

EDUCATION

- Ph.D., Religions of Western Antiquity, Florida State University (2003)
- M.A., Hebrew and Semitic Studies, University of Wisconsin-Madison (1989)
- M.A., B.A., Biblical Literature, Oral Roberts University (1984, 1979)

ACADEMIC SPECIALIZATION: Hebrew Bible/Old Testament; Semitic Languages; Religious Studies

TEACHING COMPETENCE: Ancient Near Eastern History, Religion, and Literature; Hebrew Bible/Old Testament; Ancient Near Eastern Languages and Literature; Jewish and Christian Religious Ethics; History of Jewish and Christian Biblical Interpretation; Jews, Christians, and War; Women's Studies and the Bible; Judaism (ancient and modern); Holocaust Studies; Philo and Josephus; Early Christian Literature and New Testament; World Religions; Islam; Syro-Palestinian Archaeology; Judaism in the Graeco-Roman World

LANGUAGES: Biblical Hebrew; Aramaic; Syriac; Ugaritic; Phoenician and Canaanite Dialects; Biblical Greek; French and German (reading knowledge)

ARCHAEOLOGICAL DIGS

[El Araj](#) (June 2019)

Participated, along with ORU students, for the initial two weeks of the four-week excavation season, immediately north of the Kinneret and completed field study/tours of ancient sites and archaeological excavations in the Galilee area. This newly excavated site may be biblical Bethsaida.

[Tell Shimron](#) (June–July 2017)

Participated, along with an ORU students, for the entire initial digging season at the largest unexcavated tel in Israel (in the Jezreel Valley) and completed an extensive field study/tour of ancient sites and archaeological excavations in Israel and Jordan.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Professor

Oral Roberts University, College of Theology and Ministry, Tulsa, OK (Fall 2021–present)

- M.A., M.Div., D. Min., and Ph.D. Courses (Old Testament Synthesis; Hebrew Synthesis 1 & 2; Old Testament Hermeneutics & Exegesis; Deuteronomy [Hebrew]; Theological Reflection in the Context of Ministry; Historical Books; 8th Century Prophets; Psalms; Wisdom Literature; Pentateuch; Archaeology; and M.A. Thesis advisor)
- Director: CoTM Advanced Languages Concentration: Biblical Aramaic; Syriac; Advanced Aramaic and Syriac; and Ugaritic

Associate Professor

Oral Roberts University, College of Theology and Ministry, Tulsa, OK (Spring 2017–present)

- M.A., M.Div., D. Min., and Ph.D. Courses (Old Testament Synthesis; Hebrew Synthesis 1 & 2; Old Testament Hermeneutics & Exegesis; Deuteronomy [Hebrew]; Theological Reflection in the Context of Ministry; Hebrew Prophets; 8th Century Prophets; Wisdom Literature; and M.A. Thesis advisor)
- Director: CoTM Advanced Languages Concentration: Biblical Aramaic; Syriac; Advanced Aramaic and Syriac; and Ugaritic

Oral Roberts University, Theology Department, Tulsa, OK (Spring 2016–2017)

- B.A. Courses: Biblical Hebrew (1 and 2); Biblical Hebrew Exegesis; Biblical Aramaic; Syriac; Advanced Aramaic and Syriac; Old Testament Introduction; Survey of Old Testament Literature (450+ student Gen. Ed. class); Pentateuch; Old Testament Historical Books; Hebrew Prophets; Psalms; Wisdom Literature; Jewish Perspectives on the Bible; Biblical Archaeology; Senior Paper
- B.A. Courses Online: Survey of Old Testament Literature (Gen. Ed. class); Old Testament Introduction; Pentateuch; Psalms & Wisdom Literature; Historical Books; Hebrew Prophets

Oral Roberts University, Honors Program Faculty (2015–present)

Assistant Professor

Oral Roberts University, Theology Department, Tulsa, OK (Spring 2014–16)

- B.A. Courses: Biblical Hebrew (1 and 2); Biblical Hebrew Exegesis; Biblical Aramaic; Old Testament Introduction; Survey of Old Testament Literature (500+ student Gen. Ed. class); Pentateuch; Old Testament Historical Books; Hebrew Prophets; Psalms and Wisdom Literature; Jewish Perspectives on the Bible; Senior Paper
- B.A. Courses Online: Survey of Old Testament Literature (Gen. Ed. class); Old Testament Introduction; Pentateuch; Psalms & Wisdom Literature; Historical Books; Hebrew Prophets

