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| EMPLOYMENT |  |

 Alkiviadis Vassiliadis Professor of History, UCSD 2012-present

 Professor of Classics, Tri-Campus Classics Program 2012-present

 Professor of History, Indiana University 2011-2012

 Associate Professor of History, Indiana University 2007-2011

 Assistant Professor of History, Indiana University 2002-2007

**EDUCATION**

 Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut 1997-2002

 Ph.D. History

 Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island 1993-1997

 BA Classics (Honors)

 BA Ancient and Medieval Culture (Honors)

 *Magna cum Laude*

 Phi Beta Kappa

PUBLICATIONS (\* indicates refereed publication)

*Single Authored Books*

\* *Hypatia: An Ordinary Life*, (Oxford University Press, 2016).

\* *The Last Pagan Generation,* (University of California Press, 2015).

\* *Riot in Alexandria: Tradition and Group Dynamics in Late Antique Pagan and Christian Communities,* (University of California Press, 2010).

 —2010 PROSE Award Honorable Mention in Classics and Ancient History

\* *City and School in Late Antique Athens and Alexandria*, Transformation of the Classical Heritage Series, (Vol. 41), University of California Press, 2006.

 —winner, 2007 **CAMWS** Outstanding Publication Award

 –Paperback edition, 2008.

*Edited Volumes*

\* *Collected Epistolography in Late Antiquity*, (UC Press, forthcoming). (Co-edited with Brad Storin and Cristiana Sogno)

\* *Handbook to Late Antique Literature*, (Blackwell, forthcoming). (Co-edited with Scott McGill)

\* *Freedom of Speech and Self-Censorship in Late Antiquity*, (*Revue Belge de Philosophie et d’Histoire,* Vol. 92, 2014). (Co-edited with Lieve Van Hoof)

\* *Shifting Cultural Frontiers in Late Antiquity,* (Ashgate Publishing, 2012). (Co-edited with David Brakke and Deborah Deliyannis)

\* *From the Tetrarchs to the Theodosians: Essays on Later Roman History and Culture, 284-450 CE,* (Cambridge, 2010).(Co-edited with Cristiana Sogno and Scott McGill)

*Articles and Book*

*Chapters*

 “Athens, Educational Reform and Philosophy,” in Athens in Late Antiquity, eds. I. Tanaseanu-Döbler and S. Anghel, (forthcoming).

 “The Athens of Dexippus,” in Athens in Late Antiquity, eds. I. Tanaseanu-Döbler and S. Anghel, (forthcoming).

 “Old Age in the Antioch of the 390s: A Reappraisal of Libanius’s Last Collection of Letters,” in *Antioch in Late Antiquity*, eds. S. Elm et al., (forthcoming).

\* “Introduction to Late Antique Literature,” (with Scott McGill), in *The Blackwell Companion to Late Antique Literature*, eds. McGill and Watts, (Blackwell, forthcoming).

\* “Composition: The Oral and the Textual,” in *The Blackwell Companion to Late Antique Literature*, eds. McGill and Watts, (Blackwell, forthcoming).

\* “Epistolography,” (with Cristiana Sogno), in *The Blackwell Companion to Late Antique Literature*, eds. McGill and Watts, (Blackwell, forthcoming).

\* “An Introduction to Letter Collections in Late Antiquity,” (with Cristiana Sogno and Brad Storin), in *Collected Epistolography in Late Antiquity*, eds. Sogno, Storin, and Watts, (University of California Press, forthcoming).

\* “The Anthologizing of Aeneas of Gaza,” in *Collected Epistolography in Late Antiquity*, eds. Sogno, Storin, and Watts, (University of California Press, forthcoming).

\* “Teaching the New Classics: Bible and Biography in a Pachomian Monastery,” in *Education and Religion in Late Antiquity*, eds. P. Gemeinhardt and P. van Nuffelen, (Ashgate, forthcoming).

 “Constantinopolitan Lycians at the turn of the fifth century: The Career of Patricius, the Father of Proclus,” under review.

 “Dioscorus as a Paradigm of Resistance in Early Anti-Chalcedonian Literature,” (Hugoye, forthcoming).

