

CURRICULUM VITAE

ERIC A. PARKS

Instructor of Classics, English, History, and Interdisciplinary Humanities

Education:

- Ph.D. Classical Studies, Boston University, Boston, MA (May 2008)
Concentrations: Latin Literature, Roman Historiography, Women in the Ancient World
Dissertation: "The Portrayal of Women in the Works of Tacitus" (directed by Prof. W. Haase)
- M.A. Classical Studies, Boston University, Boston, MA (1999)
Concentrations: Roman Historiography
Special Exams: Portrayal of the Emperor Julian in Ancient Sources; Tacitus
- B.A. Classical Studies, College of Wooster, Wooster, Ohio (1992)
Minor: History
Study Abroad: College Year in Athens, Athens, Greece (1990-91)
Senior Thesis: "Emperors in the *Res Gestae* of Ammianus" (directed by Prof. V. Holliday)

Teaching Experience:

TEACHING POSITIONS

- Adjunct Faculty, Department of History, Bridgewater State University, Bridgewater, MA (Fall 2018 to Fall 2019, Fall 2020-present)
- Adjunct Faculty, Department of Global Languages and Literatures, Bridgewater State University, Bridgewater, MA (Fall 2024-present)
- Adjunct Instructor, Honors Program, Providence College, Providence, RI (Fall 2025-present)
- Adjunct Faculty, Department of Literary Arts and Studies, Rhode Island School of Design, Providence, RI (Fall 2019, Fall 2020, Fall 2021, Fall 2022, 2023-2024, Fall 2024-present)
- Adjunct Faculty, Department of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures, Stonehill College, Easton, MA (Fall 2021-Spring 2024)
- Adjunct Faculty, Department of History, Stonehill College, Easton, MA (Fall 2020, Spring 2021)
- Adjunct Faculty, Department of History, Assumption University, Worcester, MA (Spring 2020)
- Adjunct Faculty, Cornerstone Program of General Education, Stonehill College, Easton, MA (Fall 2018, Fall 2019, Spring 2020)
- Part-Time Instructor, Department of Languages, Literature, and Culture, Clark University, Worcester MA (Fall 2007-Spring 2010; Spring 2020)
- Part-Time Lecturer in English, Providence College, Providence, RI (2009-10; Fall 2018; Fall 2019)
- Adjunct Faculty, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, Wentworth Institute of Technology, Boston, MA (Fall 2017, Spring 2019)
- Adjunct Faculty, Interdisciplinary Core Curriculum, Roger Williams University, Bristol, RI (2017-18)
- Part-Time Lecturer, Department of English, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, Dartmouth, MA (Fall 2017)
- Visiting Assistant Professor of English, Department of English and Program in the Development of Western Civilization, Providence College, Providence, RI (2010-11, Spring 2012-Spring 2017)
- Part-Time Instructor, Department of History, Rhode Island College, Providence, RI (Spring 2008, Spring 2009 - Spring 2010, Fall 2011)
- Part-Time Faculty, Department of Literature, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA (Spring 2009)
- Part-Time Faculty, Department of Modern and Classical Languages, Assumption College, Worcester, MA (Fall 2008)
- Part-Time Lecturer, Department of Classical Studies, Boston University, Boston, MA (Fall 1994)
- Presidential Teaching Fellow, Department of English, Boston University, Boston, MA (1993-94)

TUTORING POSITIONS

- Part-Time Tutor, Writing Center, Bristol Community College, Fall River, MA (Spring 2019)
- Departmental Tutor, Department of Classical Studies, College of Wooster, Wooster, OH (1991-92)

COURSES TAUGHT

Courses for Spring 2020, Fall 2020, and Spring 2021 taught online; others in-person in a traditional classroom setting.

