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EDUCATION

- PhD **Centre for Medieval Studies, University of Toronto** **2013**
- Dissertation: *Canon Law Collections in England, ca 600–1066: The Manuscript Evidence*. Supervisor: Prof. Andy Orchard. Defended 23 September, 2013
 - Major Field: Secular and Ecclesiastical Legal Traditions in Anglo-Saxon England, ca. 600–1100
 - Minor Field: Collaborative Program in Editing Medieval Texts
- MA **Centre for Medieval Studies, University of Toronto** **2006**
- BA **Okanagan University College** (now UBC, Okanagan campus) **2005**
- English Literature (Honours)
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LANGUAGES and RESEARCH INTERESTS

French	reading, some aural/spoken
German	reading, some aural/spoken
Latin	reading
Old English	reading
Old Norse	reading (basic knowledge of)
Old French	reading (basic knowledge of)

Primary research interests

Canon law (esp. early medieval)
Medieval law (esp. late antique and early medieval)
Penance
Latin textual criticism
Digital editing
Computing in the Humanities
History of early medieval France and England
Anglo-Saxon literature

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-reviewed

Elliot, M.D. 2013. 'New Evidence for the Influence of Gallic Canon Law in Anglo-Saxon England'. In *The Journal of Ecclesiastical History* 64.04, 700–30.

Elliot, M.D. 2012. 'Wulfstan's Commonplace Book Revised: the Structure and Development of "Block 7", on Pastoral Privilege and Responsibility'. In *The Journal of Medieval* 22, 1–48.

Elliot, M.D. 2012. 'Index'. In *Old English Literature and the Old Testament*, eds M. Fox and M. Sharma (Toronto), 379–97.

Elliot, M.D. 2010. 'Ghaerbald's *First Capitulary*, the *Excerptiones Pseudo-Ecgberhti*, and the Sources of Wulfstan's *Canons of Edgar*'. In *Notes and Queries* 57, 161–65.

Elliot, M.D. and Jacobs, M. 2007. 'Dating Toronto, Fisher MS 1269'. In *The Halcyon: the Newsletter of the Friends of the Thomas Fisher Rare Book Library* 40 (December issue), 12–13.

Under review:

Elliot, M.D. 'Boniface, Incest, and the Earliest Extant Version of Pope Gregory I's *Libellus responsionum* (JE 1843)'. Under review with the *Zeitschrift der Savigny-Stiftung für Rechtsgeschichte. Kanonistische Abteilung*.

Non peer-reviewed Web articles

Elliot, 2013. An Investigation into the Origin of the *Collectio canonum Sanblasiana* and Its Influence in Anglo-Saxon England, with a Transcription of the Oldest Manuscript Witness, Cologne, Erzbischöfliche Diözesan- und Dombibliothek, Codex 213. <http://individual.utoronto.ca/michaelelliot/manuscripts/texts/sanblasiana.html>.

Elliot, 2009–present. A Bibliography for Students of Early Medieval Canon Law. <http://individual.utoronto.ca/michaelelliot/sigla.html>.

In preparation:

Elliot, M.D. 'A Reputation Undeserved? Ecgberht of York, and the Reasons for Ascribing Canonical Works to his Name'.

Elliot, M.D. 'Oxford, Bodleian Library, MS. Bodley 718: Its Construction and Importance to the History of Early Medieval Canon Law'.

Elliot, M.D. 'Re-Editing the Worcester Collection of Canons: a Prospectus'.

ONGOING PROJECTS

Editor. Critical edition and study of the ninth-century Carolingian *Collectio canonum quadripartita*. Provisionally accepted for publication in the *Monumenta iuris canonici* series. Preliminary transcriptions and draft edition of the *Exordium* and *Book 1* available at <http://individual.utoronto.ca/michaelelliot/manuscripts/texts/quad.html>.

- The proposed edition will be based on a collation of all nine extant manuscripts, which date from as early as the ninth century to as late as the twelfth. Particular attention will be paid to the sources used by the compiler, and to how he manipulated them. The edition, which is being made using the Classical Text Editor software, includes three apparatuses: one for textual variants; another for sources identification; and a third for variant readings in the sources. Indices for sources and scriptural references will also be included.

Editor. Critical edition and study of the *Collectio Wigorniensis*, i.e. eleventh-century textual complex previously known as Wulfstan's *Commonplace Book*, with a special focus on its canonical and penitential components. Preliminary transcriptions available at <http://individual.utoronto.ca/michaelelliot/manuscripts/texts/wig.html>.

