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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2007-present Associate Professor of History, Wesleyan University.
2002-2007 Assistant Professor of History, Wesleyan University.
1999-2002 Collegiate Assistant Professor and William Rainey Harper Fellow, University of Chicago.
1999 Stipendiary Lecturer in Modern European History, Balliol College, Oxford University.
1997 Tutor, University College, Oxford University.
1996-1999 Research Associate, Leverhulme Historical Political Economy Project, Centre for History and Economics, Kings College, Cambridge University.
1995-1996 Tutor, St. Catherine's College, Oxford University.

EDUCATION

1999 D.Phil. Modern History, Nuffield College, Oxford University.
1993 M.Phil. European Studies (High Performance), Darwin College, Cambridge University.
1992 M.Sc. (Econ.) Politics of the World Economy, London School of Economics.
1990 B.A. International Relations, Economics and German (Magna Cum Laude), Brigham Young University.

PUBLICATIONS

Monographs

The Rise of Historical Economics and Social Reform in Germany, 1864-1894. Oxford Historical Monographs. Oxford: Clarendon Press; New York: Oxford University Press, 2003.

Articles and chapters

“Die preußische Bildungspolitik im Spannungsfeld des internationalen Kulturwettbewerbs: der Fall Japan (1869-1914).” *Forschungen zur Brandenburgischen und Preussischen Geschichte* (forthcoming).

“‘Every True Friend of the Fatherland’: Gustav Schmoller and the ‘Jewish Question’, 1916-17.” *Leo Baeck Institute Year Book* 52 (2007): 149-163.

“The Professors’ Africa: Economists, the Elections of 1907, and the Legitimation of German Imperialism.” *German History* 25, no. 3 (2007): 313-347.

“German Social Science, Meiji Conservatism, and the Peculiarities of Japanese History.” *Journal of World History* 16, no. 2 (June 2005): 187-222.

“Imperialist Socialism of the Chair: Gustav Schmoller and German *Weltpolitik*, 1897-1905.” In

Wilhelminism and its Legacies: Crisis, Continuity, and the Meanings of Reform in Germany, 1890-1930, ed. Geoff Eley and James Retallack, 106-21. New York and Oxford: Berghahn Books, 2003.

With Roberto Romani. "In Search of Full Empirical Reality: Historical Political Economy, 1870-1900." *European Journal of the History of Economic Thought* 6 (Autumn 1999): 333-364.

With Roberto Romani. "The Historical School, 1870-1900: A Cross-National Reassessment." *History of European Ideas* 24 (1998): 267-299.

Encyclopedia entries and paper commentary

"Empire and Imperialism: The German Colonial Empire." In *Oxford Encyclopedia of the Modern World*, vol. 3, ed. Peter N. Stearns, 129-137. New York: Oxford University Press, 2008.

"Schmoller, Gustav Friedrich von (1838-1917)." In *Encyclopedia of Law and Society: American and Global Perspectives*, vol. 3, ed. David S. Clark, 1348. Los Angeles: Sage Publications, 2007.

Commentary: David Lindenfeld's "Grand Historical Narratives or Intellectual Strategy." In *The Historicity of Economics: Continuities and Discontinuities of Historical Thought in 19th and 20th Century Economics*, ed. Heino H. Nau and Betram Schefold, 78-85. Berlin, Heidelberg and New York: Springer, 2002.

Book reviews

Book review: *Die Ältere Historische Schule: Wirtschaftstheoretische Beiträge und wirtschaftspolitische Vorstellungen*. Edited by Christian Scheer. *European Journal of the History of Economic Thought* 13, no. 3 (September 2006): 449-452.

Book review: J. Adam Tooze. *Statistics and the German State: The Making of Modern Economic Knowledge*. H-NET BOOK REVIEW, published by H-German@h-net.msu.edu (September, 2005).

Book review: *Heinrich Pesch on Solidarist Economics: Excerpts from the Lehrbuch der Nationalökonomie*. By R.J. Ederer. *The Journal of Economic History* 60, no. 2 (June 2000): 555-556.

Book review: *August Sartorius von Waltershausen: The Worker's Movement in the United States, 1879-1885*. Edited by David Montgomery and Marcel van der Linden. *The Journal of Economic History* 59, No. 4 (December 1999): 1100-1101.

WORK IN PROGRESS

The Science of Empire: German Political Economy and Imperialism, 1897-1918 (monograph).

Liberal Numbers: the Prussian Statistical Bureau and German Politics, 1860-82 (monograph).

The Second Life of the German Social Question in the Colonies, 1900-1945 (article)

China's German Syndrome: Germany's Long Nineteenth Century and the Rise of China (article).

Institutions and Organizational Theory in History: the Case of the Carl Zeiss Optical Works (article).

