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### **TEACHING AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

#### **BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY**

*Professor of Ancient Scripture, 2006 – Present*

*Associate Department Chairman, August, 2011 – July 2015*

*Ancient Scripture Dept. Director of Research for the Religious Studies Center, August 2017 – Present*

- Also Associated with the Ancient Near Eastern Studies Program
- Director, BYU Egypt Excavation Project
- Vice President of the Society for the Study of Egyptian Antiquities
- Senior Fellow, William F. Albright Institute for Archaeological Research, 2015-2016
- Visiting Fellow, Harris Manchester College, University of Oxford, 2016-17
- Recipient of the Richard Lloyd Anderson Excellence in Research Award, 2017
- Adjunct Research Fellow, Maxwell Institute for Religious Scholarship
- Have been/am serving as/on: Vice President for the Society for the Study of Egyptian Antiquities/Société pour l'Étude de l'Égypte Ancienne; Chairman of American Research Center in Egypt (ARCE) Annual Meeting Committee; Co-chair of the Egyptian Archaeology Session of the American Schools of Oriental Research; Research Supporting Member Council of ARCE; General Editor for *JUSUR*, *UCLA Journal of Middle Eastern Studies* 1999-2001; Associate Editor of the Journal of Book of Mormon and Other Restoration Scripture.
- Co-Founder of and head of the Academic Advisory Board of the Society for the Preservation of Ancient Religious Cultures (SPARC)
- Have received several student mentoring grants/awards.
- Selected by the Princeton Review in 2012 as one of the best 300 professors in the nation (the top .02% of those considered).
- Classes taught include: Ancient Near Eastern Texts, Studies in Egypt and Egyptian Archaeology, Old Testament, New Testament, Teachings of Isaiah, Pearl of Great Price, Book of Mormon, Christ and the Everlasting Gospel, and Foundations of Ancient Scripture. Have spent two years teaching in Jerusalem at the BYU Jerusalem Center for Near Eastern Studies.

#### **BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY – HAWAII**

*Assistant Professor, 2003 – 2006*

- Taught 60% of my classes in the Department of Religious Education and 40% in the History Department.
- Classes taught include: World Civilization, Egyptian History, Historiography of Egyptology, Old Testament, New Testament, Book of Mormon, and Pearl of Great Price.

- Served on: Scholarship Committee, University Assessment Committee, Housing Committee, FARMS Research Faculty Advisory Committee, ARCE Annual Meeting Committee. Received award for service learning.

### **UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES**

*Lecturer, 2002- 2003*

- Taught courses in Egyptian History, Culture and Civilization.
- Co- designer and Co-instructor of a senior honors class on ancient Egypt and Foreigners.

### **UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES**

*Teaching Assistant and Reader, 1999 – 2003*

- Taught sections and did grading for Near Eastern History, Egyptian History and Egyptian Religion classes. I worked with Drs. Antonio Loprieno, Willeke Wendrich, Elizabeth Carter and Gregory Mumford.

### **CAL POLY, POMONA**

*Instructor, 2000*

- Taught History 312: Israel and the Empires of the Near East.

### **BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY**

*Instructor, Sept. 1994 - Aug. 1997; June - Aug. 1999; June - Aug. 2001*

- Taught Hebrew 331 (Biblical Readings) and Hebrew 431 (Hebrew Poetry and Wisdom Literature). Taught in Ancient Scripture Dept., Old Testament, New Testament, and related studies.

### **INSTITUTE FOR THE STUDY AND PRESERVATION OF ANCIENT RELIGIOUS TEXTS AT BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY**

*Researcher, Sept. 1995 - Oct. 1998*

- Helped with Dead Sea Scrolls Database project, preparing texts, lexicons, etc.

### **UTAH VALLEY STATE COLLEGE**

*Instructor, Sept. 1996 - Aug. 1997*

- Taught continuing education classes in Hebrew, Temple Studies, and Dead Sea Scrolls.

## **EDUCATION**

### **University of California, Los Angeles**

Ph.D. in Egyptology, July 2003, 3.947 GPA

Department of Near Eastern Languages and Cultures

Dissertation: “Violence in the Service of Order: The Religious Framework for Sanctioned Killing in Ancient Egypt.”

- Advisors: Dr. Antonio Loprieno and Dr. Willeke Wendrich
- UCLA Graduate Scholar of the Year, 2002-2003 (awarded by Affiliates of UCLA)
- Nibley Fellow (Institute for the Study and Preservation of Ancient Religious Texts)
- Friends of Archaeology Fellow (awarded by Cotsen Institute of Archaeology)
- Departmental Fellow (Near Eastern Languages and Cultures)

### **BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY**

*MA in Ancient Near Eastern History, August 1997*

Thesis: “The Use of the Palm of the Hand in the Tabernacle and Temple of Solomon.”

*BS in Psychology with Hebrew minor, August 1994, Cum Laude*

- participated in Intensive Hebrew Program at BYU Jerusalem Center from Jan. 1994 - June 1994. Many on site experiences in this program.
- received several scholarships and fellowships, Dean’s List

### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### **BOOKS**

1. *Scripture Study Made Simple: The Old Testament, the Complete Text and Verse by Verse Commentary* (American Fork, UT: Covenant Communications, 2017).
2. *The Essential Old Testament Companion* (American Fork, UT: Covenant Communications, 2013).
3. *Return Unto Me: Messages of Love, Hope and Inspiration from the Old Testament and other Scriptures* (American Fork, UT: Covenant Communications, 2013).
4. *Violence in the Service of Order: the Religious Framework for Sanctioned Killing in Ancient Egypt. British Archaeological Reports International Series 2299* (Oxford: Archaeopress, 2011).