\* “Christianization,” in *Late Ancient Knowing*, ed. C. Chin and M. Vidas, (University of California Press, forthcoming).

\* “Athenian Elite Self-Presentation and the Durability of Traditional Cult in Late Antiquity,” in *Late Roman Cities: Identities, Buildings, and Beliefs*, ed. P. Rousseau, (Washington, DC, forthcoming).

\* “Ordering Intellectual Life,” in *The Cambridge Companion to the Age of Attila*, ed. M. Maas, (Cambridge, 2015), pp. 376-393.

\* “Himerius and the Personalization of the Monody,” in *Shifting Genres in Late Antiquity*, eds. G. Greatrex and H. Elton, (Ashgate, 2015), pp. 319-324.

 “Hypatia’s Sisters: Female Philosophers in the Fourth and Fifth Centuries,” in *Within the Circle of Ancient Ideas and Virtues*, ed. K. Twardowska et al. (Krakow, 2014), 99. 243-50.

\* “The Historical Context: The Rhetorical Use of Suffering in Libanius’ *Monodies*, *Letters*, and *Autobiography*,” in *The Cambridge Companion to Libanius*, ed. L. van Hoof, (Cambridge, 2014), pp. 37-57.

\* “Freedom of Speech and Self-Censorship in the Roman Empire,” *Revue Belge* *de Philosophie et d’Histoire*, 92 (2014), pp. 157-166.

 “Damascius’ Isidore: A Perfectly Imperfect Philosophical Exemplar,” *Byzantina et Slavica Cracoviensia* 7 (2014), pp. 159-68.

\* “Libanius on Theodosian-Era Temple Violence: Rhetoric and Reality,” in *Le vie del sapere nell'area siro -mesopotamica de 3rd al 12th century*, *Orientalia Christiana Analecta* 293, ed. C. Noce, et al., (Rome, 2013), pp. 105-114.

\* “Theodosius II in Egyptian Anti-Chalcedonian Literature,” in *Images of Theodosius II*, ed. R. Flower and C. Kelly, (Cambridge, 2013), pp. 269-84.

\* “Speaking, Thinking, and Socializing: Education in Late Antiquity,” in *The Oxford Handbook of Late Antiquity*, ed. S. Johnson, (Oxford, 2012), pp. 467-486.

\* “Translating the Personal Aspect of Late Platonism in the Commentary Tradition,” in *Translation and Christianization—Origins of the Latin and Syriac Commentary Tradition*, ed. J. Watt and J. Lössl, (Ashgate, 2011), pp. 137-151.

\* “Doctrine, Anecdote, and Action: Reconsidering the Social History of the Last Platonists (c. 430-c. 550 CE),” *Classical Philology* 106 (2011), pp. 226-244.

\* “John Rufus, Timothy Aelurus and the Fall of the Western Roman Empire,” in *Romans, Barbarians, and the Transformation of the Roman World*, eds. R. Mathisen and D. Shanzer, pp. 97-106, (Ashgate, 2011).

\* “Introduction,” (with Cristana Sogno and Scott McGill) in *From the Tetrarchs to the Theodosians: Essays on Later Roman History and Culture, 284-450 CE,* eds. S. McGill, C. Sogno, and E. Watts, (Cambridge, 2010), pp. 1-10.

\* “Three Generations of Christian Philosophical Biography,” in *From the Tetrarchs to the Theodosians: Essays on Later Roman History and Culture, 284-450 CE,* eds. S. McGill, C. Sogno, and E. Watts, (Cambridge, 2010), pp. 117-33.

\* “The Enduring Legacy of the Iatrosophist Gessius,” *Greek, Roman, and Byzantine Studies* 49 (2009), pp. 113-134.

\* "Interpreting Catastrophe: Disasters in the historical works of Pseudo-Joshua the Stylite, Socrates, Philostorgius, and Timothy Aelurus," *Journal of Late Antiquity* 2.1 (2009), pp. 79-98.

\* “Creating the Academy: Historical Discourse and the Shape of Community in the Old Academy,” *Journal of Hellenic Studies* 127 (2007), pp. 106-22.

\* “Creating the Ascetic and Sophistic Mélange: Zacharias Scholasticus and the intellectual influence of Aeneas of Gaza and John Rufus,” *ARAM* 18-9 (2006-7), pp. 153-64.

