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Lecturer in Jewish Studies, University of Bristol

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**Employment**

2018– Lecturer in Jewish Studies, Dept of Religion and Theology, University of Bristol

2016–18 Editorial Assistant, *Journal of Theological Studies*

2015–17 Supervisor (undergraduate tutorial teaching) in Hebrew and in Old Testament, Theology & Religious Studies Tripos, Faculty of Divinity, University of Cambridge

Spring 2016 Visiting Polonsky Postdoctoral Fellow (stipendiary), Oxford 2016 Seminar in Advanced Jewish Studies: “Israel in Egypt, Egypt in Israel,” Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies, University of Oxford

**Affiliations**

2017–19 Honorary Research Associate, Dept of Theology and Religion, University of Exeter

**Education**

2012–16 PhD in Divinity (awarded 15 July 2016), University of Cambridge (Queens’), Faculty of Divinity, Supervisor: Prof James K. Aitken

Dissertation: “Scribal Culture in Ben Sira (Sir 38:1-15; 41:1-15; 43:11-19; 44-50)”

2011–12 MA in Biblical Studies, awarded 1st Class Distinction, Durham University (Hild-Bede), Dept of Theology & Religion, Supervisor: Prof C.T.R. Hayward

Dissertation: “Jubilees’ Attitudes to Hebrew in Historical Context”

2010–11 PG Certificate in Theory of Education (Religious Education), Durham University (Hild-Bede), School of Education

2006–10 MA Hons in Divinity (Undergraduate), awarded 2:1, University of Edinburgh, School of Divinity

Dissertation: “Richard Rubenstein and Jewish Responses to the Holocaust”

**Teaching Interests**

Hebrew (Classical Biblical, Late Biblical, Qumran); textual history of the Hebrew Bible and Septuagint; Dead Sea Scrolls; Greco-Roman Judaism; Septuagint

**Research Interests**

Hebrew linguistics, lexicology, and philology (Classical Biblical Hebrew and Late Biblical Hebrew); Textual history (textual criticism) of the Hebrew Bible, Septuagint (LXX), and related Jewish texts; Aramaic; Syriac; Ben Sira; Dead Sea Scrolls; Greco-Roman Judaism; Scribal culture

Literacy and education, libraries, allusion and quotation in Judaism and early Christianity; Jewish inscriptions and papyri; Jewish bilingualism and multilingualism. In each area, my work gives special weight to scribal practices, manuscripts, epigraphy, papyri, and material culture (realia). Within the above methods, I have also researched more specific words and themes, particularly: medicine, magic, weapons and warfare, education, and writing.

**Publications**

***Books***

1. *Scribal Culture in Ben Sira*. Journal for the Study of Judaism Supplement Series 184. Leiden: Brill, 2018. (winner of BAJS Book Prize 2020)

***Edited volumes***

1. *Reading, Writing, and Bookish Circles in the Ancient Mediterranean*. Edited by Jonathan D.H. Norton, Garrick V. Allen, and Lindsey A. Askin. Education, Literary Culture, and Religious Practice in the Ancient World. Bloomsbury, 2022.

***Articles in Refereed Journals***

1. “Three words for axes (גרזן, מגזרה, and כילף): Lexical choice, semantics, and text-critical questions,” submitted to *Textus* on 19/7/22, under review.
2. “Wisdom in the funerary inscription of Demas at Leontopolis: Lexical analysis of σοφία in Hellenistic Jewish sources,” *Henoch* (2021/22), in press.
3. “Beyond Encomium or Eulogy: The Role of Simon the High Priest in Ben Sira,” *Journal of Ancient Judaism* 9:3 (2018), 344–365.
4. “Second Temple Jewish Attitudes to Medicine: Ben Sira, Qumran, and Economic Trade,” *Journal of the Social History of Medicine and Health* 3:2 (2018), 24–38. (in Mandarin)
5. “A Contradictory Text: Authorship, Redaction, and Interpolation in Jubilees,” *Biblische Notizen* 175 (2017), 15–33.
6. “The Qumran Psalms Scroll Debate and Ben Sira: Considering the Evidence of Textual Reuse in Sir 43:11-19,” *Dead Sea Discoveries* 23:1 (2016), 27–50.

