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2020

Assistant Professor of Old Testament
Reformed Theological Seminary
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COURSES TAUGHT

OT5100 Hebrew I (3hrs)	OT5250 Joshua through Esther (2hrs)
OT5100 Hebrew II (3hrs)	OT5350 Isaiah through Malachi (3hrs)
OT6100 Advanced Hebrew Readings (1hr)	ON6106 Septuagint and Scripture (2hrs)
NT5100 Greek I (3hrs)	OT7000 Classical Syriac (2hrs)
NT5125 Greek II (3hrs)	

OTHER TEACHING ROLES

Adjunct Professor, Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary – Charlotte
OT860 Research in Old Testament (2hrs, Spring 2020)

EDUCATION

2014 – 2018	Ph.D. Cambridge Trust Scholar University of Cambridge (Fitzwilliam College) Faculty of Divinity
2014	M.Div., General Studies Westminster Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, PA
2009	B.S., International Business School of Humanities Grove City College, Grove City, PA

Doctoral Dissertation

Title: “Septuagint Lexicography and Language Change in Greek Judges”
Passed November 2018: <https://doi.org/10.17863/CAM.37647>

Supervisor: Dr. James Aitken
Dr. Peter J. Williams (Temporary)

ORDINATION

Teaching Elder (Ordained June 2019), PCA, Central Carolina Presbytery

PUBLICATIONS

Monographs

In Preparation *Septuagint Lexicography and Language Change in Greek Judges*. SBLSCS. Atlanta, SBL Press (anticipated 2021).

Edited and Co-Authored Books:

In Preparation with Gregory R. Lanier. *What is the Septuagint and Why Does it Matter? Understanding the Greek Old Testament*. Crossway (anticipated 2021).

Forthcoming with W. Edward Glenny. *T&T Clark Handbook of Septuagint Research*. London: Bloomsbury T&T Clark (anticipated 2021).

2019 with Gregory R. Lanier. *A Book-by-Book Guide to Septuagint Vocabulary*. Peabody: Hendrickson.

2018 with Gregory R. Lanier, eds. *Septuaginta: A Reader's Edition*. 2 vols.; Peabody: Hendrickson, 2018.

2014 with G. K. Beale and Daniel J. Brendsel. *An Interpretive Lexicon of New Testament Greek: Analysis of Prepositions, Adverbs, Particles, Relative Pronouns, and Conjunctions*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan.

Refereed Journal Articles

2019 “Questioning the ‘Opposition’ and *Interpretatio Christiana* in Marcus Aurelius (*Med.* 11.3).” *Ephemerides Theologicae Lovanienses* 95 (2019): 667–687.

2019 “David’s Spiritual Walls and Conceptual Blending in Psalm 51.” *Journal for the Study of the Old Testament* 43.4 (2019): 607–626.

2019 “Septuagint Lexicography and Language Change in Greek Judges,” in *Tyndale Bulletin* 70.1 (2019): 156–60.

2017 “Style and Familiarity in Judg 19,7 (Old Greek): Establishing Dependence in the Septuagint.” *Biblica* 98.1 (2017): 25-36.

2016 “Ὡ ἀνόητοι καὶ βραδεῖς τῇ καρδίᾳ: Luke, Aesop, and Reading Scripture.” *Novum Testamentum* 58.4 (2016): 369-79.

2015 “Text-Critical Question Begging in Nahum 1,2-8: Re-evaluating the Evidence and Arguments.” *Zeitschrift für die Alttestamentliche Wissenschaft* 127.3 (October 2015): 459-74.

Edited Volume Contributions

Forthcoming “Modern Language Translations of the Septuagint.” In *T&T Clark Handbook of Septuagint Research*. Edited by William A. Ross and W. Edward Glenny. London: Bloomsbury T&T Clark, (anticipated 2020).

- Forthcoming “Some Aspects of Παιδάριον and Νεανίσκος in Ptolemaic Egypt.” Pages 189–205 in *The Legacy of Soisalon-Soininen: Towards a Syntax of Septuagint Greek*. Edited by Tuukka Kauhanen and Hanna Vanonen; DSI 13; Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 2020.
- 2020 “Reading the Septuagint Alongside the Hebrew Bible.” Pages 162–164 in *Hebrew for Life: Strategies for Learning, Retaining, and Reviving Biblical Hebrew*. Edited by Adam Howell; Grand Rapids: Baker Academic.

