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Curriculum Vitae

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Academic Qualifications

- 2022 Docent (Associate Professor) in Biblical Exegesis, Uppsala University.
- 2019 PhD (Faculty of Theology) in New Testament Exegesis, Uppsala University.
- 2007 Bachelor of Theology, Stockholm School of Theology (*now* University College Stockholm).
- 1997 Master of Science in Engineering, KTH Royal Institute of Technology.

Academic Positions

- 2019– Director of Studies, University College Stockholm (on leave September 2021–August 2024).
- 2021–2025 Postdoctoral Researcher, Åbo Akademi University, Finland.
- 2019–2022 Part-time Lecturer, University College Stockholm.
- 2019–2020 Part-time Lecturer, ALT School of Theology.
- 2013–2019 Salaried doctoral student, Uppsala University.

Professional Experience

- 2013–2014 Substitute pastor, Lyckebokyrkan (Uniting Church in Sweden).
- 2007–2011 Pastor, Swedish Mission Covenant Church, Östhammar and Gimo.
- 2005–2006 Trainee pastor, Broängskyrkan, Kristinehamn (multidenominational).
- 1996–2005 Self-employed web developer, specializing in real estate mortgage services.

Academic Publications

Monograph

- 2020 *Origen's References to Heracleon: A Quotation-Analytical Study of the Earliest Known Commentary on the Gospel of John*. WUNT 450 (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck).
 - Reviewed in *New Testament Abstracts* 68.1 (2024): 148.
 - Reviewed in *Journal of Theological Studies* 73.1 (2022): 378–80 (Mark J. Edwards).
 - Reviewed in *Journal of Ecclesiastical History* 72.4 (2021): 838–41 (Winrich Löhr): "This excellent monograph should be required reading for all those interested in the history of early Christianity and the literary culture of the first centuries CE."

Edited Books

- In progress* Carl Johan Berglund, James A. Kelhoffer, and Mika Vähäkangas, eds., *The Challenge of Poverty: Theological Responses in Early Christian Literature and Global Christian History* (Berlin: de Gruyter).
- 2022 Carl Johan Berglund, Barbara Crostini, and James A. Kelhoffer, eds., *Why We Sing: Music, Word, and Liturgy in Early Christianity*. Vigiliae Christianae Supplements 177 (Leiden: Brill), <https://doi.org/10.1163/9789004522053>.
 - Reviewed in *Signum* 5/2023: 52–53 (Mikael Isacson).
 - Reviewed in *Journal of Theological Studies* 74.2 (2023), 778–79 (Alistair C. Stewart): "...congratulations to the editors for bringing such a fascinating collection together."

- 2016 Carl Johan Berglund and Daniel Gustafsson, eds., *Ad fontes: Festschrift till Olof Andrén på 100-årsdagen* (Skellefteå: Artos).
 – Reviewed in *Kristen fostran* 2/2016: 14–15 (David Termén).

Articles

- In review* “The Apostle and the Case of the Invisible Thieves: Ancient Crime Fiction in the *Acts of Peter*.”
- In review* “Replacing Jesus with Philip: The Radical Reimagining of Gospel Narratives in *Acts Phil.* 5–7,” *Early Christianity*.
- Accepted* “Do Not Pass Judgment on Your Husband’s Prophecy: The Silenced Women in First Corinthians Reconsidered.” *New Testament Studies*.
- Accepted* “Murderous Man-Eaters, Savage Cave-Dwellers, and a Love-Struck Giant Serpent: Christianized Paradoxography in the Apocryphal Acts,” *Studies in Late Antiquity*.
- 2025 “Paulus profetiska praktik och samhällets förväntningar i Första Korinthierbrevet 11–14” [Paul’s practice of prophecy and cultural expectations in First Corinthians 11–14], *Hybrid* 3 (2025): 36–60, <https://doi.org/10.58412/hyb.v3i1.25747>.
- 2024 “Mimetic Mediators in Mark: How Graeco-Roman Biographies Use Secondary Characters to Offer Multiple Patterns of Imitation.” *Journal for the Study of the New Testament* 46.4 (2024): 464–88, <https://doi.org/10.1177/0142064X241235319>.
- 2024 “Three Reasons to Die in Origen’s *Exhortation to Martyrdom*.” *Patristica Nordica Annularia* 38 (2023): 59–78.
- 2024 “Jesus’s Puzzling Retort to the Royal Official (John 4:48) in Isodiegetic Perspective,” *Novum Testamentum* 66.2 (2024): 193–209, <https://doi.org/10.1163/15685365-bja10060>.
- 2024 “The Innovation of a Master Wonder-worker in the Character of Simon Peter,” *Approaching Religion* 14.1 (2024): 99–114, <https://doi.org/10.30664/ar.131490>.
- 2024 “Thekla från Ikonion: fornkyrkans bortglömda förebild” [Thecla of Iconium: The forgotten role model of the early Church], *Hybrid* 2 (2024): 1–25, <https://doi.org/10.58412/hyb.v2i1.14815>.
- 2023 “Att möta vilddjuren i egna kläder: Kultur, status och värdighet på arenan i Karthago” [Meeting the beasts in your own clothes: Culture, status, and dignity on the arena in Carthage], *Svensk Teologisk Kvartalsskrift* 99.3 (2023): 213–26, <https://doi.org/10.51619/stk.v99i3.25382>. Awarded STK’s Prize for Best Academic Article.
- 2023 “The Ascetic Subculture of the *Acts of Thomas* and *His Wonderworking Skin*,” *Vigiliae Christianae* 78.1 (2024): 8–31, <https://doi.org/10.1163/15700720-bja10073>.
- 2022 “Paul’s Rhetorical Efforts to Establish Good Will in First Thessalonians,” *Journal for the Study of the New Testament* 44.4 (2022): 539–60, <https://doi.org/10.1177/0142064X221087423>.
- 2021 “References to Heracleon in Clement of Alexandria,” *Early Christianity* 12.2 (2021): 228–47, <https://doi.org/10.1628/ec-2021-0016>.
- 2019 “Heracleon and the Seven Categories of Exegetical Opponents in Origen’s *Commentary on the Gospel of John*,” *Zeitschrift für Antikes Christentum* 23.2 (2019): 228–51, <https://doi.org/10.1515/zac-2019-0013>.
- 2019 “Literary Criticism in Early Christianity: How Heracleon and Valentinus Use One Passage to Interpret Another,” *Journal of Early Christian Studies* 27.1 (2019): 27–53, <https://doi.org/10.1353/earl.2019.0001>.
- 2017 “Origen’s Vacillating Stances toward his ‘Valentinian’ Colleague Heracleon,” *Vigiliae Christianae* 71.5 (2017): 541–569, <https://doi.org/10.1163/15700720-12341318>.
- 2016 “Understanding Origen: The Genre(s) of the Gospels in Light of Ancient Greek Philology and Modern Genre Theory,” *Scrinium* 12 (2016): 181–214, <https://doi.org/10.1163/18177565-00121p11>.

