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Education

Ph.D. Emory University, Hebrew Bible, 2008
M.Div. Princeton Theological Seminary, 2003
B.A., *magna cum laude* Amherst College, 1996
Additional coursework University of California at Davis, 2000-2001 (Classical Greek)
Université de Grenoble / Swarthmore College in France, 1995

Professional experience

Fuller Theological Seminary

2016-present Chair, Old Testament Department
2012-present D. Wilson Moore Associate Professor of Ancient Near Eastern Studies
(Full member of doctoral faculty 2015-)
2008-2012 D. Wilson Moore Assistant Professor of Ancient Near Eastern Studies
(Associate member of doctoral faculty 2008-14)
Service: Director of Hebrew instruction for all Fuller campuses, Faculty Senate, Academic
Affairs Committee, Master's Admissions Committee. Faculty Library Committee

University of Pretoria, South Africa

2017- Research Associate, Department of Old Testament Studies

The Megiddo Expedition

2016- Consortium member; Directors: Israel Finkelstein, Tel Aviv University and
Matthew Adams, Albright Institute of Archaeological Research, Jerusalem

University of Notre Dame, Tantur Ecumenical Institute, Jerusalem

Fall 2013 Visiting Professor

Emory University / Candler School of Theology

2006-08 Candler Writing Center Coordinator
2006-07 Adjunct Instructor of Old Testament
2007 Staff, Lahav Research Project (Tell Halif, Israel); Directors: Oded Borowski,
Emory University; James Hardin, Mississippi State University
2003-06 Teaching assistant

Princeton Theological Seminary

2000-03 Teaching assistant (Biblical Hebrew and Biblical Greek)

Grants and awards

University of Southern California, West Semitic Research Project, Reflectance Transformation
Imaging Training Grant, 2016 (faculty sponsor for two students)
Manfred Lautenschlaeger Symposium Grant, 2016 (15,000€)
Emory University Research Grant, 2013-14 (\$5,000, with Brent A. Strawn and Joel M. LeMon)
Manfred Lautenschlaeger Award for Theological Promise, 2013 (\$10,000)

ECF Endowment, Global Studies and Research, 2012 (\$5000)
Louisville Institute Sabbatical Grant for Researchers, 2010-11 (\$31,000)
Society of Biblical Literature Regional Scholar, Pacific Coast Region nominee, 2010
Fuller Theological Seminary Education/Culture Fellowship Grant, Summer 2010 (\$5,000)
Solomon Fellowship Travel Grant, Board of Rabbis of Southern California, Summer 2010
Catholic Biblical Association Memorial Stipend, 2006-2008
American Schools of Oriental Research Platt Fellowship, 2007
Biblical Archaeology Review Dig Scholarship, 2007
American Schools of Oriental Research Callaway Prize for Biblical Archaeology, 2005
Woodruff Honors Fellowship, Emory University, 2003-2008
Graduate Summer Research Grants, Emory University, 2007, 2004
Teaching and the Environment Honors Stipend, Emory University, 2004
McLaren Essay Prize for Biblical Theology, Princeton Theological Seminary, 2002 and 2003
Gehman Award for Old Testament, Princeton Theological Seminary, 2002
Roberts Scholarship in Preaching, Princeton Theological Seminary, 2002
Hodge Prize for Systematic Theology, Princeton Theological Seminary, 2002
Princeton Theological Seminary Merit Fellowship, 2000-2003
Corbin English Prize (top senior thesis), Amherst College, 1996
Collin Armstrong Poetry Prize, Amherst College, 1996

Conferences organized

“Deathless Hopes: Reinventions of Afterlife and Eschatological Beliefs,” Manfred Lautenschlaeger Symposium, Qiryat Tiv’on, Israel, July 10-11, 2016.
“The Formation of the Book of Isaiah in Its Ancient Near Eastern Context,” Universität Zürich, Switzerland, September 11-12, 2015 (with Prof. Dr. Konrad Schmid and support from La Société suisse pour l’étude du Proche-Orient ancien).
Second annual meeting of the North American Society of Early-Career Theologians, Oceanside, CA, November 20-21, 2014.
Inaugural meeting of the North American Society of Early-Career Theologians, Baltimore, MD, November 21-22, 2013.

Publications

Books

Isaiah: A Commentary. Old Testament Library. Louisville, Ky.: Westminster John Knox, in preparation.
The Cambridge Companion to Isaiah. (Editor) Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, in preparation.
“*Make Peace With Me*”: *The Josianic Origins of Isaiah 24-27*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, forthcoming 2018.
Deathless Hopes: Reinventions of Afterlife and Eschatological Beliefs. Co-editor, with Alexander Massmann. Altes Testament und Moderne. Berlin: LIT Verlag, 2018.
An Ugaritic Handbook: Paradigms, Vocalization Helps, and Select Bibliography (with Brent A. Strawn and Joel M. LeMon). Winona Lake, Ind.: Eisenbrauns/Pennsylvania State University Press, forthcoming 2018.
A Covenant With Death: Death in the Iron Age II and its Rhetorical Uses in Proto-Isaiah. Eerdmans, 2015. (Corrected, paperback republication of *Death in the Iron Age II and in First Isaiah*.)

