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Professional Appointments

- 2022- Lecturer and Associate Research Scholar, Department of Classics, Yale University
- 2021-2022 Teaching Fellow in the Department of Classics and in the College, University of Chicago

Education

- 2021 PhD, University of Chicago, Classical Languages and Literatures
Dissertation Title: “Making the Moral Orator: Wanting the Good in Quintilian’s *Institutio Oratoria*,” advised by Peter White, Elizabeth Asmis, and Shadi Bartsch-Zimmer
- 2017 MA, University of Chicago, Classical Languages and Literatures
- 2015 AB, Princeton University, *summa cum laude* in Classics with a certificate in Medieval Studies
- 2014 Intercollegiate Center for Classical Studies, Rome

Interests

Ancient Greek and Roman rhetorical education, especially Quintilian and Cicero; tension between rhetoric and philosophy; moral education and classical literature; the Socratic tradition and Platonic reception

Publications

- Forthcoming “*Status* Theory and Cicero’s Defense of Teaching in *Orator* 140-148” (*The Classical Quarterly*)
- 2022 “The Difficult Defense of Cicero’s Goodness in *Institutio oratoria* 12.1” in Francesca Romana Berno and Giuseppe La Bua (eds.), *Portraying Cicero in Literature, Culture, and Politics: From Ancient to Modern Times*. Berlin: DeGruyter, 2022: 83-99.
<https://www.degruyter.com/document/doi/10.1515/9783110748703-007/html>

Teaching Experience

Lecturer- Yale University

- Fall 2023, 2022 Roman Consolation Literature: Seneca and Boethius (Advanced Latin course pairing Seneca’s *Ad Helviam* and selections from Boethius’ *De Consolatione Philosophiae*)

- Fall 2023, 2022 Directed Studies, Literature (*Gilgamesh*, Homer, Sappho, Vergil, Ovid, Augustine, poetry from medieval Al-Andalus, Dante)
- Spring 2023 Power of Persuasion, Art of Speaking Well: An Introduction to Ancient Rhetoric (lecture course surveying the history and aftermath of Greek and Roman rhetorical traditions alongside Aristotle's *Rhetoric* and select speeches by Demosthenes, Cicero, Gregory of Nazianzus, Elizabeth I, Thomas More, and Frederick Douglass)
- Spring 2023 Is Rhetoric a Good Thing? The Rhetoric and Philosophy Debate (seminar tracing the philosophical critique of rhetoric covering Plato's *Gorgias* and *Phaedrus*, selections from Cicero, Quintilian, Augustine, Isotta Nogarola, Petrus Ramus, and Danielle Allen)

Lecturer- University of Chicago

- Spring 2022 Greece and Rome 3 (Comedy): Texts, Traditions, Transformations (Aristophanes, Plautus, Shakespeare, Aphra Behn, Edmond Rostand)
- Winter 2022 Greece and Rome 2 (Tragedy): Texts, Traditions, Transformations (Aeschylus, Sophocles, Euripides, Seneca, Shakespeare, Racine)
- Fall 2021 Greece and Rome 1 (Epic): Texts, Traditions, Transformations (Homer, Vergil, Walcott)
- Fall 2021 Intermediate Latin 1 (select readings on Roman conceptualizations of virtue)
- Spring 2019 Introduction to Attic Greek 3 (grammar overview and Lysias 1)
- Spring 2018 Introduction to Classical Latin 3 (grammar overview and Nepos' *Life of Hannibal*)

Instructor- The Paideia Institute

- Summer 2020 Quintilian- *Institutio Oratoria* (selections from Book 1, online through Telepaideia)

Course Assistant- University of Chicago

- Winter 2020 Human Being and Citizen 2 (Aristotle, Augustine, Dante)- Writing Intern for the Humanities Core
- Fall 2019 Ancient Drama, Modern Theory (Aeschylus, Sophocles, Euripides, Irigaray, Lacan, Butler)
- Winter 2019 Introduction to Attic Greek 2 (*Reading Greek*)
- Fall 2018 Introduction to Attic Greek 1 (*Reading Greek*)
- Winter 2018 Introduction to Classical Latin 2 (*Learn to Read Latin*)
- Fall 2017 Introduction to Classical Latin 1 (*Learn to Read Latin*)