***Articles in Edited Volumes***

1. “Law and Wisdom in the Epitaph of Abramos, Communal Magistrate (JIGRE 39 = *SB* 5765)” in *Was Wisdom Transformed to Torah in Second Temple Judaism? The Reception of the Torah in and beyond Israelite and Jewish Wisdom Literature*, edited by JiSeong Kwon and Seth A. Bledsoe. DCLS. De Gruyter, in press (expected 2022).
2. “Ecclesiasticus, or the Wisdom of Sirach,” *New Oxford Bible Commentary*, edited by Katharine Dell and David Lincicum. Oxford University Press, in press (expected 2022).
3. “Balsam, Bitumen, and Soap: Late Second Temple Jewish attitudes to healing and the Herodian trade of luxury medical ingredients,” in *Medicine in Bible and Talmud*, edited by Lennart Lehmhaus and Markham Geller. Ancient Cultures of Sciences and Knowledge. Mohr Siebeck, in press (expected 2022).
4. “Politicised Exemplarity: Why Ben Sira Omits Ezra” in *Ezra’s Legacy and the Dead Sea Scrolls: Law and Narratives of Exclusion*, edited by Charlotte Hempel and Mike DeVries. Early Judaism and its Literature Series. SBL Press, in press (expected 2022/23).
5. “Ritual and Magic” in *The Apocrypha and Septuagint*, edited by James K. Aitken and Bruce Longenecker. Ancient Literature for New Testament Studies. Zondervan Academic, in press (expected 2022/23).
6. “Binding Asmodeus: lexical analysis of ritual and medical use of fish in Tobit” in *New Perspectives on Ritual in the Biblical World*, edited by Laura Quick and Melissa Ramos. LHBOTS 702. Bloomsbury, 2022, 117–138.
7. “The Social Stratification of Scribes and Readers in Hellenistic Judaism,” in *Reading, Writing, and Bookish Circles in the Ancient Mediterranean*. Edited by Jonathan D.H. Norton, Garrick V. Allen, and Lindsey A. Askin. Education, Literary Culture, and Religious Practice in the Ancient World. Bloomsbury, 2022.
8. “Scribal Production and Literacy at Qumran: Considerations of Page Layout and Style,”in *Material Aspects of Reading in Ancient and Medieval Cultures: Materiality, Presence, and Performance*, edited by Anna Krauß, Jonas Leipziger, and Friederike Schücking-Jungblut. Material Textcultures 26. De Gruyter, 2020, 23–36.
9. “What Did Ben Sira’s Bible and Desk Look Like?” in *Ancient Readers and Their Scriptures: Engaging the Hebrew Bible in Early Judaism and Christianity*. Edited by John Dunne and Garrick Allen. Ancient Judaism and Early Christianity Series 107. Brill, 2018, 3–26.

***Contributions to Reference Works***

1. “כתב, כתב יד (ketav/ketav yad)” in Most et al., *Philological Practices: A Comparative Lexicon*. Princeton University Press, in press.
2. “Medicine and Healing (Second Temple/Hellenistic Judaism),” *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception*. Volume 18. De Gruyter, 2020.
3. “Lazy/Idle (Second Temple/Hellenistic Judaism),” *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception*, Volume 15. De Gruyter, 2017.
4. “Lice (Old Testament/Hebrew Bible, Second Temple/Hellenistic Judaism, and New Testament),” *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception*, Volume 16. De Gruyter, 2017.
5. “Judah, Son of Jacob (Old Testament/Hebrew Bible),” *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception*, Volume 14. De Gruyter, 2015.