Classics / Ancient History Courses

Alexander and the Hellenistic World (upper-level history lecture course)

- Rhode Island College (Spring 2008)

Amazons: Women Warriors in Myth and Pop Culture (writing-intensive first-year seminar)

- Bridgewater State University (Fall 2019)
- Stonehill College (Fall 2019)
- Rhode Island School of Design (pending Fall 2025)

Elementary Latin I

- Bridgewater State University (Fall 2024, pending Fall 2025)
- Stonehill College (Fall 2021, Fall 2022, Fall 2023)
- Clark University (Fall 2007, Fall 2008, Fall 2009)
- Boston University (Fall 1994)

Elementary Latin II

- Bridgewater State University (Spring 2025)
- Stonehill College (Spring 2022, Spring 2023, Spring 2024)
- Clark University (Spring 2008, Spring 2009, Spring 2010)

Intermediate Latin

- Stonehill College (Fall 2021, Spring 2022, Fall 2022, Spring 2023)
- Clark University (Fall 2009)

Introduction to Literature: Classical Focus (introductory survey)

- Assumption College (Fall 2008)

Roman Empire (upper-level history lecture course)

- Rhode Island College (Spring 2009)

Roman Emperors in History and Pop Culture (upper-level history seminar)

- Stonehill College (Fall 2020)

War, Democracy, and Society in Ancient Greece (writing-intensive first-year seminar)

- Stonehill College (Fall 2020, Spring 2021)

Women in the Ancient World (classical literature in translation seminar)

- Clark University (Spring 2009; Spring 2020)
- Bridgewater State University (Spring 2019)
- Providence College (Fall 2019)
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology (Spring 2009)

English and Literature Courses

First-Year Literature Seminar: Monsters and Culture

- Rhode Island School of Design (Fall 2019, Fall 2020, Fall 2021, Fall 2022, Fall 2023, Spring 2024, Fall 2024, pending Fall 2025)

First-Year Writing Seminar: The Supernatural in Popular Culture

- Stonehill College (Fall 2018)

Freshman Composition

- University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth (Fall 2017, section for at-risk students)
- Wentworth Institute of Technology (Fall 2017)
- Providence College (2009-2010, Fall 2010, Spring 2012, Fall 2012, Spring 2013, Fall 2018)
- Boston University (Fall 1993, Spring 1994)

Introduction to Literature (writing-intensive introductory survey)

- Providence College (Fall 2012, Spring 2013, Fall 2018)

History Surveys

History and the Modern World: Challenges of Democracy (core humanities course)

- Roger Williams University (Fall 2017, Spring 2018)

World History to 1500 (introductory survey)

- Bridgewater State University (Fall 2020, Spring 2021, Spring 2022, Spring 2023, Spring 2024)

World History II (introductory survey, French Revolution to present)

- Assumption College (Spring 2020)

Western History (introductory survey, ancient Greece to Cold War)

- Rhode Island College (Fall 2009, Spring 2010, Fall 2011)

Western Civilization since the Reformation (introductory survey)

- Bridgewater State University (Fall 2019, Fall 2020, Fall 2021, Fall 2022, Fall 2023)

Western Civilization to the Reformation (introductory survey)

- Bridgewater State University (Fall 2018, Spring 2019, Fall 2020, Fall 2022, Spring 2023, Fall 2023, Fall 2024, Spring 2025)

Interdisciplinary Humanities Courses

The Development of Western Civilization (Ancient World) (team-taught)

- Providence College (Fall 2010, Fall 2012, Fall 2013, Fall 2014, Fall 2015, Fall 2016)

The Development of Western Civilization (Middle Ages to 18th Century) (team-taught)

- Providence College (Spring 2011, Spring 2012, Spring 2013, Spring 2014, Spring 2015, Spring 2016, Spring 2017)

The Development of Western Civilization (French Revolution to Cold War) (team-taught)

- Providence College (Fall 2013)

The Development of Western Civilization, Honors (Medieval / Renaissance)
(team-taught, writing-intensive course)

- Providence College (Spring 2011; Spring 2025)

The Development of Western Civilization, Honors (Enlightenment / 19th Century)
(team-taught, writing-intensive course)

- Providence College (pending Fall 2025)

Development of Western Civilization Colloquium: Air as a Cultural Element (team-taught)

- Providence College (Spring 2017)

Stereotypes of Women in Power (team-taught)

- Development of Western Civilization Colloquium, Providence College (Spring 2017)
- Cornerstone Program Learning Community, Stonehill College (Spring 2020)

