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# **EDUCATION**

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

# ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2022-	Professor Emeritus, Middle East Studies, The University of Michigan	
2017-22	Professor, Middle East Studies, The University of Michigan	
2017-18	Visiting Research Scholar, Pacific School of Religion - Berkeley	
2017	Research Fellow, Michigan's 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	
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,	
	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 Ar-	
	chaeology; 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 Oargur, 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 Miqne-Ekron, Israel.

#### AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS AND DISTINCTIONS

2019	<i>Grant Recipient</i> . Faculty Subvention Grant. Vice President's Office for Research and The College of Literature, Science and the Arts. The University of Michigan.
2018	Grant Recipient. LSA Faculty Summer Writing Grant. The ADVANCE Program and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts. The University of Michigan.
2017	Research Fellowship. The Michigan Humanities Award. The College of Literature, Science and the Arts Faculty Fellowship. The University of Michigan.
2016	Nominee, The American Schools of Oriental Research Annual Book Award for
	Contextualizing Israel's Sacred Writings as volume editor and contributor (the Frank
	Moore Cross award for most outstanding book in Ancient Israelite/ancient Near
	Eastern studies).
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.
2014	Nominee, The University of Michigan's Golden Apple Award for Excellence in
	Undergraduate Teaching (Nomination by Letter – 2014 course - 125 enrolled).
2011	Grant Recipient. Associate Professor Faculty Research Grant. The College of Litera-
	ture, 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	Scholarship Recipient. The Overseas Research Award for Outstanding Merit and
	Research Potential. The Committee of Vice Chancellors and Principals of
	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
17/13/17/1	
	University (Dean's List, Phi Epsilon Kappa, 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 Production in Ancient Israel and its World. Oxford University Press (authored, in progress).

#### **Books - in Preparation**

"I Am Mesha, King of Moab": Re-Examining the Inscribed Moabite Stone (authored).

Books - Volunteer Editorial Service to the Profession: Series Editorships, General Editorships (see below).

#### Published Articles in Journals, Edited Volumes, and Reference Works

- Pondering Pandemonium: Re-Imagining 'elōhîm in 1 Samuel 28 in "Like 'Ilu Are You Wise": Studies in Honor of Dennis Pardee. Edited by H. H. Hardy II, Joseph Lam, and Eric D. Reymond. Studies in Ancient Oriental Civilization 73. Chicago: The Oriental Institute, 2022. Pp. 435-452.
- Molech (Hebrew Bible/Old Testament), *The Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception*. Edited by Hans-Josef Klauck, Volker Leppin, Bernard McGinn, Choon-Leong Seow, Hermann Spieckermann, Barry Dov Walfish, Eric Ziolkowski. Berlin: Verlag Walter de Gruyter. 2021. Vol. 19, Cols. 658-664.
- Monster (Hebrew Bible/Old Testament), *The Encyclopedia of The Bible and Its Reception*. Edited by Hans-Josef Klauck, Volker Leppin, Bernard McGinn, Choon-Leong Seow, Hermann Spieckermann, Barry Dov Walfish, Eric Ziolkowski. Berlin: Verlag Walter de Gruyter. 2021. Vol. 19. Cols. 896-899.
- Morning Star (Ancient Near East and Hebrew Bible/Old Testament), *The Encyclopedia of The Bible And Its Reception*. Edited by Hans-Josef Klauck, Volker Leppin, Bernard McGinn, Choon-Leong Seow, Hermann Spieckermann, Barry Dov Walfish, Eric Ziolkowski. Berlin: Verlag Walter de Gruyter. 2021. Vol.19. Cols. 1038-1039.
- Death and Afterlife in Ancient Israel in *The Oxford Handbook on Ritual and Theology*. Ed. Samuel E. Balentine. The Oxford University Press, 2020. Pp. 327-343 [also online].
- 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", *Favissae* and Apotropaism at Kuntillet 'Ağrūd in *Zauber und Magie im antiken Palästina und in seiner Umwelt*. Kolloquium des Deutschen Vereins zur Erforschung Palästinas vom 14. bis 16. November 2014 in Mainz. Herausgegeben von Jens Kamlah, Rolf Schäfer und Markus Witte. Abhandlungen des Deutschen Palästina-Vereins, Band 46. Herausgegeben von Herbert Niehr und Hermann Michael Niemann. Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz Verlag (In Kommission), 2017. Pp.253-84.
- Was There an Ancient Israelite Pandemonium? Entre dieux et hommes: anges, démons et autres figures intermédiaires. Actes du colloque organisé par le Collège de France, Paris, les 19 et 20 mai 2014. Thomas Römer, Bertrand Dufour, Fabian Pfitzmann, Christoph Uehlinger (éds.). Orbis biblicus et Orientalis 286. Academic Press, Fribourg / Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, Göttingen. 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, Les rites religieux, L'effrayante mort, *Le monde de la Bible* N° 120 (juillet-août 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. Leiden: E. J. Brill/Grand Rapids: Wm. B. Eerdmans, 1999. Pp.14-17.
- The Gods and the Dead in the Domestic Cult at Emar, *Emar: The History, Religion & Culture of a Syrian Town in the Late Bronze Age.* Ed. 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: E. J. 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: E. J. Brill, 1995. Pp. 23-28.

