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### **EDUCATION**

**Ph.D.** (2015) Religious Studies (Hebrew Bible, Ancient Near East), University of Alberta  
**M.A.** (2008) Old Testament, *magna cum laude*, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, South Hamilton, Mass., with cross-registered coursework at Harvard Divinity School  
**B.Sc.** (2003) Biosystems Engineering, Clemson University

### **ACADEMIC POSTS**

#### **University of Alberta, Augustana Campus**

Director, Chester Ronning Centre for the Study of Religion and Public Life (2017- )  
Assistant Professor of Religious Studies, Department of Fine Arts and Humanities (2017- )  
Associate Director, Chester Ronning Centre for the Study of Religion and Public Life (2016-17)  
Sessional Lecturer, Religious Studies, Department of Fine Arts and Humanities (2015-17)

### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### **Books**

2018. *History and the Hebrew Bible: Culture, Narrative, and Memory*. Leiden: Brill. (Originally published as issue 3.2 [2018] of *Brill Research Perspectives in Biblical Interpretation*)  
2017. *Kingship and Memory in Ancient Judah*. New York: Oxford University Press.  
2015. *History, Memory, Hebrew Scriptures: A Festschrift for Ehud Ben Zvi*, ed. Ian D. Wilson and Diana V. Edelman. University Park, PA: Penn State University Press / Eisenbrauns.

#### **Journal Articles**

Forthcoming 2018. “Spatial Frontiers: A Review of *Constructions of Space III: Biblical Spatiality and the Sacred*, ed. Jorunn Økland, J. Cornelis de Vos, and Karen J. Wenell (Bloomsbury, 2016); and *The King and the Land: A Geography of Royal Power in the Biblical World*, by Stephen C. Russell (Oxford University Press, 2017).” *Hebrew Studies* 59. [7,300 words – accepted and in press]  
2018. “History and the Hebrew Bible: Culture, Narrative, and Memory.” *Brill Research Perspectives in Biblical Interpretation* 3.2: 1-69.  
2016. “Faster than a speeding bullet, more powerful than a locomotive, able to rule by sense of

- smell! Superhuman Kingship in the Prophetic Books.” Pp. 30-44 in “‘Not in the Spaces We Know’: An Exploration of Science Fiction and the Bible,” ed. Frauke Uhlenbruch. *Journal of Hebrew Scriptures* 16, article 9.  
[http://www.jhsonline.org/Articles/article\\_221.pdf](http://www.jhsonline.org/Articles/article_221.pdf)
2016. “Yahweh’s Consciousness: Isaiah 40-48 and Ancient Judean Historical Thought.” *Vetus Testamentum* 66: 646-61.
2014. “Joseph, Jehoiachin, and Cyrus: On Book Endings, Exoduses and Exiles, and Yehudite/Judean Social Remembering.” *Zeitschrift für die alttestamentliche Wissenschaft* 126: 521-34.
2013. “Conquest and Form: Narrativity in Joshua 5-11 and Historical Discourse in Ancient Judah.” *Harvard Theological Review* 106: 309-29.
2013. “Tyre, a Ship: The Metaphorical World of Ezekiel 27 in Ancient Judah.” *Zeitschrift für die alttestamentliche Wissenschaft* 125: 249-62.
2012. “Judean Pillar Figurines and Ethnic Identity in the Shadow of Assyria.” *Journal for the Study of the Old Testament* 36: 259-78.
2009. “‘Face to Face’ with God: Another Look.” *Restoration Quarterly* 51: 107-114.

