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EDUCATION

1985-1992 D.Phil. 1987-1988 Fellow 1979-1983 Th.M. 1980-1981 Grad St 1973-1977 B.Sc.	Religion & Theology (Hebrew Bible) Hebrew Bible (Visiting) Hebrew Bible and Semitics Ancient Near East (Visiting) Education	The University of Oxford, Wolfson College The University of N. Carolina at Chapel Hill Dallas Theological Seminary The Hebrew University of Jerusalem The Florida State University
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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

B Hills Hill Olivi			
2017-18	Visiting Research Scholar, Pacific School of Religion - Berkeley		
2017	Research Fellow, The Michigan Humanities Award. The College of		
	Literature, Science and the Arts Faculty Fellowship. The University of		
	Michigan		
2017	Visiting Research Scholar, Hong Kong University, Department of History		
2017	Professor, Middle East Studies, The University of Michigan		
2014	Visiting Scholar and Mandelbaum Fellow. Hebrew Studies, The University of Sydney, Australia		
2013	Visiting Research Scholar, Pacific School of Religion - Berkeley		
2002-2003	Research Fellow, The National Endowment for Humanities		
1997	Associate Professor, Middle East Studies, The University of Michigan		
1996-1997	Research Fellow, The Institute for Humanities. The College of Literature,		
1990-1997	Science and the Arts. The University of Michigan.		
1997 –	Associate Fellow, The Institute for Humanities, The University of Michigan		
1992	Assistant Professor, Middle East Studies, The University of Michigan		
1991 –	Associate Faculty, Judaic Studies, The University of Michigan		
1991 –	Associate Faculty, CMENAS, The University of Michigan		
1991	Instructor, Middle East Studies, The University of Michigan		
	Previous 'Concurrent' University of Michigan Positions:		
	Associate Faculty, Lloyd Hall Scholars Program		
	Program Faculty, Interdepartmental Program in Classical Art and		
	Archaeology; First Year Seminars, University Collegiate Seminars.		
1989-1990	Visiting Instructor of Religious Studies, North Carolina State University		
1988-1989	Visiting Lecturer-Religion, The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.		
1987-1988	Visiting Doctoral Fellow, The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.		

EXTRAMURAL RESEARCH APPOINTMENTS

Appointments

Visiting Archival Researcher, Palestine Exploration Fund, London; Research Associate, The West Semitic Research Project, The University of Southern California; Expedition Epigrapher of Northwest Semitics, The

American Schools of Oriental Research Excavations to Tel Qarqur, Syria; Visiting Epigraphic Collaborator, The French Archaeological Expedition to Ras Shamra-Ugarit, Syria; Research Fellow, The American Academy of Religion: Visiting Research Fellow, The Cyprus-American Research Institute (CAARI) and The Cypriot Department of Antiquities and Museums; Visiting Research Fellow, The American Research Institute in Turkey (ARIT, Istanbul) and The Department of Antiquities of Turkey; Visiting Epigraphic Archivist and Researcher, The Ministry of Oriental Antiquities, The Louvre Museum, Paris, France; Visiting Epigraphic Archivist, The College of France, Paris, France; Visiting Research Fellow, The French Institute for Arabic Studies in Damascus and the Republic of Syria's Department of Antiquities (Damascus and Aleppo Museums); Visiting Epigraphic Collaborator, The French Archaeological Expedition to Ras Shamra-Ugarit, Syria; Visiting Research Fellow, The West Semitic Research Project, The University of Southern California; Visiting Research Fellow, The French Institute for Arabic Studies in Damascus and the Republic of Syria's Department of Antiquities (Damascus and Aleppo Museums); Research Fellow, American Center for Oriental Research and the Jordanian Department of Antiquities and Museums, Amman, Jordan (The Amman National Museum): Research Fellow, The American School of Oriental Research in Jerusalem, The Albright Institute and the Israeli Department of Antiquities, Jerusalem, Israel (Israel Museum); Area Assistant Supervisor, The Joint Albright Institute-Hebrew University Archeological Expedition to Tel Migne-Ekron, Israel.

AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS AND DISTINCTIONS

2019	<i>Grant Recipient</i> . LSA Faculty Subvention Grant. The Vice President's Office for Research and the College of Literature, Science and the Arts. The University of Michigan.			
2018	<i>Grant Recipient</i> . LSA Faculty Summer Writing Grant. The <i>ADVANCE</i> Program and the College of Literature, Science and the Arts. The University of Michigan.			
2017	<i>Research Fellowship.</i> The Michigan Humanities Award. The College of Literature, Science and the Arts Faculty Fellowship. The University of Michigan.			
2016	<i>Nominee</i> , The American Schools of Oriental Research Annual Book Award (book title: <i>Contextualizing Israel's Sacred Writings;</i> as editor-contributor).			
2016	Grant Recipient. The Hadassah Brandeis Institute Small Projects Research Grant.			
2014	Visiting Scholar-in-Residence and the Alan Crown Memorial Lecturer. The			
	University of Sydney, Australia, Mandelbaum Residential College and the			
	Department of Hebrew Studies.			
2011	Grant Recipient. Associate Professor Faculty Research Grant. The College of			
	Literature, Science and the Arts. The University of Michigan.			
2002-2003	Research Fellowship. The National Endowment for Humanities. Competitive			
	Fellowship Awards for Individual Scholars. The Division of Research Programs.			
2002-2003	Research Fellow. Faculty Recognition & Enhancement Award, Office of the Vice			
	President for Research and The Faculty Research Fellowship Top-off Award, The			
	Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies. The University of Michigan.			
1998	Grant Recipient. The American Academy of Religion Summer Research Grant.			
1997	Grant Recipient. The Catholic Biblical Association Young Scholar's Fellowship.			
1997	Grant Recipient. The Society of Biblical Literature Summer Research Grant.			
1996-1997	Research Fellowship. The Institute for Humanities. The College of Literature,			
	Science and the Arts. The University of Michigan.			
1995	Grant Recipient. The American Philosophical Society Grant for Overseas Research.			
1995	Grant Recipient. The Council of American Overseas Research Centers Travel Grant.			
1994, 1995	Grant Recipient. The American Council of Learned Societies Travel Grant.			
1992, 1993, 1994	Grant Recipient. The University of Michigan Faculty Research Grants for			
	International Research and Travel: The Horace. H. Rackham School of Graduate			
	Studies; The International Institute; The Center for Middle East and North African			
	Studies; The Jean and Samuel Frankel Center for Judaic Studies.			
1987-1988	Visiting Doctoral Fellow. The Department of Religious Studies. The University of			
	North Carolina at Chapel Hill.			

