

Curriculum Vitae

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Professional Posts

Helen H. P. Manson Professor of New Testament, Princeton Theological Seminary, 2024–
Honorary Fellow, School of Divinity, University of Edinburgh, 2024–
Professor of Biblical Criticism and Biblical Antiquities, University of Edinburgh, 2023–2024
Senior Lecturer in New Testament and Christian Origins, University of Edinburgh, 2015–2023
Lecturer in New Testament and Christian Origins, University of Edinburgh, 2012–2015
Visiting Professor, Department of Religion, Dartmouth College, 2014, 2016
Visiting Lecturer, Biblical Studies Department, Duke University Divinity School, 2011
Teaching Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, North Carolina State University, 2010–2011
Teaching Fellow, Biblical Studies Department, Princeton Theological Seminary, 2006–2010
Lecturer, Department of Religion, Princeton University, 2006–2008

Education

Ph.D., Biblical Studies, Princeton Theological Seminary, 2010
Dissertation: “Christ Language in Paul and Messiah Language in Ancient Judaism”
Visiting Graduate Student, Department of Religion, Princeton University (2007)
Exchange Scholar, Department of Religious Studies, University of Pennsylvania (2006)
Th.M., Biblical Studies, Princeton Theological Seminary, 2006
M.Div. (*summa cum laude*), Covenant Theological Seminary, 2005
B.A. (*summa cum laude*), Philosophy and Religion, Biblical Studies, Covenant College, 2001
Thesis: “The Role of the Church in George Lindbeck’s Cultural-Linguistic Theory of Religion”

Areas of Specialization

Biblical literature, early Judaism, early Christianity, Pauline and pseudo-Pauline epistles, early Jewish messianism, early Christian Christology, monotheism and polytheism, comparison in the study of religion

Publications

Books Authored

The Letter of Paul to the Philippians (Oxford Bible Commentary; Oxford University Press, under contract)

Paul and Judaism at the End of History (Cambridge University Press, 2024)

Reviewed by Cassidy Gossage in *Religious Studies Review* (2025); J. Andrew Doole in *Reading Religion* (2025); Henry Wansbrough in *Church Times* (4 April 2025); Tim O’Leary in *Marginalia Review of Books* (May 2025); Michael Bird on *Early Christian History* YouTube channel (2025)

Paul, Then and Now (Eerdmans, 2022)

Reviewed by Katie Brown in *Studies in Christian-Jewish Relations* 19 (2024): 1–3; Jonathon Lookadoo in *Reviews in Religion and Theology* 31 (2024): 65–68; David Schnasa Jacobsen in *Homiletic* 49 (2024): 125; Jamie Davies in *Journal for the Study of the New Testament* 45.5 (2023): 51–52; Ann Jervis in *Theology Today* 80 (2023): 321–322; Paula Fredriksen in *Review of Biblical Literature* (September 2022); Daniel Boice in *Catholic Library World* 93 (2022): 116–117; Jason Maston in *Religious Studies Review* 48 (2022): 569; Sarah Schwartzberg in *Spirit & Life* 118 (2022): 17; B. J. Oropeza on Patheos (2022); Ben Witherington on Patheos (2023)

The Grammar of Messianism: An Ancient Jewish Political Idiom and Its Users (Oxford University Press, 2017; paperback ed. 2019)

Reviewed by Judith Lieu in *Theology* 121 (2018): 294–295; William Horbury in *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 80 (2018): 534–536; Jonathan Klawans in *Journal of the Jesus Movement in its Jewish Setting* 6 (2019): 129–134; Paula Fredriksen, John Gager, James Carleton Paget, Esau McCaulley, and Aryeh Amihay in *Syndicate* (2019); David Ritsema in *Review of Biblical Literature* (May 2020); Max Botner in *Journal for the Study of Judaism* 48 (2017): 591–594; N. T. Wright in *Expository Times* (November 2017); Joshua Jipp in *Christian Century* (September 2017); Ana Rodriguez Laiz in *Salmanticensis* 65 (2018): 162–166; Seth Cole in *Journal for the Study of the Old Testament* 45 (2018): 196; Benjamin Wold in *Journal for the Study of the Historical Jesus* 16 (2018): 243–249; Nathan Johnson in *Princeton Theological Review* 21 (2017): 63–65; David B. Levy in *Choice Reviews* 55 (2017); David D. Thomas in *Anglican Theological Review* 101 (2019): 190–193; Clint Burnett in *Bryn Mawr Classical Review* (2019); Jean-Claude Verrecchia in *Reviews of the Enoch Seminar* (2019); Patrick Horn in *Reading Religion* (July 2020); Alexander Thompson in *Journal of Greco-Roman Christianity and Judaism* 15 (2019): 16–20; Frédéric Ménager in *Archives de sciences sociales des religions* 196 (2021): 372–274; Lukas Hagel in *Svensk Exegetisk Årsbok* 85 (2023): 269–273; Nicholas King in *Heythrop Journal* 61 (2020): 1031

Christ among the Messiahs: Christ Language in Paul and Messiah Language in Ancient Judaism (Oxford University Press, 2012; paperback ed. 2015)