### **Book Chapters**

- Forthcoming. “Nahum.” In *New Oxford Bible Commentary*, ed. Katherine Dell and David Lincicum. Oxford: Oxford University Press. Under contract.
- Forthcoming. “Ezekiel as a Written Text: Archiving Visions, Remembering Futures.” In *The Oxford Handbook of the Book of Ezekiel*, ed. Corrine Carvalho. New York: Oxford University Press. Accepted June 4, 2018.
- Forthcoming. “The Emperor and His Clothing: David Robed and Unrobed before the Ark and Michal.” In a volume edited by Antonios Finitis, *Library of Hebrew Bible/Old Testament Studies*. London: Bloomsbury. Submitted March 1, 2018. Accepted June 1, 2018.
2017. “Isaiah 1-12: Presentation of a (Davidic?) Politics.” Pp. 50-71 in *Tzedek, Tzedek Tirdof: Poetry, Prophecy, and Justice in Hebrew Scripture*, Essays in Honour of Francis Landy on the Occasion of His 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday. Biblical Interpretation Series. Leiden: Brill.
2015. “Yahweh’s Anointed: Cyrus, Deuteronomy’s Law of the King, and Yehudite Identity.” Pp. 325-61 in *Political Memory in and after the Persian Empire*, ed. Jason M. Silverman and Caroline Waerzeggers. Ancient Near East Monographs 13. Atlanta: SBL Press.
2015. “Chronicles and Utopia: Likely Bedfellows?” Pp. 151-65 in *History, Memory, Hebrew Scriptures: A Festschrift for Ehud Ben Zvi*, ed. Ian Douglas Wilson and Diana V. Edelman. Winona Lake, IN: Eisenbrauns.
2015. “The Seat of Kingship: (Re)Constructing the City in Isaiah 24-27.” Pp. 395-412 in *Urban Dreams and Realities in Antiquity: Remains and Representations of the Ancient City*, ed. Adam Kemezis. Mnemosyne Supplements 375. Leiden: Brill.
2014. “The Song of the Sea and Isaiah: Exodus 15 in Post-monarchic Prophetic Discourse.” Pp. 123-48 in *Thinking of Water in the Early Second Temple Period*, ed. Ehud Ben Zvi and Christoph Levin. Beihefte zur Zeitschrift für die alttestamentliche Wissenschaft 461. Berlin: De Gruyter.

### **Book Reviews, Dictionary Articles, and Miscellanea**

- Forthcoming. Review of *Finding Myth and History in the Bible: Scholarship, Scholars and Errors*, ed. Łukasz Niesiołowski-Spanò, Chiara Peri, and Jim West. *Review of Biblical Literature*.
2017. Report on Reformation 500 events at the Chester Ronning Centre, with Geoff Dipple and Brandon Alakas. *Sixteenth Century Journal* 48: 1054.
2017. Review of *My People as Your People: A Textual and Archaeological Analysis of the Reign of Jehoshaphat*, by Chris McKinny. *Journal of Theological Studies* 68: 250-53.
2016. Review of *The Literary Imagination in Jewish Antiquity*, by Eva Mroczek. *Critical Research on Religion* 4: 317-21.
2016. "Ebal, Mt." Page 283 in *The Routledge Encyclopedia of Ancient Mediterranean Religions*, ed. Eric Orlin. New York: Routledge.
2015. Review of *A Prophet Like Moses: Prophecy, Law, and Israelite Religion*, by Jeffrey Stackert. *Studies in Religion / Sciences Religieuses* 44: 413-15.
2014. Paradoxes, Enigma and Professorship: An Interview with Francis Landy on the Occasion of his Retirement from the University of Alberta. *University of Alberta Religious Studies Spring Newsletter*. Available at: <https://hcommons.org/members/iandougwilson/>
2013. Review of *The Ways of a King: Legal and Political Ideas in the Bible*, by Geoffrey P. Miller. *Journal of Hebrew Scriptures* 13.  
[http://www.jhsonline.org/reviews/reviews\\_new/review693.htm](http://www.jhsonline.org/reviews/reviews_new/review693.htm)
2013. Review of *Transforming Literature into Scripture: Texts as Cult Objects at Nineveh and Qumran*, by Russell Hobson. *Studies in Religion / Sciences Religieuses* 42: 401-404.
2012. "King of Tyre" and "Kingship" in *Dictionary of the Bible and Western Culture: A Handbook for Students*, ed. Mary Ann Beavis and Michael Gilmour. Sheffield: Sheffield Phoenix Press.
2011. Review of *Land of Our Fathers: The Roles of Ancestor Veneration in Biblical Land Claims*, by Francesca Stavrakopoulou. *Studies in Religion / Sciences Religieuses* 40: 403-404.

