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Education

Ph.D., Duke University, Religion, 12/30/97 (Elizabeth A. Clark, Director)
M.A., Duke University, Religion, 12/30/94
B.A., Emory University, summa cum laude in Religion and Classical Studies, 5/13/91
Phi Beta Kappa, 15 November 1989 (fall of junior year)

Teaching and Research Positions

University of Oregon, Department of Religious Studies

Ira E. Gaston Fellow in Christian Studies, 9/2018-
Professor, 9/2012-
Associate Professor, 9/2006-2012
Assistant Professor, 9/2000-2006

National Endowment for the Humanities Fellow

Albright Institute for Archaeological Research, Jerusalem, 1999-2000

Florida State University, Department of Religion

Visiting Assistant Professor, 1998-99

University of Florida, Department of Religion

Visiting Lecturer, 1997-98

Major Research Fellowships

- International Chair, Centre interdisciplinaire d'Étude des Religions et de la Laïcité, Université Libre de Bruxelles, 9/18-10/18
- Alexander von Humboldt Foundation Research Fellow, 6/15-8/15/18, Universität Regensburg; Host: Prof. Dr. Tobias Nicklas, Fakultät für Katholische Theologie
- National Endowment for the Humanities Scholarly Editions and Translations Grant (\$220,000); Principal Investigator (with Sean Anthony, Ohio State University), 2018-20
- National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Stipend, 2017
- Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study, Harvard University, Fellow, 2015-16
- Rockefeller Foundation Fellow, National Humanities Center, 2013-14 (1/14-5/14)
- Institute for Advanced Study, School of Historical Studies, Membership, 2013-14 (9/13-12/13)
- Institute for Advanced Study, Central European University, Senior Fellow, 2014 (declined)
- John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellow, 2006-07 (deferred to 07-08)

- Alexander von Humboldt Foundation Research Fellow, 2006-07, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen; Host: Prof. Dr. Stephen Gerö, Orientalisches Seminar
- American Council of Learned Societies Fellow, 2006-07
- Dumbarton Oaks, Harvard University Center for Byzantine Studies, Washington, DC, 2006-07 (declined)
- National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Stipend, 2004
- Post-Doctoral Fellowship in Hellenic Studies, Princeton University, Program in Hellenic Studies 2000-2001 (declined)
- National Endowment for the Humanities Fellow, 1999-2000
- Dumbarton Oaks, Harvard University Center for Byzantine Studies, Washington, DC, Junior Fellow in Byzantine Studies, 1996-97

Other Awards and Honors

- Ira E. Gaston Fellow in Christian Studies, University of Oregon, 9/2018-
- Presidential Fellow in Humanistic Study, University of Oregon, 2019
- Faculty Research Award, University of Oregon, Summer 2019
- University of Oregon Fund for Faculty Excellence Award, 2018
- Williams Fund for Undergraduate Education Award, 2016-17
- Oregon Humanities Center Fellowship, University of Oregon, Fall 2015 (declined)
- Faculty Research Award, University of Oregon, Summer 2015
- University of Oregon Fund for Faculty Excellence in Teaching and Scholarship Award, 2007-12
- Summer Research Award, University of Oregon, 2011
- Oregon Humanities Center Fellowship, University of Oregon, Fall 2009
- Summer Fellowship in Byzantine Studies, Dumbarton Oaks, Harvard University Center for Byzantine Studies, Washington, DC, 2009
- Summer Research Award, University of Oregon, 2006
- Oregon Humanities Center Fellowship, University of Oregon, Fall 2002
- Summer Research Award, University of Oregon, 2002
- Course Development Grant, Ira Gaston Bequest, University of Oregon, 2002
- Junior Professorship Development Grant, University of Oregon, 2001-02, 2002-03, 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06
- First Year Assistant Professor Award, University of Oregon, 2001
- Society for Biblical Literature Technology Grant, 1999
- Norman Scholarship, Duke University, Department of Religion, 1995-96
- DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) Summer Language Grant, 1992
- James B. Duke Fellow, Duke University, 1991-94
- Harvey Warren Cox Scholar, Emory Scholars Program, Emory University, 1987-91
- National Merit Scholar, Emory University, 1987-91

Publications (see also <http://uoregon.academia.edu/StephenShoemaker>)

Books

- Shoemaker, Stephen J. *The Apocalypse of Empire: Imperial Eschatology in Late Antiquity and Early Islam*. Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2018. viii + 252 pp.
- _____. *The First Christian Hymnal: The Songs of the Ancient Jerusalem Church* (Georgian text with translation). Provo: BYU Press, 2018 (Eastern Christian Texts Series). xxxvii + 338 pp.
- _____. *The Dormition and Assumption Apocrypha*. Studies on Early Christian Apocrypha. Leuven: Peeters Publishers, 2018. xii + 368 pp.
- _____. *Three Christian Martyrdoms from Early Islamic Palestine: The Passion of Peter of Capitolias (d. 715), the Passion of Romanos (d. 780), and the Twenty Martyrs of Mar Saba (d. 797)* (Georgian and Greek texts with translation). Provo: BYU Press, 2016 (Eastern Christian Texts Series). xliv + 209 pp.
- _____. *Mary in Early Christian Faith and Devotion*. New Haven: Yale University Press, 2016. 289 pp.
- _____. *The Death of a Prophet: The End of Muhammad's Life and the Beginnings of Islam*. Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2012; pbk. 2015. 408 pp.
- _____. *Maximus the Confessor, The Life of the Virgin: Translated, with an Introduction and Notes*. New Haven: Yale University Press, 2012. 215 pp.
- _____. *Ancient Traditions of the Virgin Mary's Dormition and Assumption*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2002; repr. 2005; pbk. 2006. 460 pp.

Books in Progress

- A Prophet Has Appeared, Coming with the Saracens: The Rise of Islam through Christian and Jewish Eyes*. Under contract with University of California Press. A reader of contemporary non-Islamic sources vital for understanding the rise of Islam. Translations with critical introductions from Greek, Latin, Coptic, Syriac, Georgian, Armenian, Ethiopic, Arabic, and Hebrew. Partial draft. Under contract with University of California Press.
- The Capture of Jerusalem by the Persians in 614* (parallel critical translations of the Georgian and Arabic versions). With Sean Anthony (Ohio State University). Near completion.
- The Dormition and Assumption of the Virgin Mary*. Commissioned for the AELAC Collection de Poche, Brepols Publishers. Completed – awaiting publication of one final fragment.
- The "Six Books" Dormition Narrative in Syriac: Critical Edition, Translation, and Commentary*. Partly drafted. Commissioned for the Corpus Christianorum Series Apocryphorum, Brepols Publishers (delayed due to manuscript access).

Monographic Articles (Peer-Reviewed)

- Shoemaker, Stephen J. "In Search of 'Urwa's *Sīra*: Some Methodological Issues in the Quest for 'Authenticity' in the Life of Muḥammad." *Der Islam* 85.2 (2009): 257-344.

