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EDUCATION

Harvard University. Department of History, A.M., 1998; Ph.D., June 2006.

Dissertation: "Empire by Invitation? Russian Empire-Building in the Caucasus in the Reign of Catherine II."
Dissertation Committee: Edward L. Keenan (Chair), Cemal Kafadar, Roman Szporluk, E. Roger Owen.

Harvard University. Regional Studies Program: Russia, East Europe, and Central Asia, A.M., 1996.

University of Washington. International Studies: Russia and East Europe, B.A., *magna cum laude*, 1994.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2008-present Assistant Professor, Wright State University
Summer 2008 Lecturer, Yale Summer Session
2007-08 Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Harriman Institute, Columbia University
2007-08 Lecturer, University of New Haven
2006-07 Lecturer, Harvard University
1998-2006 Teaching Fellow, Harvard University
1997-2001 Freshman Proctor, Harvard University

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Historical Association
Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies

SCHOLARSHIP

Edited Forum in Journal

Guest Editor: "Forum: Islam in the Imperial Archives," *Ab Imperio: Studies of New Imperial History and Nationalism in the Post-Soviet Space*, no. 4 (2008): 233-333.

Chapters in Books

"'You Showed the Russian How to Die for Rus': Prince Petr Ivanovich Bagration and the Making of a Russian National Hero," in Guido Hausmann and Denis Sdvizhkov, eds., *After the Storm: Historical Memory of 1812 in Russia and Europe* (Moscow: Novoe literaturnoe obozrenie, forthcoming).

"'Thus We Shall Have Their Loyalty and They Our Favor': Diplomatic Hostage-Taking (*amanatstvo*) and Russian Empire in Caucasia," in Brian J. Boeck, Russell Martin, and Daniel Rowland, eds., *Dubitando: Studies in History and Culture in Honor of Donald Ostrowski* (Bloomington: Slavic Publishers, 2012), pp. 139-163.

"Petr Ivanovich Bagration, 1765-1812," in Stephen M. Norris and Willard Sunderland, eds., *Russia's People of Empire: Life Stories from Eurasia, 1500 to the Present* (Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 2012), pp. 93-103.

Articles in Peer-Reviewed Journals

"'As One Russian to Another': Prince Petr Ivanovich Bagration's Assimilation of Russian Ways," *Ab Imperio: Studies of New Imperial History and Nationalism in the Post-Soviet Space*, no. 4 (2010): 113-142.

"Historians and Their Sources: Discourses of Empire and Islam in Eurasian Archives," *Ab Imperio: Studies of New Imperial History and Nationalism in the Post-Soviet Space*, no. 4 (2008): 234-252.

“‘We Slavishly Request’: Invitations to Empire and Russian Political Patronage in the Balkans,” *Kritika: Explorations in Russian and Eurasian History*, vol. 1, no. 4 (Fall, 2000): 751-768.

Other Publications

Review: Moshe Gammer, ed., *Ethno-Nationalism, Islam and the State in the Caucasus: Post-Soviet Disorder*, in *International Journal of Middle East Studies*, vol. 42 no. 4 (2010): 707-09.

Review: Philip Pomper, *Lenin’s Brother: The Origins of the October Revolution*, in *Library Journal*, Jan. 15, 2010 (<http://www.libraryjournal.com/article/CA6713695.html>).

Review: Robert Edelman, *Spartak Moscow: A History of the People’s Team in the Workers’ State*, in *Library Journal*, Nov. 15, 2009 (<http://www.libraryjournal.com/article/CA6705440.html?q=sean+pollock>).

Review: Robert Service, *Trotsky: A Biography*, in *Library Journal*, Nov. 1, 2009 (<http://www.libraryjournal.com/article/CA6704056.html?industryid=47112>).

Review: Bertrand M. Patenaude, *Trotsky: Downfall of a Revolutionary*, in *Library Journal*, Aug. 15, 2009 (<http://www.libraryjournal.com/article/CA6675098.html>).

