

Jake Nabel | Curriculum Vitae

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Research Interests

- Roman history of the late Republic and early Principate
- Pre-Islamic Iranian history
- Early imperial Latin poetry
- The Hellenistic East

Academic Employment

Assistant Professor — Pennsylvania State University Department of Classics and Ancient Mediterranean Studies	2019—
Lecturer & Research Associate — UCLA Member of the Pourdavoud Center for the Study of the Iranian World & Scholar-in-Residence in the Department of Classics	2018/19
Postdoctoral Fellow — Getty Research Institute Member of the research group “The Classical World in Context: Persia” at the Getty Villa	2017/18

Education

PhD, Classics — Cornell University Dissertation: “The Arsacids of Rome: Royal Hostages and Roman-Parthian Relations in the First Century CE.” Adviser: Prof. Barry Strauss Committee: Profs. Eric Rebillard, Sturt Manning, Lori Khatchadourian	2017
Post-Baccalaureate Program in Classical Studies — University of Pennsylvania	2010
B.A., Classics and Philosophy — Bard College	2007

Teaching Experience

At UCLA

History of the Sasanian Empire Spring 2019

At Oregon State University

History of Western Civilization to 1000 CE (online class) Fall 2018

At Cornell University

Elementary Latin II	Spring 2017
Greek Mythology (online class; Teaching Assistant)	Winter 2017
First Year Writing: Greek Myth (Virgil's <i>Aeneid</i>)	Fall 2016
Elementary Latin II	Spring 2016
First Year Writing: Greek Myth (Homer's <i>Odyssey</i>)	Fall 2015
History of Rome I (Teaching Assistant)	Fall 2012
Elementary Latin II	Spring 2012
Initiation to Greek Culture (Teaching Assistant)	Fall 2011

Awards

Jesse F. and Dora H. Bluestone Peace Studies Fellowship One semester fellowship from the Judith Reppy Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies	Spring 2015
Summer Fellowship in Digital Scholarship Summer award from Cornell's Society for the Humanities and Olin Library to support work on a digital resource for Parthian texts (\$1,000)	Summer 2014
Bradley Grant for Research in Ancient History Summer grant to support research trips to London and Rome (\$9,100)	Summer 2014
Director's Fellow, Judith Reppy Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies Chosen by the Director of the Institute to organize speaker invitations and meetings	2013/14
Lane Cooper Fellowship One year award from the Department of Classics	2013/14

Publications: Peer-Reviewed Articles

"Venus' Boots and the Shadow of Caesar in Book 1 of Virgil's <i>Aeneid</i> ." <i>Classical Quarterly</i> 65 (2), 689–92.	2015
"Horace and the Tīridates Episode." <i>Rheinisches Museum für Philologie</i> 158 (3/4), 304–25.	2015
"Lucan's Parthians in Nero's Rome." Accepted and forthcoming in <i>Classical Philology</i> .	Forthcoming
"Remembering Intervention: Parthia in Rome's Civil Wars." Accepted and forthcoming in <i>Historia: Zeitschrift für Alte Geschichte</i> .	Forthcoming
"Arsacid Beverages in Lucan." Accepted and forthcoming in <i>Classical Quarterly</i> .	Forthcoming

“Exemplary History and Arsacid Genealogy in Tacitus, *Annals* 6.31.” Under review
Under review at *Dabir*.

Publications: Book Chapters (* indicates peer-reviewed)

- “The Seleucids Imprisoned: Arsacid-Roman Hostage Submission and its Hellenistic Precedents.” 2017
In J. Schlude and B. Rubin (eds), *Arsacids, Romans, and Local Elites: Cross-Cultural Interactions of the Parthian Empire*, 25–50. Oxford: Oxbow Books.
- “Alexander between Rome and Persia: Politics, Ideology, and History.” 2018
In K. Moore (ed.), *Brill’s Companion to the Reception of Alexander the Great*, 197–232. Leiden: Brill.
- * “The Arsacids of Rome and Parthia’s ‘Iranian Revival’ in the First Century CE.” Forthcoming
In J. Wieschöfer and S. Boysen (eds), *Iranian Words: Proceedings of the Eighth Symposium of the Melammu Project Held in Kiel, Germany, November 11–15, 2014*. Münster: Ugarit-Verlag.

Digital Projects

- PI, Parthian Sources Online (www.parthiansources.com). 2015—present
A digital collection of texts from the Parthian empire in Parthian, Greek, and Latin.

