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Education

PhD, Princeton University: Religion (January 22, 2011)
MA, University of Washington, Seattle: International Studies, Religion (June 10, 2005)
BA *cum laude*, University of Washington, Seattle: History (June 14, 2002)
AA, Pierce College, Puyallup, Washington (August 13, 1998)

Fields of Study: New Testament and Christian Origins, Second Temple Judaism, Religions of Antiquity

Employment

- Lecturer in the Department of Classics and Program in Religious Studies, Washington University in St. Louis, 2017–present
- Visiting Instructor, The Lawrenceville School, New Jersey, Spring 2017
- Post-doctoral Research Fellow, University of Oslo, Faculty of Theology, 2013–2016
- Lecturer, Princeton University, Religion Department, 2010–2012
- Assistant Instructor, Princeton University, Religion Department, 2006
- Research Adviser, University of Washington, Center for Advanced Research Technology in the Arts and Humanities, 2003–2005
- Assistant Instructor, University of Washington, Comparative Religion, 2002–2004
- Research Assistant, University of Washington, History Department, 2000–2002

Teaching Areas

- Bible and New Testament
- Early Christianity (100–500 CE)
- Second Temple Judaism
- Religions of Antiquity
- Greek and Coptic languages
- Theories and Methods in the Study of Religion

COURSES

1. New Testament and Christian Origins (ReSt 251), *Spring 2011; as assistant instructor: Fall 2002, Fall 2004, Fall 2006, Fall 2012.*
2. The Alternative Jesus (ReSt 381), *Spring 2018, Fall 2019*
3. The Apostle Paul: Communities and Controversies (ReSt 382), *Fall 2018*
4. Orthodoxy and Heresy in Early Christianity (ReSt 3051), *Fall 2017, Spring 2020*
5. Sexuality in Early Christianity (ReSt 3130), *Fall 2017, Spring 2019*
6. Magicians, Healers, and Holy Men: Popular Religion in the Ancient World (Classics 3831), *Fall 2018, Fall 2019, Fall 2020*
7. Scriptures and Cultural Traditions: Judaism, Christianity, Islam (IPH 209), *Spring 2018, Spring 2019, Fall 2020*
8. Religion and Violence: Senior Seminar in Religious Studies (ReSt 479), *Spring 2020*
9. Intensive Attic Greek I (Greek 190), *Spring 2018, Spring 2019*
10. Intensive Attic Greek II (Greek 210), *Fall 2018, Fall 2019*
11. Attic Greek Prose: Plato's Apology (Greek 317), *Fall 2017*
12. There Be Dragons: Greek Encounters with the Unknown in History and Legend (Greek 460), *Spring 2020*
13. Beginning Coptic (Classics 188), *Fall 2020*

Publications

MONOGRAPHS

- The Monastic Origins of the Nag Hammadi Codices*, co-authored with Hugo Lundhaug. Studies and Texts in Antiquity and Christianity 97. Mohr Siebeck, 2015. (332 pages)
- The Gospel of Judas: Coptic Text, Translation, and Historical Interpretation of the 'Betray-er's Gospel.'* Studies and Texts in Antiquity and Christianity 64. Mohr Siebeck, 2011. (256 pages)

ARTICLES IN PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS

- "The Book of the Foreigner from Codex Tchacos." *Bulletin of the American Society of Papyrologists* 57 (2020): 235–275.
- "Antony's Letters and Nag Hammadi Codex I: Sources of Religious Conflict in Fourth-Century Egypt." Co-authored with Elaine H. Pagels. *Journal of Early Christian Studies* 18.4 (2010): 557–589.