***Book Reviews***

1. *Scribes and Scribalism,* edited by Mark Leuchter. In *Society for Old Testament Study Book List 2022 (JSOT 46.5)*, 39-40
2. *Scribal Tools in Ancient Israel: A Study of Biblical Hebrew Terms for Writing Materials and Implements. History, Archaeology, and Culture of the Levant,* byPhilip Zhakevich. In *Society for Old Testament Study Book List 2022 (JSOT 46.5)*, 45-46
3. *Cosmos and Creation: Second Temple Perspectives*, edited by Michael W. Duggan, Renate Egger-Wenzel, and Stefan C. Reif. In *Dead Sea Discoveries* 28:2 (2021), 259-61
4. *Old Testament in Syriac according to the Peshiṭta Version, Part III Fasc. 2. Jeremiah – Lamentations – Epistle of Jeremiah – Epistle of Baruch – Baruch,* edited by R.B. ter Haar Romeny and W.Th. van Peursen, et al. In *Vetus Testamentum* 71:1 (2020), 151–3
5. *From Adapa to Enoch: Scribal Culture and Religious Vision in Judea and Babylon*, by Seth L. Sanders. In *Review of Biblical Literature*, 2020
6. *The Hebrew Bible of Josephus: Main Features*, by Etienne Nodet. In *Downside Review* 138:2 (2020), 80–1
7. *The Role of Mothers in the Genealogical Lists of Jacob’s Sons*, by D. Charles Smith. In *Downside Review* 138:1 (2020), 35–6
8. *Secret Groups in Ancient Judaism*, by Michael E. Stone. In *H-Judaic*, 2019
9. *Second Temple Jewish Paideia in Context*, edited by Jason M. Zurawski and Gabriele Boccaccini. In *Review of Biblical Literature*, 2019
10. *Inconsistency in the Torah*, by Joshua A. Berman. In *Reviews of Biblical and Early Christian Studies [RBECS Blog]*, 2019
11. *4QInstruction: Divisions and Hierarchies*, by Benjamin Wold. In *Society for Old Testament Study Book List* (2019), 215–6
12. Review Article, “The ‘Fascinating’ World of the Evil Eye,” (review article of *Beware the Evil Eye*, 4 vols, by John H. Elliot). In *Reviews in Religion & Theology* 26:1 (2019), 5–11
13. *Can No Physician Be Found? The Influence of Religion on Medical Pluralism in Ancient Egypt, Mesopotamia and Israel*. By Laura Marie Zucconi. In *Journal of Theological Studies* 69:2 (2018), 725–7
14. *Who Needs the Old Testament?* by Katharine Dell. In *Journal of Theological Studies* 69:2 (2018), 716–8
15. *Tracing Sapiential Traditions in Ancient Judaism*, edited by Hindy Najman, Jean-Sébastien Rey, and Eibert J.C. Tigchelaar. In *Journal of Theological Studies* 69:2 (2018), 754-7
16. *The Body in Biblical, Jewish, and Christian Texts*, edited by Joan E. Taylor. In *Society for Old Testament Study Book List* (2018), 162
17. *Basics of Classical Syriac: Complete Grammar, Workbook, and Lexicon* and *Basics of Classical Syriac Video Lectures*, by Steven C. Hallam. In *Society for Old Testament Study Book List* (2018), 251–2
18. *A ‘Religious Revolution’ in Yehûd?: The Material Culture of the Persian Period as a Test Case*, edited by Christian Frevel, Katharina Pyschny, and Izak Cornelius. In *Society for Old Testament Study Book List* (2018), 37–8
19. *Gorgias Concise Syriac-English, English-Syriac Dictionary*, by Sebastian Brock and George Anton Kiraz. In *Review of Biblical Literature* 03/2018
20. *Second Temple Songs of Zion: A Literary and Generic Analysis of the Apostrophe to Zion*, by Ruth Henderson. In *Journal of Theological Studies* 69:1 (2018), 260–2
21. *Imagining the Other and Constructing Israelite Identity in the Early Second Temple Period*, edited by Ehud ben Zvi and Diana V. Edelman. In *Reviews in Religion & Theology* 24:4 (2017), 837–40
22. *The True Herod*, by Géza Vermès. In *Reviews in Religion & Theology* 22:4 (2015), 383–5
23. *Transforming Visions: Transformations of Text, Tradition, and Theology in Ezekiel*, edited by William A. Tooman and Michael A. Lyons. In *Reviews in Religion & Theology* 21:3 (2014), 405–7
24. *Jewish Interpretation of the Bible: Ancient and Contemporary*, by Karin Hedner Zetterholm. In *Vetus Testamentum* 63:3 (2013), 513
25. *A Companion to Biblical Interpretation in Early Judaism*, edited by Matthias Henze. In *Vetus Testamentum* 63:2 (2013), 341–2
26. *Second Temple Studies IV: Historiography and History*, edited by Alice Hunt. In *Reviews in Religion & Theology* 20:3 (2013), 432–4
27. *Dust or Dew: Immortality in the Ancient Near East and in Psalm 49*, by Janet Smith. In *Reviews in Religion & Theology* 20:2 (2013), 318–21

