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Faculty Appointments

2016-	Helena Professor of Old Testament Literature and Exegesis, Princeton Theological Seminary
2016-	Skirball Professor Emeritus of Bible and Ancient Near Eastern Studies, New York University
2000-2016	Skirball Professor of Bible and Ancient Near Eastern Studies, Skirball Department of Hebrew and Judaic Studies, New York University
1995-2000	Professor of Old Testament, Department of Theology, Saint Joseph's University
1993-1995	Associate Professor of Old Testament, Department of Theology, Saint Joseph's University
1986-93	Assistant Professor of Northwest Semitic Languages and Literatures, Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations, Yale University
1984-86	Assistant Professor of Old Testament, Saint Paul Seminary (now Saint Paul Seminary/Divinity School of the University of Saint Thomas)
1985	Adjunct Faculty, Department of Theology, College of Saint Thomas (now University of Saint Thomas)
1984	Adjunct Faculty, Department of Theology, College of Saint Catherine
1982-1983	Instructor, Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations, Yale University
1981-1982	Adjunct Instructor, Department of Theology, Albertus Magnus College

Visiting Professorships/Appointments

2021-2023	Research Professor, The Catholic University of America, Washington, DC
2008	Visiting Scholar/Researcher, Centro de Ciencias Humanas y Sociales (Instituto de Lenguas y Culturas del Mediterráneo y de Oriente Próximo), Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas, Madrid
2004	The Catholic Biblical Association Visiting Professor, Pontifical Biblical Institute
1999-2000	Adjunct Professor of Semitic Languages, The University of Pennsylvania
1998-1999,	Lecturer in Ugaritic,
1994-1995	The University of Pennsylvania
1997, 2011	Lady Davis Visiting Professor, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem Annual Professor, Albright Institute of Archaeological Research
1979-1980	Fellow, Adams House, Harvard University

Education

1985	Ph.D., Northwest Semitics and Hebrew Bible Department of Near Eastern Languages and Literatures, Yale University Dissertation: “Kothar wa-Hasis, the Ugaritic Craftsman God” (UMI no. 8600992) Marvin H. Pope, advisor.
1983-84	Visiting doctoral student, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Jonas C. Greenfield, advisor.
1983	M.Phil., Northwest Semitics and Hebrew Bible Department of Near Eastern Languages and Literatures, Yale University. Marvin H. Pope, advisor.
1982	M.A., Northwest Semitics and Hebrew Bible Department of Near Eastern Languages and Literatures, Yale University Marvin H. Pope, advisor.
1981	M.T.S., Old Testament, Harvard Divinity School. Frank Moore Cross, advisor.
1979	Fall term, M.A. student in Egyptian and Semitic Languages and Civilizations The Catholic University of America. Aloysius Fitzgerald FSC, advisor.
1976-78	M.A., Department of Theology, The Catholic University of America John Ford, advisor.
1973-75	B.A., Department of English, The Johns Hopkins University (awarded, 1976). Hugh Kenner, advisor.
1967-73	Saint Anselm’s Abbey School, grades 7-12, Washington, D.C.
1960-67	Blessed Sacrament School, grades K-6, Washington, D.C.

Awards, Fellowships, Honors

- 2020 Festschrift, entitled *Mighty Baal: Essays in Honor of Mark S. Smith*, edited by Stephen C. Russell and Esther J. Hamori (Harvard Semitic Studies volume 66; Leiden: Brill, 2020).
- 2020 The Johannes Quasten Medal for Excellence in Scholarship and Leadership in Religious Studies, The Catholic University of America
- 2016 Frank Moore Cross Publications Award for *Where the Gods Are*, The American Schools of Oriental Research
- 2015 The Association of Catholic Publishers, Excellence in Publishing Awards, first place in the category of Scripture awarded for *How Human is God?*
- 2014 Editor's choice award for *The Priestly Vision of Genesis 1* as second-best book of the year by *Polifemo* (Journal for the history of religions of the Università degli Studi di Messina)
- 2013 Biblical Archaeology Society Publication Award for Best Popular Book on Archaeology for *Stories from Ancient Canaan*, co-authored with Michael D. Coogan
- 2011 Elected Fellow of the American Academy for Jewish Research
- 2010-2011 President, The Catholic Biblical Association of America
- 2009-2010 Vice-President, The Catholic Biblical Association of America
- 2007 Golden Dozen Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching, New York University
- 2005 Frank Moore Cross Publications Award, American Schools of Oriental Research
- 2001 Golden Dozen Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching, New York University
- 1997-1998 Fellow, Center for Judaic Studies, The University of Pennsylvania
- 1995 Faculty Merit Award for Research, Saint Joseph's University
- 1995 Summer Faculty Research Grant, Saint Joseph's University
- 1992-1993 Morse Fellow, Yale University
- 1990 The Mitchell Dahood Memorial Prize, Society of Biblical Literature
- 1990 Dorot Dead Sea Scrolls Fellow, Albright Institute of Archaeological Research
- 1989 Mellon Faculty Fellowship Leave, Yale University
- 1988 The Mitchell Dahood Memorial Prize, Society of Biblical Literature
- 1987-1990 Post-doctoral Fellow, Albright Institute of Archaeological Research
- 1984-1985 Research Fellow, Albright Institute of Archaeological Research
- 1985 Dissertation awarded William J. Horwitz Prize, Yale University
- 1983 Doctoral examinations awarded honors, Yale University
- 1981 Mary Cady Tew prize for best first-year graduate student in the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Yale University
- 1976 B.A. awarded with University Honors, The Johns Hopkins University