- Reviews: Francis Landy, *RBL* 2016 (<https://www.bookreviews.org/bookdetail.asp?TitleId=10961>); Michael Lyons, *Near Eastern Archeological Society Bulletin* 61 (2016); Brad Kelle, *RSR* 2016.
- Hidden Riches: A Sourcebook for the Comparative Study of the Old Testament and the Ancient Near East*. Westminster John Knox, 2014.
- Reviews: Ralph Klein, *CurTM* 42 (2015): 59-66; Samuel Hildebrandt, *ExpTim* 127 (2015): 42; Benjamin J. Noonan, *BBR* 25 (2015): 241-242; Shawn Flynn, *CBQ* 78 (2016): 349-51; Brad Kelle, *RBL*; Tyler Mayfield, *Int* 70 (2016): 348-49.
- Death in the Iron Age II and in First Isaiah*. Forschungen zum Alten Testament 79. Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2011.
- Awarded the Manfred Lautenschlaeger Award for Theological Promise, 2013.
- Reviews: Konrad Schmid, *JHS* 12 (2012) (http://www.jhsonline.org/reviews/reviews_new/review614.htm); Stefanie Ernst, *OLZ* 109 (2014): 207-210; Angelika Berlejung, *ZAW* 125, (2013): 257; *OTA* 35 (2012): 455; Michael Hermann Niemann, *Jahrbuch für Liturgik und Hymnologie* 51 (2012): 73; James McKeown, *JSOT* 36 (2012): 148; Gary V. Smith, *BBR* 22 (2012): 429-431; Stefan Beyerle, *BN* 157 (2013): 142-43.

Articles in peer-reviewed journals

- “Best and Worst Cases for Judahite Corpses: ‘Friendly Amendments’ to Olyan’s Hierarchy of Burial Types,” in preparation.
- “Gradations of Degradation: Ezekiel’s Underworld as an Unholy Temple” (with Sara Wells), *Catholic Biblical Quarterly*, under review.
- “Who Were the Assyrians?” *Biblical Archaeology Review*, forthcoming.
- “‘Those Weaned From Milk’: The Divine Wet Nurse Motif in the Ceremony of the Covenant with Mut (Isa 28),” *Journal of Hebrew Scriptures* (2017), forthcoming.
- Introduction to “The Formation of Isaiah in Its Ancient Near Eastern Context,” *Hebrew Bible and Ancient Israel* 6 (2017), 1-6.
- “From Propaganda to Apocalypse: An Empirical Model for the Formation of Isaiah 24-27,” *Hebrew Bible and Ancient Israel* 6 (2017), 120-44.
- “‘There Is Hope for a Tree’: Job’s Hope for the Afterlife in the Light of Egyptian Tree Imagery,” *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 77 (2015): 42-68.
- “‘My Beloved Son, Come and Rest in Me’: Job’s Return to His Mother’s Womb (Job 1:21a) in Light of Egyptian Mythology,” *Vetus Testamentum* 62 (2012): 607-21.
- “The Egyptian Goddess Mut in Iron-Age Palestine: Further Data From Amulets and Onomastics,” *Journal of Near Eastern Studies* 71 (2012): 299-314.
- “An Egyptian Loanword in the Book of Isaiah and the Deir ‘Alla Inscription: Heb. *nšr*, Aram. *nqr* and Eg. *ntr* as ‘[Divinized] Corpse,’” *Journal of Ancient Egyptian Interconnections* 4 (2012): 17-23.
- “The Book of Isaiah in Contemporary Research.” *Religion Compass* 5 (2011): 549-66.
- “Re-Excavating Shebna’s Tomb: A New Reading of Isa 22:15–19 in its Ancient Near Eastern Context,” *Zeitschrift für die Alttestamentliche Wissenschaft* 122 (2010): 558-75.
- “Bard Called the Tune: Whither Theological Exegesis in the Post-Childs Era?” *Journal of Theological Interpretation* 4 (2010): 139-52.
- “The Covenant with Mut: A New Interpretation of Isaiah 28:1-22.” *Vetus Testamentum* 60 (2010): 212-40.
- “What Sort of Friends?: A New Proposal Regarding רפאי(ם) and טפלי(ם) in Job 13:4.” *Biblica* 90 (2009): 394-99.

- “The Dead and Their Images: An Egyptian Etymology for Hebrew *’ôb*” (first author, with Joel M. LeMon), *Journal of Ancient Egyptian Interconnections* 1 (2009): 1-4.
- “Damming Egypt / Damning Egypt: The Paronomasia of *skr* and the Unity of Isa 19:1-15.” *Zeitschrift für die Alttestamentliche Wissenschaft* 120 (2008): 612-16.
- “The Silence of the Wives: Bakhtin’s Monologism and Ezra 7-10.” *Journal for the Study of the Old Testament* 33 (2008): 59-80.
- “Chirps From the Dust: The Affliction of Nebuchadnezzar in Daniel 4:30 in Its Ancient Near Eastern Context.” *Journal of Biblical Literature* 126 (2007): 303-23.
- “‘Lest Ye Perish in the Way’: Ritual and Kinship in Exodus 4:24-26.” *Hebrew Studies* 48 (2007): 237-252.
- “Kirtu and the ‘Yoke of the Poor’: A New Interpretation of an Old Crux (KTU 1.16 VI:48).” *Ugarit-Forschungen* 37 (2005): 361-370.
- “How Shall We Sing?: Psalm 137 in Historical and Canonical Context.” *Horizons in Biblical Theology* 27.2 (December 2005): 35-55.
- “‘Blessed Be Egypt My People’: Karl Barth and the Election of the Outsider in the Old Testament.” *Princeton Theological Review* 10 (2003): 30-41.