**Conferences and Seminars**

***Conferences and Seminars (invitation)***

Jan 2022 “Bone Diseases in the Hebrew Bible,” Society for Old Testament Study Winter Meeting, University of Nottingham (online)

Nov 2020 “Why Are Skeletons Like Texts? Combatting Bias and Methodological Demons in the Study of Ancient Jewish Medicine and Magic,” University of Southampton (online webinar), Parkes Institute

Nov 2019 “Medicine and Magic in the Hebrew Bible,” University of Oxford, Worcester College Theology Dinner

Oct 2019 “Ancient Jewish Medicine and Magic: Treatment of War Wounds and Accidental Trauma in Iron Age Israel,” University of St Andrews, School of Divinity Biblical Studies Research Seminar

May 2019 “Moses and the Doctors: Glimpses of Healing, Illness, and Medicine in the Torah,” University of Exeter, Theology & Religion Research Seminar

Nov 2018 “Demas and His Unhappy Mother: The Plurality of Wisdom and Text in Second Temple Judaism,” Université de Lorraine Metz and Centre Sèvres, “Scribal Activity and Textual Plurality” Colloquium, Centre Sèvres, Paris

Nov 2018 “Hebrew-care: Injury, Medical Compensation, and Surgery in Ancient Israel,” University of Bristol, Department of Religion and Theology Research Seminar

Aug 2018 “Are we the Discerning Ones? Reflections on Bias and Audience in 4QInstruction,” Heythrop College, University of London: Echoes of Audience Colloquium

June 2017 Respondent on topic of Group Expulsions from Rome (Dr Rebecca Flemming) Faculty of Classics, University of Cambridge, Laurence Seminar 2017: Freedom of Speech, Censorship and the Ancient World

Feb 2017 “The Furniture of Scribal Culture in Second Temple Judaism,” University of Chester, TRS Research Seminar

Nov 2016 “The Social Stratification of Scribes and Readers in Greco-Roman Judaism,” Heythrop College University of London, Centre for Textual Studies, Bookish Circles: Teaching and Learning in the Ancient Mediterranean, Part II Colloquium

June 2016 “Sources and Scholarship for Scribal Culture from Ancient Egypt and Early Hellenistic Judaism,” Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies, Seminar in Advanced Jewish Studies

Feb 2016 “Searching for Ben Sira’s Text of Isaiah,” Faculty of Divinity, University of Cambridge, Old Testament Senior Seminar

Jan 2015 “Ben Sira’s Scribalism,” Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies, Seminar on Jewish History and Literature in the Graeco-Roman Period

