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EDUCATION

PhD History, University of Missouri, Columbia, MO May 2012

Graduate minor in Medieval and Renaissance Studies

Dissertation: *Abiding in the Fields: Pastoral Care and Society in Late Antiquity and Anglo-Saxon England*

Additional training in medieval manuscript studies:

“London International Palaeography Summer School”

School of Advanced Study, University of London, June–July 2010

“Paleography and Codicology: A Seminar on Medieval Manuscript Studies”

Institute for Medieval Studies, University of New Mexico, June 2008

MA History, University of Missouri, Columbia, MO May 2006

BS History, Western New Mexico University, Silver City, NM May 2004

AAS Media Communications, Tarrant County College, Fort Worth, TX December 1993

TEACHING

TEACHING POSITIONS HELD	Minot State University, Minot, ND	
	Associate Professor of History	August 2020–present
	Assistant Professor of History	August 2015–May 2020
	Visiting Assistant Professor of History	August 2014–May 2015
	Luther College, Decorah, IA	
	Visiting Assistant Professor of History	August 2013–May 2014
	Columbia College, Jefferson City, MO	
	Instructor	March–May 2013
	State Fair Community College, Boonville, MO	
	Instructor	January–July 2013

University of Missouri, Columbia, MO
Visiting Instructor August–December 2012
Graduate Teaching Fellow August–December 2010

Westminster College, Fulton, MO
Visiting Instructor August–December 2009

TEACHING AWARDS
Minot State University Board of Regents Faculty Achievement Award for Excellence in Teaching, May 2021

PEDAGOGICAL DEVELOPMENT
A New Sun: Conflict in Ancient Thebes. A Reacting to the Past Source-based Pedagogical Role-Playing Game. In development since Fall 2023, latest version to be submitted to The Reacting Consortium at <https://reactingconsortium.org/> by December 2025.

OER Primary Source Reader for World Civilizations I. <https://oer.minotstateu.edu/projects/105SourceReader/>.

Online asynchronous courses developed:
HIST 105 World Civilizations I
HIST 342 The Age of the Vikings
HIST 346 Reformation and Early Modern Europe

SERVICE

MINOT STATE UNIVERSITY
Faculty Senate:
Faculty Senator, 2018–2020, 2022–2024
Faculty Senate Vice-President, 2023–2024
Faculty Senate President, 2024–2025
Faculty Senate Parliamentarian, 2025–

Committee service: Academic Assessment (2016–2021, chair 2020–2021); Academic Policies (2020–2023); Admissions Exemption (2017–2023); Curriculum (2018–2021, Fall 2025); Faculty Handbook Committee (2025–); Faculty Satisfaction Survey (2023–2024); Promotion (2021–2024); Teacher Education Unit Program and Policies Committee (Spring 2023); Minot State University Diversity Council (2019–2022, chair 2020–2022); HLC Criterion 4 team lead (2021–2022); Starfish Implementation team (2016–2018); Retention Committee (2016–2018); four hiring committees in Sociology and Philosophy 2017, 2018, 2022, and 2025

Faculty Advisor, Phi Alpha Theta National History Honor Society, Alpha Xi Chapter, 2015–2021

ACADEMIC PROGRAM REVIEWING
Black Hills State University, History Program Review, May 2025
Valley City State University, NDESPB History Education Program Review, February 2021

MEDIEVAL
ACADEMY OF
AMERICA

Professional Development Committee, 2023–2026 (chair 2025–2026)

INTERNATIONAL
CONGRESS ON
MEDIEVAL
STUDIES

Session chair, 60th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI, May 2025

Contributing Reviewer, 60th and 61st International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI, 2024–2025

Session chair, 53rd International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI, May 2018

OTHER SERVICE

Invited lecture, “The World of the Vikings,” Scandinavian Heritage Association, Minot, ND, 19 June 2021

Paper awards judge, Phi Alpha Theta Nebraska Regional Conference, 2017 and 2018

Interview, “Making Sense of Misfortune on Friday the 13th,” KXMC KX News, Minot, ND, 13 October 2017

SCHOLARSHIP

PEER-REVIEWED
ARTICLES

“Reflecting on the Dead: Productive Relations and Changing Burial Practices in Early Medieval England.” *Enarratio: Publications of the Medieval Association of the Midwest* 23 (2022).

“An Early English Plenary Missal: the Flyleaves of MS Bodley 386.” *Manuscripta* 57:1 (2013). doi:10.1484/J.MSS.1.103474.

INVITED BOOK
REVIEW

Review of *Beatrice’s Last Smile: A New History of the Middle Ages* by Mark Gregory Pegg. *History: Review of New Books* (July 2023). doi:10.1080/03612759.2024.2395611.