Essays in edited volumes

- “Micah” in *The New Oxford Bible Commentary*, Oxford University Press, 2019.
- “‘Can a Woman Forget Her Nursing Child?’: The Divine Wet Nurse and the God of Israel,” in Collin Cornell, ed., *God and the Gods: The Problem of YHWH’s Ancient Look-alikes*. Eisenbrauns/Penn State University Press, 2019.
- “Isaiah: The Assyrian Period Background” (with Carly L. Crouch), in Lena-Sofia Tiemeyer, ed., *The Oxford Handbook of Isaiah*, Oxford University Press, 2019.
- “Linguistic Dating of Hebrew Prophetic Texts: A Quantitative Approach” in *The History of Isaiah: The Making of the Book and its Presentation of the Past* (FAT I; Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2018).
- “‘Your Dead Shall Live’: Reimagining the History of Judean Eschatology in Light of Isaiah 24-27,” in *Deathless Hopes: Reinventions of Afterlife and Eschatological Beliefs*. Co-editor, with Alexander Massmann. Altes Testament und Moderne. Berlin: LIT Verlag, 2018.
- “Death, Burial, and Mourning in the Iron Age Levant,” in *Behind the Scenes of the Old Testament: Cultural, Social, and Historical Contexts of Ancient Israel*. Edited by Jonathan S. Greer, John W. Hilber, and John H. Walton. Baker Academic, 2018.
- “Assyria” (first author, with Peter Machinist), in *The World Around the Old Testament*, Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2016.
- “A Story Told Backwards: Daniel’s Apocalypse,” in *Apocalypses in Context: Apocalyptic Currents Throughout History*. Edited by Kelly J. Murphy and Justin P. Jeffcoat Schedtler; Fortress Press, 2016.
- “Revelation, Interpretation, Combat, and Judgment: ‘Proto-Apocalyptic’ Constellations in the Bible and the Ancient Near East” in *Apocalypses in Context: Apocalyptic Currents Throughout History*. Edited by Kelly J. Murphy and Justin P. Jeffcoat Schedtler; Fortress Press, 2016.
- “‘Held in Slavery by the Fear of Death’: Ancient Hero Cults and the Old Testament Gospel,” pages 49-62 in Robert D. Miller, II, ed., *Between Israelite Religion and Old Testament Theology: Essays on Archaeology, History, and Hermeneutics*. Contributions to Biblical Exegesis and Theology 80. Leuven: Peeters, 2016.
- “Claims About Solomon’s Empire in Light of Egyptian Royal Ideology of Territory.” Pages 503-15 in *Israel’s Exodus in Transdisciplinary Perspective: Text, Archaeology, Culture, and Geoscience*. Edited by Thomas E. Levy, Thomas Schneider and William H.C. Propp. Quantitative Methods in the Humanities and Social Sciences. Springer: 2014.

- “The Date and Message of Isaiah 24-27 in Light of Hebrew Diachrony,” Pages 7-24 in *Intertextuality and Formation of Isaiah 24-27*. Ancient Israel and Its Literature. Edited by J. Todd Hibbard and Paul Kim. Atlanta: SBL, 2013.
- “Isaiah as ‘Colonized Poet’: The Rhetoric of Death in Resistance Literature.” Pages 51-70 in *Isaiah and Imperial Context: The Book of Isaiah in Times of Empire*. Edited by Mark G. Brett, Andrew Abernethy, Tim Bulkeley, and Tim Meadowcroft. Eugene, Or.: Pickwick Publications, 2013.
- “‘You Destroy a Person’s Hope’: Job as a Conversation About Death.” Pages 219-233 in *Reading Job Intertextually*. Edited by Katharine Dell and Will Kynes. Library of Hebrew Bible/Old Testament Studies 574. London: T&T Clark, 2012.
- “Religio-Historical Approaches: Monotheism, Method, and Mortality.” Pages 169-93 in *Method Matters: Essays on the Interpretation of the Hebrew Bible in Honor of David L. Petersen*. Edited by Joel M. LeMon and Kent H. Richards. Atlanta: SBL, 2009.
- “Echoes of the Ancient Near East?: Intertextuality and the Comparative Study of the Old Testament.” Pages 20-43 in *The Word Leaps the Gap: Essays on Scripture and Theology in Honor of Richard B. Hays*. Edited by J. Ross Wagner, C. Kavin Rowe, and A. Katherine Grieb. Grand Rapids, Mich.: Eerdmans, 2009.

Translation projects

The Book of Isaiah (co-translator) in the *Common English Bible*. 2011.

Articles in reference works

- “Egypt in the Old Testament,” in *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Religion*, forthcoming.
- “*kispum* ritual” in the *Routledge Encyclopedia of Ancient Mediterranean Religions*, New York: Routledge, 2016.
- “Funerary Inscriptions. Hebrew Bible/Old Testament” in the *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception*, vol. 9. Edited by C. L. Seow and H. Spieckermann. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 2014.
- “Death and Burial,” Oxford Bibliographies (www.oxfordbibliographies.com), 2014.
- “Death” in the *Dictionary of the Old Testament: Prophets*. InterVarsity Press, 2012.
- “Isaiah.” Pages 384-409 in *The Oxford Encyclopedia of the Books of the Bible*. Edited by Michael D. Coogan. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2011.
- “בער, ‘brennen’ ” in *Theologisches Wörterbuch zu den Qumrantexten*, Band 1. Edited by Heinz-Josef Fabry, Ulrich Dahmen, George J. Brooke et al. Stuttgart: Kohlhammer, 2011.
- Essays on Lev. 19:1-18, Micah 3:5-12 and Rev 7:9-17 in *Feasting on the Word: Perspectives on the Common Lectionary, Year B*. Louisville, Ky.: Westminster John Knox, 2008.
- Essays on Exod 12:1-14, Isa 52:13-53:12, and Lam 3:1-24 in *Feasting on the Word: Perspectives on the Common Lectionary, Year C*. Louisville, Ky.: Westminster John Knox, 2008.
- Essays on Isa 60:1-6, 61:10-62:3 and Jer 31:7-14 in *Feasting on the Word: Perspectives on the Common Lectionary, Year B*. Louisville, Ky.: Westminster John Knox, 2008.
- “Amariah,” “Amasai,” “Amashsai,” “Amasiah,” and “Ashhur” in vol. A of the *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception*, edited by C.-L. Seow and H. Spieckermann. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 2007.

