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### EDUCATION

- In progress Ph.D. in the History of Science, minor in History  
University of Wisconsin–Madison  
Dissertation: “Reading the Bible Scientifically: Science and the Rise of Modern Biblical Criticism in Nineteenth- and Early Twentieth-Century America”  
Advisor: Dr. Ronald L. Numbers
- 2010 M.A. in the History of Science  
University of Wisconsin–Madison  
M.A. Paper: “The Reception of Darwin’s Work in Hungary’s Nineteenth-Century Popular Press”  
Advisor: Dr. Ronald L. Numbers
- 1995 M. Div., concentration in Radical Reformation history  
Starr King School for the Ministry, Berkeley, California
- 1988 B.S. in Physics  
Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana

### EMPLOYMENT

- 2002-2007 Associate Minister  
First Unitarian Society  
Madison, Wisconsin
- 1998-2002 New Congregation Minister  
Unitarian Universalist Community Church of Southwest Michigan  
Portage, Michigan
- 1996-1998 English Teacher  
Protestant Theological Institute  
Cluj-Napoca, Romania
- 1988-1991 Verification Engineer  
Teledyne-Brown Engineering, Space Programs  
Huntsville, Alabama

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

As instructor of record:

Science in America (University of Wisconsin-Madison)

The History of Race, Science, and Medicine in the US (University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee)

As teaching assistant (University of Wisconsin-Madison):

History of Ancient and Medieval Science

History of Science from Newton to Einstein

History of Science in the Twentieth Century

History of the Physician

Introduction to Global Studies

Hands on the Solar System

## AWARDS, GRANTS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2016 WARF Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Spring and Summer
- 2015 Chancellor's Fellowship, Fall
- 2015 Mellon-Wisconsin Summer Fellowship
- 2014 Chancellor's Fellowship, Fall and Spring
- 2014 Letters and Science Teaching Fellow Award
- 2013 Chancellor's Fellowship, Spring
- 2013, 2011 Nominated for Letters and Science Teaching Fellow Awards
- 2013 Vilas Conference Grant
- 2012 Vilas Research Travel Grant
- 2012 Scholar's Grant, Fund for Nurturing Unitarian Universalist Scholarship

## PUBLICATIONS

- Forthcoming "Scientific Scriptures: The Shifting Role of the Biblical Account of Nature," in *Science without God? Scientific Naturalism, Democritus to Darwin*, eds. Peter Harrison and Jon Roberts (University of Chicago).
- 2011 "The Heresy Prosecution of Renaissance Scholars Domenico Scandella, Giordano Bruno, and Galileo Galilei," *Κριτική Επιστήμη & Εκπαίδευση* (Critical Science and Education) 11 (May 2011), 83-88.

## LECTURES AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2014 "The Marriage of Science and Scripture under Romanticism's Bower: Theodore Parker's 'Scientific' Biblical Criticism," International Conference on Romanticism, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

- 2014 “Defending Special Revelation across the 49th Parallel: Movements against Higher Biblical Criticism in the United States and Canada,” Annual Conference, International Society for Intellectual History, Toronto, Canada.
- 2014 “Digitized Media, Data Visualization, and Whewell’s Folly,” Midwestern Junto of the History of Science Society, Kirksville, Missouri.
- 2013 “The Exchange of ‘Scientific’ Biblical Criticism among Late Nineteenth-Century American Evangelical Scholars and Laity,” Annual Conference, Society for U.S. Intellectual History, Irvine, California.
- 2013 “The Queen Dethroned? The Changing Role of the Biblical Worldview in the History of Science,” International Congress of History of Science and Technology, Manchester, England.
- 2013 “The Queen Dethroned? The Changing Role of the Biblical Worldview in the History of Science,” Midwestern Junto of the History of Science Society, South Bend, Indiana.
- 2013 “The Queen Dethroned? The Shifting Role of the Scriptural Account of Nature,” Conference, “Science without God: Religion, Naturalism, and the Sciences,” Tallahassee, Florida.
- 2012 “The Temple of Geological Religion, Built upon the Old Ruins of Churches: American Responses to Attempts to Harmonize Science and Religion,” Midwestern Junto of the History of Science Society, Rolla, Missouri.
- 2009 (panel organizer) “The Heresy Prosecution of Renaissance Scholars Domenico Scandella, Giordano Bruno, and Galileo Galilei,” International Congress of History of Science and Technology, Budapest, Hungary.

### **CAMPUS AND COMMUNITY TALKS**

- 2016 “The Scientific Revolution in Anatomy and Medicine,” guest lecture for History of Science 201: The Origins of Scientific Thought.
- 2016 “Evidence of Things Seen and Not Seen: Edward Hitchcock and the (Inconvenient) Persistence of Religious Evidence and Testimonies in Nineteenth-Century American Science,” University of Wisconsin-Madison Lecture Series “Seeing the Invisible,” Celebrating the 350th Anniversary of Robert Hooke’s *Micrographia*.
- 2015 “Finches in the Sanctuary: Evolutionary Thought in a Religious World” and “Science and Religion: Enemies, Friends, or ‘It’s Complicated’?” lectures for Senior Summer School, Madison, Wisconsin.

- 2015 “Finches in the Sanctuary: Evolutionary Thought in a Religious World,” lecture for University of Wisconsin Evolution Seminar Series.
- 2014-15 “Best Teaching Practices,” lecture for Letters & Science Learning Support Services, offered three times for new Teaching Assistants.
- 2014 “Creationism in Early 20th-Century America,” guest lecture for History of Science 615: The History of Evolutionary Thought.
- 2011 “Ancient Greek Medicine” and “Ancient Greek Philosophy of Nature,” guest lectures for History of Science 201: The Origins of Scientific Thought.

### **PROFESSIONAL AND INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE**

- 2007-12 Meriter Hospital’s Institutional Review Board  
2007-09 Institutional Reaccreditation Team, University of Wisconsin–Madison

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

American Academy of Religion  
American Association for the Advancement of Science  
American Historical Association  
American Society of Church History  
National Council on Public History  
Organization of American Historians  
The Society of Nineteenth-Century Americanists