Books and Monographs

Psalms: The Divine Journey. New York/Mahwah, NJ: Paulist Press, 1987.

The Early History of God: Yahweh and the Other Deities in Ancient Israel. San Francisco/New York: Harper & Row, 1990. Second edition, The Biblical Resource Series. Grand Rapids, MI/Cambridge, UK: Eerdmans; Dearborn, MI: Dove Booksellers, 2002.

The Laments of Jeremiah and Their Context: A Literary and Redactional Study of Jeremiah 11-20. Society of Biblical Literature Monograph Series, volume 42. Atlanta, GA: Scholars, 1990.

The Origins and Development of the Waw-Consecutive: Northwest Semitic Evidence from Ugarit to Qumran. Harvard Semitic Studies Series, volume 39. Atlanta, GA: Scholars Press, 1991.

The Ugaritic Baal Cycle: Volume 1. Introduction with Text, Translation and Commentary of KTU 1.1-1.2. Vetus Testamentum Supplement series, volume 55. Leiden: Brill, 1994.

The Pilgrimage Pattern in Exodus, with contributions by Elizabeth M. Bloch-Smith. Journal for the Study of the Old Testament Supplement Series, volume 239. Sheffield: Sheffield Academic Press, 1997.

The Origins of Biblical Monotheism: Israel's Polytheistic Background and the Ugaritic Texts. Oxford/New York: Oxford University Press, 2001; paperback edition, 2003.

Untold Stories: The Bible and Ugaritic Studies in the Twentieth Century. Peabody, MA: Hendrickson Publishers, 2001.

The Memoirs of God: History, Memory, and the Experience of God in Ancient Israel. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2004. Portuguese edition: *O memorial de Deus: História, memória e a experiência do divino no Antigo Israel.* Trans. Luiz Alexandre Solano Rossi. Coleção Biblioteca de estudos bíblicos. Sao Paulo, Brazil: Paulus Editora, 2006.

A Bibliography of Ugaritic Grammar and Biblical Hebrew Grammar in the Twentieth Century. Last modified: May 2004 (146 pp.). <http://oi.uchicago.edu/OI/DEPT/RA/bibs/BH-Ugaritic.html>.

The Sacrificial Rituals and Myths of the Goodly Gods, KTU/CAT 1.23: Royal Constructions of Opposition, Intersection, Integration and Domination. Society of Biblical Literature Resources for Biblical Studies series, volume 51. Atlanta, GA: Society of Biblical Literature; Leiden/Boston: Brill, 2006.

God in Translation: Deities in Cross-Cultural Discourse in the Biblical World. Forschungen zum Alten Testament series I, volume 57. Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2008; republished by Eerdmans in 2010.

The Priestly Vision of Genesis 1. Minneapolis, MN: Fortress Press, 2010.

Exodus. The New Collegeville Bible Commentary series, Fascicle 2, Old Testament. Collegeville, MN: Liturgical Press, 2011. Reprinted *The New Collegeville Bible Commentary: Old Testament.* Edited by Daniel Durken, OSB. Collegeville, MN: Liturgical Press, 2017. Pp. 82-123.

How Human is God? Seven Questions about God and Humanity in the Bible. Collegeville, MN: Liturgical Press, 2014.

Poetic Heroes: The Literary Commemoration of Warriors and Warrior Culture in the Early Biblical World. Grand Rapids, MI/Cambridge, UK: Eerdmans, 2014.

Where the Gods Are: Spatial Dimensions of Anthropomorphism in the Biblical World. The Anchor Yale Reference Library. New Haven/London: Yale University Press, 2016.