Peer-Reviewed Articles

- Shoemaker, Stephen J. "The Dome of the Rock and Early Islamic Eschatology." In *Marking the Sacred: The Temple Mount / Haram al-Sharif in Jerusalem*, edited by Joan Branham and Beatrice St. Laurent, forthcoming. University Park, PA: Penn State University Press, 2019. Final version submitted 31 July 2017.
- _____. "«La biographie » de Muhammad." In *Le Coran des historiens*, edited by Mohammad Ali Amir-Moezzi and Guillaume Dye. Paris: Éditions du Cerf, 2019. Final version submitted 15 Nov 2016.
- _____. "The Coptic *Homily on the Theotokos* attributed to Cyril of Jerusalem: An Aberrant and Apologetic 'Life' of the Virgin from Late Antiquity." In *The Reception of the Mother of God: Marian Narratives in Texts and Images*, edited by Thomas Arentzen and Mary Cunningham, 217-34. Cambridge University Press, 2019.
- _____. "Apocrypha." In *Oxford Handbook on Early Christian Biblical Interpretation*, edited by Paul M. Blowers and Peter W. Martens, 285-294. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2019.
- _____. "Anastasius of Sinai and the Beginnings of Islam." In *Journal of Orthodox Christian Studies* 1.2 (2018): 137-54.
- _____. "Muhammad," in *The Routledge Handbook on Early Islam*. Ed. Herbert Berg, 49-64. New York: Routledge, 2018.
- _____. "Sing, O Daughter(s) of Zion: Public Worship in the Melanias' Jerusalem." *Melania: Early Christianity in the Life of One Family*, edited by Catherine M. Chin and Caroline T. Schroeder, 222-39. Berkeley: University of California Press, 2016.
- _____. "The Afterlife of the Apocalypse of John in Byzantine Apocalyptic Literature and Commentary." *The New Testament in Byzantium*, edited by Derek Krueger and Robert S. Nelson, 301-16. Washington, DC: Dumbarton Oaks, 2016.
- _____. "The (Ps?-)Maximus *Life of the Virgin* and the Marian Literature of Middle Byzantium." *Journal of Theological Studies* 67.1 (2016): 115-42.
- _____. "The *Apocalypse of the Virgin*: A New Translation and Introduction." To appear in *More Christian Apocrypha*, edited by Tony Burke and Brent Landau, 488-505. Grand Rapids, Mich.: Eerdmans, 2016.
- _____. "The *Tiburtine Sibyl*: A New Translation and Introduction." To appear in *More Christian Apocrypha*, edited by Tony Burke and Brent Landau, 506-521. Grand Rapids, Mich.: Eerdmans, 2016.
- _____. "The *Tiburtine Sibyl*, the Last Emperor, and the Early Byzantine Apocalyptic Tradition." *Forbidden Texts on the Western Frontier: The Christian Apocrypha in North American Perspectives*, edited by Tony Burke, 218-44. Eugene, OR: Cascade Books, 2015.
- _____. "The Reign of God Has Come: Eschatology and Empire in Late Antiquity and Early Islam." *Arabica: Journal of Arabic and Islamic Studies* 61 (2014): 514-58.
- _____. "Apocalyptic Traditions in the Armenian Dormition Narratives." In *The Armenian Apocalyptic Tradition: A Comparative Perspective*, edited by Kevork D. Bardakjian and Sergio LaPorta, 538-50. Leiden: Brill, 2014.

- _____. "Muḥammad and the Qur'ān." In *The Oxford Handbook of Late Antiquity*, edited by Scott F. Johnson, 1078-1108. New York: Oxford University Press, 2012.
- _____. "From Mother of Mysteries to Mother of the Church: The Institutionalization of the Dormition Apocrypha." *Apocrypha* 22 (2011): 11-47.
- _____. "Mary at the Cross, East and West: Maternal Compassion and Affective Piety in the Earliest *Life of the Virgin* and the High Middle Ages." *Journal of Theological Studies* 62 (2011): 570-606.
- _____. "New Syriac Dormition Fragments from Palimpsests in the Schøyen Collection and the British Library: Presentation, Edition, and Translation." *Le Muséon* 124.3-4 (2011): 259-78.
- _____. "Asceticism in the Early Dormition Narratives." *Studia Patristica* 44 (2010): 509-13.
- _____. "The Cult of Fashion: The Earliest *Life of the Virgin* and Constantinople's Marian Relics." *Dumbarton Oaks Papers* 62 (2008): 53-74.
- _____. "Epiphanius of Salamis, the Kollyridians, and the Early Dormition Narratives: The Cult of the Virgin in the Later Fourth Century." *Journal of Early Christian Studies* 16 (2008): 369-99.
- _____. "Early Christian Apocryphal Literature." In *Oxford Handbook of Early Christian Studies*, edited by David Hunter and Susan Ashbrook Harvey, 521-48. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2008.
- _____. "A Peculiar Version of the *Inventio crucis* in the Early Syriac Dormition Traditions." *Studia Patristica* 41 (2006): 75-81.
- _____. "Death and the Maiden: The Early History of the Dormition and Assumption Apocrypha." *Saint Vladimir's Theological Quarterly* 50 (2006): 59-97.
- _____. "The Virgin Mary in the Ministry of Jesus and the Early Church according to the Earliest *Life of the Virgin*." *Harvard Theological Review* 98 (2005): 441-67.
- _____. "Jesus' Gnostic Mom: Mary of Nazareth and the 'Gnostic Mary' Traditions." In Deirdre Good, ed., *Mariam, the Magdalen, and the Mother*. Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 2005, 153-82.
- _____. "Christmas in the Qur'ān: The Qur'ānic Account of Jesus' Nativity and Palestinian Local Tradition." *Jerusalem Studies in Arabic and Islam* 28 (2003): 11-39.
- _____. "Rethinking the 'Gnostic Mary': Mary of Nazareth and Mary of Magdala in Early Christian Tradition." *Journal of Early Christian Studies* 9 (2001): 555-595.
- _____. "Gender at the Virgin's Funeral: Men and Women as Witnesses to the Dormition." *Studia Patristica* 34 (2001): 552-58.
- _____. "The (Re?)Discovery of the Kathisma Church and the Cult of the Virgin in Late Ancient Palestine." *Maria: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Marian Studies* 2 (2001): 21-72.
- _____. "'Let Us Go and Burn Her Body': The Image of the Jews in the Early Dormition Traditions." *Church History* 68.4 (1999): 775-823.
- _____. "The Sahidic Coptic Homily on the Dormition of the Virgin Attributed to Evodius of Rome: An Edition of Morgan MSS 596 & 598 with Translation." *Analecta Bollandiana* 117.3-4 (1999): 241-83.

_____. “Gnosis and Paideia: Education and Heresy in Late Ancient Egypt.” *Studia Patristica* 31 (1997): 535-39.

Invited Articles

Shoemaker, Stephen J. “The Cult of the Virgin in the Liturgy of Late Ancient Constantinople.” *Towards the Prehistory of the Byzantine Liturgical Year: Festal Homilies and Festal Liturgies in Late Antique Constantinople*, edited by Stefanos Alexopoulos and Harald Buchinger. Leuven: Peeters, forthcoming. Final version submitted 12 June 2019.

_____. “Ps.-Ps.-Dionysius on the Dormition: A Translation and Study of the Armenian Letter from Dionysius to Titus.” In “*Suddenly, Christ*”: *Studies in Jewish and Christian Traditions in Honor of Alexander Golitzin*, edited by Andrei Orlov. Leiden: Brill, forthcoming. Final version submitted 5 February 2019.

_____. “Syriac Apocalypticism and the Rise of Islam.” *The Future of Syriac Studies*, edited by Robert A. Kitchen, Brouria Bitton-Ashkelony, and Miriam Hjälms. Forthcoming. Final version submitted 20 June 2018.

_____. “The *Jerusalem Georgian Chantbook* and the Sunday Hymns of Late Ancient Jerusalem.” In *Resonant Faith in Late Antiquity. Idiom, Music, And Devotion in Early Christian Hymns*, edited by Arkadii Avdokhin. London: Routledge, forthcoming. Final version submitted 2 March 2018.

_____. “Method and Theory in the Study of Islamic Origins.” In *Early Islam: The Sectarian Milieu of Late Antiquity?*, edited by Guillaume Dye. Chicago: The Oriental Institute, forthcoming. Final version submitted 4 August 2016.

_____. “Dormition and Assumption Apocrypha.” In *Brill Encyclopedia of Early Christianity*, 2018. Ed. David G. Hunter, Paul J.J. van Geest, Bert Jan Lietaert Peerbolte. http://dx.doi.org/10.1163/2589-993_eeco_SIM_036373.

_____. “Jewish Christianity, Non-Trinitarianism, and the Beginnings of Islam.” In *Jewish Christianity and Early Islam*, edited by Francisco del Río Sánchez, 101-14. Turnhout: Brepols, 2017.

