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Employment

2026-present	Professor, Department of Classics, The Ohio State University, USA.
2022-2026	Associate Professor, Department of Classics, The Ohio State University, USA.
2019-2023	Assistant Professor, Department of Classics, Columbia University, USA.
2016-2019	Lecturer in Roman History, Department of History, University of Southampton, UK.
2015-2016	Research Fellow, School of Classics, University College Dublin, Ireland.
2013-2014	Postdoctoral Research Fellow, School of Religion, Philosophy and Classics, Howard College, University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.
2011-2012	Teacher of Classics, St Gabriel's School, Newbury, UK.

Education

2011	DPhil, Classics, University of Oxford
2006	MSt (Master of Studies), Greek and Latin Languages and Literature, University of Oxford
2005	BA, Classics, First Class Honours. University College London

Publications

Books

2025	<i>In Praise of Constantius: Greek Panegyric in Late Antiquity</i> . Oxford University Press (Studies in Late Antiquity).
2016	<i>Ammianus' Julian: Narrative and Genre in the Res Gestae</i> . Oxford University Press (Oxford Classical Monographs). Reviews: <i>Acta Classica</i> 59 (D. Woods); <i>Classical Review</i> 68 (S. Tougher) <i>H-Net Reviews</i> 2016 (U. Lambrecht); <i>Religious Studies Review</i> 43.4 (D. Greenwood).

Edited volumes and Special Issues

2026	<i>Dynasty in the Roman Empire</i> . Special Issue of <i>Bulletin of the Institute of Classical Studies</i> Vol. 69.2. Co-edited with Callan Davenport and Meaghan McEvoy.
2025	<i>Translation and the Limits of Greek-Latin Bilingualism in Late Antiquity</i> . Special Issue of <i>Journal of Late Antiquity</i> vol. 18.1. Co-edited with Alison John.
2020	<i>Imperial Panegyric from Diocletian to Honorius</i> , co-edited with Adrastus Omissi. Liverpool University Press, series 'Translated Texts for Historians Contexts'. Reviews: <i>Acta Classica</i> 64 (R. Flower); <i>BMCR</i> 2020.09.33 (C. Maier); <i>Classical Review</i> 71.2 (M. Fiorentini); <i>Gnomon</i> 2021 (V. Neri)
2018	<i>Imagining Emperors in the Later Roman Empire</i> , co-edited with D.W.P. Burgersdijk. Brill. Reviews: <i>BMCR</i> 2019.03.03 (M. Moser); <i>Classical Review</i> 69.2 (C. Rollinger); <i>Sehepunkte</i> 2019 (C. Maier)

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

2026	"The Rhetoric of Dynasticism in the Mid-Fourth Century." <i>Bulletin of the Institute of Classical Studies</i> 69.2
2026	"Dynasty in the Roman Empire: Definitions, Terminology, and Concepts" with Caillan Davenport and Meaghan McEvoy, <i>Bulletin of the Institute of Classical Studies</i> 69.2
2025	"The rhetoric of bilingualism in fourth-century literature" <i>Journal of Late Antiquity</i> 18: 88-114

- 2023 "Empire inside out: Celebrating Constantine's Victories between Rome and Trier" *Classical Quarterly* 73: 805-821.
- 2022 "The Consulate of 346 C.E.", *Transactions of the American Philological Association* 151: 427-461
- 2021 "Envisioning Adventus: Ammianus between panegyric and polemic", *Journal of Late Antiquity* 14: 97-116.
- 2020 "Text and Paratext: Reading the Emperor Julian via Libanius' *Epitaphios*", *American Journal of Philology* 141: 241-281.
- 2016 "Libanius the Historian? Praise and the Presentation of the Past in Or. 59". *Greek Roman and Byzantine Studies* 56: 293-320
- 2015 "Ammianus, Traditions of Satire and the Eternity of Rome", *Classical Journal* 110: 356-373.
- 2015 "Ammianus 15.5.22 & Eutropius 10.16.1, an Allusion", *Classical Quarterly* 65: 424-427.
- 2015 "Syene as "Face of Battle": Heliodorus and Late Antique Historiography", *Ancient Narrative* 12: 1-26.
- 2014 "Constantius and the Sieges of Amida and Nisibis: Ammianus' Relationship with Julian's Panegyrics", *Acta Classica* 57: 127-154.