The Genesis of Good and Evil: The Fall(out) and Original Sin in the Bible. Louisville, KY: Westminster John Knox, 2019. Italian edition: *La genesi del bene e del male: La (ri)caduta e il peccato originale nella Bibbia.* Biblioteca Biblica Queriniana 35. Brescia: Queriniana, 2022.

Profiles in Family and Public Leadership: Telling Leaders in the Hebrew Bible. New York: Oxford University Press, in press.

Co-authored Books

Co-author with Wayne T. Pitard, *The Ugaritic Baal Cycle: Volume 2. Introduction with Text, Translation and Commentary of KTU/CAT 1.3-1.4.* Vetus Testamentum Supplement series, volume 114. Leiden/Boston: Brill, 2009.

Co-author with Michael D. Coogan, *Stories From Ancient Canaan.* Second revised and expanded edition. Louisville, KY: Westminster John Knox Press, 2012.

Co-authored with Elizabeth M. Bloch-Smith, *Judges 1: 1:1-10:5.* Edited by Sidnie White Crawford. Hermeneia. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2021.

Books in Preparation

Co-authored with Elizabeth M. Bloch-Smith, *Judges 2: 10:6-21:25.* Edited by Sidnie White Crawford; Hermeneia. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, under contract.

Co-authored with Wayne T. Pitard, *The Ugaritic Baal Cycle: Volume 3. Introduction with Text, Translation and Commentary of KTU 1.5-1.6,* Vetus Testamentum Supplement series. Leiden: Brill.

Edited Volumes

Editor, *Probative Pontificating in Ugaritic and Biblical Studies: Collected Essays,* by Marvin H. Pope. Ugaritisch-Biblische Literatur series, volume 10. Münster: Ugarit-Verlag, 1994.

Co-editor with Lawrence Boadt, *Imagery and Imagination in Biblical Literature: Essays in Honor of Aloysius Fitzgerald, F. S. C.,* The Catholic Biblical Quarterly Monograph Series, volume 32. Washington, DC: The Catholic Biblical Association of America, 2001.

Editor, *Ugaritic Economic Tablets: Text, Translation and Notes,* by Kevin M. McGeough, Ancient Near Eastern Studies Supplement Series, volume 32. Leuven: Peeters, 2010.

Articles

“Berît ‘am/berît ‘ôlam: A New Proposal for the Crux of Isa 42:6,” *Journal of Biblical Literature* 100 (1981): 241-43.

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- “Biblical and Canaanite Notes to the Songs of the Sabbath Sacrifice from Qumran,” *Revue de Qumran* 12 (1987): 585-88.
- “‘Seeing God’ in the Psalms: The Background to the Beatific Vision in the Hebrew Scriptures,” *The Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 50 (1988): 171-83.
- “Jews and Judaism in the Catholic Lectionary,” in *Fireball & The Lotus: Emerging Spirituality from Ancient Roots* (edited by Ron Miller and Jim Kenney; Sante Fe, NM: Bear & Company, 1987), 56-64.
- “Death and Afterlife in Ugarit and Israel” (a review article, with Elizabeth M. Bloch-Smith), *Journal of the American Oriental Society* 108 (1988): 277-84.
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- “Setting and Rhetoric in Psalm 23,” *Journal for the Society of the Old Testament* 41 (1988): 61-66.
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- “Poetic Structure in KTU 1.3 I 4-21,” *Ugarit-Forschungen* 22 (1990): 317-19.
- “The Levitical Compilation of the Psalter,” *Zeitschrift für die Alttestamentliche Wissenschaft* 103 (1991): 258-63.
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- “The *Waw*-Consecutive at Qumran,” *Zeitschrift für Althebraistik* 4 (1991): 161-64.

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“Yahweh and the Other Deities of Ancient Israel: Observations on Old Problems and Recent Trends,” in *Ein Gott allein? JHWH-Verehrung und biblischer Monotheismus im Kontext der israelitischen und altorientalischen Religionsgeschichte* (edited by W. Dietrich and M. A. Klopfenstein; Orbis Biblicus et Orientalis 139; Freiburg: Universitätsverlag; Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 1994), 197-234.

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“Anat's Warfare Cannibalism and the Biblical Herem,” in *The Pitcher Is Broken: Memorial Essays in Honor of Gösta W. Ahlström* (edited by L. K. Handy and S. Holloway; JSOT Supplement series 190; Sheffield: JSOT, 1995), 368-86.

