

Education

Ph.D. 1996, Harvard University, Department of Near Eastern Languages

1987-90, University of Chicago Divinity School

M.A. 1984, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Department of History

B.S. 1979, South Dakota State University, Department of History

Professional History

2011-2012 Adjunct Instructor in Biblical Hebrew, University of St. Thomas, Houston, TX

2010, spring Visiting Assistant Professor, Smith College, Amherst, MA

2007-2010 Visiting Assistant Professor, Mt. Holyoke College, South Hadley, MA

2002-2007 Assistant Professor, Department of Religion, Trinity College, CT

2001-2002 Visiting Assistant Professor, Trinity College, CT

1996-2002 Assistant Professor of Hebrew Bible, Yale University, New Haven, CT

1991-1996 Teaching Fellow, Harvard College and Divinity School, Cambridge, MA

1985-1987 Instructor in Latin, Linsly School, Wheeling, WV

1983-1984 Instructor in Classics, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE

1981-1984 Teaching Assistant in History, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE

1980-1981 Instructor in Geography, Rapid City Public Schools, Rapid City, SD

Areas of Specialization

Intellectual history of the Hebrew Bible

Literary Interpretation of the Hebrew Bible

History of Interpretation of the Hebrew Bible

Early biblical interpretation

Midrash, Targumim and medieval Jewish biblical interpretation

Hebrew biblical theology

History of the Ancient Mediterranean, Levant, Near East

Publications

Books:

"*I Will Espouse You Forever*": *The Song of Songs and the Theology of Love in the Hebrew Bible*. Nashville: Abingdon, 2007.

King David With The Wise Woman of Tekoa: The Resonance of Tradition in Parabolic Narrative. JSOT Supplement Series 255; Sheffield: Sheffield Academic Press, 1997.

Reviewed: *The Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 61 (1999): 132-33.

Journal of Biblical Literature 118 (1999): 344-46.

Journal for the Study of the Old Testament 79 (1998): 122.

Journal articles and book chapters:

"The Song of Songs, Proverbs, and the Theology of Love in the Hebrew Bible". Pages 208-23 in *Theological Exegesis: Essays in Honor of Brevard S. Childs*. Edited by K. Green-McCreight and C. Seitz. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1998.

"What Does Ruth Have to Do With Rahab? Midrash Ruth Rabbah and the Matthean Genealogy of Jesus". Pages 262-84 in *The Function of Scripture in Early Jewish and Christian Tradition*. Edited by C. A. Evans and J. A. Sanders. JSNT Supplement Series 154. Sheffield: Sheffield Academic Press, 1998.

"Where Does 'the Boy' Belong? Compositional Strategy in Genesis 21:14." *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 56 (1994): 637-48.

Invited Articles:

"Exodus 12:1-14, Holy Thursday." *Feasting on the Word: Preaching the Revised Common Lectionary, Year A, Volume 2*. Edited by D. L. Bartlett and B. B. Taylor; Louisville: WJK, 2011.

"Isaiah 52:13-53:12, Good Friday." *Feasting on the Word: Preaching the Revised Common Lectionary, Year A, Volume 2*. Edited by D. L. Bartlett and B. B. Taylor; Louisville: WJK, 2011.

"Lamentations 3:1-9, 19-24, Holy Saturday." *Feasting on the Word: Preaching the Revised Common Lectionary, Year A, Volume 2*. Edited by D. L. Bartlett and B. B. Taylor; Louisville: WJK, 2011.

"Psalm 1, The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany." *Feasting on the Word: Preaching the Revised Common Lectionary, Year C, Volume 1*. Edited by D. L. Bartlett and B. B. Taylor; Louisville: WJK, 2010.

"Psalm 71:1-6, The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany." *Feasting on the Word: Preaching the Revised Common Lectionary, Year C, Volume 1*. Edited by D. L. Bartlett and B. B. Taylor; Louisville: WJK, 2010.

"Psalm 138, The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany." *Feasting on the Word: Preaching the Revised Common Lectionary, Year C, Volume 1*. Edited by D. L. Bartlett and B. B. Taylor; Louisville: WJK, 2010.

"Commentary." Page 272 in *Eerdmans Bible Dictionary*. Edited by D. N. Freedman. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2000.

"Exegesis." Pages 438-9 in *Eerdmans Bible Dictionary*. Edited by D. N. Freedman. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2000.

"Haggadah." Page 539 in *Eerdmans Bible Dictionary*. Edited by D. N. Freedman. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2000.

"Halakhah." Page 542 in *Eerdmans Bible Dictionary*. Edited by D. N. Freedman. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2000.

"Mashal." Page 867 in *Eerdmans Bible Dictionary*. Edited by D. N. Freedman. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2000.

"Midrash." Page 897 in *Eerdmans Bible Dictionary*. Edited by D. N. Freedman. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2000.

"Amos." Pages 238-40 in *Complete Guide to the Bible*. Edited by J. Gardner. Pleasantville: Reader's Digest Books, 1998.

