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EMPLOYMENT

Lecturer, Committee on Degrees in History and Literature, Harvard University (July 2022-present)

Pre-Concentration Academic Advisor, Harvard College (July 2023-present)

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Harvard University, History, November 2022

Dissertation: *Paying for the Post-Industrial: The Global Costs of West German and European Capitalist Crisis and Revival, 1972-1988*

Committee: Alison Frank Johnson, Charles S. Maier, Samuel Moyn (Yale University), Giuliana Chamedes (University of Wisconsin – Madison), Quinn Slobodian (Wellesley College)

M.A., Yale University, International Relations, May 2010

B.A. (*cum laude*, departmental honors), Columbia University, History and Italian Literature, May 2006

FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

2022	Postdoctoral Fellowship, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (deferred)
2021-22	Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Center for European Studies, Harvard University
2020-21	Dissertation Writing and Research Grant, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University
2020	Graduate Research Fellowship, Canada Program, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University

2020	History Department Summer Funding, History Department, Harvard University
2019	Distinction in Teaching Award, Derek Bok Center, Harvard University
2019	Doctoral Fellowship, Konrad Adenauer Foundation
2018-2019	Doctoral Fellowship, Berlin Program for Advanced German and European Studies, Freie Universität Berlin
2017-2018	Krupp Foundation Dissertation Research Fellowship, Center for European Studies, Harvard University
2017-2018	Doctoral Research Grant, DAAD - German Academic Exchange Service (declined)
2017	Distinction in Teaching Award, Derek Bok Center, Harvard University
2016	Pre-dissertation Grant, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University
2015-2016	Homer J. Hagedorn Graduate Fellowship Fund, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Harvard University
2014-2022	Doctoral Fellowship (full funding), Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Harvard University
2015	Summer Language Study Grant, Institute of Turkish Studies, Georgetown University
2010-2011	Transatlantic Fellowship, Robert Bosch Foundation
2008-10	Multiple Fellowships at Yale University, including a multi-year University Fellowship, DACOR Bacon House Dreyfus Fellowship, Coca Cola World Fund, and EU Studies Grant
2006	Helen and Howard R. Marraro Senior Thesis Prize, Columbia University
2006	Departmental Honors, Department of History, Columbia University
2006	College Latin Honors, Columbia College, Columbia University
2004	Peter M. Riccio Prize, Columbia University
2002	Ontario Scholar

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

“The Italian Incident: the Seveso Disaster and New Temporalities and Geographies of European Industry,” *Past and Present* (under review)

“‘Big Clean,’ the ‘Death Ship,’ and the Hazardous Waste Trade between West Germany and Turkey, 1987-1988,” *Contemporary European History* (2022)

SELECT CONFERENCE, EDITORIAL, & EVENT ACTIVITY

- 2023 (co-editor) “Boundaries of Belonging: The Welfare State in the Wake of Decolonization,” a forum in *Contemporary European History* featuring articles by Giuliano Garavini (Roma Tre), Chelsea Schields (UC Irvine), and Laurent Warlouzet (Paris Sorbonne), co-edited with Giuliana Chamedes (University of Wisconsin-Madison).

- 2020 (co-organizer) “Social Justice Remade? The Decline of the European Welfare State in a Global Context, 1973-2009,” August 10-14, 2020, George L. Mosse Program in History, University of Wisconsin-Madison (moved online due to the Covid-19 pandemic). Co-organized with Giuliana Chamedes, University of Wisconsin-Madison.

- 2020 “The Toxic Detritus of Industry Beyond Borders: The Hazardous Waste Trade between West Germany, Turkey, and the Global South, 1986-1989,” Social Justice Remade? The Decline of the European Welfare State in a Global Context, 1973-2009 (August 10-14, 2020), George L. Mosse Program in History, University of Wisconsin-Madison (online).

- 2018 “Turkey, Germany, and the European Community in a New Age of Coal: Foreign Investment, Economic Development, and International Migration at Afşin-Elbistan, 1969-1979” (talk given in German), Forschungskolloquium im Wintersemester 2018/2019 (November 5, 2018), Berlin Program for Advanced German and European Studies, Freie Universität Berlin.

- 2018 “Étienne Davignon, EEC Industrial Policy, and the Protectionist Origins of the European Single Market,” (invited talk given in Italian), Brussels Consensus: l’integrazione europea e il neoliberalismo (October 25-26, 2018), University of Padua, Italy.

- 2015 “The Toxic Cloud of Seveso: Environmental Anxieties in 1970s Italy,” The History of Energy and the Environment, A History Project Conference, Joint Center for History and Economics and the Global History of Energy Project, Harvard University (October 22-23, 2015)

TEACHING

History and Literature, Harvard University (2022-present)

Hist-Lit 97: Globalization since the 1970s (core course for new majors), spring 2023

Hist-Lit 98: Junior Tutorial, spring 2023

Hist-Lit 90FJ: Modern Europe and Migration (elective seminar), fall 2022

Hist-Lit 98: Manifestations of Global Power: The Past 200 Years (junior tutorial), fall 2022

Hist-Lit 99: Senior thesis advising, fall 2022 – spring 2023

Department of History, Harvard University (2016-2021)

Head Teaching Fellow, History 97: Sophomore Tutorial in Historical Analysis, spring 2020-spring 2021.

Teaching Fellow, History 1265: German Empires, 1848-1948, fall 2019 (recipient of Distinction in Teaching Award).

Teaching Fellow, History 97: What is Environmental History? (recipient of Distinction in Teaching Award).

Digital Teaching Fellow and Teaching Fellow, History 1265: German Empires, 1848-1948, fall 2016.

DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

History and Literature, Harvard University

Committee on Instruction, spring 2023

COLLEGE-WIDE SERVICE

Advising Programs Office, Office of Undergraduate Education, Harvard College

Faculty member of College pilot program to reform academic advising for incoming students

NON-ACADEMIC FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT

- 2011-2014 Senior Policy Analyst (final position), Strategy, Desertec Industrial Initiative (Dii GmbH), Munich, Germany
- 2010-2011 Bosch Fellow, with placements in the office of Dietmar Nietan, Member of Parliament, Social Democratic Party, Deutscher Bundestag (German Parliament), and Siemens, Energy and Government Affairs, Berlin
- 2009 Graduate Research Intern, Global Public Policy Institute, Berlin, Germany
- 2006-2007 English teacher, English Academy, Izmir, Turkey

LANGUAGES

German – near-native fluency in speaking and reading
Italian – near-native fluency in speaking and reading
French – proficiency in reading
Modern Turkish – basic reading ability

REFERENCES

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