## DR. ÉRIC FOURNIER

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### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2019-present	Professor of History. West Chester University of Pennsylvania.
2013-2019	Associate Professor of History. West Chester University of Pennsylvania.
2016	Professeur Invité, Université de Caen Basse-Normandie (January 25 – February 26, 2016). Centre Michel de Boüard – CRAHAM (Centre de recherches archéologiques et historiques anciennes et médiévales).
2012	Instructor, Graduate Seminar: Late Antiquity. History. Villanova University.
2008-2013	Assistant Professor of History. West Chester University of Pennsylvania.
EDUCATION	
EDUCATION 2008	Doctor of Philosophy, University of California, Santa Barbara. Department of History. Dissertation: "Victor of Vita and the Vandal "Persecution": Interpreting Exile in Late Antiquity." Supervisors: Harold A. Drake and Elizabeth DePalma Digeser. Awarded August, 2008.

### **PUBLICATIONS**

1998

### IN PREPARATION

troversy." In
ol. 2: From the
: Walter de

Bachelor of Arts (History and Classics), Université de Montréal. Montréal, Canada.

"Relaxing Religious Coercion in the Wake of Military Defeats: The Case of Late Roman North Africa." Thematic Volume of *Studies in Late Antiquity: A Journal*, ed. S. Cohen. Due Fall 2020.

### **BOOKS**

Fournier, E. and W. Mayer (eds.) *Heirs of Roman Persecution: Studies on a Christian and para-Christian Discourse in Late Antiquity*. London and New York: Routledge. ISBN: 978-0815375128.

### PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES AND CHAPTERS

2021 "The Battalions of Impiety': A Bishop's Perspective on the Vandal Migration." *Migration: Rhetoric and Reality in Late Antiquity*, ed. A. Handl and S. Cohen. Thematic Volume of *Jahrbuch für Antike und Christentum*. Submitted August 2020.

2020 "The Christian Discourse of Persecution in Late Antiquity: An Introduction." In Heirs of Roman Persecution: Studies on a Christian and para-Christian Discourse in Late Antiquity, edited by Eric Fournier and Wendy Mayer, 1-22. New York: Routledge. 2020 "To Collect Gold from Hidden Caves.' Victor of Vita and the Vandal 'Persecution' of Heretical Barbarians in Late Antique North Africa." In Heirs of Roman Persecution: Studies on a Christian and para-Christian Discourse in Late Antiquity, edited by Eric Fournier and Wendy Mayer, 137-163. New York: Routledge. 2020 "Everyone but the Kings: The Rhetoric of (Non-)Persecution in Gregory of Tours' Histories." In Heirs of Roman Persecution: Studies on a Christian and para-Christian Discourse in Late Antiquity, edited by Eric Fournier and Wendy Mayer, 184-212. New York: Routledge. 2019 "Les « silences » d'Ammien Marcellin et de Victor de Vita: Témoins d'une polarisation religieuse dans l'antiquité tardive." In Les silences de l'historien. Oublis, omissions, effets de censure dans l'historiographie antique et médiévale, edited by C. Jouanno, 201-36. Giornale Italiani di Filologia – Biblioteca, 20. Turnhout: Brepols. 2019 "Excluding Heretics: Intolerant Bishops and Tolerant Vandals." In Inclusion and Exclusion in Mediterranean Christianities, 400-800, edited by Yaniv Fox and Erica Buchberger, 147-166. "Cultural Encounters in Late Antiquity and the Middle Ages," 25. Turnhout: Brepols. 2018 "Episcopal Banishment under Constantine's Immediate Successors: Solidifying the Pattern." In Mobility and Exile and the End of Antiquity, edited by D. Rohmann, J. Ulrich, and M. Vallejo, 51-67. Early Christianity in the Context of Antiquity, 19. Frankfurt am Main: Peter Lang, 2018. 2018 "Constantin et la persécution présumée des donatistes." Revue des Études Tardo-Antique. Supplément 5: Hommages à Bertrand Lancon (2017-2018): 169-185. 2018 "Conquis par l'Afrique': L'importance des Donatistes pour comprendre l'Afrique vandale," Karthago 30 (2016-2017): 169-195. 2017 "The Vandal Conquest of North Africa: Origins of a Historiographical Persona." Journal of Ecclesiastical History 68.4 (2017): 687-718. 2016 "Amputation Metaphors and the Rhetoric of Exile: Purity and Pollution in Late Antique Christianity." In Clerical Exile in Late Antiquity, edited by J. Hillner, J. Enberg, and J. Ulrich, 231-249. Early Christianity in the Context of Antiquity, 17. Frankfurt am Main: Peter Lang, 2016. 2016 "Constantine and Episcopal Banishment: Continuity and Change in the Settlement of Christian Disputes." In Clerical Exile in Late Antiquity, edited by J. Hillner, J. Enberg. and J. Ulrich, 47-65. Early Christianity in the Context of Antiquity, 17. Frankfurt am Main: Peter Lang, 2016. 2015 "Éléments apologétiques chez Victor de Vita: exemple d'un genre littéraire en transition." In Shifting Literary and Material Genres in Late Antiquity, edited by G. Greatrex and H. Elton, 105-117. Burlington, VT: Ashgate, 2015. 2013 "Victor of Vita and the Conference of 484: A Pastiche of 411?" In Studia Patristica 62, vol. X, edited by M. Vinzent, et al., 395-408. Leuven: Peeters, 2013. "Rebaptism as a Ritual of Cultural Integration in Vandal Africa." In Shifting Cultural 2012 Frontiers in Late Antiquity, edited by D. Brakke, D. Deliyannis and E. Watts, 243-54. Burlington, VT: Ashgate, 2012.