Book Chapters

- Planned* “The New Testament Challenge of Economic Equality: An Introduction” in *The Challenge of Poverty: Theological Responses in Early Christian Literature and Global Christian History*, eds. Carl Johan Berglund, James A. Kelhoffer, and Mika Vähäkangas (Berlin: de Gruyter).

- In progress* “Voluntary Poverty Taken for Granted in the Acts of Paul and Thecla” in *The Challenge of Poverty: Theological Responses in Early Christian Literature and Global Christian History*, eds. Carl Johan Berglund, James A. Kelhoffer, and Mika Vähäkangas (Berlin: de Gruyter).
- In review* “Paul Within Greco-Roman Literary Culture: Traces of Ancient Literary Criticism in First Corinthians” in *Paul Beyond Perspectives: Future Challenges in Pauline Studies*, ed. Ludvig Nyman, Mikael Tellbe, and Tommy Wasserman, WUNT (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck).
- Accepted* “John the Baptist in Origen of Alexandria” in *An Early Reception History of John the Baptist*, ed. Nathan L. Shedd and Joan Taylor, LNTS (London: Bloomsbury).
- In press* “Perpetua’s Dignity on the Arena of Carthage” in *Female Martyrs in Christian Literature*, ed. Ángel Narro and Jacob A. Lollar, *Studies in the History and Anthropology of Religion* (Leuven: Peeters), 32–52.
- In press* “*Imitatio Theclae* in Gregory of Nyssa’s *Life of Macrina*” in *Portraying Holy Men and Women in Early Christian Literature and Late Antique Hagiography*, ed. Ángel Narro, *Hagiologia* (Turnhout: Brepols).
- In press* “Dynamics of Paradoxography in the Apostle Philip’s Adventures in Parthia and Ethiopia” in *Believing Christian Narratives: Reading Strategies of Christian Fiction*, ed. Benjamin De Vos, *Ancient Narrative Supplements* (Groningen: Barkhuis).
- In press* “Isaiah’s Act of Accusation (Isa 1:2–20) in Early Christian Anti-Jewish Polemics” in *The Book of Isaiah Between Judeo-Christian Borderlines*, ed. Antti Laato, Tobias Nicklas, Judith König, and Stefan Green, WUNT II (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck).
- In press* “Elijah as an Archetype for the Apostles in the Apocryphal Acts” in *From Prophet to Miracle-Working Saint: Dynamic Approaches to Elijah in Ancient and Medieval Cultures*, ed. Andrei Dumitrescu and Barbara Crostini, *Context of Ancient and Medieval Anthropology* (Leiden: Brill).
- In press* “The Communicative Context of Mark’s Gospel: A Survey of Genre Participation” in *The Gospel of Mark in its Historical and Theological Context*, ed. James A. Kelhoffer, Tobias Nicklas, and Lorne R. Zyleck, WUNT Series (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck), 211–29.
- 2024 “A Desirable Death: The Philosophical Context of Origen’s *Exhortation to Martyrdom*” in *Origeniana Tertia Decima: Origen and Philosophy: A Complex Relation*, ed. Alfons Fürst, BETL 338 (Leuven: Peeters), 411–24, <https://doi.org/10.2307/jj.26526711.32>.
- 2024 “The Jews in Clement of Alexandria” in *Jews and Christians in the First and Second Centuries: Mapping the Second Century*, ed. Matthijs den Dulk, Joshua J. Schwartz, Peter J. Tomson, and Joseph Verheyden, *Compendia Rerum Iudaicarum ad Novum Testamentum* 18 (Leiden: Brill), 96–126, https://doi.org/10.1163/9789004704404_005.
- 2022 “Liturgies as Plot Devices in Apocryphal Acts” in *Why We Sing: Music, Word, and Liturgy in Early Christianity*, ed. Carl Johan Berglund, Barbara Crostini, and James A. Kelhoffer, *Vigiliae Christianae Supplements* 177 (Leiden: Brill), 202–24, https://doi.org/10.1163/9789004522053_008.
- 2022 “The Sychar Story as a Standard Conversion Narrative in Heracleon’s *Hypomnēmata*,” in *Religious and Philosophical Conversion in the Ancient Mediterranean Traditions*, ed. Athanasios Despotis and Hermut Löhr, *Ancient Philosophy & Religion* 5 (Leiden: Brill), 427–49, https://doi.org/10.1163/9789004501775_018.
- 2021 “Miracles, Determination, and Loyalty: The Concept of Conversion in the Acts of John” in *Celebrating Arthur Darby Nock: Choice, Change, and Conversion*, ed. Robert Matthew Calhoun, James A. Kelhoffer, and Clare K. Rothschild, WUNT 472 (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck), 213–34.
- 2021 “Öppna vyer i 200-talets kristna akademi: Origenes attityd gentemot grekisk filosofi och kristna apokryfer” [Open vistas in a third-century Christian academy: Origen’s stance toward Greek philosophy and Christian apocrypha] in *Öppna vyer – lång sikt: Festskrift till Owe Kennerberg*, ed. Thomas Kazen and Susanne Wigorts Yngvesson, *Studia Theologica Holmiensis* 34 (Stockholm: Enskilda Högskolan Stockholm), 175–86.
- 2021 “The Exegetical Methodology of Heracleon’s *Hypomnēmata*” in *Early Christian Commentators of the New Testament: Essays on Their Aims, Methods and Strategies*, ed. Joseph Verheyden and Tobias Nicklas, *Biblical Tools and Studies* 42 (Leuven: Peeters), 1–29.