Assistant Professor

Regent University, College of Arts and Sciences, Virginia Beach, VA (2007–13)

- B.A. Courses: Old Testament Studies; New Testament Studies; Study of the Prophets; Biblical Archaeology; Wisdom Literature; Psalms (developed both Wisdom Literature and Psalms courses for both online and on-campus); Theological Writing and Research; Worldviews; The Legacy of King James Bible (400th Anniversary Seminar); Senior Seminar

Graduate Adjunct Professor

Regent University, School of Divinity, Virginia Beach, VA (2011–13)

- M.A. and M.Div. Courses: Advanced Hebrew
- Ph.D. Course: Seminar

Adjunct Professor

Florida State University, Department of Religion, Tallahassee, FL (2006–07)

- B.A. Courses: Introduction to the Old Testament; Hebrew Bible Prophets

Visiting Professor/Administrator and Grant Writer

Center for Biblical Studies, Tallahassee, FL (2005–06)

- B.A. Courses: Introduction to the Old Testament; Hebrew Bible Prophets; Christians and War; The Psalms: Yesterday and Today
- Research, prepare, submit, track grant proposals

Visiting Professor

Florida A&M University, Department of Philosophy and Religion, Tallahassee, FL (2003–05)

- B.A. Courses: Introduction to the Old Testament; Introduction to the New Testament; Contemporary Religious Thought

Graduate Fellow

Florida State University, Department of Religion, Tallahassee, FL (1996–2003)

- B.A. Courses: Introduction to the Old Testament; Hebrew Bible Prophets; Death and Dying (TA)

HONORS AND AWARDS

Alumni Mentoring Through Research Award (ORU 2020)

College of Theology and Ministry Scholar of the Year (ORU 2019)

Outstanding Faculty Service Award (ORU 2017)

President's Research Fund Award (ORU 2016–17)

Outstanding Faculty Member of the Year, ORU College of Theology & Ministry (2016)

Scholars Initiative (2015–present; the research component of the Museum of the Bible; Faculty Mentor training young scholars in the analysis and transcription of ancient biblical MSS)

Distinguished Visitor USS George H. W. Bush Aircraft Carrier, representing the Regent University Office of Military Affairs (April 2013)

Outstanding Teaching Award, Regent University School of Undergraduate Studies Dean's Nominee (2009)

Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award, Florida State University (2000)

Dissertation Research Grant Recipient, Florida State University (2000)

Graduate Teaching Assistantship (1996–2003)

