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**EDUCATION**

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- 2021 Th.D., Harvard Divinity School  
Dissertation: “The Rhetoric of Dress and Adornment and the Construction of Identity in Early Christianity”  
*Advisor: Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza; Committee: Laura Salah Nasrallah, Karen King*
- 2012-2014 MTS, Harvard Divinity School  
New Testament and Early Christianity
- 2008-2012 B.A., Ball State University, summa cum laude  
Religious Studies and English Literature

**AWARDS AND GRANTS**

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- 2020-2021 Certificate of Distinction in Teaching. Bok Center. Harvard University.
- 2018-2019 Harvard Divinity School Dean’s Dissertation Fellowship
- 2017-2018 Certificate of Distinction in Teaching. Bok Center. Harvard University.
- 2016-2017 Certificate of Distinction in Teaching. Bok Center. Harvard University.
- 2014-present Clarence G. Campbell Scholarship
- 2012-2014 Harvard Divinity School Dean’s Fellowship Award
- 2012 Outstanding Senior, Ball State University English Department
- 2012 Outstanding Senior, Ball State University Religious Studies Department
- 2012 Ball State Religious Studies Essay Prize Winner
- 2011 Ball State Religious Studies Essay Prize Winner

**PUBLICATIONS**

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- 2021 “Worn Stories: (Ad)dressing Wives in 1 Peter”  
*Dress in Mediterranean Antiquity: Greeks, Romans, Jews, Christians.*  
Alicia Batten and Kelly Olson, editors.
- 2020 Book Note, “Purity, Community, and Ritual in Early Christianity,” *Ancient Jew Review.*
- 2017 Book Note, “Valuing the Past in the Greco-Roman World:,” *Ancient Jew Review.*
- 2016 Morrison-Atkins et al. “Roundtable Metalogue,” in Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza, *Congress of Wo/men: Religion, Gender, and Kyriarchal Power.* Cambridge: FSR Books, 2018.
- 2015 Co-authored with Professor Laura Nasrallah, Karen Connor McGugan, and Sarah Griffis. “The Apostle Paul and Other Travelers”
- 2015 “An Interview with Renate Rose” *Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion* 31.1: 143-159.
- 2014 “Celebration and Vision: JFSR as Collaborative Feminist Space” *Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion.* 30.2: 163-65

## **PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS**

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- April 2021 “As is Proper. . . : Dress and Adornment in Early Christianity.” Guest Lecture. Drew University, Madison NJ. Dr. Jennifer Quigley, *Gender and Sexuality in Early Christianity*.
- December 2020 “Performing Piety: “Dress Codes” and the Construction of Gender in 1 Timothy” Women in the Biblical World Section. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature and the American Academy of Religion.
- November 2019 “Podcast as Feminist Archive.” Panelist, *Podcast as Pedagogical Tool*. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature and the American Academy of Religion. San Diego, California.
- April 2019 “Clothing and Power in Early Christianity.” Guest Lecture. Drew University, Madison NJ. Dr. Jennifer Quigley, *Gender and Sexuality in Early Christianity*.
- March 2018 “The Rhetoric of Dress and Adornment in Early Christianity: A Prospectus.” *Authoritative Texts and Their Reception*. University of Oslo. Presented at The Norwegian Institute. Rome, Italy.
- September 2017 “The Parting of the Ways.” Guest lecture. Wesleyan College, Macon GA. Dr. Tyler Schwaller, *Introduction to Christianity*.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

- Fall 2022 Introduction to the Bible  
Denison University
- Fall 2022 Unbinding Sacred Texts  
Denison University
- Fall 2022 Gender, Sexuality and the Bible  
Denison University

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE: ADJUNCT POSITIONS**

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- Spring 2022 Religions of the World  
Butler University, Indianapolis, IN
- AY 2019-20 Graeca: Reading of Greek Texts  
Harvard Divinity School, Cambridge, MA
- Fall 2019 Sacred Texts and Social Justice  
Stonehill College, Easton MA

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE: SECONDARY EDUCATION**

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- Spring 2022 Latin I and Latin III  
Herron Classical Schools, Indianapolis, IN

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE: TEACHING FELLOWSHIPS**

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- Spring 2021 Guns in the U.S.: A Love Story  
Professor Caroline Light
- Fall 2020 Stories from the End of the World  
Professor Giovanni Bazzana

Spring 2020	Leaning In, Hooking Up: Feminism in the 21 <sup>st</sup> Century Professor Phyllis Thompson
Summer 2018	Christianity Through its Scriptures. Massive Open Online Course. Professor Karen King
Spring 2018	Leaning In, Hooking Up: Feminism in the 21 <sup>st</sup> Century Professor Phyllis Thompson
Spring 2018	Religion, Gender, Scripture Professor Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza
Spring 2018	Elementary and Intermediate Greek Tutor Professors James Skedros and Judy Haley
Fall 2017	Introduction to Hermeneutics and Theology Professor Francis Fiorenza
Fall 2017	Scripture Stories of Women Professor Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza
Spring 2016	Sex and Ethical Reasoning Professor Mark Jordan
Spring 2016	Religion, Gender, and Scripture Professor Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza
Fall 2016	The Letters of Paul: Ethnicity, Empire, the Body, and the End of the World Professor Laura Nasrallah
AY 2015-16	Advanced Seminar for New Testament Studies Professor Laura Nasrallah
2011-2012	Introduction to Religious Studies (Three Semesters) Ball State University, Undergraduate Teaching Assistant Professor Elizabeth Agnew (Spring 2012); Professor Joseph A. Marchal (Fall 2011); Professor Michael Roemer (Spring 2011)

#### **PEDAGOGICAL AND PROFESSIONAL TRAINING**

Winter 2019	Online Education Seminar Stonehill College
Spring 2018	Wabash Center Teaching Seminar for Doctoral Students. New York City.
Fall 2017	Syllabus Workshop. "Politics, Pedagogy, and the Profession" Funded by the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning. Participant and co-organizer.
Fall 2017	"Public Speaking for Women in Academia" Bok Center for Teaching and Learning Practicum. Harvard University.
Summer 2017	"Critical Pedagogies Reading Group" Bok Center Seminar. Harvard University.
Spring 2017	Micro-teaching and Observation. Bok Center for Teaching and Learning. Harvard University.
Spring 2017	"Teaching for Equity" Bok Center Workshop.

#### **ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE AND SERVICE**

2018	"Surviving the Neoliberal Academy." Panel Organizer. Feminist Studies in Religion Forum, AAR/SBL annual meeting.
2017	"Global and Transnational Feminist Organizing." Panel Organizer. Feminist Studies in Religion Forum, AAR/SBL annual meeting.

2017	“Objects and Orientations: Materiality and Spatiality in the Study of Religion.” Module Co-Organizer. Ways of Knowing Conference. Harvard University.
2016-2018	Ball State University Philosophy and Religious Studies Alumni Council
2014-2019	Graduate Intern, Feminist Studies in Religion Forum
2012-present	Research Assistant, Harvard Divinity School. Professor Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza
2012-2014	Managing Editor, <i>Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion</i>
2011-2012	Editorial Assistant, Ball State University. Professors Joseph A. Marchal and Robert Habich
2011-2012	President, Ball State Religious Studies Club

#### **LANGUAGES**

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Modern	English (native); Italian (intermediate reading); German (intermediate reading) French (intermediate reading)
Ancient	Greek (advanced); Latin (advanced)

#### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

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2012–present	Society of Biblical Literature
2018-Present	North American Patristics Society
2018-Present	American Academy of Religion