_____. “Commentaries on Qur’ān 18.60-102, 19.1-98, 74.1-56, 88.1-26.” In *The Qur’ān Seminar*, edited by Mehdi Azaiez. <http://www.iqsa-quransseminar.org/>. Also“ Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 2016.

_____. “Mary in Early Christian Apocrypha: Virgin Territory.” In *Rediscovering the Apocryphal Continent*, edited by Pierluigi Piovanelli and Tony Burke, 175-90. Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck 2015.

_____. “The Ancient Dormition Apocrypha and the Origins of Marian Piety: Early Evidence of Marian Intercession from Late Ancient Palestine.” In *Presbeia Theotokou, The Intercessory Role of Mary across Times and Places in Byzantium (4th – 9th century)*, edited by Leena Mari Peltomaa, Pauline Allen and Andreas Külzer, 23-39. Vienna: Austrian Academy of Sciences 2015.

_____. “A Mother’s Passion: Mary’s Role in the Crucifixion and Resurrection in the Earliest Life of the Virgin and its Influence on George of Nicomedia’s Passion Homilies.” In *The Cult of the Mother of God in Byzantium*, edited by Leslie Brubaker and Mary Cunningham, 53-67. Aldershot: Ashgate, 2011.

- _____. “A New Dormition Fragment in Coptic: P. Vindob. K 7589 and the Marian Apocryphal Tradition.” In *Bibel, Byzanz und Christlicher Orient. Festschrift für Stephen Gerö zum 65. Geburtstag*, edited by D. Bumazhnov, E. Grypeou, T. B. Sailors, & A. Toepel, 203-29. *Orientalia Lovaniensia Analecta* 187. Louvain: Peeters 2011.
- _____. “Apocrypha and Liturgy in the Fourth Century: The Case of the “Six Books” Dormition Apocryphon.” In *Jewish and Christian Scriptures: The Function of ‘Canonical’ and ‘Non-canonical’ Religious Texts*, edited by James H. Charlesworth and Lee Martin McDonald, 153-63. London: T & T Clark, 2010.
- _____. “The Virgin Mary’s Hidden Past: From Ancient Marian Apocrypha to the Medieval *vitae Virginis*.” *Marian Studies* 60 (2009): 1-30.
- _____. “Between Scripture and Tradition: The Marian Apocrypha of Early Christianity.” In *The Reception and Interpretation of the Bible in Late Antiquity. Proceedings of the Montréal Colloquium in Honour of Charles Kannengiesser, 11-13 October 2006*, edited by L. DiTommaso and L. Turcescu, 491-510. *The Bible in Ancient Christianity* 6. Leiden: E.J. Brill, 2008.
- _____. “The Cult of the Virgin in the Fourth Century: A Fresh Look at Some Old and New Sources.” In *The Origins of the Cult of the Virgin Mary*, edited by Chris Maunder, 71-87. Continuum, 2008.
- _____. “Marian Liturgies and Devotion in Early Christianity.” In *Mary: The Complete Resource*, edited by Sarah Jane Boss, 130-45. London: Continuum Press, 2007.
- _____. “The Georgian *Life of the Virgin* attributed to Maximus the Confessor: Its Authenticity(?) and Importance.” In *Mémorial R.P. Michel van Esbroeck, S.J.*, edited by Alexey Muraviev and Basil Lourié, 307-28. *Scrinium* 2. St. Petersburg: Byzantinorossica, 2006.
- _____. “A Case of Mistaken Identity?: Naming the ‘Gnostic Mary.’” In *Which Mary? Marys in Early Christian Tradition*, edited by F. Stanley Jones, 5-30. SBL Symposium Series 20. Atlanta: Society of Biblical Literature, 2002.

Articles in Progress

- “The *Passion of St Golinduch* (d. 591).” Translation from Georgian to appear in a collection of hagiographies by Eustratius Presbyter in *Translated Text for Historians*, with Averil Cameron and Philip Booth. Completed and submitted.

Book Reviews/ Dictionary Articles

- Shoemaker, Stephen J. “Review of Thomas Arentzen, *The Virgin in Song: Mary and the Poetry of Romanos the Melodist*.” *Journal of Early Christian Studies*.
- _____. “Review of David Frankfurter, *Christianizing Egypt: Syncretism and Local Worlds in Late Antiquity*.” *Choice Reviews*.
- _____. “Aerial Toll Houses, Provisional Judgment, and the Orthodox Faith: A Review of *The Departure of the Soul According to the Teaching of the Orthodox Church*.” *Public Orthodoxy and Orthodox Christian Studies*.

- _____. “Mary (Mother of Jesus) Christianity, Patristics,” in *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception* (Berlin: Walter de Gruyter), forthcoming.
- _____. “Review of Shahab Ahmed, *Before Orthodoxy: The Satanic Verses in Early Islam.*” *Choice Reviews*.
- _____. “Review of M. Cecilia Gaposchkin, *Invisible Weapons: Liturgy and the Making of Crusade Ideology.*” *Choice Reviews*.
- _____. “Review of Friedrich Schleiermacher, *Christian Faith: A New Translation and Critical Edition*, 2 vols. *Choice Reviews*.
- _____. “Review of Elizabeth Hayes Alvarez, *The Valiant Woman: The Virgin Mary in Nineteenth-Century American Culture.*” *Choice Reviews*.
- _____. “Review of Andrew Gregory and Christopher Tuckett, eds., *The Oxford Handbook of Early Christian Apocrypha.*” *Choice Reviews*.
- _____. “Review of Holger Zellentin, *The Qur’ān’s Legal Culture: The Didascalia Apostolorum as a Point of Departure.*” *The Journal of Early Christian Studies*.
- _____. “Review of Kevin Madigan, *Medieval Christianity.*” *Choice Reviews*.
- _____. “Review of Garth Fowden, *Before and After Muhammad: The First Millennium Refocused.*” *Journal of Late Antiquity*.
- _____. “Muhammad” in *Routledge Dictionary of Ancient Mediterranean Religions* (London: Routledge, 2016).
- _____. “Review of Tony Burke, *Secret Scriptures Revealed: A New Introduction to the Christian Apocrypha.*” *Choice Reviews*.
- _____. “Review of G. W. Bowersock, *The Throne of Adulis: Red Sea Wars on the Eve of Islam.*” *Journal of Early Christian Studies*.
- _____. “Review of Chad Meister and James Beilby, eds., *The Routledge Companion to Modern Christian Thought.*” *Choice Reviews*.
- _____. “Mary” in *Bible Odyssey* (SBL sponsored website), <http://www.bibleodyssey.org/en/people/main-articles/mary.aspx>
- _____. “Review of Brian Reynolds. *Gateway to Heaven: Marian Doctrine and Devotion, Image and Typology in the Patristic and Medieval Periods.* Volume 1, *Doctrine and Devotion.*” *Catholic Historical Review*, April 2013, 99.2, 333-4.
- _____. “Review of Dale T. Irvin and Scott W. Sunquist, *History of the World Christian Movement*, vol. 2, *Modern Christianity from 1454-1800.*” *Choice Reviews*, June 2013.
- _____. “Review of Simon Mimouni, *Les traditions anciennes sur la Dormition et l’Assomption de Marie. Études littéraires, historiques et doctrinale.*” *Journal of Ecclesiastical History* 63.4 (2012): 796-7.
- _____. “Review of Andreas Görke and Gregor Schoeler. *Die ältesten Berichte über das Leben Muhammads. Das Korpus ‘Urwa ibn Az-Zubair.*” *Der Islam* 89.2 (2012): 206-9.
- _____. “Review of Enrico Norelli, *Marie des apocryphes. Enquête sur la mère de Jésus dans le christianisme antique.*” *Zeitschrift für antikes Christentum* 16 (2012): 372-4.
- _____. “Dormition and Assumption of Mary,” in *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception* (Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 2012), vol. 6, 1100-3.