#### **EDITED BOOKS**

5. Aaron P. Schade, Brian Hauglid, Kerry Muhlestein, eds., *Prophets and Prophecies in the Old Testament* (Salt Lake City: Religious Studies Center and Deseret Book, 2017).
6. Kerry Muhlestein, John Gee, eds. *Evolving Egypt: Innovation, Appropriation, and Reinterpretation. British Archaeological Reports International Series 2397* (Oxford: Archaeopress, 2012).
7. Jared Ludlow, Kerry Muhlestein, and D. Kelley Ogden, eds., *The Gospel of Jesus Christ in the Old Testament, Proceedings of the 2009 Sperry Symposium* (Salt Lake City: Religious Studies Center and Deseret Book, 2009).

## PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

8. "Papyri and Presumptions: a Careful Examination of the Eyewitness Accounts Associated with the Joseph Smith Papyri," *Journal of Mormon History* 42/4 (2016), 31-50.
9. "Joseph Smith and Egyptian Artifacts: A Model for Evaluating the Prophetic Nature of the Prophet's Ideas about the Ancient World," *BYU Studies* 55/3 (2016):35-82.
10. "Assessing the Joseph Smith Papyri: an Introduction to the Historiography of their Acquisitions, Translations, and Interpretations," *The Interpreter: A Journal of Mormon Scripture* 22 (2016): 17-49.
11. "Sacred Violence: When Ancient Egyptian Punishment was Dressed in Ritual Trappings," *Near Eastern Archaeology*, 78/4 (2015): 229-235.
12. "Transitions in Pyramid Orientation: new evidence from the Seila Pyramid," *Studien zur Altägyptischen Kultur*, 44/1 (2015): 249-258, tables 37-38.
13. Evans, R. Paul, David Whitchurch and Kerry Muhlestein, "Re-thinking Burial Dates at a Graeco-Roman Cemetery: Fag el Gamous, Fayoum, Egypt," *the Journal of Archaeological Science: Reports* 2 (2015): 109-114.
14. Muhlestein, Kerry and Alex Baugh, "Preserving the Joseph Smith Papyri Fragments: What Can We Learn from the Paper on Which the Papyri were Mounted?" *The Journal of Book of Mormon and Other Restoration Scripture* 22/2 (2013), 67-83.
15. "The Religious and Cultural Background of Joseph Smith Papyrus I," in *The Journal of Book of Mormon and Other Restoration Scripture* 22/1 (2013), 20-33.
16. Muhlestein, Kerry and Courtney Innes, "Synagogues and Cemeteries: evidence for a Jewish presence in the Fayum," in *Journal of Ancient Egyptian Interconnections*, 4/2, 2012, 53-59.
17. Muhlestein, Kerry and John Gee, "Egyptian Middle Kingdom Contexts for Human Sacrifice" in *Journal of Book of Mormon and Other Restoration Scripture* 20/2, 2011, 70-77.
18. "Egyptian Papyri and the Book of Abraham," in *The Religious Educator* 11/1 (2010): 90-106.
19. "Teaching Egyptian History: Some Discipline-Specific Pedagogical Notes," in *The Journal of Egyptian History*, 2/1-2 (2009): 173-231.
20. "Encircling Astronomy and the Egyptians. An Apperceptive Approach to Abraham 3," in *By Study and by Faith: Selections from The Religious Educator* (Provo: Religious Studies Center, 2009), 148-167; and *The Religious Educator*, 10/1 (2009): 32-50.
21. "Royal Executions: Evidence Bearing on the Subject of Sanctioned Killing in the Middle Kingdom," in *The Journal of the Economic and Social History of the Orient*, 51/2 (2008): 181-208.
22. "Empty Threats? How Egyptians' Self-Ontology Should Affect the Way We Read Many Texts," in *The Journal of the Society for the Study of Egyptian Antiquities* 34 (2007): 115-130.

23. "Approaching Understandings in the Book of Abraham," in *The FARMS Review* 18, no. 2 (2006), 229-246.
24. "Insights Available as We Approach the Original Text," *Journal of Book of Mormon Studies* 15/2 (2006), 60-65.
25. "European Views of Egyptian Magic and Mystery: a Cultural Context for the Magic Flute," *BYU Studies* 43/3 (2004), 137-148.