\* “The Murder of Hypatia: Acceptable or Unacceptable Violence,” in *Violence in Antiquity*, ed. H. A. Drake, (Ashgate, 2006), pp. 333-42.

\* “Winning the Intracommunal Dialogues: Zacharias Scholasticus’ *Life of Severus,*” *Journal of Early Christian Studies* 13.4 (2005),pp. 437-65.

\* “Where to Live the Philosophical Life in the Sixth Century: Damascius, Simplicius, and the Return from Persia,” *Greek, Roman, and Byzantine Studies* 45 (2005), pp. 285-315.

\* “Orality and Communal Identity in Eunapius’ *Lives of the Sophists and Philosophers*,” *Byzantion* 75 (2005), pp. 334-61.

\* “The Student Self in Late Antiquity,” in *Religion and the Self in Antiquity*, eds. David Brakke et al., (Bloomington, IN, 2005), pp. 234-52.

\* “An Alexandrian Christian Response to Fifth-century Neoplatonic Influence,” in *The Philosopher and Society in Late Antiquity: Essays in Honour of Peter Brown*, ed. Andrew Smith, (Swansea, 2005), pp. 215-229.

\* “Justinian, Malalas, and the End of Athenian Philosophical teaching in A.D. 529,” *Journal of Roman Studies* 94 (2004), pp. 168-83.

\* “Student Travel to Intellectual Centers: What was the Attraction?,” in *Travel, Communication and Geography in Late Antiquity*, ed. Linda Ellis and Frank L. Kidner, (Ashgate, 2004), pp. 13-23.

\* “The Late Antique Student’s Perspective on Educational Life,” *New England Classical Journal* 27 (2000), pp. 73-78.

“The Motifs of Imperial Authority in the Portraiture of Arcadius,” *Brown Classical Journal* 11 (1997), pp. 29-34.

*Encyclopedia Entries*

Entries in the *Oxford Dictionary of Late Antiquity*, eds. O. Nicholson and M. Humphries, (Oxford, forthcoming): Aedesius; Alexandria, philosophy and science at; Ammonius; Asclepius of Tralles; Athens, Academy of; Athens, philosophy at; Chaldean Oracles; Chrysanthius; Damascius; Diadochus; Elias of Alexadria; Horapollon I; Horapollon II; Hypatia; Isidore; John Philoponus; Marinus; Olympiodorus the Elder of Athens; Olympiodorus the Younger of Athens; Pan, Caves of; philosophers and philosophy; Plutarch of Athens; Proclus; Simplicius; Sopater; Stephanus of Alexandria; Theagenes; Theon; Harran.

*Book Reviews*

Review of Arthur Urbano, *The Philosophical Life: Biography and the Crafting of Intellectual Identity in Late Antiquity*, (Washington, DC, 2013), [in] *Journal of Ecclesiastical History* 66 (2015), 153.

Review of John Dillon, et. al., *Aeneas of Gaza: Theophrastus and Zacharias of Mytilene Ammonius,* (London, 2013), [in] *Classical Review* 64 (2014), 105-7.

Review of Adam Schor, *Theodoret’s people. Social networks and religious conflict in late Roman Syria.* (Berkeley, 2011). [in] *Journal of Ecclesiastical History*, 64 (2013), 386-7.

Review of G. Greatrex, et al., *The Chronicle of Pseudo-Zachariah Rhetor*: *Church and War in Late Antiquity.* (Liverpool, 2011). [in] *Journal of Late Antiquity* 4 (2011), pp. 369-71.

Review of Alan Cameron, *The Last Pagans of Rome*. (Oxford, 2011). [in] *American Historical Review* 116 (2011), pp. 1552-3.

Review of: Mustafa el-Abbadi and Omnia Mounir Fathallah, *What happened to the ancient Library of Alexandria?* (Leiden, 2008). [in] *Journal of Hellenic Studies* 120 (2010), pp. 294-5.

Review of: Han Baltussen, *Philosophy and Exegesis in Simplicius: The Methodology of a Commentator*. (London, 2008). [in] *Classical Bulletin* 85 (2009), 62-63.

