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EDUCATION

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| University of Pennsylvania | Ph.D. (2001), M.A. (1995) | Ancient History: Roman History, Greek History, Greco-Roman Religions, Gender |
| North Carolina State University | B.A. (1993, Valedictorian, <i>summa cum laude</i>) | History (major), Classics and Religious Studies (minors) |
| Study Abroad: | | |
| University of London (NCSU Summer Abroad Program) | | Summer 1990 |
| St. George's College (Jerusalem, Israel) | | Summer 1992 |

TITLE OF DOCTORAL DISSERTATION: *Magic Accusations Against Women in the Greco-Roman World from the First through the Fifth Centuries CE*

Advisor: Ross Kraemer (Brown University, adjunct professor at UPENN)

Readers: Robert Kraft (UPENN), Brent Shaw (UPENN, now at Princeton)

TITLE OF UNDERGRADUATE HONORS THESIS: *The People of Sepphoris in the Roman Period: Relations Among Pagans, Jews, and Christians*

Advisors: Prof. S. Thomas Parker (NCSU) and Prof. William Adler (NCSU)

EMPLOYMENT

Associate Professor, San Diego State University (2009- present; Assistant Professor at SDSU, 2002-2009)

Courses Taught: Roman History (1000 BCE- 500CE), Greek History (1500 BCE-323 BCE), Magic in the Greco-Roman World, Historian's Craft: Historiography of Witchcraft, Women and Gender in the Greco-Roman World, World History for Teachers, World History (to 1500 CE), Graduate Seminar in Writing History, Fall of Rome

Lecturer, University of Pennsylvania, 1998-2002

Courses Taught: Survey of Ancient Rome, Greek and Roman Mythology, Greek and Roman Religions, Persuasion and Power (Rhetoric in the Ancient World), Elementary Latin II, Mellon Electronic Writing Groups (an interdisciplinary, collaborative teaching project which created on-line course materials on the Blackboard Teaching platform. This writing intensive course which fulfilled student's writing requirement, included extensive course design and online interaction and consultation with students.)

Lecturer, Lutheran Theological Seminary of Philadelphia, 2002

Course Taught: 1 Timothy and the Pastoral Epistles

AWARDS AND FUNDED RESEARCH GRANTS

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| College of Arts and Letters Awardee for the 2009 SDSU Senate Excellence in Teaching Award | 2009 |
| Summer Fellowship, San Diego State University Competitive grant process; for study of <i>PGM</i> in Oslo, Vienna, and London | 2008 (for Summer 2009) |
| CAL Microgrant Competitive funding at SDSU to supplement scholarly activity, in my case to defray the costs of images in two journal articles, "Witchcrafting in Roman Literature and Art" (<i>MRW</i> at UPenn Press) and "Pliny's <i>Natural History</i> and the Flavian <i>Templum Pacis</i> : Botanical Imperialism in First Century CE Rome (<i>JWH</i> at University of Hawaii Press) | 2008 |
| People, Information, and Computer Technology Fellow Competitive fellowship at SDSU for developing computer pedagogy, awarded to 20 of more than 50 applicants | 2006 |
| San Diego State University TechStar Competitive award recognizing excellence with computer pedagogy, awarded to five SDSU professors each year | 2006 |
| RSCA Summer Travel Funds, San Diego State University | 2003 (for Summer 2004) |
| FDP Summer Travel Funds, San Diego State University | 2003 (for Summer 2004) |
| RSCA Summer Fellowship, San Diego State University Competitive grant process, with awards to only 13 of 50 proposals; For study of <i>PGM IV</i> at <i>Bibliothèque Nationale</i> in Paris, France | 2002 (for Summer 2003) |
| Dean's Scholar, School of Arts and Sciences, University of Pennsylvania As the Dean's forum web site notes, this award: 'recognizes outstanding graduate students for their academic performance and intellectual promise' | 2000 |
| University of Pennsylvania School of Arts and Sciences Summer Travel Grant | 1998 |
| University of Pennsylvania Dissertation Fellowship Fifth-year writing fellowship (including tuition and stipend), awarded on the basis of academic merit | 1997-1998 |
| William Penn Fellowship Four-year graduate fellowship (including tuition and stipend), awarded on the basis of academic merit | 1993-1997 |
| Endowment for Biblical Research Summer Travel Grant Awarded based on merit, for conducting archaeological research in Jordan | 1996 and 1994 |
| Mellon Fellowship in Humanistic Studies National, one-year graduate fellowship (including tuition and stipend), awarded on the basis of academic merit | 1993-1994 |
| Jennifer C. Groot Fellowship in the Archaeology of Jordan Awarded based on merit, for archaeological research in Jordan | 1994 |

