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EDUCATION

2012 Ph.D., History, Duke University
2008 M.A., History, Duke University
2006 M.A., History, Certificate in Historical Agencies and Administration,
Northeastern University
2004 B.A., History, New York University

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

2021-present Associate Professor of History, Loyola University Maryland
2015-2021 Assistant Professor of History, Loyola University Maryland
2014-2015 Lecturer, History and Literature Program, Harvard University
2012-2014 Visiting Assistant Professor of History, Oglethorpe University

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Empire in the Heimat: Colonialism and Public Culture in the Third Reich (Oxford University Press, 2018)

Journal Articles

“Colonial Education in the Third Reich: The Witzenhausen Colonial School and the Rendsburg Colonial School for Women,” *Central European History* 49, no. 2 (June 2016): 181-207.
“*Deutsche Heimat in Afrika*: Colonial Revisionism and the Construction of Germanness Through Photography.” *Journal of Women’s History* 25, no. 1 (Spring 2013): 37-61.
— with Tiffany Trimmer and Brendan Wilson. “The Quantity and Quality of World History We Expect Students to Learn in Fourteen Weeks: A Thematic Approach Incorporating *The Earth and Its Peoples* and *Global Passages*.” *World History Connected: The E-Journal of Teaching and Learning*. 3:2 (February 2006).

Book Chapters

“‘Here too lies our *Lebensraum*’: Colonial Space as German Space.” In *Heimat, Region, and Empire: Spatial Identities under National Socialism*, edited by Chris Szejnmann and Maiken Umbach, 148-165. Basingstoke: Palgrave MacMillan, 2012.

Book Reviews

- Review of Susanne Heyn, *Kolonial bewegte Jugend: Beziehungsgeschichten zwischen Deutschland und Südwestafrika zur Zeit der Weimarer Republik* (Bielefeld: transcript Verlag, 2018) in *German History* 37, no. 4 (December 2019): 589–590.
- Review of Lara Day and Oliver Haag, eds., *The Persistence of Race: Continuity and Change in Germany from the Wilhelmine Empire to National Socialism* (New York: Berghahn Books, 2017) in *German History*, 36 no. 4 (December 2018): 654-656.
- Review of Dina Gusejnova, *European Elites and Ideas of Empire, 1917-1957* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2016) in *German Studies Review*, 41, no. 1 (February 2018): 180-182.
- Review of Guenter Lewy, *Harmful and Undesirable: Book Censorship in Nazi Germany* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2016) in *History: Reviews of New Books* 45, no. 4 (July 2017): 100-101.
- Review of *Weimar Colonialism: Discourses of Post-Imperialism in Germany after 1918*, eds. Florian Krobb and Elaine Martin (Bielefeld: Aisthesis Verlag. 2014) in *German History* 33, no. 1 (2015): 149-150.

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- Bernadotte E. Schmitt Grant for Research in European, African, or Asian History, American Historical Association, 2019
- NEH Summer Stipend, 2018
- Summer Research Grant, Loyola University Maryland, 2018
- VPAA Ingenuity Grant, Loyola University Maryland, 2017
- VPAA Ingenuity Grant, Loyola University Maryland (co-recipient), 2017
- Office of Research and Sponsored Programs Research Expense Funds, Loyola University Maryland, 2017
- Summer Research Grant, Loyola University Maryland, 2016
- Dean's Supplemental Professional Development Fund grant, Loyola University Maryland, 2016
- Postdoctoral Fellowship, German Historical Institute, Washington D.C., June-July 2015
- Dr. Richard M. Hunt Fellowship for the Study of German History, Politics, Society, and Culture, American Council on Germany, 2011
- Bernadotte E. Schmitt Grant for Research in European, African, or Asian History, American Historical Association, 2011
- Special Collections Library Internship, Duke University, 2011-2012
- Aleane Webb Dissertation Research Fellowship, Graduate School, Duke University, 2010
- Summer Research Fellowship, Graduate School, Duke University, 2009
- Women's Studies Travel/Conference Grant, Duke University, 2007, 2011
- Duke University History Department Summer Research Funding, 2007
- Anne Firor Scott Award, 2007
- DAAD Intensive Language Course Grant, 2007

RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

- “British-German Cooperation and Competition in Interwar Tanganyika,” German Studies Association (virtual), September 30, 2020

- “German Settlement in the Southern Highlands of Tanganyika, 1927-1929,” German Studies Association, Portland, OR, October 6, 2019.
- “Colonialism and Public Culture in the Third Reich,” American Historical Association, Chicago, IL, January 5, 2019.
- “Ties that Bind: Connections between Germany and Tanganyika in the Interwar Period,” German Studies Association, Pittsburgh, PA, September 28, 2018.
- “*Volksbewegung* versus *Versammlungsmüdigkeit*: Colonial Lobbying in the Third Reich,” German Studies Association, Atlanta, GA, October 6, 2017.
- “Bridging Germany’s Colonial Past and Future in the Third Reich,” Berlin Program for Advanced German and European Studies Summer Workshop (“Continuities and Ruptures: Reflections on Crucial Concepts”), Free University, Berlin, Germany, June 28-30, 2017.
- “British and German Empires in the Illustrated Press, 1933-1945,” German Studies Association, San Diego, CA, September 30, 2016.
- “Educating Colonizers After Empire: Colonial Schools in the Third Reich,” German Studies Association, Washington, DC, October 2, 2015.
- “Keeping the Lost Empire Alive in Nazi Germany,” Death of Empires: A Multidisciplinary Conference on World War I, Daemen College, Amherst, New York, September 19, 2015.
- “*National sein heißt kolonial sein*: Colonialism and Public Culture in the Third Reich,” German Studies Association, Denver, CO, October 4, 2013.
- “Pith helmets do not make colonial pioneers’: Colonial Spectacle and Colonial Kitsch in the Third Reich,” German Studies Association, Milwaukee, WI, October 5, 2012.
- “Creating Future Colonists: Colonialist Discourse, National Socialism and the Rendsburg Colonial School for Women, 1926-1945,” Social Science History Association, Boston, Massachusetts, November 18, 2011 (panel co-organizer).
- “Race, Anti-Semitism, and the Myth of the Good German Colonizer in the Third Reich,” German Studies Association, Louisville, KY, September 24, 2011.
- “Colonizers are born, not made’’: Creating a Colonial Identity in Nazi Germany,” European History Colloquium, History Department, Duke University, May 2, 2011.
- “‘A Whole Host of Experiences are Offered’: The 1939 Dresden Colonial Exhibition,” German Studies Association, Oakland, CA, October 10, 2010.
- “*Auch hier liegt unser Lebensraum*’: Colonial Space as German Space,” Space, Identity and National Socialism, Loughborough University and University of Leicester, England, May 11-12, 2010.
- “German Colonial Women and the Construction of Germanness through Photography,” History in the Age of Photography panel, History Department Colloquium, Duke University, January 26, 2009.
- “When the ‘Black Horror’ Met Germania: Gender, Race and Colonialism in German Satirical Cartoons of the Rhineland Occupation, 1920-1923,” German Studies Association, San Diego, CA, October 7, 2007.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE

Loyola University Maryland

History Department chair, 2022-present

Internship coordinator, History Department, Loyola University Maryland, 2016-present

Junior Faculty Symposium on Research in the Humanities, Loyola University Maryland,

co-chair, 2019-2021

Judge, National History Day

State level: North Carolina (2012), Georgia (2013, 2014)

Local level: Maryland (2015, 2016, 2022)

Manuscript and proposal referee

Bloomsbury Academic

Central European History

Journal of Colonialism and Colonial History

Andererseits: Yearbook of Transatlantic German Studies

South African Historical Journal

Diskurs Kindheits- und Jugendforschung/Discourse. Journal of Childhood and

Adolescence Research

COURSES TAUGHT

Loyola University Maryland

HS 101 The Making of the Modern World: Europe

HS 318 Creation of Modern Germany, 1770-1992

HS 319 Nazi Germany and the Holocaust

HS 417D Germans in Africa, Africans in Germany

HS 431 Introduction to Public History

HS 474 Holocaust Memory in Germany and America

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Historical Association

German Studies Association

Central European History Society

National Council on Public History