

Curriculum Vitae  
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Education: Princeton University, 1988-94, MA 1991, Ph.D. Classics 1994  
Barnard College, 1983-87, BA Ancient Studies 1987

Professional Experience:

2016 (July) - present: Ann Whitney Olin Professor of Classics  
2009 (July) - present: Barnard College, Professor  
2012 (spring): Visiting Professor, Cornell University  
2007-08: Visiting Associate Professor, Harvard University  
2005 (July) - 2009 (June): Barnard College, Associate Professor  
1996-2005 (June): Barnard College, Assistant Professor

Publications:

Books

*Landscape and the Spaces of Metaphor in Ancient Literary Theory and Criticism.*  
Cambridge University Press (2015).  
*Abusive Mouths in Classical Athens.* Cambridge University Press (2008).  
*The Cast of Character: Style in Greek Literature.* University of Texas Press  
(2002).

Edited volume

*Place, Space, and Landscape in Ancient Greek Literature and Culture*, ed.  
K. Gilhuly and N. Worman. Cambridge University Press (2014).

Chapters in edited volumes

"Embodied Character and Dramatic Mimesis in Aeschines and Demosthenes." In  
*Characterization in Ancient Greek Literature*, ed. E. van Emde Boaz and  
K. Temmerman. (Brill, forthcoming).  
"Euripides and the Aesthetics of Embodiment." In *The Brill Companion to  
Euripides*, ed. A. Markantonatos (forthcoming).  
"Touching, Proximity, and the Aesthetics of Pain in Sophocles." In *Touch and the  
Ancient Senses*, ed. A. Purves (Routledge, forthcoming).  
"Euripides, Aristophanes, and Sophistic Style." In *The Blackwell Companion to  
Euripides*, ed. L. McClure (Blackwell, 2017), 517-32.

- "What Is 'Greek Sex' For?" In *Ancient Sex: New Essays*, ed. R. Blondell and K. Ormand (Ohio State University Press, 2015), 208-30.
- "The Aesthetics of Ancient Landscapes." In *A Companion to Ancient Aesthetics, Blackwell Companions to the Ancient World*, ed. P. Destrée and P. Murray (Blackwell, 2015), 291-306.
- "Mapping Literary Judgment in Aristophanes' *Frogs*." In *Place, Space, and Landscape in Ancient Greek Literature and Culture*, ed. K. Gilhuly and N. Worman (Cambridge, 2014), 200-39.
- "Oedipus Abuser: Insult and Embodied Aesthetics in Sophocles." In *Autour de l'insulte dans le monde grec archaïque et classique*, ed. V. Azoulay and A. Damet (l'INHA, 2014), 1-12.
- "Oedipus, Odysseus, and the Failure of Rhetoric." In *The Brill Companion to Sophocles*, ed. A. Markantonatos (2012), 325-48.
- "Cutting to the Bone: Recalcitrant Bodies in Sophocles." In *The Blackwell Companion to Sophocles*, ed. K. Ormand (Blackwell, 2012), 351-66.
- "Bodies and Topographies in Ancient Stylistic Theory." In *Bodies and Boundaries in Graeco-Roman Antiquity*, ed. T. Fögen and M. Lee (De Gruyter, 2009), 45-62.
- "Fighting Words: Status, Stature, and Verbal Contest in Archaic Poetry." In *The Cambridge Companion to Ancient Rhetoric*, ed. E. Gunderson (2009), 27-42.
- "This Voice Which Is Not One: Helen's Verbal Guises in Homeric Epic." In *Making Silence Speak: Women's Voices in Greek Literature and Society*, ed. A. Lardinois and L. McClure. Princeton University Press, 2001. 19-37.

#### Articles

- "Exquisite Corpses and Other Bodies in the Electra Plays." *Bulletin of the Institute of Classical Studies* (June 2015), 77-92.
- "Insult and Oral Excess in the Disputes Between Aeschines and Demosthenes." *American Journal of Philology* 125.1 (2004): 1-25.
- "Odysseus, Ingestive Rhetoric, and Euripides' *Cyclops*." *Helios* (2002) 29.2:101-25.
- "The *Herkos Achaiôn* Transformed: Character Type and Spatial Meaning in the *Ajax*." *Classical Philology* 96 (2001): 230-54.
- "Infection in the Sentence: The Discourse of Disease in Sophocles' *Philoctetes*." *Arethusa* 33.1 (2000): 1-36.
- "The Ties that Bind: Transformations of Costume and Connection in Euripides' *Heracles*." *Ramus* 28.2 (1999): 89-107.
- "Odysseus *Panourgos*: The Liar's Style in Oratory and Tragedy." *Helios* 26.1 (1999): 35-68.
- "The Body as Argument: Helen in Four Greek Texts." *Classical Antiquity* 16.1 (April, 1997): 151-203.

