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EDUCATION

Ph.D. (Candidate) University of Chicago, Department of New Testament and Early Christian Literature, in-progress dissertation: “The Pauline Fake: Second Thessalonians and the Rhetoric of Authenticity”

M.A. University of Chicago, Department of New Testament and Early Christian Literature, Fall 2007

M.Div. Harding University Graduate School of Theology Spring 2002

M.A. Harding University Graduate School of Theology, New Testament, Spring 2002

B.A. Oklahoma Christian University, Bible and Ministry, Spring 1998

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

**Instructor** of New Testament at Abilene Christian University – Fall 2009 to Spring 2015

**Lecturer** of Koine Greek at the Divinity School of the University of Chicago – Fall 2007 to Winter 2009

**Adjunct Instructor** of New Testament at Abilene Christian University – Winter 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009 (Courses: Biblical Exegesis and Pastoral Epistles)

**Research Assistant** for Dr. Hans-Josef Klauck, Professor of New Testament, University of Chicago – Fall 2005 to Summer 2007

**Adjunct Instructor** of Greek at Harding University Graduate School of Theology: Chicago Campus – Fall 2005, Spring 2006, Summer 2006 (Elementary Greek I and II & Greek Readings)

**Teaching Assistant** for Dr. Hans-Josef Klauck and Dr. David Martinez, University of Chicago – Spring 2004 (Plutarch and the New Testament) & Fall 2006 (Ruler Cult); Dr. Margaret M. Mitchell, University of Chicago – Winter 2005 & 2006 (Introduction to the New Testament)

