

Lecture by Darlene Brooks Hedstrom Professor of History, Director of Archaeology Wittenberg University, Springfield, OH Saturday, May 26, 2018, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

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Darlene Brooks Hedstrom is Professor of History and Director of Archaeology at Wittenberg University in Springfield, Ohio. She also holds the Kenneth E. Wray Chair in the Humanities and the Chair of the Department of History at Wittenberg. She was a Fellow in Byzantine Studies at Harvard in 2015 and Fulbright Scholar in Cairo, Egypt in 2007-2008.

Darlene did her undergraduate work at Wheaton College in Near Eastern Archaeology where she was a student of Jim Hoffmeier, a favorite LTL lecturer/visitor. Darlene also earned her M. A. in New Testament at Wheaton. She completed her Ph.D. in 2001 at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, where she served as adjunct instructor.



She began her work at Wittenberg University in 2001 as a Visiting Assistant Professor.

Darlene's 2017 book, *The Monastic Landscape of Late Antique Egypt: An Archaeological Reconstruction*, published by Cambridge University Press, certainly gives readers a clear view of her area of expertise. She is currently editing the *Cambridge Companion to Early Christian Monasticism* and has five other books in preparation stages, mostly dealing with archaeology, monasticism and Egypt. Since 1996, she has received 29 awards, fellowships, grants and honors because of her excellent research on Byzantine monastic Egypt. She has lectured and presented papers in Sweden, Egypt, England and all over the USA since 1995. She has made nearly 50 conference presentations since 1994.

Darlene is the Senior Archaeological Consultant for Yale's Monastic Archaeology Project in Wadi Natrun, Egypt, where she has worked since 2006. She also serves on the Board of the Center for Hellenic Studies of the European University of Cyprus.