- _____. “Review of Abraham Terian, *The Armenian Gospel of the Infancy with three early versions of the Protevangelium of James.*” *Zeitschrift für antikes Christentum* 14.3 (2011): 607-9.
- _____. “Review of Miri Rubin, *Mother of God: A History of the Virgin Mary.*” *The American Historical Review*, October 2010, 1099-1101 (featured review).
- _____. “Review of Thomas Sizgorich, *Violence and Belief in Late Antiquity: Militant Devotion in Christianity and Islam.*” *Journal of Religion* 90.3 (2010): 426-8.
- _____. “Review of Hans Förster, *Transitus Mariae: Beiträge zur koptischen Überlieferung mit einer Edition von P. Vindob. K 7589, Cambridge Add 1876 8 und Paris BN Copte 129¹⁷ ff. 28 und 29.*” *Theologische Literaturzeitung*, February, 2009.
- _____. “Annunciation” in *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception* (Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 2009), vol. 2, 58-61.
- _____. “Cyril of Jerusalem, Twentieth Discourse of”; “James, Ascents of”; “James, First Apocalypse of”; “James, Second Apocalypse of”; “James, the Great, Acts of”; “John the Evangelist, Book of”; “John, Acts of, by Prochorus”; “Mary, Gospel of the Nativity of”; “Pseudo-Matthew, Gospel of”; “Virgin, Apocalypses of”; “Virgin, Assumption of” in *The New Interpreters Dictionary of the Bible* (Nashville: Abingdon) 2006-9.
- _____. “Review of Maria Vassilaki, ed., *Images of the Mother of God: Perceptions of the Theotokos in Byzantium.*” *St. Vladimir’s Theological Quarterly*, forthcoming.
- _____. “Review of Amy-Jill Levine, *A Feminist Companion to Mariology.*” *Expository Times* 117.12 (Sept. 2006).
- _____. “Review of Jaroslav Pelikan, David Flusser, Justin Lang, *Mary: Images of the Mother of Jesus in Jewish and Christian Perspective.*” *Expository Times* 117.12 (Sept. 2006).
- _____. “Review of Jan Willem Drijvers, *Cyril of Jerusalem: Bishop and City.*” *Expository Times* 117.7 (Apr. 2006).
- _____. “Review of Carl E. Braaten and Robert W. Jensen, eds., *Mary, Mother of God.*” *Expository Times* 116.12 (Sept. 2005).
- _____. “Review of Uwe Michael Lang, *John Philoponus and the Controversies over Chalcedon in the Sixth Century.*” *Religious Studies Review* 30 (2004).
- _____. “Review of Mary Foskett, *A Virgin Conceived: Mary and Classical Representations of Virginity.*” *Biblical Interpretation* 12.3 (2004).
- _____. “Review of Sarah Jane Boss, *Empress and Handmaid: On Nature and Gender in the Cult of the Virgin Mary.*” *Church History* 73.4 (2004).
- _____. “Review of Edmondo Lupieri, *The Mandeans: The Last Gnostics.*” *History of Religion* 43.2 (2003).
- _____. “Review of Peter Schäfer, *Mirror of His Beauty: Feminine Images of the Divine from the Bible to the Early Kabbalah.*” *Shofar* 23.1 (2003).
- _____. “Review of Wheeler M. Thackston, *Introduction to Syriac.*” *Hugoye: Journal of Syriac Studies* 6.1 (2003).
- _____. “Review of Brian E. Daley, S.J., *On the Dormition of Mary: Early Patristic Homilies.*” *Church History* 68 (1999).
- _____. “Review of Mary Clayton, *The Apocryphal Gospels of Mary in Anglo-Saxon England.*” *Church History* 68 (1999).

_____. "Assumption of the Virgin." *Eerdmans Dictionary of the Bible*. Edited by David Noel Freedman, Allen C. Meyers, and Astrid B. Beck. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1999.

Academic Presentations

- "Syriac Apocalypticism and the Rise of Islam." International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, 7-10 May 2020.
- "The Apocalypse of Ps.-Shenoute: Imperial Apocalypticism and Early Islamic Jerusalem." "Visions of the End," The Marco Institute for Medieval and Renaissance Studies, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, 3-4 April 2020.
- "A New Arabic Apocryphon from Late Antiquity: The Qur'an." The Religious World of Late Antiquity Section, SBL Annual Meeting, San Diego, 11/19.
- "A New Late Ancient 'Acts of Peter and Paul' from the *Book of Mary's Repose*." University of Regensburg, 17 October 2019.
- "Mary at Mar Saba: The Georgian *Life of the Virgin* attributed to Maximus the Confessor and its Palestinian Context." The 5th International Scientific Conference "Byzantine Studies in Georgia," 11-14 October 2019, Batumi, Georgia.
- "A New Arabic Apocryphon from Late Antiquity: The Qur'an." The Second Century Seminar, Dallas TX, 12 September 2019.
- "Devotion to Mary in Early Christianity." St. Rita Catholic Church, Dallas TX, 10 September 2019.
- "Passion Piety and Anti-Judaism in Late Ancient Jerusalem: Hymns for Holy Week from the *Jerusalem Georgian Chantbook*," The Byzantine Liturgy and the Jews, University of Sibiu, Romania, 9-11 July 2019.
- "Mary between Bible and Qur'an: Apocrypha, Archaeology, and the Memory of Mary in Late Ancient Palestine," Extracanonical Traditions and the Holy Land: Texts, Rituals, and Material Culture in Late Antique Palestine, University of Regensburg, 2-5 July 2019.
- "A New Arabic Apocryphon from Late Antiquity: The Qur'an." The 3rd Early Islamic Studies Seminar / 11th Nangeroni Meeting, Gazzada, Italy, 16-20 June 2019.
- "The Kingdom of God in Earliest Islam," Dreams, Visions, Imaginations: Jewish, Christian and Gnostic Views of the World to Come, Barcelona, Spain 9-11 May 2019.
- "The Eschatological Reign of God in the Qur'an: The 'Amr 'Allāh," The Historical Birthpangs of Islam and the Origins of the Qur'an, Schloß Waldthausen, Mainz, Germany, 1-4 May 2019.
- "Anastasius of Sinai's Witness to Earliest Islam: Some New Evidence." The Qur'an and Late Antiquity, International Qur'ānic Studies Association Annual Meeting, Denver, 11/18.
- "Biblical Eschatology and the Qur'an." Biblical Traditions in the Qur'an, British Academy, 11-12 October 2018.
- "The Passion of Peter of Capitolias (d. 715) and Early Christian-Muslim Relations." Centre interdisciplinaire d'Étude des Religions et de la Laïcité, Université Libre de Bruxelles, 9 October 2018.

