

S. A. FIX

Curriculum Vitae

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PERSONAL INFORMATION

Spouse Rachel Fix
Children Rock, Louisa, Gillespie (Gigi), Macpherson (Mac)
Ordained 2007 – Presbyterian Church in America
Ph.D. 2020 – The Catholic University of America

EDUCATION

2020 Ph.D., Catholic University of America (Department of Semitic and Egyptian Languages and Literatures, Ancient Near Eastern Languages)
Thesis Title: *“The Semantics of a Semitic Votive in Cognitive Perspective: Akkadian Votive Construals Based on Lexical Verb Types”*
2012 M.A., Catholic University of America (Ancient Near Eastern Languages)
2007 M.Div., Westminster Seminary California
2002 B.S., Grove City College (International Business / Finance)

EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

2026–present Associate Professor of Old Testament and Biblical Languages, Westminster Theological Seminary (Glenside, PA)
2018–2026 Senior Pastor (Associate 2014-2018; Assistant 2007–2014), Reformed Presbyterian Church of Bowie (Bowie, MD)
2025 Adjunct Faculty, Catholic University of America (Washington, DC)
2017–2025 Adjunct Faculty, Westminster Theological Seminary (Glenside, PA)
2014–2025 Adjunct Faculty, Reformed Theological Seminary (Atlanta, GA; Washington, DC)
2022–2025 Adjunct Faculty, Faith Theological Seminary (Catonsville, MD)

- 2014–2016 Teaching Fellow, Catholic University of America (Washington, DC)
- 2005–2007 Library Circulation Desk, Westminster Seminary California (Escondido, CA)
- 2000–2004 Software Helpdesk / Engineer / Technical Trainer, InterAmerica Technologies (Washington, DC)
- 1998–2000 Research Manager, Century Technology Services, Inc. (Merrifield, VA)

PUBLICATIONS

- In Progress *The Semantics of the Akkadian Ventive*
Vetus Testamentum et Orbis Antiquus (Brill; in proposal)
- In Progress “Where’ Is the Second ‘If? A Reanalysis of the Ugaritic Particle ‘*ʔim*”
Ugarit-Forschungen
- In Contract *1–2 Chronicles*
Reformed Exegetical Theological Commentary on Scripture (Crossway; under contract)
- In Contract Core Guide: Jesus in Exodus
Core Christianity (corechristianity.com)
- In Publication “1–2 Samuel”
TGC Concise Biblical Commentary (Crossway)
- In Publication “Interpreting Philippians 3:3 In Light of Ambrose, Augustine, and Aquinas: Demonstrating the Divinity of the Holy Spirit”
Unio cum Christo
- 2025 “Covenantal Conditions and the Land: The Gospel in Deuteronomy 11,” *Place for Truth*
online magazine of Alliance of Confessing Evangelicals (placefortruth.org)
- 2025 Core Guide: Jesus in Genesis
Core Christianity (corechristianity.com)
- 2025 *John Thomson’s An Explication of the Shorter Catechism (1749)*
(Westminster Seminary Press)
- 2024 “The Word’s Two-Fold Content”
Pillars (Quarterly Publication of Faith Theological Seminary; Winter 2024)
- 2024 Review Article of *Motion, Voice, and Mood in the Semitic Verb* by Ambjörn Sjörs
Journal of Semitic Studies

- 2023 *1–2 Samuel* (co-author with Robert Vannoy)
TGC Concise Commentary Series
- 2022 Review of *Preaching Difficult Texts of the Old Testament* by Bryan Murawski
Modern Reformation (modernreformation.org)
- 2020 “The Meaning of Calamity,” Web Article – June 4, 2020
Modern Reformation (modernreformation.org)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Courses Taught (* indicates scheduled courses)

- 2026–present Associate Professor of Old Testament and Biblical Languages, Westminster Theological Seminary
Old Testament Critical Methodologies (*Spring 2026; residential)
Biblical Aramaic (Spring 2026; residential)
Old Testament History and Theology II (*Spring 2026; residential)
Old Testament History and Theology I (*Spring 2026; online)
Greek Reading (*Spring 2026; online)
- 2025 Visiting Professor, Nairobi Institute for Reformed Theology
Old Testament Historical Books (Summer 2025)
- 2025 Adjunct Professor, Catholic University of America
Introduction to Akkadian II (Spring 2025)
- 2022–2025 Adjunct Professor, Westminster Theological Seminary
Covenant and Chronicles: Readings in 1–2 Chronicles (Fall 2025)
Old Testament Introduction (Fall 2024)
Directed Readings in Old Testament Introduction and Theology (Fall 2024)
Ethiopic Directed Study (Fall 2024)
Old Testament Critical Methodologies (Spring 2022; 2024)
The Post-Exilic Theology of Ezra-Nehemiah (Fall 2022)
Biblical Aramaic (Spring 2022)
- 2022–present Adjunct Professor, Faith Theological Seminary
Introduction to Biblical Hebrew I (Fall 2025)
Old Testament Introduction (Fall 2025)
Advanced Biblical Hebrew I & II (2023-2024)
Introduction to Biblical Hebrew I & II (2023-2024)