Reviewed by Benjamin Wold in *Journal of Theological Studies* 66 (2015): 404–406; Eckhard J. Schnabel in *Bulletin for Biblical Research* 25 (2015): 126–127; Kathy Ehrensperger in *Journal of Beliefs & Values* 35 (2014): 257–259; Scott J. Hafemann in *Expository Times* 125 (2014): 179–181; Jessiah Nickel in *Journal for the Study of Judaism* 45 (2014): 424–425; John K. Goodrich in *Religious Studies Review* 40 (2014): 44; Scott C. Ryan in *Reviews in Religion and Theology* 21 (2014): 377–380; John J. Collins in *Journal of Religion* 93 (2013): 90–91; Armin Lange et al. in *Journal of Ancient Judaism* 4 (2013): 159; Grant Macaskill in *Journal for the Study of the New Testament* 35 (2013): 76; Nijay K. Gupta in *Review of Biblical Literature* (July 2013); Joshua Garroway in *H-Judaic Reviews* (January 2013); Robbie Griggs in *Theology* 116 (2013): 372–373; John Lee in *Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society* 56 (2013): 633; R. Gabriel Pivarnik in *Pastoral Music* 36 (2013): 40–42; Joshua W. Jipp in *Themelios* 37 (2012): 520–521; Geoffrey Turner in *Heythrop Journal* 58 (2017): 308

Books Edited

with Barry Matlock, *Oxford Handbook of Pauline Studies* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2022)

Contributors: Edward Adams, Loveday Alexander, John Barclay, Richard Bauckham, Ward Blanton, Andrew Das, Susan Eastman, Kathy Ehrensperger, Pamela Eisenbaum, Troels Engberg-Pedersen, Stephen Fowl, Paula Fredriksen, Harry Gamble, Simon Gathercole, Michael Holmes, David Horrell, Ann Jervis, Caroline Johnson Hodge, Bruce Longenecker, Davina Lopez, Margaret MacDonald, Joseph Marchal, Barry Matlock, Annette Merz, Margaret Mitchell, Cavan Concannon, Matthew Novenson, Jorunn Okland, Todd Penner, John Riches, Calvin Roetzel, Eckhard Schnabel, Todd Still, Diana Swancutt, Michael Thompson, Lauri Thuren, Paul Trebilco, Emma Wasserman, Francis Watson, Magnus Zetterholm

Monotheism and Christology in Greco-Roman Antiquity (Leiden: Brill, 2020)

Contributors: Richard Bauckham, Jan Bremmer, David Capes, April De Conick, Paula Fredriksen, Jörg Frey, Charles Gieschen, Larry Hurtado, Carey Newman, Karl-Wilhelm Niebuhr, Matthew Novenson, PHEME Perkins

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

with Yii-Jan Lin, “The Bad Bible and the Segregation of Biblical Studies,” *New Testament Studies* (forthcoming)

“After Strack-Billerbeck,” *Ancient Jew Review* (forthcoming)

“Paul within Judaism, Udo Schnelle within Christianity: A Response,” *Zeitschrift für die neutestamentliche Wissenschaft* (forthcoming)

“On Christ and Idols, in Dialogue with Natalie Carnes,” *International Journal for the Study of the Christian Church* (forthcoming)

“Paul the Apostle and Sanders the Critic,” *Ancient Jew Review* (13 March 2024)

“Circumcision and Circumcizability,” *Journal of the Jesus Movement in Its Jewish Setting* 10 (2023): 133–142

“On Thinking Paul and Judaism,” *Ancient Jew Review* (7 September 2022)

“‘The Law Is Not Over Such Things’: An Exegetical Note on Galatians 5:23,” *Presbyterion* (2021): 112–116

“Messiahs and Their Messengers,” *Svensk Teologisk Kvartalskrift* 95 (2019): 3–16

“Whither the Paul within Judaism *Schule*?” *Journal of the Jesus Movement in Its Jewish Setting* 5 (2018): 79–88

“On *The Grammar of Messianism*, in Dialogue with N. T. Wright,” *Expository Times* 129 (2018): 303–306

“The Pauline Epistles in Tertullian’s Bible,” *Scottish Journal of Theology* 68 (2015): 471–483

“The Messiah ben Abraham in Galatians: A Response to Joel Willitts,” *Journal for the Study of Paul and His Letters* 2 (2012): 163–169

“‘God Is Witness’: A Classical Rhetorical Idiom in Its Pauline Usage,” *Novum Testamentum* 52 (2010): 355–375

“Can the Messiahship of Jesus Be Read off Paul’s Grammar? Nils Dahl’s Criteria 50 Years Later,” *New Testament Studies* 56 (2010): 396–412

“Why Does R. Akiba Acclaim Bar Kokhba as Messiah?” *Journal for the Study of Judaism* 40 (2009): 551–572

“The Jewish Messiahs, the Pauline Christ, and the Gentile Question,” *Journal of Biblical Literature* 128 (2009): 357–373

“The Panegyric to the Hebrews: A Response to Amy Peeler,” *Koinonia* 20 (2008): 27–33

Book Chapters

“All Things Resolve into God,” in *Paul and Universalism: The Scope of God’s Deliverance, A Festschrift for Douglas A. Campbell* (ed. Robert Moses et al.; Eugene, OR: Cascade, forthcoming)

“On Getting Saved,” in *Festschrift Mark Nanos* (ed. Magnus Zetterholm; Minneapolis: Fortress, forthcoming)

“Where Does Messianism End and Christology Begin?” in *Messianism within Christology* (ed. Max Botner and Ruben Böhner; Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, forthcoming)

“The Once and Future Messiah,” in *Festschrift Paula Fredriksen* (ed. Adele Reinhartz and Oded Irshai; Berlin: De Gruyter, forthcoming)

“The Messiah, International Man of Mystery,” in *Characters in Mind* (ed. Jan Ruggemeier et al; Bonn: Bonn University Press, forthcoming)

“Coping with Scripture,” in *Teaching Theology: Essays Personal and Theological* (ed. Adam Neder; Waco, TX: Baylor University Press, forthcoming)

“The Moral Life of the Resurrected Dead in Romans 8,” in *Romans 8 in Pauline Research Past and Present* (ed. Jason Valdez and Markus Oehler; Berlin: De Gruyter, forthcoming)

