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EDUCATION

University of California, Los Angeles **In Progress**
Ph.D. Near Eastern Languages & Cultures, Iranian Studies

University of California, Los Angeles **May 2024**
M.A. Near Eastern Languages & Cultures, Iranian Studies

American University, College of Arts and Sciences, Washington, DC **May 2021**
B.A. History, Minor in Jewish Studies
Honors: Magna Cum Laude, Honors in History

PUBLICATIONS

- **2025. “Herodotus’ Earth and Water Logos in the Avestan Vīdēvdād.” *Sēnmurw Journal of Iranian Studies*, 4.**

RESEARCH PROJECTS

- **The Personal and Impersonal Aspects of Avestan Hām.varəiti**
- **Tracing Old Iranian Syntax: An Achaemenid Sociolect in the Book of Esther**
- **The Inscribed Mortars and Pestles as an Indication of Elite Gift Exchange between Arachosia and Persepolis**
- **An Orthographic Reexamination of the Arebsun Inscription**
- **Discourses on Conversion to Zoroastrianism in the Sasanian Period (Dissertation)**

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026- Morvarid Guiv Graduate Fellowship in Zoroastrian Studies (\$3,000)
- 2022- Summer Mentored Research Fellowship (\$6,000)

CONFERENCES

- The Role of Artaxerxes III in the Phoenician and Egyptian Campaign of 347–342 BCE. Princeton Near Eastern Studies Conference for Original Undergraduate Research, Princeton, October 2020.
- The Personal and Impersonal Aspects of Avestan Hām.varəiti. Unveiling the Mythos of Iran Conference, Philosophical Research Society, Los Angeles, May 2023.
- Herodotus’ Earth and Water Logos in the Avestan Vīdēvdād? New Horizons in Premodern Iranian Studies, UC Irvine Jordan Center for Persian Studies and Culture, May 2024.
- Tracing Old Iranian Syntax: An Achaemenid Sociolect in the Book of Esther. The Bible in Its Ancient Iranian Context, University of California, Los Angeles, March 2025.

- The Personal and Impersonal Aspects of Avestan Hām.varəiti. 235th Annual Meeting of the AOS, April 2025.
- Herodotus' Earth and Water Logos in the Avestan Vīdēvdād? 236th Annual Meeting of the American Society for Premodern Asia, April 2026.
- An Orthographic Reexamination of the Arebsun Inscription. New Horizons in Premodern Iranian Studies II, UC Irvine Jordan Center for Persian Studies and Culture, May 2026.

CLASSES TAUGHT AS A TEACHING ASSISTANT

- Women and Power in the Ancient World
- Achaemenids and Alexander
- Jerusalem: The Holy City

CLASSES TAUGHT AS A TEACHING ASSOCIATE

- Women and Power in the Ancient World
- Achaemenids and Alexander
- Jerusalem: The Holy City
- Visible Language: The Study of Writing

CLASSES TAUGHT AS TEACHING ASSISTANT COORDINATOR

- Achaemenids and Alexander (virtual, asynchronous)
- Achaemenids and Alexander (virtual, synchronous)

Classes Taught as Associate Instructor

- Achaemenids and Alexander (virtual, asynchronous)
- Foundation Myths: Kings, Heroes, and Sorceresses in Ancient and Modern Imaginations

LANGUAGES

- Research competency in: French, German, Young Avestan, Old Persian, Middle Persian, Parthian, Vedic Sanskrit, Classic Sanskrit, Sogdian, Achaemenid Official Aramaic, Palestinian Aramaic, Syriac, Biblical Hebrew, Ancient Greek.

REFERENCES

- Dr. M. Rahim Shayegan, Graduate Advisor: <shayegan@ucla.edu>
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- Dr. Catherine Bonesho, Professor: <bonesho@ucla.edu>

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