sira and *I Enoch*.” First International Enoch Seminar. Sesto Fiorentino, Italy, June 20–22, 2001.
- 2001e “The Categories of Rich and Poor in the Qumran Sapiential Literature.” “Sapiential Perspectives: Wisdom Literature in Light of the Dead Sea Scrolls.” Sixth International Symposium of the Orion Center for the Study of the Dead Sea Scrolls. Jerusalem, Israel, May 20–22, 2001.
- 2001f “Access to the Source: Cicero, Ben Sira, The Septuagint and Their Audiences.” “From Hellenistic Judaism to Christian Hellenism: An International Colloquium.” Institute for Advanced Studies, Jerusalem, Israel, March 26–29, 2001.
- 2000a “Wisdom and the Women of Qumran.” Qumran Section. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature. Nashville, TN, November 18–21, 2000.
- 2000b “The Real Jesus: Who Was He and How Do We Find Out?” Philosophical Society, Millersville University, Millersville, PA, April 18, 2000.
- 1999a “‘Put the Nations in Fear of You:’ Ben Sira and the Problem of Foreign Rule.” Wisdom and Apocalypticism in Judaism and Early Christianity Group. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Boston, MA.
- 1999b “Lessons for Today’s Leaders From Ancient Civilizations.” School Study Council. Lehigh University, Bethlehem, PA, January 27, 1999.
- 1998a “The Discourse of Riches and Poverty in the Book of Ben Sira.” Wisdom and Apocalypticism in Judaism and Early Christianity Group. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Orlando, FL.
- 1998b “The Jewish Scriptures in Greek: The Septuagint in the Context of Ancient Translation Activity.” “Biblical Translation in Context.” Joseph and Rebecca Meyerhoff Center for Jewish Studies. University of Maryland, College Park, MD.
- 1997a “The Apocryphon of Ezekiel and 4QPseudo-Ezekiel: Are They the Same Work? How Do We Know?” “The Dead Sea Scrolls: Fifty Years After Their Discovery.” The Israel Museum, Jerusalem. [Also presented at the Pseudepigrapha Group. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, San Francisco, CA].
- 1997b “Qumran Pseudepigrapha and Early Christianity: Is 1 Clement 50:4 a Citation of 4QPseudo-Ezekiel (4Q385 12)?” “Pseudepigraphic Perspectives: The Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha in Light of the Dead Sea Scrolls.” Second International Symposium of the Orion Center for the Study of the Dead Sea Scrolls, Jerusalem, Israel, January 12–14, 1997.
- 1996a “Fear the Lord and Honor the Priest: Ben Sira as Defender of the Jerusalem Priesthood.” First International Ben Sira Conference, Soesterberg, the Netherlands, July 28–31, 1996.

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- 1996b “Putting the Puzzle Together: Some Suggestions Concerning the Social Location of the Wisdom of Ben Sira.” Wisdom, Apocalyptic, and Early Christianity Consultation, Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, New Orleans, LA
- 1995a “δοῦλος and παῖς as Translations of עֶבֶד: Lexical Equivalences and Conceptual Transformations.” IXth Congress of the IOSCS, Cambridge University, July 15–16, 1995.
- 1995b “The Story of the Dead Sea Scrolls.” Keynote Lecturer and Participant for Day of Dialogue III—“The Dead Sea Scrolls and Their Implications for Judaism and Christianity.” Institute for Jewish-Christian Understanding, Muhlenberg College, Allentown, PA.
- 1995c “Heaven as a Place of Revelation.” Frederic C. Wood, Jr. Mini Lecture Series, Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, NY.
- 1994a “1 Clement 50.4 and Clement of Alexandria *Protrepticus* 8.81.4: Citations of an Ezekiel Pseudepigraphon?” Pseudepigrapha Section. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Chicago, IL.
- 1994b “Jewish Ritual Baths—Interpreting the Digs and the Texts: Some Problems in the Social Reconstruction of Second Temple Judaism.” “The Archaeology of Israel—Constructing the Past, Interpreting the Present.” Berman Center for Jewish Studies, Lehigh University, Bethlehem, PA.
- 1993 “Seeking the Sublime: Aspects of Inner-Jewish Polemic in Ben Sira.” Hellenistic Judaism Section. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Washington, DC.
- 1991a “My Power, O Power: An Examination of Gospel of Peter 5.19 and Its Synoptic Parallels.” Synoptic Gospels Section. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Kansas City, KS.
- 1991b “King and Messiah: The Religious Significance of David in Israelite and Jewish Tradition.” Berman Museum of Art City of David Excavation Exhibit, Ursinus College, Collegeville, PA (April) and Lehigh University City of David Exhibit (September).
- 1990a “A Coptic Manuscript of the Gospel of John at the University of Pennsylvania Museum.” With James N. Hubler. American Society of Papyrologists, San Francisco, CA.
- 1990b “Some Methodological Considerations of the Rabbis’ Knowledge of the Proverbs of Ben Sira.” Israelite and Christian Wisdom Section. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, New Orleans, LA.
- 1987 “Report on the University of Pennsylvania Computer Assisted Tools for Septuagint Studies Project: Textual Variants.” Computer Assisted Studies Seminar. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Boston, MA.
- 1986a “Free or Literal”? An Examination of Translation Technique in Ben Sira.” International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies, Jerusalem, Israel.
- 1986b “A Fragment of Apocryphal Ezekiel in 1 Clement.” Pseudepigrapha Group. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Atlanta, GA.
- 1985a “The Influence of the Greek Pentateuch on the Greek of Ben Sira.” International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies, Anaheim, CA.
- 1985b “The Center as Conversion Unit: Automatic Scanning, Loading to Microformats, Specialized Printing Output.” Computer Assisted Studies Seminar. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Anaheim, CA.