"The Adventus of Julian at Sirmium: The Literary Construction of Historical Reality in Ammianus Marcellinus." In The Rhetoric of Power in Late Antiquity: Religion and Politics in Byzantium, Europe and the Early Islamic World, edited by E. DePalma Digeser, R.M. Frakes, and J. Stephens, 13-45. New York: I.B. Tauris, 2010.
"Exiled Bishops in the Christian Empire: Victims of Imperial Violence?" In Violence in Late Antiquity. Perceptions and Practices, edited by H.A. Drake, 157-66. Burlington, VT: Ashgate, 2006.
"Les procès d'Antioche de 371/2 (Ammien Marcellin 29.1-2): un cas de persécution religieuse?" Hirundo. The McGill Journal of Classical Studies 2 (2002): 19-36.
"Les origines d'un atelier monétaire itinérant: Réflexions à partir des cas de Trèves, Milan & Sirmium (3e-5e siècles)," Mouseion, Series III, 2.2 (2002): 245-61.

#### **ENCYCLOPEDIA ARTICLES**

890-2.

Classical Review 2018.04.16

Christian Studies 25.4 (2017): 633-635.

Forthcoming "Cerealis [Bishop]" and "Deogratias [of Carthage]." In *Brill Encyclopedia of Early Christianity*, edited by P. J. J. van Geest, D. G. Hunter and B. J. L. Peerbolte. Leiden: Brill. 1500 words each. Submitted August 2018. To be published in 2022.

"Alypius of Thagaste," "Flavius Nubel," "Luxorius," "Possidius," "Optatus of Milevis", "Synesius of Cyrene," and "Victor of Vita." In *Dictionary of African Biography*, edited by H.L. Gates, Jr. and E.K. Akyeampong. New York and Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2012. 1000 words each.