- 2021 “Discipleship Ideals in the *Acts of Philip*” in *The Apostles Peter, Paul, John, Thomas and Philip with their Companions in Late Antiquity*, ed. Tobias Nicklas, Janet Spittler, and Jan N. Bremmer, *Studies on Early Christian Apocrypha* 17 (Leuven: Peeters), 314–32.
- 2020 “The Genre(s) of the Gospels: Expectations from the Second Century,” in *Modern and Ancient Literary Criticism of the Gospels: Continuing the Debate on Gospel Genre(s)*, ed. Robert Matthew Calhoun, David P. Moessner, and Tobias Nicklas, *WUNT* 451 (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck), 113–44.
- 2019 “How ‘Valentinian’ Was Heracleon’s Reading of the Healing of the Son of a Royal Official?” in *Healing and Exorcism in Second Temple Judaism and Early Christianity*, ed. Mikael Tellbe and Tommy Wasserman, *WUNT* II/511 (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck), 219–39.
- 2019 “Discerning Quotations from Heracleon in Origen’s *Commentary on the Gospel of John*” in *Origeniana Duodecima*, ed. Brouria Bitton-Ashkelony et al, *BETL* 302 (Leuven: Peeters), 489–503, <https://doi.org/10.2307/j.ctv1q26pnj.31>.
- 2018 “Interpreting Readers: The Role of Greco-Roman Education in Early Interpretation of New Testament Writings” in *Scriptural Interpretation at the Interface between Education and Religion*, ed. Florian Wilk, *Themes in Biblical Narrative* 22 (Leiden: Brill), 204–47, https://doi.org/10.1163/9789004385696_011.
- 2017 “Evaluating Quotations in Ancient Greek Literature: The Case of Heracleon’s *hypomnēmata*” in *Shadowy Characters and Fragmentary Evidence: The Search for Early Christian Groups and Movements*, ed. Joseph Verheyden, Tobias Nicklas, and Elisabeth Hernitscheck, *WUNT* 388 (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck), 201–31.
- 2016 “Origenes exegetiska metodik i *Om bönen*” [Origen’s exegetical methodology in *De oratione*] in *Ad fontes: Festskrift till Olof Andrén på 100-årsdagen*, ed. Carl Johan Berglund and Daniel Gustafsson (Skellefteå: Artos), 45–56.

Translations

- In review* “Gregorios Undergörarens lovtal till Origenes 13–15” [Gregory the Wonderworker’s panegyric to Origen 13–15] for *Svenskt Patristiskt Bibliotek* Vol. IX: *Kyrka och samhälle* (Skellefteå: Artos).
- Accepted* “Origenes brev till Gregorios Undergöraren” [Origen’s letter to Gregory the Wonderworker] for *Svenskt Patristiskt Bibliotek* Vol. IX: *Kyrka och samhälle* (Skellefteå: Artos).

Encyclopedia Article

- 2024 “Philip, Acts of” in *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception*, Vol. 23, ed. Constance M. Furey et al, (Berlin: de Gruyter).

