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CONTACT INFORMATION

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ACADEMIC HISTORY

1981	Ph.D.	University of Michigan - Classical Studies
1977	A.M.	University of Michigan - Classical Studies
1976	A.B.	Smith College - <i>cum laude</i> with Honors in Ancient Studies

TEACHING APPOINTMENTS

2002-2022	Professor	University of North Carolina, Greensboro
1988-2002	Associate Professor	University of North Carolina, Greensboro
1988-1989	Visiting Associate Professor	University of Michigan
1982-1988	Assistant Professor	University of North Carolina, Greensboro
1981-1982	Lecturer	University of North Carolina, Greensboro
1977-1981	Teaching Assistant	University of Michigan

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

1999-2009	Department Head	Department of Classical Studies, UNCG
1992-1995	Associate Dean	College of Arts & Sciences, UNCG
1990	Director	Governor's Language Institute in Latin, UNCG
1990-1992	Department Head	Department of Classical Studies, UNCG
5/89 - 7/90	Acting Department Head	Department of Classical Studies, UNCG
1986-1988	Chairman	Interdepartmental Christianity Program, UNCG

AWARDS and HONORS (external in blue)

2022	The Order of the Long Leaf Pine State of North Carolina
2017	Undergraduate Research and Creativity Award with Brandi Mauldin
2016	Undergraduate Research and Creativity Award with Madeline Parrish
2009-2010	Honorary University Faculty Marshal <i>(for commitment to academic excellence and service to students)</i> University Marshals, UNCG
2007	Ovatio (Classical Journal 103.2 [2007/08]: 218) Classical Association of the Middle West and South
2005	Merita Award American Classical League
2004	Outstanding Regional Vice President CAMWS, Tidewater Region
2003	Outstanding Regional Vice President CAMWS, Tidewater Region
2002	Dean's Merit Award for Outstanding Contributions to the College College of Arts & Sciences, UNCG

2002	Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society
1999	Dean's Merit Award for Excellence in Teaching College of Arts & Sciences, UNCG
1998	Outstanding Regional Vice President CAMWS, Tidewater Region
1996	Dean's Merit Award for Excellence in Teaching College of Arts & Sciences, UNCG
1993	Dean's Merit Award for Outstanding Contributions to College Programs College of Arts & Sciences, UNCG
1992	Alumni Teaching Excellence Award - Senior University of North Carolina, Greensboro

RESEARCH GRANTS and FELLOWSHIPS (external in blue)

2001	Heather Hart-James Faculty Research Award Classical Studies, UNCG
1996-1997	National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship
1996-1997	Research Assignment University of North Carolina, Greensboro
1996 Spring	Research Assignment University of North Carolina, Greensboro
1986-1987	Research Council Grant "A Commentary on the <i>Homeric Hymn to Hermes</i> " University of North Carolina, Greensboro
1985-1986	Junior Fellowship The Center for Hellenic Studies
1985-1986	Research Assignment University of North Carolina, Greensboro
1985-1986	Research Council Grant "Line Notes for a Commentary on the <i>Homeric Hymn to Hermes</i> " University of North Carolina, Greensboro
1984 Summer	NEH Fellowship stipend, Summer Seminar for College Teachers "The Ancient Greek Concept of Myth & Contemporary Theory and Criticism" Harvard University
1983 Summer	Excellence Foundation Faculty Research Grant "The Language of the Fourth Homeric Hymn" University of North Carolina, Greensboro
1982 Summer	Excellence Foundation Faculty Research Grant "The <i>Homeric Hymn to Hermes</i> : The Religious Background" University of North Carolina, Greensboro

PROGRAM GRANTS (external in blue)

2005	Advancement of Teaching and Learning Grant "Latin Supplementary Exercises On-Line" University of North Carolina, Greensboro
2001	Distance Learning Development Grant <i>declined - to accept Fast Forward funding</i> To develop a web-based Mythology course University of North Carolina, Greensboro
2000	Saturday workshop for Latin Teachers CAMWS Committee for the Promotion of Latin grant
1996	Computer Technology Educational Program Grant "Using Perseus 2.0 and the Internet for Classical Studies", UNCG

1995	Departmental Advancement Grant University of North Carolina, Greensboro
1991	Advancement of Curriculum and Teaching Grant "Greek for Reading Project" University of North Carolina, Greensboro
1990-1991	Governor's Language Institute Grant - \$34,024.00 "Graduate Latin Institute for Secondary Teachers" North Carolina Department of Public Instruction
1989-1990	Computer Technology Educational Program Grant "Computer Tutorials for Ancient Greek" University of North Carolina, Greensboro