Report: “The Fortieth National Convention of the AAASS,” *Central Eurasian Studies Review*, vol. 7, no. 2 (2008): 39-45.

Report: “Russia and Islam in the Archives of Eurasia: An International Workshop,” *Central Eurasian Studies Review*, vol. 7, no. 1 (2008): 20-23.

Report: “Russia and the Ottoman Empire: Transregional and Comparative Approaches,” *Central Eurasian Studies Review*, vol. 7, no. 1 (2008): 30-33.

Review: C. Patterson Giersch, *Asian Borderlands: The Transformation of Qing China’s Yunnan Frontier*, in *Canadian Journal of History*, vol. 43, no. 2 (2008): 351-353.

Encyclopedia entry: “Code of Wakhtang,” *Supplement to The Modern Encyclopedia of Russian, Soviet & Eurasian History*, vol. 6 (Gulf Breeze, FL: Academic International Press, 2006).

Report: “Teaching in History and Literature,” *History Department Teaching Fellow Handbook* (Cambridge: Department of History and Derek Bok Center for Teaching and Learning, Harvard University, 2005), 35-37.

Review: “*Terra incognita*. Novye zapadnye raboty o Chechne,” *Neprikosnovennyi zapas*, no. 1 (21) (2002): 124-29.

Review: Simon Sebag Montefiore, *Prince of Princes: The Life of Potemkin*, in *Slovo*, vol. 13 (2001): 221-23.

Translation: Ashirbek Muminov and Bakhtiyar Babadzhanov, “Amir Temur and Sayyid Baraka,” *Central Asiatic Journal* 45, no. 1 (2001): 28-62.

Review: N. Iu. Bubnov, “Staroobriadcheskaia kniga v Rossii vo vtoroi polovine XVII v.: Istochniki, tipy i evoliutsiia,” *Slavic Review*, vol. 55, no. 3 (Fall 1996): 682-84.

“Historiography, Ethnogenesis, and the Scholarly Origins of Uzbekistan’s National Hero: The Case of Temur,” *Materials of the International Scientific Conference “Amir Temur and His Place in World History, 23-26 October 1996* (Tashkent: Uzbekiston, 1996), 44-47.

Scholarship under Review

“Friend and Foe: Religious Toleration in Northern Caucasia in the Age of Catherine the Great” (submitted Aug. 18, 2013 to *Princeton Papers: Interdisciplinary Journal of Middle Eastern Studies*).

“Building Community of Inquiry and Analytical Skills in an Online History Course” (co-authored with Dr. Sheri Stover, submitted Aug. 30, 2013 to *International Journal of Teaching and Learning in Higher Education*).

Unpublished Papers Given at Professional Conferences

“Deep Learning and High Interaction in Online Learning – Is This Possible: Helping Faculty Feel Prepared to Teach Quality Online Classes” (with Dr. Sheri Stover), Lilly International Conference on College Teaching, Miami University, Nov. 17, 2012.

“Commemorating Bagration: Russia’s Myth of a National War Hero,” Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES) National Convention, New Orleans, LA, Nov. 16, 2012.

“Fortress Life: Go-Betweens in 18th-Century Kizliar, ASEEES National Convention, Washington, D.C., Nov. 19, 2011.

“Caucasia and the Eastern Question,” Roundtable on “The Eastern Question: New Approaches,” ASEEES National Convention, Los Angeles, CA, Nov. 20, 2010.

“The Policy and Practice of Religious Toleration in Northern Caucasia in the Age of Catherine the Great,” ASEEES National Convention, Los Angeles, CA, Nov. 19, 2010.

“Friend and Foe: Russia’s Muslim Subjects in the Caucasus,” American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies (AAASS), National Convention, New Orleans, LA, Nov. 15, 2007.

“Russian-Chechen Relations in the Age of Catherine the Great,” AAASS National Convention, Washington, D.C., Nov. 18, 2006.

“The Cousins Potemkin in Caucasia,” AAASS National Convention, Boston, MA, Dec. 5, 2004.

