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Education

PhD, UCLA

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Dissertation: "The War People: The Daily Life of Common Soldiers, 1618-1654"

Advisors: David Sabeau, Geoffrey Symcox

MA, The John W Draper Interdisciplinary Program in Humanities and Social Thought, NYU

2009

MA, Eastern Classics, St John's College Santa Fe/Annapolis

2006

BA, Classics/Great Books, St John's College Santa Fe/Annapolis

2004

Interests

- Military finance
- The history of physical objects
- The history of documents
- Data in history
- Social networks
- Logistics and transportation
- War and society
- The history of soldiers

Research

- Currently examining 56 letters from civilians to common soldiers from the Hessisches Staatsarchiv **Marburg**
- More than 24 months of intensive archival research in the Sächsisches Staatsarchiv **Dresden**
- 3 months of research in the Haus-, Hof-, und Staatsarchiv in **Vienna**
- Archival trip to the Archivio di Stato in **Milan**
- Statistical data drawn from 172 separate muster rolls and lists
- Database of 19,024 17th century soldiers, 13,480 with known origin
- Database of infantry pay (1618-1625) comprising 20,002 entries
- Data in **German, French, Spanish, and Italian**
- Familiar with Latin and vernacular **palaeography** from Carolingian period to the 1950s

Languages

- English (native)
- German (fluent)
- French (read, basic +)
- Latin (read, basic)
- Italian (read, beginner)
- Spanish (read, beginner)

Works in Progress

- Conference papers for the German History Society Conference (3-5 September, London) and the Northern Great Plains History Conference (25-28 Sept 2019, Manitoba) in progress
- Review of A. Wess Mitchell, *The Grand Strategy of the Habsburg Empire* for *Austrian History Yearbook* in progress, due Sept 2019
- “When You Get Fresh Bread, Think Of Me: Soldiers and Civilians in Letters to Tilly’s Army.” Article in progress
- *The War People: The Daily Life of Common Soldiers during the Thirty Years’ War*. Book manuscript under review at Cambridge University Press

Peer-Reviewed Articles

- “Records as Things: Seventeenth-Century Muster Rolls as Objects of Art and Study,” to *Manuscript Studies* submitted and under review
- “Determining Early Modern Army Strength: The Case of Electoral Saxony,” in *Journal of Military History* accepted and forthcoming
- “Illuminated Darkness: Hegel’s Brief and Unexpected Elevation of Indian Thought in *On the Episode of the Mahābhārata known by the name Bhagavad-Gītā by Wilhelm von Humboldt*,” *The Owl of Minerva*, Vol. 43, Nos. 1-2 2011-2012

Reviews

- Lothar Höbelt, *Von Nördlingen Bis Janckau*, in *Austrian History Yearbook* April 2019
- Gregory Hanlon, *Italy 1636: Cemetery of Armies*, in *Journal of Military History*, October 2017, 1138-1139 2017

Chapters

- “Privatization and private-sector military contractors,” in *The SAGE Encyclopedia of War: Social Science Perspectives*, SAGE Publications 2016
- “Mercenaries,” in *The SAGE Encyclopedia of War: Social Science Perspectives*, SAGE Publications 2016
- “The Melancholy of the Thinking Racist: India and the Ambiguities of Race in the Work of Hans FK Günther,” in *Transcultural Encounters between Germany and India: Kindred Spirits in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries*, Routledge 2014

Conference Papers

- “Single Combat and the Honour of the Ordinary Soldier in the Early 17th Century” 13-15 September 2018
German Cultures of War
German Historical Society Annual Conference, University of Leicester

- “What is ‘Experience’ and Why is Military History Obsessed with It?” 18 May 2018
Interpreting Translation, Taste, and Obsession
 Historical Epistemology Conference: In Honor of David Sabeau, UCLA
- “Getting Money from the Lord: What Mercenaries Said about What They Did” 9 March 2018
Bottom-Up Views on War and Peace in the Early Modern German Lands
 8th International Frühe Neuzeit Interdisziplinär Conference, Washington University at St. Louis, Missouri
- “The Right to Live and Be Happy: The Death of Victoria Guarde and the Life of Theodoro de Camargo” 1 December 2017
 The Center for Austrian Studies Seminar
 University of Minnesota
- “Scribes and Soldiers: What Paleography Can Offer Military History and Vice Versa” 18 November 2017
Sources and Representations of Early Modern Warfare
 10th annual BCMH New Research in Military History Conference, Cambridge
- “Most Saxon Soldiers are Saxon: The Myth of the Rootless Mercenary and the Origins of Soldiers in the Electoral Saxon Army, 1618-1651” 1 April 2017
Everything Old is New Again: Historical-Statistical Studies of Central European Armies 1618-1789
 2017 Annual Meeting of the Society for Military History, Jacksonville, Florida
- “War People: The Thirty Years’ War, the Experience of the Common Soldier, and the Mansfeld Regiment (1625-1627)” 2 November 2016
 Work-in-progress seminar with Peter Wilson: *New Approaches to Early Modern Warfare*, All Souls, Oxford
- “Competition and Contentment in the Late-17th Century Saxon Military Community” 30 July 2015
Old Regime War and Society--A View from Below--the Experiences of the Common Soldier
 14th International Congress for Eighteenth-Century Studies, Rotterdam
- “Nordic Hindus and Asiatics: India’s Ambivalent Role in the Works of Hans FK Günther” 24 September 2011
Post-Colonial Fantasies? German Orientalism, Anti-Imperialism, and Nazi Perceptions of Asia, 1919-1939
 2011 German Studies Association Conference, Louisville, Kentucky

Fellowships and Awards

Center for Austrian Studies Seminar Fellow, University of Minnesota	2017
Will Rogers Memorial Fellowship, UCLA	2017
George T. & Margaret Romani Fellowship, Medieval and Renaissance Studies, UCLA	2015
DAAD Short-Term Fellowship	2015
Dissertation Year Fellowship, Millennium Endowed Graduate Fellowship Fund	2013
Fritz Thyssen Foundation Pre-Dissertation Fellowship in German History	2013
Gordon E. Hein Memorial Scholarship, UCLA	each year 2010-2017
Marshall Plan Grant, UC Berkeley	2012

Teaching Experience

Teaching Assistant, UCLA <i>Western Civilizations 3: Enlightenment to Present</i> Russell Jacoby	Spring 2018
Special Reader, UCLA <i>History of Russia 1905-present</i> Jared McBride	Winter 2018
Teaching Assistant, UCLA <i>The Holocaust in Literature and Film</i>	Spring 2015
Teaching Assistant, UCLA <i>Intro to World Religions</i> Scott Bartchy	Spring 2013
Teaching Assistant, UCLA <i>History of early Christianity in its intellectual context</i> Scott Bartchy	Winter 2013
Teaching Assistant, UCLA <i>Global History 1760-present</i> J Arch Getty	Fall 2012
Special Reader, UCLA Read and graded student essays for intermediate and upper-level undergraduate history courses in National Socialist anti-Jewish policy (for Saul Friedländer), twentieth-century German history (for Peter Baldwin), nineteenth-century German history (for David Sabeian), and military and diplomatic history from 1648 to 1815 (for Geoffrey Symcox)	Fall 2010-Spring 2012