BOOK CHAPTERS

- "Production, Distribution, and Ownership of Books in the Monasteries of Upper Egypt: The Evidence of the Nag Hammadi Codices." Co-authored with Hugo Lundhaug. Pages 306–325 in *Monastic Education in Late Antiquity: The Transformation of Classical Paideia*, ed. Samuel Rubenson and Lillian Larsen. Cambridge University Press, 2018.
- "Reading Variants in *James* and the *Apocalypse of James*: A Perspective from New Philology." Pages 55–85 in *Snapshots of Evolving Traditions: Jewish and Christian Manuscript Culture, Textual Fluidity, and Material Philology*, ed. Liv Ingeborg Lied and Hugo Lundhaug. Texte und Untersuchungen zur Geschichte der altchristlichen Literatur. De Gruyter, 2016.

- “Emissaries of Truth and Justice: The Seed of Seth as Agents of Divine Providence.” Pages 43–62 in *Gnosticism, Platonism and the Late Ancient World: Essays in Honour of John D. Turner*, ed. Kevin Corrigan and Tuomas Rasimus. Brill, 2013.
- “Clergy, Clairvoyance, and Conflict: The Synod of Latopolis and the Problem with Pachomius’ Visions.” Pages 320–334 in *Beyond the Gnostic Gospels: Studies Building on the Work of Elaine Pagels*, ed. Eduard Iricinschi, Lance Jenott, Nicola Denzey Lewis, and Philippa Townsend. Studies and Texts in Antiquity and Christianity 82. Mohr Siebeck, 2013.
- “Recovering Adam’s Lost Glory: Nag Hammadi Codex II in its Egyptian Monastic Environment.” Pages 222–243 in *Jewish and Christian Cosmogony in Late Antiquity*, ed. Lance Jenott and Sarit Kattan Gribetz. Texts and Studies in Ancient Judaism 155. Mohr Siebeck, 2013.
- “The Gospel of Judas 45,6–7 and Enoch’s Heavenly Temple.” Pages 471–477 in *The Codex Judas Papers: Proceedings of the International Congress on the Tchacos Codex held at Rice University, Houston, Texas, March 13–16, 2008*, ed. April D. DeConick. Nag Hammadi and Manichaean Studies 71. Brill, 2009.
- “Inside the Covers of Codex VI.” Co-authored with Michael A. Williams. Pages 1025–1052 in *Coptica, Gnostica, Manichaica: mélanges offerts à Wolf-Peter Funk*, ed. P.-H. Poirier and Louis Painchaud. Les Presses de l’Université Laval, 2006.

TRANSLATIONS

- “The Investiture of the Archangel Gabriel,” introduction, translation, and annotation. Pages 559–579 in *New Testament Apocrypha: More Noncanonical Scriptures*, vol. 2, ed. Tony Burke. Eerdmans, 2020.
- “John of Parallos, Homily Against Heretical Books,” introduction, translation, and annotation, with Christian Bull. Pages 553–558 in *New Testament Apocrypha: More Noncanonical Scriptures*, vol. 2, ed. Tony Burke. Eerdmans, 2020.
- “The Gospel of Judas,” translation, annotation, and introduction, with Eduard Iricinschi and Philippa Townsend. Pages 351–365 in *The Complete Gospels: Annotated Scholars Version*, ed. Robert J. Miller. Fourth edition. Polebridge Press, 2010.

EDITED VOLUMES

Principal editor:

- The Nag Hammadi Codices and Late Antique Egypt*, co-edited with Hugo Lundhaug. Studies and Texts in Antiquity and Christianity 110. Mohr Siebeck, 2018. (508 pages)
- Jewish and Christian Cosmogony in Late Antiquity*, co-edited with Sarit Kattan Gribetz. Texts and Studies in Ancient Judaism 155. Mohr Siebeck, 2013. (336 pages)
- Beyond the Gnostic Gospels: Studies Building on the Work of Elaine Pagels*, co-edited with Eduard Iricinschi, Nicola Denzey Lewis and Philippa Townsend. Studies and Texts in Antiquity and Christianity 82. Mohr Siebeck, 2013. (517 pages)

Assisting editor:

- My Lots Are in Thy Hands: Sortilege and its Practitioners in Late Antiquity*, ed. AnneMarie Luijendijk and William E. Klingshirn, with the assistance of Lance Jenott. Religions in the Graeco-Roman World 188. Brill, 2018. (392 pages)

Gnosticism, Platonism and the Late Ancient World: Essays in Honour of John D. Turner, ed. Kevin Corrigan and Tuomas Rasimus, in collaboration with Dylan Burns, Lance Jenott and Zeke Mazur. Brill, 2013. (701 pages)

BOOK REVIEWS

James Robinson, *The Nag Hammadi Story*, vol. 1: *The Discovery and Monopoly*; vol. 2: *The Publication*. Leiden: Brill, 2014. In *Journal of Theological Studies* 67 (2016): 298–302.