“‘Thus Their Allegiance to Us Will Be Great and They Will Receive Our Favor’: The Institution of Diplomatic Hostage (*amanat*) in the History of Russian Empire Building in Caucasia,” AAASS, Toronto, Canada, 2003.

“Claiming Kabarda: From the Conversion of Korgoka Konchokin (1759) to the Treaty of Kuchuk Kainardja (1774).” Maryland-Harvard Workshop on New Approaches to Russian and Soviet History, “Crossing Borders: Transnational History,” 2003.

“Ambiguity in the Treaty of Küçük Kaynarca (1774): The Case of Kabarda.” Central Eurasian Studies Society National Conference, 2002.

Diss. chapter and syllabus at Social Science Research Council (SSRC) Eurasia Program Dissertation Workshop, “Globalizing the Caucasus and Central Asia,” 2002.

“Thematic Conversation: Imagining Central Asia and the Caucasus at the Nexus of World History and Area Studies.” Sponsored by SSRC-Middle East Studies Association (MESA), at MESA annual meeting, 2001.

“Using Archives and Libraries in Georgia, Russia and Uzbekistan.” Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies, Harvard University, May 9, 2001.

“Interethnic Relations and Religious Issues of the Black Sea Region.” IREX Black Sea Regional Policy Symposium, Washington, DC, 2001.

Diss. chapters at SSRC Eurasia Program Dissertation Workshop, “Reconfiguring Regions, Localities and Histories: Transformations of Central Asian and Caucasian Societies,” 2001.

Diss. Introduction, Russian and East European History Workshop, Davis Center for Russian Studies, Harvard University, 2001.

“A Potemkin Project: Preparing the Ground for Georgievsk.” Panel on “Russian Imperial Borderlands: Southern Frontiers.” AAASS national convention, Denver, CO, 2000.

“The Power of Place: Friendly Kings on Russia’s Southern Frontier in the Late 18th Century.” Central Asian Working Group, Harvard University, November 8, 2000.

Presentation, dissertation prospectus, “Empire by Invitation: Patronage and Power in the Caucasus, 1762-1827,” History Colloquium, History Department, Harvard University, 1999.

Paper, with Dildora Abidzhanova, (Institute of History, Academy of Sciences of the Republic of Uzbekistan): “One Eternal Moment in the Writing of Özbekistāni National History,” Harvard University, 1997.

Invited Lectures

“Commemorating Bagration: The Making of a National Hero in Imperial and Soviet Russia,” History Colloquium, Wittenberg University, March 14, 2013.

“Russian National Identity in Imperial Russia? The Case of Prince Bagration,” After the Storm: The Year 1812 in the Historical Memory of Russia and Europe, German Historical Institute, Moscow, Russia, May 28-30, 2012.

“A New Line in Russian Strategic Thinking in Northern Caucasia in the Reign of Catherine II.” Junior Scholars’ Training Workshop, Summer Research Laboratory, Russian, East European, and Eurasian Center, Univ. of Illinois, June, 2009.

“‘Loath to Be without Love’: Sincere Confessions of Catherine the Great.” Great Lives Lecture Series, University of Mary Washington, March 19, 2009.

“The Caucasus and Caucasians between Russia and Middle East: Reactions for the Sake of Religion and State,” Slavic Research Center, Hokkaido Univ., Japan, Jan. 26-29, 2008.

- “Russian Subjecthood and Caucasian Muslims in the Reign of Catherine the Great (Tokyo)”
- “The Science of Russia’s Empire in the Caucasus (Sapporo)”
- “A Quill Mightier than a Sword? The Career of Count Pavel Sergeevich Potemkin (Kyoto)”

TEACHING

Courses Taught

Wright State University

- HST 102: Early Modern Europe: 14th-18th Centuries (10 times)
- HST 102 SRVI/HON: Early Modern Europe: 14th-18th Centuries (1 time)
- HST 103: Modern Europe: 19th and 20th Centuries (3 times)
- HST 103 (A90) Modern Europe: 19th and 20th Centuries (2 times synchronous online)
- HST 1200 SRVI/HON: The West and The World since 1500 (intensive service-learning; 2 times)
- HST 3000: Introduction to Historical Analysis (3 times)
- HST 415/615: Imperial Russia (2 times)
- HST 4220/6220: Imperial Russia (1 time)
- HST 425/625: Soviet Union (5 times)
- HST 708: Comparative Empires (2 times)
- HST 7400: Comparative Empires (1 time)