1986-1987	<i>Scholarship Recipient</i> . The Overseas Research Award for Outstanding Merit and Research Potential. The Committee of Vice Chancellors and Principals of
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	Universities of the United Kingdom (D.Phil., Oxford).
1986-1987	Scholarship Recipient. The Oxford University Scholarship for Overseas Students
	(D.Phil., Oxford).
1980-1981	Scholarship Recipient. The American Friends of the Hebrew University One-Year
	Merit Scholarship, Visiting Graduate Program, The Hebrew University, Jerusalem.
1973-1977	Scholarship Recipient. Full Grant-in-Aid, Varsity Athletics, The Florida State
	University (Dean's List, Phi Epsilon Kappa, Four-Year Varsity Letterman).

PUBLICATIONS

Books, Authored and Edited

The Materiality of Power: Explorations in the Social History of Early Israelite Magic. Forschungen zum Alten Testament 105.Tübingen: Mohr-Siebeck, 2016.

Contextualizing Israel's Sacred Writings: Ancient Literacy, Orality, and Literary Production. AIL 22. Atlanta: The Society of Biblical Literature Press, 2015 (volume editor and contributor).

Kuntillet Ajrud: Iron Age Inscriptions and Iconography (MAARAV). Rolling Hills Estates, CA: Western Academic Press, 2015 (invited volume guest editor and contributor).

The Quest for the Historical Israel: Debating Archaeology and the History of Early Israel. ABS 17. Atlanta: The Society of Biblical Literature Press, 2007 (volume editor and contributor).

The Mysteries of Ugarit: History, Daily Life, and Cult. Near East Archaeology – A Special Issue. The American Schools of Oriental Research, 2001 (invited volume guest editor and contributor).

Israel's Beneficent Dead: Ancestor Cults and Necromancy in Ancient Israelite Religion and Tradition. Winona Lake: Eisenbrauns (Revised 2nd edition), 1996.

Israel's Beneficent Dead: Ancestor Cults and Necromancy in Ancient Israelite Religion and Tradition. Forschungen zum Alten Testament 11. Tübingen: Mohr-Siebeck, 1994.

Books - Contracted

Writing Sacred: Inscribed Literacies and Literary Productions in Ancient Israel and its World. Oxford University Press (authored, in progress).

Books - in Preparation

"I Am Mesha, King of Moab": Re-Examining the Moabite Stone: Ancient Text and Modern Interpretation (authored).

Books - Editorial Oversight (see below: Editorial Service to the Profession - Series General Editor)

Articles in Journals, Edited Volumes and Reference Works (in press)

Pondering Pandemonium: Re-Imagining '*ĚLŌHÎM* in 1 Samuel 28:13, The Dennis Pardee Festschrift. Eds. J. Lam, C. Hardy, and E. Reymond. Chicago: The Oriental Institute (in press).

Death and Afterlife in Ancient Israel in *The Oxford Handbook on Ritual and Theology*. Ed. Samuel E. Balentine. The Oxford University Press (in press).

Molech (Hebrew Bible/Old Testament), *The Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception, The Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception. Berlin: de Gruyter* (in press).

Monster (Hebrew Bible/Old Testament), *The Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception, The Encyclopedia of The Bible and Its Reception.* Berlin: de Gruyter (in press).

Morning Star (Ancient Near East and Hebrew Bible/Old Testament), *The Encyclopedia of The Bible* And Its Reception. Berlin: de Gruyter (in press).

Selected Articles in Journals, Edited Volumes and Reference Works

Magic, Magician (Hebrew Bible/Old Testament), The Encyclopedia of The Bible and Its Reception.

Vol.17. Edited by Hans-Josef Klauck, Volker Leppin, Bernard McGinn, Choon-Leong Seow, Hermann Spieckermann, Barry Dov Walfish, Eric Ziolkowski. Berlin: Verlag Walter de Gruyter. 2019. Cols. 431-437. [co-authored with Rüdiger Schmitt].

- Marzeah (ANE, Hebrew Bible/Old Testament), *The Encyclopedia of The Bible and Its Reception*. Vol.17. Edited by Hans-Josef Klauck, Volker Leppin, Bernard McGinn, Choon-Leong Seow, Hermann Spieckermann, Barry Dov Walfish, Eric Ziolkowski. Berlin: Verlag Walter de Gruyter. 2019. Cols. 1234-1236.
- May Yahweh Bless You and Keep You...: More Musings on 'Cult' and *Favissae* at Kuntillet Ajrud. Eds. J. Kamlah, R. Schäfer and M. Witte. "*Zauber und Magie*" - *Magie im antiken Palästina und in seiner Umwelt*. Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz, 2017. Pp.253-84.
- Was There An Ancient Israelite Pandemonium? *Entre dieux et homes: anges, demons et autres... Colloque interdisciplinaire organize par la chaire <Milieux bibliques >.* Ed. T. Römer. Paris: College de France, 2017. Pp.172-203.
- Kuntillet Ajrud, *The Encyclopedia of The Bible and Its Reception*. Vol.15 Edited by Hans-Josef Klauck, Volker Leppin, Bernard McGinn, Choon-Leong Seow, Hermann Spieckermann, Barry Dov Walfish, Eric Ziolkowski. Berlin: Verlag Walter de Gruyter. 2017. Cols.493-497.
- Gender Marking, Overlapping and the Identity of the Bes-Like Figures at Kuntillet Ajrud, in *History, Archaeology and The Bible Forty Years After "Historicity." Changing Perspectives 6.* Copenhagen International Seminar. Edited by Ingrid Hjelm and Thomas L. Thompson. London: Routledge, 2016. Pp. 85-111.
- The Epigraphs and Drawings at Kuntillet Ajrud: Graffiti or Scribal-Artisan Drafts? in *Kuntillet Ajrud: Iron Age Inscriptions and Iconography (Panel Papers from The International Organization for the Study of Old Testament Meeting, Munich 2013). MAARAV,* A Special Issue. A Journal of Northwest Semitic Languages and Literatures. Edited by Brian B. Schmidt. Rolling Hills Estates, CA: Western Academic Press, 2015. Pp. 53-81.
- Memorializing Conflict: Toward an Iron Age 'Shadow History' of Israel's Earliest Literature, in *Contextualizing Israel's Sacred Writings: Ancient Literacy, Orality, and Literary Production.* Ancient Israel and Its Literature 22, Thomas Römer, General Editor. Edited by Brian B. Schmidt. Atlanta: Society of Biblical Literature Press, 2015. Pp. 103-32.
- The Flood (ANE), *The Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception*. Vol. 9. Edited by Hans-Josef Klauck, Volker Leppin, Bernard McGinn, Choon-Leong Seow, Hermann Spieckermann, Barry Dov Walfish, Eric Ziolkowski. Berlin: Verlag Walter de Gruyter. 2014. Cols. 219-222.
- The Social Matrix of Early Judean Magic & Divination: From "Top Down" or "Bottom Up? (The Ketef Hinnom Amulets)", in *Beyond Hatti: A Tribute to Gary Beckman*. Ed. by B. J. Collins and P. Michalowski. Lockwood Press, 2013. Pp. 275-89.
- Canaanites (Archaeology, Ancient Near East, Hebrew Bible), *The Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception*. Vol. 4. Edited by Hans-Josef Klauck, Volker Leppin, Bernard McGinn, Choon-Leong Seow, Hermann Spieckermann, Barry Dov Walfish, Eric Ziolkowski. Berlin: Verlag Walter de Gruyter. 2012. Cols. 872-876.
- Baal (Deity), The Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception. Vol. 3. Edited by Hans-Josef Klauck, Volker Leppin, Bernard McGinn, Choon-Leong Seow, Hermann Spieckermann, Barry Dov Walfish, Eric Ziolkowski. Berlin: Verlag Walter de Gruyter. 2011. Cols. 195-200.
- Banquet (ANE), The Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception. Vol. 3. Edited by Hans-Josef Klauck, Volker Leppin, Bernard McGinn, Choon-Leong Seow, Hermann Spieckermann, Barry Dov Walfish, Eric Ziolkowski. Berlin: Verlag Walter de Gruyter. 2011. Cols. 427-31.
- Afterlife (ANE/Hebrew Bible), *The Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception*. Vol. 1.Edited by Hans-Josef Klauck, Volker Leppin, Bernard McGinn, Choon-Leong Seow, Hermann Spieckermann, Barry Dov Walfish, Eric Ziolkowski. Berlin: Verlag Walter de Gruyter. 2009. Cols. 519-524.
- Review of Ancient Israel: What Do We Know and How Do We Know It. London: T&T Clark, 2007 by Lester Grabbe, Review of Biblical Literature 11 (2008): 1-6.
- Review of *Theorizing Rituals: Issues, Topics, Approaches, Concepts, Annotated Bibliography.* Leiden: Brill, 2006 by Jens Kreinath, et, al. *Review of Biblical Literature* 8 (2008): 1-5.