David Brakke, *The Gnostics: Myth, Ritual, and Diversity in Early Christianity*. Harvard University Press, 2010. In *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 74.3 (2012): 589–591.

Rodolphe Kasser, Marvin Meyer, and Gregor Wurst, *The Gospel of Judas from Codex Tchacos*. Washington, DC: National Geographic Society, 2006. Co-authored with Eduard Iricinschi and Philippa Townsend. Pages 32–37 in *The New York Review of Books* vol. 53 (10), June 8, 2006.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

1. Hermeneia Commentary on the *Gospel of Judas* (under contract with Fortress Press)
2. Synoptic edition and translation of the *Letter of Peter to Philip* (NHC VIII,2 and CT,1).
3. Edition of P.Washu. Inv. 228 (contract of a monk)

Invited Lectures and Presentations

“The Book of Allogenes from Codex Tchacos: Status Quaestionis.” Apocrypha and Monastic Literary Culture conference, University of Oslo, 18 June 2019

“The Dossier of Apa Sansnos: Documentary papyri for fourth-century monks in Egypt.” The American Society of Papyrologists Summer School, Washington University in St. Louis, 26 July 2018

“Cosmic Holy War: The Book of Revelation as Martyrdom Propaganda.” Princeton University, 23 February 2017

“The Nachleben of Nag Hammadi Texts in Egyptian Christianity.” University of Oslo, 13 December 2016

“Is it Necessary to Suffer or to Die? A Variant Reading in the Letter of Peter to Philip.” The Nag Hammadi Codices as Monastic Books conference, University of Oslo, 16 December 2015

Review of M. Choat and I. Gardiner, *A Coptic Handbook of Ritual Power* (Brepols, 2013), Society of Biblical Literature annual meeting, Atlanta, 21 November 2015

“Two Versions of the Letter of Peter to Philip,” Society of Biblical Literature annual meeting, Atlanta, 21 November 2015

“Paul’s Fund-raising Strategies (2 Cor 8-9) and his Conflict with the Corinthian Church.” University of Aarhus, 16 November 2015

“The Priority of Luke-Acts in the Gospel of Judas.” University of Edinburgh, 23 October 2015

“Two Versions of the Letter of Peter to Philip.” Seventeenth International Conference on Patristic Studies, Oxford University, 14 August 2015

“The History of the Term *Gnostikos*, Part II.” Nag Hammadi After 70 Years conference, University of Laval, 29 May 2015