### Reviews

- Stephen Halliwell, *Between Ecstasy and Truth: Interpretations of Greek Poetics from Homer to Longinus* (Oxford, 2011). *Mnemosyne* (2014).
- Philip Mitsis and Christos Psagalis (eds.), *Allusion, Authority, and Truth: Essays on Greek Poetic and Rhetorical Praxis* (De Gruyter 2010). *Bryn Mawr Classical Review* (forthcoming).
- Marc Payne, *The Animal Part: Human and Other Animals in the Poetic Imagination* (Chicago, 2010). *Classical Philology* (2012).
- Casper de Jonge, *Between Grammar and Rhetoric: Dionysius of Halicarnassus on Language, Linguistics, and Literature* (Brill, 2008). *Bryn Mawr Classical Review* (January 4, 2012).
- Richard Hunter, *Critical Moments in Classical Literature*. *Bryn Mawr Classical Review* (March 7, 2010).
- James Diggle, *Theophrastus' Characters* (Cambridge University Press, 2004). *Classical World* 100.4 (2007): 469-71.
- Rosanna Omitowaju, *Rape and the Politics of Consent in Classical Athens*. *American Journal of Philology* 124.4 (2003): 617-20.
- Victoria Wohl, *Intimate Commerce: Exchange, Gender, and Subjectivity in Greek Tragedy*. *Classical Philology* 94.4 (1999): 466-72.
- David Wiles, *Tragedy in Athens: Performance Space and Theatrical Meaning*. *Classical World* 93.1 (1999): 111-13.
- Pauline Schmitt Pantel, ed. *History of Women, vol. 1. From Ancient Goddesses to Christian Saints*, and David Cohen, *Law, Sexuality, and Society*. *Classical Journal* 89.4 (1994): 422-28.

### In preparation:

- Edges of the Human: Embodiment, Enactment, and Materiality in Greek Tragedy* (book-length project).
- Virginia Woolf and Gendering Greek Aesthetics*. Forthcoming in the series *Classical Receptions in Twentieth-Century Writing*, ed. L. Jansen (Bloomsbury Press).
- The Oxford Handbook of Ancient Literary Criticism and Theory*, ed. J. Connolly and N. Worman (edited volume).
- "Electra, Orestes, and The Sibling Hand." In *Objects and Affect: The Materialities of Greek Drama*, ed. M. Mueller and M. Telo (under review at Routledge).

### Presentations (selected):

- "The Human Edge: Skin, Cloth, and Stone in Aeschylus and Euripides." Cornell University Classics Department, November 29, 2016.
- "Tragic 'Nudity,' Necrophilia, and the Edges of the Human in Euripides." Conference, "Man, Machine, Animal, and Monster: The Post-Human in Classical Greek Literature," Humboldt University, October 28, 2016.
- "Strange Containers in Greek Tragedy." Conference, "Performing Skin," Cornell Society for the Humanities, October 22, 2016.
- "Virginia Woolf and Gendering Greek Tragedy." Yale-NUS, Singapore, August 12, 2016; revised version to be presented at McGill University, November

