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ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Master of Arts (Candidate)

Department for the Study of Religion
University of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario

Projected Completion:
August 2017

Bachelor of Arts, Hons., *Summa Cum Laude*

Double major: Religious Studies and Classical Studies
York University, Toronto, Ontario

June 2015
GPA: 8.62/9.00 (A+)

Associate of Arts Degree, *Cum Laude*

Moraine Valley Community College
Palos Hills, Illinois, USA

December 2000
GPA: 3.68/4.00

LANGUAGES: English, Classical Greek, Latin (Intermediate), German (lapsed)

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

- 2015 *Joseph Armand Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarship – Master's (CGS-M), an award of \$17,500.*
- 2015 *Vanier College Convocation Prize in Religious Studies, given to the student who has achieved the highest GPA in this program.*
- 2015 *Vanier College Convocation Prize in Classical Studies, given to the student who has achieved the highest GPA in this program.*
- 2015 *Vingt-deux Master's Honour Roll award, given to the twenty-two students with the highest cumulative grade point average.*
- 2015 *Vanier College Council 50th Anniversary Award, awarded to a student who has demonstrated commitment to the Vanier College student body and/or the community.*
- 2014 *Awarded the York University Faculty Association Foundation Undergraduate Scholarship, given to the student with the highest GPA in their faculty.*
- 2014 *Awarded a York University Continuing Student Scholarship.*

Scholarships and Awards continued...

- 2013 Awarded the *William R. Coleman Prize* for the best essay written by an honour student in a humanities or religious studies course.
- 2013 Awarded the *2012-2013 Classics Award*, an award given to the most promising student in Greek or Latin.
- 2013 Awarded a *York University Continuing Student Scholarship*.
- 2012 Awarded the *Israel Mida and Family Award for Excellence in Jewish Studies*.
- 2012 Awarded a *York University Continuing Student Scholarship*.
- 2012 Admitted to the Dean's Circle of Student Scholars.
- 2011 Admitted to the Golden Key Honour Society.
- 1999 Admitted to the Phi Theta Kappa National Honours Society.

REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES

"Orientalism in Iamblichus' *The Mysteries*," in *The Pomegranate: The International Journal of Pagan Studies* 15 nos. 1-2, 2013.

BOOK REVIEWS

Marco Pasi, *Aleister Crowley and the Temptation of Politics* (Durham: Acumen Publishing, 2013) in *The Pomegranate: The International Journal of Pagan Studies*, Vol. 16, No. 1 (2014).

CONFERENCES: PAPERS PRESENTED

- 2015 "Two Martyrdoms of John the Baptist," paper co-presented (with Tony Burke) at the annual Canadian Society of Biblical Studies Conference, University of Ottawa, Ottawa, Ontario.
- 2014 "Disenchantment of the Vampire: Balkan Folklore's Deadly Encounter with Modernity," paper presented at the Association for the Study of Esotericism Conference, "Esoteric Practices: Theories, Representations, & Methods," Colgate University, Hamilton, New York.

CONFERENCES: PANELS

- 2013 Panel Participant, ESSWE Sub-group Roundtable, June 29, 2013. The European Society for the Study of Western Esotericism 4th International Conference, University of Gothenburg, Sweden, June 26-29, 2013.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- 2014 Research Assistant for Dr. Philip A. Harland, indexing and proofreading of manuscript, *Greco-Roman Associations: Texts, Translations, and Commentary. II. North Coast of the Black Sea, Asia Minor*. Beihefte zur Zeitschrift für die neutestamentliche Wissenschaft. Berlin: De Gruyter, 2014.
- 2014 Colloquium Coordinator, Ancient Abbeys of Brittany Project Colloquium, "Cistercians and Canons Regular in Medieval Brittany, Normandy, England and Wales."
- 2014 Featured student in a York University promotional video for the York University Classical Studies Program. (http://youtu.be/OHKYkfc_PZI)
- 2013 Assistant to the Conference Co-ordinator, York Christian Apocrypha Symposium, "Forbidden Texts on the Western Frontier."
- 2013 Co-director (with Dr. Dylan M. Burns), Network for the Study Esotericism in Antiquity, AncientEsotericism.org. (Ongoing)
- 2010 Coordinator of weekly chemistry colloquia, which involved arranging travel and accommodations for guests; scheduling of on-site meetings; and production of promotional literature.
- 2005/6 Guest Lecturer, Continuing Education Writing Course, Mohawk College, Hamilton, Ontario.
- 1999 Co-organizer of a "Teach-In" at Moraine Valley Community College.

SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

- 2015 Peer reviewer for *The Pomegranate: The International Journal of Pagan Studies*.
- 2013 Undergraduate Representative, Tenure and Promotion Committee, Humanities Department, York University.
- 2012 Peer Advisor, Vanier College, York University. (2012-2014)

DIGITAL HUMANITIES/WEBSITES

- 2014 AncientCurses.com. This is a companion website to a research project on curses and curse stories. Responsible for the site's design and content, including online resources, bibliographies, and a regularly updated blog.
- 2013 York Christian Apocrypha Symposium. Created and maintained the symposium's website. (tonyburke.ca/conference)
- 2013 AncientEsotericism.org, the website of the Network for the Study of Esotericism in Antiquity. Initiated the building and design of the website. Currently responsible for its maintenance as well as the management of the network's Twitter account, @ancienteso.
- 2010 Invocatio.wordpress.com, a research blog which explores topics related to my academic work. The blog has had over 80,000 views since its inception in 2010 (Ongoing project, statistics from 2011 onwards)

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- American Academy of Religion (AAR)
- Canadian Society of Biblical Studies (CSBS)
- Classical Association of Canada (CAC)
- European Society for the Study of Western Esotericism (ESSWE)