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EDUCATION

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA
Ph.D., Modern European History, May 2011
A.M., History, June 2005

Washington University, St. Louis, MO
B.A., History, *summa cum laude*, Phi Beta Kappa, June 2003
Minor: Germanic Languages and Literatures

RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS

The Urban Frontier: City, Nature, and Nation in Nineteenth-Century Germany (University of Pittsburgh Press in 2020)

"A *Walhalla* in the Wasteland: Carl Ernest Schmidt and the Quest of One German American Businessman to Save Michigan's Forests," *Michigan Historical Review* 46, no. 2 (Fall 2020): 1-30.

"Berlin, Frontier City: The Lenné Triangle Incident and West Berlin's Frontier Zone in the 1980s," in *The Design of Frontier Spaces: Control and Ambiguity*, 31-44. Edited by Andreas Luescher and Carolyn Loeb. Ashgate, 2015.

"Shantytowns and Pioneers Beyond the City Wall: Berlin's Urban Frontier in the Nineteenth Century," *Central European History* 47 (2014): 245-274.

Book Reviews

Review of J. Laurence Hare, *Excavating Nations: Archaeology, Museums, and the German-Danish Borderlands* (University of Toronto Press, 2015) in *German History* 34, no. 1 (2016): 152-154.

Review of Jens Lachmund, *Greening Berlin: The Co-Production of Science, Politics, and Urban Nature* (MIT Press, 2012) in H-Net Reviews (October 2014).

Review of Kristin Kopp, *Germany's Wild East: Constructing Poland as Colonial Space* (University of Michigan Press, 2012) in *German Studies Review* 37, no. 3 (September 2014): 673-675.

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FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Whiting Fellowship in the Humanities	2009-2010
Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies Dissertation Writing Fellowship (Declined)	2009
Certificates of Distinction in Teaching, Harvard University	2008 and 2009
Departmental Travel Grant, Harvard Department of History	2008
Commendation for Distinguished Teaching, Harvard Extension School	2007
Krupp Foundation Fellowship, Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies <i>Funded one year of dissertation research in Germany</i>	2006-2007
J. Walter Goldstein Prize for Outstanding Senior Thesis in History, Washington University	2003
George E. Mylonas Honorary Scholarship in the Humanities, Washington University	1999-2003

SELECT CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- "Images of the Wasteland Commons on Berlin's Urban Periphery," German Studies Association Annual Meeting, Portland, OR, October 2019.
- "Conquering the Wasteland: Urban Growth, Water Control, and Local Identity on the Edge of a Northwestern German City," Social Science History Association, Montreal, ON, November 3, 2017.
- "A *Walhalla* in the Wasteland: Carl Ernest Schmidt and the Quest of One German-American Businessman to Save Michigan's Forests," Society of German American Studies Symposium, San Antonio, TX, April 30, 2016.
- "Class, Commerce, and Civic Identity on Leipzig's 19th-Century Urban Frontier," German Studies Association Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., October 2015.
- "Germany's Urban Frontier: Urbanization and Germanization in the Late 19th Century," American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., January 4, 2015.
- "Homelessness and the Urban Frontier in Imperial Berlin", German Studies Association Annual Meeting, Milwaukee, WI, October 7, 2012.
- "Nation without Walls: City and Nation in the German Empire," Association for the Study of Nationalities 17th Annual World Convention, Harriman Institute, Columbia University, April 19, 2012.
- "On the Inner Frontier: Pioneers and Troglodytes on the Edge of the German City," German Studies Association Annual Meeting, Washington, D. C., October 10th, 2009.
- "Walled City, Spacious Landscape: Rilke on Art and Urban Space," Georgetown University Graduate Student Conference: Conceptualizing Space and Place in the Literature, Language, Culture and Film of the German-Speaking World, April 2009, Washington, D.C.

TEACHING

University of Michigan—Dearborn, Fall 2014-present

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Hist 103: The Modern World, 1500-Present
Hist 333: Europe and the World in the Age of Revolutions
Hist 343: Germany before Hitler
Hist 389: Nazi Germany
Hist 3368: Germany since 1945
Hist 3380: European Cities, 1750-2000
Hist 390X: Science, Nature, & Society in Modern Europe
Hist 4999: Senior Research Seminar
Honors 303: The Age of Enlightenment

Visiting Assistant Professor of History, University of Rochester, Rochester, NY (2012-2014)

ACADEMIC SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Faculty Senate, College of Arts, Sciences, and Letters At Large Representative (2018-2021)

Faculty Advisor, Phi Alpha Theta, History Honorary, University of Michigan—Dearborn (2017-present)

Campus Assessment Grant, University of Michigan—Dearborn (2016-2017)

- Grant awarded to develop and conduct an assessment of our learning objectives in history majors' graduating portfolios of written work.

Anonymous Reviewer, Planning Perspectives (2016); *Journal of Historical Geography* (2017)

Michigan Road Scholar (May 2016)

Organizer, Social Science Research Colloquium, University of Michigan—Dearborn (2014-2015)

Peer reviewer, Edge: A Graduate Journal of German and Scandinavian Studies, University of Massachusetts Amherst, Department of German and Scandinavian Studies (2010)

Tutor, Harvard Bridge to Learning and Literacy Program (2010)

Non-resident Tutor, Quincy House, Harvard University (2009-2010)

PUBLIC HISTORY EXPERIENCE

State Archives Collections Assistant, Minnesota Historical Society (2002)

- Processed and evaluated collections.
- Wrote acquisition reports and finding aids for public use.

State Archives Research Assistant, Minnesota Historical Society (2001)

- Assessed acquisitions and produced agency summaries.