“Emissaries,” in *Oxford Handbook to the New Testament in the Roman Empire* (ed. Heidi Wendt et al.; Oxford: Oxford University Press, forthcoming)

“Josephus and the New Testament,” in *Oxford Handbook of Josephus* (ed. Kenneth Atkinson; Oxford: Oxford University Press, forthcoming)

“The Universal Polytheism and the Case of the Apostle Paul,” in *Paul within Paganism* (ed. Alexi Chantziantoniou, Paula Fredriksen, and Stephen Young; Minneapolis: Fortress, 2025), 59–74

“Paul’s Jesus as the Christ,” in *New Cambridge Companion to Jesus* (ed. Markus Bockmuehl; Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2024), 58–71

“The New Testament: The First to the Early Second Century,” in *Cambridge Documentary History of Jewish-Christian Relations* (ed. Edward Kessler and Neil Wenborn; Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2024), 17–64

“Judaism,” in *Behind the Scenes of the New Testament* (ed. Elizabeth Shively et al.; Grand Rapids: Baker, 2024), 5–11

“Law in the New Testament,” in *St Andrews Encyclopaedia of Theology* (2023)

“Gentile Sinners: A Brief History of an Ancient Stereotype,” in *Negotiating Identities* (ed. Karin Hedner Zetterholm, Anders Runesson, Cecilia Wassen, and Magnus Zetterholm; Lanham, MD: Lexington/Fortress, 2022), 159–180

“Ioudaios, Pharisee, Zealot,” in *T&T Clark Handbook to the Historical Paul* (ed. Ryan S. Schellenberg and Heidi Wendt; London: T&T Clark, 2022), 167–182

“Anti-Judaism and Philo-Judaism in Pauline Studies, Then and Now,” in *Protestant Bible Scholarship: Antisemitism, Philosemitism, and Anti-Judaism* (ed. Arjen F. Bakker et al.; Leiden: Brill, 2022), 106–124

with Harry Y. Gamble, “Letters in the New Testament and in the Greco-Roman World,” in *The Biblical World*, 2d ed. (ed. Katharine Dell; London: Routledge, 2022), 233–251

“Old Testament Christology?” in *From Words to Meaning: Studies on Old Testament Language and Theology for David J. Reimer* (ed. Samuel Hildebrandt et al.; Sheffield: Sheffield Phoenix, 2021), 160–172

“What Eschatological Pilgrimage of the Gentiles?” in *Israel and the Nations: Paul’s Gospel in the Context of Jewish Expectation* (ed. Frantisek Abel; Minneapolis: Fortress, 2021), 61–74

“Roman and Galatians,” in *Cambridge Companion to the New Testament* (ed. Patrick Gray; Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2021), 218–240

“Did Paul Abandon Either Judaism or Monotheism?” *New Cambridge Companion to St Paul* (ed. Bruce Longenecker; Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2020), 239–259

“Introduction,” in *Monotheism and Christology in Greco-Roman Antiquity* (ed. Matthew V. Novenson; Leiden: Brill, 2020), 1–8

“The Universal Polytheism and the Case of the Jews,” in *Monotheism and Christology in Greco-Roman Antiquity* (ed. Matthew V. Novenson; Leiden: Brill, 2020), 32–60

“Beyond Compare, or: Some Recent Strategies for Not Comparing Early Christianity with Other Things,” in *The New Testament in Comparison* (ed. John M. G. Barclay and B. G. White; LTNS 600; London: T&T Clark, 2020), 79–94

“Jesus the Messiah: Conservatism and Radicalism in Johannine Christology,” in *Portraits of Jesus in the Gospel of John* (ed. Craig Koester et al.; London: T&T Clark, 2018), 109–123

“Whose Son Is the Messiah?” in *Son of God: Divine Sonship in Jewish and Christian Antiquity* (ed. Garrick Allen et al.; Winona Lake, Ind.: Eisenbrauns, 2019), 72–84

“The Self-Styled Jew of Romans 2 and the Actual Jews of Romans 9–11,” in *Romans and the So-Called Jew: Pauline Rhetoric and Gentile Judaizing* (ed. Rafael Rodriguez and Matthew Thiessen; Minneapolis: Fortress, 2016), 133–162

with Jay Thomas Hewitt, “Participationism and Messiah Christology in Paul,” in *God and the Faithfulness of Paul* (ed. Christoph Heilig, Jay Thomas Hewitt, and Michael F. Bird; WUNT 2.413; Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2016), 393–416

“Why Are There Some Petrine Epistles Rather than None?” in *Peter in Earliest Christianity* (ed. Helen K. Bond and Larry W. Hurtado; Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2015), 146–157

“What the Apostles Did Not See,” in *Reactions to Empire: Sacred Texts in Their Socio-Political Contexts* (ed. John Anthony Dunne and Dan Batovici; WUNT 2.372; Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2014), 55–72

“Paul’s Former Occupation in *Ioudaismos*,” in *Galatians and Christian Theology: Justification, the Gospel, and Ethics in Paul’s Letter* (ed. Mark W. Elliott, Scott J. Hafemann, N. T. Wright, and John Frederick; Grand Rapids: Baker, 2014), 24–39

Encyclopedia Articles

“Logos,” in *T&T Clark Encyclopedia of Second Temple Judaism* (ed. Loren Stuckenbruck and Daniel Gurtner; London: T&T Clark, 2020)

“Messiah,” in *T&T Clark Encyclopedia of Second Temple Judaism* (ed. Loren Stuckenbruck and Daniel Gurtner; London: T&T Clark, 2020)

Electronic

“The Grammar of Messianism,” *Ancient Near East Today* 5 (2017)

Advanced Papyrological Information System (APIS) Records for Oxyrhynchus Papyri 903, 925, 1058, 1065, 1080, 1096, 1138, 1152, 1167, 1168, 1169, 1225 (Columbia University Libraries Digital Program, 2007)

Book Reviews

in *Bryn Mawr Classical Review*, *Review of Biblical Literature*, *Journal of Early Christian Studies*, *Scottish Journal of Theology*, *Journal for the Study of the New Testament*, *Reading Religion*, *Studies in Jewish-Christian Relations*, *Expository Times*, *Theology Today*, *Theology*, *Strata*, *Koinonia*, *Marginalia*, *Biblische Notizen*

Invited Plenary Lectures

“‘Paul within Judaism’ and Christian Theology.” Tyndale Fellowship New Testament Lecture. Hoddesdon, UK, July 2026.

