

CURRICULUM VITAE
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PRESENT POSITION

Associate Professor of New Testament, Fuller Theological Seminary

PERSONAL DATA

Marital/Family Status	Married to Randee L. [Trowbridge], 1969 One married daughter, Ingrid M. Steele (Chad) Two grandsons Jakob Lewis Steele (b. 2009) Henry John Steele (b. 2013)
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EDUCATION

BA (German, French, Humanities)	Washington State University, 1969
BD (Valedictorian)	Lutheran Brethren Seminary, 1972
ThM (New Testament)	Princeton Theological Seminary, 1973
PhD (New Testament)	Fuller Theological Seminary, 1980
Dissertation: "Biblical Semantics, Semantic Structure, and Biblical Lexicology: A Study of Methods, with Special Reference to the Pauline Lexical Field of 'Cognition'"	
Mentors:	George E. Ladd, Ralph P. Martin
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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

1991-present	Associate Professor of New Testament, FTS
2004-present	Member, governing board, Lutheran Brethren Seminary, Fergus Falls, Minnesota
1997-2003	Academic Director, Fuller Theological Seminary Northwest
1984-1997	Director, Seattle Extension, FTS
2007 (September)	Guest lecturer (Hebrew Worldview), Zhengzhou University, Zhengzhou, CHINA
2002 (Summer)	Visiting Professor (Matthew), Tyndale Theological Seminary, Amsterdam, THE NETHERLANDS
2000 (Summer)	Visiting Professor (Romans), Seminario Teológico Presbiteriano San Pablo, Mérida, Yucatán, MEXICO
1997-1998	Member, Critical Scholars Review Committee, International Standard Version of the Bible, Learn Foundation

1994 (Summer)	Visiting Professor (Romans), Seminario Bíblico de Colombia, Medellín, COLOMBIA
1984-1991	Assistant Professor of New Testament, FTS
1993-1996	Member, (National) Curriculum Development Task Force, Church of the Lutheran Brethren
1993-1996	Member, (Regional) Curriculum Development Task Force, Pacific Northwest District, CLBA
1991 (Summer)	Visiting Professor (Romans, Gospels, Parables), Lutheran Brethren Seminary, Sendai, JAPAN
1983-2002	Abstactor for <i>Religious and Theological Abstracts: New Testament Studies</i> (through vol 41) <i>Svensk exegetisk årsbok</i> <i>Filología neotestamentaria</i>
1988 (Summer)	Visiting Professor (Romans, Ephesians), École de Théologie de l'Église Fraternelle Lutherienne, Kaélé, CAMEROON
1987-1988	Member, Executive Committee, Evangelical Ministries Network, Seattle
1987 (Fall)	Interim Pastor (preaching), Rock of Ages Lutheran Brethren Church, Seattle, Washington
1985-1988	Member, (National) Board of Publications, Parish Education, and Youth, Church of the Lutheran Brethren
1983 (Fall)	Adjunct Prof of NT, Lutheran Brethren Seminary, Fergus Falls, MN
1980-1984	Senior Pastor, Triumph Lutheran Brethren Church, Moorhead, Minnesota
1975-1979	Private tutor in theological German
1974, 1980	Graduate Assistant to G. E. Ladd, C. F. H. Henry, Fuller Seminary
1971-1972	Instructor in Bible, Hillcrest Lutheran Academy
1970-1972	Instructor in Greek, Lutheran Brethren Seminary

PUBLICATIONS:

BOOK

A Beginner's Guide to New Testament Exegesis: Taking the Fear Out of Critical Method. InterVarsity Press, 2005 (translated into Italian and Chinese)

ARTICLES

Adult Sunday School lesson for David C. Cook (Dec 1981-Feb 1982)

"Oida and Ginosko and Verbal Aspect in Pauline Usage," *WTJ* 44 (1982) 110-122

"Biblical Studies and Modern Linguistics," *TSF Bulletin* 6/4 (March-April 1983) 16-17

“Linguistics and Biblical Language: A Wide Open Field,” *JETS* 26 (1983) 157-163

James Barr and the Beginnings of Biblical Semantics (Anthroscience Minigraph Series, Notre Dame: Foundations Press, 1984)