Review of: Joel Walker, *The Legend of Mar Qardagh: Narrative and Heroism in Late Antique Iraq.* (Berkeley, 2006). [in] *Journal of Late Antiquity* 1 (2008), pp. 388-390.

Review of: Adam Becker, *Fear of God and the Beginning of Wisdom: The School of Nisibis and the Development of Scholastic Culture in Late Antique Mesopotamia*. (Philadelphia, 2006). [in] *Journal of Early Christian Studies* 16 (2008), pp. 608-609.

**PRESENTED**

**PAPERS**

*Invited Papers*

“Educational ‘Reform’ and the Creation of Fifth-Century Athenian Philosophy,” COMES volume conference on Athens in Late Antiquity, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen, March, 2015.

Respondent, Society for Late Antiquity Panel on Travel in Late Antiquity, American Philological Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, January, 2015.

“A ‘Job-Friendly’ Education and the Humanities: The Late Antique Story.” Claremont McKenna College Athenaeum, November 13, 2014.

“Hypatia The Revolutionary?” Freie Universität Berlin, November 7, 2014.

“Damascius, Agathias, and the Commentary Tradition.” Freie Universität Berlin, November 6, 2014.

“The Personal Authority of a Teacher: Lessons from the Pachomian Monasteries.” Freie Universität Berlin, November 5, 2014.

 “Old Age in the Antioch of the 390s: A reappraisal of Libanius' Second Collection of Letters.” Intellectual Exchange and Religious Diversity in Antioch (CE 350-450) conference, Zürich, July 10, 2014.

“Life in the Cities of the Gods,” American Academy at Rome, July 7, 2014.

Respondent to “Ascetics of Learning,” a paper delivered by Nathan Bennett at the Friends of Ancient History Meeting, Redlands University, March 22, 2014.

"Elites, Monks, and the Making of Christian Counterculture in the 370s," University of Texas at Austin, February 4, 2014.

“Monks, Hippies, and the Last Pagan Generation,” Religion and Education Conference (Keynote Address), Lichtenberg-Kolleg, University of Göttingen, June 13, 2013.

“Imperial Impulses: The Structure, Setting, and Evolution of Fourth Century Education,” Early Monasticism and Christian Paideia workshop, University of Lund, June 9, 2013.

“Ordering Intellectual Life: Imperial Centralization and Fifth Century Schools,” Friends of Ancient History Meeting, University of California, Riverside, May 4, 2013.

“Monks as Hippies,” The New Patristics Conference (Keynote Address), University of California, Berkeley, April 13, 2013.

“The Age of Gold and the Last Pagan Generation,” Society of Church History, New Orleans, January 5, 2013.

“The Last Platonic Revolution: Four Men and the Fight for Platonism's Byzantine Future,” University of California, San Diego, February 14, 2012.

“*Oikoumene*,” Late Ancient Knowing, University of California, Davis, November 18, 2011.

“Philosophical Biography and the Commentary Tradition,” Vandalia Conference (Keynote Address), The Ohio State University, November 12, 2011.

“Fourth Century Christianization in Theory and Practice: The Case of Alexandria,” Princeton University, November 8, 2011.

“A Philosophical Soul in Action: Damascius' Isidore as an Exemplar,” Oxford University, June 14, 2011.

“Libanius and the art of seeing Syria through rhetoric,” Le vie del sapere nell'area siro -mesopotamica das 3rd al 12the century, Pontifical Institute, May 12, 2011.

“How Anti-Colonial was Anti-Chalcedonian Egypt?” University of Michigan, April 11, 2011.

“Remembering Theodosius II in Anti-Chalcedonian Historiography,” Cambridge University, March 23, 2011.

“Damascius' Isidore: A Perfectly Imperfect Philosophical Exemplar,” Divine Men and Women in the History and Society of Late Hellenism, Jagiellonian University, Kraków, Poland, June 24-26, 2010.

 “Reconsidering the Social History of the Last Platonists (c. 430-c. 550 AD),” The Small World of Late Antiquity Conference, Uppsala University, Sweden, May 21, 2010.

“Athens between West and East: How Fourth-Century Political Liminality led to Fifth-Century Pagan Survival,” Athens in Late Antiquity Conference, Princeton University, May 15, 2010.