- “Anastasius of Sinai and the Beginnings of Islam.” Centre interdisciplinaire d’Étude des Religions et de la Laïcité, Université Libre de Bruxelles, 8 October 2018.
- “Imperial Apocalypticism in Late Antiquity and Early Islam.” Centre interdisciplinaire d’Étude des Religions et de la Laïcité, Université Libre de Bruxelles, 3 October 2018.
- “Devotion to Mary in Early Christianity.” Dept. of Catholic Theology, University of Strasbourg, 1 October 2018.
- “Eschatology in the Qur’an.” Centre interdisciplinaire d’Étude des Religions et de la Laïcité, Université Libre de Bruxelles, 26 September 2018.
- “The Cult of the Virgin in the Liturgy of Late Ancient Constantinople.” Towards the Prehistory of the Byzantine Liturgical Year: Festal Homilies and Festal Liturgies in Late Antique Constantinople. University of Regensburg, 3-6 July 2018.
- “Syriac Apocalypticism and the Rise of Islam.” The Future of Syriac Studies and the Legacy of Sebastian P. Brock, Sankt Ignatios Theological Academy & Stockholm School of Theology, 12-15 June 2018.
- “Anastasius of Sinai and the Beginnings of Islam.” North American Patristics Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, 5/18.
- “Anecdotal Evidence for Islamic Origins: Islam in the *Edifying Tales* of Anastasius of Sinai” Early Muslim-Christian Relations: Understanding Late Antique Transitions, Macalester College, 13-14 April 2018.
- “Anastasius of Sinai and the Beginnings of Islam.” University of Saarland, 8-11 March 2018.
- Panelist and Delegate, International Conference on Religion and Public Life, Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Restoring the Autocephaly of the Georgian Orthodox Church, 11-13 February 2018.
- “Jewish-Christian Phantoms at the Origins of Islam.” Jewish-Christianity / Christian Judaism Section, SBL Annual Meeting, Boston, 11/17.
- Panelist. SBL Professional Development Committee, SBL Annual Meeting, Boston, 11/17.
- “The Coptic *Homily on the Theotokos* attributed to Cyril of Jerusalem: An Aberrant and Apologetic ‘Life’ of the Virgin from Late Antiquity.” Réunion annuelle de l’Association pour l’étude de la littérature apocryphe chrétienne, Lyon, France, 30 June – 2 July 2017.
- “The Portents of the Hour: Eschatology and Empire in the Early Islamic Tradition.” New Perspectives and Contexts in the Study of Islamic Origins / 8th Nangeroni Meeting, Florence, Italy, 12-16 June 2017.
- “The Dome of the Rock in Early Islamic Eschatology.” Marking the Sacred: The Temple Mount/Haram al-Sharif in Jerusalem, 5-7 May, Providence College.
- “The *Passion of Peter of Capitolias* (d. 715) and Christian-Muslim Relations in the Early Caliphate.” North American Patristics Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, 5/17.
- “Imperial Eschatology and the Rise of Islam.” Institute for Islamic Studies, Free University of Berlin, 12 May 2017.
- “Muhammad Goes to the Mountain: An Unusual and Important Palimpsest from Mount Sinai (Cambridge Or. 1287). Dept. of Theology, Humboldt University of Berlin, 10 May 2017.

- “Eschatology and Empire in Early Islam.” Apocalypse and Eschatology in the First Millennium, The First Millennium Network, Georgetown University, 28 April 2017.
- “Mary in Early Christian Faith and Devotion.” University of Portland, 31 January 2017. Panelist, The Qur’ān Seminar, International Qur’ānic Studies Association Annual Meeting, San Antonio, 11/16.
- “The Virgin Mary as a Power from Heaven: A Peculiar Marian Tradition in an Early *Homily on the Theotokos* attributed to Cyril of Jerusalem.” 11th International Congress of Coptic Studies, Claremont Graduate University, 25-30 July 2016.
- “Devotion to the Virgin Mary in Early Christian Hymns.” North American Patristics Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, 5/16.
- “Devotion to Mary in Early Christian Hymns,” Dept. of Theology, Fordham University, 3 May 2016.
- “Devotion to Mary in Early Christianity.” The St. Catherine of Siena Lecture, Providence College, 12 April 2016.
- “Eschaton and Empire: Political Apocalypticism in Late Antiquity and Early Islam.” The Committee for Medieval Studies/Medieval History Workshop, Harvard University, 29 March 2016.
- “The *Life of the Virgin*, George of Nicomedia, and Affective Piety in Early Byzantium.” Medieval Academy of America Annual Meeting, Boston, 25-27 February 2016.
- “The Scepter of Orthodoxy: The Cult of the Virgin and the Council of Ephesus.” Boston Patristics Group, 18 February, 2016.
- “Apocalypticism and Empire: Political Eschatology and the Rise of Islam.” Dept. of Religion/Institute for the Study of Muslim Societies & Civilizations. Boston University, 11 February, 2016.
- “The *Passion of Peter of Capitolias* and Conversion to Islam.” Texts on Conversion to Islam, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Beer-Sheva, 4-7 January 2016.
- “The Apocalypse of Empire: Imperial Eschatology in Late Antiquity and Early Islam.” Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study, Harvard University, 14 December 2015.
- “Devotion to Mary in Early Christian Hymnography.” Maria, Mariamne, Miriam: Rediscovering the Marys, SBL Annual Meeting, Atlanta, 11/15.
- “Jewish Christianity, Non-Trinitarianism, and the Beginnings of Islam.” Jewish Christianity and Early Islam, ASMEA Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, 29-31 October 2015.
- “Devotion to the Virgin Mary in Pre-Ephesian Hymnography.” Byzantine Studies Conference, New York, NY, 22-25 October 2015.
- “Eschatology and Empire in Late Antiquity and Early Islam.” Making Ends Meet: Cross-Cultural Perspectives on the End of Times in Medieval Christianity, Islam and Buddhism, Vienna, 24-26 September 2015.
- “Mary in the Hymnography of the Jerusalem Georgian Chantbook.” Unwedded Bride: The Mother of God in the Hymns of the Eastern Churches, University of Winchester, 18-20 August, 2015.
- “Marian Devotion before the Council of Ephesus” (plenary lecture). Seventeenth International Conference on Patristic Studies, Oxford, England, 12 August 15.

- “Method and Theory in the Study of Islamic Origins” (plenary lecture). First Meeting of the Early Islamic Studies Seminar: Early Islam: The Sectarian Milieu of Late Antiquity?, Gazzada, Italy, 15-19 June 2015.
- “Devotion to Mary in Early Christian Hymnography,” Northwest Early Christian Studies Seminar, University of Portland, 18 April 2015.
- “The Origins of the Cult of the Virgin: Early Christian Devotion to the Mother of Jesus,” Dept. of Religious Studies, Reed College, 6 April 2015.
- “The Beginnings of Islam and the End of Days: Muhammad as Eschatological Prophet,” Dept. of Religious Studies, Willamette University, 25 February 2015.
- Respondent, Marian Apparitions Exploratory Session, American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, San Diego, 11/14.
- Panelist, The Qur’ān Seminar, International Qur’ānic Studies Association Annual Meeting, San Diego, 11/14.
- “Pulcheria Rediviva: The Cult of the Virgin and the Nestorian Controversy.” Byzantine Studies Conference, Vancouver BC, 11/14.
- “Receiving the Last Emperor: *Ps.-Methodius*’ Reception and Revision of the *Tiburtine Sibyl*.” Ancient Christian Apocryphal Literature and Its Reception. Faculty of Theology, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece, 25-29 June 2014.
- “A War to End All Wars: The Triumph of the Last Roman Emperor.” North American Patristics Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, 5/14.
- “Veneration of the Virgin Mary in the Early Jerusalem Liturgy: The Evidence of the Georgian Jerusalem Chantbook.” Fifth International Symposium of the International Centre for Christian Studies at the Orthodox Church of Georgia: “The Tradition of the Theotokos’ Adoration in the Orthodox Church.” Tbilisi, Georgia, 12-19 May 2014.
- “Syriac Studies: What’s Still Missing and What’s to Come” (Panelist). Fifth Dorushe Graduate Student Conference on Syriac Studies. Duke University, 28-29 March 2014.
- “The Apocalypse of Empire: Imperial Eschatology in Late Antiquity and Early Islam.” Center for Late Ancient Studies, Duke University. 6 March 2014.
- “Devotion to Mary in Early Christianity: The Origins of the Cult of the Virgin.” Department of History, Virginia Commonwealth University. 4 March 2014.
- “St Mary: Early Christian Devotion to the Mother of Jesus.” Department of Religious Studies, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. 20 February 2014.
- “The Apocalypse of Empire: Imperial Eschatology in Late Antiquity and Early Islam.” Dept. of Religion, Princeton University, 9 December 2013.
- “Eschatology and Empire in Late Antiquity and Early Islam.” Religion in Europe and the Mediterranean World, 500-1650 CE Group, AAR Annual Meeting, Baltimore, 11/13.
- “The Last Roman Emperor and Byzantine Political Eschatology: The Late Ancient Origins of a Medieval Tradition.” Eastern Orthodox Studies Group, AAR Annual Meeting, Baltimore, 11/13.
- “The *Passion of Peter of Capitolias* (d. 715): A Christian Martyrdom from Early Islamic Palestine.” Islamic Studies Seminar, Institute for Advanced Study, 13 November 2013.

