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EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) *University of Virginia* (2013)

Master of Theology (Th.M.) *Duke University* (2009)

Master of Divinity (M.Div.) *Emory University* (2006)

Bachelor of Arts (BA) *Grove City College, Summa cum laude* (2000)

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5. *Journal of Biblical Literature* 140:3 (2021): 601-22.
6. Christian Exegetical Inspiration for the Evil
Vigiliae Christianae 74:5 (2020): 540-65.
7. *New Testament Studies* 64:3 (2018): 343-61.
8. *Journal of Biblical Literature* 136:3 (2017): 707-26.
9. *Harvard Theological Review*, 110:1 (2017): 125-48.
10. Mysterious *Religion in the Roman Empire* 2:2 (2016): 279-93.
11. *Gospel of Thomas*
Journal of Biblical Literature 133:2 (2015): 427-47.
12. *Studia Philonica Annual* 26 (2014): 1-27.
13. Interchange, *Journal of Early Christian Studies* 22 (2014): 311-41.
14. Human Gods: Models of Deification in Irenaeus and the
Apocryphon of John, *Zeitschrift für Antikes Christentum* 18 (2014): 70-94.
15. *Journal for the Study of the New Testament* 34 (2012): 286-97.
16. - *New Testament Studies* 57 (2011): 238-57.
17. Self-Sacrifice to Save the Life of Another in Jewish and Christian Traditions: A Comparative
Heythrop Journal 50:6 (2009): 912-922.

Book Chapters

1. forthcoming in *The Oxford Handbook of Ancient Mystery Cults*, ed. Hugh Bowden and Rassia Aikaterini-Iliana.
2. *The Cambridge History of Ancient Christianity*, ed. Bruce Longenecker and David Wilhite (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2022).
3. *The Oxford Handbook to the New Testament in the Roman Empire*, ed. Harry O. Maier, Emiliano R. Urciuoli, Heidi Wendt (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2023).
4. *The Routledge Handbook of Early Christian Philosophy*, ed. Mark Edwards (London: Routledge, 2023).

6. *Religion: Super Religion*, ed. Jeffrey J. Kripal, Macmillan Interdisciplinary Handbooks, Religion Series (Farmington Hills, MI: Macmillan Reference USA, 2017), 89-103.

Published Reviews

1. Review of *The Gnostic Scriptures Translated with Annotations and Introductions*, by Bentley Layton, ed.. *Gnosis: Journal of Gnostic Studies* 7, 2 (2022): 242-252, doi: <https://doi.org/10.1163/2451859X-00702007>.
2. Review of April D. DeConick, *The Gnostic New Age: How a Countercultural Spirituality Revolutionized Religion from Antiquity to Today* *Aries: Journal for the Study of Western Esotericism* 18 (2018): 149-52.
3. Review of Richard C. Miller, *Resurrection and Reception in Early Christianity* *Review of Biblical Literature* for October 2015.

◆ **EMPLOYMENT AND SERVICE** ◆

Current Position

New Testament Abstracts, Boston College.

Past Positions

Senior Research Fellow, Institute for Religion and Critical Inquiry (IRCI) at the Australian Catholic University

Co-convener, Biblical and Early Christian Studies Global Seminar (2020-2022)

Library Coordinator (2020-2022)

Instructor in Early Christianity, Virginia Tech Department of Religion and Culture, USA from August 2016 to June 2017

Lecturer in Classics, College of William & Mary, USA from January to May 2016

Lecturer in Classics, University of Virginia, USA from January 2013 to May 2015

Unit Chair

Bible, Myth, and Myth Theory, Society of Biblical Literature from 2021 to the present

Organizer

North American Patristics Society Thematic Session: Alternative Christianities (2022); Nag Hammadi and Gnostic Studies (2018)

Referee

Journal of Early Christian Studies (JECS) (2019)

Cambridge University Press (2016, 2019)

Cornell University Press (2018)

Australian Journal of Jewish Studies (2020)

Baylor University Press (2020)

Brill (2021)

Bloomsbury (2021)

◆ **LANGUAGES** ◆

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Koine and Classical Greek
Classical and Ecclesiastical Latin
Biblical Hebrew
Coptic
Modern French
Modern German
Modern Italian

◆ COURSES TAUGHT

Introduction to the New Testament
Introduction to Christian Traditions
Greek, Roman, and West Semitic Mythology
Ancient Mediterranean World
Magic and Mysteries: The Underworld of Greek and Roman Religion
Jesus and the Gospels
Paul and His Interpreters
Introductory and Advanced Greek

SOCIETY MEMBERSHIPS

Studiorum Novi Testamenti Societas (SNTS)

Society of Biblical Literature (SBL)

North American Patristics Society (NAPS)

TALKS AND CONFERENCE PAPERS

Nov 2009 -
SBL 2 Corinthians Group
Nov 2010
SBL Pauline Epistles Group
Nov 2012 Jesus, Hermes and Dionysus: The Divine Child in the *Infancy Gospel of Thomas* Christian Apocrypha Group
Nov 2013 *Gospel of Thomas*
to the SBL Esotericism and Mysticism in Antiquity Group
Nov 2014 to the
SBL Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism Group
Mar 2015: -
delivered to the Gnostic Countercultures Conference, Rice University
Nov 2015: - ered to the
SBL Bible, Myth and Myth Theory Group
Nov 2015:

