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Degrees Received

- Ph.D. History, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, History, 2005
“Between Peace and Order: Demobilization, International Politics,
and Urban Protest in Europe, 1917-21”
- Master of Arts History, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, History,
2001 “A League of Youth: Boy Scouting, Youth, and War, 1907-
1925”
- Bachelor of Arts History and African Studies, University of North Carolina at
Chapel Hill, 1998 (with highest honors)

Academic Positions

Professor of History, Texas A&M University, 2015-
Associate Professor of History, Texas A&M University, 2011-2015
Assistant Professor of History, Texas A&M University, 2005-2011
Visiting Faculty, History, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 2005
Visiting Assistant Professor, History, Duke University, 2004

Teaching Fields

European Military History
Comparative / Transnational History
Modern German History

PUBLICATIONS

Monographs:

Strangers in the Wild Place: Refugees, Americans, and a German Town, 1945-52
(Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 2013)

*The Ordeal of Peace: Demobilization and the Urban Experience in Britain and Germany,
1917-21* (Farnham: Ashgate, 2009)

Edited Volume:

Modern Germany in Transatlantic Perspective, with Michael Meng (New York: Berghahn Books, 2017)

Editing of Journal Special Issues:

“Refugees and Exiles in Postwar Europe,” Special issue of *Holocaust and Genocide Studies*, 32:1 (Spring 2018). With Andrea A. Sinn

“1917 in History and Memory,” Special issue of *South Central Review: The Journal of the South Central Modern Language Association*, 34:3 (Fall 2017)

Journal Articles:

“‘We Have to Pay the Price’: German Workers and the US Army, 1945–1989.” *War in History*, 26, no. 4 (November 2019): 563–584.

“‘Visionary Battle Scenes’: Reading Sir John Hackett’s *The Third World War, 1977–85*,” *The Journal of Military History*, 83, no. 4 (October 2019): 1235-57

“This Land Remains German”: Requisitioning, Society, and the US Army, 1945–1956.” *Central European History*, 52, no. 3 (September 2019): 476-495.

(with Andrea A. Sinn) “Landscapes of the Uprooted: Displacement in Postwar Europe,” *Holocaust and Genocide Studies*, 32:1 (Spring 2018), 1-7.

“‘Hold On’ is the Order of the Hour: Consent, Dissent, and Mobilization in 1917” *South Central Review: The Journal of the South Central Modern Language Association*, 34:3 (Fall 2017), 58-72.

“Introduction: 1917 and the 20th Century.” *South Central Review: The Journal of the South Central Modern Language Association*, 34:3 (Fall 2017), 2-7.

“Buchenwald Stories: Testimony, Military History, and the American Encounter with the Holocaust.” *Journal of Military History* 79:3 (July 2015): 721-44

“The Driftwood of War: the US Army, Expellees, and West German Society, 1945-1952” *War and Society* 32:3 (October 2013): 211–32.

“Refugee Town: Germans, Americans, and the Uprooted in Rural West Germany, 1945-52.” *Journal of Contemporary History* 44 (October 2009): 675-695.

“Beyond the ‘Seminal Catastrophe’: Re-imagining the First World War.”
Journal of Contemporary History 41 (October 2006): 757-766.

“Scapegoats for a Lost War: Demobilization, the Kapp Putsch, and the Politics of the Streets in Munich, 1919-1920.” *War and Society* 25 (May 2006): 35-54.

Recent Book Chapters:

“The View from Benjamin-Franklin Strasse: Politics, Society, and Conversion in Western Germany, 1989-1995” in Eleni Braat and Pepijn Corduwener, eds. *1989 and the West: Western Europe since the End of the Cold War* (London: Routledge, 2019), 27-45.

“War and Society in Modern Europe” in David Ulbrich and Matthew Muhlbauer, eds. *The Routledge History of Global War and Society* (New York: Routledge, 2018), 103-115.

“From Ruination to Renewal: Konrad Jarausch’s Europe,” with Michael Meng, in Michael Meng and Adam R. Seipp, eds. *Modern Germany in Transatlantic Perspective* (New York: Berghahn Books, 2017), 1-20.

“‘The Most Beautiful Spot on God’s Green Earth’: Archives, Microhistory, and the Story of Europe’s DPs” in Corine Defrance, Juliette Denis and Julia Maspero, eds., *Personnes déplacées et guerre froide en Allemagne occupée* (Brussels: PIE Peter Lang, 2015), 231-249.

“The Wild Place: DP Camp Wildflecken, Refugees, and Lives in Transit,” Rebecca Boehling, Susanne Urban, and Rene Bienart, eds., *Freilegungen: Leben im Transit: Überlebende zwischen Repatriierung, Rehabilitation und Neuanfang* (Goettingen: Wallstein, 2014), 128-136.

“A Reasonable ‘Yes’: Social Democrats and West German Rearmament, 1945-60” in James Corum, ed., *Rearming Germany* (Leiden, Brill, 2011), 55-72.

“Building the Cold War Frontier: Bases, Refugees, and Germans in Franconia, 1945-60” in Luís N. Rodrigues and Sergiy Glebov, eds., *Military Bases: Historical Perspectives, Contemporary Challenges* (Amsterdam: IOS Press and the NATO Public Diplomacy Division, 2009), 81-91.

“Between Catastrophe and Cooperation: Americans, Refugees, and Germans, 1945-52,” in Kendall Gott, ed. *The US Army and the Interagency Process: Historical Perspectives* (Ft. Leavenworth KS: US Army Command and General Staff College, 2009), 245-256.

“To Come as Conquerors: American Basing in the European Theater, 1940-45,” in Luís N. Rodrigues, ed., *Franklin Roosevelt and the Azores During the Two World Wars* (Lisbon: Fundação Luso-Americana, 2008), 323-336.

Recent Book Reviews:

"Occupiers, Allies, and the Long Postwar." Essay in *Reviews in American History* 46: 2 (Summer 2018), 300-306

Allies in Memory: World War II and the Politics of Transatlantic Commemoration, c. 1941–2001, by Sam Edwards. *The Journal of Modern History* 89:1 (March 2017) 169-171.

The Schlieffen Plan: International Perspectives on the German Strategy for World War I ed. by Hans Gotthard Ehlert, Michael Epkenhans, Gerhard Paul Gross. H-Net Reviews. (<http://www.h-net.org/reviews/showrev.php?id=42838>)

Enemies to Allies: Cold War Germany and American Memory, by Brian Etheridge, *Passports: The Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Review*. (September 2016) 13-15.

Those Who Hold Bastogne: The True Story of the Soldiers and Civilians Who Fought in the Biggest Battle of the Bulge, by Peter Schrijvers, H-Net Reviews, <http://www.h-net.org/reviews/showpdf.php?id=42839>

Fragmented Fatherland: Immigration and Cold War Conflict in the Federal Republic of Germany, 1945-1980, by Alexander Clarkson, *IMR: International Migration Review*, 49:3 (Fall 2015), 17-18.

Niemandsland: A History of Unoccupied Germany, by Gareth Pritchard, *German Studies Review*, 37:3 (October 2014), 694-696

GIs and Germans: The Social, Economic, Cultural, and Political History of the American Military Presence, by Thomas Maulucci and Detlef Junker, *Journal of Military History*, 78 (April 2014), 837-838.

The Great War: A Combat History, by Peter Hart, *Michigan War Studies Review* <http://www.miwsr.com/2013-098.aspx>.

Ostkrieg: Hitler's War of Extermination in the East, by Stephen G. Fritz, *Michigan War Studies Review*. <http://www.miwsr.com/2013-039.aspx>

Blood, Sweat, and Toil: Remaking the British Working Class, 1939-1945, by Geoffrey G. Field, H-War, H-Net Reviews (January, 2013).

Between National Socialism and Soviet Communism: Displaced Persons in Postwar Germany, by Anna Holian, *American Historical Review*, 117 (June 2012): 950-51.