“Whose New Testament Is It? An Ancient Book in the Modern University.” Msgr. John M. Oesterreicher Memorial Lecture. Seton Hall University, USA, October 2025

“The Bad Bible in the Twenty-First Century.” Inaugural Lecture, Chair of Biblical Criticism and Biblical Antiquities, University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, UK, February 2024

“Jewish Messianism at the Time of Early Christianity.” Katz Center for Advanced Judaic Studies, University of Pennsylvania, USA, October 2022

“The Once and Future Messiah, Jewish, Christian, and Otherwise.” Messianism in Jewish-Christian Relations Conference, Abraham Geiger Kolleg, Universität Potsdam, Germany, June 2022

“On Believing in Other People’s Gods.” University of St. Andrews Symposium on Belief in Antiquity, St. Andrews, UK, July 2021

“Messiahs and Their Messengers in the History of Judaism,” Religious Roots of Europe Annual Lecture, Joint Faculties of Humanities and Theology, Lund University, Sweden, April 2018

“Response to Panel Review of My *The Grammar of Messianism*.” New Testament and Second Temple Judaism Seminar, British New Testament Conference, Maynooth, Ireland, September 2017

“Whose Son Is the Messiah?” University of St. Andrews Symposium on Divine Sonship in Jewish and Christian Antiquity, St. Andrews, UK, June 2016

“Response to Panel Review of My *Christ among the Messiahs*.” Pauline Epistles Section, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, November 2015

“What the Apostles Did Not See: New Testament Christology and Roman Imperial Ideology.” St. Andrews Graduate Conference for Biblical and Early Christian Studies, Society of Biblical Literature International Meeting, St. Andrews, UK, July 2013

“Did Paul Think There Was Such a Thing as Judaism? Galatians 1 in Recent Discussion of Ancient *Ioudaismos*.” University of St. Andrews Conference on Paul’s Letter to the Galatians and Christian Theology, St. Andrews, UK, July 2012

Invited Lectures

“Emissaries of the Gods.” University of Birmingham Biblical Studies Seminar, Birmingham, UK, October 2025.

“The New Testament and Jewish Studies.” Houston Christian University Theology Seminar, Houston, USA, September 2025.

“Emissaries of the Gods.” Columbia University New Testament Seminar, New York, USA, September 2025.

“The Universal Polytheism and the Case of the Apostle Paul.” University of Edinburgh Biblical Studies Seminar, Edinburgh, UK, March 2025.

“Where Does Messianism End and Christology Begin?” Manfred Lautenschlaeger Conference on Messianism within Christology, October 2024.

“Paul and Judaism at the End of History.” Durham University New Testament Seminar, Durham, UK, May 2024.

“The Bad Bible in the Twenty-First Century.” Future of New Testament Studies Scoping Workshop, Hannover, Germany, January 2024.

“The Once and Future Messiah.” University of Regensburg Beyond Canon Project Seminar, Regensburg, Germany, December 2023.

“Paul and Judaism at the End of History.” Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, NJ, October 2023.

“Life, the Universe, and Everything in the Letters of Paul.” Leverhulme Conference on Gods in and outside the Cosmos, University of St Andrews, St Andrews, UK, June 2023.

“Whose Paul? Which Judaism?” University of Oxford New Testament Seminar, Oxford, UK, May 2023.

“The Messiah, International Man of Mystery.” Characters beyond Canon Conference, University of Bonn, Bonn, Germany, February 2023.

“Paul, Then and Now.” University of Birmingham Biblical Studies Seminar, Birmingham, UK, October 2022.

“Paul versus the Gentiles: The Demographics of the Proselyte Circumcision Controversy.” Australian Catholic University Biblical and Early Christian Studies Seminar, Melbourne, Australia, September 2022.

“Paul, Judaism, and Immortality.” Conference in Honor of Martha Himmelfarb, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ, May 2022.

“Our Apostles, Ourselves.” University of Aberdeen Biblical Studies Seminar, Aberdeen, UK, March 2022.

“Our Apostles, Ourselves.” University of Exeter Theology and Religion Seminar, Exeter, UK, March 2022.

“Paul the Convert?” University of Cambridge New Testament Seminar, Cambridge, UK, March 2022.