PUBLICATIONS

Books

- 2020 *Introduction to Greek, 3rd edition.* C. Shelmerdine and S. Shelmerdine. Focus an Imprint of Hackett Publishing. (Indianapolis/ Cambridge). [with *Answer Key*]
- 2013 *Introduction to Latin, 2nd edition.* Focus an Imprint of Hackett Publishing. (Indianapolis/ Cambridge). [with *Answer Key* and *online ancillary materials*]
- 2008 *Introduction to Latin: Answer Key.* Focus Publishing/R. Pullins Co. (Newburyport, MA).
- 2007 *Introduction to Latin: revised first edition.* Focus Publishing/R. Pullins Co. (Newburyport, MA).
- 2005 *Introduction to Latin.* Focus Publishing/R. Pullins Company. (Newburyport, MA).
- 1995 *The Homeric Hymns.* Focus an Imprint of Hackett Publishing. (Indianapolis/Cambridge). [reprinted with minor revisions in 2000]
- 1994 *Greek for Reading.* G. Seligson, S. Shelmerdine, and A. Loftus. University of Michigan Press (Ann Arbor, MI).

Articles and Reviews

- 2015 Review of Carole E. Newlands, *An Ovid Reader* (Bolchazy-Carducci 2014) *Bryn Mawr Classical Review* 2015.9.26.
- 2010 *Oxford Encyclopedia of Ancient Greece and Rome*, M. Gagarin, ed. Oxford University Press. Three articles on: Creation Myths, Monsters, Myths of Divine Punishment.
- 2000 Review of John Miles Foley, *Homer's Traditional Art* (Pennsylvania State University Press 1999) *Classical and Modern Literature* 21.1, 81-85.
- 1996 "Greek Studies Today: An Overview," *Classical Journal* 91.4, 394-400 and 417-420.
- 1995 *The HarperCollins Dictionary of Religion*, J.Z. Smith gen. ed., with the American Academy of Religion. HarperCollins Publishers (San Francisco). Four articles on: Homer, *Iliad*, *Odyssey*, Odysseus; Eleven shorter entries on Delphi, Hekate, Herakles, Hermes, Maenad, Narcissos, Penelope, Prometheus, Pythagoras, Tartaros, Titans.
- 1991 Review of Richard S. Caldwell, *Hesiod's Theogony* (Cambridge 1987), *Classical World* 84, 489-490.
- 1988 Review of M.L. West, *The Hesiodic Catalogue of Women* (Oxford 1985), in *Classical World* 82, 54-55.
- 1987 "Pindaric Praise and the Third Olympian," *Harvard Studies in Classical Philology* 91, 65-81.
- 1986 "Odyssean Allusions in the Fourth Homeric Hymn," *Transactions and Proceedings of the American Philological Association* 116, 49-63.
- 1984 "Hermes and the Tortoise: A Prelude to Cult," *Greek, Roman, and Byzantine Studies* 25, 201-208.

PAPERS AT PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS

- 2022 "It's Not a Puzzle: Reading Success in Latin and Greek," Classical Association of the Middle West and South, Winston Salem, NC - Workshop co-presenter.
- 2022 "Planning for Accessible Teaching Methods Courses," Classical Association of the Middle West and South, Winston Salem, NC - Roundtable organizer.
- 2013 "Teacher Training Online at UNC, Greensboro," Classical Association of the Middle West and South, Iowa City, IA - Panel.
- 2011 "Latin Pedagogy: Keeping an Open Mind," American Philological Association, San Antonio, TX - APA Committee on Education Panel on Standards for Latin Teacher Preparation
- 2010 "Standard 1," American Classical League, Winston-Salem, NC - Plenary Session on Standards for Latin Teacher Preparation
- 2010 "Opening Doors: Teacher Preparation in Changing Environments," American Classical League, Winston-Salem, NC
- 2008 "Strategies for Success at a Non-Flagship Research University," Classical Association of the Middle West and South-Southern Section, Asheville, NC - Presidential Panel.
- 2006 "I See Dead People," Classical Association of the Middle West and South-Southern Section, Memphis, TN
- 2001 "Using Expectations with the Reading Approach," at a panel/workshop on *Reading Strategies for Ecce Romani and Other Texts*, American Classical League, San Antonio, TX
- 2000 "Making the Transition from First Year to Second Year Greek" at panel on *Latin and Greek in the Second Year: Linguistic Approaches to the Reading of Texts*, Classical Association of the Middle West and South, Knoxville, TN
- 1997 "Hermes in the Court of Olympos," Classical Association of the Middle West and South, Boulder, CO.
- 1994 "Greek Studies Today: An Overview," American Philological Association, Atlanta, GA - Panel.
- 1994 "New Directions in Teaching Greek," Classical Association of the Middle West and South, Atlanta, GA - Panel Organizer and Presenter.
- 1993 "The New M.Ed. in Latin," American Philological Association, Washington, D.C. - Presidential Panel.
- 1992 "Writing Across the Curriculum in Latin Classes," Classical Association of the Middle West and South - Southern Section, Richmond, VA
- 1992 "Hermes and the Making of a Myth," The Mountain Interstate Foreign Language Conference, Blacksburg, VA
- 1991 "North Carolina's First Governor's Language Institute in Latin," Classical Association of the Middle West and South, Hamilton, Ontario
- 1990 "Something About Nothing in Sophocles' *Electra*," Classical Association of the Middle West and South, Columbia, MO
- 1989 "The Marathon Youth: New Light on an Old Problem," Classical Association of the Middle West and South, Lexington, KY
- 1988 "Ὅσις in Early Greek Poetry," Classical Association of the Middle West and South, New Orleans, LA
- 1986 "Mnemosyne and the Poetry of Hermes," American Philological Association, San Antonio, TX
- 1986 "Vergil's *Maius Opus*," Classical Association of the Middle West and South, Tampa, FL
- 1984 "Pindaric Praise: Convention and Innovation," American Philological Association, Toronto, Canada
- 1984 "Odyssean Allusions in the Fourth Homeric Hymn," Classical Association of the Middle West and South, Williamsburg, VA