“Three Generations of Christian Philosophical Biography,” Late Antiquity Symposium, Yale University, May 1, 2010.

“Platonism at the Intersection of Identity and Tradition,” Indiana University Paul Lucas Graduate Conference (Keynote Address), March 5, 2010.

“Ammonius, Sergius of Reshaina, and the Social Setting of the Christian Commentary,” Translation and Commentary Symposium, Cardiff University, September 11, 2009.

“Peter Mongus Struggles with the Past,” Roman Religion and Culture in Late Antiquity, Knoxville, TN, April 24, 2009.

“Peter Mongus and the Shape of the Second Anti-Chalcedonian Generation,” Byzantine and Late Antique Workshop, University of Chicago, May 16, 2008.

“Peter Mongus: Defining the Alexandrian Henoticist Bishop,” Princeton University, April 13, 2008.

“Theophilan Violence and the Appropriation of Athanasius' Historical Legacy,” University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, March 15, 2008.

“Augustine and the Third Generation of Christian Biography,” Brown University, October 23, 2007.

“It’s the End of the World as They Knew It,” The End of Everything, Indiana University, October 12, 2007.

“Public Space and Private Thoughts: The Intellectual Environment of the Late Antique Alexandrian Student,” Rice University, December 8, 2006.

“Conversations in the Portico: A personal approach to late antique discourse,” Oxford University, May 9, 2006.

“Gessius the Hollow: The historical transformation of an iatrosophist’s legacy,” University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, March 18, 2006.

 “Orality and Communal Identity in Eunapius’ *Lives of the Sophists and Philosophers*,” Byzantine and Late Antique Workshop, University of Chicago, March 9, 2004.

“Religious Violence in Antiquity: A late antique case study,” Ancient Studies Colloquium Series, Indiana University, March 5, 2004 (one segment of a panel discussion).

“The Student Self in Late Antiquity,” The Religious Self in Late Antiquity, Indiana University, September 9, 2003.

 “529 AD: The End of Athenian Philosophy,” California State University, San Marcos, January 10, 2002.

“An Alexandrian Christian response to fifth-century Neoplatonic influence.”

Neoplatonism and Society Conference, University College Dublin, June 29, 2001.

“The Family of Plutarch the Scholarch.” Roman Topics Lecture Series,

Yale University, February 19, 1999.

*Competitive Papers*

“Himerius and the Personalization of the Monody,” Shifting Frontiers X, University of Ottawa, March 24, 2013.

“The Lycians are Coming! Explaining Proclus’ birth in “Byzantium,” *Archai*: Proclus Diadochus of Constantinople and his Abrahamic interpreters Conference, Istanbul, Turkey, December 16, 2012.

“Translating Egyptian Exceptionalism: Egyptian Anti-Chalcedonian Literature beyond Egypt,” Network for the Study of Late Antiquity Conference, Heidelberg, Germany, June 5, 2010.

“Oral Traditions and Ethical Teaching among the Last Platonists,” Network for the Study of Late Antiquity Conference, Knoxville, TN, May 23, 2009.

“Dioscorus as a Paradigm of Resistance in Syriac and Coptic Anti-Chalcedonian Literature,” Tenth International Syriac Symposium, Grenada, Spain, September 22, 2008.

“Odoacer: Or on the Integration of Religion’s Rise and Empire’s Fall,” American Philological Association Annual Meeting, San Diego, January 6, 2007.

“Zacharias Scholasticus and the Intersection of Ascetic and Sophistic Intellectual Space,” Living in Antiquity: Jews, Christians, Greeks, Villanova University, October 6, 2005.

“Pope Leo the Antichrist and the Fall of the Western Roman Empire,” Shifting Frontiers VI, Urbana-Champaign, Illinois, March 20, 2005.

“Concerning the sophistic and ascetic mélange: Zacharias Scholasticus and the intellectual influence of Aeneas of Gaza and John Rufus,” ARAM conference on Palestinian Christianity, Oxford University, June 29, 2004.

"Where to Live the Philosophical Life in the Sixth Century?" International Society of Neoplatonic Studies Conference, New Orleans, June 6, 2003.