#### **REVIEWS**

2018

Forthcoming A Companion to Julian the Apostate, edited by S. Rebenich and H.-U. Wiemer, Studies in Late Antiquity: A Journal. Forthcoming La construction sociale du sujet exclu (IVe-XIe siècle). Discours, lieux et individus, edited by S. Joye, M.C. La Rocca, and S. Gioanni, Le Moyen Âge. Christianity, Book-Burning, and Censorship in Late Antiquity, by Dirk Rohman, Forthcoming Augustinian Studies. Submitted June 10, 2020. 2020 Bishops in Flight. Exile and Displacement in Late Antiquity, by Jennifer Barry, Church History. Submitted, scheduled to appear in the September volume. Mens immobilis: recherches sur le corpus latin des actes et des passions d'Afrique 2020 romaine (IIe-VIe siècles), by S. Fialon, <u>Bryn Mawr Classical Review 2020.07.04</u> 2019 Civitas confusionis: de la participation des fidèles aux controverses doctrinales dans l'Antiquité tardive (début IIIe s. - c. 430), by M.-Y. Perrin, Bryn Mawr Classical Review 2019.07.32 2019 (invited) Being Christian in Vandal Africa. The Politics of Orthodoxy in the Post-Imperial West, by R. Whelan, Journal of Late Antiquity 12.1 (2019): 264-266. "Late Roman Pannonia for Specialists." Review of A History of Pannonia in the Late 2018 Roman Period, I (284-363), by P. Kovács, Journal of Roman Archaeology 31 (2018):

2017 (invited) Theoderic and the Roman Imperial Restoration, by Jonathan Arnold, Journal of Early

Constantine: Religious Faith and Imperial Policy, edited by A.E. Sienski, Bryn Mawr

2017	The Donatist Schism. Controversy and Contexts, edited by Richard Miles, Studies in Late Antiquity: A Journal 1.2 (2017): 103-108.
2016 (invited)	La Passio sanctae Salsae (BHL 7467). Recherches sur une passion tardive d'Afrique du Nord, edited by Sabine Fialon and Jean Meyers, Antiquité Tardive 24 (2016): 530-4.
2016 (invited)	The End of the Pagan City, by Anna Leone, Journal of Early Christian Studies 24.4 (2016): 608-9.
2016	Littérature, politique et religion en Afrique vandale, edited by Étienne Wolff, <u>Bryn Mawn</u> <u>Classical Review 2016.11.50</u>
2016 (invited)	Prison, Punishment and Penance in Late Antiquity, by Julia Hillner, The Ancient History Bulletin Online Review 6 (2016): 13-7.
2016 (invited)	Christianity in Roman Africa: The Development of Its Practices and Beliefs, by J. Patout Burns and Robin M. Jensen, Catholic Historical Review 102.1 (2016): 132-3.
2015	Banishment in the Later Roman Empire, 284-476 CE, by Daniel A. Washburn, Journal of Early Christian Studies 23.3 (2015): 486-7.
2015	Les vandales et l'empire romain (édité par Michel-Yves Perrin), by Yves Modéran, <u>Bryn Mawr Classical Review 2015.07.09</u>
2014 (invited)	Potestas Populi. Participation populaire et action collective dans les villes de l'Afrique romaine tardive (vers 300-430 apr. JC.), by J.C. Magalhães de Oliveira. Journal of Early Christian Studies 22.2 (2014): 299-300.
2014	Bringing in the Sheaves. Economy and Metaphor in the Roman World, by Brent Shaw. Canadian Journal of History 49.1 (2014): 83-5.
2014	<i>The Role of the Bishop in Late Antiquity: Conflict and Compromise</i> , edited by A. Fear, J. Fernandez Urbina and M. Marcos. <i>Bryn Mawr Classical Review</i> 2014.03.18
2013	Staying Roman. Conquest and Identity in Africa and the Mediterranean, 439-700, by Jonathan Conant. <u>Bryn Mawr Classical Review 2013.03.12</u>
2012 (invited)	<i>Peasant and Empire in Christian North Africa</i> , by L. Dossey. <i>Journal of World History</i> 23.3 (September 2012): 673-676.
2012 (invited)	À l'écoute des Père de l'Église. Textes choisis, by MP. Bussières. Science et Esprit 64.2 (May 2012): 323-6.
2011	Roman Attitudes Toward the Christians, by J.G. Cook. <u>Bryn Mawr Classical Review</u> 2011.09.11
2010	Lives of the Caesars, edited by A.A. Barrett. Canadian Journal of History 45.1 (2010): 107-108.
2009	Histoire de la littérature grecque chrétienne, vol. 1: Introduction. Initiations aux Pères de l'Église, edited by E. Norelli and B. Pouderon. <u>Bryn Mawr Classical Review</u> 2009.05.17
2008	Ammianus Marcellinus: The Allusive Historian, by G. Kelly. <u>Bryn Mawr Classical</u> <u>Review 2008.12.31</u>
2005	Family, Friends and Followers. Political and Social Bonds in Early Medieval Europe, by G. Althoff. Comitatus 36 (2005): 185-187.
2005	Charlemagne. Father of a Continent, by A. Barbero. Comitatus 36 (2005): 187-188.
2002	Constantine and the Bishops. The Politics of Intolerance, by H.A. Drake. Mouseion 2.2 (2002): 407-410.