- 1983 "The Use of Myth in the *Homeric Hymn to Hermes*," Classical Association of the Middle West and South, Columbus, OH
- 1982 "A Second Sacrifice in the *Homeric Hymn to Hermes*," American Philological Association, Philadelphia, PA

INVITED LECTURES

- 2010 "Ancient Epic," Summer Institute lecture
University of Georgia, Athens
- 2008 "Translating the Classics," Thomas A. Conklin Memorial Lecture, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI
- 2008 "Old Wine in New Bottles: Writing A New Latin Textbook," Wayne State University, Detroit, MI
- 2004 "An Introduction to Greek," Junior Classical League Fall Forum, Greensboro
- 2003 "Child's Play in Ancient Greek Art and Poetry," Hummel Lecture, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA
- 1993 "Hercules' Labors," Junior Classical League Fall Forum, Greensboro
- 1988 "Religious Vocabulary in Early Greek Poetry," University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
- 1988 "The Myth of Hermes," Michigan State University, East Lansing
- 1986 "Problems in Archaic Greek Poetry," University of Virginia, Charlottesville
- 1981 "The Muse's Prompting: The Birth of Tragedy," in the series *The Measure of Man: The Greek Moment*, Meredith College, Raleigh, NC
- 1981 "Pindar, *Olympian Three*," Swarthmore College

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of North Carolina, Greensboro: **Undergraduate courses:** Elementary Greek, Intermediate Greek (Plato; Lysias; Homer; Euripides; Sophocles; New Testament), Advanced Greek (Plato; Hesiod; Homer; Homeric Hymns; Sophocles; Euripides; Aeschylus; Herodotus; Thucydides; New Testament), Linear B, Elementary Latin, Intermediate Latin (Vergil), Classical Mythology, On-line Mythology, Advanced Studies in Mythology, Classical Drama in Translation, Greek and Latin Literature in Translation (The Archaic Age; Heroes and Tricksters in Ancient Literature; Comparative Studies in World Epics); Classical Tragedy; Freshman Seminars; Senior Honors Theses; Junior NC Teaching Fellows Seminar, Teaching Secondary-Level Latin: Current Trends, Student Teaching in Latin; senior honors thesis supervisions.

Graduate courses: Ovid; Teaching Secondary Level Latin: Current Trends; Special Topics in Latin: Using Latin for Remediation in an Elementary School.

University of Michigan: **Undergraduate courses:** Elementary Greek, Elementary Latin, Intermediate Latin (Cicero, Virgil), Classical Civilization (Greece, Rome), Classical Mythology.

Graduate courses: Homeric Hymns, Lucretius and Roman Epicureanism.

