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Gettysburg College

Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Classics, 2021–

Thesaurus Linguae Latinae

NEH/SCS Postdoctoral Fellow, Bayerische Akademie der Wissenschaften, 2018–2020

Haverford College

Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Classics (with joint appointment at Bryn Mawr College), 2017–2018.

EDUCATION

PhD in Classics, Bryn Mawr College, 2017.

“The Latin Controversial Dialogues of Late Antiquity,” directed by Catherine Conybeare.

MA in Classics, Bryn Mawr College, 2013.

BA in Classics and Philosophy, *summa cum laude*, ΦBK, Indiana University, 2010.

PUBLICATIONS

Books

(preliminary negotiations completed with Oxford Early Christian Texts) *Two Stylite Vitae: The Life of Alypius the Stylite & The Life of Theodulus the Stylite*.

(in preparation for submission to Dumbarton Oaks Medieval Library, Harvard University Press, May 2021) *The Menologion of Basil II*. (100k+ words completed).

Journal Articles

(in preparation) “The Sasanians and the True Cross: The Political Context of the *Life of Martha, the Mother of Symeon the Younger*.”

(with Dina Boero) “Steps toward a Study of Symeon the Stylite the Younger and his Saint’s Cult,” *Studies in Late Antiquity* 4.4 (2020): 370–407.

“The Pseudo-Romanos *Kontakion on Symeon Stylites the Elder*,” *Patristica Nordica Annularia* 34 (2019): 79–98.

Book Chapters

(invited, in preparation) “A Critique of Stylitism: Parody and Imitation in the *Life of Theodulus the Stylite*,” *The Reception of Stylites* (provisional title), Thomas Arentzen, Barbara Crostini,

Olof Heilo, and Tonje Sørensen, eds. (Istanbul: Svenska Forskningsinstitutet i Istanbul, 2022).

Digital Publications

“*The Life of Alypius the Stylite (BHG 65): Introduction, Translation, and Commentary*,” *The Cult of the Saints: A research project on the Cult of Saints from its origins to circa AD 700, across the entire Christian world*, Bryan Ward-Perkins (Principal Investigator), University of Oxford. (<http://csia.history.ox.ac.uk/> ID E06497 & ID E07158) December 2018.

Articles in the *Thesaurus Linguae Latinae*

(in forthcoming fascicles) “*repecto*,” “*reptile*, -,” n.,” “*reptilis*, -e,” “*reprobus*, -a, -um,” “*reprobe*, adv.,” “*repedo*,” “*repraesento*,” “*rescindo*,” “*resipisco*,” Bayerische Akademie der Wissenschaften, Walter de Gruyter.

Encyclopedia articles

(forthcoming, with Dina Boero) “Symeon the Younger,” *Oxford Classical Dictionary*, fifth edition (digital). Oxford University Press.

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY AND PRESENTATIONS

Conference Papers and Invited Lectures (*Invited)

- “Column Cryptography: The Theodosian Obelisk as Cipher for the Fictional *Life of Theodulus the Stylite*,” Society for Classical Studies Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, January 2021 (digital conference, COVID-19).
- “‘She Spoke Using Masculine Forms’: Problems with Precision in the Latin and Syriac Translations of the *Life of Euphrosyne*.” *The Limits of Exactitude, Prolepsis*. Bari, Italy, December 2019.
- *“The Negative Reception of Stylites: The *Life of Theodulus the Stylite*,” *The Reception of Stylites: Re-readings and Re-castings of Late Ancient Syrian Super-Heroes*, Swedish Research Institute. Istanbul, Turkey, October 2019.
- “John Maxentius and the *Dialogus Contra Nestorianos*.” *Religious Diversity and the Secular University Summer School, CRASSH*. Cambridge, UK, July 2018.
- *“Origins in Jerome's *Life of Paul the First Hermit*,” *Origins and Original Moments in Late Antique Literature*, Fordham University. New York, NY, April 2018.
- *“Reading the Saints in a Classics Department.” *Teaching the Saints Colloquium*, CUNY Graduate Center. New York, NY, April 2018.
- “‘We Cannot Praise the Fruit Without the Root’: The Mother Figure in the Communities of Symeon the Younger and Alypius.” *Views to and from the Wondrous Mountain*, Byzantine Studies Conference. Minneapolis, MN, October 2017.
- “Book IV of Gregory the Great's *Dialogues* as a Commentary on Ecclesiastes,” *Medieval Latin Panel*, Society for Classical Studies Annual Meeting. Toronto, Ontario, January 2017.