# SELECT CONFERENCE PAPERS

2021	"Something on the Donatists (TBD)." <i>Conflict Management: Networking Emperors and Bishops</i> , University of Bern, Switzerland, March 21-23.
2020	"The Vandal Council of 484: A Reaction to Zeno's <i>Henotikon</i> ?" <i>Mediterranean Flows – People, Ideas and Objects in Motion</i> , University of Helsinki, Finland, December 10-11.
2020	"Petition and Response in Vandal Africa: The Evidence from Victor of Vita." <i>Petition and Response in the Late Antique West</i> . Leeds International Medieval Congress, Leeds, UK, July 8 (canceled due to COVID-19).
2020	"The Vandal Council of 484: A Reaction to Zeno's <i>Henotikon</i> ?" <i>The Reception of Chalcedon in the West</i> , North American Patristics Society, Chicago, May 21-23 (canceled due to COVID-19).
2019	"The Battalions of Impiety': A Bishop's Perspective on the Vandal Migration." Migration: Rhetoric and Reality in Late Antiquity. XVIII <sup>th</sup> International Conference on Patristic Studies, University of Oxford, UK, August 22.
2019	"Relaxing Religious Coercion in the Wake of Military Defeats: The Case of Late Roman North Africa." <i>Communal Responses to Local Disaster: Economic, Environmental, Political, Religious.</i> The 13 <sup>th</sup> Biennial Meeting of Shifting Frontiers in Late Antiquity. Claremont McKenna College, CA, March 16.
2018	"The Church of the Martyrs: A North African Tradition, c. 250-500." S19-310: Contextualizing North African Christianity – Exploring the Meaning of African Identity among Christians in Vandal Africa. Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting. Denver, CO. November 19.
2018	"The Policy of Episcopal Banishment under Constantine's Immediate Successors." <i>Feeding on Dream: Exiles and Exile in Late Antiquity.</i> A Workshop at Yale University. New Haven, CT. April 24.
2017	"Persecuting Heretics in Late Antique North Africa: Tolerant Vandals and Intolerant Bishops." North American Patristics Society, Chicago, IL, May 26.
2016	"Excluding Heretics: Intolerant Bishops and Tolerant Vandals." <i>Inclusion and Exclusion in the Late Antique and Early Medieval Mediterranean</i> . Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel, November 15.
2016	"Victor of Vita's Rhetorical Strategies: The Making of a Persecution in Vandal Africa." Fourth Annual Conference of the International Society for Late Antique Literary Studies, Bryn Mawr and Haverford Colleges, PA, October 21.
2016	"The Rhetoric of post-Constantinian Persecutions: An Introduction." North American Patristics Society, Chicago, IL, May 26.
2016 (invited)	"The Omissions of Ammianus Marcellinus and Victor of Vita: Witnesses of a Religious Polarization in Late Antiquity?" University of Ottawa, Canada, April 1.
2016 (invited)	"Les silences d'Ammien Marcellin et de Victor de Vita : Témoins de la polarisation religieuse dans l'Antiquité tardive ?" <i>Les silences de l'historien: Journée d'étude</i> . Caen, France, February 26.
2016 (invited)	"Genre littéraire et stratégies rhétoriques de Victor de Vita." <i>L'Afrique vandale : Journée d'étude</i> . Caen, France, February 12.
2015	"Constantine the Trendsetter: Exile as the Normative Sanction for Bishops." XVII <sup>th</sup> International Conference on Patristic Studies, University of Oxford, UK, August 12.