- Babylonian Texts, *The New Interpreter's Dictionary of The Bible*. 4 Vols. Edited by K D. Sakenfield. Nashville; Abingdon Press, 2006-07.
- Jachin, *The New Interpreter's Dictionary of The Bible*. 4 Vols. Edited by K D. Sakenfield. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2006-07.
- Kuntillet Ajrud, *The New Interpreter's Dictionary of The Bible*. 4 Vols. Edited by K D. Sakenfield. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2006-07.
- Ivory, *The New Interpreter's Dictionary of The Bible*. 4 Vols. Edited by K D. Sakenfield. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2006-07.
- Omen, *The New Interpreter's Dictionary of The Bible*. 4 Vols. Edited by K D. Sakenfield. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2006-07
- Sackcloth, *The New Interpreter's Dictionary of The Bible*. 4 Vols. Edited by K D. Sakenfield. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2006-07.
- Storm, *The New Interpreter's Dictionary of The Bible*. 4 Vols. Edited by K D. Sakenfield. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2006-07.
- The Moabite Stone, in *Historical Sources in Translation: The Ancient Near East*. Edited by Mark W. Chavalas. Oxford: Blackwell's Publishing, 2006. Pp. 311-16.
- The Tel Dan Inscription, in *Historical Sources in Translation: The Ancient Near East*. Edited by Mark W. Chavalas. Oxford: Blackwell's Publishing, 2006. Pp. 305-7.
- Review of Mettinger, T., *The Riddle of Resurrection: "Dying and Rising Gods" in the Ancient Near East, Bulletin of the American Schools of Oriental Research* 335 (2004): 103-05.
- Review of *Shades of Sheol: Death and Afterlife in the Old* Testament by Phillip S. Johnston. Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press, 2002, *Review of Biblical Literature* 6 (2002): 1-7.
- The Iron Age Pithoi Drawings from Horvat Teman or Kuntillet 'Ajrud: Some New Proposals, *The Journal of Ancient Middle East Religions* 2 (2002[2003]): 91-125.
- The Origins of The Enoch Traditions: The View from Outside, Henoch 24 (2002): 49-53.
- Canaanite Magic versus Israelite Religion: Deuteronomy 18 and the Taxonomy of Taboo, Magic and Ritual in the Ancient World (Second International Conference. August 1998, Orange, CA).
 Religions of the Graeco-Roman World Series 141. Edited by Marvin Meyer and Paul Mirecki. Leiden: E.J. Brill, 2002. Pp. 242-59.
- Afterlife Beliefs: Memory as Immortality, Near East Archaeology, 63/4 (2000[2001]): 236-39.
- An Annotated Bibliography of Recent Works on Ugarit, Near East Archaeology 63/4 (2000): 240.
- Memory as Immortality: Countering the Dreaded "Death After Death" in Ancient Israelite Society, *Judaism in Late Antiquity*. Volume 4. Special Topics. Handbuch der Orientalistisk. Edited by Alan J. Avery-Peck and Jacob Neusner. Leiden: E.J. Brill, 2000. Pp. 87-100.
- Rephaim, *The Eerdmans Dictionary of the Bible*. Edited by D. Freedman. Grand Rapids: Wm. B. Eerdmans, 2000. Pp. 1119-20.
- Molech, *The Eerdmans Dictionary of the Bible*. Edited by D. Freedman. Grand Rapids: Wm. B. Eerdmans, 2000. Pp. 912-914.
- Afterlife, After Death, *The Eerdmans Dictionary of the Bible*. Edited by D.N. Freedman. Grand Rapids: Wm. B. Eerdmans, 2000. Pp. 24-27.
- Le mystère Ougarit, L'effrayante mort, Le monde de la Bible 120 (1999): 68-69.
- Comment: A Society of Biblical Literature Panel Discussion on Fritz Graf's Magic in the Ancient World, *Numen* 46 (1999): 309-313.
- Moon, *Dictionary of Deities and Demons in the Bible* (Revised 2nd Edition). Edited by Karel van der Toorn, Bob Becking, and Pieter W. van der Horst. Leiden: E. J. Brill/ Grand Rapids: Wm. B. Eerdmans, 1999. Pp. 585-593.
- Al, Dictionary of Deities and Demons in the Bible (Revised 2nd Edition). Edited by Karel van der Toorn, Bob Becking, and Pieter W. van der Horst. E. J. Brill: Leiden/ Wm. B. Eerdmans: Grand Rapids, 1999. Pp.14-17.
- The Gods and the Dead in the Domestic Cult at Emar, *Emar: The History, Religion, and Culture of a Syrian Town in the Late Bronze Age*. Edited by Mark Chavalas. Bethesda: CDL Press, 1996. Pp. 141-63.