Poor Relief and Welfare in Germany from the Reformation to World War I, by Larry Frohman, *History: The Journal of the Historical Association*, 97 (April 2012): 337-38.

303 Squadron: The Legendary Battle of Britain Fighter Squadron, by Arkady Fiedler, *Sarmatian Review*, 31 (January 2011): 1559-1560.

Stadt der Schieber: Der Berliner Schwarzmarkt, 1939-1950, by Malte Zierenberg, H-German, H-Net Reviews, November 2010.

Other Writing:

“Freed from Fear and Sadness: The New Germany,” co-authored with Michael Meng published 5/7/20: <https://berghahnbooks.com/blog/freed-from-fear-and-sadness-the-new-germany>

Recent Fellowships and Research Grants:

Albritton Center for Grant Strategy Research Grant, 2019

German Academic Exchange Service Faculty Research Visit Grant, 2016

General and Mrs. Matthew Ridgway Research Fellowship, US Army Military History Insitute, 2016

Melbern G. Glasscock Center Faculty Research Grant, 2016

A.I. and Manet Schepps Foundation Fellow, USC Shoah Foundation, 2015-16

Melbern G. Glasscock Center Faculty Research Grant, 2013

United States Holocaust Memorial Museum Research Workshop Grant, 2013

TAMU College of Liberal Arts Seed Grant, 2013

Scowcroft Institute of International Affairs Faculty Research Grant, 2013

TAMU Program to Enhance Scholarly and Creative Activities Grant, 2010

Recent Scholarly Presentations:

“We Have to Pay the Price: American Garrison Towns in Germany after 1989,” Invited lecture, Hastings College, Hastings, NE, November 15, 2019.

“‘Still Burning for Revenge and Battle’: *Erfolg* and Politics of Cultural Demobilization in Munich, 1918-1923,” International Feuchtwanger Society, Munich, Germany, October 21, 2019.

Invited Panel Participant: “The State of Security Studies,” Triangle Institute for Security Studies New Faces 20th Anniversary Conference, Chapel Hill, NC, September 21, 2019.

Invited panel participant: “The Purpose of a History PhD: Insights from the Career Diversity Initiative,” American Historical Association – Pacific Coast Branch, Las Vegas, NV, August 1, 2019.

“Buchenwald Stories: America’s Encounter with the Holocaust, 1945-1995,” Max M. Kaplan Endowed Lecture, Holocaust Museum Houston, July 10, 2019

Participant on invited Presidential Roundtable on “Winning the Peace: The Aftermath of World War I” Society for Military History Annual Meeting, Columbus, Ohio. May 11.

“Conquistadors and Social Workers: Occupying Germany, 1949-55,” Society for Military History Annual Meeting, Columbus, Ohio, May 10, 2019.

“Conquistadors and Social Workers: German-American Encounters, 1945-52,” The Berlin Airlift and the Making of the Cold War,” College Station, TX. April 11, 2019

“Daily Life in the DP Camps,” Invited presentation, Refugees Endure workshop, Tulane University Law School, New Orleans, LA, November 16, 2018

“Mox Nix: The US Army and German Society, 1949-1963,” Distinguished Lecture in German Studies, University of St. Thomas, Minneapolis, MN, November 12, 2018

“‘One Does Not Casually Run Over Trees in Germany’: German Social Movements and the US Army, 1975-89” Social Movements After 1968, Rutgers University, November 8, 2018.

“This is Buchenwald: Concentration Camp Liberation and the American Encounter with the Holocaust, 1945-1995” Holocaust Museum Houston, September 20, 2018.