#### PEER REVIEWED CHAPTERS IN BOOKS

26. "Translation of the Book of Abraham," *The Pearl of Great Price Reference Companion*, Dennis Largey, ed. (Salt Lake City, Deseret Book Company, 2017). Co-authored with Michael Rhodes
27. "Coming Forth of the Book of Abraham," *The Pearl of Great Price Reference Companion*, Dennis Largey, ed. (Salt Lake City, Deseret Book Company, 2017).
28. "Egypt's Old Kingdom," in *A Bible Reader's History of the Ancient World*, Kent P. Jackson, ed., (Provo, UT: Jerusalem Center for Near Eastern Studies, Brigham Young University, 2016), 55-67.
29. "Egypt's Middle Kingdom and Second Intermediate Period," in *A Bible Reader's History of the Ancient World*, Kent P. Jackson, ed., (Provo, UT: Jerusalem Center for Near Eastern Studies, Brigham Young University, 2016), 68-79.
30. "The Exodus," in *A Bible Reader's History of the Ancient World*, Kent P. Jackson, ed., (Provo, UT: Jerusalem Center for Near Eastern Studies, Brigham Young University, 2016), 119-132.
31. "The Explanation Defying Book of Abraham," in *Anchored in Truth: Faithful Answers to Sincere Questions*, Laura H. Hales, ed. (Provo: Religious Studies Center, 2016), 79-91.
32. Muhlestein, Kerry and Megan Hansen, "'The Work of Translating': the Book of Abraham's Translation Chronology," in Spencer Fluhman, Brent L. Top, eds., *Let Us Reason Together: Reflections on the Life of Study and Faith, Essays in Honor of Robert L. Millet*, (Provo: Religious Studies Center, 2015), 139-162.
33. South, Kristin H. and Kerry Muhlestein, "Regarding Ribbons: The spread and use of narrow purpose-woven bands in Late Roman Egyptian burials," in *Drawing the threads together: Textiles and footwear of the 1<sup>st</sup> millennium AD from Egypt*, Antoine De Moor, Cécilia Fluck, Petra Linscheid, eds. (Tielt, Belgium: Lanoo, 2013), 56-73.
34. "Darkness, Light and the Lord: Elements of Israelite Theophanies," in *Ascending the Mountain of the Lord*, David R. Seely, Jeffrey R. Chadwick, and Matthew J. Grey, eds. (Provo: Religious Studies Center and Deseret Book, 2013), 232-254.
35. "Egyptian Papyri and the Book of Abraham: A Faithful, Egyptological Point of View" in *No Weapon Shall Prosper*, Robert L. Millett, ed. (Salt Lake City: Deseret Book, 2011), 217-241.

36. "Treasure and the Supernatural: Joseph Smith's Search for the Divine," in *No Weapon Shall Prosper*, Robert L. Millett, ed. (Salt Lake City: Deseret Book, 2011), 76-91.
37. "Ruth Redemption, and Covenant," in Jared Ludlow, Kerry Muhlestein, and D. Kelley Ogden, eds., *The Gospel of Jesus Christ in the Old Testament. Proceedings of the 2009 Sperry Symposium*. (Salt Lake City: Religious Studies Center and Deseret Book, 2009), 189-208.
38. "One Continuous Flow: Revelations Surrounding the 'New Translation,'" in *The Doctrine and Covenants, Revelations in Context*, Andrew Hedges, J. Spencer Fluhman, and Alonzo L. Gaskill, eds. (Salt Lake City: Deseret Book and the Religious Studies Center, 2008), 40-65.
39. "From Clay Tablets to Canon: the Story of the Formation of Scripture," in *How the New Testament Came to Be*, Kent P. Jackson and Frank F. Judd, Jr., eds. (Provo and Salt Lake City: Religious Studies Center and Deseret Book Company, 2006), 43-61.
40. "Prelude to the Pearl: Sweeping Events Leading to the Discovery of the Joseph Smith Papyri," in *Prelude to the Restoration: from Apostasy to the Restored Church* (Salt Lake City: Deseret Book/BYU Religious Studies Center, 2004), 130-141.
41. "Israel, Exodus, Atonement, and Us," in *Covenants, Prophecies, and Hymns of the Old Testament*, Victor Ludlow, ed. (Provo, UT: Brigham Young University Press, 2001), 89-100.

#### PEER REVIEWED ARTICLES FROM CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

42. "Those Who Speak Rebellion: Refining Our Understanding of the Words Used to Describe 'Rebellion'," in the Proceedings of the Tenth International Congress of Egyptologists, P. Kousoulis, N. Lazaridis, eds. (Leuven: Peeters Publishers, 2015).
43. "Joseph Smith's Biblical Views of Egypt," in Lincoln H. Blumell, Matthew J. Grey, and Andrew H. Hedges, eds. *Approaching Antiquity: Joseph Smith and the Ancient World* (Provo: Religious Studies Center, 2015), 447-471.
44. "Issues in Identifying Innovation, the Early Ramesside Era as a Case Study," in Kerry Muhlestein, John Gee, eds. *Evolving Egypt: Innovation, Appropriation, and Reinterpretation. British Archaeological Reports International Series 2397* (Oxford: Archaeopress, 2012), 1-8.
45. "Abraham, Isaac, and Osiris-Michael: The Use of Biblical Figures in Egyptian Religion," in the proceedings of *Achievements and Problems of Modern Egyptology*, Galina, A. Belova, ed. (Moscow: Russian Academy of Sciences, 2012), 246-259.
46. "Levantine Thinking in Egypt" in *Egypt, Canaan and Israel: History, Imperialism, Ideology and Literature*. S. Bar, D. Kahn, and J.J. Shirley, eds. *Culture and History of the Ancient Near East*, Volume 52 (Leiden: Brill, 2011): 190-235.
47. "Binding Foreigners with Heraldic Plants." *Proceedings of the IX<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Egyptologists*, (Leuven: Peeters Publishers, 2007), 1335-1341.

48. “Death by Water: The Role of Water in Ancient Egypt’s Treatment of Enemies and Juridical Process,” in *L’Acqua Nell’antico Egitto: Vita, Rigenerazione, Incantesimo, Medicamento*, Alessia Amenta, Michela Luiselli, and Maria Novella Sordi, eds., (Rome: L’Erma di Bretschneider, 2005), 173-79.

#### ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES AND BOOK REVIEWS

49. “Execration and Execration Texts,” in *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception, Vol. 8, Essenes - Fideism*, Dale C. Allison, Jr, Christine Helmer, Volker Leppin, Choon-Leong, Seow, Herman Spieckermann, Barry Dov Walfish, Eric J. Ziolkowski, eds. (The Hauge: DeGruyter, 2017).
50. “Ancient Egyptians and Astronomy,” *The Pearl of Great Price Reference Companion*, Dennis Largey, ed. (Salt Lake City, Deseret Book Company, 2017).
51. “The Record of Joseph,” *The Pearl of Great Price Reference Companion*, Dennis Largey, ed. (Salt Lake City, Deseret Book Company, 2017).
52. “Egyptus,” *The Pearl of Great Price Reference Companion*, Dennis Largey, ed. (Salt Lake City, Deseret Book Company, 2017).
53. “Violence,” in Willeke Wendrich, Elizabeth Froom, eds., *UCLA Encyclopedia of Egyptology*, (Los Angeles: <http://www.uee.ucla.edu>, 2015). (peer reviewed)
54. “Joseph of Egypt” in the *Doctrine and Covenants Reference Companion*, Dennis Largey, ed. (Salt Lake City: Deseret Book, 2012), 324.
55. “Ephraim,” in the *Doctrine and Covenants Reference Companion*, Dennis Largey, ed. (Salt Lake City: Deseret Book, 2012), 192-93.
56. “Second Intermediate Period.” In *World History Encyclopedia, Era 2: Early Civilizations, 4000-1000 BCE*. Edited by Kevin Murray McGeough. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2011, 428. <http://ebooks.abc-clio.com/reader.aspx?isbn=9781851099344&id=A1725C-4740>.
57. “Tel Ed-Daba.” In *World History Encyclopedia, Era 2: Early Civilizations, 4000-1000 BCE*. Edited by Kevin Murray McGeough. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2011, 428. <http://ebooks.abc-clio.com/reader.aspx?isbn=9781851099344&id=A1725C-4740>.
58. “Hyksos.” In *World History Encyclopedia, Era 2: Early Civilizations, 4000-1000 BCE*. Edited by Kevin Murray McGeough. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2011, 578. <http://ebooks.abc-clio.com/reader.aspx?isbn=9781851099344&id=A1725C-6317>
59. “Conceptions of Ethnicity in Ancient Egypt.” In *World History Encyclopedia, Era 2: Early Civilizations, 4000-1000 BCE*. Edited by Kevin Murray McGeough. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2011, 156. <http://ebooks.abc-clio.com/reader.aspx?isbn=9781851099344&id=A1725C-1876>.
60. “Egyptian Kingship—Order Fighting Chaos.” In *World History Encyclopedia, Era 2: Early Civilizations, 4000-1000 BCE*. Edited by Kevin Murray McGeough. Santa Barbara,

- CA: ABC-CLIO, 2011, 464-65. <http://ebooks.abc-clio.com/reader.aspx?isbn=9781851099344&id=A1725C-5119>.
61. "Human Sacrifice in Ancient Egypt." In *World History Encyclopedia, Era 2: Early Civilizations, 4000-1000 BCE*. Edited by Kevin Murray McGeough. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2011, 281. <http://ebooks.abc-clio.com/reader.aspx?isbn=9781851099344&id=A1725C-3234>.
  62. "Conceptions of 'Other' in Egyptian Art." In *World History Encyclopedia, Era 2: Early Civilizations, 4000-1000 BCE*. Edited by Kevin Murray McGeough. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2011, 377. <http://ebooks.abc-clio.com/reader.aspx?isbn=9781851099344&id=A1725C-4264>.
  63. "The Narmer Palette." In *World History Encyclopedia, Era 2: Early Civilizations, 4000-1000 BCE*. Edited by Kevin Murray McGeough. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2011, 404. <http://ebooks.abc-clio.com/reader.aspx?isbn=9781851099344&id=A1725C-4494>.
  64. "Execration Ritual" in Willeke Wendrich, Jacco Dieleman (eds.), *UCLA Encyclopedia of Egyptology* (Los Angeles: <http://www.uee.ucla.edu>, 2008). (peer reviewed)
  65. "Review of Lynn Meskell and R. Joyce, *Embodied Lives. Figuring Ancient Maya and Egyptian Experience* (New York: Routledge, 2003)", in *PalArch 2/1* web based Netherlands Scientific Journal (2005).  
[http://www.palarch.nl/Non\\_scientific/review\\_meskell\\_joyce\\_03.pdf](http://www.palarch.nl/Non_scientific/review_meskell_joyce_03.pdf)
  66. "Commandments," *Book of Mormon Reference Companion*, (Salt Lake City: Deseret Book Co., 2003).
  67. Contributor of many small articles for *Book of Mormon Reference Companion* (Salt Lake City: Deseret Book Co., 2003).
  68. "Review of *Revealing the Holy Land: The Photographic Exploration of Palestine*" in *JUSUR, UCLA Journal of Middle Eastern Studies*, 15 (1999), 77-78.
  69. "Review of *Becoming Osiris, The Ancient Egyptian Death Experience*" in *JUSUR, UCLA Journal of Middle Eastern Studies*, 15 (1999), 79-82.
  70. Contributor in *A Comprehensive Annotated Book of Mormon Bibliography*, Donald W. Parry, Jeanette W. Miller, Sandra A. Thorne, eds. (Provo, UT: Research Press, 1996).
  71. Contributor in "Text, Notes, and Comments," *King Benjamin's Speech, "That Ye May Learn Wisdom,"* John W. Welch, Stephen D. Ricks, eds. (Provo, UT: Research Press, 1998).