“Some Recent Contributions to Biblical Linguistics” (a review article), *TSF Bulletin* 8/4 (March-April 1985) 23-24

“Ephesians,” in *The Evangelical Commentary on the Bible*, ed. W. A. Elwell (Grand Rapids, Baker, 1989); published separately, with discussion questions, as *Ephesians: God’s Recreation* (Fergus Falls, Minnesota: Faith and Fellowship Press, 1987)

“What is a Family,” *Faith and Fellowship* (May 8, 1991) 4-5, 7-8, 12

“Flesh,” in R. P. Martin, G. Hawthorne, and D. Reid, eds., *Dictionary of Paul and His Letters* (Downer’s Grove: IVP, 1993) 303-306

“The Jailing of John and the Baptism of Jesus: Luke 3:19-21,” *JETS* 36 (1993) 455-466

“Life! from a Hellhole,” *Fuller Focus*, Winter 1995; reprinted as “Life from a Pit of Evil,” *Faith and Fellowship* 62/7 (1995) and as “Freedom Behind Bars,” *Sunday Digest* (June-August 1996)

“Divine Injustice? Matthew’s Narrative Strategy and the Slaughter of the Innocents (Matthew 2.13-23),” *JSNT* 64 (1996) 5-27

“The Damned and the Justified in Romans 5.12-21: An Analysis of Semantic Structure,” in S. E. Porter and J. T. Reed, eds., *Discourse Analysis and the New Testament: Approaches and Results* (Sheffield: Sheffield Academic, 1999), pp. 282-307

“Joseph and the Birth of Isaac in Matthew 1,” *BBR* 10.1 (2000) 35-51

“Ephesians,” in *The Baker Illustrated Bible Commentary*. Gary M. Burge and Andrew E. Hill, eds. BakerBooks, 2012.

“Sin-bearers in Skagit County,” *Christ and Cascadia* (online journal), October 9, 2013. Republished in *Fieldnotes Magazine* (online journal), December 16, 2013.

Numerous other articles in *Faith and Fellowship*, the denominational paper of the Church of the Lutheran Brethren

REVIEWS

Moisés Silva, *Biblical Words and Their Meaning* (Zondervan, 1983) in *TSF Bulletin* 7/3 (Jan-Feb 1984) 26, and *JETS* 27 (1984) 242-243

- Harvie M. Conn, ed., *Inerrancy and Hermeneutic: A Tradition, a Challenge, a Debate* (Grand Rapids, Baker, 1988); *JETS* 35 (1992) 241-244
- D. A. Black, *New Testament Textual Criticism: A Concise Guide* (Grand Rapids, Baker, 1994); *JETS*, 39 (1996) 146
- D. A. Black, ed, *Linguistics and New Testament Interpretation: Essays on Discourse Analysis* (Nashville, Broadman, 1992); *JETS* 39 (1996) 684-685
- R. H. Stein, *Playing by the Rules: A Basic Guide to Interpreting the Bible* (Grand Rapids, Baker, 1994); *JETS* 39 (1996) 638-639
- Daniel B. Wallace, *Greek Grammar Beyond the Basics: An Exegetical Syntax of the New Testament* (Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1996); *JETS* 42 (1999) 128-130
- S. E. Porter, *Studies in the Greek New Testament: Theory and Practice* (New York: Peter Lang, 1996); *JETS* 42 (1999) 130-131

