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## **Employment**

Florida State University

*Associate Teaching Professor*, Honors Program (August 2022-Present)  
*Assistant Director for Curriculum*, Honors Program (May 2022-Present)

*Assistant Teaching Professor*, Honors Program (May 2022-August 2022)  
*Assistant Teaching Professor*, Department of Classics (August 2018-May 2022)

## **Education**

University of St Andrews (St Andrews, Scotland): Ph.D. in Ancient History (2017)  
Thesis Title: *Thebes, the Boeotian League, and Central Greece: Political and Military Development and Interaction in the fourth century BC*  
Supervisors: Dr. Sian Lewis (Primary) Dr. Jonathan Coulston (Secondary)  
Examiners: Dr. Samuel Gartland (Oxford) Prof. Tom Harrison (St Andrews)

University of St Andrews (St Andrews, Scotland): MLitt in Ancient History (2012)  
Dissertation Title: *Breathers of Fire: The Boeotian Army from 379 to 362 BC*  
Supervisor: Dr. Jonathan Coulston

Bucknell University (Lewisburg, PA): B.A. in Classics and English (*cum laude*, 2011)

## **Awards and Scholarships**

Professional Development Leave (Scheduled Spring 2024)  
Project: *Deconstructing Greek History – Diversity Through Pedagogy*  
Florida State University Excellence in Teaching Award (Nominated 2020)  
Florida State University Innovation in Teaching Award (Nominated 2020)  
Scotland's Saltire Scholarship (2013-2014)  
The Charles "Charlie" Pollock '70 Memorial Scholarship (2009-2011)  
Bucknell University Prize for Men (2008, 2010)

## Research Interests

Boeotia and Thessaly in the fourth century B.C.  
 Pedagogy and Teacher Training  
 Greek and Roman Warfare  
 Classical Reception  
     Modern Political and Social Movements  
     Pseudoarchaeology & the Media  
     Video Games

## Teaching Experience

Florida State University (Fall 2018-Present):

CLA2110: *Debates about the Past: Greek Civilization, History, and Culture* (+ Honors)

CLA2123: *Debates about the Past: Roman Civilization, History, and Culture* (+ Honors)

CLT3370: *Classical Myth* (+Honors + Converted for Online Delivery)

CLT3378: *Ancient Mythology: East and West* (+ Honors)

FLE5810: *Teaching Classics* (Graduate)

HUM2937: *Historic Landscapes, Imagined Worlds: Ancient History Through Gaming* (To be offered Fall 2023)

IDH3114: *Appropriating the Past: The Use and Abuse of the Ancient World in Modern Societies* (Designed & Taught)

IDH3420: *Alienating History: Ancient Aliens, Pseudoarchaeology, and Historical Inquiry* (Designed & Taught)

University of St Andrews (2013-2016):

AN1001: *Greek History to Alexander the Great*

AN1002: *The Roman Republic*

AN2002: *The Roman Empire*

## Supervision of Student Research

2022. Williams, E.J. *The War Against Black Males and the Law*. Bachelor's Thesis Committee.

2022. Argueta, G. School of Information. Converting CLT3370 to an Online Course. [Internship]

2021. Basili, L.M. *Analyzing the Effect of Trust on Voter Decision to Vote by Mail: Data Collection from the 2020 Presidential Election*. Bachelor's Thesis Committee.

2020-2021. Donoghue, N. Program for Instruction Excellence Associate for the Department of Classics.

## Fieldwork

The Thebes Excavation: Thebes, Greece (2011-2016) *Supervisor*  
Directors: Prof. Stephanie Larson; Dr. Kevin Daly (Bucknell University)

The Megiddo Expedition: Tel Megiddo, Israel (2010) *Team Member*  
Directors: Israel Finkelstein (Tel Aviv); Matthew J. Adams (Albright Institute)

## Articles

2022. 'Developing a Graduate-Level Pedagogy Course: A Test Case at Florida State University.' *The Classical World*. 115 (4) 417-438.

2022. 'Pelopidas: Risking Personal Security for Institutional Success.' *SAGE Business Cases*. Ancient Leadership Series.

2021. 'Virtual Office Hours Should be Here to Stay.' *Inside Higher Ed*.  
<https://www.insidehighered.com/advice/2021/06/02/why-faculty-should-hold-virtual-office-hours-even-after-return-person-classes>

2021. 'Surviving to Thriving: Supporting Graduate Student Instructors During the Transition to Online Teaching.' *Teaching Classical Languages*. Special Issue 11 (2).

## Invited Chapters

2021. 'No Going Back: Applying the Lessons of the Pandemic into Our Future Pedagogy.' In W. Polleichtner (ed.). *Teaching Classics in Pandemic Times*. Kartoffeldruck-Verlag.

2016. 'Greek Cavalry.' in J.C.N. Coulston (ed.), *Cavalry in the Roman World: Proceedings of the XIXth ROMEC Conference held at the University of St Andrews*.

## Book Reviews

Review. 2015. Ernst Badian. *Collected Papers on Alexander the Great*. Review by Michael Furman. *The Classical Review*. New Series. 65 (1) 181-183.

Review. 2013. Joseph Roisman. *Alexander's Veterans and the Early Wars of the Successors*. Review by Michael Furman. *The Classical Review*. New Series. 63 (2) 514-516.

## Service

TA Supervisor (2018-2022, Department of Classics, Florida State University)

History Committee (2018-2022, Department of Classics, Florida State University)

Curriculum Committee (2019-2020, Department of Classics, Florida State University)

## Invited Papers and Lectures

- 5.25.2021. 'Keynote Address: No Going Back: Applying the Lessons of the Pandemic into Our Future Pedagogy.' Teaching Classics in Pandemic Times. Eberhard-Karls-Universität Tübingen.
- 3.3.2021. 'Thebes, Jason, and the Northern Euboean Gulf: Recentering Boeotian History.' Australian National University Seminar Series.
- 8.21.2019. 'Plenary Lecture: Finding Yourself in the Classroom.' Program for Instructional Excellence Fall Conference. Florida State University.

## Papers at Conferences

- 5.2023. 'Spartan Slaves No Longer: Narratives of Boeotian Liberation in Plutarch.' Interdisciplinary Center for Hellenic Studies Annual Conference. Tampa, FL.
- 1.2022. 'Not So Silent Voices: Facilitating Perspective Through Assessment Design.' Society for Classical Studies Annual Meeting. San Francisco, CA.
- 1.4.2020. 'Developing a Graduate-Level Pedagogy Course.' Society for Classical Studies Annual Meeting. Washington D.C.

## Interviews

- 12.2022. 'Conversations: The Forgotten Polis of Ancient Greece, History & Mythology of Thebes' *Let's Talk About Myths, Baby! Podcast*. <https://play.acast.com/s/43e3606d-4712-5533-95b6-106230fca93d/63692f00d727ca0012912361>
- 10.2021. 'Jason of Pherae.' *Ancient History Hound Podcast*. <https://ancientblogger.libsyn.com/jason-of-phaeae-with-guest-dr-michael-furman>
- 10.24.2019. 'Faculty Spotlight.' Florida State University College of Arts and Sciences.
- 8.26.2019. 'Florida State University Trains Their Graduate Students to Teach.' *Enrolment Growth University Podcast*.
- 5.23.2019. 'Why One Department Trains Its Graduate Students to Teach.' *The Chronicle of Higher Education*.

## Other Papers, Lectures, and Presentations

- 3.1.2019. 'Northern Exposure: Reorienting Boeotian History.' Faculty Research Seminar. Florida State University