Book Reviews

- 2024 Review of Margaret H. Williams, *Early Classical Authors on Jesus*, *The Reception of Jesus in the First Three Centuries* 7 (London: T&T Clark, 2023) in *Journal of Ecclesiastical History (JEH)* 75.4 (2024): 771–73.
- 2024 Review of Jeremiah Coogan, *Eusebius the Evangelist: Rewriting the Fourfold Gospel in Late Antiquity* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2022) in *Journal of Early Christian Studies (JECS)* 32.3 (2024): 467–69.
- 2023 Review of Nathan L. Shedd, *A Dangerous Parting: The Beheading of John the Baptist in Early Christian Memory* (Baylor, 2021) in *JEH* 74.2: 401–2.
- 2023 Review of Alexander Kocar, *Heavenly Stories: Tiered Salvation in the New Testament and Ancient Christianity* (Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2021) in *JECS* 31.1: 109–10.
- 2023 Review of Helen K. Bond, *The First Biography of Jesus: Genre and Meaning in Mark’s Gospel* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2020) in *Patristica Nordica Annularia (PNA)* 37 (2022): 99–102.
- 2022 Review of Ezra JaeKyung Cho, *The Rhetorical Approach to 1 Thessalonians: In Light of Ancient Funeral Oration* (Eugene: Pickwick, 2020) in *Svensk Exegetisk Årsbok (SEÅ)* 87: 352–56.
- 2022 Review of Jeffrey M. Tripp, *Direct Internal Quotation in the Gospel of John*, *WUNT* II/493 (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2019) in *SEÅ* 87: 416–19.
- 2021 Review of David Satran, *In the Image of Origen: Eros, Virtue, and Constraint in the Early Christian Academy*, *Transformation of the Classical Heritage* 58 (Oakland: University of California Press, 2018) in *SEÅ* 86: 204–7.

- 2020 Review of Matthew D. C. Larsen, *Gospels Before the Book* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2018) in *SEÅ* 85: 259–62.
- 2018 Review of John R. L. Moxon, *Peter's Halakhic Nightmare: The "Animal" Vision of Acts 10:9–16 in Jewish and Graeco-Roman Perspective*, WUNT II/432 (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2017) in *SEÅ* 83: 278–81.
- 2017 Review of Christoph Marksches, *Christian Theology and Its Institutions in the Early Roman Empire: Prolegomena to a History of Early Christian Theology*, Baylor–Mohr Siebeck Studies in Early Christianity (Waco: Baylor 2015) in *SEÅ* 82: 282–5.
- 2016 Review of Ken Parry, ed., *The Wiley Blackwell Companion to Patristics*, Wiley Blackwell Companions to Religion Series (Chichester: Wiley, 2015) in *SEÅ* 81: 264–65.
- 2015 Review of Lorne R. Zelyck, *John among the Other Gospels: The Reception of the Fourth Gospel in the Extra-Canonical Gospels*, WUNT II/347 (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2013) in *SEÅ* 80: 269–71.
- 2015 Review of Peter W. Martens, *Origen and Scripture: The Contours of the Exegetical Life*, Oxford Early Christian Studies (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2012) in *SEÅ* 80: 245–47.
- 2014 Review of vanThanh Nguyen, *Peter and Cornelius: A Story of Conversion and Mission*, ASM Monograph Series 15 (Eugene: Pickwick, 2012) in *SEÅ* 79: 190–91.
- 2013 Review of Patricia Walthers, *The Assumed Authorial Unity of Luke and Acts: A Reassessment of the Evidence*, SNTSMS 145 (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2010) in *SEÅ* 78: 272–74.

Prizes

- 2023 *Svensk Teologisk Kvartalsskrifts* pris för bästa vetenskapliga artikel [STK Prize for Best Academic Article]: SEK 50,000 (USD 4,500).
- 2017 EABS Student Paper Prize: EUR 300 (USD 350).

Grants

- 2024 Segelbergsska stiftelsen för liturgivetenskaplig forskning (with J. A. Kelhoffer): SEK 110,000 (USD 11,000).
- 2023 Faculty of Arts, Psychology and Theology, Åbo Akademi University: EUR 2,000 (USD 2,100).
- 2021 Helge Ax:son Johnsons stiftelse: SEK 50,000 (USD 5,800).
- 2021 Anders Karitz Stiftelse: SEK 16,000 (USD 1,900).
- 2021 NAPS Small Research Grant: USD 1,500 (SEK 12,500).
- 2019 Segelbergsska stiftelsen för liturgivetenskaplig forskning (with B. Crostini and J. A. Kelhoffer): SEK 80,000 (USD 8,500).
- 2018 Anders Karitz Stiftelse: SEK 10,000 (USD 1,200).
- 2014–2018 Ograduerade forskares fond, Teologiska institutionen, Uppsala universitet: SEK 57,500 (USD 7,000).
- 2016 Harald och Tonny Hagendahls minnesfond: SEK 15,000 (USD 1,800).
- 2016 Nathan och Anna Söderbloms stipendiestiftelse: SEK 45,000 (USD 5,500).
- 2015 Samfundet Pro Fide et Christianismo (with D. Gustafsson): SEK 40,000 (USD 4,750).
- 2008 Stockholms Kristliga Ynglingaförening: SEK 25,000 (USD 4,000).

Doctoral Supervision

- 2025– Victoria Vasquez, Uppsala University (assistant supervisor).
- 2025– Tin Nwe Aye, University College Stockholm (assistant supervisor).

Teaching Experience: 389 Teaching Hours

1 teaching hour (th) corresponds to 3.9 working hours.

University College Stockholm, Sweden: 177 Teaching Hours

- Planned* Reference Systems with a Focus on Zotero: Workshop on academic writing with doctoral students: 3 th.
- 2024 How to Get Published in Academia: Seminar on academic publishing for doctoral students: 3 th.
- 2021–2022 Bachelor's Essay Supervision: 9 th.