Introduction to Biblical Hebrew I & II (2022-2023)

- 2017–present Online Instructor in Old Testament and Biblical Theology, Westminster Theological Seminary
Old Testament History and Theology II (Summer 2023, 2024, 2025)
Old Testament History and Theology I (Spring 2023, 2024, 2025)
Old Testament Theology for Application (Spring 2025, Fall 2025)
Old Testament Introduction (Summer 2024, 2025)
Old Testament Theology for Application (Spring, Fall 2024)
Old Testament Theology for Application (Spring, Fall 2023)
Old Testament Theology for Application (Spring, Fall 2022)
Biblical Theology of Worship (Fall 2021)
Old Testament Theology for Application (Spring, Fall 2021)
Old Testament Theology for Application (Spring, Summer, Fall 2020)
Old Testament Theology for Application (Spring, Summer, Fall 2019)
Old Testament for Ministry (Fall 2017)
- 2021–present Adjunct Professor, Reformed Theological Seminary, DC Campus
Genesis to Deuteronomy (Fall 2021)
 * *The Post-Exilic Theology of Ezra-Nehemiah* (Spring 2026)
- 2014–2016 Teaching Fellow, Catholic University of America (Ancient Near Eastern Languages)
Introduction to Biblical Hebrew 1 & 2 (Fall-Spring 2014–2015; 2015–2016)
Biblical Hebrew Poetry 2 (Spring 2016)
- 2015–2016 Guest Lecturer, Reformed Theological Seminary, DC Campus
Biblical Hebrew 1 & 2 (Fall-Spring 2015–2016)
- 2015 Guest Lecturer, Reformed Theological Seminary, Atlanta Campus
Judges to Esther (Spring 2015)
- 2010–2013 Teaching Assistant, Reformed Theological Seminary, DC Campus
Biblical Hebrew 1 & 2

Invited Lectures

- 2024 Prince Georges Conference on Reformed Theology Speaker, Greenbelt, MD
 “A Confident Canon in the Church”
- 2024 Legacy Conference Speaker, Grace Baptist Church, Catonsville, MD
 “The Cross and the Good Life”
- 2023 Guest Lecturer, Reformed Theological Seminary, Jackson Campus

- “Exegeting Esther - Introduction, Content, and Theology”
- 2022 Reformation Day Speaker, Wallace Presbyterian Church, College Park, MD
“The Glory of God in the Reformation (Psalm 19)”
- 2021 Reformation Assembly Speaker, Westminster Academy, Memphis, TN
“*Semper Reformanda*”
- 2021 Guest Lecturer, Reformed Theological Seminary, DC Campus
“Numbers 21” (*Hebrew Exegesis*)
- 2017 Guest Lecturer, Reformed Theological Seminary, DC Campus
“Qal Volitives / Qal Hollow Verbs” (*Hebrew II*)
- 2014 Guest Lecturer, University of California, Riverside, CA
“The Evolution of Writing and the Hebrew Bible” (*Introduction to the Bible*)
- 2013 Guest Lecturer, Reformed Theological Seminary, DC Campus
“Song of Solomon – Text in Context” (*Poetical Books*)
- 2013 Guest Lecturer, Reformed Theological Seminary, DC Campus
“Numbers 21” (*Hebrew Exegesis*)
- 2013 Guest Lecturer, Reformed Theological Seminary, DC Campus
Greek 1
- 2012 Guest Lecturer, Reformed Theological Seminary, DC Campus
“Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible” (*Hebrew Exegesis*)
- 2011 Guest Lecturer, Reformed Theological Seminary, DC
“Close Reading of Judges 3” (*Hebrew Exegesis*)

Other Academic Experience

- 2025 External Reader for D.Min. Project, Westminster Theological Seminary
“Missions Strategy: The Covenant Propels the Church Across Barriers”
(Philip DeHart)
- 2022 External Reader for D.Min. Project, Westminster Theological Seminary
“Follow the Argument: Reading Epistles in the Light of Linguistics”
(David Camera)

ACADEMIC AWARDS

2011–2014	Full Scholarship for Ph.D. Coursework, Catholic University of America
2007	Who's Who Award for Academic Excellence, Westminster Seminary California
2007	Awes Presidential Scholarship for Academic Excellence, Westminster Seminary
2005	Samuel and Ann Van Til Student Scholarship Prize for Best Major Paper in Practical Theology, Westminster Seminary California
2001–2002	Alpha Mu Gamma Language Honor Society, Grove City College
2001–2002	Presidential Scholarship for Academic Excellence, Grove City College
2001–2002	Phi Theta Kappa Academic Honor Society, Grove City College
2001–2002	Delta Mu Delta Business Honor Society, Grove City College
2001–2002	Financial Management Association, Grove City College
1998–2000	Dean's List, Northern Virginia Community College

PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

Public (* indicates scheduled presentations)

2025	“Ventive Reflexes in Biblical Hebrew? A Case Study in the Verbal Forms of בּוֹא / <i>bô</i> ,” paper presented at the SBL Annual Meeting, Boston, MA
2025	“Catechesis in a Time of Crisis: John Thomson’s Explication and an Old Sider’s Pastoral Theology,” paper presented at the ETS National Conference, Boston, MA
2025	“Eschatological Anticipation of <i>Theotokos</i> in Leviticus 12: A Biblical-Theological, Christ-Centered Reading,” paper presented at the Groves Center for Advanced Biblical Research, Westminster Theological Seminary, Glenside, PA
2024	“Interpreting Philippians 3:3 In Light of Ambrose, Augustine, and Aquinas: Demonstrating the Divinity of the Holy Spirit,” paper presented at the ETS National Conference, San Diego, CA
2023	“Interpreting Philippians 3:3 in Light of Ambrose, Augustine, and Aquinas: Demonstrating the Divinity of the Holy Spirit,” paper presented at the ETS Eastern Region Conference, Museum of the Bible, Washington, DC
2013	“‘Where’ is the Second ‘If?’” paper presented in the Ugaritic section, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, November 2013

In Class

2014	“New Perspective on the Ventive: The Ventive as Viewing Verbal Action from the Perspective of its ‘Directional’ Goal,” Paper presented in partial fulfillment of <i>Akkadian Reading II</i> , Catholic University of America
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- 2014 “The Orthography of Final Unstressed Long Vowels in Epigraphic and Qumran Hebrew,” Paper presented in partial fulfillment of *Intertestamental Hebrew*, Catholic University of America
- 2013 “Editing for History and Propaganda: A Diachronic Study of Sennacherib’s Second Campaign,” Paper presented in partial fulfillment of *Akkadian Reading I*, Catholic University of America
- 2013 “The Desirability of Wisdom: Deontic Modality, Conditionality, and the Natural Logic of Bi-Clausals in Proverbs 1 – 9,” Paper presented in partial fulfillment of *Hebrew Poetry II*, Catholic University of America
- 2012 “Devil in the Details Part 2: The Particular Syntax of Casuistic Conjunctions in the Casuistic Laws Of Leviticus,” Paper presented in partial fulfillment of *Seminar in Biblical Hebrew – Topics in Biblical Law*, Catholic University of America
- 2012 “Devil in the Details Part 1: The Particular Syntax of Casuistic Conjunctions in the Covenant Code (Exodus 21:1–22:16[17]),” Paper presented in partial fulfillment of *Hebrew Prose II*, Catholic University of America

EDITORIAL EXPERIENCE

- 2007 Editorial Assistant for W. Andrew Hoffecker’s (ed.) *Revolutions in Worldview: Understanding the Flow of Western Thought* (P&R)
- 2007 Editorial Assistant for Dennis Johnson’s *Him We Proclaim: Preaching Christ from All the Scriptures* (P&R)

ECCLESIASTICAL EXPERIENCE

- 2015–present Credentials Committee of the Potomac Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in America
- 2025 Moderator, the Potomac Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in America
- 2016–2021 Chairman, Credentials Committee of the Potomac Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in America
- 2010–2013 Chairman, Christian Education Committee of the Potomac Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in America
- 2009 Young Adult Conference Speaker, Wallace Presbyterian Church
Rethinking the So-called “Spiritual Gifts” in Light of a Linguistically Informed Re-reading of the Relevant Passages

LANGUAGE COMPETENCIES

Modern	English (first language) German (childhood acquired through immersion) French (reading)
Ancient	Biblical Hebrew (PhD Major) Aramaic (PhD Major including Targumic, Old Aramaic, Imperial, Biblical, Qumran) Akkadian (PhD focus) Ugaritic Ethiopic Old South Arabian Some experience in Arabic, Syriac

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Society of Biblical Literature
National Association of Professors of Hebrew
International Association for Assyriology
American Oriental Society
Evangelical Theological Society

INTERESTS

Biblical Hebrew, Semitic Languages and Literatures (Aramaic, Ugaritic, Akkadian, Ethiopic), Archaeology, Linguistics (Historical, Comparative, Cognitive), Writing, Ancient Scribal Practice, Covenant (ANE, Biblical, Theology), Hebrew Bible Interpretation, History of Interpretation, Preaching Biblical Texts, Preaching Christ from All Scripture, Modern Languages (German, French, Hebrew), Theology, Liturgy and Worship in Historical and Reformed Perspective, Presbyterian Church History, Artificial Intelligence (AI) Application in Professional Contexts, Literature, Running, Biking, Gardening, Home Renovation, Current Events in Historical Context, Travel, Cross-Cultural Interaction, Poetry, Typewriters, Polaroid Instant Photography