- 22, 2016.
- "Molding Metaphors and Craft Hierarchies in Plato's *Republic*." Classical Association (Edinburgh, UK) Annual Conference, April 7, 2016.
- "Tragic Viewing and the Body of the Plot in Aristotle's *Poetics*." University of Chicago, March 4, 2016; revised versions presented at the conference "The Politics of Form in Greek Culture," University College London, June 17, 2016, the Universities of Brisbane and Sydney, Australia, July 2016, and the Cornell University Political Theory Workshop, March 9, 2017.
- "Electra, Orestes, and The Sibling Hand." Society for Classical Studies Annual Meeting, January 8, 2016.
- "The Sibling Hand: Affective Proximities in Sophocles and Euripides." University of St Andrews, March 10, 2015.
- "Virginia Woolf on Gendering Greeks and Other Imperialist Projects." Conference, "Classics and the Great War in an Age of Empire," University of Cambridge, November 27, 2014.
- "Inevitable Detours: Aristotle and Derrida on Mimesis and Metaphor." Institute of Classical Studies, University College London, November 24, 2014; seminar version given at the University of St Andrews, March 12, 2015.
- "Mimesis, Style, and the Dangers of Dressing Up in Aeschines and Demosthenes." Classical Association Annual Conference, University of Nottingham, April 14-16, 2014.
- "Tragic Beauties: Corpses and Other Bodies in the Electra Plays." Institute of Classical Studies, University College London, November 20, 2013.
- "Dreams of Order: Landscape Aesthetics in Greek Literary Theory." Stanford University, May 30, 2013; Rutgers University, October 10, 2013; revised version delivered at the University of St Andrews, March 11, 2015.
- "The Flower of Torment: Embodied Aesthetics in Sophocles." Conference, "Rethinking Aesthetics and the Politics of Pleasure in Ancient Greek Literature and Culture," Barnard College, April 5-6, 2013 (V. Wohl and N. Worman, organizers).
- "Oedipus Abuser: Insult and Embodied Aesthetics in Sophocles." University of Toronto, March 9, 2012; a different version given at the colloquium "Autour de l'insulte dans le monde grec archaïque et classique," l'INHA, Paris, March 30; different versions given at the University of Heidelberg and Oxford University, November 2012.
- "Beauty, Mimesis, and Style's Terrain in Ancient Literary Theory." Cornell University, February 29, 2012.
- "Mimetic Strategies in Ancient Literary Criticism." Presented at the Lost in Time Colloquium, Yale University, October 21, 2011.
- "Theory's Mirror: Mimetic Techniques in Ancient Literary Criticism." The Cambridge Triennial Conference, University of Cambridge, July 25-28, 2011.
- "Pindar, Proust, and the Flower of Metaphor." University of Chicago, May 20, 2010.
- "Sex and the Sophist." "Mythmaking," Conference in Honor of Froma Zeitlin, Princeton University, May 8, 2010.

- "What Is 'Greek Sex' For?" Panel "One Hundred and Twenty Years of Homosexuality," APA 2010, Anaheim, CA.
- "In Plato's Garden: Cicero and Dionysius on Pastoral Styles." Columbia University Seminar on Classical Civilization, October 15, 2009.
- "Isocrates and the 'Musical' Style." Conference, "Music in Non-Musical Texts in Classical Athens," Yale University, September 14, 2009.
- "Plato and the Poets' *Sophia*." Conference, "Wisdom in Ancient Thought," Columbia University, April 3-4, 2009.
- "Mapping Literary Judgment in Aristophanes' *Frogs*." Roundtable organized by Kate Gilhuly and Nancy Worman, "Landscapes and Cultural Ideologies of Ancient Greece," Wellesley College, April 25, 2009. A different version presented at the New York Classical Club, November 8, 2008.
- "Plato, Dionysius of Halicarnassus, and the Rhetorical *Locus Amoenus*." The Seminar on the Civilizations of Greece and Rome, Harvard University, February 19, 2008.
- "Aristotle on the Visual: Painting, Spectacle, Tragedy." Initiation to Greek Culture Seminar, Cornell University, November 2, 2007.
- "On Not Knowing Sophocles' *Electra*: Virginia Woolf and Primitivism." ACLA annual conference, Puebla, Mexico, April 19-22, 2007; a different presented at "Sophoclean Drama and Its Continuing Influence," UC Davis, May 19, 2006; and a version more focused on periodization at the "Post-Classicisms" Workshop, Princeton University, January 8-10, 2014.
- "The Demographics of Style in Greek Rhetoric." Conference, "Boundaries Between Bodies," Center for Hellenic Studies, Washington, DC, April 28, 2006.
- "Twist and Shout: Speaker's Styles in Aristophanes." University of Toronto, January 25, 2006.
- "Going with the Flow in Greek Rhetoric." Yale University, November 18, 2005.
- "Staging 'Female' Appetites in Attic Comedy." New York University, February 2, 2005.
- "Thinking with Drinking in Greek Rhetorical Theory." APA 2005, Boston.
- "'Female' Appetites in Attic Comedy." Conference on Greek Drama, Elefsina, Greece, October 3, 2004.
- "Vulgar Voices and Corrupt Hearers in Aristotle's *Rhetoric*." APA 2004, San Francisco.
- "Open Mouths and Abusive Talk in Aristophanes." Conference, "The Flesh Made Text," Thessaloniki, Greece, May 18, 2003.
- "Fancy Fare and Crude Talk in the Platonic Dialogues." University of California, Santa Cruz, April 2, 2003.
- "Open Mouths and Other Apertures in Aristophanes." Seminar, Center for Research on Women, Barnard College, November 7, 2002.
- "Theophrastus on the Intemperate Mouth." Graduate Colloquium, Columbia University, September 24, 2002; APA 2003, New Orleans.
- "Satyric Hypallage and the Edible Body in Euripides' *Cyclops*." 2002 Corhali conference, Princeton, NJ, June 7-9.