“Law and Immortality in Paul, Origen, and the Talmud Bavli.” University of Chicago Early Christian Studies Workshop, Chicago, USA, February 2020

“The End of the Law: An Obstinate Problem in Pauline Theology.” University of Notre Dame Jewish Studies Seminar, South Bend, Ind., USA, February 2020

“The Universal Polytheism and the Case of the Jews.” Loyola University Chicago New Testament Colloquium, Chicago, USA, February 2020

“Who ever thought that a person is justified from works of the law?” University of Glasgow Biblical Studies Seminar, Glasgow, UK, November 2019

“What eschatological pilgrimage of the gentiles?” Paul within Judaism Conference, Comenius University, Bratislava, Slovakia, September 2019

“Gentile Sinners: A Brief History of an Ancient Stereotype.” Negotiating Identities Conference, Lund University, Lund, Sweden, May 2019

“The End of the Law: Jewishness and Time in the Letters of Paul.” University of Edinburgh Biblical Studies Seminar, Edinburgh, UK, February 2019

“Carnal Israel: Ethnic Essentialism in the Letters of Paul.” Durham University New Testament Seminar, Durham, UK, December 2018

“Paul within Judaism Reconsidered.” University of Cambridge New Testament Seminar, Cambridge, UK, November 2018

“Who ever thought that a person is justified from works of the law?” Paul within Judaism Conference, Comenius University, Bratislava, Slovakia, October 2018

“Biblical Theology between St. Andrews and New Haven.” University of St. Andrews, St. Andrews, UK, June 2018

“On My *Christ among the Messiahs*.” Lund University New Testament Higher Seminar, Lund, Sweden, April 2018

“Beyond Compare, or: Some Recent Strategies for Not Comparing Early Christianity with Other Things.” Nottingham University Theology and Religion Seminar, Nottingham, UK, March 2018

“Carnal Israel: Ethnic Essentialism in the Letters of Paul.” University of Notre Dame New Testament Seminar, South Bend, Ind., USA, February 2018

“Carnal Israel: Ethnic Essentialism in the Letters of Paul.” Universität Bern Neues Testament Sozietät, Bern, Switzerland, December 2017

“Carnal Israel: Ethnic Essentialism in the Letters of Paul.” Columbia University New Testament Seminar, New York, NY, February 2017

“Carnal Israel: Ethnic Essentialism in the Letters of Paul.” Princeton University Religion Department Seminar, Princeton, NJ, USA, February 2017

“The Chauvinism of the Apostle Paul.” Yale University New Testament Colloquy, New Haven, Conn., USA, February 2017

“The Chauvinism of the Apostle Paul.” Princeton Theological Seminary New Testament Research Seminar, Princeton, NJ, USA, February 2017

“The Fate of Messiah Christology in Early Christianity.” University of Edinburgh Biblical Studies Seminar, Edinburgh, UK, April 2016

“The Self-Styled Jew of Romans 2 and the Actual Jews of Romans 9–11.” Sheffield University Biblical Studies Seminar, Sheffield, UK, December 2015

“Covenant and Messiah.” University of Aberdeen New Testament Seminar, Aberdeen, UK, October 2015

“*Charis* and *Christos*, or The Singularity of the Christ-Gift in Paul.” Durham University New Testament Seminar, Durham, UK, February 2015

“The Self-Styled Jew of Romans 2 and the Actual Jews of Romans 9–11.” University of Cambridge New Testament Seminar, Cambridge, UK, October 2014

“Ancestry and Merit in Ancient Jewish and Christian Claims to Messiahship.” University of Oxford New Testament Seminar, Oxford, UK, May 2014

“The Misguided Quest for the First Messiah.” Universität Zürich Neues Testament Forschungsseminar, Zürich, Switzerland, April 2014

“The Misguided Quest for the First Messiah.” University of Aberdeen New Testament Seminar, Aberdeen, UK, April 2014

“Why Are There Some Petrine Epistles Rather Than None?” Conference on Peter in Earliest Christianity, Centre for the Study of Christian Origins, University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, UK, July 2013

“Against the Jewish Messiah-Christian Messiah Distinction.” University of St. Andrews Biblical Studies Research Seminar, St. Andrews, UK, November 2012

“Bluebloods and Upstarts: The Problem of Ancestry in Early Jewish and Christian Messiah Texts.” University of Edinburgh Biblical Studies Seminar, Edinburgh, UK, April 2012

“How to Say Something New about the Most Commented-on Book in the World.” North Carolina State University Honors Colloquium, Raleigh, NC, October 2011

“The Origins of Christology and the Origins of ‘Christology.’” University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Christianity in Antiquity Colloquium, Chapel Hill, NC, February 2011

“Tradition and Circumstance in Jewish Messianism.” North Carolina State University Religious Studies Colloquium Series, Raleigh, NC, September 2010

“Thomas Aquinas’s Appeal to the New Testament in Defense of Apophaticism: A Response to Adam Eitel.” Princeton Theological Seminary Theology Colloquium, Princeton, NJ, December 2009

Conference Papers

“On Paul Sloan’s *Jesus and the Law of Moses*.” Intertextuality in the New Testament Section, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, 2025

“Response to Reviews of my *Paul and Judaism at the End of History*.” Pauline Epistles Section, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, 2025

“On Paula Fredriksen’s *Ancient Christianities*.” Enoch Seminar, San Diego, CA, 2024

“Apocalypse and Embodiment.” Pauline Theology Section, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, 2024

“Whose Rabbinic Literature? Which Early Christianity?” History and Literature of Early Rabbinic Judaism Section, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, 2024

“On Dying to the Law.” Paul within Judaism Section, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, 2024

“Paul the Apostle and Sanders the Critic.” Pauline Epistles Section, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, San Antonio, TX, 2023

“What next for Paul within Judaism?” Paul within Judaism Section, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, San Antonio, TX, 2023

“Response to Reviews of my *Paul, Then and Now*.” Paul within Judaism Section, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, San Antonio, TX, 2023

“Paul and the Apocalypses.” Paul within Judaism Section, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, 2022

“What Does ‘Within Judaism’ Mean?” Paul within Judaism Section, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, San Antonio, TX, 2021

“Paul and the Torah at the End of the World.” Enoch Seminar, Ann Arbor, MI, 2021

“On Gabriele Boccaccini’s *Paul’s Three Paths to Salvation*.” Enoch Seminar, Ann Arbor, MI, 2021