Conference Presentations

- 2023 "Teaching Rhetorical Invention in the Age of ChatGPT: Reflections on the Beginning of *De Inventione*," Workshop on Cicero, *De Inventione*—Colloquium for Ancient Rhetoric at the Harvard Center for Hellenic Studies, June 8-10
- 2022 "Quintilian's Honeyed Rim," Twenty-Third Biennial Conference of the International Society for the History of Rhetoric (ISHR)

- 2022 “Quintilian, the *Princeps*, and the Orator,” SCS Annual Meeting
- 2020 “What Quintilian Wants Plato to Want: A Reading of the *Gorgias* in *Institutio Oratoria* 2.15,” CAMWS Annual Meeting
- 2020 “Quintilian’s Last Word: *Voluntas* and the Goodness of the *Vir Bonus Dicendi Peritus*,” SCS Annual Meeting
- 2019 “Quintilian’s Portrayal of Cicero,” *Ritratti di Cicerone* – Sapienza Università di Roma and Société Internationale des Amis de Cicéron
- 2015 “Logos and Paideia for St. Gregory Thaumaturgus, a Student of Origen: A Model of Philosophical and Spiritual Education from the Early Church,” *XXII Convegno di studi: La Filosofia Come Paideia*, Pontificia Università della Santa Croce

Campus/ Departmental Talks

Yale University

- 2022 Delivered a plenary lecture for Directed Studies on Augustine’s *Confessions*

University of Chicago

- 2022 Respondent to Jennifer Weintritt’s paper “The *Achilleid* as Prequel,” Chicago Region Workshop for Junior Faculty in Classics
- 2021 “Quintilian’s Honeyed Rim: Sweetness and Other Ethical Appeals in the *Institutio*’s Persuasive Strategy,” Rhetoric and Poetics Workshop
- 2020 Respondent to Emily Barnum’s talk “Paulinus of Nola’s Poetics of Renunciation in Epistle 16 and Poem 22,” Early Christian Studies Workshop
- 2020 Respondent to Laura Bevilacqua’s talk “A Pantheon for Virtues: ‘Ideal Divinities’ in Rome,” Rhetoric and Poetics Workshop
- 2019 “The Significance of *Voluntas* for Quintilian’s Project of Moral Education,” Rhetoric and Poetics Workshop and Early Christian Studies Workshop Joint Meeting
- 2018 “Cicero, Critic and Teacher: An Analysis of Teaching in Cicero’s *Orator*,” Rhetoric and Poetics Workshop

Fellowships and Honors

- 2020-2021 Recipient of Mellon Foundation - University of Chicago Dissertation Completion Fellowship
- 2020-2021 Winner of Stuart Tave Teaching Fellowship Competition at University of Chicago for proposed course “Is Rhetoric a Good Thing?”
- 2015-2020 Neubauer Family Presidential Fellowship, University of Chicago
- 2014-2020 Beinecke Scholarship
- 2013 Shapiro Prize for Academic Excellence, Princeton University

2012 Haarlow Prize, Princeton University Humanistic Studies

Departmental/ University Service

Yale University

2023 Co-leader and panelist for “Managing Time: Challenges, Strategies, Priorities,” a Works-in-Progress event for Classics graduate students

University of Chicago

2019- 2020 Member of Classics Department graduate mentoring committee
2019 Moderated Amber Ace’s talk for Lucretius conference, University of Chicago
2018- 2019 Coordinator for Rhetoric and Poetics Workshop, University of Chicago
2017-2018 Assistant coordinator for Rhetoric and Poetics Workshop, University of Chicago
2018 Panelist for professional skills development event on publishing research, Classics Dept.
2016 Panelist for graduate school info session for Classics undergrads

Professional Memberships

Society for Classical Studies, Classical Association of the Middle West and South, International Society for the History of Rhetoric

Languages

Latin, Ancient Greek: Strong reading proficiency
Spanish, Italian: Reading proficiency and developing conversational fluency
French, German: Research proficiency language exams (High Pass)