- “New Fragments of the Letter of Peter to Philip.” University of Aarhus. 17 April 2015
- “Reading Variants and Christology in the Apocalypse of James (NHC V,3 and CT,2).” Nordic Nag Hammadi and Coptic Manuscripts Workshop, University of Helsinki, 10 April 2014
- “Knowledge of the Father and Movement of the Logos: Echoes of the Arian Controversy in the Tripartite Tractate?” New Contexts for Old Texts conference, University of Oslo, 16 December 2013
- “Readers’ Aids and Other Scribal Practices in Codex Tchacos.” Society of Biblical Literature annual meeting, Baltimore, Early Christian Papyrology/Nag Hammadi Codices joint session, 23 November 2013
- “The Scribe of Codex Tchacos.” PHANES seminar, University of Bergen, 4 November 2013.
- “Evagrius Ponticus and the Books from Nag Hammadi: Sources of the Anthropomorphic Controversy in Fifth-Century Egypt.” Origeniana Undecima, University of Aarhus. 27 August 2013
- “The Cult of the Archangel Michael at Phantau, Egypt.” Ancient Judaism and Christianity in Formation and Transformation: A Conference in Honor of Peter Schäfer. Princeton University, 17 May 2013
- “Ascent to the Imageless God: Noetic Prayer according to Evagrius Ponticus and Nag Hammadi Codex XI.” New Contexts for Old Texts, University of Oslo, 12 December 2012
- “Clairvoyance and Conflict: the Political Implications of Pachomius’ Visions.” Society of Biblical Literature annual meeting, Chicago, Christianity in Egypt section, 17 November 2012
- “Recovering Adam’s Lost Glory: Nag Hammadi Codex II in its Egyptian Monastic Environment.” North American Patristics Society conference, Chicago, 24 May 2012
- “Diversity of Perspectives on Creation in Sethian Myths.” Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism Network, Yale University, 11 May 2011
- “Alternative Views of Martyrdom among Early Christians.” Institute for Advanced Studies at Hebrew University, 20 July 2009
- “Is there Soteriology in the Gospel of Judas?” Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism Network, Helsinki, 11 August 2008
- “Astrology and the Stars in Plotinus’s Second Ennead.” Oxford-Princeton Program in the Ancient World colloquium: Prophecy, Oracles and Divination, 11 January 2008
- “The Discourse on the Eighth and Ninth (NHC VI,6): Hermetic Ascent Ritual or Literary Fiction?” Princeton University colloquium: Revelation, Literature and Community in Antiquity, 16 January 2007
- “Myth in the Gospel of Judas.” Amherst College, 4 October 2006

Media Interview

Peter according to the Gospel of Mark. Interview by Kiva Runnels for *Hold That Thought*, podcast at Washington University in St. Louis, July 2018.
<http://thought.artsci.wustl.edu/podcasts/articles/691>

Professional Service

- Editorial board member for Gorgias Press, Coptic Studies series, 2019–
- External reviewer for *Journal of Early Christian Studies*
- External reviewer for Oxford University Press
- Religious Studies Advisory Board, Washington University in St. Louis, 2017–
- Weltin Lecture planning committee, Washington University in St. Louis, 2017–
- Public review of doctoral dissertation by Paul Linjamaa, “Ethics in the Tripartite Tractate,” Lund University, 13 December, 2017; defense committee member, May 2018
- New Testament Greek reading group (founder), Washington University in St. Louis
- Steering committee, Society of Biblical Literature, Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism section, 2011–2015

Conferences Organized

- The Nag Hammadi Codices in Fourth and Fifth-Century Egypt. University of Oslo, 13–16 December, 2013, co-organized with Hugo Lundhaug.
- ‘Let Us Make Man’: Interpretations of Genesis 1:26–27 between Judaism and Christianity. Princeton, 23 March, 2010 and April 2011, co-organized with Sarit Kattan Gribetz.
- In the Beginning: Jewish and Christian Cosmogony in Late Antiquity. Princeton, 2–4 May, 2010, co-organized with Sarit Kattan Gribetz.

Fellowships, Honors & Awards

- ERC-funded post-doctoral research fellowship on project “New Contexts for Old Texts: Unorthodox Texts and Monastic Manuscript Culture in Fourth- and Fifth-Century Egypt” (University of Oslo, 2013–2016)
- Whiting Fellowship (Mrs. Giles Whiting Foundation/Princeton University, 2009)
- Program in the Ancient World Fellowship (Princeton University, 2005–09)
- Webb Scholarship (U. of Washington, Religion Program, 2003)
- Paul LeRoy Scholarship (U. of Washington, Near Eastern Languages, 2003)
- Thomas Power Prize (U. of Washington, History Department, 2002)
- Outstanding Senior Award (U. of Washington, History Department, 2002)
- Dale Roger Corkery Scholarship (U. of Washington, History Department, 2001)
- Gates Fellowship (Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation/U. of Washington, 2001)

Memberships

Society of Biblical Literature