Book Reviews

Review of William D. Barker, *Isaiah’s Kingship Polemic* (FAT/2 70; Göttingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2014). *Religious Studies Review*, 2017.

- Review of Brian R. Doak, *Phoenician Aniconism in its Mediterranean and Ancient Near Eastern Contexts* (Archaeology and Biblical Studies. Atlanta: Society of Biblical Literature, 2015). *Review of Biblical Literature*, 2016.
- Review of *Continuity and Discontinuity: Chronological and Thematic Development in Isaiah 40-66*. Edited by Hans M. Barstad and Lena-Sofia Tiemeyer (Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 2014). *Religious Studies Review*, 2016.
- Review of Alexander V. Prokhorov, *The Isaianic Denkschrift and a Socio-cultural Crisis in Yehud: A Rereading of Isaiah 6:1-9:6[7]*. FRLANT 216 (Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 2015). *Religious Studies Review*, 2016.
- Review of Mark S. Smith, *Poetic Heroes: Literary Commemorations of Warriors and Warrior Culture in the Early Biblical World* (Grand Rapids, Michigan: William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 2014). *Interpretation*, 2016.
- Review of Jeremy D. Smoak, *The Priestly Blessing in Inscription and Scripture: The Early History of Numbers 6:24-26* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2016). *Religious Studies Review*, 2016.
- Review of Gregorio del Olmo Lete and Joaquín Sanmartín, *A Dictionary of the Ugaritic Language in the Alphabetic Tradition*. Third Revised Edition. 2 vols. Translated and Edited by Wilfred G.E. Watson (Leiden, Brill: 2015). *Religious Studies Review*, 2016.
- Review of Shalom E. Holtz, *Neo-Babylonian Trial Records*. Writings from the Ancient World 35 (Atlanta: Society of Biblical Literature, 2014). *Religious Studies Review*, 2015.
- Review of Wim M. de Bruin, *Isaiah 1-12 as Written and Read in Antiquity* (Pericope: Scripture as Written and Read in Antiquity 8. Sheffield: Sheffield Phoenix, 2013). *Religious Studies Review*, 2015.
- Review of Patricia Dutcher-Walls, *Reading the Historical Books: A Student's Guide to Engaging the Biblical Text* (Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2014). *Religious Studies Review*, 2015.
- Review of Andrew R. Davis, *Tel Dan in its Northern Cultic Context* (Archaeology and Biblical Studies 20; Atlanta: Society of Biblical Literature, 2013). *Religious Studies Review*, 2015.
- Review of Takayoshi Oshima, *The Babylonian Theodicy*. State Archives of Assyria Cuneiform Texts 9 (Helsinki: The Neo-Assyrian Text Corpus Project, 2013). *Journal of the American Oriental Society*, forthcoming.
- Review of Shalom M. Paul, *Isaiah 40–66: Translation and Commentary* (Eerdmans Critical Commentary. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2012). *Journal of Semitic Studies*, in press.
- Review of Richard Jude Thompson, *Terror of the Radiance: Aššur Covenant to Yhwh Covenant* (Orbis Biblicus et Orientalis 258; Fribourg: Academic Press, 2013). *Journal of Semitic Studies*, in press.
- Review of Reinoud Oosting, *The Role of Zion/Jerusalem in Isaiah 40-55: A Corpus-Linguistic Approach* (Studia Semitica Neerlandica 59; Leiden: Brill, 2012). *Religious Studies Review*, 2015.
- Review of *Dinner at Dan: Biblical and Archaeological Evidence for Sacred Feasts at Iron Age II Tel Dan and Their Significance* (CHANE 66; Leiden/Boston: Brill, 2013). *Religious Studies Review*, 2014.
- Review of *Let Us Go Up to Zion: Essays in Honour of H. G. M. Williamson on the Occasion of his Sixty-Fifth Birthday*. Edited by Iain W. Provan and Mark J. Boda (Supplements to Vetus Testamentum 153. Leiden; Boston: Brill, 2012). *Religious Studies Review*, 2013.
- Review of Ulrich Berges, *The Book of Isaiah: Its Composition and Final Form* (Translated by Millard Lind. Hebrew Bible Monographs 46. Sheffield: Sheffield Phoenix Press, 2012). *Religious Studies Review*, 2013.
- Review of Terry W. Eddinger, *Malachi: A Handbook on the Hebrew Text* (Baylor Handbook on the Hebrew Bible. Waco, Tx.: Baylor University Press, 2012). *Religious Studies Review*, 2013.