Yale University

- HST S242: The Western World since 1500 (1 time)

University of New Haven

- HS384/GLS453: History of the Middle East (1 time)
- HST 102: The Western World in Modern Times (2 times)

Harvard University

- History and Literature 97: Sophomore Tutorial: Russia Field (3 times)
- History and Literature 98: Junior Tutorial (2 times)
- Slavic Languages and Literatures 97: Sophomore Tutorial: Russian Studies (1 time)
- History 97: Sophomore Tutorial (2 times)
- Harvard Extension School: Graduate Research Methods and Scholarly Writing in the Social Sciences: Government and History (1 time)

Teaching Awards

Phi Alpha Theta Outstanding Faculty Member, Department of History, WSU (2013)

Writing across the Curriculum Faculty Recognition Award, WSU (2013, 2010, 2009)

Excellence in Teaching General Education: Western Civilization, WSU (2013, 2011, 2010, 2009)

Stephen Botein Teaching Prize in History and Literature, Harvard University (2007)

Thomas T. Hoopes Prize for Senior Thesis Advising, Harvard University (2006)

Certificate of Distinction in Teaching, Derek Bok Center for Teaching and Learning, Harvard University (4 times, 1999-2001)

Independent Study Supervised

Faculty Mentor to Bethany Wages, recipient of a Summer Undergraduate Research, Scholarship and Creative Activities Award, WSU (Summer 2013)

HST 691: Independent Readings: Russian Empire-Building in the Imperial and Soviet Periods, WSU (1 time)

Faculty Mentor to Nicholas Waggy, recipient of a Summer Undergraduate Research, Scholarship and Creative Activities Award, WSU (Summer 2010)

Advising Students

Social Science Education majors: 30 advisees (2011-present)

Department of History majors: 8 advisees (2008-2012)

Guest Lectures

“Imperial Identities: Russian and Non-Russian,” Department of History, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Sept. 15, 2011.

“The Real Deal about College,” First Weekend Institutes, WSU, Sept. 3, 2011.

“Alone Together”: Teaching and Learning in the Digital Age,” First Weekend Institutes, WSU, Sept. 4, 2011.

“Purpose, Passion, Payoff: The Real Deal about Going to College,” in UVC 101 (65), WSU, Sept. 8, 2011.

“Imperial Identities: Russian and Non-Russian.” Department of History, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Sept. 16, 2010.

“‘The Dumbest Generation’? The Promise and Perils of Growing Up Online.”

- First Weekend Institutes, Wright State University, Sept. 4 and 5, 2010.
- UVC 101: First Year Seminar I (Costa Alimonos), Sept. 20, 2010.

Teaching Enhancement Activities

Participant, “WAC II: Low-Stakes Writing Assignments for Large Classes,” Center for Teaching and Learning (CTL), WSU, October 16, 2013.

Presenter, “WAC I: WAC Faculty Roundtable,” CTL, WSU, Sept. 19, 2013.

Participant, “Engage Students with the *New York Times* in Your Classroom,” CTL, WSU, Aug. 29, 2013.

Participant, “Engaging Every Student and Assessing Their Progress with TurningPoint Clickers,” CTL, Aug. 14, 2013.

Participant, “From Icebreakers to Topic Starters,” Teamup and Cengage Learning Webinar, 2013.

Participant, “Applying the Quality Matters Rubric – FY 12 (APPQMR): using 2011-2013 Rubric, Quality Matters Program, June 28, 2013.

Online Teaching Certificate, CTL, WSU, 2013.

Participant, “The Citizen Solution: How You Can Make a Difference Book Group,” CTL, Mar. 18, 2013.

