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EDUCATION

- 2025 Ph.D. Classics (Historical Emphasis). University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Dissertation: *On the Dissolution of Things: Epicurean Language in Lucan's Bellum Civile*. Advisor: James J. O'Hara
- 2021 M.A. Classics (Historical Emphasis). University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Thesis: "Remember You Are Mortal: A Historical Reading of Pindar's *Olympian* 1." Advisor: Patricia Rosenmeyer
- 2019 M.A. Comparative Studies. Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah
Thesis: "The Creation of a Christian Identity in a Christianized Empire: Eulalia, Agnes, and Gender-Bending in Prudentius' *Peristephanon Liber* III and XIV." Advisor: Michael Pope
- 2017 B.A. History, Minor Classical Studies. Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah

EMPLOYMENT

- 2025-present Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Classics, University of Cincinnati
- 2024-2025 Berthe M. Marti Pre-Doctoral Fellow, Bryn Mawr College and UNC Chapel Hill
- 2019-2024 Graduate Teaching Fellow, UNC Chapel Hill
- 2017-2019 Graduate Teaching Fellow, Brigham Young University

TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS

Imperial Latin Poetry (Seneca, Lucan, Juvenal)
Lucretius and Epicureanism
Imperial Greek Literature (Ancient Greek Novel)
Later Antiquity (Prudentius, Passion Narratives, Centos)
Epic Poetry, Ethnography, Race, Ancient Athletics, Greek/Roman History and Civilization

PUBLICATIONS

- Forthcoming "Nomoi and Cannibalism in Herodotus' *Histories*" – Accepted at *Histos*.
Dec. 2025
- 2023 "The Gembloux Manuscript of Cicero's *Pro Archia*," with Robert G. Babcock,

- Paul Blaser, et al., *Codices manuscripti & impressi* 146: 1–13.
- 2018 “Natalia and Gender-Bending in *Passio Sanctorum Adriani et Nataliae*.” [*Philomathes* 2.1](#): 78–95.
- 2016 “What I Learned from Visiting a Historical Site: An Undergraduate’s Experience at Gettysburg.” [*AHA Today*](#).

PUBLICATIONS IN PROGRESS

- “*Nominum Umbrae*: Lucan’s Multivalent Names.” – Accepted for an upcoming volume on Lucan as an unreliable narrator, edited by Liam Preston and James Oakley, Routledge.
- “*pro volnere corpus*: Atomic Dissolution in Lucan’s Snake Episode.” – To be submitted to *Classical Philology*.
- “Racial Triangulation in Justin Martyr’s *Dialogue with Trypho*,” with Young Richard Kim – Accepted for the upcoming volume *Taking Stock: Stereotypes from Asian America to the Ancient Mediterranean*, edited by Katherine Lu Hsu and Tori Lee, University of Michigan Press.

INVITED TALKS

- 2025 “Vergil and the Cento: Hosidius Geta’s *Medea*.” Hollins University.

PRESENTATIONS

- 2025 “Rethinking *Ekpyrosis*: Lucan’s Epicurean Cosmos.” New Approaches to Lucan’s *Bellum Civile*. University of California, Davis.
- “Generative AI and Elementary Greek and/or Latin Language Instruction,” with A. C. Duncan. Classics and Generative AI Hybrid Workshop. UNC Chapel Hill.
- “*pro volnere corpus*: Atomic Dissolution in Lucan’s Snake Episode.” SCS, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2024 “*Nominum Umbrae*: Lucan’s Confusingly Multivalent Names.” Lucan’s Landscapes and Lies. University of Durham, UK.
- “Frowned Upon in Most Societies? Cannibalism in Herodotus’ *Histories*.” SCS, Chicago, IL.
- 2023 “Bloody Love: *Sanguinolenta* in Ovid’s Elegiac Poetry.” CAMWS, Provo, UT.
- 2022 “Tantalized by Natural Phenomena: Tantalus and Intratextual Allusions in Lucretius’ *DRN* 6.” CAMWS, Winston-Salem, NC.
- “Hieron Tantalized: Tantalus’ Rock in *Olympian* 1.” SCS, San Francisco, CA.
- 2021 “Master of the Hearth: Aegisthus’ Entrance in Aeschylus’ *Agamemnon*.” SCS, Chicago, IL.
- 2020 “Achilles Tatius’ *Leucippe and Clitophon* in *Passio Sanctorum Galactionis et*