Presentations

- Did the Parthian Kings Hate Democracy? May 2019
Talk delivered at *Ancient Iran and the Classical World*, UCLA/J. Paul Getty Museum.
- The Arsacids of Rome: Royal Fosterage and Interdynastic Kinship in the First Century CE. May 2019
Talk delivered in the Ancient Mediterranean Studies program, UC Santa Barbara.
- From Captivity to Family: Iranian Perspectives on the Arsacids of Rome May 2019
Paper workshopped at The Mediterranean Seminar: Captivity & Ransom, Brown University.
- From Anarchy to Family: Roman-Persian Relations and their Near-Eastern Foundations. July 2018
Presented at the 64th Rencontre Assyriologique Internationale, Innsbruck, Austria.
- Fish out of Water: Greek Deportees, Persian Empires, and the Classical Mediterranean. April 2018
Presented at *Ancient Persia and the West*, UCLA.
- Fish out of Water: Greek Deportees, Persian Empires, and the Classical Mediterranean. April 2018
Presented at *Xenophobia and Difference in the Pre- and Early Modern World*, UC Berkeley.

- The Greeks between Rome and Parthia: Iranian Revival and Hellenistic Eclipse in the First Century CE. February 2018
Presented at *Iran after Alexander: Hellenism in the East*, UC Irvine.
- Freed from Hostageship: Iranian Perspectives on the Arsacids of Rome. February 2018
Presented at the Pourdavoud Center for the Study of the Iranian World, UCLA.
- Lucan's Parthians in Nero's Rome. April 2017
Presented at *Lucan in his Contemporary Contexts*, Brigham Young University (Provo).
- Lucan's Parthians in Nero's Rome. January 2017
Presented at the 148th Annual Meeting of the Society for Classical Studies (Toronto).
- A Bridge to Nowhere: Caligula's Baiae Procession and its Models. January 2015
Presented at the 146th Annual Meeting of the Society for Classical Studies (New Orleans).
- The Seleucids Imprisoned: Roman-Parthian Hostage Exchange and its Hellenistic Precedents. November 2014
Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Schools for Oriental Research (San Diego).
- The Arsacids of Rome and Parthia's 'Iranian Revival' in the First Century CE. November 2014
Presented at the Eighth Symposium of the Melammu Project (Kiel, Germany).
- The Mercenary, the Polis, and an Athenian Inscription from the 4th Century BCE. January 2014
Presented at the 145th Annual Meeting of the Society for Classical Studies (Chicago).
- Greek Mercenaries and the Achaemenid West. November 2013
Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Schools for Oriental Research (Baltimore).
- Alexander's Exiles: The Greeks in the Eastern Cities. September 2013
Presented at "Alexander the Great in the East: History, Art, Tradition" (Wroclaw, Poland).
- The Origins of Alexander's Eastern Cities: Deportation and Resettlement in the Persian and Macedonian Empires. January 2013
Presented at the 144th Annual Meeting of the American Philological Association (Seattle).
- ## Archaeological Fieldwork
- Excavator, Hassloch Excavations Project. Summer 2013
Excavated at a Bronze Age tumulus (Götzenbühl) and at a Roman villa (Katzenbach) under the direction of Philip Kiernan (University at Buffalo).
- Excavator, Gournia Excavation Project. Summer 2012
Excavated at the Minoan palatial complex at Gournia under the direction of Vance Watrous (University at Buffalo).
- Trench Supervisor, Project ArAGATS (American-Armenian Project for the Archaeology and Geography of Ancient Trans-Caucasian Societies). Summer 2011
Ran the excavation of a trench at Tsaghkahovit, an Iron Age site in Armenia, under the direction of Lori Khatchadourian (Cornell University).
- Surveyor and Excavator, Mount Lykaion Excavation and Survey Project. Summer 2010

Surveyed and excavated at the mountaintop sanctuary of Lykaion in Arcadia under the direction of David Romano (University of Arizona) and Mary Voyatzis (University of Arizona).

Languages

Ancient Greek	Advanced
Latin	Advanced
German (reading and speaking)	Advanced
Parthian / Middle Persian (reading)	Proficient
Farsi (reading and speaking)	Intermediate
French (reading)	Proficient
Italian (reading)	Proficient

Other Work Experience

Editorial Assistant, <i>The Mind of Thucydides</i> . Prepared indexes for editors Hunter R. Rawlings III and Jeffrey Rusten for an English translation of Jacqueline de Romilly's <i>Histoire et raison chez Thucydide</i> .	2012
Cataloger, University of Pennsylvania Rare Books Department. Cataloged and noted marginalia in the Lee Library Collection.	2009/10
Assistant to Miriam Altshuler, Miriam Altshuler Literary Agency. Reviewed and edited manuscripts; proofread contracts; administered daily operations.	2008/9
Assistant to the Project Manager, International Centre for Democratic Transition (Budapest, Hungary). Worked on grant applications; proofread organization literature; assisted with project proposals.	2007

References

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Bryce and Edith M. Bowmar Professor in Humanistic Studies
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