- “Liberation Day: History, Memory, and the Aftermath of a Death March, 1945-1995,”
Invited plenary lecture at the Association of Holocaust Organizations Annual Meeting, Mobile, AL, June 4, 2018.
- Roundtable participant, Battlefield Germany: Militarized Landscapes in Cold War Central Europe, Society for Military History Annual Meeting, Louisville, KY. April 6, 2018
- “The View from Benjamin-Franklin-Strasse: Politics, Society, and Conversion in Western Germany, 1989-1995,” 1989 and the West: New Perspectives on the Consequences of the End of the Cold War. University of Utrecht, April 20, 2017
- “‘Hang On’ is the Order of the Day’: Consent and Dissent in Wartime Europe,” 1917: A Turning Point in Global History and Memory, Texas A&M, March 1, 2017.
- “‘This is Buchenwald’: Concentration Camp Liberation and the American Encounter with the Holocaust,” Invited lecture, Texas State University, February 8, 2017.
- “Donuts, Cab Drivers, and Communists: Germans Encounter the US Army, 1945-1952,” Waging Peace conference organized by Dale Center for the Study of War and Society, New Orleans, LA, September 9, 2016.
- “Mox Nix: The US Army, German Society, and the Making of the Federal Republic,” Invited lecture, University of Heidelberg. July 14, 2016
- “Mox Nix: The US Army, German Society, and the Making of the Federal Republic,” Invited lecture, Free University Berlin, June 20, 2016.
- “In Sarajevo’s Shadow: World War I and the Making of the 20th Century.” Invited lecture, Angelo State University, San Angelo, TX April 25, 2016
- “The Main Role: History, Memory, and the Aftermath of a Death March,” Southern Historical Association Annual Meeting, Little Rock, AR, November 14, 2015.
- “In the Pipeline: Children, Families, and Europe’s DP Crisis in the Wake of the Holocaust,” Invited lecture at Teaching Trauma Workshop, co-sponsored by United States Holocaust Memorial Museum and the University of Montana. Missoula, MT, November 5, 2015.
- “The Main Role: History, Memory, and the Aftermath of a Death March,” German Studies Association Annual Meeting, Arlington, VA, October 3, 2015.
- “‘What Have You Done to these People?’ Bystanders in the End-Phase of the Holocaust.” The Bystander in Holocaust History, Duitsland Instituut, University of Amsterdam, September 24, 2015.

- “Liberation Day: History, Memory, and the Afterlife of a Death March, 1945-1995,”
Invited lecture, USC Shoah Foundation Institute, July 23, 2015.
- “Liberation Day: History, Memory, and the Death Marches,” Zero Hour: World War II
After 70 Years, Symposium at the Melburn G. Glasscock Center for Humanities
Research, April 30, 2015.
- “Liberation Day: Commemoration, Politics, and the Afterlife of a Death March, 1945-
1995,” Paper given at the Azrieli Holocaust Collection 30th Anniversary
Conference, Concordia University, Montreal, Canada, March 10, 2015
- “In Sarajevo’s Shadow: World War I and the Lessons of History,” Invited lecture at
University of Arkansas, February 26, 2015.
- “Causes and Consequences of World War I: Can the Past Speak to the Present?” Panel
Discussion at Baker Institute for Public Policy, Rice University, September 25,
2014.
- “On the Land: Forced Labor, Wartime Society, and the ITS Archive,” The International
Tracing Service Archive and Holocaust Scholarship Workshop, United States
Holocaust Memorial Museum, May 12, 2014.
- “Conquerors, Occupiers, Allies: The American Occupation of Germany, 1945-49,”
Invited lecture, Office of the Historian of the Secretary of Defense, Washington,
DC, March 25, 2014.
- “Rumors of War: Militarization and Anxiety on the West German Border, 1949-1952,”
The Pacification(?) of Post-World War II Europe: Continuity and Breaks in
Mentalities and Politics, 1945-1990, German Historical Institute Warsaw,
February 21, 2014.
- “People, Borders, and the Wartime World,” 1914 and the Making of the 20th Century,
College Station, TX, September 18, 2013.
- “The Driftwood of War: Expellees, the US Army, and West German Society, 1945-52,”
Landscapes of the Uprooted, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, August
15, 2013.
- “Buchenwald Stories: Oral History, the Liberation of the Concentration Camps, and the
American Story of World War II,” Aftermath Conference, Monash University,
Melbourne, Australia, August 8-9, 2013
- “Narratives of Displacement in Postwar Germany,” Invited lecture, University of
Munich, June 14, 2013.