Western Cultural Movements: The Enlightenment to Postmodernism

- Wentworth Institute of Technology (Spring 2019)

Editorial Experience

FREELANCE EDITOR

Publishing Solutions Group, Inc., Boston, MA (2010)
Publication: *Latin is Fun*, Book 2 (new edition)

FREELANCE PROOFREADER

Pearson Education, Inc., Boston, MA (2008)
Publication: supplementary materials for *Ecce Romani* Latin textbook, 4th Edition

EDITORIAL ASSISTANT

Institute for the Classical Tradition, Boston University, Boston, MA (1995-2006)
Publications: *International Journal of the Classical Tradition* (IJCT); *Aufstieg und Niedergang der Römischen Welt* / *Rise and Decline of the Roman World* (ANRW)

Other Experience

OFFICE ASSISTANT (PART-TIME)

- Institute for the Classical Tradition, Boston University, Boston, MA (Winter 2006, Winter 1997)
- Salem Athenaeum, Salem, MA (2001-2004)
- College Year in Athens, North American Office, Cambridge, MA (1994-1995)

Professional Memberships

- Association of Ancient Historians
- Reacting Consortium
- Society for Classical Studies

Lectures, Presentations, and Workshops

"Engaging Students with Games: Roleplaying with *Reacting to the Past*"

- Bridgewater State University 2024 EduGame Day, Bridgewater, MA (January 2024)
- Bridgewater State University 2019 Faculty Conference, Bridgewater, MA (January 2019)

"Lessons in Moderation: Agrippina and the Trial of Silius and Sosia (Tac. *Ann.* 4.18-20)"

- Association of Ancient Historians 2016 Meeting, Tacoma, WA (May 2016)
- Bridgewater State University Teacher-Scholar Institute 2019 Writing Retreat, Bridgewater, MA (August 2019)

"Agrippina and Livia (and Tanaquil) Again"

- Classical Association of the Atlantic States Annual Meeting, Wilmington, DE (October 2009)

"*Dolus Liviae*: Livia's Grammatical Distance in the *Annales* of Tacitus"

- American Philological Association Meeting, Philadelphia, PA (January 2009)

"Roman Empresses"

- Massachusetts Junior Classical League Latin Day, Boston, MA (December 2006)

"Barbarian Women at War in the Works of Tacitus"

- American Philological Association Meeting, Philadelphia, PA (January 2002)
- Classical Association / Classical Association of Scotland Conference, Edinburgh, Scotland (March 2002, *in absentia*)

Publications

Review of A.J. Woodman (ed., comm.), *The Annals of Tacitus Book 4*, Cambridge Classical Texts and Commentaries 58, Cambridge UP 2018. *Bryn Mawr Classical Review* 2020.9.22.

"*Dolus Liviae*: Livia's Rhetorical Distance in the *Annales* of Tacitus" (accepted for publication in *Classical Journal*)

Current Projects

"Lessons in Moderation: Agrippina and the Trial of Silius and Sosia (Tac. *Ann.* 4.18-20)" (under preparation)

"Governors' Wives and Lepidus' Nubile Daughter: The Problem of Secret Influence (Tac. *Ann.* 3.33-34)" (under preparation)

Departmental Service

Narrative Grade Descriptions Subcommittee, Program in the Development of Western Civilization, Providence College, Providence, RI (Spring 2015)

Honors and Awards:

- Presidential Graduate Teaching Fellowship, Boston University, Boston, MA (1993-1994)
- Presidential Graduate Fellowship, Boston University, Boston, MA (1992-1993)
- College Scholar Undergraduate Scholarship, College of Wooster, Wooster, OH (1988-1992)

Skills and Qualifications:

- Microsoft Office and similar office applications
- Adobe Creative Suite (Adobe Acrobat, Photoshop, Dreamweaver)
- Blackboard, Canvas, eLearn, Moodle, Sakai, and other course-management systems
- Experience with Zoom for online meetings, lectures, discussions
- Reading knowledge of Latin, Ancient Greek, German, French
- Basic but increasingly rusty spoken French, Modern Greek
- Familiarity with MLA, APA, and Chicago document and citation styles
- Academic editing experience
- Tutoring experience (college writing and ancient languages)