- "Embodying Language and the Rhetor's Mouth in Fourth-Century Athenian Oratory." UC Davis, May 4, 2001.
- "The Orator's Mouth: Character Assassination and Oral Imagery in Aeschines and Demosthenes." CUNY Graduate Center, March 30, 2001.
- "Oral Incontinence and the Sophistic Type in Two Fourth-Century Disputes." APA 2001, San Diego.
- "Deixis, Metonymy, and Visual Character in Greek Tragedy." Conference, "Deixis and Performance," Delphi, Greece, June 29, 2000.
- "The Net Fenced High: Entrapping the Savage Character in the *Oresteia* and Later Tragedies." Emory University, Atlanta, April 13, 2000.
- "Heroic Isolation and the Ties that Bind in *Ajax* and *Heracles*." University of Georgia, Athens, November 8, 1999.
- "One Man's Meat: The Glutton's Style and Euripides' *Cyclops*." University of California-Berkeley, April 5, 1999.
- "Madness and Community in the *Ajax* and *Heracles*." Bryn Mawr Classics Colloquium, November 6, 1998.
- "Character Type and Spatial Demarcation in the *Ajax*." Rutgers University Graduate Seminar Series, April 23, 1998.
- "Odysseus *Panourgos*: The Liar's Style in Tragedy and Oratory." Columbia University Seminar on Classical Civilization, October 16, 1997.
- "The Discourse of Disease in Sophocles' *Philoctetes*." Ohio State University, January, 1996.
- "The Cosmetics of Desire: Helen as Rhetor in the *Troades*." 1995 Corhali Conference, Lausanne, Switzerland, May 16-18.
- "The Stylistics of Seduction in Gorgias' *Encomium of Helen*." Reed College, January 19, 1995.
- "The Ethics of Style in Sophocles' *Philoctetes*." 1994 APA, Atlanta.
- "Odyssean Stylistics: The Eye of the Beholder." 1994 Corhali Conference, Cornell University, May 9-11.
- "Speaking of Helen Speaking: The Persuasive Figure in Euripides' *Troades* and *Helen*." CAAS Spring 1992.

#### Fellowships and Awards:

- 2017: "Skin to Skin: Tragic Bodies Diversity Initiative," Barnard College Research Grant.
- 2016-2017: "Skin to Skin: Touching, Proximity, and the Body's Edge in Greek Tragedy," Cornell Society for the Humanities Fellowship.
- 2014: "Re-Theorizing Ancient Greece," Barnard College Research Grant.
- 2012: Disciplines Initiative Grant, Columbia University ("Rethinking Aesthetics and the Politics of Pleasure in Ancient Greek Literature and Culture").
- 2011-2012: Research Grants, Barnard College (supporting new projects on ancient aesthetics).
- 2010: Mellon Translation Across the Disciplines Grant ("Translation as Literary Pilgrimage").
- 2008: Mellon-SIRT Grant, Wellesley-Barnard collaboration with Kate Gilhuly ("Landscapes and Cultural Ideologies of Ancient Greece")

2008, 2009: Summer Research Grant, Barnard College ("Ancient Greek Landscapes").

2007-2008: Loeb Foundation Fellowship, Harvard University

2006: Summer Research Grant, Barnard College ("The Imagery of Rivers and Roads in Greek Rhetoric").

2002: Fellowship, The Center for Hellenic Studies, Washington, DC (spring 2003).

2002: Summer Research Grant, Barnard College ("The Flesh Made Text" conference).

2001: Gladys Brooks award for excellence in teaching, Barnard College.

1999-2000: Special Assistant Professor Leave Grant, Barnard College.

1999: Summer Research Grant, Barnard College ("Theatrical Spaces in Ancient Greece").

1993-94: National Endowment for the Humanities Dissertation Fellowship.

1989: Andrew W. Mellon Fellowship for Summer Study (Paleography Seminar), Princeton University.

1990: Stanley J. Seeger Fellowship for Summer Study (American School of Classical Studies Summer Session, Athens), Princeton University.