***Conferences and Seminars (acceptance)***

July 2022 “Three words for axes (גַּרְזֶן, כֵילַפּוֹת, and מַגְזֵרָה): A text-critical and linguistic analysis,” Université de Toulouse - Jean Jaurès, EABS Annual Meeting 2022, Textual Criticism of the New Testament, the Old Testament and the Qur’an panel

Aug 2021 “The Use of Fish in Tobit,” EABS Medicine in Bible and Talmud unit, EABS Annual Meeting 2021 online

Dec 2019 “Politicised Exemplarity: Why Ben Sira Forgets Ezra,” University of Birmingham, “Ezra’s Legacy and the Dead Sea Scrolls” International Conference

Aug 2019 “The Disfigurement of Zedekiah’s Eyes (2 Kings 25:7),” University of Aberdeen, 23rd Congress of the International Organisation for the Study of the Old Testament, Disability in the Hebrew Bible panel

July 2019 Co-organiser of panel with Laura Quick (Princeton): “Bodies of Knowledge”

Paper: “Healthy Priests in Leviticus,” University of Oxford, BAJS Annual Meeting 2019

Feb 2018 “Literacy at Qumran and Considerations of Page Layout and Style,” Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg, “Material Aspects of Reading” Conference

Aug 2017 “The Hand that Feeds You: Reassessing Second Temple Attitudes to Medicine through Ben Sira and the Cost of Ingredients,” Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, ISBL/EABS Annual Meeting 2017, Medicine in Bible and Talmud panel

Oct 2016 Presenter on ‘Wisdom of Solomon’, “Being Jewish, Reading Greek” Seminar, Faculty of Classics, University of Cambridge

July 2016 “Beyond Encomium or Eulogy: Simon the High Priest as Patron of Ben Sira,” University of Birmingham, BAJS Annual Meeting 2016

June 2014 “What Did Ben Sira’s Bible and Desk Look Like?” St Andrews Symposium for Biblical and Early Christian Studies: Readers & Their Texts, St Andrews University

May 2014 “Ben Sira’s Use of Biblical Nature-Lists in Sir 43:11-19,” Joint Oxford & Cambridge Biblical Studies Graduate Conference

May 2013 “Scribal Practices and Phineas in Ben Sira (Sir 45:23-26),” Joint Oxford & Cambridge Biblical Studies Graduate Conference

June 2012 ‘‘Rewritten Tablets: Questioning the Use of Redaction Criticism for Second Temple Literature in Light of Studies in Scribal Practice, Pseudepigrapha, and Rewritten Bible,” Second Annual Graduate Conference for Biblical and Early Christian Studies: Manuscripts and Their Texts, St Andrews University

Nov 2014 “Medicine, Ben Sira (Sir 38:1-15), and the Leviticus Purity Laws,” Old Testament Graduate Seminar, Faculty of Divinity, University of Cambridge

Nov 2013 “Ben Sira’s Politics in Sir 50:24-26,” Old Testament Graduate Seminar, Faculty of Divinity, University of Cambridge

Mar 2012 “The Language of Creation: An Introduction to Biblical Criticism and the Book of Jubilees,” Hild-Bede MCR Postgraduate Colloquium, Durham University

***Events Organised***

May 2019 Co-organiser and presenter, “Madness in the Hebrew Bible and Near East” “Conceptualizations of Madness in Premodern Religions Workshop,” University of Bristol

**Teaching: University of Bristol**

***On rotation:***

* Introduction to Hebrew I (C/4) Y1/2/3/MA, TB1
* Dead Sea Scrolls (Year 3/MA, TB1)
* Greco-Roman Judaism (Year 2, TB2)
* Religion and History of Ancient Israel (Year 2, TB1)
* Living Religions West (Year 1, TB1) (*team-taught*) (3.5 weeks)
* Issues in the Study of Religion (Year 1, TB2) (*team-taught*) (usually 5 weeks)
* Topics in the Study of Religion (Year 1, TB1) (*team-taught*) (10 weeks 1/2 or 1/3 shared)
* History of Christianity: Core Texts (MA, TB1) (*team-taught*) (3 weeks)
* Research Skills for Medievalists (MA, TB1) (*team-taught*) (1 week)
* Comparative Religions (MA, TB4) (*team-taught*) (1 week)

