**Dr. Michael Furman**

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**Employment**

Florida State University

*Associate Teaching Professor*, Honors Program (August 2022-Present)

*Associate Director for Curriculum and Faculty Development*, Honors Program (September 2023-Present)

*Assistant Director for Curriculum, Honors Program (May 2022-August 2023)*

*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 (Spring 2024)

Project: *Deconstructing Greek History*

Florida State University Excellence in Foundational Course Teaching Award (Winner, 2023)

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.

Post-secondary Pedagogies

Greek and Roman Warfare

Classical Reception

Modern Political and Social Movements

Pseudoarchaeology & Media

Table-Top & 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: *Public Scholarship for Honors: Expertise and Media in Modern America* (to be taught Summer 2024)

HUM2937: *In the Footsteps of the Ancients: Roman Britain* (to be taught Summer 2025)

IDH3421: *Historic Landscapes, Imagined Worlds: Ancient History Through Gaming* (Designed & Taught)

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**

2024. Stenson, K. *The Executive Branch in the Polish Constitution of 1791*. Bachelor’s Thesis Committee.

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).

**Book 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**

Faculty Search Committee Chair (2023-Present, Honors Program, Florida State University)

Liberal Studies Policy Committee (2023-Present, Florida State University)

Committee on College and University Education (2024-Present, Society for Classical Studies)

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

DEI Committee (Chair, 2020-21, 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-pherae-with-guest-dr-michael-furman*](https://ancientblogger.libsyn.com/jason-of-pherae-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