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### EDUCATION

- Ph.D. Hebrew Bible, Princeton Theological Seminary, 2022  
Dissertation: *Curiouser and Curiouser: The Mediation and Un-Mediation of Job's Interlocutors*  
Committee: F. W. Dobbs-Allsopp, C. L. Seow, Elaine James; Additional Reader: Alan Cooper
- M.A. Hebrew Bible and Ancient Near East, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, 2009
- Th.M. New Testament Literature, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, 2007  
Thesis: *Canonical Approaches to the New Testament*  
Committee: Scott Kellum, Andreas Köstenberger, Robert Cole
- M.Div. Concentrations in Philosophy and Biblical Languages, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, 2004
- B.A. Concentration in Media and Law; Edward R. Murrow College of Communication, Washington State University, 2001

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### RESEARCH

- Visiting Scholar Jewish Theological Seminary, 2018–2022  
Additional Research Universität Heidelberg, Germany, 2010  
Additional Research Universität Wien, Austria, 2008

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### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

#### Oklahoma State University, Visiting Assistant Professor

*REL 1103: Introduction to World Religions*, Fall 2022

*REL 2013: Hebrew Scriptures*, Fall 2022

#### Jewish Theological Seminary/Union Theological Seminary/Columbia University (joint course for three institutions), Teaching Fellow

*BIB 5702: Biblical Wisdom Literature*, Fall 2020

#### Marymount Manhattan College, Adjunct Faculty

*History 215: Foundations of World Civilization*, Fall 2019

#### Princeton Theological Seminary, Adjunct Faculty

*OT 1153: Hebrew Reading Courses, Various Books of the Bible*, **Four Semesters** 2012–2016

*OT 1152: Beginner Biblical Hebrew* (Special-needs course designed for the blind), Summer 2015

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**Princeton Theological Seminary, Teaching Fellow**

*OT 3400: Hebrew Exegesis*, Fall 2014  
*OT 1152: Beginner Biblical Hebrew, Six Semesters* 2011–2015  
*OT 2101: Orientation to Hebrew Bible*, Fall 2010, 2011  
*OT 3330: Book of Job*, Fall 2009

**Teacher/Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Sole Instructor**

*Biblical Hebrew—All Levels* (Online Courses), 2008-2011

**Princeton Theological Seminary, Group Language Tutoring**

*Biblical Hebrew*, Southeastern Seminary, Spring 2004  
Princeton Seminary, **Five Semesters** 2012–2014  
*Koine Greek*, Southeastern Seminary, Spring 2004  
Princeton Seminary, Summer 2014

**Private Language Tutoring**

*Modern Hebrew*, Princeton, NJ, 2010-2011  
*Spanish*, Educational Enrichment Tutoring Services, Raleigh NC, 2004

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**RELATED EXPERIENCE**

**Princeton University Dept. of Religion and Jewish Studies, Research Assistant/Teaching Fellow**

Grading, preparations, and online resources for the following courses (2010-2011):  
Introduction to Hebrew Bible  
Biblical Hebrew  
Purity and Sacrifice in Ancient Israel

**Bible and Culture with Dr. Armstrong**

Educational presentations at a popular level via [YouTube channel](#) and [blog](#).

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**PUBLICATIONS**

“Psalms Dwelling Together in Unity: The Placement of Psalms 133 and 134 in Two Different Psalms Collections” *Journal of Biblical Literature*, 131.3 (2012), 487–506.

“Concordance,” in Hans-Josef Klauck et al., *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception* (Berlin/New York: Walter de Gruyter, 2009).

“Sir Arthur Ernest Cowley,” in Hans-Josef Klauck et al., *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception* (Berlin/New York: Walter de Gruyter, 2009).

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**IN PREPARATION**

“Turn the Beat Around: Elihu’s Reversal of Fortunes in the Aramaic of 11Q10”

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“The Moabite from Moab and Deuteronomic Laws”

“Hands and Plans in Saadia’s Arabic Translation of Job”

“The Gryphon’s Place in Wonderland: Subversion of Narrative Tension”

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## **PRESENTATIONS**

“Embracing the Dark Side: Who Darkened Counsel in Job’s Final Speech?” Presented at Society of Biblical Literature Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting, March 2021

“Why is there Poetry in the Book of Job?” Presented at Society of Biblical Literature Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting, March 2012, Co-Presented with Tod Linafelt and Chris Hooker

Invited Moderator, Annual Princeton Hip Hop Art and Life Symposium, 2012

“The History of Hip Hop Culture, 1973–Present,” Guest Lecture at Marymount Manhattan College, Dec. 2011

“The Fountain of Youth or the Lake of Fire? Job 33:25 in 11Q10 and the Greek Bible,” Society of Biblical Literature National Meeting, November 2011.

“Karaites as Traditionalists? Yefet Ben Eli and Rashi on Psalm 2,” Presented at Society of Biblical Literature Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting, March 2011

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## **HONORS AND AWARDS**

Princeton Seminary David Noel Freedman Merit Scholarship Endowment Fund

Princeton Seminary-Heidelberg Exchange Program Recipient

Hebrew University German Language Studies Stipendium

Washington State University Scholar in Residence Award

Washington State University Achievement Award

Washington Promise Scholarship

Washington State Running Start Dual Credit Program

Phi Beta Kappa and Phi Theta Kappa Honor Societies

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## **COLLOQUIA AND RESEARCH GROUPS**

2009–2022 Old Testament Research Colloquium (Princeton Theological Seminary)

2018–2022 Columbia Bible Seminar (Columbia University)

2018–2022 Bible Colloquium (Jewish Theological Seminary of America)

2021–2022 Victorian Seminar (City University of New York)

2021–2022 C19 19<sup>th</sup> Cent Lit Colloquium (Columbia University)

2011–2012 Princeton Syriac Reading Group

2011 Princeton NW Semitic Epigraphy Reading Group

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2010 Heidelberg Bibelkolloquium  
2007–2009 Israeli President’s Bible Club (President’s House, Jerusalem)

**TEACHING AREAS**

Hebrew Bible  
Second Temple Judaism  
New Testament Literature and Canonization  
Qumran and the Dead Sea Scrolls  
Biblical Book Studies  
Exegetical Methods in Biblical Literature  
Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible and New Testament  
History of Biblical Interpretation  
History of Jewish Exegesis  
History of Christian Thought  
Ancient Near Eastern Literature and History  
Ancient Civilizations  
World Religions  
Academic Study of Religion  
Religion and Film  
Lewis Carroll and Victorian Nonsense Literature  
Languages: Hebrew (Classical and Modern), Koine Greek, Aramaic, Akkadian

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**LANGUAGES**

**Classical:**

Hebrew (dialects include Biblical, Epigraphic, Mishnaic, Medieval, Modern);  
Greek (Greek Old Testament and NT)  
Aramaic (dialects include Biblical, Qumran, Targumic, Syriac)  
Arabic (Classical and Judeo-Arabic)  
Akkadian  
Ugaritic  
Latin

**Modern**

English (Native)  
Hebrew (Fluent)  
German (Conversational, Reading)  
Spanish (Conversational, Reading)  
French (Reading)