PUBLICATIONS

- Lyons, William L. "What's So Holy about *Holy War*?' Moving Beyond the Current Discussion." (Forthcoming.)
- . "Miracles in the Early Historical Books" in *The Miraculous and the Biblical Traditions* edited by Graham Twelftree. At 558,000 pages this will be the only book to offer a comprehensive treatment of miracles across the entire Christian canon (including the Deuterocanonical Books). (Brill, Forthcoming)
- . Editor: "Biblical Poetry and Wisdom Literature," *The New Tyndale Version*, General Editor, Jim Linzey. (Forthcoming)
- . "[What Does Spiritual Anointing have to do with Ministry to the Poor](#)?" *Spiritus* 8.1 (2023): 5–18.
DOI: <https://doi.org/10.31380/2573-6345.1293>
- Lyons, William, and Michael L. Matthews. "[Leveraging AI to Improve Lifelong Outcomes.](#)" CIO Views, 2022.
- Lyons, William L. Review of John D. Levenson. [The Holy Spirit Before Christianity.](#) *Spiritus* 6.22 (2021): 337–40.
- . "'Anointed by the Spirit' and Ministry to the Poor: The Core Biblical Mandate to All Generations." In *Good News to the Poor: Spirit-Empowered Responses to Poverty*. Edited by Wonsuk Ma, Opoku Onyinah, and Rebekah Bled. Pgs. 11–26. Tulsa, OK: ORU Press, 2022. (ISBN: 978195097114; ebook 978195097124)
- . Review of Rick Wadholm, Jr. *A Theology of the Spirit in the Former Prophets: A Pentecostal Perspective.* [Spiritus](#) 5 (2020): 290–93.
- Lyons, William, and Jordan M Way. "Waiting for a Hero: Will Someone do the Right Thing?" In *The Spirit and Social Justice: Interdisciplinary Global Perspectives*. Edited by Michael Palmer and Antipas L Harris. Pgs. 176–93. Lanham, MD, Seymour Press, 2019. (ISBN: 9781938373220)
- . Review of Joel S. Kaminsky and Joel N Lohr. [The Hebrew Bible for Beginners: A Jewish & Christian Introduction.](#) *Review of Biblical Literature* (November 2017).
- . "Extending the Right Hand: An Important Yet Overlooked Defining Action of the Nascent Church." In *We, the Church: Studies in Mission & Evangelization. Essays in Honor of Bishop Dr. B. S. Moses Kumar.* Smitha P. Coffee and Donna Tracy Paul, eds. Pgs.167–74. New Delhi, India: Christian World Imprints, 2017. (ISBN: 9789351481966)
- . Review of Brad E. Kelle, Frank Ritchel Ames, and Jacob L. Wright, eds. [Warfare, Symbol, and Ritual in Biblical and Modern Contexts.](#) *Review of Biblical Literature* (July 2015).
- . Review of Heath A. Thomas, Jeremy Evans, and Paul Copan, eds. [Holy War in the Bible: Christian Morality and an Old Testament Problem.](#) *Theological Studies*, 75.2 (2014): 2.
- . Review of Anne Porter and Glenn M. Schwartz, eds. [Sacred Killing: The Archaeology of Sacrifice in the Ancient Near East.](#) *Review of Biblical Literature* (November 2014).
- . Review of Yitzhak Feder, *Blood Expiation in Hittite and Biblical Ritual.* *Review of Biblical Literature* (April 2013).
- . Review of Feidhlimidh T. Magennis, [First and Second Samuel.](#) *New Collegeville Bible Commentary.* *Review of Biblical Literature* (August 2012).
- . "Foreword." In [Women in the Biblical World: A Survey of Perspectives from the Old and New Testaments.](#) Volume 2. Edited by Elizabeth A. McCabe. Lanham, MD: University Press of America, 2011. (ISBN: 978-0761846772)
- . [A History of Modern Scholarship on the Biblical Word Herem: The Contributions of Walter C. Kaiser, Jr., Peter C. Craigie, and Tremper Longman, III.](#) Edwin Mellen Press, Lampeter, UK: Edwin Mellen Press, 2010. (ISBN: 9780773438347)

- . Review of Lee Roy Martin, *The Unheard Voice of God: A Pentecostal Hearing of the Book of Judges*. *Pneuma* 32 (2010): 150–51.
- . “Rahab in Rehab: Christian Interpretation of the Madame from Jericho.” Pages 31–42 in *Women in the Biblical World: A Survey of Perspectives from the Old and New Testaments*. Edited by Elizabeth A. McCabe. Lanham, MD: University Press of America, 2009. (ISBN: 978-0761846772)
- Review of M. Daniel Carroll, and Jacqueline E. Lapsley, eds., *Character Ethics and the Old Testament: Moral Dimensions of Scripture*. *Journal of Theological Studies* 60 (2009): 224–27.
- . “Rahab through the Ages: A Study of Christian Interpretation of Rahab.” Leonard Greenspoon, ed. *Society of Biblical Literature Forum* (September 2008). (Online publication of a paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, November 2007.)
- . Review of John H. Walton, *Ancient Near Eastern Thought and the Old Testament: Introducing the Conceptual World of the Hebrew Bible*. *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 70 (2008): 583–4.
- . Review of Paul E. Brown, *The Holy Spirit & the Bible: The Spirit's Interpreting Role in Relation to Biblical Hermeneutics*. *Pneuma* 29 (2007): 148–9.
- . Review of Louis H. Feldman, *Remember Amalek! Vengeance, Zealotry, and Group-Discussion in the Bible According to Philo, Pseudo-Philo, and Josephus*. *Journal of Theological Studies* 58 (2007): 168–71.
- . “You Say ‘Who Wrote the Old Testament?’ Teaching the Documentary Hypothesis to Skeptical Students.” *Teaching the Bible: Practical Strategies for Classroom Instruction*. Patrick Gray and Mark Roncase, eds. Atlanta: SBL Resources for Biblical Studies Series, 49, 2005. (ISBN: 978-9004137714)
- . “To PowerPoint or Not to PowerPoint: Is There Another Way to Utilize Computer Tools in the Classroom?” *SBL Forum*. Leonard Greenspoon, ed. *Society of Biblical Literature Forum* (August 2005).
- . Review of Stanley N. Gundry, ed., *Show Them No Mercy: 4 Views on God and Canaanite Genocide*. *Review of Biblical Literature* (July 2004).
- . Review of Katherine Dell, *Get Wisdom, Get Insight: An Introduction to Israel's Wisdom Literature*. *Journal of Religion and Society* 3 (2001).
- . Review of Walter A. Elwell and J. D. Weaver, eds. *Bible Interpreters of the 20th Century*. *Review of Biblical Literature* (October 2000).
- . Review of Lori G. Beaman, *Shared Beliefs, Different Lives: Women's Identities in Evangelical Context*. *Journal of Religion and Society* 2 (2000).

