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EDUCATION

- 2014 Ph.D. Biblical and Religious Studies
Religion, Rice University
- 2012 M.A. Biblical and Religious Studies
Religion, Rice University
- 2008 M.A. Comparative Studies
Humanities, Classics, and Comparative Literature, Brigham Young University
- 2005 B.A. Classical Studies
Humanities, Classics, and Comparative Literature, Brigham Young University

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2016– Visiting Assistant Professor
Religious Studies and Classics, University of Arizona
- 2014–2016 Postdoctoral Teaching Fellow
Program in Writing and Communication, Rice University

RESEARCH INTERESTS

New Testament and early Christianity. Platonic tradition. Popular religion in the Greco-Roman world. Papyrology. Biblical reception.

RESEARCH LANGUAGES

Greek, Latin, Coptic, Hebrew, Syriac; French, German

PUBLICATIONS

Books in preparation

Incarnation through Virgin Birth – A Cognitive Approach to the Earliest Developments.

Edited volumes

- 2013 *Histories of the Hidden God: Concealment and Revelation in Western Gnostic,*

Esoteric, and Mystical Traditions. Co-edited with April D. DeConick. Gnostica Series. Durham: Acumen/Routledge.

Articles and book chapters forthcoming

“Mormons and Early Christian Literature.” In *The Bible in Mormonism: A Handbook to Scripture in the Latter-day Saint Tradition*. Edited by Taylor Petrey, Cory Crawford, and Eric Eliason. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Articles and book chapters

- 2016 “Gnosticism Disputed: Major Debates in the Field.” Pages 39–54 in *Secret Religion: Gnosticism, Esotericism, and Mysticism*. Edited by April D. DeConick. Macmillan Interdisciplinary Studies: Religion series. Farmington Hills, Mich.: Macmillan Reference USA.
- 2016 “‘I Turned Away from the Temple:’ Sethian Counterculture in the *Apocryphon of John*.” Pages 36–55 in *Gnosis: Journal of Gnostic Studies* 1.
- 2013 “Astrological Medicine in Gnostic Traditions.” Pages 333–358 in *Practicing Gnosis: Ritual, Magic, Theurgy, and Liturgy in Nag Hammadi, Manichaean and Other Later Antique Literature—Essays in Honor of Birger A. Pearson*. Edited by April D. DeConick, Gregory Shaw, and John D. Turner. Nag Hammadi and Manichaean Studies 85. Leiden: Brill.
- 2013 “The Old Gods of Egypt in Lost Hermetica and Early Sethianism.” Pages 58–86 in *Histories of the Hidden God: Concealment and Revelation in Western Gnostic, Esoteric, and Mystical Traditions*. Edited by April D. DeConick and Grant Adamson. Gnostica Series. Durham: Acumen/Routledge.
- 2012 “Letter from a Soldier in Pannonia.” Pages 109–124 in *Bulletin of the American Society of Papyrologists* 49.
- 2009 “Fate Indelible: The *Gospel of Judas* and Horoscopic Astrology.” Pages 305–324 in *The Codex Judas Papers: Proceedings of the International Congress on Codex Tchacos held at Rice University, Houston, Texas, March 13–16, 2008*. Edited by April D. DeConick. Nag Hammadi and Manichaean Studies 73. Leiden: Brill.

Book reviews

- 2015 Review of *A Coptic Handbook of Ritual Power* edited by Malcolm Choat and Iain Gardner. Pages 239–241 in *Magic, Ritual, and Witchcraft* 10.
- 2009 Review of *The Thirteenth Apostle: What the Gospel of Judas Really Says* by April D. DeConick. Pages 186–188 in *Brigham Young University Studies* 48.

CONFERENCE PAPERS

To be presented

2017 “Justin Martyr on the Incarnation and Virgin Birth – A Cognitive Approach.” Annual meeting of the AAR/SBL, Boston, Massachusetts.

Presented

2016 “Solutions to Problems of Virgin Birth and Harmonization in the *Protevangelium Jacobi*.” Annual meeting of the AAR/SBL, San Antonio, Texas.

2015 “Christology and Cognitive Science: Incarnation through Virgin Birth in the *Epistola Apostolorum*.” Annual meeting of the AAR/SBL, Atlanta, Georgia.

2015 “‘I Turned away from the Temple:’ Sethian Counterculture in the *Apocryphon of John*.” Gnosticism, Esotericism, and Mysticism Collective Conference: Gnostic Counter Cultures, Rice University.