#### NEWSLETTERS, EDUCATIONAL MAGAZINES AND BULLETINS

72. "From the Sands of Egypt: Results from the BYU Egypt Excavation Project," in *BYU Religious Education Review* Fall, 2012, 6-7.
73. "Beautifully Written Upon Papyrus. The Story of the Joseph Smith Papyri," *Insight, an Honors Publication*, 2012, 3-9.
74. "Pyramids and Mummies: the BYU Egypt Fayoum Excavation Project," in *Newsletter for the Society for the Study of Egyptian Antiquities* 1/1, Winter 2011-2012, 1-3. Toronto, Ontario, Canada.



75. "Egypt and the Bible. An Interview with Kerry Muhlestein," in *The Religious Educator* 11/3 (2010): 78-93.

#### FORTHCOMING PUBLICATIONS

76. Evans, R. Paul and Kerry Muhlestein, "Death of a Child: The Demographic and Preparation Trends of Child Burials in the Greco-Roman Fayoum of Egypt," in Lesly Beaumont, Matthew Dillon, and Nicola Harrington, eds. *Handbook of Children of Antiquity* (Routledge, forthcoming).
77. "The Shipwrecked Sailor as Veiled Criticism of the King," *Lingua Aegyptia*, forthcoming.
78. *Excavations at Fag el-Gamous and the Seila Pyramid*, Kerry Muhlestein, head editor (under contract with Brill, recommended by reviewers for publication with revisions). Authored or co-authored articles within this volume include
- a. "Excavations at the Seila Pyramid and Ritual Ramifications," Kerry Muhlestein.
  - b. "The Mummy Portraits of Fag el-Gamous," Bethany Jensen and Kerry Muhlestein.
  - c. "Ritual Objects at the Seila Pyramid," Kerry Muhlestein, Brian Christensen, and Ronald Harris.
  - d. "Death of a Poor Man: the burials of the poorer population at Fag el-Gamous," Kerry Muhlestein and Cannon Fairbairn.
  - e. "They'll Never be Royals: the 'purple textiles' of Fag el-Gamous," Bethany Jensen, R. Paul Evans, Giovanni Tata, Kerry Muhlestein.
  - f. "Juveniles in Cluster Burials at the Graeco-Roman Cemetery of Fag el-Gamous," Aubrey Young, R. Paul Evans and Kerry Muhlestein.
  - g. "Fag el-Gamous Pottery with 'Kill Holes,'" Brian Christensen, Kerry Muhlestein and Cannon Fairbairn.
  - h. "Report on Botanical Macro Remains at Fag el-Gamous and the Seila Pyramid," Terry B. Ball and Kerry Muhlestein.
  - i. "Geological and Historical Survey of the Fayoum," Cannon Fairbairn, Kerry Muhlestein and Ronald Harris.
  - j. "History of Excavations at Fag el-Gamous and the Seila Pyramid," Kerry Muhlestein and Bethany Jensen.

#### WORKS SUBMITTED FOR PUBLICATION

79. *Accounts of Antiquities. An annotated collection of historical sources regarding the Joseph Smith Papyri and Mummies*, Kerry Muhlestein, editor; John Gee, Matthew Roper, RyceeJo Nordstrom and Megan Hansen, co-editors (Submitted to Farleigh Dickenson University Press, revisions asked for).
80. *Upon Papyrus: the Convergence of the Book of Abraham, Egyptology, and Revelation*, submitted to Covenant Communications (revisions asked for).

#### REVIEWED ARCHAEOLOGICAL REPORTS

1. Kerry Muhlestein, et. al. "The Fag el-Gamous 2018 Excavation Season," *Annales du Service des antiquités de l'Egypte* (2018).
2. Kerry Muhlestein, et. al. "The Fag el-Gamous 2017 Excavation Season," *Annales du Service des antiquités de l'Egypte* (2017).
3. Kerry Muhlestein, et. al. "The Fag el-Gamous 2014 Excavation Season," *Annales du Service des antiquités de l'Egypte* (2014).
4. Kerry Muhlestein, et. al. "The Fag el-Gamous 2013 Excavation Season," *Annales du Service des antiquités de l'Egypte* (2013).
5. Kerry Muhlestein, et. al. "The Fag el-Gamous 2012 Excavation Season," *Annales du Service des antiquités de l'Egypte* (2012).
6. Kerry Muhlestein, et. al. "The Brigham Young University Egypt Excavation Project, 2010," *Annales du Service des antiquités de l'Egypte* (2010).
7. Kerry Muhlestein, et. al. "The Brigham Young University Egypt Excavation Project, 2009," *Annales du Service des antiquités de l'Egypte* (2009).

## LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS

1. "Flying to the Stars or Climbing to the Sun? the combined north and east orientation of the Seila Pyramid as innovation and transition at the beginning of the 4<sup>th</sup> Dynasty," (refereed) Presented at the ASOR (American Schools of Oriental Research) annual meeting held November, 2018, in Denver, Colorado.
2. "On Earth *When* it was in Heaven: Sacred Time and its Protection in Egyptian Temples," (invited) Presented at the Fourth Temple on Mount Zion Conference, held at Brigham Young University, November, 2018.
3. "Putting a Face on Death at Fag el-Gamous: identifying the mummy portraits found there by Grenfell and Hunt," (refereed) Presented at the annual SSEA Scholar's Symposium, held at the University of Toronto, November 2018.
4. "Hieratic Addling: What Comparing the Grammar and Alphabet of the Egyptian Language to Early Translation Manuscripts Can Tell Us About Translation Methods," (refereed) Presented at the second annual Joseph Smith Papers Conference, held in the Church History Museum in Salt Lake City in October, 2018).
5. "Religious Dawns: What the BYU Egypt Excavation Project can tell us about the dawn of the Pyramid Age and the dawn of Christianity," an invited lecture given at the Bibliotheca Alexandria (Library of Alexandria), Alexandria, Egypt, March 2018.
6. "Defilement and Sacred Response: Some Reasons for Ritual Slaying in Ancient Egypt," an invited lecture given at the Society of Biblical Literature Rocky Mountain Meeting, held in Provo, Utah, March, 2018.
7. "Of Portraits and Papyri: Burials in Roman Egypt," (invited) presented at *Aegyptus: Egypt Under Roman Rule*, a symposium held at the University of Toronto, November, 2017.
8. "Quantifying Burials: Learning about Life and Death in Roman Egypt from an Extensive Cemetery Database," (refereed) Presented at the National ARCE conference, held in Kansas City MO, April, 2017
9. "You Can't Take it With You: Material Markers of the Conversion to Christianity in the