PUBLICATIONS

* *Ephesus as a Religious Center under the Principate.* Editor with A. Black and C. Thomas. WUNT. Mohr Siebeck, Forthcoming.
* “The Voluntary Bestiarius, Ignatius of Antioch.” In *Ephesus as a Religious Center under the Principate.* Edited by A. Black, C. Thomas, and T. Thompson. WUNT. Mohr Siebeck, Forthcoming.
* “Galen, *De indolentia*, and Early Christian Literature.” *Bulletin for the Study of Religion* 44, no. 3 (September 2015). Pages 20-25.
* Review of J. L. Koosed, *The Bible and Posthumanism*. *Review of Biblical Literature* 8/2015. (http://www.bookreviews.org/pdf/9773\_10797.pdf)
* “Online Papyrological Resources for the Study of Early Christianity.” *Early Christianity* 5 (2014). Pages 531-535.
* “Ancient Medicine.” *Oxford Bibliographies*. January 2015. (www.oxfordbibliographies.com)
* “Punishment and Restitution.” In *Oxford Encyclopedia of the Bible and Law*. Edited by B. Strawn. Oxford University Press, 2015. Pages 183-193.
* *Galen’s* De indolentia*. Essays on the Newly-Discovered Letter*. Editor with C. K. Rothschild. STAC 88. Mohr Siebeck, 2014.
* “Introduction (with illustration of Vlatadon 14).” With C. K. Rothschild. In *Galen’s* De indolentia*. Essays on the Newly-Discovered Letter*. Edited by C. K. Rothschild and T. W. Thompson. STAC 88. Mohr Siebeck, 2014. Pages 3-20.
* “Galen: ‘On the Avoidance of Distress.’” Translator with C. K. Rothschild. In *Galen’s* De indolentia*. Essays on the Newly-Discovered Letter*. Edited by C. K. Rothschild and T. W. Thompson. STAC 88. Mohr Siebeck, 2014. Pages 21-40.
* “Collation of the Critical Editions of Galen’s *De indolentia*.” In *Galen’s* De indolentia*. Essays on the Newly-Discovered Letter*. Edited by C. K. Rothschild and T. W. Thompson. STAC 88. Mohr Siebeck, 2014. Pages 277-314.
* “Antinoos, The New God: Origen on Miracle and Belief in Third-Century Egypt.” In *Glaubwürdig oder Unglaubwürdig: Erzählung und Rezeption wunderbarer Ereignisse in der antiken Welt*. Edited by T. Nicklas, et al. WUNT 321. Mohr Siebeck, 2013. Pages 143-73.
* “Claiming Ephesus: Pauline Legacy in *The Acts of John*.” In *The Rise and Expansion of Christianity in the First Three Centuries of the Common Era*.Edited by J. Schröter, et al. WUNT. Mohr Siebeck, 2013. Pages 379-400.
* Review Essay of N. Frank, *Der Kolosserbrief im Kontext des paulinischen Erbes*. *Early Christianity* 3, no. 4 (2012). Pages 543-8.
* “The Swift Rise and Apparent Demise of ‘Jesus’ Wife’” with D. Kneip. *Sightings* (October 25, 2012)
* “Galen’s *On the Avoidance of Grief*: The Question of a Library at Antium,” with C. K. Rothschild. *Classical Philology* 107 (2012). Pages 131-45.
* “*Status quaestionis*: Christian Body, Christian Self.” In *Christian Body, Christian Self. Essays on Early Christian Concepts of Personhood.* Edited by C. K. Rothschild, et al. WUNT 284. Mohr Siebeck, 2011. Pages 3-17.
* *Christian Body, Christian Self. Essays on Early Christian Concepts of Personhood.* Editor with C. K. Rothschild. WUNT 284. Mohr Siebeck, 2011.
* “Galen: ‘On the Avoidance of Grief’ (English Translation),” with C. K. Rothschild. *Early Christianity* 2, no. 1 (2011). Pages 110-29.
* “Writing in Character: Claudius Lysias to Felix as a Double-Pseudepigraphon.” In *The Interface of Orality and Writing: Seeing, Speaking, Writing in the Shaping of New Genres*. Edited by A. Weissenrieder, et al. WUNT 260. Mohr Siebeck, 2010. Pages 393-407.
* “A Stone that *Still* Won’t Fit: An Introductory and Editorial Note for Edgar Krentz’s ‘A Stone that Will Not Fit.’” In *Pseudepigraphie und Verfasserfiktion in frühchristlichen Briefen* (ET: *Pseudepigraphy and Author Fiction in Early Christian Historiography*).  Edited by J. Frey, et al. WUNT 246. Mohr Siebeck, 2009. Pages 433-38.
* “As if Genuine: Interpreting the Pseudepigraphic Second Thessalonians.” In *Pseudepigraphie und Verfasserfiktion in frühchristlichen Briefen* (ET: *Pseudepigraphy and Author Fiction in Early Christian Historiography*).  Edited by J. Frey, et al. WUNT 246. Mohr Siebeck, 2009. Pages 471-88.
* Entries in the *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception*. **Walter de Gruyter, 2009 - .**
* Volume 1 (Aaron-Aniconism – 2009): Abjuration Formula. II. Christianity (105-107); Abrenuntiation II. New Testament and Christianity (228); Absolution I. New Testament (241-242); Achaicus (271-72); Aegean Sea (482-83); Agape Meal I. New Testament (564); Alexander. False Teacher of Ephesus (737-38); Alexander. Coppersmith at Ephesus (738); Ampliatus (1052)
* Volume 2 (Anim-Atheism – 2009): Armor II. New Testament (791-792)
* Volume 3 (Athena-Blessing – 2011): [Betray, Betrayal I. New T](http://ebr.nionex.net/GIEB/SubLemma/SubLemma_36815/lemma_edit_form?mode=view&actionid=view)estament (1032-33); Betray, Betrayal. II. Judaism. A. Second Temple and Hellenistic Judaism (1033-34)
* Volume 4 (Birsha-Chariot of Fire – 2012): Birthright. Greco-Roman Antiquity (61-63); Blindness. II. Greco-Roman Antiquity (174-78); Burial. III. Greco-Roman Antiquity (610-11); Carpus (1009)
* Volume 5 (Charisma-Czazkes – 2012): Chloe (135); Cleopas (423-24); Commentaries (Genre). I. Greco-Roman Antiquity (548-49); Coveting, Desiring. New Testament (938-40); Crescens (1031); Crispus (1034)
* Volume 6 (Dabbesheth-Dreams and Dream Interpretation – 2013): Dead, Cult of the. Greco-Roman Antiquity and New Testament (327-30); Demas (518-9); Demeter (519-20); Dionysus (853-5)
* Volume 7 (Dress-Essene Gate – 2013): Epaenetus (992); Epaphras (992-3); Epaphroditus (993-4); Epistles, Apocryphal (1084-6); Epistolography (1108-12); Erastus (1124-6)
* Volume 8 (Essenes-Fideism – 2014): Eubulus (166-7); Eunice (170)
* Volume 9 (Field-Gennesaret – 2014): Foreigner. Greco-Roman Antiquity (417-8); Gaius (886-7)
* “Ignatius Redux: Bart Ehrman on Ignatius and His Letters,” with B. Cline, *Journal of Religion* 86, no. 3 (2006): 442-54.
* Review of W. Deming, *Paul on Marriage & Celibacy*. *Restoration Quarterly* 47, no. 3 (2005): 186-7.
* Review of T. D. Still, *Conflict at Thessalonica: A Pauline Church and Its Neighbours*. *Restoration Quarterly* 46, no. 1 (2004): 59.
* “The Bylaws of a Bacchic Association and 1 Corinthians.” Pages 201-218 in *Proceedings of the Central States Regional Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature and the American Schools of Oriental Research*. Edited by J. J. Johnson Leese. Central States Society of Biblical Literature, 2001.

