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**EDUCATION**

**2024 Ph.D. Religious Studies, University of Pennsylvania (expected)**

* + *Graduate Certifications:*
    - Women, Gender, & Sexuality Studies Certificate
    - Center for Teaching and Learning Certificate

**2022 M.A. Religious Studies, University of Pennsylvania**

* + *Committee:* Anthea Butler, Donovan Schaefer, Beth Linker
  + *Examination Fields:*
    - 20th Century American Religious History
    - Science, Religion, and American Secularism
    - Health and Disability in the Contemporary United States

**2018 B.A. American Studies, Columbia University, *magna cum laude***

**FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS**

**2022-23 Boardman Fellowship,** Department of Religious Studies, University of Pennsylvania

**2022 Dissertation Research Fellowship Award,** University of Pennsylvania

**2021-22 Graduate Fellowship for Teaching Excellence,** Center for Teaching and Learning, University of Pennsylvania

**2021 Religious Studies Graduate Student Prize,** Department of Religious Studies, University of Pennsylvania

**2021 Foreign Language and Area Studies Summer Fellowship (Mandarin Chinese),** Center for East Asian Studies, University of Pennsylvania

**2021 Alice Fisher Society Research Fellowship,** Barbara Bates Center for the History of Nursing, University of Pennsylvania

**2020- June Ondash Graduate Fellowship,** University of Pennsylvania

**2018-20 Benjamin Franklin Graduate Fellowship,** University of Pennsylvania

**2018 James P. Shenton Award for Community Service and Education,** Center for

American Studies, Columbia University

**2017 Senior Thesis Research Fellowship,** Center for American Studies, Columbia

University

**CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS**

**Jan 2023 “Roundtable: Charles McCrary’s *Sincerely Held:* American Secularism and its Believers” (Moderator).** American Society for Church History Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.

**Apr 2022 “Museums and Object Based Learning.”** Co-hosted with Prof. Reyhan Durmaz, Jessica Lubniewski, and Dr. Sarah Linn. Center for Teaching and Learning Pedagogy Workshop Series, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA.

**Apr 2022 “Sound Teaching: Music and Audio in the Classroom.”** Co-hosted with Prof. Jim Sykes and Erin Busch. Center for Teaching and Learning Pedagogy Workshop Series, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA.

**Mar 2022 “Alternatives to High Stakes Assessments.”** Center for Teaching and Learning Pedagogy Workshop Series, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA.

**Mar 2022 “Teaching with Material Texts: Manuscripts, Rare Books, and Beyond.”** Co-hosted with Dr. Mitch Fraas. Center for Teaching and Learning Pedagogy Workshop Series, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA.

**Mar 2022 “Teaching with Material Texts: Printing Presses and the Book Arts.”** Co-hosted with Prof. Megan Robb and Mary Tasillo. Center for Teaching and Learning Pedagogy Workshop Series, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA.

**Dec 2021 “Talking About Your Teaching on the Job Market.”** Co-hosted with Prof. Megan Robb and Prof. Donovan Schaefer. Center for Teaching and Learning Pedagogy Workshop Series, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA.

**Nov 2021 “What Affect Theory Can Offer the Study of Science and Religion.”** Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, San Antonio, TX.

**Oct 2021 “Tools for Asynchronous Learning.”** Center for Teaching and Learning Pedagogy Workshop Series, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA.

**Oct 2021 “From TA to Instructor: Preparing to Teach Your Own Class.”** Co-hosted with Ali Noori and Gabriel Raeburn. Center for Teaching and Learning Pedagogy Workshop Series, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA.

**Sept 2021 “Refining Your Syllabus Over Time.”** Co-hosted with Prof. Donovan Schaefer. Center for Teaching and Learning Pedagogy Workshop Series, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA.

**Apr 2021 Emerging Themes in the Study of Science and Belief in Society PhD Workshop.** International Research Network for the Study of Science and Belief in Society, online.

**Nov 2020 “Crystals Beyond the New Age: U.S. Mineral Healing and Novel Formations of Science, Medicine, and Religion.”** Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, online.

**Feb 2020 “More Than Masonry, Wood, and Glass: Atheist Responses to the Notre Dame Cathedral Fire**.” Boardman Symposium on Material Secularisms, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA.

**Oct 2019 “In Rubble We Trust? Demolition and Desire at a Philadelphia Church.”** Communal Studies Association Conference, Winterthur, DE.

**NON-REFEREED PUBLICATIONS**

**May 2020 “Afterimages.”** Reflection on the 2020 University of Pennsylvania Boardman Symposium on Material Secularisms. May 5, <https://web.sas.upenn.edu/material-secularisms/reflections/>.

**TEACHING AND MENTORING**

**2020-21 Graduate Teaching Assistant,** Department of Religious Studies, University of Pennsylvania

*Courses Taught:*

* + - “Sacred Stuff: Religious Bodies, Places & Things” with Prof. Donovan Schaefer (Spring 2020)
    - “Gender, Sexuality, and Religion” with Prof. Megan Robb (Fall 2020)
    - “African American Religions” with Prof. Anthea Butler (Spring 2021)
    - “Religions of the West” with Prof. Reyhan Durmaz (Fall 2021)

**2020 – Mentor,** Teagle Humanities Fellowship,Knowledge for Freedom Program at Columbia University

**2017-18 Undergraduate Teaching Assistant,** Center for American Studies, Columbia University

*Courses Taught:*

* “Freedom and Citizenship: Explorations in Ancient, Modern, and Contemporary Political Thought” with Dr. Tamara Tweel (Summer 2017)

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

**2022 Selection Committee Member,** School of Arts and Sciences Teaching Awards, University of Pennsylvania

**2019-20 Department Representative,** School of Arts and Sciences Graduate Student

Government, University of Pennsylvania

**RESEARCH LANGUAGES**

Spanish (reading)

Mandarin Chinese (reading, writing, and speaking; HSK level 5)

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

American Academy of Religion

American Anthropological Association

American Historical Association

American Society of Church History

Consortium for the History of Science, Technology, and Medicine

**REFERENCES**

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