PRESENTATIONS

- Lyons, William L. “Integrating Strategies for Virtual Learning,” ORU Faculty Professional Development Day, Workshop Panel Discussions (offered twice). (January 8, 2024)
- Livingston-Galloway, Marcia, and William L. Lyons. “Inclusive Pedagogy: What is It?” The Academy for Exceptional Teaching and Innovation, “ORU Fall Faculty Connection” Presentation, (August 2020).
- Lyons, William L. “‘Anointed by the Spirit of the LORD God’: An Ancient Biblical Concept and Ministry to the Poor.” Invited paper presented at the Empowered21 Latin American Congress “Scholars Consultation.” Bogotá, Columbia, (June 2019).
- Lyons, William L, and Jordan Michah Way. “Ruth and Migration: An Intertextual Biblical Dialogue.” Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Central States Society of Biblical Literature. St. Louis, MO (March 2018).
- . “Tel Shimron: Looking Back at the Inaugural Archaeological Season.” Presentation at the SI Annual Review Summary Meeting with MOTB-SI leaders at the Society of Biblical Literature and the American Academy of Religion. Boston, MA (November 2017).

- . “C. S. Lewis and Authors of Previous Centuries.” Session Chair at the Annual Meetings of the C. S. Lewis and Inklings Society, Tulsa, OK (April 2107).
- . “Biblical Studies.” Session Chair at the Annual Meetings of the Society for Pentecostal Studies. St. Louis, MO (March 2017).
- . “Children Among the Carnage: How Shall We Account for the Destruction of Children in the *Herem* Passages of the Hebrew Bible?” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature and the American Academy of Religion. San Antonio, TX (November 2016).
- . “From Foreigner to Matriarch: The Surprising Story of Ruth Who Migrated from the Margins into the Center of Israelite Society.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature and the American Academy of Religion. San Antonio, TX (November 2016).
- . “Contemporary Witnesses of Faith.” Session Chair at the Southwest Conference on Christianity and Literature.” Tulsa, OK (October 2015).
- . “Science Fiction and Theology: Sin and Forgiveness.” Session Chair at the ORU Science and Science Fiction Conference: “Science and the Imagination.” Tulsa, OK (April 2015).
- . “Where Do We Go from Here? An Initial Proposal for Advancing the Discussion of *Herem*.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Pentecostal Studies. Lakeland, FL (March 2015).
- . “Psalms and Biblical Poetry.” Session Chair at the Annual Meetings of the Society for Pentecostal Studies. Lakeland, FL (March 2015).
- . “The Problem of *Herem* through the Lens of Jewish Interpretation Across the Centuries.” Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Society for Pentecostal Studies. Springfield, MO (March 2014).
- . “Origen, Augustine, and *Herem* in the Hebrew Bible.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Commission for the Study of Religion. Greenville, SC (March 2013).
- . Book review and discussion of Jacqueline Grey, *Three’s a Crowd: Pentecostalism, Hermeneutics, and the Old Testament*. Regent University Ph.D. Summer Symposium. Virginia Beach (June 2012).
- . “The Forgotten Casualty: Children and the So-Called *Total War* in the Hebrew Bible” (revised). Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Society for Pentecostal Studies. Regent University, Virginia Beach, VA (March 2012).
- . “Biblical Studies.” Session Chair at the Annual Meetings of the Society for Pentecostal Studies. Virginia Beach, VA (March 2012).
- . “The Problem of *Herem*: A Review of Jewish Interpretation Across the Centuries.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature. San Francisco, CA (November 2011).
- . “What’s So Holy about *Holy War*”? Paper presented at the Baltimore-Washington Regional Meeting of the Catholic Biblical Association. The Catholic University of America. Washington, DC (February 2011).
- . “Does God ‘Appreciate Human Sacrifice?’ *Herem* and Sacrifice in the Hebrew Bible” (Revised). Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Society of Biblical Literature. New Orleans, LA (November 2009).
- . “The Forgotten Casualty: Children and *Herem* in the Hebrew Bible.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature. New Orleans, LA (November 2009).
- . “Integrating Faith & Learning,” Workshop Facilitator/Speaker, Regent University Fall Faculty Workshop, Virginia Beach, VA (August 2009).
- . “Does God ‘Appreciate Human Sacrifice?’ Susan Niditch Revisited” (Revised). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Commission for the Study of Religion. Durham, NC (March 2009).