Courses taught:

Barnard College:

GREK 8555: Greek Literature and Literary Theory, Fall 2014

CPLT 3160: Tragic Bodies, Spring 2014, Fall 2015

GREK 4009: Aeschylus and Euripides, Fall 2013

GREK 8215: Aesthetics in Plato and Aristotle (graduate seminar), Spring 2013

GREK 1101: Introduction to Elementary Greek, Fall-Spring 2012-2013

GREK 4010: Euripides, Spring 2011

GREK 3310: Aristotle, *Poetics*, Spring 2010, 2016

GREK/LAT 3996: the Major Seminar, Fall 2009, 2010

GREK 3309: Plato, *Phaedrus*, Spring 2009

GREK 3310: Aristophanes, Spring 2007

GREK 8390: Ancient Literary Criticism, Fall 2006

GREK 3309: Greek Oratory, Spring 2006, 2014

GREK 4105: Survey of Greek Literature, Fall 2005

GREK 4010: Greek Lyric Poetry, Spring 2005

GREK 3997: *Iphigeneia in Aulis* (reading course for the Greek play)

GREK/LAT 3996: The Major Seminar: Images of Eating and Drinking, Fall 2004

GREK 4010: Aristophanes, Spring 2004

GREK 8500: Greek Rhetoric (graduate seminar), Fall 2003

CPLS 3120: Poetics of the Mouth, Fall 2002, Spring 2005, 2007

GREK 1201: Plato and poetry (selections), Fall 2002, 2004, 2008, 2014

GREK 4010: Homer and the Language of Ingestion, Spring 2002

BC 1605: First-Year Seminar: Figures of Resistance, Spring 2002

GREK/LAT 3396: The Major Seminar: Character in Greek and Latin Literature, Fall 2001

LAT 1101: Introductory Latin, Spring 2001

CPLS 3001: Introduction to Comparative Literature, Fall 2000, 2003, 2005, 2009, 2010  
GREK 3310: Hesiod and the Homeric Hymns, Fall 2000  
(On leave 1999-2000)  
CPLS 3950: Junior Colloquium in Literary Theory, Spring 1999  
LAT 3130: Latin Poetry and the Language of Abuse, Spring 1999  
GREK 8257: The Monstrous in Greek Tragedy (graduate seminar), Fall 1998  
GREK/LAT 3996: The Major Seminar: Depictions of Monstrosity, Fall 1998  
GREK 4150: The Greek Language, Spring 1998  
GREK 1202: Homer *Odyssey* (selections), Spring 1998, Fall 2015 (*Iliad*)  
CLL W4300: The Classical Tradition, Spring 1997, 1998, 1999, 2001, Fall 2001, Spring 2004, Fall 2006, Fall 2008, Spring 2010, Fall 2012, Fall 2013, Fall 2014  
GREK V3310: Greek Lyric Poetry, Spring 1997  
LAT V3310: Plautus, Barnard College, Spring 1997  
BC 1149: First-Year Seminar: Children of Medusa, Fall 1996, 1997  
LAT V3012: Latin Lyric Poetry (Horace and Catullus), Fall 1996, 1997

Service and Administration:

FISC (new Curriculum) Committee, 2015-2016.  
Chair, Department of Classics, Barnard College, 2007, 2008-2009, 2010-2011, 2015-2016.  
Chair, Program in Comparative Literature, 2005-2007, 2009-2011.  
Comparative Literature Committee, Barnard College, 1996-present.  
Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Affiliate, 2012-present.  
Grants Committee, Barnard College, 2014-2015.  
Graduate Program Committee, Columbia University, 2005-2009.  
Greek MPhil Exam Committee, Columbia University, 2005-present (chair 2007-2011).  
Appointments, Tenure, and Promotion, Barnard College, 2009-2012.  
Faculty Governance and Procedures, Barnard College, 2002-2007 (Co-chair, 2006-07), 2008-2009 (Chair), 2012-2014 (Chair).  
Education Committee, Columbia University, 2005-2007.  
University Senate (Columbia), Barnard College Representative, 2005-2007.  
Phi Beta Kappa, President, Barnard College chapter, 2003-2005.  
Tenure Process Review Committee, Barnard College, 2002-2004.  
Honor Board, Barnard College, 2002-2004.  
Institutional Review Board, Barnard College, 2001-2005.  
Acting Chair, Department of Classics, Barnard College, 2000-2001, 2005.  
BCRW Advisory Board, 2000-present.

Other Professional Duties:

Advisory Council, Department of Classics, Princeton University (2008-2011, 2013-2016).



APA Committee on the Status of Women and Minority Groups, American  
Philological Association, 2010-2013.

Referee for *American Journal of Philology*, *Arethusa*, *Classical Antiquity*,  
*Classical Receptions Journal*, *Phoenix*, *Rhetorica*, *Transactions of the*  
*American Philological Association*, Oxford University Press, Princeton  
University Press, University of Michigan Press, Ohio State University  
Press.

Sub-editor (Greek) for *Classical World* (2009-2012).