Participant, “TurningPoint (Clickers) Training,” CTL, Mar. 12, 2013.

Presenter, “Redesign of History Core Classes” (with Carol Herringer), Faculty Development Day, WSU, Nov. 30, 2012.

Participant, “Turnitin Using Pilot: A System of Evaluating Written Work,” CTL, Oct. 11, 2012.

Participant, “WAC – Peer Review,” CTL, Oct. 3, 2012.

Student, “EDT 839: Instructional Design and Development,” College of Education and Human Services, WSU, Summer 2012.

Participant, Exploring the Value of Service-Learning for College Student Development and Faculty Scholarship,” with Dr. Andy Furco, WSU, May 8, 2012.

Participant, “Blackboard Collaborate Web Conferencing (Elluminate) Workshop,” CTL, May 9, 2012.

Student, “EDT 849: Making Online Courses Interactive,” College of Education and Human Services, WSU, Winter 2012.

Presenter, “Reimagining Western Civilizations” (with Carol Herringer) CTL, Feb. 27, 2012.

Presenter, "Service-Learning in Theory and Practice: the Future of Community Engagement in Higher Education" (Dan Butin Book Group), CTL, Feb. 27, 2012.

Participant, "Reimagining Western Civilizations," University Teaching Enhancement Grant, 2010 – ongoing.

Participant, "Introduction to Pilot," CTL, June 9, 2011.

Participant, "Course Management for Web-Based Courses," CTL, June 9, 2011.

Participant, "Introduction of Pilot," CTL, Dec. 6, 2011.

Participant, "Course Assessment for Web-Based Courses," CTL, Dec. 7, 2011.

Participant, "Using Rubrics to Assess Student Learning," CTL, Dec. 7, 2011.

Invited Participant: Western Civilization Symposium, McGraw-Hill, New York City, NY, March 25-26, 2010.

Invited Participant: National Center for Academic Transformation, Fourth Annual Redesign Alliance Conference, Orlando, FL, March 28-30, 2010.

Participant, "Course Assessment for Web-Enhanced Courses," CTL, Apr. 29, 2010.

Participant, "What the Best College Teachers Do Book Group," CTL Feb. 9, 2009.

Participant, "An Anthropologist Looks at Plagiarism Book Group," CTL, May 7, 2009.

Participant, "The Learning Paradigm Book Group," CTL, May 11, 2009.

Participant, "College Learning for the New Century: A Report from the National Leadership & American's Promise, AACU Book Group," CTL, May 19, 2009.

Mid-term Student Evaluations conducted by Dr. James Uphoff for HST 102 and 103.

GRANTS FUNDED

2013	Multicultural Course Assessment Teaching and Learning Circle, Wright State University (WSU)
2010-11	"Reimagining Western Civilization," Teaching Enhancement Grant, WSU
2010-11	Service-Learning Faculty Learning Community, WSU
2010	The National Council for Eurasian and East European Research, Short-Term Travel Grant
2010	Professional Development Grant, WSU
2009	Junior Scholars' Training Workshop on Mobility, Summer Research Laboratory, Univ. of Illinois
2008	Research Laboratory, Russian, East European, and Eurasian Center, Univ. of Illinois
2007-08	Postdoctoral Fellowship, Harriman Institute, Columbia University
2002-03	Packard Dissertation Fellowship (Harvard); SSRC Eurasia Program Write-Up Fellowship (awarded/declined); Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies Dissertation Completion Fellowship (awarded/declined)
2001-02	Harvard University Frederick Sheldon Traveling Fellowship
2002	IREX Individual Advanced Research Program Fellowship (6 months)
2001	ACTR/ACCELS Research Scholar Program Advanced Research Fellowship (6 months)
2001-02	Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) fellowship
2001	Harvard University History Department Traveling Fellowship for intensive Ottoman and Turkish languages
2001	IREX and WWC Black Sea Regional Policy Symposium Grant, Washington, DC
2000-01	FLAS fellowship for dissertation research and Georgian language
2000	FLAS fellowship for Georgian language
2000	O'Neill Research Travel Grant, Davis Center for Russian Studies, Harvard University
1999-2000	FLAS fellowship for dissertation research and Persian language
1999	O'Neill Research Travel Grant, Davis Center for Russian Studies, Harvard University
1999	ACTR/ACCELS Regional Scholar Exchange Program, Tbilisi, Georgia
1999	FLAS fellowship for Georgian language
1998-99	FLAS fellowship for dissertation research and Persian language
1998	American Institute of Iranian Studies for Persian language study in Iran
1997-98	FLAS fellowship for preliminary dissertation research and Persian language
1997	Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies, Harvard University for German language
1996-97	Merle E. Fainsod Prize for incoming Ph.D. Candidate in History (Russian Area)
1996-97	FLAS fellowship for Uzbek and Chaghatay languages
1996	ACTR/ACCELS CIS-Regional Language Program for Uzbek language study in Uzbekistan
1996	O'Neill Research Travel Grant, Davis Center for Russian Studies (honorary recipient)
1996	Forum for Central Asian Studies Summer Research Grant, Harvard University