TRANSLATIONS

- “Melito’s *Peri Pascha*: A Translation,” *Faith and Fellowship* (Feb-Mar 1975)
- Birger Olsson, “First John: Discourse Analyses and Interpretations,” in S. E. Porter and J. T. Reed, eds., *Discourse Analysis and the New Testament: Essays in Theory and Application* (Sheffield: Sheffield Academic, 1999), pp. 369-391 [Original Swedish: “Första Johannesbrevet: diskursanalyser och tolkningar,” *SEÅ* 60 (1995) 141-163]
- Staffan Olofsson, “The Septuagint and Earlier Jewish Interpretative Tradition--Especially as Reflected in the Targums,” *Scandinavian Journal of the Old Testament* 10 (1996) 197-216 [Original Swedish: “Septuaginta och äldre judisk tolkningstradition,” *SEÅ* 58 (1993) 15-32]
- Harald Riesenfeld, “Christology and Contingence” [Original Swedish: “Kristologi och kontingens,” *SEÅ* 58 (1993) 33-50]
- Jean Paillard, *In Praise of the Inexpressible: Paul’s Experience of the Divine Mystery*. Peabody, MA: Hendrickson, 2003 [Original Swedish: *Till det osägbaras lov: om Paulus erfarenhet av mysteriet*. Örebro: Libris, 2001]
- Lena Malmgren, *Barbed Wire and Thorns: A Christian’s Reflection on Suffering*. Peabody, MA: Hendrickson, 2007. [Original Swedish: *Taggtråd och törne*. Arcus, 2002]

Birger Olsson, *A Commentary on the Letters of John: An Intra-Jewish Approach*. Eugene, OR: Wipf and Stock, 2013. [Original Swedish: *Johannesbrevet*. KNT; EFS-förlaget, 2008]

PAPERS PRESENTED

“*Oida* and *Ginosko* and Verbal Aspect in Pauline Usage,” at the Twenty-Fourth Conference of the Linguistic Circle of Manitoba and North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND, October 30, 1981

“Luke’s Jailing of John in Luke 3:20: Restraining Some Old Beads,” at the Northwest Sectional Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, Portland, OR, April 6, 1992

“Dependence and Independence in the Sermon on the Mount,” at Northwest District, Church of the Lutheran Brethren, clergy and lay leadership conference on Law and Gospel, Everett, Washington, February 11, 1994

“The Damned and the Forgiven in Adam and Christ (Romans 5:12-21),” at Northwest District, Church of the Lutheran Brethren, clergy and lay leadership conference on Law and Gospel, Everett, Washington, February 11, 1994

“Playing on a Level Field: Law and Gospel in the Old Testament Books of Wisdom,” at Northwest District, Church of the Lutheran Brethren, second clergy and lay leadership conference on Law and Gospel, Bothell, Washington, November 19, 1994

“Voices in Dialogue: A Narrative Critical Analysis of Rachel’s Lament in Matt 2:18 and the Evangelist’s Response,” at the Northwest Sectional Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, Portland, OR, April 8, 1995

“The Damned and the Justified in Romans 5:12-21: An Analysis of Semantic Structure,” at the Northwest Sectional Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, Portland, OR, February 24, 1996

“Joseph and the Birth of Isaac in Matthew 1,” at the Northwest Sectional Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, Tacoma, WA, March 8, 1997

“Joseph and the Birth of Isaac in Matthew 1” (revised version), at the Forty-Ninth Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, Santa Clara, CA, November 21, 1997

“Touching the Untouchables: Narrative Strategy in Matt 8:1-17,” at the Northwest Sectional Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, Portland, OR, February 28, 1998

“Touching the Untouchables: Narrative Strategy in Matt 8:1-17” (revised version), at the Fiftieth Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, Orlando, FL, November 19, 1998

“Where it’s At: Pastoral Call as Yes! Yes! and No! No!” Strategic Leadership Institute, Edmonds, WA, September 7, 2001

“Letting the Gospels be the Gospels”; Letting Paul be Paul”; “Letting the Revelation be an Apocalypse,” at J-Term, Lutheran Brethren Seminary, Fergus Falls, MN, January 16-18, 2006

PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES AND HONORS

Valedictorian, Lutheran Brethren Seminary, 1972

Society of Biblical Literature (through 1987)

Evangelical Theological Society (through 2001)

Vice Chair, Northwest Sectional Meeting, 1996

Chair, Northwest Sectional Meeting, 1997

Institute for Biblical Research (through 2012)

2005 Christianity Today International/ACCESS Online Credit Course of the Year (NS500 Gospels)

2008 Homer L. Goddard Award for Community Service, Fuller Theological Seminary Northwest

2010 Kern Family Foundation grant for development of online curriculum

2014 Richard J. Mouw Award for Leadership in Education

Commencement Speaker, Fuller Northwest Graduation Celebration, June 7, 2014