## **RESEARCH TALKS AND CONFERENCE PAPERS**

### **Invited Research Talks**

- Forthcoming 2019. "Remembering Kingship: Samuel's Contributions to Postmonarchic Thought." Congress of the International Organization for the Study of the Old Testament. University of Aberdeen, Scotland. August 4-9.
- Forthcoming 2018. "Remembering the Future: Prophetic Literature's Representations of Exile and Judah's Social Memory." Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting: Exile (Forced Migrations) in Biblical Literature Seminar. Denver, Colorado. November 17-20.
2018. "Community Memory and Imagination: What Saith the Scriptures?" St. Joseph's College, University of Alberta. March 15.
2016. "History, Memory, Literature: On Reading Literary Artifacts as Historical Sources." Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting: Hebrew Bible, History, and Archaeology program unit. Joint session with ASOR: Methods of Historiography in the Study of Ancient Israel and the Levant. San Antonio, Texas.
2016. "Remembering Conquest: The Book of Joshua as Literary Artifact." Society of Biblical

- Literature Annual Meeting: Current Historiography and Ancient Israel and Judah program unit. San Antonio, Texas.
2014. "Chronicles and Utopia, Likely Bedfellows? Kingship as a Test Case." European Association of Biblical Studies Conference: Chronicles and Utopia panel. Vienna, Austria.
2014. Response to "Tamar and Tamar: The Garments of Widowhood, Prostitution, and Virginity" by Sara Koenig. Pacific Northwest regional meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature: Hebrew Bible Research Group on Clothing. University of Calgary.
2013. "Judges, Samuel, and the Rise of Monarchy in Yehudite Social Memory." European Association of Biblical Studies Conference: Israel and the Production and Reception of Authoritative Books in the Persian and Hellenistic Period research group. University of Leipzig, Germany.
2012. "The Song of the Sea within Post-monarchic Prophetic and Historical Discourses." LMU Munich and University of Alberta Hebrew Bible/Old Testament Workshop: Thinking of Water in the Persian/Early Hellenistic Period in Judah. University of Alberta.

### **Conference Presentations**

2018. "My Prophet Ate My Homework or: Ezekiel as Prophetic Archive." Canadian Society of Biblical Studies Annual Meeting. University of Regina. May 26.
2016. "Isaiah 1-12: Presentation of a Politics." Canadian Society of Biblical Studies Annual Meeting: Politics in the Hebrew Bible's Prophetic Literature seminar. University of Calgary.
2015. "Yahweh's Historical Consciousness: Metahistoriography via Divine Speech in Isaiah 40-48." Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting: Israelite Prophetic Literature program unit. Atlanta, Georgia.
2015. "The Emperor and His Clothing: David Robed and Unrobed before the Ark and Michal." Pacific Northwest regional meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature: Hebrew Bible Research Group on Clothing. Marylhurst University, Oregon.
2014. "Prophetic Literature as Metahistorical Discourse: Rethinking the Prophetic Book vis-à-vis Ancient Judean Historiography, with Kingship as a Test Case." Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting: Current Historiography and Ancient Israel and Judah Section. San Diego, California.
2014. "Yahweh's Anointed: Cyrus, the Deuteronomic Law of the King, and Yehudite Identity." – Political Memory in and after the Persian Empire Symposium: Leiden University, The Netherlands.  
– Pacific Northwest regional meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature: Hebrew Bible program unit. University of Calgary.  
– European Association of Biblical Studies Graduate Symposium. Thessaloniki, Greece [presented via video conference at the University of Alberta].
2014. "Chronicles and Utopia, Likely Bedfellows? Kingship as a Test Case." Canadian Society of Biblical Studies Annual Meeting. Brock University, Ontario.
2013. "Faster than a speeding bullet, more powerful than a locomotive, able to rule by sense of smell! Superhuman kingship in the Prophetic Books." European Association of Biblical Studies Conference: Science Fiction and the Bible workshop. University of Leipzig, Germany.