- A Re-Evaluation of the Ugaritic King List, *Ugarit, Religion and Culture*. Proceedings of the Edinburgh International Colloquium on Ugarit. Edited by Nicholas Wyatt, Wilfred Watson, and Jeffery Lloyd. Münster, Ugarit-Verlag. 1996. Pp. 289-304.
- Ancient West Asian Flood Narratives, *Civilizations of the Ancient Near East.* 4 volumes. Ed. by Jack M. Sasson. New York: Charles Scribner's Sons, 1995. Vol. 3. Pp. 2337-2351.
- Some Live Issues on a Subject Long Dead: 1 Samuel 28 and Ancient Near Eastern Necromancy, *Ancient Magic and Ritual Power*. Proceedings of the International Conference on Magic in the Ancient World held at the University of Kansas, August 20-23, 1992. Edited by Marvin Meyer and Paul Mirecki. Leiden: E. J. Brill, 1995. Pp. 111-129.
- The Aniconic Tradition in Early Israel: On Reading Images and Viewing Texts, *The Triumph of Elohim: From Yahwisms to Judaisms*. Edited by Diana Edelman. Kampen, The Netherlands: Kok Pharos Publishing House, 1995. Pp. 75-105.
- Moon, *Dictionary of Deities and Demons in the Bible*. Edited by Karel van der Toorn, Bob Becking, and Pieter W. van der Horst. Leiden: Brill, 1995. Pp. 1098-1113.
- Al, *Dictionary of Deities and Demons in the Bible*. Edited by Karel van der Toorn, Bob Becking, and Pieter W. van der Horst. Leiden: Brill, 1995. Pp. 23-28.

EDITORIAL SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Current Editorial Service

- Series Editor, *The Archaeology and Biblical Studies* Series (*ABS*). The Society of Biblical Literature. Atlanta: SBL Press, 2015-16.
- General Editor, *The Archaeology and Biblical Studies* Series (*ABS*). The Society of Biblical Literature. Atlanta: SBL Press, 2016 – .

ABS's Inaugural Editorial Board (formed in 2016): Aaron Brody (Pacific School of Religion, Berkeley), Annie Caubet (Musée du Louvre, Paris), Billie Jean Collins (Emory University, Atlanta), Israel Finkelstein (Tel Aviv University), André Lemaire (École pratique des hautes études, Paris), Amihai Mazar (Hebrew University, Jerusalem), Herbert Niehr (Universität Tübingen), Christoph Uehlinger (Universität Zürich).

The Archaeology and Biblical Studies Series (2015—)

- *Phoenician Aniconism in Its Mediterranean and Ancient Middle East Contexts* by Brian R. Doak. Archaeology and Biblical Studies 21. Atlanta: SBL Press, 2015.
- A Political History of The Arameans: From Their Origins to the End of Their Polities by K. Lawson Younger, Archaeology and Biblical Studies 13. SBL Press, 2016.

[Recipient: The Biblical Archaeology Society's Annual Award for Best Scholarly Book on Archaeology 2017]

- Sargon II: King of Assyria by Josette Elayi. Archaeology and Biblical Studies 22. SBL Press, 2017.
- *Growing Up in Ancient Israel* by Kristine Henricksen Garroway. Archaeology and Biblical Studies 23. SBL Press, 2018.

Recipient: The Biblical Archaeology Society's Annual Award for *Best Book Relating to the Hebrew Bible* 2019].

• *Sennacherib: King of Assyria* by Josette Elayi. Archaeology and Biblical Studies 24. SBL Press, 2018.

• *The Archaeology and History of Ancient Phoenicia* by Hélène Sader. Archaeology and Biblical Studies 25. Atlanta: SBL Press, 2019.

[Nominee: The American Schools of Oriental Research Book Awards: The *Frank Moore Cross* and the *Nancy Lapp* Book Awards 2020]

- Caring for the Dead in Ancient Israel by Kerry Sonia (in production).
- *Edom: Social and Political Transformations at the Edge of Empire* by Bradley Crowell. (in production).
- The Middle Maccabees: From the Death of Judas through the Reign of John Hyrcanus (ca. 160-104 BCE). New Archaeological and Historical Perspectives. Andrea Berlin and Paul Kosmin (Eds.). (in production).
- Empires Come and Go, Homeland Remains Forever: Ancient Israel Between Assurbanipal and Darius. Ed. by Pamela Barmash and Mark Hamilton. (in production).
- Tiglath-pileser III: Founder of Assyria by Josette Elayi. (in production).
- Ancient Ammon from the Late Bronze Age to the Hellenistic Period by Craig Tyson and Kent Bramlett. (contracted).
- *Discovering the Moabites: Archaeology, History and Culture* by Michèle Daviau and Margreet Steiner. (contracted).
- Philistia and the Philistines of the Iron Age by Aren Maeir. (contracted).

Other Current and Recent Editorial Service

Volume Editor, Contextualizing Israel's Sacred Writings: Ancient Literacy, Orality and Literary Production. Ancient Israelite Literature 22. SBL Press. 2015.

Invited Volume Guest Editor, Kuntillet Ajrud: Iron Age Inscriptions and Iconography. Special Issue: MAARAV: A Journal of the Northwest Semitic Languages 20. Rolling Hills Estates, CA: Western Academic Press, 2015.

Volume Editor and Contributor, The Quest for the Historical Israel: Debating Archaeology and the History of Early Israel. Archaeology and Biblical Studies 17. Atlanta: SBL Press, 2007.
Editorial Board Member, The Journal of Ancient Near Eastern Religions. Leiden: E. J. Brill, 1998-2020.
Advisory Board Member, The Journal of Ancient Near Eastern Religions. Leiden: E. J. Brill, 2020--.

Past Editorial Work and Service

Sectional Submissions Reviewer, The Journal of Ancient Near Eastern Religions. Leiden: E. J. Brill (Syria-Palestine, Northwest Semitics), 1998-2010, 2013-20.

Series Editor, American Schools of Oriental Research Book Series. ASOR. Boston: American Schools for Oriental Research, 2003-07. Cult Image and Divine Representation in the Ancient Near East. Neal Walls (ed.). 2005.

Co-Editor, Trajectories: A Social-Scientific Commentary on the Bible, Sheffield Press. 1996-2000. *The Pentateuch* by John Van Seters. Vol. 1. 1999.