***Past units taught (2018-2022):***

* The Bible in the Academy (Year 2, TB1)
* Torah through the Ages (Year 2, TB2)
* Ancient Jewish Novels (Year 3/MA, TB1)

***PhD theses supervised:***

* Co-supervisor (50%, University of Exeter split): “Cultural Translation of Chaos and the Abyss from Aramaic to Early Christianity,” Ben Houlton (Exeter, 2022-)
* Co-supervisor (20%): “Satan Works in Mysterious Ways: The Role of Ambiguity in Early Christian Commentaries on the Figure of Satan,” Eva Tal Glickman (2022-)
* Co-supervisor (20%): “Benedict Pictet,” Matthew Miller (2021-)
* Co-supervisor (20%): “Consuming Christ: Descriptions of Divine Nourishment in the Early Church,” Ashlynn Spencer Blackwell (2018-)

***Dissertations Examined:***

* External examiner, Masters by Research: Emma Partington, “From David’s lyre to the incantation bowls: A Jungian archetypal approach to the evolving psychological function of belief in evil spirits for treating mental illness in ancient Judaism” (University of Exeter, August 2022)

**Previous Teaching: Cambridge and Durham**

***Undergraduate Teaching at University of Cambridge***

Jan 2015–June 2017 Supervisor, “Elementary Hebrew” A1a

Jan 2016–June 2017 Supervisor, “Introduction to Old Testament” A2

Spring 2015 Invited Lecturer on Ben Sira, “Judaism in the Greco-Roman Period” B3

***Postgraduate Seminar Teaching at University of Cambridge***

Jan–Apr 2016 Ancient Near Eastern Texts Reading Group

July–Sept 2014 Postgraduate Syriac Reading Group (teaching Syriac grammar)

***Postgraduate Seminar Teaching at Durham University***

Jan–June 2012 Postgraduate Apocrypha Reading Group

***Secondary School Teaching (during PG Cert) at Durham University***

2010–11 Religious Education (years 7–11, ages 11–16), Tudhoe Grange School, Spennymoor, County Durham, and Hummersknott Academy, Darlington

**Widening Participation/Outreach**

***Public/Educational Talks***

2020 Public talk, “Medicine in Ancient Judaism: Did G-d Really Try to ‘Kill’ Moses (Exodus 4)?” Davar Bristol (webinar)

2019– “Access2Bristol” session on Dead Sea Scrolls, Department of Religion and Theology

2019 Teaching Adult Hebrew, Bristol & West Progressive Liberal Jewish Congregation

2016 “Dead Sea Scrolls” webinar, Christ’s College Cambridge Low-Participation Neighbourhoods Outreach Programme (ages 17–19) and Joint Cambridge College Outreach (Christ’s, Sidney Sussex, and Murray Edwards)

2015 Public speaker (audience size 50+): “Masada and the Jewish Revolt against Rome,” Cambridge Festival of Ideas, October 2015

***Media consultancy***

Mar 2019 Technical adviser (telephone) to Windfall Films, Discovery UK channel, for TV series *Unearthed*, episode on Masada and the Dead Sea Scrolls

***Written Copy and Blog Contributions***

1. “The Dead Sea Scrolls,” Teaching & Learning Materials for GCSE (Years 10–11), (Network for East Anglian Collaborative Outreach [NEACO] Project, Cambridge (2018)
2. Glossary terms (numerous), *SBL Bible Odyssey*, *bibleodyssey.org* (2016)
3. “The Dead Sea Scrolls,” Teaching & Learning Materials for A-level, Cambridge, *myheplus.com* (2015)
4. Blog entries on rare books and manuscripts, Queens’ College Old Library Books Blog, *queenslib.wordpress.com* (2012–16)
5. “The Faith-Spangled Banner: Changes in American Attitudes and Belief in All Directions,” The Religious Studies Project, *religiousstudiesproject.com* (2012)

