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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Hebrew Bible, Northwest Semitic Languages, History of the Hebrew Language, Religions of the Ancient Near East, Archaeology of the Levant, Textual Transmission of the Hebrew Bible, Dead Sea Scrolls

EDUCATION

University of California, Los Angeles; Los Angeles, California 2005-present

Ph.D. student, Near Eastern Languages and Cultures

Advisor: William M. Schniedewind

Concentrating in Hebrew Bible, Archaeology of the Levant, Northwest Semitic Languages, Akkadian

Dissertation: *Terra Terror: Earthquake Imagery in West Semitic Tradition*

M. A. Near Eastern Languages and Cultures

Major Fields: Hebrew Bible, Northwest Semitic Languages, History of the Hebrew Language,
Archaeology of the Levant, Akkadian

Jerusalem University College; Jerusalem, Israel

Historical Geography

Trinity Western University; Langley, British Columbia 2003-2005

M. A. Biblical Studies

Advisor: Martin G. Abegg Jr.

Concentrating in Dead Sea Scrolls and Second Temple Studies

Thesis: *Textual Variants in the Deuteronomy Dead Sea Scrolls: A Case for Standardization*

Baptist Bible College; Clarks Summit, Pennsylvania 1998-2002

B.S. Bible, *summa cum laude*

Advisor: Colin Smith (deceased)

Concentrating in Biblical Languages and Hebrew Dialects

FELLOWSHIPS AND HONORS

2009 Conference Travel Funding, UCLA

2009-2010 Graduate Student Mentorship, UCLA

Topic: Earthquake Imagery in the Hebrew Bible

2008-2009 Graduate Division Fellowship, UCLA

2008 Third place winner: Campbell Book Collection, UCLA Library

2005-2009 Dean's Humanities Fellowship, UCLA

2004 Conference Travel Funding, TWU

2002 Excellence in Academics (Highest GPA in graduating class), BBC

PUBLICATIONS

“Shalman” in *New Interpreter’s Dictionary of the Bible*, 2009

“Shammah” in *New Interpreter’s Dictionary of the Bible*, 2009

“Syene” in *New Interpreter’s Dictionary of the Bible*, 2009

The Book of Psalms: Composition and Reception. Edited by Patrick Miller and Peter W. Flint with the assistance of Aaron Brunell and Ryan Roberts, 2005

CONFERENCE PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

“A Confluence of Clues: Earthquake Imagery in Eighth Century Prophetic Texts.” Southwestern Regional Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, March 2010

“Historical Ordering in the Deuteronomy Dead Sea Scrolls.” Southwestern Regional Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, March 2010

“Repetition, Reduction, and Rereading in the Kirta Epic.” Society of Biblical Literature National Meeting, November 2009

“The Kirta Epic and Reflections on Scribal Education at Ugarit.” UCLA Colloquium, Nov 2009

“Copying for Clarity: 4QDeut^{k2} and its ‘Variants.’” Southwestern Regional Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, March 2009

“What Mean These Stones, A Reappraisal of Iron II *Massebot*.” Southwestern Regional Meeting of the American Schools of Oriental Research, March 2008

“The Dead Sea Scrolls and the Origin of the Bible.” Abington Community Library, Clarks Summit, PA, June 2008

RESEARCH AND TEACHING POSITIONS

Graduate Student Researcher, UCLA 9/05-6/06; 1/07-6/07; 9/08-9/09

Created Hebrew Tagging for Accordance Seals Module

Proofread and corrected indices for *A Primer on Ugaritic*

Created *Journal of Biblical Literature* Module for Endnote

Teaching Assistant, UCLA, Jerusalem: The Holy City 6/09-7/09

Revised curriculum for writing curriculum 6/08-7/08

Led weekly discussion sections 9/07-6/08

Graduate Student Research, TWU 1/04-5/05

Proofread, created indices, and prepared camera ready copy of *The Book of Psalms: Composition and Reception*

Teaching Assistant, TWU 8/04-5/05

Classes include: Old Testament poetry, Israelite history

ACADEMIC SERVICE AT UCLA

2010 UCLA Restructuring Committee

2008-2009, 2009-2010 Vice President, Internal Affairs, Graduate Students Association

2008-2009, 2009-2010 John Wooden Center Board of Governors

2009-2010 Vice-Chair, John Wooden Center Board of Governors

2008-2009, 2009-2010 Student Activities Center Board of Governors

2008 Representative for eight-year program review of writing programs

2007-2008 Student Media Communications Board

2006-2007 Committee on the Library and Scholarly Communications

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Society of Biblical Literature, American Schools of Oriental Research

LANGUAGES

Ancient: Akkadian, Hieroglyphic Egyptian, Ugaritic, Northwest Semitic Dialects, Hebrew, Aramaic, Syriac,

Greek

Research: French, German