- Review of Stephen C. Russell, *Images of Egypt in Early Biblical Literature: Cisjordan-Israelite, Transjordan-Israelite, and Judahite Portrayals* (BZAW 403; Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 2009), *Review of Biblical Literature*. (http://www.bookreviews.org/pdf/8240_9011.pdf)
- Review of Mary E. Mills, *Urban Imagination in Biblical Prophecy* (LHBOTS 560; London: T & T Clark, 2012). *Religious Studies Review*, 2013.
- Review of Bohdan Hrobon, *Ethical Dimension of Cult in the Book of Isaiah* (BZAW 418; Berlin: De Gruyter, 2010). *Religious Studies Review*, 2012.
- Review of Eric Nels Ortlund, *Theophany and Chaokampf: The Interpretation of Theophanic Imagery in the Baal Epic, Isaiah, and the Twelve* (Gorgias Ugaritic Studies 5; New Jersey: Gorgias, 2010). *Religious Studies Review*, 2012.
- Review of Eugene Ulrich and Peter W. Flint, *Qumran Cave 1.II: The Isaiah Scrolls* (Discoveries in the Judaean Desert 32; Oxford: Clarendon, 2010). *Religious Studies Review*, 2012.
- Review of Jan Petrus Bosman, *Social Identity in Nahum: A Theological-Ethical Inquiry* (Piscataway, N.J.: Gorgias, 2008). *Religious Studies Review* 38 (June 2012): 87.
- Review of Lena-Sofia Tiemeyer, *For the Comfort of Zion: The Geographical and Theological Location of Isaiah 40-55* (VTSup 139. Leiden: Brill, 2011). *Religious Studies Review*, 2011.
- Review of Mark S. Smith, *God in Translation: Deities in Cross-Cultural Discourse in the Biblical World* (FAT 57; Mohr Siebeck, 2008), *Review of Biblical Literature*. (http://www.bookreviews.org/pdf/7225_7865.pdf)
- Review of Isaak de Hulster, *Iconographic Exegesis and Third Isaiah* (FAT II/36; Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck). *Religious Studies Review* 37 (2011): 45.
- Review of Stephanie Budin, *The Myth of Sacred Prostitution in Antiquity* (Cambridge Univ., 2008) *Religious Studies Review*, 2010.
- Review of Rüdiger Lux, *Prophetie und Zweiter Tempel: Studien zu Haggai und Sacharja*. (FAT 65; Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2009) *Religious Studies Review*, 2009.
- Review of Steven Holloway, ed., *Orientalism, Assyriology and the Bible* (HBM 10; Sheffield: Sheffield Phoenix, 2006) *Review of Biblical Literature*, October 2007 (<http://www.bookreviews.org/BookDetail.asp?TitleId=5634>).

Popular publications

- Commentaries on Isaiah 5:1-7; 9:1-7; 25:1-9; 55:1-11 for *WorkingPreacher.org*, October-December 2017.
- “What influence did the Israelite people have on the neighboring cultures?” Society of Biblical Literature’s Bible Odyssey Ask-A-Scholar (www.bibleodyssey.com/tools/ask-a-scholar.aspx).
- Reprinted in Mosaic magazine: (<http://mosaicmagazine.com/picks/2015/12/how-did-ancient-israelites-influence-surrounding-civilizations/>)
- “‘The Earth Is Filled with Violence Because of Them’: Guns Seen Through the Lens of Genesis,” Patheos religion blog, front page, Oct. 23, 2015. (www.patheos.com/blogs/fuller/2015/10/the-earth-is-filled-with-violence-because-of-them-guns-seen-through-the-lens-of-genesis/)
- “The Challenges of Teaching the Hidden Riches of the Ancient Near East,” *Ancient Near East Today*, August 2015.
- Commentaries on Isaiah 40:21-31, 2 Kings 2:1-12, Isaiah 58:1-12, and Isaiah 50:4-9a for *WorkingPreacher.org*, February 2015.

- “Live By the Sword, Die By the Sword: The Reinvention of the Reluctant Prophet as MovieMoses™,” *FloodOfNoah.com*, December 21, 2014.
- “ ‘Some People Call Me the Space Cowboy, Some Call Me the Gangster of Love’: Interstellar’s New, Ancient Theology of Salvation,” *Marginalia Review of Books*, Dec. 2014.
- “Did God Want Noah Dead Too?: ‘Anti-Human’ Theology in Bible, Film, and Tradition,” *FloodOfNoah.com*, March 31, 2014.
- “The Right Wing Bible and the Politics of Impotence,” *Religion Dispatches*, March 7, 2011 (http://www.religiondispatches.org/archive/atheologies/4325/the_right_wing_bible_and_the_politics_of_impotence/)
- “Answering Fools: It’s Time to Reassess the Posture of Perpetual Outrage,” *Christianity Today* 55:2 (Feb. 2011), 24-25. (Submitted title: “The Flawed Economics of Answering Fools: Why Christian Engagement With Culture Should Be More Selective.”)
- “Tell Halif, 2007,” *ASOR Newsletter*, Spring 2008.
- “Versions and Translations of the Bible,” *SBL-Site.org*, November 2007 (<http://www.sbl-site.org/educational/bibleandcommentary.aspx>)
- “Tell Halif, 2007 season,” *FindADig.com* (Biblical Archaeology Society), 2007.
- “The Wright Stuff?: Scholars Discuss *Mere Christianity* at SBL Annual Meeting 2006.” *SBL Forum*, March 2007.
- “ ‘Beyond ‘Context’: Asian Hermeneutics at the National Meeting.” *SBL Forum*, January 2005.
- “Presidential Address by David L. Petersen.” *SBL Forum*, December 2004.
- “The Best Practices in Teaching Workshop: A Look at One New Program Unit.” *SBL Forum*, December 2004.

Academic papers presented

- “ ‘Your Dead Shall Live’: Complicating the History of the Judean Afterlife,” *ARAM: Afterlife in Ancient Near Eastern Religions*, Oxford, July 17, 2018.
- “Intertextual Connections Between Isaiah 24-27 and the Book of the Twelve Reconsidered,” Conference on “Isaiah And The Book Of The Twelve,” Katholische Universität Eichstätt June 2, 2018.
- “Ramat Rahel as the Lofty, Fallen City in Isaiah 24-27,” Keynote: University of Nottingham, May 30, 2018.
- “The Complex History of the Judahite Afterlife: In Texts and Archaeology,” Keynote: UCLA Graduate Conference, Oxford, May 10, 2018.
- “The Roots of Apocalyptic and the Dating of Biblical Texts,” Presidential Keynote: Society of Biblical Literature-Pacific Coast Region, March 11, 2018.
- “ ‘Your Dead Shall Live’: Complicating the History of the Judean Afterlife,” Hebrew Union College-Los Angeles, March 8, 2018.
- “Judah in the Late Seventh Century and the Controversy Over Josiah’s Expansion,” University of Sheffield, Feb. 1, 2018.
- “ ‘Those Weaned From Milk’: Isaiah 28’s Rituals for the Covenant with Mut In Light of Rituals at Thebes, Mari, and Tayinat,” 2017 Annual SBL Meeting, Boston, MA, November 21, 2017.
- “Hebrew Diachrony and Linguistic Dating in the Book of Isaiah,” 2017 Annual SBL Meeting, Boston, MA, November 18, 2017.

- Panelist, review panel on Izaak J. de Hulster, Brent A. Strawn, Ryan P. Bonfiglio, *Iconographic Exegesis of the Hebrew Bible / Old Testament: An Introduction to Its Method and Practice* (Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 2015), 2017 International SBL Meeting, Berlin, August 9, 2017.
- “ ‘Make Peace With Me’: The Josianic Origins of Isaiah 24-27,” University of Sheffield, March 21, 2017.
- “ ‘Those Weaned From Milk’: The Divine Wet Nurse Motif in Isaiah 28’s Ceremony for the Covenant with Mut,” University of Nottingham, March 26, 2017.
- Respondent, “Voices of Israel: Isaiah and Micah, Judean Prophets of the Eighth Century,” St. Edward’s University/Katholische Universität Eichstätt-Ingolstadt, Austin, TX, Nov. 18, 2016.
- “ ‘Make Peace With Me’: The Josianic Origins of Isaiah 24-27,” University of Texas at Austin, Nov. 17, 2016.
- “ ‘Weaned From the Breast’: Isaiah’s Critique of an Egyptian Goddess,” University of Texas at Austin, Nov. 17, 2016.
- “ ‘Your Dead Shall Live’: Complicating the History of the Judean Afterlife,” Manfred Lautenschlaeger Symposium, Qiryat Tiv’on, Israel, July 10, 2016.
- “Introduction to the Conference,” Manfred Lautenschlaeger Symposium, Qiryat Tiv’on, Israel, July 10, 2016.
- “Imagery of Divine Suckling in the Hebrew Bible and the Ancient Near East,” Paris, France, Collège de France, April 15, 2016.
- “ ‘J’aperçus le Seigneur assis sur un trône’: La vision d’Esaïe du temple dans son contexte,” Institut Protestant de Theologie, Paris, France, April 14, 2016.
- “Hope and History in Isaiah 24-27: Reassessing a ‘Proto-Apocalyptic’ Text,” 2015 Annual SBL Meeting, Atlanta, GA, November 2015.
- “Gradations of Unholiness: The ‘Circles’ of Ezekiel’s Underworld,” 2015 Annual SBL Meeting, Atlanta, GA, November 2015.
- “The Preservation of the Body and the Life Everlasting in the Ancient Near East and the Hebrew Bible,” University of Nottingham Centre for the Bible, Ethics and Theology, Seminar on “Dignity and the Human Body: The Post-Mortem Treatment of the Body as an Ethical, Theological and Biblical Task.” Nottingham, England, Oct. 25, 2014.
- “The Flood of Noah and the Streams of Tradition: Deluge Stories in the Ancient Near East,” Emory University Flood Symposium, Atlanta, GA, Oct. 18, 2014.
- “Pyramids, Heroes, and Slaves: Cults of the Dead and the Gospel of Life,” Fuller School of Psychology 50th Anniversary Celebration, Pasadena, CA, February 20, 2014.
- “Solomon’s Borders and Egyptian Royal Ideology of Territory,” 2013 Annual SBL Meeting, Baltimore, MD, November 24, 2013.
- “Challenges of Adaptation in the Early Career,” North American Society of Early-Career Theologians, Baltimore, MD, November 22, 2013.
- “ ‘Getting Out of the Whole Genocide Thing’: Canaan and Nanking, Theology and ANE Comparative Study,” Logos Seminary, Pasadena, CA, November 6, 2013.
- “God and Social Justice: From the Ancient Near East to Today,” University of Notre Dame, Tantur Ecumenical Institute, Jerusalem, September 28, 2013.
- “The Truth About Indiana Jones: How Archaeology Really Works,” University of Notre Dame, Tantur Ecumenical Institute, Jerusalem, September 26, 2013.
- “Digging Into the Bible: The Top Ten Archaeological Discoveries,” University of Notre Dame, Tantur Ecumenical Institute, Jerusalem, September 26, 2013.
- “Testing Biblical History: Sennacherib’s Campaign to Judah,” University of Notre Dame, Tantur Ecumenical Institute, Jerusalem, September 13, 2013.