Invited Volume Guest Editor, Near Eastern Archaeology. December 2000 Special Issue. "The Mysteries of Ugarit: History, Daily Life, and Cult" [= Le monde de la Bible, "Le mystère Ougarit, 70e anniversaire de la decouverte en Syrie," Bayard. Paris, 1999].

RECENT LECTURES, INVITED LECTURES AND CONFERENCE PAPERS

Invited Guest Lectures, "Biblical History–The First Half Millennium (1200-600 BCE)," The Association of Humanistic Rabbis/The Institute for Secular Humanistic Judaism. Detroit. August, 2019.

Panel Participant, "Another Case of 'The Uninvited Guest Crashing a Party': New Musings in 1 Sam 28", in a

Ritual in the Biblical World Session, The Society of Biblical Literature Int'l Meeting. Rome, Italy. July, 2019.

[Lecture Invitations from Oxford, Bochum, Helsinki, Münster (declined - on research leave), 2018].

- Participant (and Panel Co-organizer with Saul Olyan, Brown University), "Solomon's molekh and the Temple Origins Tradition in 1 Kings 11," in A Special Session, "The Ritualized Killing of Humans in the Hebrew Bible and Its World." The Joint European Association of Biblical Studies/The Society of Biblical Literature Int'l Meetings. Berlin, Germany. August, 2017.
- Participant, "Literacies and Literatures in 8th Century Israel," The International Organization for The Study of Old Testament. Cape Town, S. Africa. September, 2016 [Paper accepted, declined-medical emergency].
- Invited Guest Lecture, "The Quest...Ten Years On...," The Association of Humanistic Rabbis/The Institute for Secular Humanistic Judaism. Detroit. July, 2016. Panel Participant, "International Security in a Global Economy: The Egyptian God Bes," The Society of

Biblical Literature Int'l Meeting. Special Topics Panel: Israelite Religion. Buenos Aires. July, 2015. Invited Participant, "Traces of Magic in Iron Age Levantine Text and Image," Zauber und Magie in Palãstina

- und in seiner Umwelt. Wissenschaftliche Kolloquium des Deutschen Vereins zur Erforschung Palästinas / Sorcery and Magic in Ancient Palestine and in Its World. The German Society for the Exploration of Palestine Scientific Colloquium. Erbacher Hof. Mainz, Germany. November, 2014.
- Invited Participant, International Society of Biblical Literature Meeting. A Special Topics Panel on, "Current Trends and Future Prospects in the Study of Israelite Religion," Vienna, Austria. July, 2014.
- Invited Participant, "Was There an Ancient Israelite Pandemonium?" Entre dieux et hommes: anges, demons et autres...Colloque interdisciplinaire organisé par la chaire << Milieux bibliques >>. Between Gods and Men: Angels, Demons, Etc. An Interdisciplinary Colloquium. Collège de France. Paris. May, 2014.
- Invited Lecturer, "Archaeology's Gifts by Accident and Design," The Mandelbaum House Residential College Scholar-in-Residence Public Lectures (4). The University of Sydney. Sydney, Australia. May-June 2014.
- Invited Keynote Speaker, "God *Really* Did Have A Wife!" The Alan D. Crown Memorial Lecture. The Mandelbaum House Residential College Scholar-in-Residence Lectureship. The University of Sydney. Sydney, Australia. May 8, 2014.
- Invited Participant, "Old and New at Kuntillet Ajrud." The University of Copenhagen International Colloquium 'Changing Perspectives in Old Testament Studies.' Copenhagen, Denmark. October, 2013.
- Panel Participant, "Reconsidering The Drawings and Writings at Kuntillet Ajrud," Iconography and the Bible Session. The European Association of Biblical Studies Annual Meeting. Leipzig, Germany. July, 2013.
- Panel Participant, "Exploring Cognitive Approaches to Ancient Israelite Magic." The Society of Biblical Literature International Annual Meeting, Amsterdam. July, 2012.
- Invited Participant, "New Prospects for Ancient Edomite Religion," Edom and Edumea Special Panel. Aram Society for Syro-Mesopotamian Studies. The University of Oxford. The Oriental Institute. July, 2012.
- Invited Participant, Special Topics Panel, Magic in Ancient Israelite Religion. "Top Down or Bottom Up? Magic's Prospects in Early Israelite Society." The Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting. Chicago. November, 2012.
- Invited Participant, Special Topics Panel, Magic in Ancient Israelite Religion. "Ancient Israelite Magic: Superstition, Enchantment or 'Just' Religion." The Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting. San Francisco, CA. November, 2011.
- Invited Participant, "On the Original 'Scourge of the Orient': On Pursuing Pirates in the Late Bronze Age Levant," The Center for Middle Eastern and North African Studies Colloquium *Pirates of the Mediterranean*, The University of Michigan Ann Arbor Campus. October 27, 2011.
- Participant, 'Whose God Was It in Those Man-of-God Traditions: Elijah and Elisha as Yahwistic Magicians," in Ancient Israelite Religion Program, The Society of Biblical Literature International Meeting. London. July, 2011.

UNIVERSITY TEACHING: COURSES, SERVICE AND AWARDS

General Undergraduate Courses (ME)

Satan, Sin and Suffering in the Book of Job (391) First Year Seminar: Job and The Question of Theodicy (295) First Year Seminar: The Dead Sea Scrolls Introduction to the Tanakh or Old Testament (235) Israel Before the Exile: Her Histories and Religions (339) First Year Seminar; Religion and Magic in the Ancient World First Year Seminar: The Dead Sea Scrolls and Qumran World Religions: The Near East, Ancient Israel, Judaism, Christianity and Islam Lloyd's Hall Scholars Program: Magic in the Ancient Mediterranean Lloyd's Hall Scholar's Program: Archaeology of the Holy Land Great Books: The Qumran Discoveries Collegiate Seminar: Moses, The Man and The Tradition Special Topics: Magic in the Ancient World Peoples of the Near East, Guest Lecturer Great Books Program, Guest Lecturer Undergraduate Independent Reading Courses Classical Middle East Literature, Guest Lecturer Middle East Studies Undergraduate Honors Thesis **Religion Undergraduate Honors Thesis**

Undergraduate and Graduate Language Courses (MELANG)

Introductory Classical Hebrew I (101) Introductory Classical Hebrew II (102) Intermediate Classical Hebrew Grammar I (201) Intermediate Classical Hebrew Grammar II (202) (Grad) Beginning Classical Hebrew I (501) (Grad) Advanced Classical Hebrew II (502) (Grad) Advanced Classical Hebrew II (601) (Grad) Advanced Classical Hebrew II (602) Introductory Biblical Aramaic and Selected Readings (420)