**Academic and Departmental Service**

***External Organisations***

2022– Co-Director, STECA (Second Temple Early Career Academy)

2020–22 Co-Steer, STECA (Second Temple Early Career Academy)

2020–22 Treasurer, British and Irish Association for Jewish Studies

2019– Member of Steering Group, AI for Arts Interest Group, Turing Institute

***University of Bristol***

2022– Director of Examinations, Dept

2022– Septuagint Reading Group (lead organiser)

2020–21 Dept Contact for Downside Abbey Library

2019–21 Dept Admissions Officer, Open Days and Post-Offer Visit Days Officer, Widening Participation Officer

2019–20 Coptic Reading Group (staff co-organiser)

2018–21 Staff Liaison Rep of Annual Joint PG Southwest Religion Conference

2018–21 Coordinator of Dept Research Seminars

***University of Cambridge***

2017 Organising committee member, “Being Jewish, Writing Greek” Conference, 6–8/9/2017, Faculty of Classics

2015 Faculty of Divinity Graduate Representative

2015 Faculty of Divinity Twitter volunteer

2013–14 MCR External Officer, Queens’ College

2013–14 Exam Invigilator, Queens’ College and Westcott House

***Durham University***

2011–12 Graduate Representative, Theology & Religion Web Committee

2012 Organising committee member, “Café des Femmes” Postgraduate Conference: “Blurring Boundaries within Theology and Religion”

**Extracurricular and volunteering: Cambridge and Edinburgh**

9/15–4/16 Graduate Trainee Librarian (paid, FT), Queens’ College Library, Cambridge

2015 Volunteer Coach, Queens’ College Boat Club, Cambridge

2014–15 Library Invigilator (paid, PT), Divinity Faculty Library, Cambridge

2014–15 President, Cambridge University American Society

2014 Co-founder and Vice President, Cambridge University American Society

2013–15 Coffee Rota volunteer, Faculty of Divinity, Cambridge

2012–15 Old Library volunteer, Queens’ College Library, Cambridge

2013–15 Rare Book Cataloguer (paid, summers), Queens’ College Library, Cambridge

2012–15 Crew Captain, Queens’ College Boat Club, Cambridge

2009–10 Brownies Assistant Guider, Edinburgh

2009–10 Outreach volunteer, Lothian Equal Access Programme for Scotland

**Grants, Funding, and Prizes**

***External Grants and Funding: applications made***

2022 Revised application in preparation, with Benedetta Lomi, “Medieval Medicine on the Silk Road.”

2019 with Benedetta Lomi, Wellcome Trust Collaborative Awards in Humanities and Social Sciences, “Conceptualisations of Mental Illness: Towards a Multicultural Approach” Outcome: unsuccessful.

***Involvement in Projec***

* + **Project collaborator:**Swiss National Science Foundation (PI: Jaeyoung Jeon, University of Lausanne): “Beyond Orality and Textuality: Scribal Performance in Ancient Israel, Mesopotamia, and Egypt.” Results expected end-of-2022.

***Prizes awarded***

2020 British and Irish Association for Jewish Studies Book Prize (£500), early career category, for monograph *Scribal Culture in Ben Sira* (Leiden: Brill, 2018)

***Recognitions and Achievements***

2020 A “Top 10 most downloaded” author in *Reviews in Religiont & Theology* for 2019-2020. Review Article, “The ‘Fascinating’ World of the Evil Eye,” (review article of *Beware the Evil Eye*, 4 vols, by John H. Elliot). In *Reviews in Religion & Theology* 26:1 (2019), 5–11.