PAPER PRESENTATIONS

* **“Intentional Ambiguity: The Rhetoric of 2 Thessalonians”** – Society of Biblical Literature, National Meeting, Fall 2015.
* **“Response to Shelly Matthews, ‘Reflections Since the Publication of *Perfect Martyr: The Stoning of Stephen and the Construction of Christian Identity*’”** – Christian Scholars Conference, 2015.
* **“Response to Mike Whitenton’s ‘Boys will be Boys: The Moral Character Development of the Child God of the Infancy Gospel of Thomas’”** – Second Century Seminar, Spring 2015. Invited Response.
* **“Galen’s On the Avoidance of Distress: Discovery, Text, and Moral Therapy”** – Stone-Campbell Journal Conference, Spring 2015. Invited Presentation.
* **“The Rhetoric of Ambiguity in 2 Thessalonians”** – Society of Biblical Literature, National Meeting, Fall 2014.
* **“‘Rubbish under the Name of Ignatius.’ The Authenticity of the Ignatian Corpus: A Reconsideration of the letter from Ignatius to Polycarp.”** – Christian Scholars Conference, 2014.
* **“Darling of the Emperor: Antinoos in Early Christian Rhetoric”** – Society of Biblical Literature, National Meeting, Fall 2013.
* **“Response to Brent Landau’s ‘The Star-Child and His Star-Food: Fragments of Visionary Experience in the Syriac Revelation of the Magi’”** – Second Century Seminar, Fall 2013. Invited Response.
* **“Response to Jeff Peterson’s ‘Eucharist in the Didache’”** – Eucharist and Ecclesiology: An Academic Colloquy Honoring Dr. Everett Ferguson, Abilene Christian University, March 2013. Invited Response.
* **“The Leaping Fetus (Luke 1:41, 44): The in utero Baptist and Greco-Roman Theories of Fetal Development”** – Society of Biblical Literature, National Meeting, Fall 2012; Christian Scholars Conference, 2012.
* **“A Response to Janet Spittler’s ‘Christianity at the Edges: Representations of the Ends of the Earth in the Apocryphal Acts of the Apostles”** – Second Century Seminar, Spring 2012
* **“Claiming Ephesus: Apostolic Legacy in the *Acts of John*”** – Society of Biblical Literature, Midwest Region, Winter 2012; North American Patristics Society, Spring 2005; Society of Biblical Literature, Central States, Spring 2004; Early Christian Studies Workshop, University of Chicago, Winter 2004.
* **“Author-Publisher-University: A New Symbiotic Relationship”** – with C. Niccum and M. Powell, Society of Biblical Literature, National Meeting, Fall 2011
* **“Galen’s On the Avoidance of Distress: Discovery, Text, and Moral Therapy”** – with C. K. Rothschild, Society of Biblical Literature, National Meeting, Fall 2011; Early Christian Studies Workshop, University of Chicago, 2011; Christian Scholars Conference, 2011; Southwest Regional Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Spring 2011.
* **“Writing in Character: Claudius Lysias to Felix as a Double-Pseudepigraphon”** – Christian Scholars Conference, 2010. Invited Presentation.
* **“‘This Book has been Forged!’ Interpolation, Mutilation, and Forgery in the Transmission and Publication of the Hippocratic Corpus and the works of Galen”** – Society of Biblical Literature, National Meeting, Fall 2007; Southwest Regional Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Spring 2010
* **“Rhetoric and Argument in the Authenticity and Pseudonymity Debate: A Response to Richard Bauckham’s *James: Wisdom of James, disciple of Jesus the sage*”** – Society of Biblical Literature, Central States, Spring 2007
* **“Where Does The Fiction End and The Truth Begin? Mirrors, Windows, and Reality in 2 Thessalonians”** – Münchener Bibelwissenschaftliche Symposien: Pseudepigraphie und Verfasserfiktion in frühchristlichen Briefen, Summer 2007; Society of Biblical Literature, National Meeting, Fall 2005; Early Christian Studies Workshop, University of Chicago, Fall of 2005; Society of Biblical Literature, Central States, Spring 2006
* **“Response to Steve Friesen’s ‘Nothing Succeeds Like Inequality: Poverty, Patronage, and the Jerusalem Collection’”** – with B. Cline, Early Christian Studies Workshop, University of Chicago, Spring 2006
* **“The Value of Interdisciplinary Research: The Next Steps”** - **Commemorating the Dead: Texts and Artifacts in Context: The Shohet Conference on Roman, Jewish and Christian Burials, University of Chicago, Spring 2005**
* **“‘My Chains Exhort You’ Paraenesis and Authority in Ignatius of Antioch: A Response to the Lund and Oslo Definitions”** – Society of Biblical Literature, Central States, Spring 2005; Early Christian Studies Workshop, University of Chicago, Fall 2006
* **“Review of Bart D. Ehrman’s *The Apostolic Fathers*: An Orthodox Hegemonic Corruption of Scholarly Secondary Literature in the Early Twenty-First Century of the Common Era?”** – Early Christian Studies Workshop, University of Chicago, Autumn 2004
* **“Paul, Romans, and Egyptian Religion: A Closer Look at Romans 1:23-25”** – Society of Biblical Literature, Central States, Spring 2003
* **“The Bylaws of a Bacchic Association and 1 Corinthians”** – American Schools of Oriental Research, Southeast Region, Spring 2001; Society of Biblical Literature, Central States, Spring 2001