Graduate Seminars and Readings Courses

(Grad) Problems in the Hebrew Text of Job (MELANG 410)
(Grad) Advanced Seminar: Prolegomena to Hebrew Bible-Ancient Israel Studies)
(Grad) Advanced Seminar: Histories of Ancient West Asia
(Grad) Advanced Seminar: Languages and Literatures of Ancient West Asia
(Grad) Advanced Seminar: West Asian Religions and Rituals
(Grad) Special Seminar: Dead Sea Scrolls and the Biblical Text
(Grad) Classics, Judaic Studies, Independent Study
(Grad) Dissertation-Pre-Candidates
(Grad) Dissertation-Candidates

University Extra-Departmental Teaching Service

The LSA First Year Seminars, Instructional Faculty The University Collegiate Seminars, Instructional Faculty The Lloyd Hall Scholars Program, Instructional Faculty The Provost's Seminars on Teaching, Panel Participant The Great Books Program, Guest Lecturer

University Teaching/Instructional Awards, Grants and Fellowships

The University of Michigan *Golden Apple Award* for Teaching Excellence. Nomination by Letter (Winter 2014 course, 125 enrolled).

The College of Literature, Science and the Arts Summer Teaching Grant, 2012.

The Center for Research on Learning and Teaching Instructional Developmental Grant, College of

Literature, Science and the Arts, 1995.

The Center for Research on Learning and Teaching *Fellow*. College of Literature, Science and the Arts, 1993-94.

The College of Literature, Science and the Arts, Summer Teaching Grant, 1992.

UNIVERSITY ADVISING: GRADUATE AND UNDERGRADUATE HONORS

Completed Ph.D. Dissertations, Middle East Studies, Chair (Co-Chair)

Helen Dixon, Mortuary Remains and Iron Age Social History of Mainland Phoenicia 2013 (Co-Chair). James Bos, Date and Provenance of Hosea Reconsidered: The Case for Persian Period Yehud, 2011. Craig Tyson, Israel's Kin Across The Jordan: A Social History of Iron II Ammonites, 2011. Susan McGarry, Divine Wrath: It's Rhetorical Use by the Writers of Isaiah, Jeremiah, and Ezekiel as

Social Control in the Aftermath of Jerusalem's Destruction, 2009.

Jessica Whisenant, Writing, Literacy, and Textual Transmission: The Production of Literary Documents in Iron Age Judah and the Composition of the Hebrew Bible, 2008.

Jason Radine, The Origins of Amos and Emergent Judahite National Identity. 2007. Vadim Jigoulov, Toward a Social History of Phoenician City-States in the Achaemenid Empire, 2006. Jason Tatlock, How in Ancient Times They Sacrificed People: Human Immolation in the Eastern

Mediterranean Basin and in Ancient Israel, 2006.

Daniel Miller, Incantations in Ancient West Semitic Corpora and in the Hebrew Bible, 2006. Bradley Crowell, On the Margins of History: Socio-Political Transformations in Iron Age Edom, 2004. Timothy LaVallée, The Mechanics of Ancient Jewish Skull & Corpse Necromancy, 2002. Robert D. Miller, A New Social History of Highlands Israel in the 12th and 11th Centuries BCE, 1998. John Huddlestun, A Comparative Study of the Nile in Ancient Egyptian Sources and the Bible, 1996. Barbara Miller, Women, Death and Mourning in the Ancient Mediterranean World, 1994.

Completed Ph.D. Dissertations, Middle East Studies, Committee Member

Jason Zurawski, From *Musar* to *Paideia*: Jewish Education from the Hellenistic Diaspora, 2016.
Stephanie Bolz, Aspects of Divination in Rabbinic Sources of Babylonian Origin. 2012.
James Waddell, The Messiah in the Parables of Enoch and the Letters of Paul, 2010.
Harold J. Ellens, What is the Son of Man in John? The Son of Man logia in John and in the Synoptic Gospels in Light of Second Temple Judaism, 2009.

J. von Ehrenkrook, Sculpting Idolatry in Flavian Rome: (An)Iconic Rhetoric in Flavius Josephus 2009. Wesley Williams, *Tajallī wa-Ru'ya*: A Study of Anthropomorphic Theophany and Visio Dei in the

Hebrew Bible, the Quran and Early Sunni Islam. 2008. Grant Shafer, Saint Stephen and the Samaritans: The Contribution of Samaritanology, 1995. Charles Gieschen, Angelomorphic Christology: The Aesthetic and Early Evidence, 1995. April DeConick, "Seek to See Him": Jewish Mysticism, Hermeticism and Thomas's Gospel, 1994. Mark Fretz, Lamentations & Literary Ethics: New Biblical Interpretations, 1993. Timothy Jenney, The Harvest of the Earth: The Sukkoth in the Book of Revelation, 1993. Philip Munoa, Four Powers in Heaven: Daniel 7 in the Testament of Abraham, 1993.

Ph.D. Dissertations, Cognate or External Committee Member

Juan Udaondo Alegre, Narratives of Ancient Wisdom in Medieval and Early Modern Spain. Hermes Trimegistus in Jewish, Muslim and Christian Platonic traditions. Ph.D. Co-Chairs: Profs. Enrique Santo-Tomas, Ryan Szpiech. Department of Romance Languages 2018 (Cognate Member).

Gareth Wearne, The Texts from Kuntillet Ajrud and Deir Alla: An Inductive Approach to Emergent Northwest Semitic Literary Texts, Ph.D. Department of Ancient History. Chair: Dr. Stephen Llewelyn, MacQuarie University-Sydney, Australia. 2015 (invited External Examiner)

Mark Leuchter, Jeremiah, the First Jew. Ph.D. Department for the Study of Religion. Chair: Prof. J. Brian Peckham. University of Toronto. 2003 (invited External Examiner).

Jeremy Taylor, Birth of Greek Historiography, Ph.D. Department of Classics, 2000 (Cognate Member).

- Sarah M. Harvey, The Iron Age II Period in the Central Negev Highlands and Edom: A Comparison of Settlement Intensification and Land Exploitation. Ph.D. Interdepartmental Program in Classical Art and Archaeology, 1999 (Cognate Member).
- Brad McNellon, Persian Nomos and Paranomia in Herodotus. Ph.D. Department of Classics 1994 (Cognate Member).

Post-Doctoral Mentorship (2018-2020).

Jesse M. Millek (Ph.D., Der Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen, 2017). Post-Doctoral Fellow.