- “Testing Biblical History: Sennacherib’s Campaign to Judah,” *Passages* exhibition, Colorado Springs, Colo., August 6, 2013.
- “The Date and Message of Isa 24-27 in Light of Hebrew Diachrony,” Manfred Lautenschlaeger Award Symposium, Heidelberg, Germany, June 1, 2013.
- “Religion in Iron Age Israel, Judah, Egypt, and Mesopotamia,” Panelist in Neo-Assyrian Insights on Ancient Israel and the Hebrew Bible Section, SBL Pacific Coast Regional Meeting, Fullerton, CA, March 24, 2013.
- “The Extent of Solomon’s Empire in Light of Egyptian Royal Ideology of Territory,” University of California at Los Angeles, Feb. 26, 2013.
- “Nubia in the Bible,” University of California at Los Angeles, Feb. 19, 2013.
- “ ‘There Is Hope for a Tree’: Job’s Hope for the Afterlife in the Light of Egyptian Tree Imagery,” 2012 Annual SBL Meeting, Chicago, Ill.
- “Isaiah as ‘Colonized Poet’: The Rhetoric of Death in Resistance Literature,” Isaiah and Empire Colloquium, Auckland, NZ, February 14-15, 2011 (*in absentia*).
- “The Egyptian Goddess Mut in Iron-Age Palestine: Further Data From Amulets and Onomastics,” 2010 Annual SBL Meeting, Atlanta, Ga.
- “Ancient Near Eastern History and the History of Ancient Israel,” 2010 Annual SBL Meeting, Atlanta, Ga.
- “Finding Your Niche in Biblical Studies,” Panelist, 2010 Annual SBL Meeting, Atlanta, Ga.
- “ ‘It’s the Tomb, Shebna’: A New Reading of Isaiah 22:15–19 in its Ancient Near Eastern Context,” WECSOR, Tempe, Arizona, March 15, 2010.
- “Online Resources for Ancient Near Eastern Studies: Promise and Problems,” WECSOR, Tempe, Arizona, March 15, 2010.
- “*Bibel und Assur*: Questioning ‘Babylonian Bias’ to Reclaim the Neo-Assyrian Period for Biblical Studies,” 2009 WECSOR Meeting, Santa Clara, Ca.
- “Prophecy, Intertextuality and the Comparative Method,” 2007 Annual SBL Meeting, San Diego, Ca.
- “ ‘Fully Divine, Fully Human’: A Chalcedonian Approach to Teaching and Studying the Bible,” 2006 SECSOR Meeting, Atlanta, Ga.
- “ ‘Lest Ye Perish in the Way’: Magic and Kinship in Exodus 4:24-26,” 2005 International SBL Meeting, Singapore.
- “The Silence of the Wives: Bakhtin’s Monologism and Ezra 7-10,” 2005 National SBL Meeting, Philadelphia, Pa.
- “Chirps From the Dust: The Affliction of Nebuchadnezzar in Daniel 4:30 in Its ANE Context,” 2005 SECSOR Meeting, Winston-Salem, N.C.

Other public speaking

(36 total; available upon request)

- “Who’s Part of Your Story?: A Fundamental Question for Theology,” (Keynote) Life Pacific College Theology Week, San Dimas, CA, April 11, 2018.
- “The Bible as the Word of God: ‘Fully Divine and Fully Human,’ ” (Keynote) Life Pacific College Theology Week, San Dimas, CA, April 10, 2018.
- “Mesopotamian Cuneiform” at La Cañada Elementary School, La Cañada, CA, Nov. 9, 2017.
- “Qohelet in Comparative Perspective,” podcast interview for Dialogic Theology, October 19, 2017.
- “Encounters Between Religions: Five Views From the Old Testament,” Fuller Theological Seminary (“Experience Fuller”), June 30, 2017.
- Interviewed by Thomas Römer for Internet broadcast by the Collège de France, April 15, 2016.
- “In the Beginning Were the Words: The Origins of Writing and the Alphabet,” American Church in Paris, April 14, 2016.

“The Difficult Task of Reading the Bible,” American Church in Paris, April 12, 2016.

“Do Christians and Muslims Worship the Same God?: Five Answers from the Old Testament,” American Church in Paris, April 7, 2016.

“American Church in Paris Radio Hour,” FM 100.7, Paris, France, April 4, 2016.

“In the Beginning Were the Words: The Origins of Writing and the Alphabet,” *Passages* exhibition, Santa Clarita, CA, July 28, 2015.

Interviewed by Dennis Kwong for “Scribes of God’s Word: A Documentary on Translating the Bible,” June 29, 2015.

Panelist, GSI/Logos in Oxford, “Making a Career in Textual Studies,” Oxford, England, June 4, 2015.

Panelist, *Biblica*’s “A Conversation About the Bible,” Chicago, Jan 8-9, 2015.

Panelist, SBL Student Advisory Board Panel, “What I’m Telling My Graduate Students,” 2014 Annual SBL Meeting, San Diego, CA, November 24, 2014.

“Favorable Conditions Never Come,” Welcome to Fuller CATS Students, Sep. 23, 2014.

Interviewed for historical documentary feature for DVD of “Exodus: Gods and Kings” (20th Century Fox, 2014).

“Noah in Contexts: The Biblical Flood Story in History, Theology, and Film,” Panelist, Fuller Theological Seminary, Apr. 14, 2014.

“Whose Bible Is It?: When Your Faith and Your Textbook Collide,” Colliver Endowed Lecture Series, University of the Pacific, Apr. 10, 2014.

“‘I Saw the Lord Sitting on a Throne’: Word and World in Isaiah’s Temple Vision,” Fuller Theological Seminary, Jan. 27, 2014.

“The Truth About Indiana Jones: How Archaeology Really Works,” La Crescenta Presbyterian Church, Feb. 20, 2013.

“Digging Into the Bible: The Top Ten Archaeological Discoveries,” La Crescenta Presbyterian Church, Feb. 6, 2013.

“The Fifth Evangelist: Isaiah and the New Testament,” San Marino Community Church, San Marino, CA, Dec. 16, 2012.

“Isaiah’s Servants, Suffering and Otherwise,” San Marino Community Church, San Marino, CA, Dec. 9, 2012.

“Immanuel: Messianism and Social Justice,” San Marino Community Church, San Marino, CA, Dec. 2, 2012.

“Cyrus of Persia and Other Messiahs,” San Marino Community Church, San Marino, CA, Nov. 25, 2012.

“The Covenant with Death (Isa 28) and the Cult of Mut in the Iron-Age Levant,” University of Durham Research Seminar, Durham, England, October 30, 2012.

British Early Career Association of Theologians, October 26-27, 2012.

“The Fifth Evangelist: Isaiah and the New Testament,” Bel Air Presbyterian Church, Bel Air, CA, Aug. 26, 2012.

“‘There Is No Other Rock’: Isaiah and the History of Monotheism,” Bel Air Presbyterian Church, Bel Air, CA, Aug. 19, 2012.

“‘I Saw the Lord Sitting on a Throne’: Isaiah’s Temple Vision in Light of Archaeology,” Bel Air Presbyterian Church, Bel Air, CA, Aug. 12, 2012.

