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**PRINCIPAL TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Greco-Roman and medieval Islamicate intellectual history; pre-modern medicine and philosophy; disciplinarity; reception studies; science studies; epitomatory literature; gender and health

**EDUCATION**

• 2010–2013: **PhD in Classics**, University of Warwick

• 2008–2009: **MA in Classics**, University of Wisconsin at Madison

• 2004–2008: **BA in Latin and Greek with a Latin emphasis**, awarded with highest distinction, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

**POSITIONS**

* Present: **Assistant Professor of Classical Studies**, Department of Classical Studies, University of Michigan
* January–April 2015: **Research Associate** on the ERC funded project ‘Arabic Commentaries on Hippocrates’ *Aphorisms*’, University of Manchester

**AWARDS**

* Fall 2019, Center for Hellenic Studies Junior Fellowship
* 2019–2020, ‘Vernacularizing the “Abrahamic Religions”’, MCube ($60,000)
* 2017–2018: Charles P. Brauer Faculty Fellow, Institute for the Humanities, University of Michigan
* 2014-2015: British Academy/Leverhulme Small Research Grant (£4,030)
* 2014–2015: Frances A. Yates Short-term Fellowship, Warburg Institute (£4,800)
* October 2013–July 2014: IAS Early Career Fellowship at the University of Warwick (£5,710)
* Fall 2010–2013: Warwick Postgraduate Research Scholarship (£52,000)
* Fall 2012: Humanities Research Fund (£500)
* Fall 2011: Humanities Research Fund (£400)

**PUBLICATIONS**

***Books***

* *Galen and the Arabic Reception of Plato’s Timaeus* (Cambridge University Press, under contract) [final version to be submitted August 31, 2019].

***Edited Volumes***

* Galen, *That the Best Doctor is also a Philosopher*, Scripta Antiquitatis Posterioris ad Ethicam Religionemque pertinentia (Mohr Siebeck, 2023).

***Translations***

* ‘Galen’s *Compendium of Plato’s* *Timaeus*’, with Dr P. Koetschet, in *Galen on Human Nature*, eds. P. van der Eijk and P. Singer (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press) [in preparation].

***Journal Articles***

* ‘Probable New Fragments and a Testimonium from Galen’s Commentary on Plato’s *Timaeus*’, *Classical Quarterly* (2020).
* ‘New Material from Galen’s *On the Authentic and Spurious Works of Hippocrates*’, *Classical Philology* 113 (2018) 305–29.
* “The Hippocratism of ʿAlī ibn Riḍwān: Autodidacticism and the Creation of a Medical Isnād”, *Journal of Islamic Studies* 28.2 (2017) 155–77.
* “Two New Pharmacological Texts by al-Rāzī: *On How to Administer Whey* and *On the Benefits of Whey*, with Dr. Pauline Koetschet, *Journal of the American Oriental Society* 137.1 (2017) 25–42.
* “Adaptation in Medieval Islamicate Medical Compilations: The Example of Arrow Extractions”, *Journal of Semitic Studies* 62.1 (2017) 153–80.
* ‘Maximianus Medicus: Greek Medical Theory and the Greek Girl’s “Gravior Morbus” (El. 5.108)’, with Dr Ian Fielding, *Philologus* 160 (2016) 151–62.
* ‘Reevaluating the Authenticity of the Fragments from Galen’s *On the Medical Statements in Plato’s Timaeus* (Scorialensis Graec. Φ-III-11, ff. 123r–126v), *Zeitschrift für Papyrologie und Epigraphik* 192 (2014) 93–103.
* ‘Textual Note on Paul of Aegina, *Pragmateia* 6.88ʼ, *Classical Quarterly* 64.2 (2014) 867–9.