- . A Response to Wonsuk Ma's Paper: "The Roadmap to Restoration: A Pentecostal Contribution to Old Testament Studies." Spirit & Scripture Symposium, Regent University School of Divinity, Virginia Beach, VA (October 2008).
- . "Does God 'Appreciate Human Sacrifice?' Susan Niditch Revisited." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Pentecostal Studies. Durham, NC (March 2008).
- . "Johannine Studies." Session Chair at the Annual Meetings of the Society for Pentecostal Studies. Durham, NC (March 2008).
- . Regent College of Arts and Sciences Faculty Research Colloquium. "Between History and Theology: The Problem of *Herem* in Modern Evangelical Biblical Scholarship." Virginia Beach, VA (April 2008).
- . "Rahab through the Ages: A Study of Christian Interpretation of Rahab." Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Society of Biblical Literature and the American Academy of Religion. San Diego, CA (November 2007).
- . "Can 'Holy War' Be Holy? Gerhard von Rad Revisited." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Pentecostal Studies. Cleveland, TN (March 2007).
- . "Between History and Theology: The Problem of *Herem* in Modern Evangelical Biblical Scholarship." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Commission for the Study of Religion. Atlanta (March 2006).
- . "Three Interpretations of *Herem*." FSU Symposium: Religion and Society. Tallahassee, FL (March 2003).
- . "Rahab and Her Interpreters: A Study of the History of Christian Interpretation of Rahab." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Commission for the Study of Religion. Charlotte, NC (March 2001).

PRE-PUBLICATIONS PEER REVIEWS FOR PUBLISHERS

- Lyons, William. L. Pre-Publication Peer Review: "Early Jewish Pentecostalism—A Selective Preliminary Investigation." Available from [Spiritus](#), August 2017.
- . Pre-Publication Peer Review: *Strangers at the Gate: Biblical Narratives of Israelites and their Neighbors*. Available from [Routledge](#), August 2016.
- . Pre-Publication Peer Review: "Possessions and Identity: Job's Problems and Ours." Available from [Religions](#), May 2016.
- . Pre-Publication Peer Review: *Patriarchal Murders of Women: A Sociological Study of Honour-Based Killings in Turkey and in the West*. Available from [Edwin Mellen Press](#). January 2013.
- . Pre-Publication Peer Review: "Minding Your Ps & Qs: A Question of Beginnings": A Review of Jonathan Burnside, *Justice and Society: Aspects of Law and Legality in the Bible*. Available from [Political Theology](#). June 2012.
- . Pre-Publication Peer Review: *Sacrificial Rhetoric in the Prophetic Literature*. Available from [Edwin Mellen Press](#). June 2012.
- . Pre-Publication Peer Review: *Parables and Fables as Distinctive Jewish Literary Genres: The Origins and Structure of Indirect Speech about God*. Available from [Edwin Mellen Press](#). January 2012.
- . Pre-Publication Peer Review: *Blood in Hebrews*. Available from [Edwin Mellen Press](#). January 2011.
- . Pre-Publication Peer Review: *Reading the Old Testament: An Introduction to the Hebrew Bible*. Available from Thompson Wadsworth Publishers, May 2002.