- 2020–2022 The Gospels and the Letters of Paul, Eastern Christian (course coordinator): 72 th, taught in English.
 2019, 2021 Introduction to the Bible and Religion: 44 th.
 2021 Gospels and Letters (course coordinator): 29 th.
 2020 The Scriptures and Eastern Christianity: 20 th.

Åbo Akademi University, Finland: 31 Teaching Hours

- 2024 Prophecy in the History of Christianity: 2 th.
 2022–2024 Introduction to the Bible: 29 th.

ALT School of Theology, Sweden: 43 Teaching Hours

- 2019–2020 Intermediate New Testament Exegesis: Philippians (course coordinator).
 2019–2020 Advanced Exegesis with Introduction to Biblical Languages.

Uppsala University, Sweden: 138 Teaching Hours

- 2016, 2019 Patristics I: Trajectories in Early Christianity (course coordinator).
 2018 Patristics II: Early Christian Authors and Theologies (course coordinator).
 2017, 2018 Biblical Exegesis D₁NTs (course coordinator).
 2017, 2018 Biblical Exegesis C₁NTs.
 2016 Introduction to New Testament Greek.
 2014 “The Gospel of Love”: the Fourth Gospel’s Tradition, Interpretation and Reception.

Pedagogical Education: 26 Weeks

- 2024 “Handledning av forskarstuderande” [Supervising Doctoral Students], Södertörn University (5 weeks).
 2023 “Att handleda självständiga arbeten” [Supervising Degree Projects], Södertörn University (5 weeks).
 2014–2019 Ten pedagogical days organized by the Department of Theology, Uppsala University (2 weeks).
 2017 “Aktiverande undervisningsformer” [Activating forms of teaching], Uppsala University (1 week).
 2014 “Ämnesdidaktisk kurs i bibelvetenskap” [Pedagogical Course in Biblical Studies], Uppsala University (5 weeks).
 2014 “Högskolepedagogisk grundkurs” [Introduction to higher education pedagogy], Uppsala University (5 weeks).
 2007 “Församlingspedagogik” [Religious education], Stockholm School of Theology (3 weeks).

Invited Academic Lectures

- 2023 “Origen, Death, and Martyrdom” at the 2023 Patristic Day: “Origen of Alexandria and His Legacy,” Lund University, Sweden, April 24.
 2023 “Evangeliet hjältar: Apostlar som karaktärer i tidigkristen berättarkonst” [Gospel Heroes: Apostles as Characters in Early Christian Narrative Tradition], Uppsala University, Sweden, March 23.
 2021 “Evangeliet hjältar: Genre och ideal i tidigkristna lärjungaberättelser” [Gospel Heroes: Genre and Ideals in Early Christian Apostle Stories] at the Polin Day 2021, Åbo Akademi University, Finland, November 18.

Academic Conference Organization

- 2025 Member of the organizing committee for the 2025 Exegetical Days: “The Moral Worlds of the Bible,” University College Stockholm, Sweden, September 29–30.
 2024 With Mika Vähäkangas, “The Challenge of Poverty: Theological Responses in Early Christian Literature and Global Christian History” in Turku, Finland, May 29–31, 2024.
 2021–2025 With Monika Amsler and Marion Pragt, “Miracles and Paradoxography in Biblical Reception from Late Antiquity,” research unit at the EABS Annual Meetings in Wuppertal, Toulouse, Syracuse, and Uppsala.
 2021 With Barbara Crostini and James A. Kelhoffer, “Why We Sing: Music, Word, and Liturgy in Early Christianity” at the Newman Institute in Uppsala, Sweden, October 21–22.

