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Education:

Ph.D. (Religious Studies), McMaster University, Hamilton, ON, Canada (2014 - Present)
Status: Candidate (ABD)
Final GPA: 4.0/4.0
Major: Early Judaism (Early Christianity, minor)
Comprehensive Exams: Old Testament, New Testament, Patristics, History of Second Temple Judaism, Dead Sea Scrolls, Hellenistic Judaism, Rabbinic Judaism
Supervisor: Dr. Daniel Machiela

M.Div. (with Honors Thesis), Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, Pittsburgh, PA (2011 - 2014)
Final GPA: 3.98/4.0 (1st in class)

B.A., Eastern University, St. Davids, PA (2007 - 2011)
Final GPA: 3.53/4.0
Major: Biblical Studies

Awards and Scholarships:

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| 2016 - 2017 | Ontario Graduate Scholarship, McMaster University |
| 2015 - 2016 | The Abby Goldblatt Memorial Scholarship (for excellence in the study of Early Judaism), McMaster University |
| 2015 - 2016 | International Excellence Award, McMaster University |
| 2014 - 2018 | Graduate Scholarship, McMaster University |
| 2014 | Henry A. Riddle Fund for Graduate Study, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary |
| 2014 | Sylvester S. Marvin Fellowship, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary |
| 2014 | The Thomas Jamison Scholarship, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary |
| 2014 | The William B. Watson Prize in Hebrew, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary |
| 2013 | Fred McFeely Rogers Prize in Biblical Studies, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary |

Research Languages:

Hebrew (Biblical, Qumran)
Aramaic (Biblical, Qumran)

Greek
Latin
French
German

Conference Presentations:

- 2017 “Revelation and Transmission of Divine Wisdom in the Aramaic Scrolls and the Cave One Hodayot” at Society of Biblical Literature’s Annual Meeting (Wisdom and Apocalypticism group), accepted to be presented: November 18-21
- 2017 “Aramaic as a Vehicle for Communicating a Pre-Hasmonean Priestly Ideology” at Harvard University’s Center for Jewish Studies on March 20
- 2017 “Priestly Ideology in the Aramaic Dead Sea Scrolls” at the Religious Studies Graduate Colloquium at Florida State University on February 18
- 2016 “Constructing the Ideal Jewish Sage: Considering the Figures of Enoch, Levi, and Daniel in the Aramaic Dead Sea Scrolls” at the Annual McMaster University – University of Toronto Scrollerly Colloquium on April 20.
- 2015 “Attitudes toward Foreign Culture and Imperial Rule in the Aramaic Dead Sea Scrolls” at the CRASIS Master Class and Annual Meeting on the topic of Hellenism: Interaction, Translation & Culture Transfer at the University of Groningen on February 11.

Guest Lectures:

- 2017 “Paul and Women in Church Leadership” in Whit Ross’s Women in the Biblical Tradition on April 3
- 2016 “Biblical Interpretation at Qumran: The Pesharim and Para-biblical Literature” in Michael Johnson’s Introduction to the Hebrew Bible on December 6

Teaching and Research Assistantships:

- 2017 Teaching Assistant for Whit Ross, McMaster University, Women in the Biblical Tradition
- 2016 Teaching Assistant for Dr. Daniel Machiela, McMaster University, Archaeology and the Bible
- 2015 - 2016 Teaching Assistant for Dr. Philippa Carter, McMaster University, What on Earth is Religion? (Introduction to Religious Studies)
- 2015 - Present Research Assistant for Dr. Daniel Machiela, Assisting in the editing and preparation of manuscripts for publication

- 2015 Teaching Assistant for Dr. Stephen Westerholm, McMaster University, Introduction to the New Testament
- 2014 Teaching Assistant for Dr. Janet Ross, McMaster University, Images of the Divine Feminine
- 2013 - 2014 Teaching Assistant for Dr. James Durlless, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, OT01 and OT02: Introduction to Biblical Hebrew
- 2012 - 2013 Teaching Assistant for Dr. Robert Gagnon, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, NT01 and NT 02: Introduction to New Testament Greek
- 2013 - 2014 Research Assistant for Dr. Karen Bowden Cooper, Kelso Museum of Near Eastern Archaeology, Pittsburgh, PA

Professional Membership:

Society of Biblical Literature

Professional References:

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