***Chapters in Edited Volumes***

* ‘Galen Beyond Baghdad’, in R. Rosen, J. Laskaris, and P. Singer (eds.), *Oxford Companion to Galen* [under contract].
* ‘Para-Plutarchan Traditions in the Medieval Islamicate World’, with Dr Pauline Koetschet, in S. Xenophontos and K. Oikonomopoulou (eds.), *The* *Brill Companion to the Reception of Plutarch* (in press).
* ‘Beyond the Disciplines of Medicine and Philosophy: Greek and Arabic Thinkers on the Nature of Plant Life’, in P. Adamson and P. E. Pormann (eds.), *Philosophy and Medicine in the Formative Period of Islam* (London: Warburg Institute Press) (2018) 206–217.

***Dictionary and Encyclopaedia Entries***

* ‘Ibn Sarabiyun (Yuhanna)’, *Encyclopedia of Islam, Third Edition* (under contract, forthcoming).
* Entries on ‘Medicine’, ‘Surgery’, ‘Cassius Felix’, and ‘Helvius Vindicianus’, in Oliver Nicholson and Mark Humphries (eds.), *Oxford Dictionary of Late Antiquity* (2018).
* Chapters on ‘Ophthalmology’ and ‘Gynaecology’, P. E. Pormann (ed.), *1001 Cures: Medicine in the pre-modern Middle East* (Manchester: Foundation for Science Technology and Medicine, 2018) 86–95, 104–111.

***Book Reviews***

* W.V. Harris (ed.), *Popular Medicine in Graeco-Roman Antiquity: Explorations*. Leiden: Brill, 2016. *Bulletin of the History of Medicine* 92.2 (2018) 372–4.
* Hayes, Evan and Stephen Nimis, *Galen Three treatises: On my own books, On the order of my own books, and That the best physician is also a philosopher. An intermediate Greek reader.* Oxford, OH: Faenum Publishing, 2014. *Bryn Mawr Classical Review* (13 August 2014).
* Stefano Valente*, I Lessici a Platone di Timeo Sofista e Pseudo-Didimo: Introduzione ed Edizione Critica*. Berlin and Boston: De Gruyter. *The Classical Review* 63.2 (2013) 398–400.
* Leigh Chipman, *The World of Pharmacy and Pharmacists in Mamlūk Cairo*. Leiden: Brill, 2010. *Social History of Medicine* 25.1 (February 2012), 566–7.

**INVITED LECTURES**

* March 2019: ‘Galen and the Arabic Reception of Plato’s *Timaeus*’, Utrecht University.
* March 2018: ‘Pseudo-Plutarch in the *Book of Proofs and Reflections regarding Creation and Divine Governance*: Providence and Natural Philosophy’, conference on ‘Received Opinions: Doxography in Antiquity and the Islamic World’, LMÜ-Munich, Germany.
* October 2016: ‘Plato Arabus’, Princeton University.
* September 2016: ‘The Hippocratism of Ibn Riḍwān’, University of Pennsylvania.
* April 2016: ‘Galen's *Timaeus* in Arabic: a central piece of a complex puzzle’, with Dr. Pauline Koetschet, conference on ‘The Reception of Plato’s *Timaeus* in Hellenistic Times’, University of Edinburgh, UK.
* May 2015: ‘A Prolegomenon to a study of *On Hippocrates’ ‘Sevens’*, conference on ‘Pseudo-Galenic Texts and the Formation of the Galenic Corpus’, Warburg Institute, London, UK.
* March 2013: ‘The *Timaeus* in ar-Rāzī’s Comprehensive Book’, conference on ‘Philosophy and Medicine in the Islamic World’, Warburg Institute, London, UK.
* November 2012: ‘Galen's *Timaeus* as Medical Text in ar-Rāzī’s *Comprehensive Book*’, conference on ‘Galen in the Arabic and Hebrew Traditions’, Bar Ilan University, Ṣafad, Israel.

**EVENTS ORGANIZED**

* March 9-10, 2017, ‘The Art and Science of Healing: From Antiquity to the Renaissance’, an international symposium held at the Hatcher Library and Kelsey Museum of Archaeology

**PROFESSIONAL DUTIES**

* Reviewer for Brill’s Middle Eastern and North African Monograph Series; *International Journal of the Classical Tradition*; *Classical Quarterly*; *Journal of Islamic Studies*.
* Member of the SCS/AIA Committee on Diversity in the Profession (2019-2022).