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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 Visiting Fellow, Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies, Oxford University  
2016 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.  
1983-84 Research Assistant, Computer Assisted Tools for Septuagint Studies Project, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

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- 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

- 2018 Ph.D. Thesis, Preliminary Evaluator, University of Helsinki (Katri Antin)  
2016 Ph.D. Thesis, External Reader and Examiner, University of Michigan (Jason Zurawski)  
2015 Ph.D. Thesis, External Reader and Examiner, University of Toronto (John Screnock)  
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 Editor, *Journal for the Study of Judaism Supplements* (monograph series, Brill)  
2009 Ph.D. thesis, External Reader, Murdoch University (Western Australia) (Ibolya Balla)  
2008 Ph.D. thesis, External Reader, Westminster Theological Seminary (Leong Cheng Michael Phua)  
2007-09 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)  
2017- Associate Editor, *Journal for the Study of Judaism Supplements* (monograph series, Brill)  
2007- Editorial Board, *Religion Compass* (Blackwell's)  
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- Series Editorial Board, Deuterocanonical and Cognate Literature (Walter de Gruyter)  
2004-05 Ph.D. Thesis External Reader and Examiner, University of Toronto (Paul McLean, Janes Smith)  
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 and under contract with Fortress Press)

*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*. 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**

“Ἰσοδυναμέω and Translation into Greek in Sirach.” To appear in *Greek Expanded, Greek Transformed: The Vocabulary of the Translators and the Cultural World of the Translators*. Jan Joosten and Trevor Evans, eds.

“Ptolemy II’s Gift of Temple Furnishings in the *Letter of Aristeas*.” To appear on TheTorah.com website.

“The Letter of Aristeas and the Place of the Septuagint in Alexandrian Judaism.” To appear in *Alexandria—Hub of the Hellenistic World*, Ed. Jörg Frey et al. WUNT. Tübingen Mohr Siebeck.

“The Pseudepigrapha within and without Biblical Studies.” To appear in *The Old Testament Pseudepigrapha: Fifty Years of the Pseudepigrapha Section at the SBL*. Matthias Henze and Liv Ingeborg Lied, eds. Atlanta: SBL.

“Where is the Torah in Ben Sira?” To appear in *From tôrāh to Torah: Variegated Notions of Torah from the First Temple Period to Late Antiquity*. William Schniedewind, Gabriele Boccaccini, and Jason Zurawski, eds.

“Ben Sira.” To appear in *The Oxford Handbook of Wisdom and Wisdom Literature*. Will Kynes, ed. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

“The Wisdom of Ben Sira or Sirach, Lead Article.” To appear in *The Textual History of the Hebrew Bible, Vol 2. Deuterocanonical Literature*. Matthias Henze, ed., Leiden: Brill.

“The Septuagint in Second Temple Judaism.” To appear in *Handbook for Septuagint Research*, William A. Ross and W. Edward Glenny, eds., Edinburgh: T&T Clark.

Articles to appear in the *Encyclopedia of the Bible and its Reception*, vol 16.

Maked (Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism)  
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- “Unbridled Libido: Ben Sira and the Billy Graham Rule.” To appear in *Testing and Temptation in Second Temple Jewish and Early Christian Texts*. Daniel Smith and Loren Stuckenbruck, eds.
- “Interdisciplinary Intersections: Septuagint Studies, Classics, and Translation Studies.” To appear in a volume on Translation Narratives. Sonja Brentjes, Bruce O’Brien, and Jens Hoyrup, eds.
- “Ben Sira’s Pseudo-Pseudepigraphy: Idealizations from Antiquity to the Early Middle Ages” (with Eva Mroczek). To appear in *The Pursuit of Human Flourishing: A Virginia Conference on the Book of Sirach and its Contexts*. Greg Schmidt Goering, Samuel Adams, and Matthew Goff, eds. Leiden: Brill.
- “The Persian Glosses and the Text of Manuscript B Revisited.” To appear in *Ben Sira Manuscripts after 120 Years*. J. K. Aitken, R. Egger-Wenzel, and S. C. Reif, eds. ISDCL Yearbook. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter.
- “The Production of Greek Books in Alexandrian Judaism.” To appear in *Judaea in the Long Third Century BCE: The Transition between the Persian and Hellenistic Periods*. Oded Lipschits et al., eds. Winona Lake, IN: Eisenbrauns.
- “The Letter of Aristeas.” To appear in *The Wiley-Blackwell Companion to Old Testament Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha*. Randall Chesnutt, ed. Hoboken: Wiley-Blackwell.
- “Wisdom of Ben Sira.” To appear in *T&T Clark Companion to Second Temple Judaism*. Loren T. Stuckenbruck and Daniel M. Gurtner, eds. London: Bloomsbury T&T Clark.
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- 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. BZNV 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.
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- 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.” 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.
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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.
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- 2015a “Sirach.” In *The T&T Clark Companion to the Septuagint*. James Aitken, ed. London: T&T Clark, 410–424.
- 2015b “Epistle of Jeremiah.” In *The T&T Clark Companion to the Septuagint*. James Aitken, ed. London: T&T Clark, 520–527.
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- 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.
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- Eve, Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism, 290.  
Exorcism, Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism, 523.

Fear of God, Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism, 1025–1027.