Academic Conference Papers

- 2025 “Paul Within Greco-Roman Literature: The Methodological Debate in First Corinthians” at the Society of Biblical Literature (SBL) International Meeting / European Association of Biblical Studies (EABS) Annual Meeting in Uppsala, Sweden, June 23–27, 2025.
- 2025 “The Invisible Thief and the Miraculous Hero: Ancient Crime Fiction in the *Acts of Peter*” at ISBL/EABS in Uppsala.
- 2025 With Rikard Roitto, “Creating a Vector Database from Perseus Texts to Facilitate Semantic/Thematic Searches” at ISBL/EABS in Uppsala.
- 2025 “Elijah as an Archetype for the Apostles in the Apocryphal Acts” at ISBL/EABS in Uppsala.
- 2025 “Voluntary Poverty Taken for Granted in the *Acts of Paul and Thecla*” at the North American Patristic Society (NAPS) Annual Meeting in Chicago, May 22–24, 2025.
- 2025 “Paul Within Greco-Roman Literature: The Methodological Debate in First Corinthians” at “Paul Beyond Perspectives: Future Challenges in Pauline Studies” at ALT School of Theology, Örebro, March 6–7, 2025.
- 2024 “Recycled Gospel Stories in the *Acts of Philip*” at SBL in San Diego, California, November 23–26.
- 2024 “Presumptions about Voluntary Poverty in the *Acts of Paul and Thecla*” at “The Challenge of Poverty: Theological Responses in Early Christian Literature and Global Christian History” in Turku, Finland, May 29–31.
- 2024 “Reimagining Gospel Stories with Apostolic Protagonists,” invited paper at “Reimagining Gospel Literature” in Berkeley, California, March 5–6.
- 2023 “Perpetua’s Dignity on the Arena of Carthage” at the Second International Conference on Early Christian Literature, Late Antique and Byzantine Hagiography: *Imitationes Christi* and Women Martyrs” in Valencia, Spain, September 4–7.
- 2023 “Mimetic Mediators: How the Markan Disciples Facilitate Emulating Jesus” at EABS in Syracuse, Italy, July 10–13.
- 2023 “Peter’s Thaumaturgic Development from Observer to Performer” at EABS in Syracuse, July 10–13.
- 2023 “The Innovation of a Master Wonderworker in the Character of Simon Peter” at “Religion: Memory and Innovation” in Turku, Finland, June 12–15.
- 2023 “The Sinful Nation: Isa 1:2–17 in Anti-Jewish Early Christian Interpretation” at “The Book of Isaiah between Judeo-Christian Borderlines” in Turku, Finland, May 4–5, 2023.
- 2022 “Apocryphal Acts among Greek Biographies and Paradoxographies: A Question of Genre” at SBL in Denver, Colorado, November 19–22.
- 2022 “The Ascetic Subculture of the Acts of Thomas and His Wonderworking Skin” at SBL in Denver, Colorado, November 19–22.
- 2022 “Flesh-Eaters, Cave-Dwellers, and Eagles: Paradoxography in *Acts Phil. 3*” at the Sixth International Conference on the Ancient Novel (ICAN VI) in Ghent, September 21–24.
- 2022 “The Philosopher’s Death in Origen’s *Exhortation to Martyrdom*” at Colloquium Origenianum Tertium Decimum in Münster, Germany, August 15–19.
- 2022 “The Deaths of the Apostles in Apocryphal Acts” at EABS in Toulouse, France, July 4–7.
- 2022 “The Selection of Paradoxographical Material in Apocryphal Acts” at EABS in Toulouse, France, July 4–7.
- 2022 “Biographical Mimesis in the Gospel of Mark” at the Nordic New Testament Conference (NNTC) in Kristiansand, Norway, June 10–14.
- 2022 “Elijah as an Archetype for the Apostles in the Apocryphal Acts” at “Depictions of the Prophet Elijah in Jewish and Christian Contexts: Literary and Visual Sources,” at the Newman Institute, June 8.
- 2022 “Between Biography and Paradoxography: Unveiling the Genre of the Apocryphal Acts of the Apostles” at NAPS Annual Meeting in Chicago, May 26–28.
- 2021 “Liturgies as Plot Devices in Apocryphal Acts” at “Why We Sing: Music, Word, and Liturgy in Early Christianity” at the Newman Institute in Uppsala, October 21–22.
- 2021 “Thecla, the Ideal Christian: Discipleship Ideals from the Second Century to the Fourth” at the First International Conference on Early Christian Literature, Late Antique and Byzantine Hagiography:

- “Literary Connections between the Apocryphal Acts of the Apostles and the Saints’ Lives – Portraits of Holy Wo(men)” in Valencia, September 1–3.
- 2021 “Between Biography and Paradoxography: Unveiling the Genre of the Apocryphal Acts of the Apostles” at EABS in Wuppertal, Germany, August 2–5.
- 2021 “Discipleship Ideals from Mark to the Acts of Thomas and His Wonderworking Skin” at EABS in Wuppertal, Germany, August 2–5.
- 2019 “Discipleship Ideals in the Acts of Philip.” Invited paper at “The Apocryphal Acts of the Apostles in Late Antiquity: Tradition and Innovation” in Regensburg, Germany, November 28–30.
- 2019 “Discipleship Ideals in the Apocryphal Acts: A Radical Departure from the Gospels?” at SBL in San Diego, California, November 23–26.
- 2019 “Rhetorical Capital and the Primary Purpose of First Thessalonians,” at the Tyndale Fellowship Conference in Cambridge, UK, June 26–28.
- 2019 “The Genre(s) of the Gospels: Three Views from the Second Century” at the Swedish–Norwegian Research School (SNRS) in Stavanger, Norway, April 25–26.
- 2018 “Predestined for Conversion? Reconsidering Heracleon’s “Valentinian” Reading of John 4:1–26,” at the Conference on Religious and Philosophical Conversion (CoRPC) in Bonn, Germany, September 25–27.
- 2018 “How ‘Valentinian’ Was Heracleon’s Reading of the Healing of the Son of a Royal Official?” at the EABS–SBL International Meeting in Helsinki, Finland, July 30–August 3.
- 2018 “Reevaluating Origen’s Presentation of the ‘Valentinian’ Teacher Heracleon” at NNTC: “Northern Lights: New Nordic Research on Early Christianity” in Reykjavik, Iceland, June 8–12.
- 2018 “Origen’s Exegetical Opponents Reconsidered: Group Designations in His *Commentary on the Gospel of John*” at SNRS in Lund, Sweden, April 26–27.
- 2018 “How ‘Valentinian’ Was Heracleon’s Reading of the Healing of the Son of a Royal Official?” at “Healing and Exorcism in Second Temple Judaism and Early Christianity” in Örebro, Sweden, March 8–9.
- 2017 “Discerning Quotations from Heracleon in Origen’s *Commentary on the Gospel of John*” at SBL in Boston, Massachusetts, November 18–21.
- 2017 “The Fields Already White for Harvest: Origen’s Quarrel with Heracleon on John 4:35–36” at EABS–SBL International Meeting in Berlin, Germany, August 7–11. *Awarded the EABS Student Paper Prize.*
- 2017 “Discerning Quotations from Heracleon in Origen’s *Commentary on the Gospel of John*” at Origeniana Duodecima in Jerusalem, June 25–29.
- 2017 “Quotations, Summaries, Interpretative Paraphrases and Mere Assertions: Surveying Extant Material from the ‘Valentinian’ Heracleon” at SNRS in Oslo, Norway, April 27–28.
- 2017 “Gränsdragningar i de första kommentarerna till Nya testamentet” at “Forskardag” at Stockholm School of Theology, Sweden, February 3.
- 2016 “Origen’s Vacillating Stances toward Heracleon, his ‘Valentinian’ Predecessor in Using Greek philology to Interpret the Gospel of John” at British Patristics Conference in Birmingham, UK, September 5–7.
- 2016 “If Heracleon Really Was a Follower of Valentinus, Why Are Their Exegetical Methods So Different?” at EABS in Leuven, Belgium, July 18–20.
- 2016 “Interpretation of literary authoritative texts: the methodology of ancient Greek philology.” Invited paper at the Authoritative Texts and their Reception (ATTR) National Research School in Oslo, Norway, June 6.
- 2016 “If Heracleon Really Was a Follower of Valentinus, Why Are Their Exegetical Methods So Different?” at NAPS in Chicago, Illinois, May 26–28.
- 2016 “Paul and Greco-Roman Education: Did Paul Interact with Philologists in Corinth?” at SNRS in Uppsala, Sweden, April 28–29.
- 2016 “If Heracleon Really Was a Follower of Valentinus, Why Are Their Exegetical Methods So Different?” at EABS Graduate Symposium in Cluj-Napoca, Romania, March 18–20.
- 2015 “Heracleon, Origen and Other Readers: Greek Education as a Context for the Earliest New Testament Commentaries” at “Schriftauslegung im Spannungsfeld zwischen Bildung und Religion” in Göttingen, Germany, October 7–9.