INVOLVEMENT IN CENTERS, INSTITUTES AND EXCAVATIONS

- 1990-91 Governor's Language Institute in Latin
Director and instructor for a graduate institute for secondary teachers of Latin
- 1990 North Carolina Center for the Advancement of Teaching
Instructor in seminar on "The Culture of Ancient Greece" for high school teachers
- 1989-90 Center for Critical Inquiry
Faculty Fellow; taught freshman seminar and participated in faculty seminar on "Teaching the Canon and the Conflicts"
- 1989 Western Carolina Faculty Center for Teaching Excellence
Representative from UNCG at the North Carolina Colloquy on College Teaching

1976 American Excavations at Knidos (Turkey)
Site supervisor - Summer

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE / CONSULTANT WORK (* indicates elected positions)

State and National Levels:

Content Consultant for children's book series, *Legendary Goddesses*, (4 books on Aphrodite, Athena, Hera, and Persephone), Capstone Press (2018)

Content Consultant for children's book series, *The Other Side of Myth*, Capstone Press (2013-2014)

External Consultant for Department Reviews

- Program in Classics, Mary Washington University (2008)
- Department of Classical Languages, Wake Forest University (2004)
- Department of Classics, Washington and Lee University (2003)
- Department of Classics, Hollins University (2002)
- Department of Classics, University of Nebraska, Lincoln (2001)
- Department of Classics, Colby College (2000)
- Department of Classics, Miami University of Ohio (1999)
- Department of Classical Studies, Sweet Briar College (1999)
- Department of Classics, Philosophy, and Religion, Mary Washington College (1998)
- Department of Classical Studies, University of Missouri (1995)
- Program in Classics, Mary Washington College (1995)

External consultant for Guilford County Schools for foreign language development and textbook selection for French, German and Spanish (1999-2000)

Director of Workshop Series for Latin teachers, Guilford County Schools (1997-1998)

Referee for book and article manuscripts

- University of Arizona Press
- University of Michigan Press
- University of Oklahoma Press
- Focus Press
- Routledge Press
- American Journal of Philology*
- Arethusa*
- Classical Journal*
- Transactions and Proceedings of the American Philological Association*

American Classical League

Professional Resources Task Force (2016-2018)

American Classical League and American Philological Association

Joint Task Force on Teacher Training and Certification (2008-2010)

American Philological Association

- *Board of Directors (2005-2008); Executive Committee (2007)
- Panelist for *On the Job Market: A Workshop for Job Seekers* (2007)
- Committee on Placement (Chair, 2002- 2003; Member, 2003-2004; 2001-2002; 1983-1984)
- *Committee for Professional Matters (2002-2003 *ex officio*; 1995-1998)
- Ad hoc* Committee on Campus Advisory Service (1993-1994)

Classical Association of the Middle West and South

- Merit Committee (2014-2017)
- Regional Vice President - Tidewater Region (1997-2004)
- Membership Committee (1994-1998)
- Committee on Good Teaching (1989-1992)

North Carolina Department of Public Instruction

- Task Force for the North Carolina Standard Setting Study of Praxis II Latin (2007)
- Committee to write State Standards for Latin Teachers (2005)
- Task Force on Certification for Classical Latin (1991)

North Carolina Classical Association

- *President (1983-1985)
- Executive Committee (1983-1985)
- Chairman, Program Committee (1983-1984)

Community:

- Reading Program with 1st-3rd graders; Pet Partners Therapy Dog Teams
General Greene Elementary School, Guilford County (2013 - present)
- Camp Carefree; Pet Partners Therapy Dog Teams (2019)
- 4th grade Pet Responsibility Class visits, Pet Partners Therapy Dog Teams
Guilford, Jefferson, Northern elementary school, Guilford County (2017, 2019)
- Advisor for high school senior project (presented publicly)
Northwest High School, Guilford County (2009-2010)

University of North Carolina, Greensboro:

Department

- Chair, Classical Studies Dept. Promotion Committee (2020)
- Chair, Classical Studies Dept. Search Committee (2019-2020)
- Chair, Classical Studies Dept. Promotion Committee (2018-2019)
- Chair, Post Tenure Review Committee (2018-2019; 2011-2012; 2009-2010)
- Member, Classical Studies Dept. Search Committee (2017-2018)
- Department Webmaster (since its inception; most recent major redesign 2017-2018)
- Member, 2 Post Tenure Review Committees (2016-2017)
- Chair, Tenure Review Committee (2010-2011)
- Department Head (1999-2009; 1990-1992; Acting Head, May 1989-July 1990)
- Classical Studies Dept. Search Committee (Chair 2007-2008, 2005-2006, 2003-2004, 1992-93, 1990-91;
Member 1996-1997; Affirmative Action Representative 1986-87)
- Teacher Education Advisor for "A" certification in Latin (2004-2017; 1989-1995)
- Director of Graduate Studies, M.Ed. in Latin (1993-1995)
- Classical Studies Coordinator for North Carolina Department of Public Instruction and
National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education self-study and site visit (2004-2006; 1989-
1991)
- Classical Civilization Advisory Committee (1983-1987)