Panels Organized

Organizer, “Views to and from the Wondrous Mountain,” sponsored by the Mary Jaharis Center for Byzantine Art & Culture. Byzantine Studies Conference. Minneapolis, MN, October 2017 (co-organized with Dina Boero).

Workshops on Lexicography

“The World’s Strangest Dictionary: On Latin, Lexicography, and the Labor of Learning,” Gettysburg College, Gettysburg PA, March 2021 (delivered remotely, COVID-19).

“Some Observations on Latin Lexicography: A Lecture and Workshop on the TLL,” Bryn Mawr College. Bryn Mawr, PA, April 2020 (delivered remotely, COVID-19)

HONORS AND AWARDS

National Endowment for the Humanities/Society for Classical Studies Thesaurus Linguae Latinae (TLL) Postdoctoral Fellowship, 2019.

Religious Diversity & University Responses Summer School, CRASSH, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, UK, 2018.

National Endowment for the Humanities/Society for Classical Studies Thesaurus Linguae Latinae (TLL) Postdoctoral Fellowship, 2018.

Syriac Summer School Fellowship, Hill Museum and Manuscript Library, Collegeville, MN; sponsored by Dumbarton Oaks Research Library and Collection, Washington, DC, 2017.

Travel Award for the Forty-Third Annual Byzantine Studies Conference, Mary Jaharis Center for Byzantine Art & Culture, Brookline, MA, 2017.

Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Dean’s Fellowship, sponsored by the Arlene Fromchuck Feili Fund, Bryn Mawr College, 2016–2017.

Bryne-Rubel Dissertation Grant, Bryn Mawr College, 2015–2016.

Byzantine Greek Summer School Fellowship, Dumbarton Oaks Research Library and Collection, Washington, DC, 2014.

Cappadocia in Context Field Seminar (fully funded), Research Center for Anatolian Civilizations, Koç University, Istanbul, Turkey, 2013.

Areté Fellowship, Bryn Mawr College (renewed twice), 2010–2014.

Phi Beta Kappa, Indiana University, 2010.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Undergraduate Thesis Advising

B. Grenert, “Finding Borders in Genesis: Defining Jewish and Christian Community through Late Antique Biblical Exegesis,” Department of Greek, Latin, and Classical Studies, Bryn Mawr College (second reader), 2017–2018.

M. Mulkern, “To Make the Truth Shine: The Paradoxes of Thecla and the Memory of the Saints,” Department of History, Bryn Mawr College (second reader), 2017–2018.

Primary Instructor

Gettysburg College, Adjunct Assistant Professor

Personal Politics at the End of the Republic (intermediate/advanced Latin), Spring 2021

Ancient & New Testament Greek II (elementary Greek), Spring 2021

Haverford College, Visiting Assistant Professor

Narratives of Ethical Leadership from the Past: Soldier, Sage, Statesman, Saint, Spring 2018.

Herodotus and Lyric Poetry (intermediate Greek), Autumn 2017.

Introduction to Byzantine/Medieval Greek (advanced Greek), Spring 2018.

The Language of Love and Hate in the Roman Republic (intermediate Latin), Spring 2018.

Latin of the Republic: *Amicitia* (advanced Latin), Autumn 2017.

Bryn Mawr College, Visiting Assistant Professor

The Problem of Evil: Ancient Answers to a Difficult Question, Spring 2018.

Bryn Mawr College, Instructor

Remembering the Saints: Reading Pilgrimage and Tourism in Late Antiquity, Spring 2017.

Haverford College, Visiting Instructor

Elementary Greek II, Spring 2017.

Independent Language Studies

Haverford College, Visiting Assistant Professor

Syriac, Grammar review and readings from the *Peshitta*, Spring 2018.

Greek, Homilies of John Chrysostom, Autumn 2017.

Teaching Assistant

Bryn Mawr College

Greek History, Autumn 2014.

Traditional and New Testament Greek II, Spring 2013.

Traditional and New Testament Greek I, Autumn 2012.