- “The Apocalypse of Empire: Imperial Eschatology in Late Antiquity and Early Islam.” Dept. of Near Eastern Studies, Cornell University, 6 November 2013.
- “The Apocalypse of John in Byzantium: Eastern Christian Reception and Interpretation of the Last Book of the Bible.” Orthodox Christian Studies Center, Fordham University, 15 October 2013.
- “The *Tiburtine Sibyl*, the Last Emperor, and the Early Byzantine Apocalyptic Tradition.” 2013 York Christian Apocrypha Symposium, York University, Toronto, 26-28 September 2013.
- “The Reception of the Apocalypse of John in Byzantium.” North American Patristics Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, 5/13.
- “The Afterlife of the Apocalypse of John in Byzantine Apocalyptic Literature and Commentary.” Dumbarton Oaks Byzantine Symposium, The New Testament in Byzantium, 26-28 April 2013.
- “Sing, O Daughter(s) of Zion: Public Worship in the Melanias’ Jerusalem.” Late Antiquity Made New: Celebrating the Career of Elizabeth A. Clark, Duke University, 11-13 April 11-13 2013
- “Muhammad Goes to the Mountain: An Unusual and Important Palimpsest from Mount Sinai (Cambridge Or. 1287).” Manuscripts from Eastern Christian Traditions Workshop, SBL Annual Meeting, Chicago, 11/12.
- “Mary’s So-Called Life: A New Translation of the Earliest *Life of the Virgin*.” Christian Apocrypha Section, SBL Annual Meeting, Chicago, 11/12.
- “The Kollyridians, the Assumption of the Virgin, and the Six Books Apocryphon: Evidence from the *Hypomnestikon of Joseph* (ca. 400).” North American Patristics Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, 5/12.
- “The End of the World in Earliest Islam: The Historical Muhammad as Eschatological Prophet.” Center for the Study of Religion, Ohio State University, 10 May 2012.
- “The Beginnings of Islam and the End of Days: Muhammad as Eschatological Prophet.” Department of History, Pomona College, 1/31/12.
- “A Qur’ānic Intervention at Muhammad’s Death: Q 3:144 as Interpolation.” Quran and Biblical Literature Group, SBL Annual Meeting, San Francisco, 11/11.
- “Early Evidence for Marian Intercession in Palestine from the Ancient Dormition Apocrypha.” Sixteenth International Conference on Patristic Studies, Oxford, England, 8/11.
- “Reading the Qur’ān with Albert Schweitzer, or Jesus, Muhammad, and the End of the World.” Visiting Scholars on Islam Lecture Series, Lane Community College, 4/7/11.
- “Canonization and Criticism: The Collection of the Qur’ān and the Resistance to Methods from Biblical Studies in Qur’ānic Studies.” Quran and Biblical Literature Group, SBL Annual Meeting, Atlanta, 11/10
- “Mary at the Foot of the Cross: The Earliest *Life of the Virgin* and the Origins of Marian Lament.” Sacred Texts and Cultures Group, SBL Annual Meeting, Atlanta, 11/10
- “Mary at the Cross, East and West: Maternal Compassion and Affective Piety in the Earliest *Life of the Virgin* and the High Middle Ages.” The Theotokos Lecture in Theology, Department of Theology, Marquette University, 11/11/10.

- “The Compassionate Mother: The Earliest *Life of the Virgin* and the Beginnings of Affective Piety in Late Antiquity.” North American Patristics Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, 5/10.
- “Reading the Qur’ān with Albert Schweitzer: A Quest for the Historical Muhammad Using Methods from Biblical Studies.” Sundet Lecture, Department of Classical and Near Eastern Studies, University of Minnesota, 4/30/10
- “Reading the Qur’ān with Albert Schweitzer: The Historical Muhammad as Eschatological Prophet.” Quran and Biblical Literature Group, SBL Annual Meeting, New Orleans, 11/09
- “From Mother of Mysteries to Mother of the Church: The Institutionalization of the Dormition Apocrypha.” 3^e cycle en Histoire du christianisme ancien – Automne 2009. Conférence universitaire de Suisse occidentale, Villars-sur-Glâne (Fribourg), Switzerland, 10/09/09 (sponsored by the Faculté de théologie, Université de Genève).
- “The Virgin Mary’s Hidden Past: From Ancient Marian Apocrypha to the Medieval *vitae Virginis*.” Annual Meeting of the Mariological Society of America, St. Augustine, FL. 5/09.
- “It is Knowledge of the Hour; Doubt Not Concerning It”: The Historical Muhammad as Eschatological Prophet.” Duke University, Center for Late Ancient Studies, 04/07/09.
- “Family Secrets: Jesus, Mary, and Joseph in Early Christian Apocrypha.” Early Christian Families Group, SBL Annual Meeting, Boston, 11/08.
- “Apocalyptic Traditions in the Armenian Dormition Narratives.” International Conference on the Armenian Apocalyptic Tradition: A Comparative Perspective. University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, 10/08.
- “A New Dormition Fragment in Coptic: P. Vindob. K 7589 and the Marian Apocryphal Tradition.” Réunion annuelle de l’Association pour l’étude de la littérature apocryphe chrétienne, Dole, France, 6/08.
- “Mary the Apostle: A New Dormition Fragment in Coptic and its Place in the History of Marian Literature.” North American Patristics Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, 5/08.
- “Between Scripture and Tradition: The Marian Apocrypha of Early Christianity.” The Function of Apocryphal and Pseudepigraphal Writings in Early Judaism and Early Christianity Section, SBL Annual Meeting, San Diego, 11/07.
- “The Early Dormition Apocrypha and the Origins of Marian Piety.” Fifteenth International Conference on Patristic Studies, Oxford, England, 8/07.
- “Asceticism in the Early Dormition Narratives.” Fifteenth International Conference on Patristic Studies, Oxford, England, 8/07.
- “A Version of the Six Books Apocryphon in Karshuni: New Evidence Concerning the Early History of the Bethlehem Dormition Traditions.” Réunion du groupe romand de l’AELAC, Université de Lausanne, Switzerland, 2/24/07.
- “Mary at the Margins: Early Marian Apocrypha and the Non-Canonical Canon.” Evangelische-theologische Fakultät / Institut zur Erforschung des Urchristentums, University of Tübingen, Germany, 1/22/07.

- “Epiphanius and the Dormition: The Kollyridians Revisited.” Réunion de l’Association pour l’étude de la littérature apocryphe chrétienne suisse-romand, Bex, Switzerland, 1/5/07.
- “Mary in Early Christian Apocrypha: Virgin Territory.” Conference on Christian Apocryphal Texts for the New Millennium: Achievements, Prospects, and Challenges, University of Ottawa, Canada, 10/01/06.
- “A Mother’s Passion: Mary’s Role in the Crucifixion and Resurrection in the Earliest *Life of the Virgin* and its Influence on George of Nicomedia’s Passion Homilies.” Conference on the Mother of God in Byzantium: Relics, Icons, and Texts, Oxford University, England, 8/06.
- “The Cult of the Virgin in the Fourth Century: A Fresh Look at Some Old and New Sources.” Conference on the Origins of the Cult of the Virgin, York St. John University, England, 7/06.
- “Balancing the Particular and the Universal in the Christian Studies Classroom.” Andrew Mellon Workshop on the Study of Christianity in a Liberal Arts College, Smith College, 6/06
- “Epiphanius of Salamis, the Kollyridians, and the Early Dormition Narratives: The Cult of the Virgin in the Later Fourth Century.” North American Patristics Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, 5/06.
- “The Gospel of Mary: Mary in the Ministry of Jesus and the Early Church according to the Earliest *Life of the Virgin* (The Georgian *Life* attributed to Maximus the Confessor).” Christian Apocrypha Section, SBL Annual Meeting, Philadelphia 11/05.
- “An Early Dormition Narrative in Karshuni: The ‘Six Books’ Apocryphon from the Karshuni Codex of St. Mark’s in Jerusalem.” Arabic Christian Literature and Early Christian Muslim Relations Section, SBL Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, 11/05.
- “The Gospel of Mary: Mary and the Beginnings of Christianity according to the Earliest *Life of the Virgin* (The Georgian *Life* attributed to Maximus).” North American Patristics Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, 6/05.
- “The Birth of Jesus and the Birth of the Qur’an: The Local Traditions of Late Ancient Jerusalem and the Qur’anic Nativity Traditions.” Qur’an and Biblical Literature Section, SBL Annual Meeting, San Antonio, 11/04.
- “The Prophet’s Palestinian Campaign: Muhammad’s Death and the Rise of Islam in Late Ancient Christian Sources.” Social History of Formative Christianity and Judaism Section, SBL Annual Meeting, San Antonio, 11/04.
- “Death and the Maiden: The Early History of the Dormition and Assumption Apocrypha.” Réunion annuelle de l’Association pour l’étude de la littérature apocryphe chrétienne, Dole, France, 6/04.
- “A Prophet Has Appeared, Coming with the Saracens’: Patristic Sources regarding the Date of Muhammad’s Death.” North American Patristics Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, 5/04.
- “The Georgian *Life of the Virgin* attributed to Maximus the Confessor: Its Authenticity and Importance.” Eastern Orthodox Studies Group, AAR Annual Meeting, Atlanta, 11/03.