“Isaiah Through the Ages: A Paradigmatic Prophet Then and Now,” Bel Air Presbyterian Church, Bel Air, CA, Aug. 5, 2012.

Panel Member, “Isaiah 1-39: A Commentary on First Isaiah (Hermeneia)—A Panel Discussion of the forthcoming commentary by J.J.M. Roberts,” Pepperdine University Christian Scholars’ Conference. Malibu, CA, June 17, 2011.

“Finding Your Niche in Biblical Studies,” Biblical Division Colloquium, Fuller Theological Seminary, Nov. 11, 2010.
“The Struggle to Understand the Bible as Fully Human,” La Crescenta Presbyterian Church, April 21, 2010.
“What’s a Messiah?” La Cañada Presbyterian Church, Dec. 13, 2009
“ ‘If the King James Version Was Good Enough for Jesus...’: The Truth About Bible Translations.” La Crescenta Presbyterian Church, July 22, 2009.
“Isaiah in the New Testament,” La Crescenta Presbyterian Church, April 13, 2009.

Editorial positions

SBL Ancient Near East Monographs Series (Board member 2015-present; Reviewer 2013-14)
Horizons in Biblical Theology, board member.
Religious Studies Review, area editor for Semitic philology and Israelite Religion
Journal of Biblical Literature (Article reviewer)
Journal of Near Eastern Studies (Article reviewer)
Journal of Ancient Near Eastern Religions (Article reviewer)
Journal of Ancient Egyptian Interconnections (Article reviewer)
Oxford University Press (Manuscript reviewer)
Blackwell Religion Compass (Article reviewer)
Journal of Ancient Egyptian Interconnections (Article reviewer)
SBL Symposium Series (Essay reviewer)

Courses taught

Introduction to the Old Testament
Israelite Religion in its Ancient Near Eastern Context (Ph.D. seminar)
History and Historiography of Ancient Israel (Ph.D. seminar)
Hebrew Exegesis of Isaiah 1-39
Hebrew Exegesis of Isaiah 40-66
History, Cultures and Literature of the Ancient Near East
Experiencing the Land of the Bible (travel course in Israel/Palestine)
Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible
Advanced Hebrew (=Historical Hebrew Grammar)
Beginning Ugaritic
Special Topics in Ugaritology
Akkadian I
Akkadian II

Doctoral students and dissertations

Primary mentor:

Andrew D. Giorgetti, PhD, Fuller Theological Seminary, 2017 (Title: “Building a Parody: Genesis 11:1-9, Ancient Near Eastern Building Accounts, and Production-Oriented Intertextuality”)
Jason Anthony Riley, PhD candidate (Topic: “Children and Warfare in the Hebrew Bible and the Iron Age II: Textual, Iconographic, and Archaeological Evidence”)
Denise Flanders, PhD candidate (Topic: The Use of Numbers in the Deuteronomistic History)
Zachary Schoening (primary mentor)
Anna Lo (primary mentor)

Second mentor:

Joel T. Hamme, PhD, Fuller Theological Seminary, 2014 (Title: “ ‘Hear, Lord, a Righteous Cause’: Psalms 15-18, 20-21 as a Ritual for the Protection and Blessing of the King”)

Robin ten Hoopen, PhD candidate, Protestant Theological University, Amsterdam (Title: “You Will Surely Die? Concepts of Immortality in Genesis 2-3 and the Biblical World. Supervisors: Dr M.C.A. Korpel (PThU), Prof. Dr K. Spronk

Doctoral comprehensive exams assessed

History and Context of the Old Testament

Hebrew Language Competency

Directed reading courses

The Relationship Between Samuel-Kings and Chronicles

Textual Criticism of the Book of Isaiah

Formation of the Primeval History (Genesis 1-11)

Anthropological and Sociological Approaches to the Hebrew Bible

Literary Approaches to Pentateuchal Law

Redaction of the Psalms in ANE Context

Genres of Polemic and Satire: Modern Methods and Near Eastern and Biblical Models

Children and Warfare: Methodology, Terms, and Social Realities

Introduction to Syriac

Languages

Ancient: Hebrew (epigraphic, biblical, and rabbinic), Akkadian, Ugaritic, Aramaic, West Semitic dialects, Middle Egyptian, Greek (classical and *koine*), Latin, Syriac

Modern: French, German

Professional affiliations and service

Society of Biblical Literature

President, Pacific Coast Region, 2017-18

Vice President, Pacific Coast Region, 2016-17

Co-Chair, ISBL Ancient Near Eastern Iconography and the Bible section, 2014-present

Presided at 2017 International SBL Meeting, Berlin, August 9, 2017.

Steering committee, Prophetic Texts and Their Ancient Contexts, 2016-present

Steering committee, Formation of the Book of Isaiah, 2016-present

Steering committee, Ancient Near Eastern Iconography and the Bible, 2012-present

Steering committee, Current Historiography of Ancient Israel and Judah, 2013-16

Presided at Current Historiography of Ancient Israel and Judah session, 2011, 2013, 2014

Presided at Ancient Near East session of Singapore International Meeting, 2005

American Schools of Oriental Research

American Oriental Society

International Association for Assyriology

National Association of Professors of Hebrew

Faculty sponsor for Fuller’s Eta Beta Rho honor society chapter

Catholic Biblical Association

North American Society of Early-Career Theologians (N-SECT), Founding member

Service to the Church

Ordained as a teaching elder in Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

PC(USA) Bible Task Force member, 2012-13

Exegesis Ordination Exam, Editor, 2012-13

PC(USA) Bible Content Ordination Exam, Old Testament Editor, 2011-12

Leader for PC(USA) Company of New Pastors mentoring groups, 2010-11 and 2012-13

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