- Fayoum of Egypt.” (invited and refereed). Co-presented with Bethany Jensen at the conference *Religious Landscapes of Egypt, Late to Greco-Roman Period*, held at the University of Zurich, in cooperation with the University of Oxford, in February, 2017.
10. “Death of a Child: demographic and preparation trends of child burials in the Graeco-Roman Fayoum of Egypt.” (refereed) Co-presented with Dr. R. Paul Evans at the conference *Children in Antiquity: Perspectives and Experiences of Childhood in the Ancient Mediterranean*, held at the University of Sydney in July, 2015, and the annual SSEA Scholar’s Symposium, held at the University of Toronto, November 2016.
  11. “Transitions in Pyramid Orientation: New Evidence from the Seila Pyramid.” (refereed) Presented at the National ARCE conference, held in Houston, Texas, April 2015.
  12. Death of a Poor Man: burial practices of the “poor” in the Roman Fayoum of Egypt.” Presented at the 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Scholar’s Colloquium of the Society for the Study of Egyptian Antiquities (SSEA), held in Toronto, November, 2014.
  13. “Issues in Translating the Papyri: the How, What and When of the Book of Abraham.” Invited lecture presented at the BYU Translation, Interpretation, and Localization Conference, held in Provo, UT, October 2014.
  14. “Material Markers of Christianity in Egypt: a Re-Examination of Burial Remains at Fag el-Gamous,” (refereed) Presented at the National ARCE conference, held in Portland, OR, April, 2014.
  15. “The Book of Abraham, Joseph Smith, Revelation, and You,” Invited lecture presented at a campus wide forum at Brigham Young University Hawaii, Laie, Hawaii, November, 2013.
  16. “Joseph Smith and Treasure Seeking: The probation and tutoring of a teenage seer,” Presented to the faculty of Brigham Young University Hawaii, Laie, Hawaii, November, 2013.
  17. “Excavating a Lost Snefru Pyramid,” Invited lecture presented at the ARCE [American Research Center in Egypt] DC chapter at Johns Hopkins University Extension, Washington DC, June, 2013.
  18. “(Re) Constructing Snefru’s Pyramids: Insights Gained from Precise GPS Measurements,” (refereed) Presented at the National ARCE conference held at Cincinnati, OH, April, 2013.
  19. “Joseph Smith and Egyptian Artifacts: Towards a Preliminary Paradigm for Evaluating Prophetic and Mundane Ideas Regarding Aspects of the Ancient World,” (refereed) presented at the annual BYU Church History Symposium: *Approaching Antiquity: Joseph Smith’s Study of the Ancient World*, held at Brigham Young University and Salt Lake City, March, 2013.
  20. “Pyramid Cult at the Dawn of the Fourth Dynasty: Revelations from Excavating a Fourth Snefru Pyramid.” (refereed) Presented at *Cult and Belief: the Fourth International Congress of Young Egyptologists*, held in Sofia, Bulgaria, September, 2012
  21. “Turning Point in the Fag el-Gamous/Seila Pyramid Excavation.” (refereed) Presented at the National ARCE conference held at Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, April, 2012
  22. “The Mummy Portraits of Fag el-Gamous,” co-presented with Bethany Jensen, at the Students of the Ancient Near East annual symposium, April, 2012, Brigham Young University.
  23. “Eyewitness Accounts of the Joseph Smith Papyri.” Co-Presented with RyceeJo Nordstrom at the Brigham Young University Religious Education Friday Faculty Forum,