“How to Strangle a Minority Community in the Later Roman Empire,” Indiana University, September 23, 2002.

“Philosophers and Sophists in Late Antiquity.” Transitions in Text, Time, & Place, Brown University, April 14, 2001.

“Travel to Educational Centers in Late Antiquity: What was the Attraction?”

Shifting Frontiers IV Conference, San Francisco, March 2001.

“Voyages of Compromise, Voyages of Principle: Philosophers and Persecution in Alexandria of the 480s.” American Philological Association Annual Meeting,

San Diego, January 6, 2001.

“The Late Antique Student’s Perspective on Educational Life.” Classical Association of New England Annual Meeting, Providence, March 4, 2000.

**SELECTED**

**HONORS,**

**GRANTS AND**

**PRIZES**

 Visiting Scholar, Sonderforschungsbereich (SFB) Episteme in Motion Center at Freie Universität Berlin, November 2014.

 Fellow, College Arts and Humanities Institute, Indiana University, fall 2011.

 Trustees Teaching Award, Indiana University 2010.

Recipient, Indiana University Office of International Programs funds to support travel to Krakow, Poland, 2010.

Recipient, Indiana University Arts and Humanities New Frontiers Grant ($19,750). Grant to support the conference “Negotiating Late Antique Cultural Frontiers,” 2007.

Recipient, Outstanding Junior Faculty Award, Indiana University, 2006.

Co-Recipient (with J. Albert Harrill), Indiana University Arts & Humanities New Frontiers Grant ($19,560). Grant to support the conference "The End of Everything: Catastrophe and Community in the Ancient Mediterranean and Near Eastern Worlds," 2006.

Fellow, College Arts and Humanities Institute, Indiana University, spring 2006.

Summer Faculty Fellowship, Indiana University, 2003, 2005.

Yale University Dissertation Fellowship, 2001-2.

Participant, *Dumbarton Oaks’* *Byzantine Greek Summer School*, 2001.

*Berkeley, Biddle, Woolsey Fellowship*, Yale University, 2001.

*Berkeley, Biddle, Woolsey Fellowship*, Yale University, 2000.

*Andrew W. Mellon Fellowship in Humanistic Studies*, 1997-1998.

*Brown University Athletics Postgraduate Scholarship*, 1997.

*Bishop McVickar Second Prize in Religious Studies*, Brown University, 1997.

*Price Prize in Roman History*, Brown University, 1997.

*Harvey A. Baker Fellowship* (declined), Brown University, 1997.

*National Merit Scholarship Recipient*, 1993-1997.

**LANGUAGES**

Greek (reading), Latin (reading), French (reading and spoken), German (reading), Italian (reading), Coptic (reading), Syriac (reading)

**RESEARCH**

**INTERESTS**

 Byzantine History

 Later Roman History

 Greek Intellectual History, 500 BC-650 AD

 Late Antique Religious, Social, and Intellectual History

 Coptic and Syriac Christianity

 Ancient Philosophy

**TEACHING**

**EXPERIENCE**

*UCSD* “Roman History Survey.” Winter 2013, Winter 2015.

 “Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire.” Spring 2013.

 “The Last Pagan Generation.” Spring 2013, Spring 2015.

 “Byzantine History.” Fall 2013

 “Greek and Latin Biography.” Winter 2014

 “Coinage and Panegyric in the Fourth Century.” Spring 2014.

 “Revelle Humanities 2.” Spring 2014, Spring 2015.

*Indiana University*

“Ancient History Survey.” Fall 2002, Fall 2003, Fall 2004,

 Fall 2006, Spring 2008, fall 2010.

 “Roman History Survey.” Spring 2003, Fall 2004, Spring 2009.

“Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire.” Fall 2003, Spring 2005, Fall 2006, Spring 2008, Fall 2009.

“Late Antique Paganism.” Fall 2002, Spring 2005.

“Ancient Biography.” Spring 2003, Spring 2007.

“Culture and Communication in the Medieval Mediterranean: Jews Christians, and Muslims, 500-1550 CE.” Spring 2004, Spring 2007 (team taught course).

“From Biography to Hagiography.” Spring 2004, Spring 2012 (graduate seminar).

