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**Fields of Interest:** Greek and Latin historiography, history and philosophy of historiography, Iranian philology, Africa in the Roman Empire; Herodotus, Livy, Tacitus, Josephus, Procopius

**Employment:**

Assistant Professor of Classics, University of Washington, Fall 2024-

**Education:**

PhD, Yale University, Classics and Comparative Literature, May 2024

Dissertation: "The Violence of the Form: Violence and the Political in Greek and Latin Historical Narrative"

Supervisors: Christina S. Kraus, Moira Fradinger, Emily Greenwood

B.A. *summa cum laude*, University of Pennsylvania, Classical Studies, *with distinction* and Comparative Literature, *with distinction*, May 2017

**Publications:**

- 2022. "Translations and Intertexts in Preti Taneja's *We That Are Young*: A Pedagogical Commentary." *SEL: Studies in English Literature 1500-1900* 62 (1): 159-169.

**Lectures and Presentations:**

- "The Scene of Surrender: Josephus Reads Herodotus on Historical Contingency." Society for Classical Studies Annual Meeting, January 2024.
- "Procopius on Domitian: Dismemberment and the Writing of History." Yale Classics Greco-Roman Lunch, February 2023.
- "On Not Knowing Punic: Monolingualism and Empire in Plautus' *Poenulus*." Society for Classical Studies, Organizer-Refereed Panel on "Roman Drama and Critical Theory," January 2023
- "Blood, Guts, and Hunger: Livy's Body Politic." Yale Classics Departmental Colloquium, May 2021
- "Augustine in Africa." Guest Lecture for ENGL 2035 (World Literature: Confession), Trinity University, January 2021
- "Herodotus, Book 1: Law, Violence, and the Tyrant." Yale Classics WiP Forum, September 2020
- "Gold/Dirt/Sex/Theft: The Necrology of Titus Vinius (Tacitus, *Histories* 1.48)." Yale Classics WiP Forum, April 2020

**Teaching:**

*University of Washington, Seattle*

- Latin 305: Introduction to Latin Literature (Fall 2024)

*Yale University*

- Class. Civ. 283: Declines of Rome (Spring 2024, co-designed and taught with Christina Kraus)
- Greek 475: Lucian's Fiction and Comic Dialogues (Fall 2023)
- Greek 141: Homer: An Introduction (Spring 2023)
- Latin 413: Rome's Africa, Africa's Rome (Fall 2021; designed course)
- Literature 339: Global Shakespeares: Race, Gender, and the Idea of the Human (Spring 2021, TA)
- Greek 110: Beginning Ancient Greek (Fall 2020)
- Latin 120: Latin Grammar Review (Spring 2020)
- Latin 110: Beginning Latin (Fall 2019, TA)

**Honors, Fellowships, and Awards:**

- MacMillan International Dissertation Research Fellowship, Yale University (2022)
- Phi Beta Kappa, Delta Chapter, University of Pennsylvania (inducted 2018)
- Penn Humanities Forum, Fellow and Undergraduate Chair, University of Pennsylvania (2016-17)
- Andrew W. Mellon Price Lab Summer Fellow in the Digital Humanities, University of Pennsylvania (2016)
- George Allen Memorial Prize in Latin, University of Pennsylvania (2016)

**Library and Information Services:**

- Classics Library Student Assistant, Yale University Library, Department of Area Studies and Humanities Research Support (2018-2024)
- Special Collections Assistant, Kislak Center of the University of Pennsylvania Libraries (2015-2017)

**Activities and Service:**

- Co-organizer, Yale Classics Departmental Colloquium on "Power, Violence, and Vulnerability" (with Christina Kraus, 2020-21)
- Inaugural Chair, Yale Classics Committee on Equity, Inclusivity, and Diversity (Jan. 2020-Sept. 2021)
- Lecture Committee, Yale Classics (2020-21)
- Co-organizer, Yale Comparative Literature Open Forum (2018-19)
- Co-convenor, Yale Classics Works in Progress (Spring 2018, Fall 2018)
- Co-organizer, Yale Comparative Literature Graduate Student Conference on "The Common/s," (2017-18)
- Undergraduate Chair, Penn Humanities Forum on Translation (2016-17)

**Languages:**

- *Ancient:* Latin, Ancient Greek; training in Sanskrit and Old and Middle Iranian languages including Old Persian, Middle Persian, Parthian, Sogdian, Bactrian; Syriac (elementary)
- *Modern:* English; French; Persian (Classical reading, some modern speaking), Italian (reading), German (reading)