2013 “Thomas Paine and the Prophecy of Samuel the Lamanite.” Fourth biennial Faith and Knowledge Conference, Wesley Theological Seminary, Washington D.C.

2012 “Astrological Medicine as Craft and Gnosis: Gems and Other Amulets in Antiquity.” Rockwell Religious Studies Symposium: Crafting Knowledge, Rice University.

2011 “Descent of the Soul and the Interpretation of Genesis 1–3 among Jews, Christians, and Later Platonists.” Annual meeting of the AAR/SBL, San Francisco, California.

2010 “The Old Gods of Egypt, Iamblichus’ Hermetic Sources, and *Eugnostos*.” Rockwell Religious Studies Symposium: Hidden God, Hidden Histories, Rice University.

2009 “Fate Indelible: the *Gospel of Judas* as Horoscope.” Annual meeting of the AAR/SBL, New Orleans, Louisiana.

2008 “The Significance and Location of Bonner D.188.” Codex Judas Congress, Rice University.

TEACHING INTERESTS

Biblical, religious, classical studies. Critical thinking, reading, writing, oral communication.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Religious Studies and Classics, University of Arizona

3rd-year level: Christian Literature and Thought (Spr 2017, F 2016)

3rd-year level: The Transformation of Society: Christianity in the Greco-Roman World (F 2016)

1st-year level: Critical Concepts in Culture: Religion in Greco-Roman Society (F 2017)

1st-year level: Judaism, Christianity, Islam: Abrahamic Religions (F 2017, Spr 2017)

1st-year level: Christianity and Art (F 2017, Spr 2017, F 2016)

Program in Writing and Communication, Rice University

1st-year level: Western Biblical Traditions – Jewish, Christian, and Islamic (Spr 2016)

1st-year level: Famous Fakes in Early Christian Literature (Spr 2016, F 2015, Spr 2015, F 2014)

1st-year level: The Five Gospels: How Were They Written? (F 2015)

1st-year level: Rewriting Creation: The Secret Book of John (F 2014)

Religion, Rice University

3rd-year level: Paul and the New Testament (F 2013)

3rd-year level: Jesus and the Gospels (Spr 2012)

3rd-year level: New Testament Writings (Spr 2011)

Honors College, University of Houston

2nd-year level: Human Situation: Antiquity (F 2013)

Humanities, Classics, and Comparative Literature, Brigham Young University

2nd-year level: Intermediate Classical Greek (Summer 2008)

1st-year level: First-Year Classical Greek (F 2007)

HONORS, AWARDS, CERTIFICATES

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| 2013 | T. Orman Taylor Teaching Fellowship in Religious Studies
Religion, Rice University |
| 2012 | T. Orman Taylor Teaching Fellowship in Religious Studies
Religion, Rice University |
| 2011 | Participant, Summer Institute of the American Society of Papyrologists
Brigham Young University |
| 2010–2012 | Member, Andrew W. Mellon Graduate Research Seminar: Mapping Death
Humanities Research Center, Rice University |
| 2008–2013 | Presidential Fellowship
Rice University |

SERVICE**To the profession**

Anonymous reviewer (2017)

Oxford University Press

Section co-chair (2016–2018)

Mysticism, Esotericism, and Gnosticism in Antiquity

Society of Biblical Literature

Steering-committee member (2015–2016)

Mysticism, Esotericism, and Gnosticism in Antiquity

Society of Biblical Literature

To the university, including public outreach

Panelist (October 2017)

Tucson Humanities Festival

College of Humanities, University of Arizona

Instructor/overseer (F 2017)

Honors contract for Judaism, Christianity, Islam: Abrahamic Religions

Honors College, University of Arizona

Instructor/overseer (F 2017)

Honors contract for Christianity and Art

Honors College, University of Arizona

Instructor/overseer (F 2016)

Honors contract for Christian Literature and Thought

Honors College, University of Arizona

Instructor (Spr 2015, F 2014)

Style in Writing, graduate and postdoctoral workshop

Center for Written, Oral, and Visual Communication, Rice University

Instructor (F 2015)

Graduate School Application, undergraduate workshop

Center for Written, Oral, and Visual Communication, Rice University

Awards coordinator (AY 2015-2016, AY 2014-2015)

Prize for Best Expository and Analytical Essay in a First-year Writing-Intensive Seminar

Program in Writing and Communication, Rice University

Awards coordinator (AY 2015-2016)

Prize for Best Oral Presentation in a First-year Writing-Intensive Seminar

Program in Writing and Communication, Rice University