PAPERS PRESENTED AND INVITED TALKS

- 2008: Centre for Research in the Arts, Social Sciences and Humanities, Cambridge University, Social Policy Across Borders: Commonalities, Convergence and Paradoxes in Connectivity, 1850-1950 (September 12-13, 2008): “Reform Redux: The Second Life of the German Social Question in the Colonies, 1900-1918.”
- 2008: Berlin-Brandenburgische Akademie der Wissenschaften, Kulturstaat und Bürgergesellschaft, Berlin (April 3-5, 2008): “Die preußische Hochschulpolitik im Spannungsfeld des internationalen Kulturwettbewerbs: der Fall Japan (1869-1914).”
- 2007: Invited roundtable discussant, Center for History and Economics, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, Harvard University (November 7, 2007): “Histories of Economic Thought.”
- 2006: German Studies Association, Pittsburgh (September 28-October 1, 2006): “China's German Syndrome: Germany's Long Nineteenth Century and the Rise of China.” Panel moderator: Inter- and Intracultural Identity: Religious and Ethnic Discourses in the Nineteenth Century.
- 2005: German Studies Association, Milwaukee (September 29-October 2, 2005): “‘Every True Friend of the Fatherland’: Hugo Preuss, Gustav Schmoller and Max Warburg in the debate over the ‘Jewish Question,’ 1916-17.”
- 2004: German Studies Association, Washington D.C. (October 8-10, 2004): “The Empire of Ambitions: Professors, Colonial Policy, and the Radicalization of German *Weltpolitik*” (co-organizer). Panel moderator: Anti-Semitism, Liberalism, and Zionism, 1811-1896.
- 2004: European Social Science History Conference, Berlin (March 24-27, 2004): “The Professors' Africa: Colonial Reform, the Kolonialpolitisches Aktionskomité, and the Radicalization of German *Weltpolitik*, 1904-1914.”
- 2001: German Studies Association, Washington D.C. (October 4-7, 2001): “Beyond Anti-Modernism and Pathological Modernity: German Social Science and Japan, 1880-1914.”
- 2000: Continuities and Discontinuities of Historical Thought in 19th and 20th Century Economics, Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität, Frankfurt (November 24-25, 2000): Discussant on D.F. Lindenfeld, “Grand Historical Narrative or Intellectual Strategy: The Institutional Establishment of the Historical School of Political Economy in the 19th Century.”
- 1999: Norwegian School of Management (Handelshøyskole B.I.), Sandvika, Norway (June 7, 1999): “Institutions and Organizational Theory in History: Gustav Schmoller and the Case of the Carl Zeiss Optical Works.”
- 1998: Leverhulme/Thyssen Historical Political Economy Conference, Cambridge University (October 2-3, 1998): “The Fickle Servant of Progress: History and Social Reform in Germany, 1870-1914.”
- 1998: European Society for the History of Economic Thought Conference, University of Bologna (February 27-March 1, 1998): “Preserving Estate in an Age of Class: German Social Reformers, the Struggle for the *Mittelstand*, and the Decline of Economic Liberalism, 1860-1880.”
- 1998: Faculty of Modern History, Oxford University, Seminar in Modern German History, European Studies Centre, St. Antony's College, Oxford (January 26, 1998): “Economists, Social Reformers and the Rediscovery of the *Mittelstand*, 1860-1880.”
- 1997: Centre for History and Economics, King's College, Cambridge, History and Economics Seminar (November 19, 1997): “Historical Political Economy, 1870-1900.”
- 1996: Centre for the Philosophy of the Natural and Social Sciences, London School of Economics (October 24, 1996): “Historical Political Economy in the European Dimension 1870-1900: An Overview.”

COURSES TAUGHT

Wesleyan University:

- History 120: Empire, Nationhood and the Quest for German Unity, 1815-1990.
- History 163: European Economic History Since 1700.
- History 263: Inside Nazi Germany, 1933-1945.
- History 347: The Social Question and the Rise of the Welfare State.
- History 362: Issues in Contemporary Historiography.
- History 376: The Holocaust.
- College of Social Studies 418: The Emergence of Modern Europe.
- College of Social Studies 427/428: Post-Imperial History, 1945-1990.
- Graduate Liberal Studies Program: Nation, State and Empire in Modern Germany.
- Graduate Liberal Studies Program: Inside Nazi Germany, 1933-1945.
- Graduate Liberal Studies Program: The Origins of Global Capitalism—Economic History Since 1600.

The University of Chicago:

- History 13100, Ancient Greek and Roman Civilization.
- History 13200, Medieval, Renaissance and Reformation Europe.
- History 13300, Modern Europe.
- History 23500, Modern Germany: Social Reform and the Welfare State in the Nineteenth Century.
- Social Science 27500-27700, French Civilization (taught in Paris).