- This project began with an attempt to edit the canonical contents of the *Commonplace Book* manuscripts, but very quickly ballooned into something much larger. The eventual edition, which will almost certainly be published online in hypertext, will be based on the preliminary edition and study undertaken as part of my doctoral dissertation.

Co-editor. Critical editions of the *Pastoral Letters* of Ælfric of Eynsham, in collaboration with Dr. Tristan G. Major of the University of British Columbia. To be launched as a Web site titled *Ælfric: The Letters* in Fall 2013. Preliminary draft editions of three Latin letters available at

<http://individual.utoronto.ca/michaelelliot/manuscripts/texts/aelfric.html>.

- The *Ælfric: The Letters* project aims to produce critical editions of all the Latin and Old English letters written by the Anglo-Saxon Abbot Ælfric of Eynsham. The project will consist of both a Web and a print component. The Web component, which is preliminary, has two primary goals: 1) to present diplomatic, annotated transcriptions of all the manuscript witnesses of the Old English letters; and 2) to provide working drafts of critical editions of both the Old English and Latin letters, as well as some supplementary texts, in order to encourage dialogue with the wider scholarly community. The first stage of the project will comprise editing the several Latin and Old English letters written to and for (and subsequently redacted by) Wulfstan.

Assistant editor. An edition of William of Conches's commentary on Priscian's *Institutiones Grammaticae*, under the direction of Édouard Jauneau of The Pontifical Institute of Medieval Studies (Toronto, Ontario, Canada). The edition is to be published with Brepols' *Corpus Christianorum, Continuatio Mediaevalis*. Involvement: 2008–present.

PREVIOUS RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Participant/Contributor. *The Carolingian Canon Law Project* (<http://ccl.rch.uky.edu/>), under the direction of Dr. Abigail Firey at the University of Kentucky. Contributions included peer-reviewed translations of Latin canonical texts, and TEI-encoded transcriptions of canon law collections from more than a dozen early medieval manuscripts. Involvement: 2009–2012.

Participant/Contributor. *T-PEN (Transcription for Paleographical and Editorial Notation)* (<http://t-pen.org/TPEN/index.jsp>), under the direction of Prof. James Ginther at Saint Louis University. Tasks included testing overall functionality during development. Contributions included TEI-encoded transcriptions ready for export to the *Carolingian Canon Law Project* database. Involvement: 2010–2012.

Research assistant. *The Dictionary of Old English Project*, under the direction of Prof. Toni Healey, at the University of Toronto. Involvement: 2006–2009.

COMPUTING and WEB DEVELOPMENT

Web author. 2009–present. *Anglo-Saxon Canon Law* (<http://individual.utoronto.ca/michaelelliot>), a Web site devoted to the manuscripts, texts, and persons relating to the canon law tradition in Anglo-Saxon England.

Web author. 2012–present. *Ælfric: The Letters*, a Web site (to be launched in Fall, 2013) devoted to the study and editing of the *Pastoral Letters* of Ælfric of Eynsham, in collaboration with Dr. Tristan G. Major of the University of British Columbia.

Web author. 2009–2010. *ICMAC* (<http://medieval.utoronto.ca/icmac/index.html>), a Web site for the *International Society of Medieval Canon Law (Iuris Canonici Medii Aevi Consociatio)*, an organization devoted to the promotion of the scholarly study of medieval canon law.

Web author. 2009–2012. *ICMCL 14* (<http://medieval.utoronto.ca/events/ICMCL/index.html>), a Web site for the *Fourteenth International Congress of Medieval Canon Law*, a scholarly conference held 5–11 August, 2012 at the University of St Michael's College (University of Toronto).

CONFERENCE PAPERS

‘The Worcester Collection of Canons: the Need for a New Edition’, presented at the *Fourteenth International Congress of Medieval Canon Law*, University of St Michael’s College (University of Toronto), 5–11 August, 2012.

‘Rethinking Boniface and the *Libellus responsionum*’, presented at *Rethinking the ‘Christian Foundation of Europe’: an International Workshop on the Letters of Boniface (d. 754) and Lul (d. 785)*, Pontifical Institute of Mediaeval Studies, Toronto, 22–4 September, 2011.

‘Micro versus Macro Perspectives of a Manuscript Tradition: Block VII of Wulfstan’s “Commonplace Book”’, presented at *Texts and Contexts: a Manuscript Conference*, Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, USA, 29–30 October, 2010.

‘Legal Ambiguity and Episcopal Anxiety: Clerical Marriage in the Canonical Sources of Wulfstan of York’, presented at the *45th International Congress on Medieval Studies*, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, Michigan, USA, 13–16 May, 2010.

‘Vocabulary and the Minds of the Monsters in *Beowulf*’, presented at the *16th International Medieval Congress*, University of Leeds, Leeds, UK, 13–16 July, 2009.