BOOK REVIEWS

Review of *Barbarian Queens and the Conversion of Europe* by Burnam W. Reynolds. *Choice* 62:9.

Review of *What is a Classic in History?* by Jaume Aurell. *Choice* 62:2.

Review of *The Saint and the Count* by Leah Shopkow. *Choice* 59:9.

Review of *A History of Christian Conversion* by David W. Kling. *Choice* 58:11.

Review of *Saint Aldhelm’s Riddles* translated by A.M. Juster. *Journal of Folklore Research* (8 December 2016), <http://www.jfr.indiana.edu/review.php?id=2054>.

CONFERENCE
PRESENTATIONS

“Signs of Meaning: Examining *litterae passionis* in Liturgical Context.” 59th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI. May 2024.

“Signs of Meaning: Examining *litterae passionis* in Liturgical Context.” Tenth Annual Symposium on Medieval and Renaissance Studies, St. Louis, MO. June 2023 (scheduled – withdrawn due to family illness).

“Signs of Meaning: Examining *litterae passionis* in Liturgical Context.” 56th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI, May 2021 (scheduled – withdrawn due to COVID-19).

“Preserving Relations: Christian Support for Control of Land and Labor in Early Medieval England.” 53rd International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI. May 2018.

“Place or People? Re-centering Community in Early Christian England.” 63rd Annual Midwest Conference on British Studies, Ames, IA. September 2016.

“Learning the Nature of the World: *Liber de ordine creaturarum* and Christian Instruction in Conversion-era Britain.” 50th Annual Northern Great Plains History Conference, Bismarck, ND. October 2015.

“Community Matters: Burial Practices and Religious Identity in Conversion-era England.” 49th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI. May 2014.

“‘With These We Must be Brief’: Pastoral Care and Catechetical Teaching in Anglo-Saxon England.” 39th Sewanee Medieval Colloquium, Sewanee, TN. March 2012.

“All the righteous shall intercede for thee’: Prayer Books and their Influence in Ninth-century England.” 46th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI. May 2011.

“‘*ðe georne gebide gece and miltse*’: Pastoral Care and the Vernacular in Early English Prayer Books.” 86th Annual Meeting of the Medieval Academy of America, Tempe, AZ. April 2011.

“The Benefits of Thrift: Liturgical Practice and the Flyleaves of Bodley MS. 386.” Mid-America Medieval Association XXXV, Kansas City, MO. February 2011.

“Sins Understood: Pagan Practices and Christian Inculturation in Sixth- and Seventh-century Books of Penance.” 44th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI. May 2009.

“The Truth in the Text, the Demons at the Table, and the Girl on the Roof: Discovering Pagan Survivals in Sixth- and Seventh-century Books of Penance.” 13th Mid-America Conference on History, Springfield, MO. September 2008.

“Practical Remains: Assessing Sacral Kingship and Anglo-Saxon Paganism.” 43rd International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI. May 2008

“Another Winter’s Hay: The Development of Viking-Age Iceland.” 51st Missouri Valley History Conference, Omaha, NE. March 2008.

“Power, Identity, and Resistance to Christianity in Penda’s Mercia.” Mid-America Medieval Association XXI, Kansas City, MO. February 2007.

OTHER PRESENTATIONS Poster presentation, “Signs of Meaning: Examining *litterae passionis* in Liturgical Context,” Minot State University 2023 Faculty and Student Research Poster Session, 27 April 2023.

Poster presentation, “Performance Marks in Medieval English Gospel Manuscripts,” Minot State University 2019 Faculty and Student Research Poster Session, 25 April 2019.

Commentary on panel, “Defining Identity through Diplomacy, Travel, and the Exchange of Ideas in the 5th to the 8th Centuries,” Western Society for French History 43, Chicago, IL, November 2015.

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS	Minot State University Course Enhancement Grant, Gordon B. Olson Library, Fall 2023
	Sabbatical awarded for Fall 2022 in support of ongoing research project, “Signs of Meaning: Performance Marks in Medieval Gospel Manuscripts”
	Nominated for 2020 NEH Summer Stipend for “Signs of Meaning: Performance Marks in Medieval Gospel Manuscripts” (proposal not funded)
	Faculty Small Research Grant for medieval English manuscript study, May 2018
	North Dakota University System NDUS OER Faculty Stipend for development of <i>OER Primary Source Reader for World Civilizations I</i> , 2018–2021
	Medieval Academy of America Graduate Student Paper Prize, 86th Annual Meeting of the Medieval Academy of America, Tempe, AZ, April 2011
	University of Missouri John D. Bies International Travel Scholarship, June–July 2010 William Gregory Fellowship, August 2004–May 2009
PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS	American Association of University Professors American Historical Association Medieval Academy of America Medieval Association of the Midwest The Reacting Consortium (https://www.reactingsconsortium.org)