COMPREHENSIVE EXAMINATIONS (FSU)

- (1) Methods and Issues in Religious Studies
- (2) Methods and Issues in Religious Studies (Special Area: Biblical Studies)
- (3) Survey of Christian Tradition: Scripture and Interpretation

- (4) Survey of Christian Tradition (Special Area: The Bible and War)
- (5) Second Tradition: Judaism (ancient and modern, including Holocaust Studies)

DISSERTATION

Title: *Between History and Theology: The Problem of Herem in Modern Evangelical Biblical Scholarship.*

Examines the interpretation of *Herem* (the “ban,” the so-called “holy war”) by three prominent Old Testament scholars: Walter C. Kaiser, Jr., Peter C. Craigie, and Tremper Longman, III.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Society of Biblical Literature
 Catholic Biblical Association
 American Academy of Religion
 Institute for Biblical Research
 Biblical Archaeological Society
 Society for Pentecostal Studies
 Scholars Initiative, the Research Arm of the Museum of the Bible
 Ordination: International Pentecostal Holiness Church

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Oral Roberts University (2014–present)
- New Faculty Search Committee (2024; 2023)
 - Research Editor, *Journal of the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning for Christians in Higher Ed* (2017–present)
 - Prestigious Scholarship Committee (2021–present)
 - Faculty Life Committee (2022–2024)
 - Assists the University President and serves the faculty by functioning as a sounding board for the President on faculty concerns, advising the President in forming the monthly University Faculty meeting agenda, etc.
 - M.Div. Task Force on M.Div. (2022–2023)
 - Review a Lilly Foundation Grant to evaluate a survey of ministers regarding the value of the M.Div. to their work. The goal of the Task Force: to strengthen the M.Div.
 - Graduate School of Theology and Ministry Advisory Board (2021–2023)
 - Task Force on Artificial Intelligence (Chair; 2019–2022)
 - Task Force on Exceptional Teaching and Innovation (2019–2022)
 - Doctor of Ministry Committee (2018–present)
 - University Academic Counsel (2017–2019)
 - Fulbright Scholar Committee (2016–2019)
 - Writing Across the Curriculum Committee (2016–2018)
 - Department Committees: Curriculum Committee; Public Relations Committee (2014–17)
 - Theological Society Advisor, Undergraduate Theology Club (2017–2019)
 - CoTM Graduate Faculty Search Committee (2018–19)
 - Scholars Initiative (2015–2019)

Regent University, Virginia Beach, VA (2007–13)

- Dean candidate (finalist), School of Arts & Sciences (Spring 2011)
- University-wide Curriculum Review Committee (2009–12)
- Curriculum Committee (Chair 2009–12; Member (2008–12)
- Curriculum Development: develop two new bachelor’s degrees; full revision of a third degree (2008)
- Residential College Transition Committee: strategic planning and implementation (2008–09)
- Religion Department Faculty Search Committee (2008–09); additional Faculty Search Committees (2009–11)
- Valedictorian Selection Committee (Chair 2011–12)
- Mentor for New Adjunct Faculty (2008–13)
- University Student Recruitment trips (2008–09)
- Department of Religion & Philosophy “Faculty Chats”: Initiated and lead quarterly Departmental faculty research discussions (beginning Fall 2009–13)

Accreditation Reviews (onsite):

- [American Council on Education](#), Baltimore, MD (March 2018; January 2016; January 2013; October 2012)
- [Massachusetts Department of Higher Education](#), Boston (October 2012)
- American Council on Education, Indianapolis, IN (March 2012)
- American Council on Education, Columbus, OH (December 2010)

Accreditation Reviews (virtual):

- American Council on Education, virtual reviews via ACE's secure portal (January 2024; August 2022; November 2016; May 2015; March 2015; July 2013; June 2013; February 2013)