“Paul the Pharisee.” Historical Paul Section, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, 2020

“Stanley Stowers’s *Rereading of Romans* 25 Years Later.” Pauline Epistles Section, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, 2019

“Who ever thought that a person is justified from works of the law?” Paul within Judaism Section, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, 2019

“Romans 1–2 between Theology and Historical Criticism.” Pauline Theology Section, Institute for Biblical Research Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, 2019

“In What Sense Paul within Judaism?” New Testament and Second Temple Judaism Seminar, British New Testament Conference, Liverpool Hope University, Liverpool, UK, 2019

“The Universal Polytheism and the Case of the Jews.” Varieties of Theism Conference, University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, UK, 2019

“The Legalism of the Apostle Paul.” Paul within Judaism Section, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, 2018

“With Liberty and Justice for All: The Moral Life of the Resurrected Dead in Romans 6.” Pauline Theology Section, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, 2018

“From the Apostle Paul to Nathan of Gaza: The Social Role of Emissary to a Messiah.” The Historical Paul Consultation, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, 2017

“On Paula Fredriksen’s *The Pagans’ Apostle* and John Gager’s *Who Made Early Christianity?*” Pauline Epistles Section, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, 2017

“On Larry Hurtado’s *Destroyer of the Gods*.” Social History of Formative Christianity and Judaism Section, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, San Antonio, TX, 2016

“Whither Messiah Christology?” Extent of Theological Diversity in Earliest Christianity Seminar, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, San Antonio, TX, 2016

“The Unlikely Trove of Messiah Traditions in the Gospel of John.” John, Jesus, and History Group, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, 2015

“The Early Textual History of the Epistle to the Hebrews: A Response to AnneMarie Luijendijk and Georg Gäbel.” Epistle to the Hebrews, New Testament Textual Critical, and Papyrology and Early Christian Backgrounds Joint Session, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, November 2014

“Did Paul Conceive of Such a Thing as Judaism?” Pauline Epistles Section, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, November 2014

“The Misguided Quest for the First Messiah.” New Testament and Second-Temple Judaism Seminar, British New Testament Conference, University of Manchester, Manchester, UK, September 2014

“The Messiahship of Jesus and the Davidic Ancestry of Jesus: A Chicken-and-Egg Problem.” Historical Jesus Section, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, Baltimore, MD, November 2013

“Against the Jewish Messiah-Christian Messiah Distinction.” Early Jewish-Christian Relations Section, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, Baltimore, MD, November 2013

“The Pauline Epistles in Tertullian’s Bible.” Biblical Interpretation in Early Christianity Section, Society of Biblical Literature International Meeting, St. Andrews, UK, July 2013

“Did Paul Believe in Judaism?” Paul Seminar, British New Testament Conference, King’s College London, London, UK, September 2012

“Christ’s Davidic Pedigree in Romans 1:3: Does Paul Mean What He Says?” New Testament Section, Society of Biblical Literature Southeast Region, Louisville, KY, March 2011

“Reconciling Messianic Traditions with the Careers of Historical Persons: Jesus in the New Testament, Bar Kokhba in the Talmud and Midrash.” History and Literature of Early Rabbinic Judaism Section, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, November 2010

“Did Saint Paul Think Jesus Was the Messiah? A Curious Historical Placeholder in the Modern Discussion of Jewish-Christian Relations.” Christian History and Theology Section, American Academy of Religion New England and Mid-Atlantic Regions, New Brunswick, NJ, March 2010

“Messiahs and ‘Diadem-Wearers’ in Josephus’s *War*.” Second-Temple Judaism Section, Society of Biblical Literature Mid-Atlantic Region, New Brunswick, NJ, March 2010

“Marginal Annotation in Early New Testament Manuscripts.” New Testament Textual Criticism and Papyrology and Early Christian Backgrounds Sections, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, November 2009

“*Iēsous Christos* in Paul: Proper Names, Titles, and Other Ancient Ways of Naming.” Pauline Epistles Section, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, November 2009

“The Jewish Messiahs, The Pauline Christ, and the Gentile Question.” International Enoch Graduate Seminar, Princeton, NJ, June 2008

“P46 and the So-Called Concluding Doxology of Romans.” Pauline Epistles Section, Society of Biblical Literature Mid-Atlantic Region, New Brunswick, NJ, March 2008

Awards and Fellowships

Visiting Research Fellowship, Woolf Institute, University of Cambridge, 2021–2022

Northern Scholars Grant, Institute for Advanced Study in the Humanities, University of Edinburgh, 2022

Small Project Grant, British New Testament Society, 2021

Thomas Reid Medal for Outstanding Contributions in Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences, Royal Society of Edinburgh, 2018

Major Conference and Publication Grant, Lanier Theological Library Foundation, 2019

Visiting Research Fellowship, St. John's College and Department of Theology and Religion, Durham University, 2015

Thank a Teacher Award, North Carolina State University, 2011

Runner-up, Robert F. Streetman Prize for Best Graduate Student Conference Paper, American Academy of Religion Mid-Atlantic Region, 2010

Howard Clark Kee Award for Best Graduate Student Conference Paper, Society of Biblical Literature Mid-Atlantic Region, 2008

Exchange Scholars Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania, 2006

Biblical Studies Department Fellowship, Princeton Theological Seminary, 2006–2010

Timothy Scholarship, Chattanooga Christian Community Foundation, 2005–2006

Grant for Graduate Theological Studies, Covenant Theological Seminary, 2005–2006

DeMoss Scholarship, Covenant Theological Seminary, 2003–2004

Dora Maclellan Brown Scholarship, Covenant Theological Seminary, 2002–2004

Maclellan Scholarship, Covenant College, 1997–2001

Research Supervision and Examination

PhD Dissertation Committee, Princeton Theological Seminary
Kaitlynn Merckling, Taxonomies of the Dead in Ancient Judaism