- Merle Saunders Schaff Prize (Graduate paper prize at UPENN for best paper in Jewish Studies topics) Title: "Women as an Excuse for Sin in the Testament of the Twelve Patriarchs" 1995
- John T. Caldwell Scholarship at North Carolina State University 1989-1993
Four-year fellowship (including tuition and stipend), awarded on the basis of academic merit

RESEARCH PROJECTS and PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles:

- "Raising the Stakes: Writing about Witchcraft on Wikipedia," in *The History Teacher* 42, no. 1 (2008): 1-16.
- "Witch-crafting in Greco-Roman Art," in *Magic Ritual and Witchcraft* 3, no. 2 (2008): 119-157.
- "Placing Greco-Roman History in World Historical Context," in *Classical World* 102, no. 1 (2008): 49-64.
- "Pliny's *Natural History* and the Flavian *Templum Pacis*: Botanical Imperialism in First Century CE Rome," forthcoming in *Journal of World History* 20, no. 3 (September 2009)
- "Magic Accusations against Women in Tacitus' *Annals*" (Essay in peer-reviewed edited collection accepted for publication in *Daughters of Hecate*, ed. Kimberly Stratton and Dayna Kalleres, forthcoming at Oxford University Press)
- "Indian Spices and Roman 'Magic' in Imperial and Late Antique Indomediterranea" (accepted for publication in *Journal of World History*)
- "Rethinking Primary Sources for Cross-Cultural Interaction in World History: 'Standard' Problems and Connected Possibilities" (accepted for publication at *Social Studies Review*, Fall 2009)

On-line Publication:

- "Learning to Walk (and Talk) the 'Silk Roads'," *Proceedings of the APA's Committee on Ancient History* at <<http://www.apaclassics.org/education/CAH/2008panel.html>>
- "Money in the *Apologia: Dos et Testamentum*," and "Pudentilla Speaks," on *Apuleius, An Introduction* (1996), edited by James J. O'Donnell at <<http://www9.georgetown.edu/faculty/jod/apuleius/pollard.comm.html>>

Encyclopedia Articles:

- Entries for "sacrifice" and "sanctuary" in the forthcoming *Oxford Encyclopedia of Ancient Greece and Rome* (Oxford University Press, 2009)

Book Reviews:

- Review (with R. A Kraft *et al.*) of M. Goodman, ed. *Jews in a Graeco-Roman World*, Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1999 in *Bryn Mawr Classical Review* 2005.08.10 at <<http://ccat.sas.upenn.edu/bmcr/2005/2005-08-10.html>>.
- Review of Roger Steven Evans, *Sex and Salvation: Virginitiy as a Soteriological Paradigm in Ancient Christianity*, New York: University Press of America, 2003 in *Journal of the History of Sexuality* 15, no. 3 (2006): 492-494.

In process:

Book project: *Magic Accusations Against Women in the Greco-Roman World from the First through the Fifth Centuries CE*