Grant Development

- Grant Writer, Leon High School Choral Department, Tallahassee, FL (Executive Board Member; parent volunteer)
\$350,000 State of Florida, Bureau of Historical Preservation: Historic Preservation Grant (2007–08)
\$50,000 State of Florida, Bureau of Historical Preservation: Historic Preservation Grant (2006–07)
- Center for Biblical Studies, Tallahassee, FL (2005–06)
Developed grant proposals to fund this community biblical studies resource

Banking Operations

- Woodland Bank, Tulsa, OK (1981–85): Teller manager; Drive-up windows manager; ATM machines manager; experience in all areas of banking operations
- Bank One, Madison, WI (1985–89): Teller

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

ORU Faculty Professional Development Day. Workshop Panel Discussions (offered twice): “Integrating Strategies for Virtual Learning.” (January 2024)

Society of Biblical Literature (Central States)
Chair Hebrew Bible/Old Testament (2019–2022)

Research Editor. “The Journal of the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning for Christians in Higher Education.” (2017–present)

Scholars Initiative

Semitic Consultant; ORU Co-Coordinator; Mentor for Graduate and Undergraduate Students

- Semitic Languages Lead and Faculty Mentor for Graduate and Undergraduate Students—training young scholars in the analysis and transcription of ancient biblical MSS ([SI Greek Psalter Project](#))
- *Logos in Oxford* (Summer June 2018, and 2017)
A summer workshop for undergraduate and graduate students working and faculty mentors with leading scholars in the fields of ancient biblical and extra-biblical textual studies, history, and culture.
- *Explorations* Archaeological Excavation in Israel ([Tel Shimron](#), June–July 2017)
Participated for the entire initial digging season at the largest unexcavated tel in Israel (Jezreel Valley) and completed an extensive Museum of the Bible field study/tour of ancient sites and archaeological excavations in Israel and Jordan.

Oral Roberts University Committees:

Graduate College of Theology and Ministry Advisory Board (2021–present)

MDIV Task Force (2022–present)

Prestigious Scholarship Committee (2021–present)

Research Editor, *Journal of the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning for Christians in Higher Ed* (2017–present)

Task Force on Artificial Intelligence (Chair; 2019–22)

Task Force on Exceptional Teaching and Innovation (2019–22)

Doctor of Ministry Committee (2018–22)

University Academic Counsel (2017–2019)

Fulbright Scholar Committee (2016–2019)

Writing Across the Curriculum Committee (2016–2018)

Department Committees: Curriculum Committee; Public Relations Committee (2014–17)

Theological Society Advisor, Undergraduate Theology Club (2017–2019)

CoTM Graduate Faculty Search Committee (2018–19)

Scholars Initiative (2015–2019)

Scholar Consultant:

“Ruth and Boaz Window” The Sherwin Miller Museum of Jewish Art, Consultant (2019)

Executive Committee of the IPHC: “Scholars of the Church” serving the Office of the Presiding Bishop (2012–present)

Superbook (2009–13), see “The New Superbook: Capturing the Heart of the Next Generation.” *Frontlines* (2019): 4–5.

Regent University Committees: Valedictorian Selection Committee (Chair 2011–12); Curriculum Committee (2008–2013; Chair 2009–11); CIRC (Curriculum in Review Committee [2009–11]); Residential College Committee (2008–09); Religion Department Faculty Search Committee (2008–09)

Faculty Advisor, Regent University (2007–12)
Started the College of Arts and Sciences Religion Club

Grant Writer, Leon High School Choral Department, Tallahassee, FL (Executive Board Member; parent volunteer)
\$350,000 State of Florida, Bureau of Historical Preservation: Historic Preservation Grant (2007–08)
\$50,000 State of Florida, Bureau of Historical Preservation: Historic Preservation Grant (2006–07)

Faculty Student Club Advisor, Florida State University (2006–07)
Global Humanitarian Volunteers; Ekklesia

Faculty Student Club Advisor, Florida A&M University (2003–05)
Started the FAMU Undergraduate Religion Club

President, FSU Graduate Students in Religion, (1998–2001)
Founding President, club sponsors the “FSU Symposium” with participants from around the nation

COMMUNITY SERVICE (TEACHING; CONSULTING—NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL)

ORU Faculty Music Recital

Back & Bible (Master of Ceremony; March 19, 2024)
Dr. Hayoung Lim, et al. All-Bach Recital in Timko Barton Auditorium

Ministry in the Modern Era

CoTM Panel Discussion (April 12, 2023)
Panel Discussion with individual presentations and Q&A

Consultant

The Sherwin Miller Museum of Jewish Art (2019)
Historical Accuracy Consultant for the Installation of the “Ruth and Boaz” stained glass window.