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- 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.
- 2013a Article in *The Encyclopedia of the Bible and its Reception. Volume 6. Dabbesheth—Dreams and Dream Interpretation*. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter.
- 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.
- 2013c Articles in *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception. Volume 7. Dress—Essene Gate*. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter.
- Edict, Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism, 398  
Egypt, Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism, 500–502
- 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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- 2013f “Apocryphon of Ezekiel.” In *Outside the Bible: Ancient Jewish Writings Related to Scripture*. Louis Feldman, James Kugel, and Lawrence Schiffman, eds. Philadelphia: Jewish Publication Society, 1529–1534.
- 2013g “Apocryphon of Ezekiel.” In *More Old Testament Pseudepigrapha*, Vol. 1. Richard Bauckham, James Davila and Alex Panayotov, eds. Grand Rapids, MI: Wm. B. Eerdmans, 380–392.
- 2012 “Conflicted Boundaries: Ben Sira, Sage and Seer.” In *Congress Volume Helsinki 2010*. Martti Nissinen, ed. VTSup 148. Leiden: Brill, 229–253.
- 2011a “Translation Greek in Sirach in Light of the Grandson’s Prologue.” In *The Texts and Versions of the Book of Ben Sira: Transmission and Interpretation*. Jan Joosten and Jean-Sébastien Rey, eds. JSJSup 150. Leiden: Brill, 75–94.
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- 2011e “The *Letter of Aristeas* and the Question of Septuagint Origins Redux.” *Journal of Ancient Judaism* 2 (2011) 304–326.
- 2011f “Sirach.” In *The Oxford Encyclopedia of the Books of the Bible*. Michael Coogan, ed. New York: Oxford University Press, 322–334
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- 2010a “Noah and the Flood in the Septuagint.” In *Noah and His Book(s)*. Michael E. Stone, Aryeh Amihay, and Vered Hillel eds. SBLEJL 28. Atlanta: SBL, 137–142.
- 2010b “The Wisdom of Ben Sira or Sirach.” In the *New Interpreter’s Bible One Volume Commentary*. David L. Petersen and Beverly R. Gaventa, eds. Nashville: Abingdon, 566–579.
- 2010c “The Epistle of Jeremiah: Translation or Composition?” In *Deuterocanonical Additions to the Old Testament Books: Selected Studies*. Géza G. Xeravits and József Zsengellér, eds. DCLS 5. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 126–142.
- 2010d “Joining the Club: A Suggestion about Genre in Early Jewish Texts,” *Dead Sea Discoveries* 17 (2010) 289–314.
- 2010e “Moving Beyond Translating a Translation: Reflections on *A New English Translation of the Septuagint* (NETS).” In “*Translation Is Required*”: *The Septuagint in Retrospect and Prospect*. Robert Hiebert, ed. SBLSCS 30. Atlanta: SBL, 23–39.
- 2010f “The Textual-Linguistic Character and Socio-Cultural Context of the LXX.” In “*Translation Is Required*”: *The Septuagint in Retrospect and Prospect*. Robert Hiebert, ed. SBLSCS 30. Atlanta: SBL, 235–238.
- 2010g Articles in *Dictionary of Early Judaism*. Daniel Harlow and John J. Collins, eds. Grand Rapids: Wm. B. Eerdmans.  
     Aristeas, Letter of, 376–378.  
     Ben Sira, Book of, 436–439.
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- 2009b “Aristeas, Letter of.” *The Encyclopedia of the Bible and its Reception. Volume 2, Anim–Atheism*. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 2009, 711–718. (CHOICE Award for Outstanding Academic Title 2010)
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- 2008b Introduction and Notes to “Ecclesiasticus or The Wisdom of Jesus Son of Sirach.” In *The Westminster Discipleship Study Bible*. Louisville, KY: Westminster/John Knox Press.
- 2008c “Transcribing, Translating, and Interpreting in the *Letter of Aristeas*: On the Nature of the Septuagint.” In *Scripture in Transition: Essays on Septuagint, Hebrew Bible and Dead Sea Scrolls in Honour of Raija Sollamo*. Anssi Voitila and Jutta Jokiranta, eds. *JSJSup* 126. Leiden: Brill, 147–161.
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Jannes and Jambres, 183.  
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- 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.
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- 2018h “The Manuscripts of Ben Sira and What They Tell Us About the Ancient Text.” Chabad Society. Oxford. June 5, 2018.
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- 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.
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- 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.
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- 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.’” 6<sup>th</sup> 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 20<sup>th</sup> 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.
- 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 200<sup>th</sup> 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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 πᾶς as Translations of עַבְדּוֹ: Lexical Equivalences and Conceptual Transformations.” IXth Congress of the IOSCS, Cambridge University, July 15–16, 1995.

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- 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.
- 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.

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- 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

- 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                             | Christian Origins: The Beginnings of Christianity         |
| Sacred Scriptures Around the World          | Sources for the Life of Jesus                             |
| Judaism, Christianity, Islam                | Synoptic Gospels                                          |
| Introduction to Christianity                | Seminar on Pauline Literature                             |
| History of Christianity I, II               | Varieties of Early Christianity                           |
| The Limits of Christian Tolerance           | Armageddon: End Time Thinking in Judaism and Christianity |
| Reading the Bible in the Contemporary World | Varieties of Judaism in the Greco-Roman World             |
| Introduction to Biblical Religions          | Computers and Textual Research                            |
| Introduction to the Hebrew Bible            | Visions of God: 20000 Years of Christian History and Art  |
| Introduction to the New Testament           | The Dead Sea Scrolls                                      |
| Introduction to New Testament Greek         | Ancient Jewish Diasporas                                  |
| Archaeology and the Bible                   | Biblical Women: Re/Reading the Texts and Traditions       |
| The Beginnings of Judaism                   | God in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam                   |

**LANGUAGE COMPETENCE**

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