- January, 2012.
24. "Golden Mummies and a Lost Pyramid in the Fayum: the BYU excavations at Seila." Invited lecture presented at the SSEA (Society for the Study of Egyptian Antiquities) 37<sup>th</sup> annual Symposium on Ancient Egypt, November, 2011.
  25. "Pyramids in Parallel: analyzing the purpose of pyramids in light of recent excavations." Invited lecture presented at the University of Haifa, Haifa, Israel, May, 2011.
  26. "Rethinking the Earliest Pyramid Building Program." Invited lecture presented at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, December, 2010.
  27. "Snefru's Building Programme, some answers and further questions." Invited lecture presented at the Bower's Museum, ARCE Orange County Meeting, and the Egypt Excavation Organization of Southern California, both in July, 2010
  28. "Serving Through Motherhood." Presented at the Brigham Young University – Hawaii Women's Conference, June, 2010.
  29. "The Seila Pyramid, Ritual Considerations and Parallels." (refereed) Co-Presented with Dr. Wilfred Griggs at the national ARCE conference, held in Berkeley, April 2010.
  30. "The Joseph Smith Papyri," Invited lecture presented at the Claremont Graduate School, Claremont, April 2010.
  31. "Discovering and Understanding Parallel Programs at Snefru's Pyramids" (refereed) Presented at the Society for the Study of Egyptian Antiquities Annual Scholar's Colloquium, held at the Royal Ontario Museum and University of Toronto, November, 2009.
  32. "Ruth, Redemption, Covenant and Christ," (refereed) Presented at the 38<sup>th</sup> annual Sidney B. Sperry Symposium, held at Brigham Young University, October, 2009.
  33. "The Use of Biblical Figures in Egyptian Religion, a Survey." (refereed) Presented at the International Conference *Achievements and Problems of Modern Egyptology*, held in Moscow, September, 2009.
  34. "The Footprint of Levantine Intellectual Influence in the Egyptian Tale of the Shipwrecked Sailor." (refereed) Presented at the International Conference *Egypt, Canaan, Israel: History, Imperialism, and Ideology*, held at the University of Haifa, Israel, in May, 2009.
  35. "Excavating a Snefru Pyramid: a Preliminary Report." (refereed) Co-Presented with Dr. Wilfred Griggs at the national ARCE conference, held in Dallas, April 2009. Also at the 2009 BYU Egypt Excavation Conference, held in Provo, UT, November 2009.
  36. "The Role of Violent Ritual in the Egyptian Temple." Co-Presented with Alyssa Lewis at the *Temples and Ritual in Antiquity Symposium*, held at Brigham Young University, November, 2008.
  37. "One Continuous Flow: Revelations Surrounding the 'New Translation,'" (refereed) Presented at the 37<sup>th</sup> annual Sidney B. Sperry Symposium, held at Brigham Young University, October, 2008.
  38. "Treasure and the Supernatural." Delivered at the annual History Summer Seminar Symposium, held at BYU in July, 2008.
  39. "Those Who Speak Rebellion: Refining Our Understanding of the Words Used to Describe 'Rebellion'." (refereed) Presented at the *Tenth International Congress of Egyptologists*, held in Rhodes, Greece, May, 2008.
  40. "Power, Curses, and Reality: Realities behind Egyptian Tomb Threats and Many other Texts." (refereed) Presented at the national ARCE conference, held in Seattle, April, 2008.
  41. "Egyptologists and Historians. Current practices and future possibilities regarding

- teaching Egyptian History.” (refereed) Presented at the Egyptology workshop *In Search of Egypt’s Past: Problems and Perspectives of the Historiography of Ancient Egypt*, held at the University of British Columbia, April, 2008.
42. “Smashing, Stomping and Spitting: The Protection of Egypt Through the Execration Ritual,” Invited lecture at the Society for the Study of Egyptian Antiquities Annual Scholar’s Colloquium, Royal Ontario Museum and University of Toronto, November, 2007.
  43. “Smiting, Smashing, Sailing, and Sacrifice: the evolution and manifestations of some violent rituals in ancient Egypt.” Invited lecture at Southern Methodist University at the ARCE North Texas Chapter, July 2007.
  44. “Sanctioned Killing in Ancient Egypt.” (refereed) Presented at the national ARCE Conference, held in Toledo, April, 2007.
  45. “From Clay Tablets to Canon: the Story of the Formation of Scripture.” (refereed) Presented at the 35<sup>th</sup> annual Sperry Symposium, held at Brigham Young University, October, 2006.
  46. “The Persistent Question of Human Sacrifice in Ancient Egypt: Was it Real and Unperceived?” (refereed) Presented at the national ARCE Conference, held in New Jersey, April 2006.
  47. “LDS Contributions to and Perspectives on Dead Sea Scrolls Scholarship.” Presented at BYU-Hawaii as part of the Dead Sea Scroll Lecture Series, March 2006.
  48. Co-Organizer of International Academic Conference *Evolving Egypt: Innovation, Appropriation and Reinterpretation in Ancient Egypt*, held at BYU-Hawaii in February, 2006.
  49. “Possibilities and Pitfalls in Identifying Innovation: the Early Ramesside Era as a Case Study.” Presented at *Evolving Egypt: Innovation, Appropriation and Reinterpretation in Ancient Egypt*, held at BYU Hawaii, February 2006.
  50. “The Dead Sea Scrolls as Inter-Cultural and Inter-Faith Bridges.” Presented at the Laie, Hawaii Dead Sea Scrolls exhibit, February, 2006.
  51. “The Smiting Scene Referent Reconsidered.” (refereed) Presented at the national ARCE Conference, held at Cambridge, Massachusetts, April 2005.
  52. “The Joseph Smith Papyri and Higher Education.” Invited Lecture, Co-Presented with Dr. John Gee at the Cambridge Institute of Religion, April, 2005.
  53. “Prelude to the Pearl: Sweeping Events Leading to the Discovery of the Book of Abraham.” (refereed) Presented at the 33<sup>rd</sup> annual Sperry Symposium held at Brigham Young University, October, 2004.
  54. “Archaeology, Artifact and Art: the Creation of Egyptian Museum Collections and their Use in Reconstructing History.” Invited Lecture, presented at the BYU Museum of Art in connection with a Boston Museum of Fine Arts exhibit, October, 2004.
  55. “Binding Foreigners with Heraldic Plants.” (refereed) Presented at the IX<sup>th</sup> *International Congress of Egyptologists*, held in Grenoble, France, September, 2004.
  56. “Ancient Leanings and Modern Perplexities: an environmental struggle within many Latter-day Saint individuals.” Presented at BYU-Hawaii, September, 2004.
  57. “The Multi-Valence of Egyptian Threat Formulae.” (refereed) Presented at the national ARCE Conference, held at the University of Arizona, April 2004.
  58. Lecture Series -- Aspects of Ancient Egypt : Ancient Egyptian Religion and Significant Parallels Presented at BYU-Hawaii

Egyptian Creation Accounts and Parallels -- February 17, 2004  
Egyptian Conceptions of the Afterlife and Parallels -- February 24, 2004  
Egyptian Temples and Parallels -- March 2, 2004.