2013. "Judges, Samuel, and the Rise of Monarchy in Yehudite Social Memory." Canadian Society of Biblical Studies Annual Meeting: Memory and the Past in the Hebrew Bible. University of Victoria, British Columbia.
2013. "Judges, Social Memory, and Kingship in Post-monarchic Judah." European Association of Biblical Studies Graduate Symposium. Sheffield, England [presented via video conference at the University of Alberta].
2012. "The Foundations of Monarchy: Remembering Pre-monarchic Figures in Post-monarchic Judah."  
 – Society of Biblical Literature International Meeting: Mind, Society, and Tradition program unit. Amsterdam, The Netherlands.  
 – European Association of Biblical Studies Graduate Symposium. Hamburg, Germany [presented via video conference at the University of Alberta].
2012. "Tyre, a Ship: The Metaphorical World of Ezekiel 27 in Ancient Judah." Canadian Society of Biblical Studies Annual Meeting. Recipient of the Founders Prize. Wilfrid Laurier University & University of Waterloo, Ontario.
2012. "The Song of the Sea within Post-monarchic Prophetic and Historical Discourses." Canadian Society of Biblical Studies Annual Meeting: Hebrew Bible session. Wilfrid Laurier University & University of Waterloo, Ontario.
2011. "The Seat of Kingship: Literary Constructions of Cities and Royalty in the Ancient Levant." Urban Dreams and Realities: An Interdisciplinary Conference on the City in Ancient Cultures. University of Alberta.
2011. "Narrativity in Joshua 5-12 and Historical Discourse in Ancient Judah." Canadian Society of Biblical Studies Annual Meeting: Ancient Historiography Seminar. University of New Brunswick and St. Thomas University, New Brunswick.
2011. "The Wise King: Remembering Solomon's Sacrifices in 1 Kings 3:1-15." Pacific Northwest regional meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature. Gonzaga University.
2010. "Interpreting Judean Pillar Figurines: What More Can They Tell Us about Ancient Judah?" Pacific Northwest regional meeting of the American Schools of Oriental Research. University of Victoria, British Columbia.
2010. "Judean Pillar Figurines: Cultural Ideology in the Shadow of Assyria." European Association of Biblical Studies Graduate and Post Graduate Symposium. Drongen, Belgium [presented via video conference at the University of Alberta].

## **PUBLIC LECTURES**

2018. "Oil and Water? The Intersection of Religion and Public Life." Southminster-Steinhauer United Church, Edmonton. April 11.
2017. "Chester Ronning's Mission, Then and Now." Augustana Campus Alumni Weekend, Camrose. September 24.

## **COURSES TAUGHT**

### **University of Alberta, Augustana Campus (2015- )**

First Year Seminar: Being Human, from the Bible to *Blade Runner*  
 Introduction to the Hebrew Bible

Sex & Gender in Ancient Religions  
Theories of Religion  
Major Religious Traditions: Middle East  
Introduction to Religion

### **SELECT AWARDS AND GRANTS**

2018. R.B.Y. Scott Award, Canadian Society of Biblical Studies, for *Kingship and Memory in Ancient Judah*
2017. SSHRC Institutional Grant, in support of the project “Chester Ronning in Camrose” (\$2880)
2017. SSHRC Institutional Grant, in support of the project “Prophetic Literature and Historical Thought” (\$2880)
2017. KIAS Dialogue Grant, in support of the project “Understanding and Responding to Intolerance in Rural Canada” [in collaboration with Clark Banack and Lars Hallstrom] (\$2000)
2015. Society of Biblical Literature Regional Scholar Award (Pacific Northwest Region)
2013. Andrew Stewart Memorial Graduate Prize, University of Alberta
2013. Zita and John Rosen Teaching Award, University of Alberta
2012. Founders Prize, Canadian Society of Biblical Studies
- 2009-11. Provost Doctoral Award, University of Alberta
2009. Lindstrom Foundation Service Scholarship, American Schools of Oriental Research

### **UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

Decanal Search Committee, Augustana Faculty, University of Alberta (Fall 2018)  
Research Committee, Augustana Faculty, University of Alberta (2017- )

### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

Contributor to Zeitschriftenschau in *Zeitschrift für die alttestamentliche Wissenschaft*, reviewing *Harvard Theological Review*, *History of Religions*, *Journal of Religion*, and *Studies in Religion* (2016- )

Steering Committee, Historiography and the Hebrew Bible Program Unit, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting (2015- ) [Co-chair, with Daniel Pioske, 2018- ]

Peer-reviewer for *Method & Theory in the Study of Religion*, *Journal of Hebrew Scriptures*, and Oxford University Press

### **ARCHAEOLOGICAL EXCAVATION**

2012. Lautenschläger Azekah Expedition, Israel. Area S1.

### **CURRENT PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

American Academy of Religion  
American Schools of Oriental Research

Canadian Society of Biblical Studies  
North American Association for the Study of Religion  
Society of Biblical Literature