Conference Proceedings

- 2020 “The ‘Scissors and Paste’ Septuagint Concordance in the Bodleian Library (Auct. E 1.2,3).” Pages 882–98 in *7. Internationale Fachtagung von Septuaginta-Deutsch (July 2018)*. Edited by Martin Meiser et al. WUNT 444; Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck.
- 2018 “The Septuagint as Catalyst for Language Change in the Koine: A Usage-Based Approach.” Pages 383–97 in *Die Septuaginta — Geschichte. Wirkung. Relevanz: 6. Internationale Fachtagung von Septuaginta-Deutsch (LXX.D), Wuppertal 21.-24. Juli 2016*. Edited by Martin Meiser, Michaela Geiger, Siegfried Kreuzer, and Marcs Sigismund. WUNT 405; Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck.
- 2016 “Lexical Possibilities in Septuagint Research: Revision and Expansion.” Pages 341–59 in *XV Congress of the International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies: Munich, 2013*. Edited by Wolfgang Kraus, Martin Meiser, and Michaël van der Meer. SBLSCS 64. Atlanta: SBL Press.

Dictionary and Encyclopaedia Entries

- Forthcoming “Lexicons of New Testament and Septuagint Greek, History of,” in *Encyclopedia of Biblical Greek Language and Linguistics*. Edited by Dana Harris, Christopher Land, Jonathan Watt, and Stanley Porter. Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, forthcoming.
- Forthcoming “Septuagint as a Translation,” in *Encyclopedia of Biblical Greek Language and Linguistics*. Edited by Dana Harris, Christopher Land, Jonathan Watt, and Stanley Porter. Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, forthcoming.
- Forthcoming “Muraoka, Takamitsu,” in *Encyclopedia of Biblical Greek Language and Linguistics*. Edited by Dana Harris, Christopher Land, Jonathan Watt, and Stanley Porter. Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, forthcoming.
- Forthcoming Entries “Body Parts” – “Bronze” (Hebrew). In *Expository Dictionary of Old Testament and New Testament Words*. Tremper Longman III and Mark Strauss, eds.; Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, forthcoming.

Recent Book Reviews

- Forthcoming Dirk van Miert, *The Emancipation of Biblical Philology in the Dutch Republic, 1590–1670*. Oxford, 2018. *Catholic Biblical Quarterly*.
- Forthcoming Michael P. Theophilos, *Numismatics and Greek Lexicography*. Bloomsbury T&T Clark, 2019. *Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society*.
- Forthcoming John A. Cook and Robert D. Holmstedt, *Intermediate Biblical Hebrew: An Illustrated Grammar*. Baker Academic, 2020. *Themelios*.
- Forthcoming Benjamin J. Noonan, *Advances in the Study of Hebrew*. Baker Academic, 2020. *Reformed Faith & Practice*.
- Forthcoming Ken M. Penner and Rick Brannan, et al., *The Lexham English Septuagint*. Lexham Press, 2019. *Reformed Faith & Practice*.
- 2019 John A. L. Lee, *The Greek of the Pentateuch*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2018. *Themelios* 44.3 (2019): 565–567.
- 2019 Peláez, Jesús and Juan Mateos. *New Testament Lexicography: Introduction – Theory – Method*. Trans. Andrew Bowden; ed. David S. du Toit; Berlin : De Gruyter 2018. *Review of Biblical Literature* 08/2019.
- 2019 Tzvi Novick, *An Introduction to the Scriptures of Israel: History and Theology*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2018. *Bulletin for Biblical Research* 29.1 (2019): 65–67.
- 2019 David deSilva, *Introducing the Apocrypha: Message, Context, and Significance*. 2nd ed.; Baker Academic, 2018. *Bulletin for Biblical Research* 29.1 (2019): 96–98.
- 2018 Tom Thatcher et al., eds., *The Dictionary of the Bible and Ancient Media*. Bloomsbury 2017. *Bulletin for Biblical Research* 28.4 (2018): 640–642.
- 2018 Tom Thatcher et al., eds., *The Dictionary of the Bible and Ancient Media*. Bloomsbury 2017. *Bulletin for Biblical Research* 28.4 (2018): 640–642.
- 2018 John Jarick, ed., *SOTS at 100: Centennial Essays of the Society for Old Testament Study*. T&T Clark, 2017. *Bulletin for Biblical Research* 28.2 (2018): 308–10.
- 2018 Franco Montanari, *The Brill Dictionary of Ancient Greek*. Brill, 2015. *Westminster Theological Journal* 80.1 (2018): 187–89.
- 2017 David Firth, *1 & 2 Samuel: An Introduction and Study Guide. A Kingdom Comes*. T&T Clark, 2017. *Bulletin for Biblical Research* 27.4 (2017): 550–52.
- 2016 John Barton, *Ethics in Ancient Israel*. Oxford University Press, 2014. *Themelios* 41.3 (2016): 490–91.
- 2016 Eberhard Bons and Jan Joosten, eds. *The Reception of Septuagint Words in Jewish-Hellenistic and Christian Literature*. Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2014. *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 78.3 (July 2016): 565–67.
- Older See <https://williamaross.com/bookreviews/>