Guest Professor

Oklahoma Christian University, Edmond, OK (February 23, 2107)
Biblical Lecture Series: “Windows into Jewish Culture”
• Topic: “The Psalms: The Prayerbook of Ancient Israel”

Professor/Instructor

St. John’s Episcopal Church, Tulsa (2017–present)
• Guest Lecturer
Ongoing Adult Formation Classes: The Old Testament: The Bible Jesus Read (2022–present)
Additional classes: Short Topics: The Book of Psalms; The Book of Ruth
• Special Lecture Series:
“Johann Sebastian Bach: Theology, Music, and Symbolism in three Cantatas,” April 24, 2022
“Wittenberg 500: Remembering the Protestant Reformation Series” (October 2017)
Assistant Lecture Series facilitator; Lecture: “Scripture in the Vernacular: The History of the English Bible”

Guest Speaker/Instructor

St. John’s Episcopal Church, Tulsa (2017–present)
• Guest Lecturer
Ongoing Adult Formation Classes: The Old Testament: The Bible Jesus Read (2022–present)
Short Topics: The Book of Psalms; The Book of Ruth
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Assistant Lecture Series facilitator; Lecture: “Scripture in the Vernacular: The History of the English Bible”

Myanmar Christian Church

- Guest Homilist: Sunday Morning (Feb 2022)
Topic: "The Hallmark of the Earliest Church: Acts 3:1–10"

Clinton West Elementary School, Tulsa (February 2018)

- Guest Assembly Speaker: 1st and 2nd Grades (125 students)
- Topic: Digging Ancient Dirt: Learning About Archaeology

Clinton West Elementary School, Tulsa (November 2017)

- Guest speaker in Christy L. Pinney's 1st Grade Class
- Topic: Ancient Languages: Biblical Hebrew

Galilee Episcopal Church, Virginia Beach, VA (2010–15)

- Guest Homilist
- Lenten Adult Studies Series Speaker
- Adult Christian Education Teacher (90+ participants)

Guest Teacher/Keynote Speaker

Life Christian Foundation, Vanderbijlpark, South Africa (October 2015)

Topic: Old Testament Introduction (week-long intensive study for church planters from Namibia and Zimbabwe) with Global Equip.

Guatemalan Pastors' Conference, Retalhuleu, Guatemala (March 2011)

- Topic: Old Testament Wisdom Literature

Guest Lecturer

Gulf-Atlantic Diocese of the Anglican Church, Thomasville, GA (January 2011)

- Continuing Clergy Education: Study of Old Testament Prophets
Community Coastal Church, Virginia Beach, VA (March 2009)
- "Judaism Through the Ages"

Special Guest Lecturer

International Pentecostal Holiness Church, India (November 2006 and January 2007)

- Multiple speaking engagements in venues around the country (New Delhi, Hyderabad, Visakhapatnam, etc.) celebrating IPHC's 85 years of ministry in India during two different trips to the sub-continent.

Instructor

Galilee Episcopal Church, Virginia Beach, VA (2010–present)

- Course: Introduction to the Old Testament
St. Peter's Anglican Church, Tallahassee, FL (2006–07)
- Courses: Reading the Old Testament Today; Old Testament Prophets
St. John's Episcopal Church, Tallahassee, FL (2001–2005)
- Courses: Old Testament Ethics: Ancient Words for a Modern World; Isaiah: Prophet of the Ages; The Psalter: Yesterday and Today; Introduction to the Old Testament

Scholar in Residence

Faith Presbyterian Church, Tallahassee, FL (1999)

- Course: The Psalms: Worship in the Vernacular of Everyday Life

Guest Teacher/Keynote Speaker

Guest speaker/teacher at the opening ceremonies of a new church in Tchaikovsky, Russia. (October 1995)

Pastor/Teacher

Christian Heritage Church, Tallahassee, FL (1992–96)

- Traditional pastoral ministry. Designed and taught multiple courses to meet the needs of a growing congregation.