‘Wulfstan of York, the *Canons of Edgar*, and the *Excerptiones Pseudo-Ecgberhti: Sources and Authorship*’, presented at the *16th Annual Graduate Conference* hosted by the Program in Medieval Studies at Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey, USA, 4 April, 2009.

‘Constraining Sense: The Limiting Effect of One Word’s Meaning on Another’s in Old English Alliterative Word Pairs’, presented at the *4th International Conference on Historical Lexicography and Lexicology*, Chateau Lacombe Hotel, Edmonton, Canada, 19–21 June, 2008.

‘From Medieval to Modern: a Tale of Library and Academic Collaboration’, panel presentation at the *4th Annual Toronto-Ryerson-York (TRY) Libraries Staff Conference*, St. Michael’s College (University of Toronto), Toronto, 5 May, 2008.

‘Common Dramatic Techniques in the Grendel and Glámr Episodes’, presented at the *2nd Annual North American Interdisciplinary Conference on Medieval Icelandic Studies*, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, USA, 18–19 May, 2007.

Additional conference participation

Chaired session. ‘Anti-Heroes in *Beowulf*?’ at the *16th International Medieval Congress*, University of Leeds, 13–16 July, 2009.

Chaired session. ‘Loans into English’ at the *4th International Conference on Historical Lexicography and Lexicology*, Edmonton, Canada, 19–21 June, 2008.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor. 2012 (Fall). SMC210: *The Early Mediaeval Tradition*, St. Michael's College, University of Toronto.

Teaching assistant. 2011 (Winter). MST 1105: *Latin Palaeography II*, tutorials, University of Toronto.

Instructor. 2009–2010 (Fall and Winter). SMC407: *Mediaeval Histories*, St. Michael's College, University of Toronto (course designed and taught in collaboration with Dr. Tristan G. Major of the University of British Columbia).

Instructor. 2006–2008. *Introductory Latin*, St. Philip's Seminary, The Oratory of Saint Philip Neri (Toronto, Ontario, Canada).

Teaching assistant. 2008 (Fall). MST 1001: *Intermediate Medieval Latin*, lectures and tutorials, University of Toronto.

Teaching assistant. 2008 (Winter). MST 1001: *Intermediate Medieval Latin*, lectures and tutorials, University of Toronto.

Teaching assistant. 2004–2005 (Fall and Winter). *Intermediate Latin, Medieval Quest Literature and New Testament Greek*, Okanagan University College (Kelowna, British Columbia, Canada).

AWARDS and HONOURS

2011–2012. Doctoral Completion Award. CAD \$18 041

2010–2011. Doctoral Thesis Completion Grant. CAD \$3 560

2010–2011. Ontario Graduate Scholarship. CAD \$15 000

2008–2010. SSHRCC Doctoral Fellowship. CAD \$40 000

2009. Centre for Medieval Studies Travel Award. CAD \$2 000

2008–2009. Ontario Graduate Scholarship (declined). CAD \$15 000

2007–2008. Ontario Graduate Scholarship. CAD \$15 000

30–1 March 2010, and 19–20 September, 2011. Grants from the *Church, Law and Society in the Middle Ages (CLASMA) Research Network* to attend two colloquia on medieval canon law held at Robinson College, Cambridge, UK.

GRADUATE COURSES COMPLETED

University of Toronto

Ælfric's Mind at Work (MST 1377)
Latin Textual Criticism (MST 1107)
Alfredian Prose (MST 1398)
Law in Medieval Europe (MST3230H)
Anglo-Saxon Poetry (ENG 1083)
Materials of Medieval History (HIS 1201)
Codicology (MST 1101)
Medieval Latin Epic (MST 1020)
Diplomatic Editing (MST 1110)
Old English II (ENG 1002)
Latin Palaeography I (MST 1104)
Old English Philology: Grammar (MST 1371)
Latin Palaeography II (MST 1105)
Old Norse (MST 2010Y)
Editing and Appreciating Wulfstan's Prose (MST 1392)
Medieval French Language and Literature (FRE1164)
Editing Medieval Texts (MST 1111H)

ACADEMIC MEMBERSHIPS and ASSOCIATIONS

<i>American Historical Association</i>	since 2010
<i>Church, Law and Society in the Middle Ages (CLASMA)</i>	since 2009
<i>Early English Text Society</i>	since 2009
<i>Iuris Canonici Medii Aevi Consociatio (ICMAC)</i>	since 2009
<i>Old English Newsletter</i>	since 2009
<i>Medieval Academy of America</i>	since 2007

ACADEMIC REFEREES

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