Manuscripts in Peer Review

“Some Problems with Talking about ‘Septuagint Greek’,” submitted to the *Journal for the Study of Judaism*.

Book Proposals in Peer Review

Ross, William A. and Steven E Runge, eds. *Greek Prepositions as Metaphorical Representation: A Practical Introduction for Exegetes, Theologians, and Lexicographers* (provisional title). Submitted to DeGruyter.

Manuscripts in Preparation

“δεξιός.” In *Historical and Theological Lexicon of the Septuagint*. Edited by Eberhard Bons. Volume II. Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck.

“Dictionaries and Religious Interpretation.” In *The Cambridge Handbook of the Dictionary*. Edited by Michael Adams and Edward Finegan. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Personal Website

Septuaginta &c. (www.williamaross.com)

Other Web-Based Publications

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| 2018 | Reading the Old Testament (in Greek), <i>Credo Magazine Blog</i> |
| 2017 | Your Pain is Preaching a Gospel, <i>The Gospel Coalition</i> |
| 2016 | LXX-Psalm 50:1-6 Video Series (6 parts), <i>Daily Dose of Greek</i> |
| 2016 | Four Ways to be a Paralytic with Jesus, <i>The Gospel Coalition</i> |
| 2016 | Introduction to Septuagint Lexicography, <i>Daily Dose of Greek</i> |
| 2015 | Self-Control and Your Inward City Wall, <i>The Gospel Coalition</i> |
| 2015 | In Peace or Crisis, Instruct Your Children in the Lord, <i>The Gospel Coalition</i> |
| 2015 | 5 Reasons to be Silent, <i>The Gospel Coalition</i> |
| 2015 | Should We Pray the Imprecatory Psalms? <i>The Gospel Coalition</i> |
| 2015 | Dear Rules, I Love You, <i>The Gospel Coalition</i> |
| 2014 | Eat the Law and Live, <i>The Gospel Coalition</i> |

GRANTS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

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| 2020 | Reformed Theological Seminary Provost Fund |
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| 2018 – 2019 | Weersing Scholarship Fund
Westminster Theological Seminary |
| 2017 | Cambridge Trust Travel Grant |

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2017–2018	Hirst-Player Studentship Fitzwilliam College, University of Cambridge
2017–2018	Gibson Studentship for New Testament Studies Fitzwilliam College, University of Cambridge
2017–2018	College Senior Scholarship Fitzwilliam College, University of Cambridge
2017 – 2018	Hirst-Player Scholarship Fitzwilliam College, University of Cambridge
2017 – 2018	Edwin L. Jones Graduate Fellowship Westminster Theological Seminary
2017	Alasdair Charles Macpherson Fund Faculty of Divinity, University of Cambridge
2016 – 2017	Campbell Fund Fitzwilliam College, University of Cambridge
2016 – 2017	College Senior Scholarship Fitzwilliam College, University of Cambridge
2016 – 2017	Hirst-Player Scholarship Fitzwilliam College, University of Cambridge
2016 – 2017	Weersing Scholarship Fund Westminster Theological Seminary
2015 – 2016	Alasdair Charles Macpherson Fund Faculty of Divinity, University of Cambridge
2015 – 2016	Hirst-Player Studentship Fitzwilliam College, University of Cambridge
2015 – 2016	College Senior Scholarship Fitzwilliam College, University of Cambridge
2015 – 2016	Weersing Scholarship Fund Westminster Theological Seminary
2014 – 2018	Cambridge Trust Scholar University of Cambridge
2014 – 2015	Shipley Scholarship Fitzwilliam College, University of Cambridge
2014 – 2015	Edwin L. Jones Graduate Fellowship Westminster Theological Seminary
2014	Alasdair Charles Macpherson Fund Faculty of Divinity, University of Cambridge
2014	Fitzwilliam Society Trust Research Fund Fitzwilliam College, University of Cambridge
2014	Thomas E. Welmers Award in Biblical Languages and Exegesis Westminster Theological Seminary
2013 – 2014	Edwin L. Jones Graduate Fellowship Westminster Theological Seminary