M.A. Degrees Awarded (as Supervisor and Instructor)

Nathan Moretto (Frankel)	Margaret Gelinas	Robert Miller	Jessica Goldstein
Renee Delvo	Daniel Miller	Sharon Nielson	Elizabeth Rogers
Andrew Gross	Marianna Widmalm	Bradley Crowell	Jason Radine
Jessica Whisenant	Vadim Jigoulov	Jason Tatlock	Kristy Irish
Kevin Sullivan	Donald Breslauer	James Bos	Craig Tyson
			Helen Dixon

B.A. Honors Theses Completed (Chair and Advisor)

Jay Schroeder, Hermeneutical Technique in Acts 2: The Old Testament in the New, 2019.
Scott Isham, Those Other Casualties of War: Post-722 BCE Refugees in Iron II Judah, 2016. (Awarded *Highest Honors* and *The Dept of Middle East Studies, George Cameron Prize*).
Jon Trotter, Kings vs. The Chronicler: The Early Judean Royal Traditions, 2008.
Eric Keller, King Manasseh in Text and Tradition, 2002.
Lisa Key, Images of Goddesses in Ancient Israelite Tradition, 1998.
Bruce Leuchter, The Sectarian Identity of the Qumran Community, 1996.
Jessica Apple, Josephus and Philo on Conversion in Ancient Judaism, 1995.
Daniel Gebhardt, Notions of the 'Other' in the Deuteronomistic History, 1995.
Edward Van Duinen, Self, Other and the Construction of National Identity in Ezra-Nehemiah, 1994.
Kristy Irish, Israelites v. Midianites in Exodus: The Yahwist's Construction of National Identity, 1994.

UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATIVE AND COMMITTEE SERVICE

Departmental

Committee Service, Chair or Member

Member, MES Tenure and Promotions Committee; (2019); Member, MES Graduate Admissions and Fellowships Committee; Member, Organizing Committee (2018-19), The David Noel Freedman Annual Lectureship; Co-Chair, Organizing Committee (2019-20), MES Undergraduate and Graduate Curriculum Committee (2019-20), The George E. Mendenhall Symposium; Member,; Chair, MES Curriculum Committee; Chair, MES Undergraduate Studies Committee; Adviser, Ancient Civilizations & Biblical Studies Undergraduate Concentration; Member, MES Executive Committee; Member, MES Graduate Admissions and Fellowships Committee; Member, MES Internal Departmental Review Committee; Chair, MES Curriculum Revisions Committee, Co-Chair, MES Graduate Program Revisions Committee (Proposed MA Degree in Biblical and Post-Biblical Studies); Chair and Acting Chair, MES Undergraduate Studies Committee; Member, MES Search Committee for Northwest Semitics Languages Lectureship Position; Member, MES Search Committee for Early Christianity/New Testament Studies Position; Chair, MES Graduate Studies Committee; Member, MES Undergraduate and Graduate Curriculum Revision Committees (Ancient Civilizations and Biblical Studies); Acting Co-Chair, MES Graduate Admissions and Fellowships Committee; Member, MES Committee for Evaluating Spring and Summer Teaching Sessions; Member, MES Search Committee for Departmental Chair; Chair, MES Graduate Admissions and Fellowships; Member, MES Committee for Response to External Review; Co-Director, The World Religions Course: Judaism, Christianity and Islam.

Organizer or Co-Organizer, Ann Arbor Campus Individual Guest Lectures

Professors Leong Seow, Vanderbilt University (2019-20: postponed to 2021- Corona pandemic), Jodi Magness, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (2016); Raymond Person, Ohio Northern University (2013); David Graf, University of Miami (2013); Pierre Bordreuil, College de France (2012); Rüdiger Schmitt, University of Münster (2012); Ann Killebrew, Pennsylvania State University (2012); Annie Caubet, The Louvre Museum (2011); Michal Artzy, Haifa University (2011); J. P. Dessel, University of Tennessee (2010).

[All of the above invited campus lectures were open to the university-wide community and to the general Ann Arbor public and were sponsored by the Department of Middle East Studies, the Frankel Center, CMENAS, and/or TLTC's Teaching the Ancient World].

University-Wide

Selection Committee Service

Member, Graduate Program Admissions Committee, The Center for Middle Eastern and North African Studies (2018-19); Member, IIE Fulbright Campus Evaluation Committee (International Institute); Member, The Radcliffe Ramsdell Fellowships Selection Committee (Rackham Graduate School); Member, Merit Fellowships Selection Committee (Rackham Graduate School); Member, Search Committee, Rabbinics Position (The Jean & Samuel Frankel Center for Judaic Studies).

Advisory and Executive Committee Service

Member, The College of Literature, Sciences and the Arts Council on Excellence in Advising; Member, Advisory Committee, Lloyd Hall Scholars Program; Member, Executive Committee, The Interdepartmental Program in Classical Art & Archaeology; Member, Executive Committee, The Jean and Samuel Frankel Center for Judaic Studies; Member, Executive Committee, The Kelsey Museum; Member, Executive Committee, The Program in Religion; Member, Executive Committee, The Center for Middle Eastern & North African Studies; Member, ICP Program Committee, The College of Literature, Sciences and the Arts.

Extra-Ordinary University Service

Member, Appeals Panel, Senate Advisory Committee on University Affairs; Panel Participant, Applying to Graduate Programs, Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies Visitation Weekend for Prospective Minority Graduate Students; Faculty Field Representative, Office of Minority Graduate Student Recruitment, Horace H. Rackham School for Graduate Studies; Reviewer, New Academic Program Proposals, Academic Officers Committee of the President's Council, State Universities of Michigan (New Ph.D. Program in Comparative Religion at Western Michigan University, Coordinator Robert S. Holbrook, Associate Provost); Member, Academic Judiciary Board, College of Literature, Sciences and the Arts; Commencement Marshall, University of Michigan Graduation Ceremonies, Undergraduate and Graduate Matriculations.

Organizer, Co-organizer, Session Chair, and/or On-Campus Conferences and Colloquia

- 1) Satan in the Book of Job Professor Leong Seow, Vanderbilt University, The David Noel Freedman Lecture and Seminar, Rackham Auditorium. Co-organizer, 2019-20 (postponed to 2021).
- Panel Chair, "The Hebrew Bible Special Panel," Covenant, Law and Scripture. The Inaugural George E. Mendenhall Symposium 2016. The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor Campus. October, 2016.
- 3) Covenant, Law and Scripture. The George E. Mendenhall Symposium. Co-organizer and member of the Mendenhall Symposium Organizing Committee, The Department of Middle East Studies, The University of Michigan Campus, October, 2016.
- 4) The Archaeology of Qumran and the Dead Sea Scrolls. Keynote Speaker; Professor Jodi Magness, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The David Noel Freedman Lecture,

Rackham Auditorium. Co-organizer and member of the Freedman Annual Lectures Committee, Department of Middle East Studies. University of Michigan Ann Arbor Campus, March 2016.