College

- Religious Studies Post Tenure Review Committee (2020)
- Religious Studies Promotion Committee (2017-2018)
- College Non-Tenure Track Faculty Representation Committee (2013-2015)
- *College Budget and Planning Committee (2012-2013; 2003-2005*)
- Chairman, College Advising Committee (2010)
- College Committee on Appeals (2006-2009)
- College Task Force on College Additional Requirements (2006-2007)
- Chairman, English Department Head Search Committee (2004-2005)
- Administrative Council (1999-2009; 1992-1995 *ex officio*; 1989-1992)
- Dean's Advisory Committee for Foreign Language Appeals (1997-2006)
- Strong College Review Committee (1999-2000)
- Romance Languages Department Head Search Committee (1999-2000)
- *College Curriculum Committee (Member 1999-2000; * Chair 1998-1999; 1992-1995 *ex officio*)
- College Teaching Excellence Awards Committee (1997-1999)
- Chairman, Multimedia Language Center Steering Committee (1997-1999)
- German and Russian Department Search Committee (1998-1999)
- Chairman, Foreign Language Instructional Area Committee (1992-1996)
- College Undergraduate & Graduate Curriculum Committees (*ex officio* 1992-1993)
- *College Council (1992-1995 *ex officio*; 1986-1987 appointed; 1983-1985 elected)
- Advisory Board, Center for Critical Inquiry (1991-1993)
- College Grant Exploration Committee (1990-1991)
- Ad Hoc* College Curriculum Committee (1987-1988)
- English Department Search Committee (1987-1988)

Ad Hoc College Policy Committee (1986-1987)
 Chairman, College Elections Committee (1983-1985)
 College Committee on Committees (1983-1985)
 College World Literature Program (1981-1988)

University

Webmaster, SPLS-Archaeology Program (2014 – 2019)
 Chair, Academic Policies Committee (2013-2016)
 Faculty Senate (2009 – 2016)
 Representative to Academic Policies Committee (2012-2016)
 Elections Committee (2009 – 2014)
 Search Committee for University Registrar (2015)
 Goal 1.3 committee (2010)
 Teachers Academy, Council of Program Coordinators (2002-2011; 1998-2000; 1993-1995)
 Secondary Teacher Education Programs Committee (2002-2011)
 Revisioning Group (2007-2009)
 Curriculum Subcommittee (1998-1999)
 Conflict of Interest Advisory Group (Spring 2011)
 Ashby College Retreat (Fall 2010)
 House Calls volunteer (2010-2012)
 Teaching Excellence Awards Committee (2009-2010; Chair 2005-2007; 2003-2005)
 Excellence Day Committee (2009)
 Search Committee for Dean of Undergraduate Studies (2009)
 University Institutional Effectiveness Committee (2008 spring - 2009)
 QEP Subcommittee (2008-2009)
 Chairman, Search Committee for the Dean of the College of Arts & Sciences (2001-2003)
 University Honors Council (2005-2007; 1994-1997; 1989-1992)
 Program Committee for new Humanities & Research Building (2000-2001)
 Faculty Mentor, Teaching Fellows Program (1999-2001)
 Strong College Faculty Fellow (1993-2022)
 Golden Chain Advisor (1997-2000)
 University Team for AAHE Conference on Assessment (1999)
 University Research Grants Committee (1998-1999)
 University Computing Lab Management Committee (1997-1999)
 University NEH Grant Review Committee (1997-1998; 1989-1990)
 University WWW Advisory Board (1995-1996)
 Instructional Technology Advisory Committee (1995-1996)
 Teaching Fellows Advisory Council (1994-1995)
Ad Hoc University Graduation Rate Task Force (1993-1994)
 Chairman, University Committee on the Assessment of General Education (1992-1993)
 Teachers Academy, Executive Committee (*ex officio* 1993-1995)
 Teacher Education Cabinet (*ex officio* 1992-1993)
 Disabled Student Services Advisory Committee (*ex officio* 1992-1995)
 University Enrollment Management Committee (1992-1993)
 *Faculty Senate (1992-1993)
 University ACT Grant Review Committee (1991-1992)
 Search Committee for the Dean of the College of Arts & Sciences (1990-1991)
 *University Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (1987-1990)
 University Campus Recreation Committee (1987-1988)
 University Committee on Faculty Development Grants (1986-1987)
 University Library Committee (1984-1987)
 University Steering Committee for Student Retention (1984-1985)
 University Undergraduate Academic Regulations Committee (1983-1984)
 Freshman Week and Step Ahead; SOAR Advisor (1998-2000; 1991; 1990; 1984)
 Academic Advising; Pre-major and Major (1981- 2022)
 CASA advisor (spring 2010)