PAPERS BEFORE PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES

- ““What's Love Got to Do with It?": Stalking, Obsessive Relational Intrusion, and "Erotic" Spells” 2010
“Luxury, Religion, and Death” Panel at the Annual Meeting
of the American Philological Association (Anaheim, CA) (*abstract accepted*)
- “Indian Spices and Early Christianity: Economic Realities and Constructed Meanings” 2008
Early Christianity and the Ancient Economy Consultation
at the Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature (Boston, MA)
- “Greco-Roman Magical Gumbo: Mixing Spices, Rituals, and Gods” 2008
Greco-Roman Religions Program Unit at the Annual Meeting
of the Society of Biblical Literature (Boston, MA)
- "Learning to Walk (and Talk) the 'Silk Roads'" 2008
Committee on Ancient History Panel at the Annual Meeting
of the American Philological Association (Chicago, IL)
- "Raising the Stakes: Witchcraft on Wikipedia" 2007
Computer-Assisted Research Panel at the Annual Meeting
of the Society of Biblical Literature (San Diego, CA)
- "Indian Spices and Roman 'Magic' at the End of the Ancient World" 2007
World History MRG of the University of California
(UCLA Conference, June 2-3, 2007)
- "Rome and Indomediterranea: Pliny's *Natural History*, Magic, and Heresy" 2007
Annual Meeting of the American Philological Association (San Diego, CA)
- "The Original Spice Girls?: Imperial Rome, India, and Magic Accusations" 2006
Pacific Rim Roman Seminar (August 25-28, 2006)
- "World History, Pliny, and the Flavian Temple of Peace" 2006
World History Working Group of the University of California
(Riverside Conference, May 20-21, 2006)
- "The Place of Greco-Roman Antiquity in World History" 2006
Annual Meeting of the Association of Ancient Historians
(Stanford University, May 5-7, 2006)
- "Magic Accusations Against Women in Tacitus' Annals: a Sociological Approach" 2003
Friends of Ancient History, with Prof. Amy Richlin, USC, as respondent
- "Ritual Expert or Object in its Proper Place?: Women's Bodies in the Greek Magical Papyri" 2001
Papyrology Panel at the Annual Meeting of the American Philological
Association (San Diego, CA)

- "Friends and Enemies in High Places: Magic Accusations Against Women in Tacitus' *Annals*"
Social History Panel at the Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature (Nashville, TN) 2000
- "Fictions and Inscriptions: Women's Prayer and Votive Devotion in the Greek Novel"
Ancient Fiction Panel at the Annual Meeting of the SBL (Philadelphia, PA) 1999
- "Women's Religious Activity in Apuleius' *Metamorphoses*"
Greco-Roman Religions Section at the Annual Meeting of the SBL (Orlando, FL) 1998
- "Pudentilla's Property: The Basis for Apuleius' *Apologia*"
Annual Meeting of the Association of Ancient Historians (San Antonio, TX) 1997
- "Recovering Pagan Women in the Apocryphal Acts of the Apostles and the Greek Novel"
Panel presentation for the Philadelphia Seminar on Christian Origins 1997

INVITED PAPERS (PROFESSIONAL)

- "Spicing-Up Grain, Grapes, and Olives: The Influence of Afroeurasian Connectivity on Roman Cuisine"
Three-hour morning session at the *It's a Matter of Taste: Food in World History and Cultures*
Summer Program at the UCLA International Institute (27 July 2009) 2009
- "Rethinking Graeco-Roman Magic with World Historical Method"
Invitation from the President of the American Philological Association to present on
my work with the implications of global historical method for traditionally
"classical world" topics (9 January 2009) 2009
- Round-table Presenter for "Basic Building Blocks of True World History Courses"
Roundtable session at the California World History Association (14-15 November 2008)
discussing the California Content Standards for World History and how best to create
narrative strands that illuminate the standards while doing "true" world history 2008
- "Coping in a Competitive Cosmos: Magical Solutions for Sex, Sickness,
and Stealing in Greco-Roman Antiquity (500 BC – 500 AD)"
Keynote Speaker at the Southwest Anthropology Association meeting
at CSU-Fullerton (12 April 2008) 2008
- "What's in a Name?: Interdisciplinary Definitions of Greco-Roman Magic"
"The Many Faces of Anthropology," the 26th Annual Anthropology Symposium
at CSU-Fullerton (21 April 2007) 2007
- "Women and Greco-Roman Witchcraft: Witches in Greco-Roman Art"
Robert Penn Warren Humanities Seminar at Vanderbilt University (11 December 2006) 2006
- "(Re)Building a Successful Local Society"
Society Workshop at the Annual Meeting of the Archaeological Institute of America 2006