Balliol College, Oxford University:

- Honour Moderations: “Society, Nation and Empire, 1815-1914.”
- General History XI, 1799-1856.
- General History XII, 1856-1914.
- General History III, 1914-1945.
- General History XIV, 1941-1973.
- Final Honours School, Comparative History and Historiography. Supervised second and third-year students writing extended comparative history essays.

University College, Oxford University:

- Honour Moderations, German texts: “Meinecke and Kehr: Two Views of the German *Sonderweg*.”

St. Catherine’s College, Oxford University:

- The History of Classical Economic Thought (Adam Smith to Marx).

ACADEMIC HONORS, GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2007-2008: Project grant, Wesleyan University (research grant).

2007: Meigs Fund small grant, Department of History, Wesleyan University (research grant).

2005-2006: Project grant, Wesleyan University (research grant).

2004-2005: Carol A. Baker ’81 Memorial Prize for excellence in teaching and research, Wesleyan University.

2004-2005: Project grant, Wesleyan University (research grant).

2003-2004: Project grant, Wesleyan University (research grant).

- 2003: NEH Summer Stipend junior faculty nominee, Wesleyan University.
- 2003: Meigs Fund small grant, Department of History, Wesleyan University (research grant).
- 2002-2003: Project grant, Wesleyan University (research grant).
- 1999-2002: William Rainey Harper Fellowship, Society of Fellows in the Liberal Arts, University of Chicago.
- 1996-98: Senior Research Studentship, Centre for History and Economics, King's College, Cambridge University.
- 1996-98: Research grants, Fritz Thyssen Foundation and Leverhulme Trust.
- 1996: Research grant, Arnold, Bryce and Read Fund, Oxford University.
- 1996: Research grant, Faculty of History/Committee for Graduate Studies, Oxford University.
- 1996-98: Research grant, Nuffield College, Oxford University.
- 1994-98: Oxford Overseas Bursary, Oxford University (tuition grant).
- 1994-98: Overseas Research Student Award, Committee of Vice Chancellors and Principals of the Universities of the United Kingdom (tuition grant).
- 1994-96: Studentship, Nuffield College, Oxford University.
- 1992: Bursary, Cambridge Overseas Trust, Cambridge University (tuition grant).
- 1989: The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi.
- 1989: Alvina S. Barrett Scholarship, Brigham Young University.
- 1988: Golden Key National Honor Society.

ACADEMIC SERVICE

- 2007-2008: Board member, Friends of the Wesleyan Library.
- 2007-2008: Search committee, Mellon Fellowship, Center for the Humanities, Wesleyan University.
- 2007-2008: Honors Committee, Department of History, Wesleyan University.
- 2007: Davenport Grant selection committee, History Department, Wesleyan University.
- 2006: Resident Director, Vanderbilt-Wesleyan-Wheaton Program in Germany, Regensburg, Germany.
- 2005: Davenport Grant selection committee, College of Social Studies, Wesleyan University.
- 2004-2005: Chair, Common Life Committee, Department of History, Wesleyan University.
- 2004: Davenport Grant selection committee, History Department Wesleyan University.
- 2004: Faculty search interviewer and referee, German Studies Department, Wesleyan University.
- 2003-2004: John W. Macy Summer Internship in Public Administration selection committee, Wesleyan University.
- 2003: Search interviewer and referee, Mellon Fellowship, Center for the Humanities, Wesleyan University.
- 2002-2004: Honors Committee, Department of History, Wesleyan University.
- 2002: University of Chicago Study Abroad Program, Paris (Spring 2002).
Chosen to teach the French Civilization sequence for the Paris Study Abroad Program.
- 2001-2002: Faculty Fellow, Compton House, Shoreland Hall, University of Chicago Housing.
Conducted colloquia and provided faculty contact to students in a university house.
- 2001-2002: Faculty Sponsor, Historical Sociology and Comparative Political Economy Workshop,
funded by the Council on Advanced Studies in the Humanities and Social Sciences,
University of Chicago.
- 1999-2000: Western Civilization module committee, Collegiate Division of the Social Sciences
University of Chicago. Devised the new 19th century module used for the University of Chicago's
Western Civilization sequence.
- 1996: JCR President, Nuffield College, Oxford University (Hilary Term 1996).
Managed and coordinated all student affairs as student body president of an Oxford graduate
college.

1995: Panel discussion leader for AIESEC-Oxford on European Monetary Union (March 1995).
Led a panel that included Charles Goodhart (formerly of the Bank of England), Patrick Minford (formerly H.M. Treasury) and Robert Raymond (Director-General of the European Monetary Institute). An article relating to this panel discussion appeared in *The European* (17-23 March 1995, p. 18).

LANGUAGES

German (fluent written and spoken), Norwegian and French (basic written; limited spoken).

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Historical Association
German Studies Association
American Association of Museums