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- 1984a “Report on the University of Pennsylvania Computer Assisted Tools for Septuagint Studies Project: The Inputting and Treatment of Textual Variants.” Computer Assisted Studies Seminar. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Chicago, IL.
- 1984b “The Judean Desert Discoveries: Their Importance for Biblical Study.” Annual Honor Society Lecture. Eastern College, St. Davids, PA.
- 1983 “Jewish Biblical Exegesis and Gnosticism: Some Traditions about the Creation of Adam.” Philadelphia Seminar on Christian Origins.
- 1982 “Report on the University of Pennsylvania Computer Assisted Tools for Septuagint Studies Project: Treating Textual Variants.” Computer Assisted Studies Seminar. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, New York, NY.
- 1979 “The Figure of Phineas in Philo.” Research Report presented to the Philadelphia Seminar on Christian Origins.

LEHIGH UNIVERSITY ACTIVITIES

- 2019 Interim Chair, Department of Religion Studies
- 2010-14 Libsch Research Award Review Committee (On leave 2012–2013 academic year)
- 2010-11 Eckhardt Scholars Honors Program Steering Committee
- 2009-12 Director, South Mountain College, Lehigh University
- 2009 Tenure Committee, College of Arts and Sciences (Fall leave replacement)
- 2008 Chair, Kenner Lecture Committee
- 2007-15 Steering Committee, South Mountain College
- 2006 Promotion and Tenure Committee, College of Arts and Sciences (Fall leave replacement)
- 2006-10 Chair, Religion Studies Department
- 2004-15 Faculty Athletics Council (Advisory Council to the Athletic Director)
- 2002-12 Coach, Lehigh University Men’s Ice Hockey Club (2002-03, Assistant; 2003-2012 Associate Head Coach)
- 2002-03 Member, Search Committee, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences
- 2002-03 Member, Search Committee, Islam, Religion Studies Department
- 2002 NCAA mid-term renewal committee (Athletic Department)
- 2001-02 Advisory Council for Information Services (ACIS)
- 2001-03 Department Website Manager
- 2000-01 Promotion and Tenure Committee, College of Arts and Sciences (year-long leave replacement)
- 1996-12 Faculty Advisor, Lehigh Men’s Ice Hockey Club (Faculty Advisor of the Year, 1996)
- 1991-04 Taylor College Fellow
- 1992-04 Faculty Steering Committee and Associate Editor, *The Lehigh Review*
- 1990-01 Library Liaison, Religion Studies Department
- 1999-00 Member, Search Committee, Vice-Provost for Information Resources
- 1998-99 Member, *ad hoc* Committee on College Distribution Requirements
- 1994-99 Head Coach, Lehigh University Men’s Ice Hockey Club (ECHA Coach of the Year, 1999)
- 1993 Organized book reading in recognition of Banned Book Awareness Week
- 1992 “The Dead Sea Scrolls Controversy: Report from the Front.” Lunchtime discussion concerning developments in the release of the unpublished scrolls (Oct. 2)
- 1992-94 Computer Advisory Committee, College of Arts and Sciences
- 1991 Committee on Computers and Undergraduate Education in the Humanities
- 1991 Student Teach-In on the Arab-Israeli Problem (April 10)
- 1991 Participation in activities concerning the Gulf War (Student Teach-in; discussion group at Taylor College)

COURSES TAUGHT

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World Religions
Sacred Scriptures Around the World
Judaism, Christianity, Islam
Introduction to Christianity
History of Christianity I, II
The Limits of Christian Tolerance
Reading the Bible in the Contemporary World
Introduction to Biblical Religions
Introduction to the Hebrew Bible
Introduction to the New Testament
Introduction to New Testament Greek
Archaeology and the Bible
The Beginnings of Judaism
Globalization in the Ancient Mediterranean
Religion and Contemporary Fiction

Christian Origins: The Beginnings of Christianity
Sources for the Life of Jesus
Synoptic Gospels
Seminar on Pauline Literature
Varieties of Early Christianity
Armageddon: End Time Thinking in Judaism and Christianity
Varieties of Judaism in the Greco-Roman World
Computers and Textual Research
Visions of God: 2000 Years of Christian History and Art
The Dead Sea Scrolls
Ancient Jewish Diasporas
Biblical Women: Re/Reading the Texts and Traditions
God in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam
What is Religion?
The Culture of the Book

LANGUAGE COMPETENCE

Greek, Hebrew (Biblical, post-Biblical, Modern), Aramaic, Latin, Coptic, French, German (2 years study each of Syriac, Classical Armenian)