PUBLIC LECTURES

- "Love, Health, and Crime: Magic in the Ancient Greek World (500 BC - 500 AD)," 24 February 2008 to San Diego Hellenic Cultural Society
- "The Wicked Witch in the Ancient World" 2 February 2007 at OASIS Retirement Education Program
- "Archaeological Evidence for Witchcraft in the Greco-Roman World" 19 January 2007 to Archaeological Institute of America, Orange County Society
- "Archaeological Evidence for Witchcraft in the Greco-Roman World" 28 April 2006 to Archaeological Institute of America, San Diego Society
- "The Wicked Witch in the Ancient World" 23 January 2006 at OASIS Retirement Education Program
- "Women in Ancient Greece and Rome" 20 April 2005 at San Diego Museum of Man
- "Reading Women and Inscriptions through the Lens of the Greek Novel" 15 October 2004 to Hellenic Cultural Society of San Diego
- "Imagining the Votive Act" 19 April 2004 to Archaeological Institute of America, San Diego Society
- "Mel Gibson's *Passion* in the Context of the Roman Empire" 1 March 2004 Public Forum at SDSU, sponsored by the Departments of History and Religious Studies and the Lipinsky Institute
- "Methods for Understanding Women's Votive Devotion in Late Antiquity" 3 November 1999 to the Religious Studies Colloquium, University of Pennsylvania
- "Sources for Women's Pagan Religious Activities in the Second through the Fifth Centuries CE" 6 November 1996 to the Religious Studies Colloquium, University of Pennsylvania
- "The Role of an Undergraduate History Program at a Technical Institution" History Department Graduation Address, North Carolina State University, 15 May 1993

ARCHAEOLOGICAL INVOLVEMENT

President, San Diego Society of Archaeological Institute of America (June 2004-present)
National Annual Meeting Outreach Committee (3-year term starting 2006)
Chairperson of Local Planning Committee (Annual Meeting of the AIA in San Diego, January 4-7, 2007)

Roman Aila Project*, Pottery Registrar and Trench Supervisor (J.3) (1996 season)
Roman Aila Project*, Trench Supervisor and Assistant Pottery Registrar (1994 season)
Research and Publication Assistant for Limes Arabicus Project (for Prof. S. Thomas Parker, NCSU) (1991-1993)

*The Roman Aila Project was an ACOR-affiliated field school overseen by Dr. S. Thomas Parker from North Carolina State University. The project explored the role of Aila (modern Aqaba, Jordan) in the economy of the Roman Empire.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

"The First Century Context of Early Christianity," Keynote Speaker at the *Professional Leaders Conference* of the Sierra Pacific Synod of the ELCA (October 15-17, 2007)

Community Judge, Miss San Diego / Miss America Pageant (February 28, 2005)

"Household Codes (Haustefeln) in the Ancient World," Lecture for *Voices of Eve*, Women's Spirituality Group at Christ Lutheran Church, Pacific Beach (October 24, 2004)

"Passion of Perpetua," Lecture for *Voices of Eve*, Women's Spirituality Group at Christ Lutheran Church, Pacific Beach (March 28, 2004)

DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

Assessment Committee (member, 2004-2005; Chair, Fall 2005-present)

Website Committee (Chair, 2004-2006; member 2003-present)

Ancient History Search Committee (member, Fall 2006)

Muslim World Search Committee (member, Fall 2003)

Curriculum Committee (member, Fall 2003-present)

Student Evaluation Revision Committee (member, Fall 2003-Fall 2005)

History Film Series Coordinator (Fall 2006)

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Archaeological Institute of America, President of San Diego local chapter (June 2004-present),
Annual Meeting Outreach Committee (3-year term starting 2006)

Southern California Women in Classics and Archaeology (June 2005-present)
(Co-organizer, with Amy Richlin, UCLA)

Friends of Ancient History in Southern California (organized Spring 2004 luncheon at SDSU)

Philadelphia Seminar on Christian Origins (PSCO)
Co-chair (1998-1999): "Religious Identities in Asia Minor in the 2nd-4th C CE"
Secretary (1995-1998)

American Historical Association
American Philological Association
Society of Biblical Literature
World Historical Association