- Epistemes*.” CAMWS, Birmingham, AL.
- “Transforming Pederasty: God and Jesus as Nisus and Euryalus in Proba’s *Cento Vergilianus*.” UNC-Duke Symposium, Durham, NC.
- 2019 “The Creation of a Christian Identity in a Christianized Empire: Eulalia, Agnes, and Gender-Bending in Prudentius’ *Peristephanon Liber* III and XIV.” CAMWS, Lincoln, NE.
- 2018 “Gender-Bending and the Creation of a Superior Masculine Identity in Prudentius’ *Peristephanon Liber*.” University of Wisconsin-Madison Graduate Colloquium, Madison, WI.
- “Eulogius and the Influences of Early Martyr Texts in his *Memoriale Sanctorum*, 850-859 CE.” CAMWS Southern Section, Winston-Salem, NC.
- “Familial Relationships in Early Christian Martyrdom Texts.” CAMWS, Albuquerque, NM.
- “Emasculating the Antagonists of Early Christian Martyr Texts.” Confutati Graduate Conference, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT.
- 2017 “Volition, Detachment, and Transformation: Gender-Bending in *Passio Sanctorum Adriani et Nataliae*.” Utah Classical Association Symposium, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT.
- “From Citizenship to Independence: The Transformation of Italian Intentions in the Period of the Social War, 91-88 BCE.” Humanities Symposium, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT.

AWARDS

- Erich S. Gruen Prize for “Nomoi and Cannibalism in Herodotus’ *Histories*.” Society for Classical Studies. 2024.
- Berthe M. Marti Fellowship. Bryn Mawr College and UNC Chapel Hill. 2024-2025.
- Graduate Tuition Incentive Scholarship. UNC Chapel Hill. 2024-2025.
- Department Travel Award. UNC Chapel Hill. 2025, 2024, 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020.
- Partners in Progress Summer Research Fellowship. UNC Chapel Hill. 2024.
- Summer Funding Award. UNC Chapel Hill. 2024.
- Cecil W. Wooten Award for Graduate Student Excellence in Teaching. UNC Chapel Hill. 2023-2024.
- ARPA Graduate Degree Completion Grant. UNC Chapel Hill. 2021.
- Summer Research Award. UNC Chapel Hill. 2020.
- Second place nationally in advanced level of the College Greek Exam. 2017.
- Best paper of panel. BYU Provo Humanities Symposium. 2017.
- Dean’s List. BYU Provo. 2017, 2016, 2015.

Alvina S. Barrett Scholarship. BYU Provo. 2017, 2016.

Mary Lou Fulton Scholarship. BYU Provo. 2016.

History Internship Grant. BYU Provo. 2016.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Visiting Assistant Professor, University of Cincinnati

CLAS 1012/HIST 1012: Roman History. Supervising three Teaching Assistants.

GRK 4004: Advanced Epic. Homer's *Odyssey*

LATN 1001: Intensive Introduction to Latin I, using Shelmerdine

LATN 4003: Epistolography

Teaching Fellow, UNC Chapel Hill

CLAS 121: The Greeks. Lecture course of 20 students

CLAS 131: Classical Mythology. Co-taught lecture course of 170 students. Supervised two Teaching Assistants.

CLAS 263: Athletics in the Greek and Roman World. Lecture course of 20 students.

