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PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS:

August, 2004-present Maroulis Professor of Byzantine History and Orthodox Religion
(Associate Professor) University of South
Florida-Tampa, Florida

July, 2002-July 2004 Andrew Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow, Rice University,
Houston, Texas

EDUCATION:

November, 2001 Oxford University, Oxford, England – Doctor of Philosophy,
Modern History

June, 1995 Oxford University, Oxford, England – Master of Studies

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION:

- Byzantium, Ancient-Medieval Mediterranean History and Archaeology
- Ancient/Medieval Warfare/History of Terrorism
- History of Middle East and North Africa

PUBLICATIONS:

BOOKS

2015-Expected *The Cambridge Encyclopaedia of Byzantine Archaeology*. Under
Contract (Cambridge).

2012-in press *The Byzantine Art of War*
Westholme Publishing, November 2012

2012 *Life and Society in Byzantine Cappadocia* (with J. Eric Cooper)
(Palgrave-MacMillan). August, 2012

2010 *Tilling the Hateful Earth: Agriculture in the Early Byzantine East.* (Oxford University Press, Byzantine Monographs).

2001 Co-edited with S. Kingsley. *Economy and Exchange in the East Mediterranean during Late Antiquity* (Oxbow Books).

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES, BOOK CHAPTERS, AND ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES:

2013-under contract O. Nicholson (ed.). *The Oxford Dictionary of Late Antiquity.* Entries:

2012-in press R. Bagnall, et. al. (eds.) *Wiley-Blackwell's Encyclopedia of Ancient History* (2009-2011). Entries: 'Theophilos of Edessa'; 'Umayyads', 'Lakhmids', 'Mu'awiya', 'Yarmuk, Battle of', 'Harun al-Rashid', 'Agriculture, Byzantium', 'Markets, Byzantium', 'Trade, Byzantium', 'Transport, Byzantium', 'Mines, Mining, Byzantium', 'Factories, Imperial'.

2012 'Settlement and agriculture in the Levant, 6th-8th centuries,' in *Le Proche-Orient de Justinien aux Abbassides*, ed. A. Borrut, M Debié, A. Papaconstantinou, D. Pieiri, J.-P. Sodini (Brepols), 1-7.

2011 'Settlement and trade in the Red Sea in Late Antiquity: an archaeological perspective," *Ancient West & East* 10 (2010), 193-220.

2009 "Agents of commerce, agents of change: Syrian and Jewish merchants in the trade of late Antiquity," in *Proceedings of the 38th Spring Symposium of Byzantine Studies*, ed. M. Mango (Ashgate), 239-52.

2008 "Early Byzantine Farming Manuals: Authorship and Impact" *Byzantion* 77 (2007), 106-15.

2008 "Frontier Settlement and Economy in the Byzantine East. *Dumbarton Oaks Papers*, 61 (2007) 117-67.

2008 "Everyday Technologies", "Agricultural Technology" In E. Jeffreys and J. Haldon (eds.) *The Oxford Handbook of Byzantine Studies.*

2008 "Water into wine: Agricultural technology and social change in Late Antiquity" in *Late Antique Archaeology* 3 ed. Luke Lavan (Brill).

2007 "Towers, Refuges, and Fortified Farms in the Late Roman East"
Liber Annuus LVI (2006) 499-520.

ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE

2011-present University of South Florida, Department of History
Executive Council

2012 Academic Reader, Bloomsbury Press
Academic referee, academic monographs

2011-present Cambridge University Press
Academic referee, academic monographs

2011 *Palestine Exploration Quarterly* Journal
Academic referee, academic articles

2011 *Ancient West and East* Journal
Academic referee, academic articles

2010-present *The Historian* Journal
Academic referee, academic articles

2008-present Rockefeller Foundation, Bellagio Center
Academic reviewer

2008-2010 University of South Florida Center for 21st Century Teaching
Excellence
Internal Grant Program Committee

2007-2010 Faculty Adviser, Phi Alpha Theta History Honor Society

2010 University of South Florida, Department of History
Graduate Committee

2009 University of South Florida
Internal Disciplinary Investigation

2009 University of South Florida Center for 21st Century Teaching
Excellence Internal Grant Program Committee

2009 University of South Florida, Department of History
Graduate Committee

- 2009 University of South Florida, University Representative,
Center for Research Libraries
- 2009 University of South Florida, University Information-Technology
Committee
- 2008 University of South Florida, University Information-Technology
Committee
- 2005 University of South Florida, Department of History
Hiring Committee
- 2004 University of South Florida, Library Committee
- 2004 University of South Florida, Dept. of History
Hiring Committee

FELLOWSHIPS, PRIZES, FUNDING AWARDS

- 2008 Center for the Defense of Democracies Fellow
- 2007 Hamad ibn Khalifa Islamic Art Fellow, Doha, Qatar
- 2007 CIES Fulbright Middle East and North Africa Regional Research
Program
•Fulbright Scholarship awarded for historical and archaeological
research in Tunisia, Egypt, Jordan, and Syria
- 2007 USF New Researcher Grant
- 2006 C21T Innovative Teaching Grant
- 2005 USF Publications Council Grant
•Awarded \$3,000 for support of GIS map production for
monograph
- 2003 Computer and Information Technology Institute (CITI), Rice
University
•Awarded \$30K Enriching Rice through Education Technology
(ERIT grant) for development of Near East Explorations:
Integrating a Digital Archive of Unique Travel Narratives into
Teaching and Research. This project aims to create a digital
library of 17th - 19th century travel accounts to the Middle East to
encourage and support interdisciplinary teaching and research.

- 2002 Andrew Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship, Rice University
- 2002 Princeton Hellenic Studies Postdoctoral Fellowship (unable to accept)
- 2000 Finalist, Queen's University Graduate Studentship in Archaeology
- 1998 - 2000 Craven Committee Award
- Three-time recipient for research projects on the economy of the ancient Near East
- 1998 - 2000 Meyerstein Award
- Three-time recipient for academic research in support of doctoral thesis research
- 1999 Oxford Society
- Award for proposal displaying personal initiative and creativity in academic studies
- 1996 - 1998 British Academy Overseas Research Scholar
- 1995 University of Oxford Academic Distinction