- “The Church of the Kathisma and its Influence on the Qur'anic Nativity Tradition.”
ASOR Annual Meeting, Atlanta, 11/03.
- “A Peculiar Version of the *Inventio crucis* in the Early Syriac Dormition Traditions.”
Fourteenth International Conference on Patristic Studies, Oxford, England, 8/03.
- “Christmas in the Qur'an: New Evidence regarding the Christian Sources of the Qur'anic Nativity Traditions.” History of Christianity Section, AAR Annual Meeting, Toronto, 11/02.
- “Death and the Maiden: The Ancient Traditions of the Virgin Mary's Dormition and Assumption.” Oregon Humanities Center, Eugene, 11/02.
- “Jesus' Gnostic Mom: Mary of Nazareth and the Gnostic Mary Traditions.” Conference on Mary Magdalen: Prophet and Apostle in the Miriamic Tradition, General Theological Seminary, New York City, June 7-10, 2002.
- “The Council of Chalcedon and the Origins of the Dormition and Assumption Traditions.” North American Patristics Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, 5/02.
- “Christmas in the Qur'an: The Kathisma Church and Early Christian and Qur'anic Nativity Traditions.” AAR Northwest Regional Meeting, Eugene, 5/02.
- “Rethinking the ‘Gnostic Mary’: Mary of Nazareth and Mary of Magdala in Early Christian Literature.” Christian Apocrypha Section, SBL Annual Meeting, Nashville, TN, 11/00.
- “Visualizing Greco-Roman Palestine: An Internet Database of Images Illustrating the Cultural and Socio-economic Environment of I BCE-I CE Palestine for Teaching and Research” (with Melissa M. Aubin). ASOR Annual Meeting, Nashville, 11/00.
- “Visualizing Roman Palestine: The Internet and Digital Imagery in the Biblical Studies Classroom.” Integrating Archaeology into Biblical Studies: A Consultation Series for Improving Instruction, Duke University, 10/21/00.
- “The Kathisma Church and the Origins of the Cult of the Virgin in Early Byzantine Palestine.” W. F. Albright Institute for Archaeological Research Seminar Series, Jerusalem, 3/30/00.
- “A Garden Closed and Reopened: The Assumption of the Virgin and the Early Christian Vision of Paradise.” Social History of Formative Christianity and Judaism Section, SBL Annual Meeting, Boston, 11/99.
- “The Newly (Re)Discovered Church of the Kathisma and the Origins of the Cult of the Virgin in Palestine.” Archaeological Excavations and Discoveries: Illuminating the Biblical World Section, SBL Annual Meeting, Boston, 11/99.
- “Gender at the Virgin's Funeral: Men and Women as Witnesses to the Dormition.” Thirteenth International Conference on Patristic Studies, Oxford, England, 8/99.
- “The Virgin Mary and Religious Identity in the Late Ancient Near East: Mary as Anti-Jewish Symbol in Formative Christianity, Judaism, Mandaeism, and Islam.” AAR Southeast Regional Meeting, Chapel Hill, 3/99.
- “The Virgin Mary and the ‘Gnostic’ Mary: The Evidence of the Early Dormition Legends.” North American Patristics Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, 5/98.
- “Reconsidering the ‘Gnostic Mary’: Mary Magdalene or the Virgin Mary?” AAR Southeast Regional Meeting, Knoxville, 3/98.

- “Mary, the Jews, and the Cult of the Saints: Jews and Christians in the Ancient Dormition Legends.” History of Christianity Section, AAR Annual Meeting, San Francisco, 11/97.
- “Mary and the Discourse of Orthodoxy: The Ancient Dormition Legends and the Politics of Christian Truth.” Dumbarton Oaks, Harvard University Center for Byzantine Studies, 1/31/97.
- “‘All alike can have her, just as the other animals show’: The Carpocratians and the Question of Early Christian ‘Libertines.’” History of Christianity Section, AAR Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, 11/20/95.
- “*Gnosis and Paideia: Education and Heresy in Late Ancient Egypt.*” Twelfth International Conference on Patristic Studies, Oxford, England, 8/22/95.
- “Shenoute's *Contra Origenistas* and ‘Gnosticism’ in Fifth-Century Upper Egypt.” North American Patristics Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, 5/94.

Languages

ANCIENT & MEDIEVAL:

Arabic
 Armenian
 Church Slavonic (basic)
 Coptic
 Ethiopic (Ge'ez)
 Georgian
 Greek
 Irish (basic)
 Latin
 Syriac

MODERN:

German (fluent – C1)
 French
 Italian
 Russian (basic)
 Spanish

Special Language Study:

- “Einführung in die altirische Sprache und Literatur,” Universität Tübingen, 10/06-2/07. Instructor: Bernhard Maier.
- German Language Study (Oberstufe – C1), Goethe Institut, Schwäbisch Hall, Germany, 9/06-10/06. Instructor: Ellen Butler.
- “Reading Russian for Academic Research,” University of Oregon, 4/03-6/03. Instructor: Cynthia Vakareliyska.
- “Introduction to Slavic Languages,” University of Oregon, 1/03-3/03. Instructor: Cynthia Vakareliyska.

- “Old Church Slavonic,” University of Oregon, 9/02-12/02. Instructor: Cynthia Vakareliyska.
- “Classical Armenian Texts: Sebeos and Eznik.” Hebrew University of Jerusalem, 10/99-6/00. Instructor: Michael Stone.
- “Introduction to Old Georgian,” Catholic University of America, 1/97-5/97. Instructor: Monica Blanchard.
- German Language Study (Mittelstufe 2), Goethe Institut, Prien, Germany, 6/92-8/92. Instructor: Markus Litz.

Professional Memberships

- American Society for the Study of Religion
- Society of Biblical Literature
- American Academy of Religion
- North American Patristics Society
- L’Association pour l’étude de la littérature apocryphe chrétienne
- Middle East Medievalists
- Byzantine Studies Association of North America
- Medieval Academy of America
- International Qur’ānic Studies Association
- Association internationale des études patristiques
- L’Association internationale des études arméniennes
- International Association for Coptic Studies
- American Society of Church History
- Catholic Biblical Association of America
- Orthodox Theological Society in America
- American Schools of Oriental Research

Editorial and Professional Service

- Editor, *Journal of Early Christian Studies*, 5/15-
- North American Patristics Society Board (ex officio), 5/15-
- Advisory Board, *Journal of Orthodox Christian Studies*, 5/15-
- Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study, Harvard University, reviewer for fellowships 2016-17; 2017-18; 2018-19.
- Associate Editor, *Journal of Early Christian Studies*, 5/10-5/15
- Advisory Board, *Journal of Early Christian Studies*, 5/06-5/10
- Editorial Board, Orthodox Christian Studies Series, Northern Illinois Univ. Press, 2008-
- Editorial Board (Medieval Christianity), *Religion Compass*, 2006-?
- Guggenheim Foundation, reviewer for fellowships 2014-15.
- American Council of Learned Societies, reviewer for Ryskamp & Burkhardt fellowships, 2013-14.
- National Endowment for the Humanities, reviewer for Scholarly Editions and Translations grants, 2012-13.