- 2013 – 2014 Weersing Scholarship Fund
Westminster Theological Seminary
- 2013 Thomas E. Welmers Award in Biblical Languages and Exegesis
Westminster Theological Seminary

LECTURES, SEMINARS, AND INTERVIEWS

- 2020 Interview: “Understanding the Septuagint,” 2 episodes on *Digging for Truth* with Henry B. Smith and Micah Huber (WBPH Studios).
- 2019 Talk: “Follow the White Rabbit: Scholarly Vocation (and the Evidence)”
Student Research Colloquium, Grove City College, Grove City, PA
9 December
- 2019 Interview: *Septuaginta: A Reader’s Edition*
New Books Network with Crawford Gribben
- 2018 Lecture: “Understanding and Translating the Septuagint”
Guest Lecturer for Dr. Nijay Gupta
Portland Seminary, George Fox University
1 March – Live Stream
- 2018 Interview: “Reading the Septuagint”
Tool Talk Episode 25
21 November 2018 – www.ExegeticalTools.com
- 2017 Lecture: “Vocabulary, Egyptian Documentary Evidence and the Social Context(s) of Greek Judges”
Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Cientificas (CSIC)
5 April – Madrid, Spain
- 2017 Seminar: Greek Study Day
London Seminary, The John Own Centre for Theological Study
31 January – London, United Kingdom

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY AND SOCIETY PARTICIPATION

Organizational Activity

- 2019 – Biblical Lexicography – Steering Committee Member
SBL Annual Conference Program Unit
- 2019 – Linguistics and the Biblical Text – Co-Chair (with Elizabeth Robar)
IBR Annual Conference Research Group
- 2019 – 2025 Septuagint Studies – Co-Chair (with John Meade)
ETS Annual Conference Section

- 2016 – 2018 Septuagint Studies – Chair
ETS Annual Conference Consultation
- 2017 Tyndale House Workshop in Greek Prepositions: Cognitive Linguistics
Approaches to Lexicography & Theology – 30 June-1 July
Co-organizer with Steven E. Runge (Logos Bible Software)
Tyndale House | Faculty of Divinity, University of Cambridge
- 2015 Septuagint Studies – Steering Committee Member
ETS National Conference Session (Atlanta)

Editorial Service

- 2019 – 2021 *Bulletin for Biblical Research* – Peer reviewer for Old Testament articles
- 2020 *The Journal of Hebrew Scriptures* – Peer reviewer
- 2019 *Journal for Biblical Literature* – Peer reviewer

Papers Presented

- Upcoming “Dating Formulae in the Greek Prophetical Corpus”
8. Internationale Fachtagung von Septuaginta-Deutsch (Wuppertal 2021)
- Upcoming SBL National Conference (Boston)
“Too Practical? Early Modern Septuagint Lexicography and Its Effects”
- 2018 ETS National Conference (Denver)
“How We Produced *Septuaginta: A Reader’s Edition* ... and What We
Learned,” co-presented with Gregory R. Lanier
- 2018 SBL National Conference (Denver)
“*Skeuos* of the *Septuaginta*: Statistical and Semantic Reflections from the
Making of a *Reader’s Edition*” co-presented with Gregory R. Lanier
- 2018 7. Internationale Fachtagung von Septuaginta-Deutsch (Wuppertal)
“Legacies and Flops among Early Modern Septuagint Concordances”
- 2018 Cambridge Seminar on the Septuagint (Cambridge)
“Questioning Interlanguage: Lexical Choice and Comprehensibility in the
Septuagint”
- 2017 SBL National Conference (Boston)
“Vision and Provision: Motivating the Unusual Case of ראה in Gen. 22”
- 2017 SBL National Conference (Boston)
“A (Brief) History of Septuagint Lexicography”
- 2017 SBL National Conference (Boston)
Workshop Panelist: “Cognitive Linguistic Perspectives on Koiné Greek
Prepositions”