GREK 102: Elementary Greek, using *Athenaze*

LATN 101: Elementary Latin I, using Wheelock

LATN 102: Elementary Latin II, using Wheelock

LATN 203: Intermediate Latin I. Nepos' *Hannibal* and Letters of Pliny the Younger

LATN 203: Intermediate Latin I. Sallust's *Bellum Catilinae* (x2)

LATN 204: Intermediate Latin II. Livy's *Ab Urbe Condita*

Teaching Fellow, BYU Provo

CL CV 110: Introduction to Greek & Roman Literature

CL CV 241: Greek & Roman Mythology (x2)

LATN 123: Premedical Latin & Greek (x2)

Teaching Assistant, UNC Chapel Hill

CLAS 131: Classical Mythology (x2)

LATN 222: Intermediate Latin. Cicero's *Pro Archia*

Teaching Assistant, BYU Provo

CL CV 201: Classical Tradition 1 (x2)

CL CV 241: Greek & Roman Mythology

CL CV 245: Golden Age of Greece

CL CV 246: Golden Age of Rome

RESEARCH APPOINTMENTS AND ASSISTANTSHIPS

Summer Course Creator. UNC Chapel Hill. Selected by UNC Classics department to create sample syllabi and Canvas sites for future graduate student instructors. 2024.

Graduate Research Consultant (LATN 222: Cicero). Professor Robert Babcock. UNC Chapel Hill. Duties: assisted students in writing a group paper on the Gembloux manuscript of Cicero's *Pro Archia*, which was published in *Codices manuscript & impressi* 146 (2023). 2022.

Research Assistantship. Professor Robert Babcock. UNC Chapel Hill. Duties: assisted with research on Augustine manuscripts in Gembloux monastery; scoured through 1577 Louvain edition of Augustine's ten-volume *Opera Omnia* to find mentions and evidence of Gembloux manuscripts. 2021.

Research Assistantship. Professor Stephen Bay. BYU Provo. Duties: assisted with research on *Passio Sanctorum Adriani et Nataliae*; transcribed multiple Greek and Latin manuscripts of numerous textual traditions; assisted in making a commentary of the martyr text as well as a coherent translation. 2018.

Editor for *The Thetean*. BYU Provo. Duties: worked with an editorial board to approve and reject submissions for BYU's undergraduate history journal; edited and revised papers while working with authors to create publishable content. 2017.

American Historical Association: Publications Intern. Washington, D.C. Duties: helped the publications department publish monthly magazine—*Perspectives on History*—and *AHA Today*, their daily blog; wrote transcripts of interviews, worked with the editorial board in accepting/rejecting submissions, and edited articles; wrote a post for *AHA Today*; assisted at their annual meeting in Denver. 2016.

Research Assistantship. Professor Stephen Bay. BYU Provo Duties: helped analyze and date Greek papyri. 2015.

SERVICE

Latin Pedagogy Coordinator. University of Cincinnati. 2025-present.

Financial Officer. Asian and Asian-American Classical Caucus. 2025-present.

Undergraduate and Graduate Student Mentor. Asian and Asian-American Classical Caucus. 2023-present.

Senior Program Assistant. UNC Chapel Hill. Duties: chosen by faculty to serve on Visiting Speakers Committee, create and administer placement exams, and lead orientation and other graduate student meetings. 2023-24.

Co-organizer of UNC-Duke Symposium. UNC Chapel Hill. 2022-23.

Junior Program Assistant. UNC Chapel Hill. Duties: chosen by faculty to organize Department Tea Talks and other department events. 2020-21.

Sterling Scholar Award: Latin Judge. West Jordan, Utah. 2018.

Eta Sigma Phi Language Tutor. BYU Provo. 2016.

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

Classical and New Testament Greek

Classical and Medieval Latin

German: Reading Proficiency

Italian: Reading Proficiency

AFFILIATIONS

Asian and Asian American Classical Caucus (AAACC)

Association of Ancient Historians (AAH)

Classical Association of the Middle West and South (CAMWS)

Society for Classical Studies (SCS)

Women's Classical Caucus (WCC)

REFERENCES

James O'Hara. George L. Paddison Professor of Latin Emeritus. UNC Chapel Hill.

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Daniel Markovich. Chair and Department Head. University of Cincinnati.

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Patricia Rosenmeyer. George L. Paddison Distinguished Professor of Classics; Seymour and Carol Levin Distinguished Term Professor; Director, Carolina Center for Jewish Studies. UNC Chapel Hill. patanne@email.unc.edu.

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