PEER-REVIEWED BOOK CHAPTERS

- 2026 "Posthumous panegyric? Constantine in the orations of Libanius, Julian, and Themistius" in *Praising Constantine*, eds. Bruce Gibson and Roger Rees. Brill.
- 2025 "Ammianus Marcellinus: the outsider inside" in *The Oxford Handbook of Universal History Writing* ed. D. Miano. Oxford University Press
- 2024 "Gregory of Nazianzus' image of Constantius II" in *From East to West in Late Antiquity*, eds. N. Lenski, O. van Nijf, and R. Rees. Edipuglia. 49-59.
- 2023 "Wrapped in the Robes of Rhetoric", in *Rhetoric and Historiography in Late Antiquity: Exploring, Transgressing and Policing Generic Boundaries*, eds. Lieve Van Hoof and Maria Conterno. Peeters, 119-138.
- 2020 "The Audience in Imperial Panegyric" in *Imperial Panegyric from Diocletian to Honorius*, edited by Adrastus Omissi and A. J. Ross. Liverpool University Press. Pp.255-278.
- 2020 "Imperial Panegyric from Diocletian to Honorius". Co-authored with Adrastus Omissi in *Imperial Panegyric from Diocletian to Honorius*, edited by Adrastus Omissi and A. J. Ross. Liverpool University Press. Pp.1-25
- 2020 "Eremitic aemulatio: genesis of genre in Jerome's *Vita Pauli*". *The Hagiographical Experiment: Developing Discourses of Sainthood*. Edited by C. Gray and J. Corke-Webster. *Vigiliae Christianae Supplements*, Brill. Pp.121-147.
- 2018 "The Constantinians' return to the West: Julian's depiction of Constantius in *Oration 1*", in *Imagining Emperors in the Later Roman Empire*, eds. D.W.P. Burgersdijk and A. J. Ross. Brill. Pp.183-203
- 2018 "Introduction" co-authored with D.W.P. Burgersdijk in *Imagining Emperors in the Later Roman Empire*, eds. D.W.P. Burgersdijk and A. J. Ross. Brill. Pp.1-17.
- 2018 "Ammianus and the written past." In *Sources et modèles des historiens anciens*, eds. O. Devilliers and B.B. Sebastiani. Ausonius Éditions, Bordeaux. Pp. 319-334.
- 2017 "Authority and Participation in Procopius' Wars", In *Procopius: Historical and Literary Approaches*, eds., C. Lillington-Martin and E. Turquois. London: Routledge. Pp. 73-90.

REVIEWS AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- 2023 Review of J.-W. Drijvers (2022) *The Forgotten Reign of the Emperor Jovian (363–364): History and Fiction*. Oxford: OUP. *Histos* 17: xxiii-xxvi.
- 2021 Review of P. Van Nuffelen and L. Van Hoof (2020) *The Fragmentary Latin Histories of Late Antiquity (AD 300–620)* Cambridge: CUP. *Gnomon*

2019	Review of: A.J. Quiroga Pueras (2019) <i>The Dynamics of Rhetorical Performances in Late Antiquity</i> . London. <i>Journal of Early Christian Studies</i> 27: 347-349.
2017	Review of F. Jenkins (2017) <i>Ammianus Marcellinus: An Annotated Bibliography, 1474 to the Present</i> . Leiden. <i>Ancient History Bulletin Online Reviews</i> 7: 43-45.
2016	Review of L. Pernot. (2015) <i>Epideictic Rhetoric: Questioning the Stakes of Ancient Praise</i> . Austin: University of Texas Press. <i>Classical Review</i> 66.2.
2016	Review of M. P. García Ruiz and A. J. Quiroga Puertas, eds. (2015) <i>Praising the Otherness. Linguistic and Cultural Alterity in the Roman Empire: Historiography and Panegyrics</i> . TALANTA: Proceedings of the Dutch Archaeological and Historical Society, 45. Amsterdam. <i>Bryn Mawr Classical Review</i> 2016.01.30
2014	Review of Meaghan McEvoy (2013) <i>Child Emperor Rule in the Late Roman West, AD367-455</i> Oxford OUP. <i>Classical Journal</i> 109: 369-71.
2013	"The Emperor Julian", <i>Classical Timeline</i> , http://classicaltimeline.co.uk [an online resource 'for exploring the world of ancient thought by integrating the best of current scholarship with innovative digital learning tools']
2012	Review of Henry Cullen, Michael Dormandy & John Taylor, "Latin Stories: A GCSE Reader", <i>Bryn Mawr Classical Review</i> 2012.03.33.

Fellowships and Awards

2026-2031	Honorary Research Associate, Classics, University of Cape Town, South Africa
2026	Visiting Fellow, All Souls College, Oxford.
2024	Research School of Humanities and Arts Visiting Fellow, Australian National University
2019-22	Lavine Scholar, Columbia University
2018-2019	Visiting Scholarship, Department of Classics, Dartmouth College, NH.
2017	Fellowship of the Higher Education Academy, UK.
2017	Summer Fellowship in Byzantine Studies. Harvard's Dumbarton Oaks Research Library and Collections, Washington DC.
2017	Research Scholarship. Fondation Hardt, Geneva.
2016, 2017 (twice)	Humanities Faculty Research Awards. University of Southampton.
2016	Fellowship of the Royal Historical Society.
2016-2018	Visiting Research Fellowship. School of Classics, University College Dublin.
2015-2016	Marie Curie Intra-European Fellowship (European Union)
2014	Margo Tytus Fellowship. Summer residency at the University of Cincinnati, USA.
2013-2014	Postdoctoral Research Fellowship in Humanities. University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.