- 2017 Soisalon-Soininen Symposium on the Septuagint (Helsinki)
“The Semantics of ‘Youth’ Vocabulary in the Septuagint”
- 2017 Tyndale House Workshop in Greek Prepositions (Cambridge)
“The Ins and Outs of Faith: Conceptualizations of ΠΙΣΤΙΣ in Prepositional Constructions”
- 2016 SBL National Conference (San Antonio)
“The Lexical Value of the Septuagint for the Koine: The Use of ΠΑΡΑΤΑΞΙΣ in Marcus Aurelius”
- 2016 SBL National Conference (San Antonio)
“‘Build Up the Walls of Jerusalem’: The Conceptual Unity of Psalm 51 through a Cognitive Linguistic Lens”
- 2016 6. Internationale Fachtagung von Septuaginta-Deutsch (Wuppertal)
“The Septuagint as Catalyst for Language Change in the Koine: A Usage-Based Approach”
- 2015 ETS National Conference (Atlanta)
“Modern Language Translations of the Septuagint: A Methodological Comparison”
- 2015 SBL National Conference (Atlanta)
“Vocabulary and Revision: Lexical Features of Greek Judges”
- 2015 SBL National Conference (Atlanta)
“Hostiles & Hospitality: The Reception of LXX-Gen. 19:4-11 in OG Judges 19:22-25”
- 2015 Oxbridge Biblical Studies Conference (Cambridge)
“Language & Style in LXX-Judges: Hapax Legomena”
- 2014 SBL National Conference (San Diego)
“The Divergent Battle Language in LXX-Judges: *Polemeō* and *Paratassō*”
- 2014 ETS National Conference (San Diego)
“There is No Spoon: Text-Critical Question Begging in the ‘Acrostic’ of Nahum 1”
- 2013 International Congress of the International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies (IOSCS) (Munich)
“Lexical Possibilities in Septuagint Research: Revision and Expansion”

PROJECT COLLABORATION

Edición y estudio de textos bíblicos y parabíblicos 2018 – 2020
Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas (Madrid, Spain)
Research project member

Semantics of Ancient Hebrew Database January – June 2017
Editorial Assistant to Graham Davies (Director of Cambridge Centre of the Semantics of Ancient Hebrew Database Project)

OTHER INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE

Reformed Theological Seminary
Faculty Secretary 2019 –
Professor of Record (RTS Global) 2019 –

University of Northwestern, St. Paul
Member of Committee for Selection of J. Edwin Hartill
Endowed Professorship (Biblical & Theological Studies Department) 2020

University of Cambridge 2014 – 2017
Greek Collections Marker

Westminster Theological Seminary
Teaching Assistant
Greek III 2011 – 2014
Acts & the Pauline Epistles 2012 – 2014
NT Introduction 2013 – 2014
Hebrew III 2014
OT History & Theology II 2014

Westminster Theological Seminary
Administrative Assistant to the Provost 2013 – 2014

EXTRA TRAINING

2016 Trinity Western University (ACTS), Vancouver, BC
The John William Wevers Institute for Septuagint Studies

2013 Trinity Western University (ACTS), Vancouver, BC
The John William Wevers Institute for Septuagint Studies

2007 Universidad Menéndez Pelayo, Sevilla, Spain
Estudios Internacionales

LANGUAGES

Ancient

Biblical Hebrew & Aramaic (reading knowledge)
Classical & Koine Greek (reading knowledge)
Classical Syriac (reading knowledge)
Latin (intermediate)

Modern

Hebrew (beginner)
Spanish (conversational)
French (reading knowledge)
German (research proficiency)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

2014 – Institute for Biblical Research
2013 – Evangelical Theological Society
2012 – International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies
2012 – Society of Biblical Literature

References available upon request