- Organizer, A Special Middle East Studies Faculty Seminar, "Sacrifice at Qumran," and Closing Reception. The Kelsey Museum. Guest Lecturer: Professor Jodi Magness, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. March 2016.
- 6) The International Conference on Orality and Literacy in the Ancient World. The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor Campus. Co-organizer with Professor Ruth Scodel, Chair, Classical Studies, July 2012.
- 7) The International Conference on Orality and Literacy in the Ancient World. The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor Campus. Organizer and Plenary Session Chair, "Literacy, Orality and the Making of the Hebrew Bible," Lecturers: Professors David Carr, Robert Miller, Chris Rollston, Ray Person. July 2012.
- 8) The Middle East Studies Colloquium Special Series, "The Quest for Historical Israel." The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor Campus. Guest Lecturers: Professors Amihai Mazar, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, and Israel Finkelstein, Tel Aviv University. Organizer and host. October 2005.
- 9) The Dead Sea Scrolls Today, An International Colloquium on the State of Progress in Dead Sea Scrolls Scholarship. The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor Campus. Plenary speakers: Professors Emanuel Tov, Lawrence Schiffman, Philip Davies, James Vanderkam. Additional guest lecturers: Professor Jonas Greenfield, Timothy Lim and Gabriele Boccaccini. A semester-long colloquium coordinated with both a MES graduate seminar and an MES undergraduate course regarding which I served as instructor for both. Fall 1992.

EXTRAMURAL PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Learned Societies and Professional Organizations

Conference Session Chair and/or Organizer

Session Chair, European Association for Biblical Scholarship, Leipzig, 2013; Session Chair; The American Schools of Oriental Research Annual Meetings; The International Society of Biblical Literature Meetings; The Society of Biblical Literature; American Oriental Society-American Schools of Oriental Research Joint Midwest Annual Meetings; Hawaiian International Conferences for Social Sciences; The Persian Achaemenid Legacy. Conference on Culture and Ethnicity in the Hellenistic East: Issues, Problems, and Approaches, The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor Campus.

- Co-Chair and Co-Organizer with Saul Olyan, Brown University. A SBL Special Session, "Ritualized Killing of Humans in the Hebrew Bible and Its World." The Joint European Association of Biblical Studies/Society of Biblical Literature International Meetings. Berlin, Germany (8 invited presenters), 2017.
- 2) Session Chair and Organizer, "Kuntillet Ajrud Reconsidered," The International Organization for the Study of the Old Testament Triennial Congress. The University of Münich, Münich, Germany. Speakers: Israel Finkelstein (Tel Aviv), Kyle McCarter (Johns Hopkins), Nadav Naaman (Tel Aviv), (Herbert Niehr (Tübingen), Tallay Ornan (Hebrew University of Jerusalem), 2013.
- Session Chair and Organizer, Special International Panel, "Recent Discoveries at Ras Shamra, Ugarit," The American Oriental Society Annual Meeting. Speakers: Annie Caubet (Louvre), Marguerite Yon (Lyon), Yves Calvet (Lyon), Pierre Bordreuil (College de France). Philadelphia, 1996.
- 4) Session Chair and Co-Organizer (w/ Susan Ackerman), Special Panel Session on Magic and Divination in the Ancient Near East. The Society of Biblical Literature/American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting. Speakers: Professors Dennis Pardee (Chicago), Piotr

Michalowski (Michigan), John Baines (Oxford), Gary Beckman (Yale), Fredrick Cryer (Copenhagen). Philadelphia, 1995.

Steering Committee or Other Committee Memberships

Member, The Bagdad School's Mesopotamian Fellowships Selection Committee, American Schools of Oriental Research; UM Representative, the Consortium of the American Research Institute in Syria (ARIS, Damascus); Member, Steering Committee, The Late Bronze Age in Retrospect: A Special Session in Honor of Michael Astour. Annual Midwest Joint American Oriental Society-Society of Biblical Literature Meetings; Member, Steering Committee, West Semitic Religions Session, The American Schools of Oriental Research Annual Meetings.

Organizer, Colloquia

Organizer, *Digging for Truth.* The Sixth Biennial (three day) Colloquium of the International Institute for Secular Humanistic Judaism. Bloomfield Hills, October, 2005. Invited Plenary Speakers: Professors Amihai Mazar, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, and Israel Finkelstein, Tel Aviv University. (Michigan Middle East Studies graduate students assisted in the organization).

Speaker and Lecturer

Invited Lecturer, The Franciscan Renewal Center, The Redemptorist Retreat Center, The Carondelet Chaplaincy of Saint Mary's (adult and senior classes); Key Note Speaker, The University of Michigan Alumni Program, The Chicago Field Museum; Grosse Point Jewish Council, Grosse Point, MI; Midrasha College of Jewish Studies-Temple Shir Shalom. Fenton/Southfield, MI, The Jewish Community Meeting. Southfield, MI.

Educator, Instructor and Community Service

Associate Faculty Member, The International Institute for Secular Humanistic Judaism (Bloomfield Hills, formal instruction for rabbinic ordination, 13 years (most recent-2019); Invited Annual Lecturer, Elderhostel International - Roads Scholar Programs (Michigan, Arizona, California, Florida; 16 years); Lecturer, Gulf Coast Academy: Adult Education Programs, The Florida Gulf Coast University (3 years).

Additional Community Outreach

Certified Experiential Education Field Staff Instructor, Outward Bound Wilderness (for at-risk, inner-city high school students); Certified Wilderness First Responder, National Outdoor Leadership School's Wilderness Medical Institute; Member, The Sierra Club, The National Parks Conservation Association; Volunteer Youth Coach, Ann Arbor Recreation and Education (boys basketball, soccer; girl's soccer); Participant and Donor, the Santa Cruz Aids Walk.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Current Memberships

The Society of Biblical Literature The European Association of Biblical Studies The International Organization for the Study of the Old Testament

Recent and Past Memberships

The American Academy of Religion The American Association of University Professors The American Oriental Society The American Schools of Oriental Research The Catholic Biblical Association The Middle East Studies Association The National Association of Professors of Hebrew The Syrian Studies Group (MESA)

PRIMARY RESEARCH FIELDS

The Interpretation of the Hebrew Bible; Ancient Israelite, Canaanite and Syrian Religions, Cultures; and Literatures; Ancient Israelite Historiography and History; Classical Hebrew and the Northwest Semitic Languages.