“Worlds of Late Antiquity.” Fall 2006, Spring 2008, Fall 2009 (graduate seminar).

“Beyond the Late Antique Near East.” Spring 2007 (graduate seminar).

“Politics and Religious Controversy in Late Antique Egypt.” Spring 2009 (graduate seminar).

“The Last Pagan Generation,” Fall 2010.

**TEACHING
COMPETENCIES**

Roman History, Byzantine History, Late Antique Society and Culture, Classical Greek History, Greek and Latin Language, History of the Ancient World.

**DISSERTATION**

**ADVISING**

*Completed*

Hui-Hua Chang, “Testing the Serpent of Asclepius: The Social Mobility of Greek Physicians,” defended spring 2003 at Indiana University. (Committee Member).

David Fletcher, “The Death of Stilicho: A Study of Interpretations,” defended spring 2004 at Indiana University. (Committee Member).

TammyJo Eckhart, “An Author Centered Approach to Understanding Amazons in the Ancient World,” defended spring 2007 at Indiana University. (Committee Member).

David Maldonado Rivera, “*Narratio de Synodis et Haeresibus ad Anthimum Diaconum*: A Heresiological Treatise from the Byzantine Iconoclast Era,” defended spring 2009 (MA Project at Indiana University). (Committee Member).

Joshua Congrove, “Friendship, Authority, and Rhetoric in the Letters of St Augustine,” defended spring 2011 at Indiana University. (Director).

Thomas Oldham, “Towards a Poetics of Violence: The Early Modern and Postmodern English Stage,” defended winter 2012 at Indiana University. (Committee Member).

Brad Storin, “The Letters of Gregory Nazianzen,” defended April 2012 at Indiana University. (Committee Member).

Kalani Craig, “Struck by a divine blow: Divine and human agency in representations of conflict resolution by early medieval bishops, 500-1100 C.E.,” defended March 2013 at Indiana University. (Committee Member).

Charles Aull, “Valentinian I and the Limits of Imperial Power in Later Roman Government.” defended June 2013 at Indiana University. (Director).

Vicky Hioureas, “Zoroastrianism in the Poetry of Pisides,” MA thesis defended June 2014 at University of California, Irvine. (Committee Member).

Diane Fruchtman, “Contested Martyrs and the Rhetorical Construction of Christian Community,” defended August 2014 at Indiana University. (Committee Member).

*Current*

David Maldonado Rivera, “Surviving Condemnation: Prosecution of Heresy, Communal Adaptation and Commemoration of Deviance in Late Antiquity (380-491),” in progress at Indiana University, expected defense spring 2014. (Committee Member).

Nicholas Hunot, “Hagiographical Politics in Visigothic Spain: The *Vitas Sanctorum Patrum Emeretensium and the Vita Sancti Fructuosi*,” in progress at Indiana University, expected defense spring 2014. (Committee Member).

Sarah Smith, “Magic and the Mechanics of the Unseen in the Medieval Natural Philosophy of William of Auvergne, Bishop of Paris (c.1190-1249),” in progress at Indiana University, expected defense 2014. (Committee Member).

Richard Barrett, “The Virgin in Early Byzantine Constantinople,” in progress at Indiana University, expected defense 2015 (Committee Member).

Tola Rodrick, “The Monastic Beginner in the Fourth Century,” in progress at Indiana University, expected defense 2016 (Committee Member).

Sean Moberg, “The Apophthegmata Patrum and the Greek Philosophical Tradition,” in progress at The Catholic University of America, (Committee Member).

Carly Maris, “Poetics in Late Ancient Philosophy,” in progress at UC Irvine, (Committee Member).

Andrew Wong, “The Pyrrhonian Skepticism of Sextus Empiricus,” in progress at UC San Diego, (Committee Member).

Moyses Garcia Marcos, “Kingship in Themistius and Julian,” in progress at UC Riverside, (Committee Member).

Other Graduate Student Advising:

Primary advisor for Jonathan Martin (MA student at UCSD), Amanda Tarkington (MA student at UCSD), Tola Rodrick (ABD at Indiana University), Adam Olsen (completed MA in 2012 at Indiana University), Carly Sentieri (completed MA in 2012 at Indiana University).