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Untying Knots: Biblical, Epigraphic, and Semitic Studies Presented to Jonas C. Greenfield (edited by Z. Zevit, S. Gitin and M. Sokoloff; Winona Lake, IN: Eisenbrauns, 1995), 627-40.

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"The Literary Arrangement of the Priestly Redaction of the Book of Exodus: A Preliminary Investigation," *The Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 58 (1996): 25-50.

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Text, translation and notes for KTU 1.1-1.6 (the Baal Cycle), KTU 1.8, 1.96, and 1.133, in Mark S. Smith et al. *Ugaritic Narrative Poetry* (edited by Simon B. Parker; Society of Biblical Literature Writings from the Ancient World Series, volume 9; Atlanta, GA: Scholars, 1997).

"The Heart and Innards in Israelite Emotional Expressions: Notes from Anthropology and Psychobiology," *Journal of Biblical Literature* 117/3 (1998): 427-36.

"Terms of Endearment: 'Dog' (*klbt*) and 'Calf' (*gl*) in KTU 1.3 III 44-45," in "*Und Mose schrieb dieses Lieb auf...*" *Studien zum Alten Testament und zum Alten Orient: Festschrift für Oswald Loretz zur Vollendung seines 70. Lebensjahres mit Beiträgen von Freunden, Schülern und Kollegen* (edited by M. Dietrich and I. Kottsieper; Alter Orient und Altes Testament 250; Münster: Ugarit-Verlag, 1998), 713-16.

"The Death of 'Dying and Rising Gods' in the Biblical World: An Update, with Special Reference to Baal in the Baal Cycle," *Scandinavian Journal of the Old Testament* 12/2 (1998): 257-313.

"A Potpourri of Popery: Marginalia from the Life and Notes of Marvin H. Pope," *Ugarit-Forschungen* 30 (1998): 645-64.

"Matters of Space and Time in Exodus and Numbers," in *Theological Exegesis: Essays in Conversation with Brevard S. Childs* (edited by C. Seitz and K. Greene-McCreight; Grand Rapids, MI/Cambridge, UK: Eerdmans, 1999), 182-207.

"Grammatically Speaking: The Participle as a Main Verb of Clauses (Predicative Participle) in Direct Discourse and Narrative in Pre-Mishnaic Hebrew," in *Sirach, Scrolls and Sages: Proceedings of a Second*

International Symposium on the Hebrew of the Dead Sea Scrolls, Ben Sira and the Mishnah, held at Leiden University, 15-17 December 1997 (edited by T. Muraoka and J. F. Elwolde; Studies in the Texts of the Judean Desert 33; Leiden/Boston/Köln: Brill, 1999), 278-332.

“Ugaritic Studies and the Hebrew Bible, 1968-1998 (with an Excursus on Judean Monotheism and the Ugaritic Texts),” in *Congress Volume. Oslo, 1998* (edited by A. Lemaire and M. Sæbø; Vetus Testamentum Supplements; Leiden/Boston/Köln: Brill, 2000), 327-52.

“‘I Will Now Arise’ (Psalm 12:6): Four Marks of Social Justice in Scripture,” in *Jesuit Education 21: Conference Proceedings on the Future of Jesuit Higher Education. 25-29 June 1999* (edited by M. R. Tripole; Philadelphia: Saint Joseph's University Press, 2000), 119-23.

“W. F. Albright and His ‘Household’: The Cases of C. H. Gordon, M. H. Pope and F. M. Cross,” in *“A Wise and Discerning Mind”: Essays in Honor of Burke Long* (edited by S. M. Olyan and R. C. Culley Brown Judaic Studies 325; Providence, Rhode Island: Brown Judaic Studies, 2000), 221-44.

“The Infinitive Absolute as Predicative Verb in Ben Sira and the Dead Sea Scrolls: A Preliminary Survey,” in *Diggers at the Well: Proceedings of a Third International Symposium on the Hebrew of the Dead Sea Scrolls and Ben Sira* (edited by T. Muraoka and J. F. Elwolde; Studies in the Texts of the Judean Desert 36; Leiden/Boston/Köln: Brill, 2000), 256-67.

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“Re-reading Monotheistically: God in the Bible in Recent Literature” (review article of J. Miles: *God: A Biography*, P. Ricoeur, *Figuring the Sacred*, and *Aspects of Monotheism*, essays by D. B. Redford, W. Dever, P. K. McCarter and J. J. Collins), *Religious Studies Review* 27/1 (2001): 25-31.

“Taking Inspiration: Authorship, Revelation, and the Book of Psalms,” in *Psalms and Practice: Worship, Virtue, and Authority* (edited by Stephen Breck Reid; Collegeville, MN: Liturgical Press, 2001), 244-73.