#### EDITORIAL SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

#### **Current Volunteer Editorial Service**

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

General Editor, *The Archaeology and Biblical Studies (ABS)*. The Society of Biblical Literature. Atlanta: SBL Press, 2016 – (a double blind, peer-reviewed series).

The ABS Editorial Board (formed, 2016; \*completed service; \*\*newest members: 2022-):

Andrea Berlin Boston University
Piotr Bienkowski\*\* University of Manchester

Aaron Brody Pacific School of Religion, Berkeley

Annie Caubet\* Musèe du Louvre, Paris Billie Jean Collins Emory University, Atlanta Yuval Gadot Tel Aviv University

André Lemaire\* École pratique des hautes étude, Paris

Hélène Le-Meaux\*\* Musèe du Louvre, Paris

Herbert Niehr Eberhard Karls Universität, Tübingen

Christoph Uehlinger Universität Zürich

Brian Schmidt The University of Michigan - Ann Arbor

#### Publications in *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. Atlanta: 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. Atlanta: SBL Press, 2017.
- *Growing Up in Ancient Israel* by Kristine Henricksen Garroway. Archaeology and Biblical Studies 23. Atlanta: 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. Atlanta: SBL Press, 2018.
- *The Archaeology and History of Ancient Phoenicia* by Hélène Sader. Archaeology and Biblical Studies 25. Atlanta: SBL Press, 2019.
- Caring for the Dead in Ancient Israel by Kerry M. Sonia. Archaeology and Biblical Studies 27. Atlanta: SBL Press, 2020.
- The Middle Maccabees: Archaeology, History, and the Rise of the Hasmonean Kingdom by Andrea Berlin and Paul Kosmin (Eds.). Archaeology and Biblical Studies 28. Atlanta: SBL Press, 2021.
- Edom at the Edge of Empire: A Social and Political History by Bradley L. Crowell. Archaeology and Biblical Studies 29. Atlanta: SBL Press, 2021.

- In the Shadow of Empire: Israel and Judah in the Long Sixth Century BCE. Pamela Barmash and Mark Hamilton (eds.). Archaeology and Biblical Studies 30. Atlanta: SBL Press, 2021.
- *Tiglath-pileser III: Founder of Assyria* by Josette Elayi. Archaeology and Biblical Studies 31. Atlanta: SBL Press, 2022.
- History of Ancient Israel by Christian Frevel. Archaeology and Biblical Studies.
   Archaeology and Biblical Studies 32. Atlanta: SBL Press, 2023. (1st English revised edition of the 2nd German edition Kohlhammer, 2018; in proofs).
- The Two Houses of Israel: State Formation: Israel and Judah and the Origins of Pan-Identity by Omer Sergi. Archaeology and Biblical Studies 33. Atlanta: SBL Press, 2023 (in typeset).
- *The Archaeology of the Kingdom of Judah* by Yosef Garfinkel (Commit to Publish: projected submission date 2023).
- This House that I Have Built: The Patrimonial Kingdom of David and Solomon by Zachary Thomas (Commit to Publish: projected submission date 2023).
- Discovering the Moabites: Archaeology, History and Culture by Michèle Daviau and Margreet Steiner (Commit to Publish: projected submission date - 2024).
- Ancient Ammon from the Late Bronze Age to the Hellenistic Period by Craig Tyson and Kent Bramlett (Commit to Publish: projected submission date 2024).
- *Philistia and the Philistines of the Iron Age* by Aren Maeir (Commit to Publish: projected submission date 2024).

#### Past Volunteer Editorial Work and 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, 2021-.
- Sectional Submissions Reviewer, *The Journal of Ancient Near Eastern Religions*. Leiden: E. J. Brill (Syria-Palestine, Northwest Semitics), 1998-2010, 2013-20.
- Series Editor, *The ASOR Book Series*. Boston: American Schools for Overseas Research, 2003-07. *Cult Image and Divine Representation in the Ancient Near East*. Neal Walls (Vol. Editor), 2005.
- Series Editor, *Trajectories: A Social-Scientific Commentary on the Bible* (Co-Editor, D. Edelman), Sheffield: Sheffield Academic Press (1996-2000). *The Pentateuch* by John Van Seters (Vol. 1), 1999.
- Invited Volume Guest Editor, *Near Eastern Archaeology* (Special Issue, 63:4, December 2000), "The Mysteries of Ugarit: History, Daily Life, and Cult," The American Schools of Overseas Research, Boston, 2000, for *The World of the Bible* [= *Le Monde de la Bible*, "Le mystère Ougarit, 70e anniversaire de la decouverte en Syrie," N° 120 juillet-août 1999, Paris, Le Groupe Bayard].