Undergraduate Thesis Advising:

Colten Mitchell, “Political Distortions Caused by the Roman Annexation of Egypt and the British East India Company.” (Thesis advisor at Indiana University).

Ruthann Woosley, “”Representation and Reality of Women’s Roles in the Later Roman Republic.” (Thesis advisor at UCSD).

**PROFESSIONAL,**

**DEPARTMENTAL**

**AND**

**UNIVERSITY**

**SERVICE**

*Professional Service*

Member, Society for Classical Studies Committee on Ancient History, 2015-present.

Member of External Review Committee, Department of Classics, Pomona College, March, 2015.

External Tenure/Promotion Reviewer for faculty members at Boston College, Fairfield University, Elon University, Princeton University, Yale University.

 Editorial Board Member, Bryn Mawr Classical Review, 2010-present

 Chair, Society for Late Antiquity Governing Board, 2007-9.

 Member, Society for Late Antiquity Governing Board, 2009-2011.

 Co-organizer, 8th Biennial Shifting Frontiers Conference, 2009.

Referee, Late Antique Colloquium of the American Philological Association, 2005, 2008, 2014.

Faculty Consultant, *American Historical Review*, 2005-2012.

Member, Outstanding Publication Committee, *Classical Association of Midwest and South*, 2008-11.

Reader of manuscripts for Taylor-Francis; Cornell University Press; Johns Hopkins University Press; Harvard University Press, Oxford University Press; Cambridge University Press; University of California Press; Bedford-St. Martins; Blackwell; Hackett; Ashgate; *American Historical Review*; *Journal of Late Antiquity;* *Greek, Roman and Byzantine Studies*; *Magic, Ritual and Witchcraft*; *Mnemosyne*; and *The Journal of Early Christian Studies*.

*University Service*

 Co-Director, Center for Hellenic Studies, UCSD, 2013-present

Interviewer for UCSD Fulbright applicants to Greece and Turkey, fall 2013, fall 2014.

 Director, Indiana University Program in Ancient Studies, 2008-2012.

 Member, Indiana University College Policy Committee, 2011-2012.

 Member, Program in Ancient Studies Steering Committee 2005-2012.

 Organizer, Ancient Studies Speaker Series, 2003-2005.

 Professor, Indiana University Mini University, 2005, 2006, 2008.

*Departmental*

*Service*

Chair, Ranglas Chair in Greek History Search Committee, UCSD Department of History, 2014-5.

Member, EAC of Tri-Campus Classics Program (UCSD representative), 2014-5.

 Chair, Long Range Planning Committee, UCSD Department of History, 2013-4.

 Director of Graduate Studies, Indiana University Department of History 2009-11.

 Chair, Tenure Committee for Deborah Deliyannis, 2010.

 Graduate Affairs Committee, 2006-2008.

 Co-Chair, Ancient History Search Committee 2005-2006.

 History Department Executive Committee, 2003-2005, 2011-2012.

 Organizer, History Department Brown Bag Lecture Series, 2004.

 Field Chair, Ancient History, 2002-2007, 2012.

*Public Outreach*

“Retirement, Byzantine Style,” a lecture given to the Hellenic Cultural Society, San Diego, May 2, 2015.

“The Byzantine Dollar,” a lecture given to the Hellenic Cultural Society, San Diego, California, November 22, 2014.

“Monks as Hippies,” a lecture given to the Hellenic Cultural Society, San Diego, California, November 21, 2013.

Author of articles for *Triminiaio*, the newsletter of the Hellenic Cultural Society of San Diego (“How the Romans became Greeks” September 2013, “Retirement: Byzantine Style,” September 2014).

Smithsonian Speaker, Celebrity Cruise Lines (September, 2011)

On camera speaker, four episodes of the “Fall of Rome,” for the History Channel International (initial airdate 2009).

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 GTE Academic All-American. Spring 1997.

 Ivy League High Jump Champion. Winter 1997.

Academic All-Ivy League Selection in Track and Field. Spring 1995, Winter 1996, Winter and Spring 1997.

MEMBERSHIPS

American Philological Association. 2000-Present (Life Member).

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North American Patristics Society. 2004-Present.

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