- Steering Committee, Manuscripts from Eastern Christian Traditions Workshop, Society of Biblical Literature, 2010-13
- Editorial Board, *Scrinium: revue de patrologie, d'hagiographie critique et d'histoire ecclésiastique* (St. Petersburg), 2005-12
- Editorial Assistant, *Journal of Early Christian Studies*, 1995-1996

University Service

- Director, Medieval Studies Program, 2017-20
- Undergraduate Advisor, Religious Studies, 2017-20
- Promotion committee for Mark Unno (chair), 2019-20
- NEH Summer Stipend and Mellon New Directions Review Committee, 2019
- Three-Year Review Committee for Anne Kreps (chair), 2018-19
- Diversity and Inclusion Committee, Religious Studies, 2017-18
- Promotion committee for Roxann Prazniak, Clark Honors College, 2017-18
- NEH Summer Stipend Review Committee, 2017
- Six-Year Post-Promotion Review Committee for Lowell Bowditch, 2016-17
- Six-Year Post-Tenure Review Committee for Mark Unno, 2016-17
- Religious Studies GTF Selection Committee, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2017
- Humanities GTF Selection Committee, 2017, 2018, 2019
- Tenure Committee for David Hollenberg, 2015-16
- Chair of Gaston Bequest Committee, 2011-13; 2014-15, 2016-
- Chair of Six-Year Post-Tenure Review Committee for Rick Colby, 2014-15
- Chair of Reappointment Committee for David Hollenberg, 2012-13
- Oregon Humanities Center Advisory Board, 2011-2013
- Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art Academic Support Grant (for “Vaults of Heaven - Visions of Byzantium”), 2012-13 (exhibit never happened – artist demanded more money at the last minute)
- University Library Committee, 2010-12
- Dean’s Advisory Committee, CAS, 2010-11
- Chair of Six-Year Post-Tenure Review Committee for Mark Unno, 2010-11
- University Hearings Board, 2009-10
- Undergraduate Advisor, Dept. of Religious Studies, 2004-6, 2008-10
- Arabic Language and Religious Literature Search Committee, Dept. of Religious Studies, 2009-10
- Tenure Committee for Deborah Green, 2009-10
- Faculty Marshall for University Commencement Ceremonies, 2009
- Commencement Address, Departmental Ceremony, 2009
- Reappointment Committee for Deborah Green, 2008-9
- Chair of Tenure Committee for Frederick Colby, Dept. of Religious Studies, 2008-9
- Faculty Partnership Conference in Baden-Württemberg, Germany, June 20-26, 2008.
- Islamic Studies Search Committee, Dept. of Religious Studies, 2005-6
- President, Archaeological Institute of America, Eugene Chapter, 2003-6
- Russian and East European Studies Committee, 2003-10

- Phi Beta Kappa, Alpha of Oregon, Executive Committee, Member at Large, 2003-6
- Phi Beta Kappa, Alpha of Oregon, Membership Committee, 2003-6, 2010-13
- Director, Medieval Studies Program, 2003-2004
- Gaston Bequest Committee, 2000-2002, 2004-6, 2007-11

Campus Lectures and Events Organized:

- “Hymns of Kassianë / Oi ὕμνοι τῆς Κασσιανῆς,” Performance by Cappella Romana, 9 January 2020.
- “Lost Treasures of Armenia,” Performance by Cappella Romana with Haig Utidjian (Charles University, Prague), 1/17/19.
- “Machaut: Messe de Notre Dame,” Performance by Cappella Romana with Marcel Pérès, 2/4/18.
- “The Lost Way: How Two Forgotten Gospels are Re-Writing the Story of Christian Origins,” Stephen Patterson, George H. Atkinson Professor of Religious and Ethical Studies, Willamette University, 3/10/15.
- “The Debate over Islam’s Origins and an Enigmatic Arabic Papyrus,” Fred Donner, Professor of Near Eastern History, University of Chicago, 2/20/2015.
- “Celebrity in Early Christianity: The Case of Epiphanius of Cyprus,” Andrew S. Jacobs, Professor of Religious Studies, Scripps College, 11/1/12.
- “The Revolutionary Message of the Lord’s Prayer,” John Dominic Crossan, Professor Emeritus of Theology, DePaul University, 10/10/11.
- “What’s New in Peru,” James S. Kus, Professor of Geography, California State University at Fresno, 3/06.
- “Classical Archaeology in the Caucasus: The Vorotan Project, Southern Armenia,” Susan E. Alcock, John H. D’Arms Collegiate Professor of Classical Archaeology and Classics, University of Michigan, 11/9/05
- “Displaying Art of the ‘Dark Ages’: Merovingian Artifacts in North American Public and Private Collections,” Bonnie Effros, Associate Professor of History, SUNY Binghamton, 10/4/05
- “The Anatomy of a Late Bronze Age Centre in Southern Cyprus: Maroni Tsaroukkas and its World,” Sturt Manning, Professor of Fine Art, University of Toronto, 4/20/05
- “Sardis in Anatolia: Archaeological Discoveries and Problems in Lydian, Hellenistic, and Imperial Roman Eras,” Crawford H. Greenewalt, Jr., Professor of Classical Archaeology, University of California, Berkeley, 10/27/04
- “The Land of Aratta? Results of New Excavations at Bronze Age Sites in Southeastern Iran,” Holly Pittman, Professor of the History of Art, University of Pennsylvania, 4/29/04
- “Recent Excavations at the Athenian Agora,” John Camp, Director of Excavations, Athenian Agora and Professor of Classics at Randolph-Macon College, 11/13/03
- Co-Organized Conference (with Melissa M. Aubin, Florida State University): “Integrating Archaeology into Biblical Studies: A Consultation Series for Improving Instruction.” 10/21/00 (at Duke University); 2/3/01 (at University of Oregon)
 - Conference presentations were published in Milton Moreland, ed., *Between Text and Artifact: Integrating Archaeology in Biblical Studies Teaching*, SBL Archaeology and Biblical Studies 8 (Leiden: Brill, 2004).

Thesis Committees:

Ph.D.

- Christopher Sweeney, Dept. of Theology, Fordham University
- Katie Jo LaRiviere, Dept. of English (2019)
- Timothy Francis, Music Theory, School of Music (2012)
- Austin Kaiser, Dept. of History (2012)
- David Orique, Dept. of History (2011)
- Kristine Lodge, Dept. of English (2010)
- Andrea Coukos, Dept. of Sociology (2005)
- Ron Ganze, Dept. of English (2004)
- Liam Felsen, Dept. of English (2003)
- Lyle Kip Wheeler, Dept. of English (2001)

M.A.

- Jeffrey D. Whitaker, Dept. of History (2017)
- Katrena Kugler, Dept. of Art History (2013)
- Helena Dean, Dept. of Art History (2009)
- Paul Harrington, Dept. of History (2001)

B.A. (Honors)

- Aaron McCoy, Medieval Studies Program (2010)
- Julia Nicols, Dept. of History (2009)
- Tiffany Sprecher, Medieval Studies Program (2005)
- Bryce Adams, Dept. of Religious Studies (2004; director)
- Ryan Stoner, Dept. of Religious Studies (2004)
- Elise Coakley, Clark Honors College (2003)
- Craig Leonard, Clark Honors College (2002)
- Jeremy Montz, Dept. of Religious Studies (2001)
- Erin F. Stevenson, Dept. of History (2001)