# 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. Farmington Hills, MI. July, 2019.
- Panel Participant, "Another Case of 'The Uninvited Guest Crashing the Party': New Musings in 1 Sam 28", in the Ritual in the Biblical World Session, The Society of Biblical Literature International Meetings. 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 Mōlekh 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 International Meetings. Berlin, Germany. August, 2017.
- Participant, "Literacies and Literature 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 Lectures, "The Quest...Ten Years On...," The Association of Humanistic Rabbis / The Institute for Secular Humanistic Judaism. Farmington Hills. July, 2016.
- Panel Participant, "International Security in a Global Economy: The Egyptian God Bes," The Society of Biblical Literature International 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 Palästina 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, The Society of Biblical Literature International Meetings. 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 Meetings, 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, "Ancient Israelite Magic: Superstition, Enchantment or 'Just' Religion?" *Special Topics Panel, Magic in Ancient Israelite Religion*. The Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting. San Francisco, CA. November, 2011.
- Invited Participant, "On the Original 'Scourge of the Orient': 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," *The Ancient Israelite Religion Program*, The Society of Biblical Literature International Meeting. London. July, 2011.

#### UNIVERSITY TEACHING: COURSES, SERVICE AND AWARDS

# **Undergraduate Courses (Cross-listed with Judaic Studies – Religion - History)**

Satan, Sin and Suffering in the Book of Job (ME 391)

Introduction to the Tanakh or Old Testament (ME 235)

Israel Before the Exile: Her Histories and Religions (ME 339)

World Religions: Ancient Israel, Judaism, Christianity, and Islam

Undergraduate Independent Reading Courses

Peoples of the Near East, Guest Lecturer

Great Books Program, Guest Lecturer

Classical Middle East Literature, Guest Lecturer

Middle East Studies – Undergraduate Honors Thesis (ME 499)

## 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) Beginning Classical Hebrew II (502)

(Grad) Advanced Classical Hebrew I (601)

(Grad) Advanced Classical Hebrew II (602)

(Grad) Problems in the Hebrew Text of Job (410)

(Grad) Problems in the Hebrew Text of Qoheleth (410)

#### **Graduate Seminars and Readings Courses**

(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: The Dead Sea Scrolls and the Biblical Text

(Grad) Independent Readings Course: Classics, Judaic Studies

(Grad) Independent Readings Course; Middle East Studies

(Grad) Dissertation-Pre-Candidate

(Grad) Dissertation-Candidate

#### **University Extra-Departmental Teaching Service**

The University Collegiate Seminars: Moses, The Man and The Tradition

The LSA First Year Seminars: Job and The Question of Theodicy

The LSA First Year Seminars: The Dead Sea Scrolls and the Bible

The LSA First Year Seminars: Religion and Magic in the Ancient World

Lloyd's Hall Scholars Program: Magic in the Ancient Mediterranean

Lloyd's Hall Scholar's Program: Archaeology of the Holy Land

Great Books Course: The Qumran Discoveries

The Great Books Program, Guest Lecturer

Judaic Studies Undergraduate Independent Readings Course

Judaic Studies Undergraduate Honors Thesis

Religion: Undergraduate Independent Readings Course

Religion: Undergraduate Honors Thesis

The Provost's Seminars on Teaching, Panel Participant

# **University Teaching/Instructional Grants and Fellowships**

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 (or 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, MacQuarrie 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).

## Mentor, Visiting Post-Doctoral Fellow (2018-2021).

Jesse M. Millek, Ph.D., Der Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen, Post-Doctoral Fellow, Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft Award, 2017-2021. The Levant at the End of the Late Bronze Age. The Archaeology - Evidence for Collapse, Destruction, or Abandonment?

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

Nathan Moretto (Frankel)	Margaret Gelinas	Jessica Goldstein	Helen Dixon
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

# **B.A. Honors Theses Completed** (Chair and/or Co-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.

Carrie Leonetti, Essenic Celibacy and The Role of Women and Children at Qumran, 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 Invited Guest Lectures

Professors Leong Seow, Vanderbilt University (2019-20: postponed- 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 these invited campus lectures were open to the university-wide community and to the general Ann Arbor public. They 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, 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 due to Covid pandemic).
- 2) 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.

- 1) 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.
- 3) 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.

#### Colloquia Organizer

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 (Farmington Hills, formal instruction for rabbinic ordination program, 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; girls 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.