- 2015 “Quarreling Colleagues: Approaches to Heracleon’s and Origen’s Commentaries on the Fourth Gospel” at NNTC: “New Testament Scholarship in the Nordic Countries: Trends and Tasks,” in Aarhus, Denmark, May 29–June 2.
- 2015 “Evaluating Quotations in Ancient Literature: the Case of Heracleon’s Lost Exegetical Notebook” at SNRS in Oslo, Norway, April 29–30.
- 2015 “Quotation practices in Origen’s *Commentary on the Gospel of John*: How dependable are his quotations of Heracleon?” at the Ninth Birmingham Colloquium on the Textual Criticism of the New Testament: “The History and Text of New Testament Commentaries” in Birmingham, UK, March 2–5.
- 2015 “Excavating Heracleon from Origen: A Shadowy Character Preserved in Fragments by an Adversary” at “Shadowy Characters and Fragmentary Evidence: The Search for Early Christian Groups and Movements” in Leuven, Belgium, February 18–20.
- 2014 “History, Intended for Spiritual Interpretation: Genre Reflections and Genre Expectations of Origen of Alexandria in his *Commentary on the Gospel of John*” at “The Gospel of John as Genre Mosaic” in Aarhus, Denmark, June 23–26.
- 2014 “His Statements are Exceedingly Distorted and Made Contrary to Manifest Facts’. Origen’s Response to Heracleon’s Interpretation of the Gospel of John” at U4 Antiquity Winter School: “Rejection or Acceptance? Dealing with the other(s)” in Athens, Greece, March 4–9.

Other Academic Responsibilities

- 2025 Ersättare i betygsnämnd vid disputation (Martin Landgren), Enskilda Högskolan Stockholm.
- 2021– Revisor, Akademikerföreningen vid EHS [lay auditor for the University College union].
- 2019–2021 Systems administrator for *Ladok*, *TimeEdit*, *Nais*, and other systems, University College Stockholm.
- 2018–2019 Administrative Assistant for Biblical Studies, Faculty of Theology, Uppsala University.
- 2013–2018 Recruitment Committee, Faculty of Theology, Uppsala University.
- 2016–2017 Scholarship Board, Uppsala University.
- 2014–2016 Scholarship Committee, Faculty of Theology, Uppsala University.
- 2003–2004 President, The Student Union at Stockholm School of Theology (*now* University College Stockholm).
- 2003–2004 Board, Stockholm School of Theology (*now* University College Stockholm).
- 1995–1996 Board, Department of Numerical Analysis and Computer Science, KTH Royal Institute of Technology.

Services to the Profession

- 2021– Peer review for various academic publications.
- 2020– Cover and inlay design for the academic book series *Tro & Liv Bibel*, *Dissertationes Theologicae Holmiensis*, *Itero*, and *Studia Theologica Holmiensia*.
- 2017– Coded citation style specifications for use in reference managing software, such as Zotero and Mendeley, for various journals in Biblical and Early Christian Studies (<http://www.zotero.org/styles>).