PhD Dissertation Committee, Princeton University Religion Department
Djair Dias Filho, Herakles in Ancient Judaism (2025)

Primary PhD Supervisor, University of Edinburgh

Bernardo Cho, Messiah Christology and the Priesthood in the Gospel of Mark (2016)

Jay Thomas Hewitt, Messiah Christology and Participationism in Paul (2017)

Daniel Jackson, The Cultic Presence of God in Paul's Letter to the Romans (2018)

Benjamin Petroelje, The Paulinism of the Epistle to the Ephesians (2019)

Sydney Tooth, The Eschatologies of 1 and 2 Thessalonians (2019)

Patrick McMurray, The Language of Sacrifice in Paul's Letter to the Romans (2020)

Matthew Sharp, Modes of Divination in the Letters of Paul (2020)

Brian Bunnell, The Kingdom of God in Early Christian Texts, 50–150 CE (2021)

Sofanit Abebe, The Eschatologies of 1 Enoch and 1 Peter (2021)

Ryan Collman, Circumcision in the Letters of Paul (2021)

Alex Muir, Consolation in Paul and Seneca (2022)

Charles Cisco, Freedom in Paul's Letter to the Galatians

Lauren Barton, Heart-Circumcision and Women in Early Christianity

Manse Rim, Messiah and Justification in the Letters of Paul

Daniel Lam, Deification in Ancient Judaism

Daniel Mikkselsen, The Bodies of the Resurrected

Jared Hay, The Bodies of the Dead

Geon Kang, The Law of Moses in the Age to Come
Zachary McNeal, Reception of Paul in Early Christian Egypt
Naomi Reiss, The Prisoner of Christ Motif in Early Christianity
Daisy Andoh, Christology in the Apocalypse of John
Christine Song, Christology in the Epistle of Barnabas
Junette Galagala-Nacion, Gentile Christian Identity in Pauline and Deutero-Pauline Letters
David Burnett, Philo and Paul on Astral Immortality

Secondary PhD Supervisor, University of Edinburgh

Secondary PhD Supervisor, Lund University, Sweden
Lukas Hagel, Christ and Israel in the Letters of Paul (2020–2024)

Internal PhD Examiner, University of Edinburgh

External PhD Examiner, University of Cambridge

External PhD Examiner, Durham University

External PhD Examiner, University of St. Andrews

External PhD Examiner, University of Aberdeen

External PhD Examiner, University of Nottingham

External PhD Examiner, Princeton Theological Seminary

MSc/MTh (Taught) Dissertation Supervisor, University of Edinburgh

MSc/MTh (Research) Dissertation Supervisor, University of Edinburgh

Honours Dissertation Supervisor, University of Edinburgh

External Supervisor and Examiner for Undergraduate Hausarbeiten, Evangelisch-Theologische Fakultät, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen (2013)

DMin Research Project Supervisor, University of Edinburgh and Pittsburgh Theological Seminary (2017)

Courses Taught

Princeton Theological Seminary

NT3428 Greek Exegesis of Philippians (Masters)
TI2014 Jews and Judaism in the New Testament (Masters)
NT9011 Paul and Judaism (PhD)
NT9031 Ancient Christian Texts: Justin, *Dialogue with Trypho* (PhD)

University of Edinburgh

BIST08002 Introducing Biblical Hebrew (pre-honours)
BIST08005 Reading the New Testament (pre-honours)
BIST08011 Introducing Biblical Studies (pre-honours)

BIST08022 Paul and His Letters (pre-honours)
BIST08014 Introducing New Testament Greek (pre-honours)
BIST08108 Intermediate New Testament Greek (pre-honours)
BIST10012 New Testament Texts (honours)
BIST10037 Second Temple Judaism (honours)
BIST10047 Studies in the Apostle Paul (honours)
BIST10045 New Testament Christology (honours)
BIST10046 The New Testament and Graeco-Roman Culture (honours)
BIST11002 Selected Topics in Biblical Studies (postgraduate)
BIST11017 New Testament Exegesis A (postgraduate)
BIST11018 The New Testament in Its Graeco-Roman Context (postgraduate)
BIST11019 Ancient Jewish, Christian, and Pagan Texts (postgraduate)
DIVI11011 Approaches to Research in Divinity and Religious Studies (postgraduate)
DIVI11012 Approaches to Research in Biblical Studies (postgraduate)

Dartmouth College

REL5 Early Christianity: The New Testament
REL19 Special Topics in Religion: When People Were Gods

Duke University Divinity School

NT116D Exegesis of 1 Corinthians

North Carolina State University

REL300 Religious Traditions of the World
REL311 Introduction to the Hebrew Bible
REL312 Introduction to the New Testament
REL350 Introduction to Judaism
REL498 Special Topics in Religious Studies
 Ancient Near Eastern and Greco-Roman Cosmogonies
 Death and Afterlife in Early Judaism and Christianity
 The Apocalypse of John

Service to the Guild

Deputy Lead for Theology and Religious Studies, Scottish Graduate School of Arts and Humanities, 2022–2024

Postdoc Appointment Panel, Centre for Theology and Religious Studies, Lund University, Sweden

Kirby Laing Chair of New Testament Appointment Assessor, University of Aberdeen, UK

Tenure and Promotion Assessor, Emory University, USA

Tenure and Promotion Assessor, Clemson University, USA

Tenure and Promotion Assessor, University of Copenhagen, Denmark

Tenure and Promotion Assessor, Georgetown University, USA

Tenure and Promotion Assessor, Yale University, USA

Tenure and Promotion Assessor, McGill University, Canada

Tenure and Promotion Assessor, Hebrew Union College–Jewish Institute of Religion, USA