ACADEMIC HONORS & AWARDS

* Society of Biblical Literature, National Regional Scholar – 2013
* Society of Biblical Literature, Midwest Regional Scholar – 2013
* Outstanding Student Paper, Society of Biblical Literature Central States – Spring 2001, 2003, 2006
* Mellon Graduate Achievement Fellowship – Fall 2003 to Spring 2006
* Master of Divinity Academic Award – Spring 2002
* Master of Arts Academic Award – Spring 2002
* Velma R. West Greek Award – Spring 2002
* Jack P. Lewis Ministry of Study Award – Spring 2002
* The Lewis Scholar Award from Harding University – 2001/02
* Joseph A. Callaway Prize, American Schools of Oriental Research Southeast Region, Outstanding Student Paper – Spring 2001
* National Dean’s List – 1999 to 2002
* Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities & Colleges – 1997/98; 1999/2000
* The Hugo McCord Bible Award from Oklahoma Christian University – Spring 1998

TEACHING & MENTORING HONORS & AWARDS

* Honors College Professor of the Year at Abilene Christian University – 2012, 2014, 2015
* Master Teacher Program – 2015
* The Students’ Association Award for Mentoring – 2013

SPONSORSHIP, ADVISING, AND LEADERSHIP

* Co-leader of the Faculty Gender-Focused Reading Group – Fall 2014 to Fall 2015
* Sponsor of ACU Lacrosse Club – Fall 2011 to Fall 2015
* Sponsor of ACU Spring Break Campaigns – Spring 2009, 2010, 2011

OTHER WORK:

* Fundraiser with David Fleer to endow the Everett Ferguson Lecture in Early Christian Studies, Christian Scholars’ Conference
* Organizer with James Walters and Allen Black of an international conference *Ephesus a Religious Center under the Principate:* In honor of Richard E. Oster on the occasion of his 65th birthday. May 18-19th, 2012.
* Research assistant to the author and aid to the translator for Hans-Josef Klauck, *Ancient Letters and the New Testament: A Guide to Context and Exegesis.* Baylor University Press, 2006.
* Formatting and Citation Editorial Assistant for *Illinois Classical Studies* vol. 29 (2004) – “Divine Epiphanies in the Ancient World”

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP:

* Chicago Society of Biblical Research – Spring 2008 to present
* The North American Patristics Society – Fall 2004 to present
* Society of Biblical Literature – Spring 1998 to present

TRAVEL:

* Colloquia on Material Culture & Ancient Religion, Herodian Dynasty (Israel and Jordan) – Summer 2010
* Independent Travel in Italy, Greece and Turkey – Summer 2006, Summer 2007
* The Patrons of Faith and the Arts Program (Tour and Research Program in Italy, Greece, and Turkey) – July 2006