"Baruch/Letter of Jeremiah." Page 284-5 in *Complete Guide to the Bible*. Edited by J. Gardner. Pleasantville: Reader's Digest Books, 1998.

"Haggai." Pages 255-6 in *Complete Guide to the Bible*. Edited by J. Gardner. Pleasantville: Reader's Digest Books, 1998.

"Jeremiah." Pages 210-17 in *Complete Guide to the Bible*. Edited by J. Gardner. Pleasantville: Reader's Digest Books, 1998.

"Job." Pages 178-82 in *Complete Guide to the Bible*. Edited by J. Gardner. Pleasantville: Reader's Digest Books, 1998.

"Malachi." Pages 260-1 in *Complete Guide to the Bible*. Edited by J. Gardner. Pleasantville: Reader's Digest Books, 1998.

"Zechariah." Pages 257-9 in *Complete Guide to the Bible*. Edited by J. Gardner. Pleasantville: Reader's Digest Books, 1998.

"Zephaniah." Pages 253-4 in *Complete Guide to the Bible*. Edited by J. Gardner. Pleasantville: Reader's Digest Books, 1998.

Residential Life Experience

2002-2003	Faculty in Residence Program, Trinity College
1998	Acting Dean, Davenport College at Yale, fall term
1997-2000	Resident Fellow, Davenport College at Yale

Courses Taught

The Biblical Tradition	Introduction to Rabbinic Hebrew
Elementary Biblical Hebrew I	Early Rabbinic Interpretation
Elementary Biblical Hebrew II	Seminar: History of Interpretation of the Song of Songs
Intermediate Biblical Hebrew I	Seminar: Jesus
Intermediate Biblical Hebrew II	Seminar: The Apocrypha of the Hebrew Bible
Introduction to the Hebrew Bible	Lost Christianities
Introduction to the New Testament	Apocalyptic in the Biblical Tradition
Literature and Legacy of Genesis	Western Civilization - Medieval
The Short Story in the Hebrew Bible	
Western Civilization - Ancient	

Professional Memberships

Society of Biblical Literature	1993-present
Catholic Biblical Association	1995-present
Association for Jewish Studies	1995-present

Honors, Awards, Grants

2004 - 2007	Third party nomination for Hughes Teaching Award, Trinity College
2004	Nominated as Trinity College representative for National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Stipend
1996	Dissertation granted distinction
1995--1996	Harvard Graduate Society Dissertation Completion Fellowship
1994-1995	Harvard Graduate Society Dissertation Research Fellowship
1993-1994	Harvard Merit Fellowship, alternate
1990-1992	Harvard Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Fellowship
1987-1990	University of Chicago Divinity School Fellowship

Languages

Biblical Hebrew
Mishnaic/Medieval Hebrew
Greek
Modern Hebrew
Akkadian
Aramaic
Latin
French
German

Presentations

Papers delivered:

"The Song of Songs and the Theology of Love in the Hebrew Bible", Five College Religion Seminar, Amherst, MA, 8 November, 2007.

"The Temple as Woman in Ezekiel 24", Society of Biblical Literature, Atlanta, GA, 23 November, 2003.

"Judith 9: The Rape of Dinah and the Temple Defiled", Columbia Hebrew Bible Seminar, New York, NY, 21 January, 1998.

"A Garden Locked, A Spring Sealed' and the Theology of Love in the Hebrew Bible," Association for Jewish Studies, Boston, MA, 23 December, 1997.

Multiple Voices of Mourning: Intertextuality and the Echoes of Tradition in 2 Samuel 14," Invited lecture, Rice University, 22 February, 1996.

"What Does Ruth Have to do With Rahab?: Midrash Ruth Rabbah and the Matthean Genealogy of Jesus," Society of Biblical Literature, Philadelphia, PA, 20 November, 1995.

"Second Samuel 14:6: An Intertextual and Legal Perspective," Invited Lecture, University of Virginia, 12 December, 1994.

"Adaptation of the 'Nakedness Exposed' Motif in Nahum 3:4-7," Society of Biblical Literature, Washington D.C., 22 November, 1993.

Local and community presentations:

“The Old vs. the ‘New’ Covenant”, St. John’s Episcopal Church, Essex, CT, 13 October 2002.

“The Sacrifice of Isaac”, Trinity Church, Hartford, CT, Spring 2001.

“The Sacrifice of Isaac”, Yale-Berkeley Seminar, New Canaan, CT, 10-11 June 1997.

Service

Jewish Studies Program – Mt. Holyoke and Trinity Colleges - 2001-2009
Fraternities and Sororities Committee, Trinity College – 2005-2006
Student Government Association Liaison, Trinity College – 2005-2006
Academic Dishonesty Appeals Committee, Trinity College – 2004-2007
Faculty in Residence Program, Trinity College – 2002-2003
Resident Fellow, Davenport College, Yale, 1997-2000
Acting Dean, Davenport College, Yale, fall, 1998

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