59. "Death by Water: the Use of Water in Ancient Egypt's Treatment of Enemies and Juridical Process." (refereed) Presented at the First International Conference for Young Egyptologists: *Water in Ancient Egypt: Life, Regeneration, Incantation, and Medical Prescription*, Chianciano Terme, Italy, October, 2003.
60. "An Origin of Foreign Domination: Pre-Hyksos Avaris." Invited lecture presented to the faculty of the History Department at Brigham Young University, March 2003.
61. "Egyptology and the Book of Abraham. Reasons for the Hope Within You." Invited Lecture presented at Brigham Young University-Hawaii, April 2003.
62. "Magic and Mudbrick: Apotropaic Architecture in Ancient Egypt." Presented at UCLA's *Wepwawet in Westwood* Conference, June 2002.
63. "Egyptian Exchange With the Levant: the International Setting for Facsimile Number Three." (refereed) Presented at the *World of Abraham Conference* held by the Institute for the Study and Preservation of Ancient Religious Texts at Brigham Young University, March 2002.
64. "Pharaoh Undone: Plagues and the Mystique of Ma=at." Invited lecture, presented at Student and Faculty Forum, Brigham Young University-Hawaii, February 2002.
65. "Israel, Exodus, Atonement, and Us." (refereed) Presented at the annual Sperry Symposium held at Brigham Young University, October, 2001.
66. "Criticism of the King: Another Layer in the Shipwrecked Sailor." (refereed) Presented at the national ARCE Conference, held at Brown University, April 2001.
67. "The Plagues, Exodus, and Egyptian Kingship." (refereed) Presented at the Pacific Regional Society of Biblical Literature Meeting, March 2001. This paper was awarded the prize for best student essay.
68. "The Djoser Complex, Capturing Early Egypt." Invited lecture presented at the Bowers Museum, December, 2000.
69. "What I Will Do to Pharaoh: The Plagues Viewed as a Divine Confrontation with Pharaoh." Presented at BYU's Foundation for Ancient Research and Mormon Studies brown bag luncheon, September, 2000.
70. "Walking With Power: Redefining *Hithalâk*." (refereed) Co-Presented with Daniel Belnap at the Pacific Regional Society of Biblical Literature Meeting, April 2000.
71. "Levantine Thinking in Egypt: the Footprint of Intellectual Influence." (refereed) Presented at the national ARCE Conference, held at the University of California at Berkeley, April, 2000.
72. "Exodus and Expiation, Then in Now." Invited Lecture, presented as a Friday Faculty Forum for Religious Education at Brigham Young University, March, 2000.
73. "Understanding Old Testament Imagery in the Doctrine and Covenants." Presented in Church Educational System Mid-year Area Convention, Sacramento, April, 1998.
74. "Desert Imagery in Jeremiah." (refereed) Presented at BYU Religious Education=s Annual Sperry Symposium, October 1997.
75. "John A. Widtsoe: An Early 20<sup>th</sup> Century Bridge Between Science and Faithful Mormon Thought." (refereed) Presented at the Annual Mormon Historical Association Symposium, May, 1996.

## ACADEMIC POSTERS

1. “Fag el-Gamous Pottery with ‘Kill Holes,’” presented at the annual scholar’s colloquium held at the University of Toronto, November, 2017. With Cannon Fairbairn.
2. “Conversion and Death: Can Changes in Burial Practice Indicate Adoption of a New Religion?” presented at the annual scholar’s colloquium held at the University of Toronto, November, 2017. With Bethany Jensen.
3. “They’ll Never Be Royals: the ‘purple’ textiles of Fag el-Gamous,” presented at the annual scholar’s colloquium held at the University of Toronto, November, 2016. With Bethany Jensen, Giovanni Tata, and R. Paul Evans.
4. “Burial Textile Conservation Techniques,” presented at the annual scholar’s colloquium held at the University of Toronto, November, 2015. With Keri Erdman Rowe, Bethany Jensen and Kristin South.

## AWARDS AND ACTIVITIES

- Richard Lloyd Anderson Excellence in Research award, 2017
- Recipient of several mentoring awards and grants
- Have served on Religious Studies Center Research Board; FARMS Research Faculty Advisory Committee; University Academic Review Committee, Sperry Symposium Committee; Department Merit Pay Committee; Student Symposium Committee; College Curriculum Review Committee; New Faculty Mentor; Faculty Forum Committee; Screening and Search Committee for the Harold B. Lee Library; University Library Council; Dept. Rank and Status Committee; Dept. Search Committee; Library Faculty Advisory Council; Department Library Liaison; University Assessment Review Committee
- BYU-H Service Learning Award, 2005
- Selected by the Princeton Review in 2012 as one of the best 300 professors in the nation (the top .02% of those considered).
- The UCLA University Affiliates Graduate Division Scholar of the Year, 2002-2003.
- Delegate in UCLA’s Graduate Student Association
- Awarded prize of Best Student Essay of the 2001 Pacific Region Society of Biblical Literature Conference
- Primary research assistant for biography which was the MHA’s best biography of 2003.
- Current or past member of
  - International Association of Egyptologists
  - American Research Center in Egypt
  - Society for the Study of Egyptian Antiquities
  - American Association of Higher Education
  - Society of Biblical Literature
  - American Schools of Oriental Research
  - Hebrew National Honors Society
  - Phi Kappa Phi National Honors Society (for teachers)