2015	"Exiling Bishops after Constantine: Solidifying the Pattern." Association of Ancient Historians, Santa Barbara, CA, May 10.
2014	"Recycling and Vandal Africa." North American Patristics Society, Chicago, May 23.
2014	"The Importance of Donatists to Vandal Africa." Association of Ancient Historians, Montreal, Canada, May 11.
2014 (invited)	"L'importance des donatistes pour comprendre l'Afrique vandale." <i>Actualités des recherches sur l'Afrique antique</i> , Université de Caen (France), April 5.
2013	"Patristics on the Silver Screen: Hypatia and the Case of <i>Agora</i> ." North American Patristics Society, Chicago, May 23.
2013	"L' <i>Historia Persecutionis Africanae Prouinciae</i> de Victor de Vita : un genre littéraire hybride." Tenth Bi-Annual Shifting Frontiers in Late Antiquity Conference, Ottawa, Canada, March 21.
2012	"Constantine and the Alleged Persecution of the "Donatists." 19 <sup>th</sup> International Medieval Congress, Leeds, UK, July 11.
2012	"Exiling Bishops in Late Antiquity: Setting Up the Pattern." 39 <sup>th</sup> Sewanee Medieval Colloquium: <i>After Constantine: Religion and Secular Power in Late Antiquity and the Middle Ages</i> , University of the South, March 30.
2011	"Victor of Vita and the Conference of 484: A Pastiche of 411." XVI <sup>th</sup> International Conference on Patristic Studies, University of Oxford, UK, August 12.
2011	"Reacting Emperors and Proactive Barbarians? The Case of Vandal Africa." Ninth Bi- Annual Shifting Frontiers in Late Antiquity Conference, Penn State University, June 24.
2011	"The Bishops and the 'Great' King: Church and State in Ostrogothic Italy." American Society of Church History, Boston, January 7.
2010	"The 'Medical Metaphor': Concern for Purity in Patristic Writings." North American Patristics Society, Chicago, May 29.
2009	"The Legal Construction of 'Orthodoxy' in Vandal Africa." North American Patristics Society, Chicago, May 22.
2009	"Rebaptism as a Ritual of Cultural Integration in Vandal Africa." Eighth Bi-Annual Shifting Frontiers in Late Antiquity Conference, Bloomington, April 3.
2008	"Writing History from Hagiography: The Case of Victor of Vita." North American Patristics Society, Chicago, May 23.

# AWARDS & HONORS

2021-2022	Fellowship, "Purity and Pollution in Late Antique and Early Medieval Culture and Society," Israel Institute for Advanced Studies, September 1, 2021 – January 31, 2022.
2020	Research and Creative Activities (RACA) Grant, College of Arts and Humanities, WCUPA (\$1,250).
2020	Drayer Funding for Student Research Assistant (\$800).
2019	Drayer Funding for Student Research Assistant (\$500).
2018/2019	Nomination for Outstanding Advisor from Omicron Delta Kappa.
2018	WCU Spotlight on Faculty Research Recipient.
2015-2016	Sabbatical Leave.

2015	WCU University Research Funding Summer Stipend.
2011-2013	Honors College Outstanding Faculty Recipient, West Chester University.
2010	West Chester University College of Arts and Sciences Support and Development Awards for NEH Summer Seminar "The 'Falls of Rome': The Transformation of Rome in Late Antiquity."
2010	NEH Summer Seminar Stipend. "The 'Falls of Rome': The Transformation of Rome in Late Antiquity." Rome, Italy.
2008	UCSB History Department. Richard K. Mayberry Award for overall scholarly excellence.
2007	UCSB Graduate Division Dissertation Fellowship.
2006	UCSB History Department Regent's Dissertation Research Fellowship.
2006	UCSB History Department Esme Frost Research Fellowship.
2005	UCSB History Associates Research Fellowship.
2002-2005	UCSB History Department Teaching Fellowship.
2001-2005	Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Doctoral Fellowship.

# PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

2019	Organization and writing of proposal (with Dr. Samuel Cohen, Sonoma State University) for "The Reception of Chalcedon in the West." <i>North American Patristics Society</i> , Chicago, May 21-23, 2020.
2019	Organization and writing of proposal for "Petition and Response in Late Antiquity." Leeds International Medieval Congress, Leeds (UK), July 6-9, 2020.
2019	Journal article refereeing for: Karthago.
2017	Journal article refereeing for: Journal of Early Christian Studies.
2017	Panel Chair, Forced Movement Conference, German Historical Institute, London, UK, April 5-8, 2017.
2016	Comments for David E. Wilhite, <i>Ancient African Christianity</i> . <i>An Introduction to a Unique Context and Tradition</i> (London and New York: Routledge, 2017), chapters 7-9.
2016	Guest speaker for Brent D. Shaw and Nino Luraghi, Program in the Ancient World (PAW 503: Encounters of Cultures in the Ancient Mediterranean. From the Orientalizing Revolution to the Post-Roman Kingdoms), Princeton University, December 14, 2016.
2016	Long article refereeing for <i>The Oxford Classical Dictionary</i> online, Oxford University Press.
2016	Journal refereeing for Studies in Late Antiquity: A Journal (Univ. of California Press).
2016	Member of the scientific committee of <i>Revue des Études Tardo-Antiques</i> , "Hommages à Bertrand Lançon."
2015	Organization and writing of proposal for "Persecutions of Christians after Constantine: Polemic and Rhetorical Discourse." <i>North American Patristics Society</i> , Chicago, May 26-28 2016.
2015-present	Permanent member, CNRS/CRAHAM, Centre de recherche archéologiques et historiques anciennes et médiévales (Centre Michel de Bouärd), Universtié de Caen Basse-Normandie.

2015	Session chair for "Women and Gender in Ancient Religion," Phi Alpha Theta Pennsylvania East Regional Meeting, April 18, 2015.
2015	Judge for best paper awards, Phi Alpha Theta Pennsylvania East Regional Meeting, April 18, 2015.
2012	Book Chapter refereeing for University Press of North Georgia.
2011	Organization and writing of panel proposal "Center and Periphery in the Late Antique Religious Landscape of Italy." <i>American Society of Church History</i> Annual Meeting, Boston, January 7, 2011.
2010	Participant, NEH Summer Seminar, "The 'Falls of Rome': The Transformation of Rome in Late Antiquity," Rome (Italy), June 28-July 30.
2009	Journal article refereeing for: Journal of Early Christian Studies.
2008	Sourcebook Manuscript Reviewing for Pearson Publishers.

#### **UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

1) Assistant Chair, History Department (2017–present);

Responsibilities include double advising load and *de facto* chairing of the undergraduate committee, which includes spear-heading of the department's response to the Gen. Ed. reform.

### 2) Coordinator:

- Undergraduate Assessment, History Department (2017–present);
- Graduate Program, History Department (2013–2015);

## 3) Chair:

- Islamic History Search Committee, History Department (2013–14);
- Graduate Committee, History Department (Fall 2013–2015);
- Election Committee, History Department (2011–12);

### 4) Committee member:

- CAPC At-large member and Ethics sub-committee [proxy for Brent Ruswick] (Fall 2020;
- Faculty Advisory Committee, College of Arts and Humanities (2017–2019);
- Executive Committee, History Department (one-year replacement, 2013–14; ex-officio, 2014–2015; elected member, 2016–2019);
- Drayer Scholarship Committee, History Department (Spring 2015);
- Asian History Search Committee, History Department (2010–11);
- Digital History Search Committee, History Dept. (2011–12);
- Undergraduate Committee, History Dept. (2011–13);
- Election Committee (2008–2012);

## 5) Faculty member:

- Faculty Senate, At Large elected member (2013–2015);
- Academic Integrity Board (2012–present);
- Junior Faculty Representative, New Faculty Orientation (August 14, 2013);
- <u>6)</u> <u>Co-Organizer</u> (with Dr. Hardy) of an Informal Tenure and Promotion Workshop for seven tenure-track colleagues (Fall 2014);
- <u>7)</u> <u>Faculty Advisor</u> for *Students for Liberty* (Spring 2011–2013) & *Board Game Club* (Fall 2019–present).

## PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

North American Patristics Society Society for Late Antiquity