1995-96 FLAS fellowship for Uzbek language
 1995 Summer Travel Grant, Russian Research Center, Harvard University
 1995 CIEE Scholarship, Russian for Research Program, St. Petersburg, Russia
 1995 FLAS fellowship for Russian language, St. Petersburg University, Russian Federation
 1994-95 FLAS fellowship for Turkish language

SERVICE

University: Member, Faculty Senate, elected (2012-)
 Chair, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, appointed (2013-)
 Member, Undergraduate Curriculum and Academic Policy Committee, appointed (2012-2013)
 Member, Academic Integrity Hearing Panel, College of Liberal Arts, appointed (2009-10)

College of Liberal Arts: Member, Faculty Senate (2010-2011)
 Member, Curriculum Committee (2010-2011)

Department: Member, Student Relations Committee (2012-)
 Member, Graduate Committee (2011-12)
 Member, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (2008-2011)
 Member, Ad Hoc Committee on Conversion to Semesters (2009-2010)

Other University: Member, Ad Hoc Committee on Russian Studies Minor, Dept. of Modern Languages (2009-10)

Professional: Reader, AP European History, College Board, Kansas City, MO, June, 2012
 Panel chair, "Mongol and Rus'ian Authorities: Conflicting, Complementing, and Exemplary (13th-16th Centuries)," ASEEES National Conference, Washington, D.C., Nov. 20, 2011
 Member, World History and Western Civilization Board of Advisors, McGraw-Hill (2010)
 Peer Review/Referee, *Proceedings of the Ohio Academy of History* (2009-10)
 Peer Review/Referee, *Ab Imperio: Studies of New Imperial History and Nationalism in the Post Soviet Space* (2009-10)
 Panel chair: "Gender and Empire in the Caucasus," American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies (AAASS) National Convention, Nov. 2008
 Conference organizer, "Russia and Islam in the Archives of Eurasia: An International Workshop," The Harriman Institute, Columbia University, Dec. 1, 2007
 Panel chair and discussant, "The Southern Borderlands: Studying the Caucasus." Conference: "Research and Identity: Non-Russian Peoples in the Russian Empire, 1800-1855." The Second A.J. Sjögren Memorial Conference, 14-17 June 2006, Kymenlaakso Summer University, Kouvola, Finland
 Chair, "Power and Prestige in Representation," Central Eurasian Studies Society (CESS) annual conference, 2003.

Community: Member, Harvard Schools Committee, Harvard Club of Cincinnati (2012-)
 Mentor, Higher Education Mentoring Initiative, University of Cincinnati (2011-)
 Co-Chair, Parent Committee, University of Cincinnati Early Learning Center (UCELC), (2011-)
 Board Member, UCELC (2011-)
 Member, Parent and Steering Committee, UCELC (2009-2010)
 Member, Clifton Heights, University Heights, Fairview Neighborhood Association (2010-)

REFERENCES

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