***Internal Grants and Funding (University of Bristol): applications made***

2022 Arts Faculty Conference and Research Fund. ***Outcome: successful***

£546, to attend EABS 2022 Annual Conference, Toulouse

2021 Arts Faculty Conference and Research Fund. ***Outcome: successful***

£280 total (used £65 conf. fee only), SOTS 2022 Winter Meeting, Nottingham

2020 Arts Faculty Conference and Research Fund. ***Outcome****:* ***successful, unused due to covid***

£400 for multiple London research travel trips, Wellcome Library and British Library

2019 Research Initiatives Fund, Arts Faculty Conference & Research Fund. ***Outcome****:* ***successful***

£394 for hosting Madness Workshop (May 2019), co-applied with Benedetta Lo

2019 Arts Faculty Conference & Research Fund. ***Outcomes***: ***successful***

£287 for attendance as speaker, BAJS Oxford 2019

£560 for attendance as speaker, IOSOT Congress Aberdeen 2019

***University of Cambridge: Scholarships and Prizes awarded***

2015 Hort Memorial Fund: travel to attend Digital Approaches to Hebrew Manuscripts Conference, University College London (£45)

2014 Hort Memorial Fund: travel to present paper at St Andrews 2014 Symposium for Biblical and Early Christian Studies (£190)

2014 Hort Memorial Fund: field research travel to Israel (£750)

2013–14 Faculty of Divinity Shapiro Fund Scholarship (£4,000)

2013 Queens’ College Bibby Prize: for outstanding service to Queens’ College Library (£100)

***Durham University: Scholarships awarded***

2011–12 Rebecca Allison Kirby Hild-Bede Theology Scholarship, Durham (£4,500)

**Languages**

* Advanced training, able to teach to advanced level:
* Hebrew: Classical Biblical\*, Late Biblical\*, Qumran, Mishnaic
* Greek: Attic/Classical, Koine
* Aramaic: Biblical, Egyptian, Targumic, Surayt (Neo-Aramaic), Classical Syriac\*

\* *indicates have taught at university level*

* Intermediate training: Middle Egyptian, Coptic (Sahidic), Classical Latin
* Modern languages: French (B2), German (A2), Modern Israeli Hebrew (A2)

**Professional Development**

* *CREATE* Level 1 (2019-20), University of Bristol (Level 2 now PG Cert. in Academic Practice)
* *Self-directed professional development (research updates and refreshers; since Bristol recommends we undertake 9 days of professional development a year*):
  + General linguistics (2020)
  + Textual criticism (2020)
  + Attic Greek and Greek Metre (2022)
  + Classical Biblical Hebrew and Qumran Hebrew linguistics (2022)
  + Late Biblical Hebrew linguistics (2023)
  + Official/Imperial Aramaic, Egyptian Aramaic, and Qumran Aramaic linguistics (2023)
* *Training (University of Cambridge 2012-16)*: Collaborative Research Grants, Digital Humanities, Open Access, e-Resources, Museum Studies, Manuscript Studies, Latin Medieval Palaeography
* *IT skills*: HTML, Java, C++, LaTeX
* *Libraries and Cataloguing (2012-16)*: cataloguing early printed and modern books in MARC21, RDA, DCRM(B), AACR2; planning and mounting exhibitions of rare books and manuscripts; expertise in early printed Hebrew books; Voyager library management system

**Membership of Learned Organisations**

* British and Irish Association for Jewish Studies (BIAJS)
* European Association for Biblical Studies (EABS)
* International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies (IOSCS)
* International Organization for Qumran Studies (IOQS)
* International Society for Historical Lexicography and Lexicology (ISHLL)
* איגוד הפרופסורים.ות לעברית (National Association for Professors of Hebrew)
* Society for Old Testament Study (SOTS)

**Informal academic networks**

* Biblical Hebrew Linguistics and Philology Network
* Enoch Seminar
* Hellenistic Jewish Studies Network
* Second Temple Early Career Academy (Co-Director)