Non-Scholarly Publications

- 2022 “Nationssymbolerna bär vittne om vilka vi varit” in *Svenska Dagbladet*, June 6, 20.
- 2018 “Människovärdet avskaffar man inte hur som helst” in *Svenska Dagbladet*, September 9, 18–19.
- 2017 “Den utblottade är den mäktige” in *Sändaren* 24/2017.
- 2011 “Tre ledtrådar till Gamla testamentet” in *Sändaren* 8/2011.
- 2011 “Trettonde söndagen efter trefaldighet, den 18 september” in *Tro & Liv* 3/2011, 85–88.
- 2011 “Heliga trefaldighets dag eller missionsdagen, den 19 juni” in *Tro & Liv* 2/2011, 83–86.
- 2010 “Tredje söndagen i advent, den 12 december” in *Tro & Liv* 5/2010, 65–68.
- 2010 “Söndagen före domssöndagen, den 14 november” in *Tro & Liv* 4/2010, 74–77.
- 2010 “Åttonde söndagen efter trefaldighet, den 25 juli” in *Tro & Liv* 3/2010, 61–64.
- 2010 “Den helige Johannes döparens dag, den 27 juni” in *Tro & Liv* 2/2010, 71–74.

- 2007 With Linda Berglund, NT introductory material in *Scoutbibeln*. Vellinge: Corvita, pp. 8–9, 18–27, 34–35, 64–67.
- 2007 “En framgångsrik missionsförsamling” in *Sändaren* 16/2007.
- 2007 “Går det att härleda äktenskapet ur Bibeln?” in *Svensk Kyrkotidning* 103:47, 592–96
- 2007 “Bibelns samlevnadsideal” in *Frisinnad tidskrift* 2007.
- 2007 “Bibelns samlevnadsideal: Går det att härleda äktenskapet ur Bibeln?” in *Tro & Liv* 3–4/2007, 4–24.
- 2005 “Hur högt ska Gud lägga ribban?” in *Årsringar* 05.
- 2004 With Lena Thoms, “Ett samspelt lag spelar bäst” in *Sändaren* 18/2004, 29.

Non-Scholarly Invited Lectures and Seminars

- 2024 “Ett teologiskt perspektiv på samkönade relationer” in Equmeniakyrkan Hässelby, Stockholm, October 14.
- 2023 “Lärjungaskap i Markusevangeliet” [Discipleship in Mark] in Nybrokyrkan, Falun, January 21.
- 2022 “Att möta vilddjuren i egna kläder: Mänsklig värdighet på arenan i Karthago” [Meeting the Beasts in Your Own Clothes: Human Dignity on the Carthagian Arena] at Sigtunastiftelsen, October 22.
- 2022 “Överallt i skrifterna: Hur tidiga kristna använde Gamla testamentet för att berätta om Jesus” [In All the Scriptures: How Early Christians used the Old Testament to Speak about Jesus] in Equmeniakyrkan Arvika, April 23.
- 2021 “Den okända Pauluslärjungen Thekla – en förebild (inte bara) för kvinnor” [Thecla, the Unknown Pauline Disciple: A Role Model (Not Only) for Women] at Sigtunastiftelsen, October 16.
- 2019 Lectures on early Christian literature at “Walk with Jesus” in Furuhöjdskyrkan, Alunda, June 5.
- 2019 “Den stora berättelsen: Nya testamentet” [Writ Large: The New Testament] in Ansgarskyrkan, Västerås, March 28.
- 2017–2018 Bible conversation facilitator, Uppsala domkyrkoförsamling, Uppsala.
- 2017 Invited lecture on my research in Stuvstakyrkan, Huddinge, October 22.
- 2008 “Kan man bevisa att Jesus är Guds son?” [Can You Prove that Jesus is the Son of God?] at “Våga välja väg” in Borgenkyrkan, Tierp, March 8.
- 2007 “Bibelns samlevnadsideal” [A Biblical Ideal of a Life Together] at Strandgården, Vilshärad, July 21.

Other Experiences

- 2024– Secretary, Equmeniakyrkan Hässelby (Uniting Church in Sweden)
- 2023– Chair, Church Conference, Uniting Church in Sweden
- 1988–2009, 2018– Scout leader, Swedish Mission Covenant Youth / Equmenia Scout
- 2010–16, 2019–21 Co-chair, Church Conference, Swedish Mission Covenant Church / Uniting Church in Sweden
- 2015–2019 Treasurer, Stefanushjälpen, Uppsala (charity focused on intra-European migrants)
- 2005–7, 2015–18 Co-chair, Annual Meeting, Swedish Mission Covenant Youth / Equmenia
- 2002–2004 Executive Committee, Swedish Guide and Scout Council
- 2002–2004 Chair, International Events Committee, Swedish Guide and Scout Council
- 2002–2003 Treasurer, Stuvstakyrkans församling (Swedish Mission Covenant Church)
- 1997–2000 Treasurer, Bostadsrättsföreningen Kvarteret Lodjuret, Huddinge
- 1989–2000 Treasurer, Swedish Mission Covenant Youth, Huddinge

Languages

Spoken: Swedish (native), English (fluent).

Read: French, German, Spanish, Classical and Koine Greek, Latin, Biblical Hebrew, basic Syriac.

Professional Associations

- 2025– Studiorum Novi Testamenti Societas (SNTS)
- 2024– International Association of Patristic Studies (AIEP–IAPS)
- 2020– North American Society for the Study of Christian Apocryphal Literature (NASSCAL)

- 2019– Collegium Patristicum Lundense (CPL)
- 2016– Society of Biblical Literature (SBL)
- 2015– North American Patristics Society (NAPS)
- 2014– European Association of Biblical Studies (EABS)
- 2013– Swedish Exegetical Society (SES)

Primary Research Interests

Ancient reception of New Testament narratives; Early Christian reception of Greco-Roman culture.