“A Victory for Democracy: Displaced Persons, Expellees, and the US Army, 1948-1952,” Displaced Persons and the Cold War in Occupied Germany, Paris, France, May 25, 2013.

“Refugees and Population Displacement After World War II,” Invited lecture, Dallas Holocaust Museum, May 12, 2013.

“The Ordeal of Peace: Demobilization and the Urban Experience in Europe, 1917-21,” Invited lecture at University College, Dublin, March 20, 2013.

“Buchenwald Stories: Testimony, History, and the Liberation of the Concentration Camps, 1945,” Society for Military History Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, March 6, 2013.

“In the Pipeline: Children, Families, and Europe’s Displaced Persons Crisis, 1945-1952,” Invited talk at United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, Washington, DC, February 18, 2013.

“Stories, Survivors, and Sources: Digital Archives and the Future of Testimonies,” The Future of Holocaust Testimonies II, Akko, Israel, March 19, 2012.

“The Seigneurs of Wildflecken: Refugees, Occupiers, and a German Town, 1945-1952,” Beyond Camps and Forced Labour: International Research on the Survivors of Nazi Persecution, London, UK, January 4, 2012.

“To Lose a Second Homeland: The Cold War and the Limits of Expellee Radicalism, 1948-52,” German Studies Association Annual Meeting, Louisville, KY, September 24, 2011.

“Like Dynamite Just Before Detonation: Refugees, Base Politics, and Urban Life in Bavaria, 1945-51,” Society for Military History Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, June 10, 2011.

Awards and Honors:

Student Veteran Support Award, 2016

Association of Former Students Distinguished Achievement Award for Teaching, 2012.

Second Place, Charles Adams Center Cold War Studies Essay Contest, 2008.

SERVICE

Departmental

Associate Department Head, 2017-

Director of Graduate Studies, 2012-2016

Graduate Internship Coordinator, 2018-
Chair, Search Committee, War and Society, 2012-13
Graduate Placement Director, 2011-12
Search Committee, Department Head, 2010
Search Committee, US in the World, 2009-10
Member, Undergraduate Committee, 2006-2010
Advisor, TAMU History Club, 2006-08

College

Dean's Advisory Committee (Member, 2017- ; chair, 2019-20)
Graduate Instruction Committee, 2012-2016
Dean's Development Advisory Committee, 2012-2014
Search Committee, Modernist Studies and Cultural-Intellectual History, Department of
European and Classical Languages, 2007-08

University

Faculty Board, France/TAMU Institute, 2013-
Vice President for Student Affairs Faculty Advisory Committee, 2011-2015
Board of Directors, Brazos Valley Fulbright Association, 2005-present
Texas A&M University Student Fulbright Selection Committee, 2006-2014
Faculty Advisory Board, Scowcroft Institute for International Affairs, 2007-present
International Research Travel Assistance Grant Selection Committee, 2009

Professional Organizations:

American Historical Association
German Studies Association
Society for Military History
Fulbright Association

Editorial and Professional Service

Chair, Society for Military History Graduate Student Prize Committee (Jeffrey Grey,
Russell Weigley, and ABC-Clio Awards), 2016-
Prize Committee, Baker-Burton-Smith Book Award, European History Section –
Southern Historical Association
Editorial Advisory Committee, Journal of Military History, 2016-20
Selection Committee, American Historical Association Paul Birdsall Book Prize, 2016-
2019
Chair, Society for Military History Edward Coffman First Manuscript Prize Committee,
2013-15
Chair, Program Committee, Society for Military History Annual Meeting, 2014-15
Program Committee, Society for Military History Annual Meeting, 2012-13
Society for Military History Edward Coffman First Manuscript Prize Committee,
2010-13
Evaluator for various scholarly agencies, including Social Sciences and Humanities
Research Council of Canada, ACLS, NEH
Manuscript reviewer for numerous university presses and journals