Tenure and Promotion Assessor, University of Indianapolis, USA

Tenure and Promotion Assessor, Wheaton College, USA

External Examiner for the MPhil in Old Testament and New Testament, Faculty of Divinity,
University of Cambridge, 2018–

External Assessor for Research Grants, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada,
2018

Co-chair, Paul Section, British New Testament Society, 2019–2023

Co-chair, Pauline Epistles Section, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, 2017–2023

Steering Committee, Pauline Epistles Section, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, 2016–

Co-chair, Paul within Judaism Section, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, 2023–

Steering Committee, Paul within Judaism Section, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting,
2020–

Executive Committee, British New Testament Society, 2015–2018

Co-chair, New Testament and Second-Temple Judaism Section, British New Testament Society,
2014–2018

External Examiner for Undergraduate and Postgraduate Courses in New Testament, University of
Aberdeen, 2015–2018

Series co-founder and co-editor, with Ryan Collman, Cambridge Elements in Pauline Studies,
Cambridge University Press, 2025–

Series co-founder and co-editor, with Paula Fredriksen and James Rives, Edinburgh Studies in
Religion in Antiquity, Edinburgh University Press, 2020–

Editorial Board, Library of New Testament Studies series, Bloomsbury/T&T Clark, 2019–

Editorial Board, *Journal of Biblical Literature*, 2022–

Editorial Board, *Journal for the Study of the New Testament*, 2022–

Editorial Board, *New Testament Studies*, 2019–2022

Editorial Board, *Journal of the Jesus Movement in Its Jewish Setting*, 2017–

Editorial Board, *Journal for the Study of Paul and His Letters*, 2014–

Occasional Referee, Yale University Press, 2017–

Occasional Referee, University of Pennsylvania Press, 2019–

Occasional Referee, University of California Press, 2017–

Occasional Referee, Cambridge University Press, 2016–

Occasional Referee, Oxford University Press, 2018–

Occasional Referee, Baylor University Press, 2019–

Occasional Referee, SPCK, 2017–

Occasional Referee, Palgrave Macmillan, 2017–

Occasional Referee, Bloomsbury/T&T Clark, 2015–

Occasional Referee, Eerdmans, 2016–

Occasional Referee, *Studies in Christian Ethics*, 2012–

Occasional Referee, *Expository Times*, 2012–

Steering Committee, Judaism and Hellenism Section, Society of Biblical Literature Southeast Region, 2010–2011

Section Head, Greco-Roman World Section, Society of Biblical Literature Mid-Atlantic Region, 2009–2010

On-Campus Representative, Society of Biblical Literature, 2006–2010

Papyrologist, Advanced Papyrological Information System, 2006–2007

Service to the University

Convener, Ancient Judaism and Christianity Seminar, Princeton Theological Seminary, 2025–

Faculty Executive Committee, Princeton Theological Seminary, 2025–

Tenure and Promotion Committee, Princeton Theological Seminary, 2025–

Chair, New Testament Professor Search Committee, Princeton Theological Seminary, 2025

Disciplinary Committee, Princeton Theological Seminary, 2025–

Hebrew Bible Professor Search Committee, Princeton Theological Seminary, 2024

New Testament Postdoc Search Committee, Princeton Theological Seminary, 2023

Director of Postgraduate Studies, School of Divinity, University of Edinburgh, 2023–2024

Director of Taught Postgraduate Programmes, School of Divinity, University of Edinburgh, 2022–2023

Director, Centre for the Study of Christian Origins, University of Edinburgh, 2018–

Elected Member, Senatus Academicus, University of Edinburgh, 2018–2023

Tenure and Promotion Committee Member, College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences, University of Edinburgh, 2020

Internal Member, Teaching Programme Review Panel, Department of Earth Sciences, University of Edinburgh, 2019

Head of School Selection Committee, College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences, University of Edinburgh, 2018

Senior Management Group, School of Divinity, University of Edinburgh, 2015–2018, 2022–2024

Director of Quality Assurance and Enhancement, School of Divinity, University of Edinburgh, 2015–2018

Convener of Biblical Studies Research Seminar, University of Edinburgh, 2012–2018

Appointment Panels in Divinity, University of Edinburgh, 2014–

Steering Committee, Centre for the Study of Christian Origins, University of Edinburgh, 2012–

Member, Research Network in Jewish Studies, University of Edinburgh, 2013–

Programme Director of the MSc/MTh in Biblical Studies, University of Edinburgh, 2012–2015, 2018–

Postgraduate Studies Committee, School of Divinity, University of Edinburgh, 2012–2015

Library and Computing Committee, School of Divinity, University of Edinburgh, 2012–2015

Honours Dissertation Manager, School of Divinity, University of Edinburgh, 2013–2014

Academic Misconduct Officer, School of Divinity, University of Edinburgh, 2012–2014

Organizer, Princeton Theological Seminary New Testament Colloquium, 2009–2010

Program Director, Princeton Theological Seminary Tour of Israel, 2007–2009

Research Assistant to Brian K. Blount, *Revelation: A Commentary* (Westminster John Knox, 2009), 2006–2007

Professional Memberships

Studiorum Novi Testamenti Societas (elected), 2017–

Colloquium Oecumenicum Paulinum (elected), 2024–

Society of Biblical Literature, 2004–

Association for Jewish Studies, 2024–

American Academy of Religion, 2008–

British New Testament Society, 2012–

British and Irish Association for Jewish Studies, 2012–

Research Languages

Attic and Koine Greek, biblical and rabbinic Hebrew, Aramaic, Latin, German, French