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“The Divine Family at Ugarit and Israelite Monotheism,” in *The Whirlwind: Essays on Job, Hermeneutics and Theology in Memory of Jane Morse* (edited by Stephen L. Cook, Corrine L. Patton and James M. Watts; Journal for the Study of the Old Testament Supplement Series, volume 336; Sheffield: Sheffield Academic Press, 2002), 40-68.

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“The Rituals and Myths of the Goodly Gods, KTU 1.23,” University of California, Los Angeles, 25 October 2004

“The Origins of Biblical Monotheism,” University of Judaism, Los Angeles, 25 October 2004

Lectures on collective memory and the Hebrew Bible, at Hamburg, Göttingen and Marburg University Old Testament Seminars, and Sonderforschungsbereich Erinnerungskulturen of the

University of Gießen, 8-12 November 2003

Editorial Service

2023-	Editorial Board, Elements of the Ancient Near Eastern World and the Bible (Cambridge University Press)
2023-	Editorial Board, Ancient Literature for Old Testament Studies (Zondervan)
2003-2025	Co-editor, Forschungen zum Alten Testament Series (Mohr Siebeck)
2008-2015	Editorial Board, Writings from the Ancient World Series (Society of Biblical Literature)
2006-2013	Editorial Board, <i>Bulletin of the American Schools of Oriental Research</i>
2006-2009	Editorial Board, <i>Compass: Religion</i> (on-line journal)
2001-2002	Editorial Board, <i>Jewish Quarterly Review</i>
2000-2012	Chair, Editorial Board, The Catholic Biblical Quarterly Monograph Series
1998-2001	Editorial Board, <i>Hebrew Studies</i>
1992-1998	Editorial Board, <i>Journal of Biblical Literature</i>
1990-1997, 2016-2022	Editorial Board, <i>The Catholic Biblical Quarterly</i>
1988-1993	Editorial Board, <i>Biblical Archaeologist</i>
1986-1994, 2002-2022	Editorial Board, <i>Maarav</i>

Additional Academic Experience

2022-	Advisory Board, Cambridge Elements series on Bible and Ancient Near East, Cambridge University Press
1992	Contributor, The Revised Psalms of the New American Bible/
1988-2000	Contributor, <i>Old Testament Abstracts</i>
1981	Research Assistant to Professor Marvin H. Pope, Yale University
1981	Editorial work for Four Quarters Press on <i>Love & Death in the Ancient Near East: Essays in Honor of Marvin H. Pope</i>
1980-1981	Research Assistant to Professor Robert R. Wilson, Yale Divinity School
1979-1980	Curatorial Assistant, Harvard Semitic Museum
1979	Research Assistant to Professor David Perkins at Project Zero, Graduate School of Education, Harvard University
1977-1978	Research Assistant to Professor Carl Peter, The Catholic University of America

Organizational Service

2019-	Member of the Advisory Board for Research on Ugaritic at Georg-August-Universität (Göttingen)
2016-2020	Member of the Board of the International Center for the Study of Ancient Text Cultures, Renmin University, Beijing
2014-2022	Member of the Advisory Council for the Program in Judaic Studies, Princeton University
2014-2017	Steering committee, Joshua-Judges section, Society of Biblical Literature
2007-	Dean's Advisory Board, College of Arts and Sciences, Saint Joseph's University
2001-	Corporate Representative of New York University to the American Schools of Oriental Research
2000-	Board of the Institute for Jewish-Catholic Relations, Saint Joseph's University
2000-2012	<i>Ex officio</i> member of the Executive Board, The Catholic Biblical Association of America
1999-2003	Co-chair, Divinity in Ancient Israel Continuing Seminar, The Catholic Biblical

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 1998-2012 Steering committee, Hebrew Bible and Cognate Literature section,
 Society of Biblical Literature
 1998-2001, Steering committee, Ugaritic and Northwest Semitic Epigraphy section,
 2011-2018 Society of Biblical Literature
 1988-1995 Member, International Team for publishing the Dead Sea Scrolls
 1996-2012 Trustee, W. F. Albright Institute of Archaeological Research
 1996-1999 Program committee, The Catholic Biblical Association

Organizational Memberships

- 2011- American Academy for Jewish Research
 2005-2007, Association for Jewish Studies
 2008-15
 2000- Colloquium for Biblical Research (President, 2002-2003)
 1986- Old Testament Colloquium (Head, 2005-2007)
 1982- Society of Biblical Literature
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