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**Employment:**

Gilhuly Family Associate Professor of History, Department of History, Duke University, 2021-present.

Hunt Family Assistant Professor, Department of History, Duke University, 2013-present.

Collegiate Assistant Professor of the Social Sciences, University of Chicago Society of Fellows, 2012-13

**Education:**

Ph.D. received 2012.

Columbia University, Department of History

Dissertation (passed with distinction): “Slaying the Leviathan: Catholicism and the Rebirth of European Conservatism, 1920-1950”

Advisers: Samuel Moyn and Susan Pedersen

Mellon Interdisciplinary Graduate Fellow, Institute for Social & Economic Research & Policy, Columbia University (2011-12)

Research Fellow, Fall 2009

Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, München

B.A., History (Magna Cum Laude), 2005

Haverford College

**Books:**

*Catholic Modern: The Challenge of Totalitarianism and the Remaking of the Church* (Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 2018).

*Golden Years: How Americans Invented and Reinvented Old Age* (New York, NY: Basic Books, 2024).

**Peer-reviewed journal articles:**

“Wrinkles in Time: Old Age, Gender, and Temporality in Nineteenth Century Germany,” *Gender & History*(forthcoming). Available online here: https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1111/1468-0424.12636

“‘On the Border of Old Age’: An Entangled History of Eldercare in East Germany,” *Central European History* 53(2020), 353-71.

“The God That Won: Eugen Kogon Between Catholicism and Cold War Liberalism,” *Journal of Contemporary History* 55 (2020), 339-63.

“The Logic of Sanctuary: Towards a New Metaphor for the Study of Global Religion,” *Journal of the American Academy of Religion*88 (2020), 15-34.

“Old Volk: Aging in 1950s Germany, East and West,” *Journal of Modern History* 90 (2018), 792-833. Winner of the 2021 Chester Penn Higby Prize.

“Nuclear Families in a Nuclear Age: Theorizing the Family in the Federal Republic of Germany,” *Contemporary European History* 26 (2017), 85-109.

“An Economy of Miracles: Catholicism, Social Science, and Capitalism in West Germany.” *New German Critique* 42 (2015), 9-40.

“Nihilism and the Cold War: The Catholic Reception of Nihilism between Nietzsche and Adenauer.” *Rethinking History* 17, 1 (2014), 95-110.

“Beyond Tocquville: A Plea to Stop ‘Taking Religion Seriously’.” *Modern Intellectual History* 10, 3 (October 2013), 697-708.

“A Mechanical Style in Our Joys: Time, Space, and Discipline in British Sports.” *Crossings: A Counter-Disciplinary Journal* 8 (Fall 2012), 77-115.

“The Catholic Origins of Totalitarianism Theory in Interwar Europe.” *Modern Intellectual History* 9, 3 (November 2011), 261-90.

“The Poetics of Sainthood in Interwar Catholic Literature: A Reading of *Sous le soleil de Satan* and *The Power and the Glory*.” *Revue belge de philologie et d'histoire* 88 (2010), 1229-1253.

“The God(s) That Failed: Secularization and the Early Alasdair MacIntyre.” *Symposia* 1, 1 (2009), 1-15.

“Ronald Knox: A Bibliographic Essay.” *Theological Librarianship* 1, 2 (2008), 49-53.

**Chapters in Edited Collections:**

“Memory,” in *Keywords for Public Health Humanities*, eds. Sari Altschuler, Jonathan Metzl, and Priscilla Wald(New York: New York University Press, forthcoming [2022]).

“Natural Law and Human Rights Language in the Early Twentieth Century,” in *The Handbook on Natural Law and Human Rights*, ed. Tom Angier, Iain Benson, and Mark Retter(New York: Cambridge University Press, forthcoming [2022]).

“Demography, Destiny, Democracy,” in *The Cambridge History of Democracy*, eds. Christopher Meckstroth and Samuel Moyn(New York: Cambridge University Press, forthcoming [2022]).

“Beliefs and Cultures: Old Age in the Twentieth Century,” in *A Cultural History of Old Age*, vol. 6, eds. Nicole Kramer and Benoît Majerus (London: Bloomsbury, forthcoming [2022]).

“The Fascist Origins of German Ecumenism,” in *Germany and the Confessional Divide, 1871-1989*, eds. Mark Ruff and Thomas Großbölting (New York: Berghahn, 2021), 125-454.

“Max Scheler, Temporality, and the Fate of Modernity in Weimar Germany,” in *Die Ambivalenz der Moderne. Modernediskurse in der katholischen Reformtheologie der Zwischenkriegszeit*, ed. Christian Stoll (Freiburg: Herder, 2021), 101-16.

“Explaining the Catholic Turn to Rights in the 1930s,” in *Christianity and Human Rights Reconsidered*, eds. Sarah Shortall and Daniel Steinmetz-Jenkins(New York: Cambridge University Press, 2020), 63-80.

“Can a Rich Man Enter the Kingdom of God? The Catholic Debate over Private Property During the Great Depression,” in *What’s So New about Scholasticism? How Neo-Thomism Helped Shape the Twentieth Century,* ed. Rajesh Heynickx and Stéphane Symons (Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 2018), 21-38.

“The Fox Is Still Running: Isaiah Berlin’s Continuing Relevance.” In *The Book of Isaiah* (Boydell Press, 2009), 231-7.

**Book Reviews in Scholarly Journals:**

William L. Patch, *Christian Democratic Workers and the Forging of German Democracy, 1920-1980* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2018), for H-German (July 2022), available [here](https://www.h-net.org/reviews/showpdf.php?id=56137).

Peter Caldwell, *Democracy, Capitalism, & the Welfare State: Debating Social Order in Postwar West Germany, 1949-1989* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2019), *Journal of Modern History* 93 (2021), 991-93.

Olivier Roy, *Is Europe Christian?,* trans. Cynthia Schoch (New York: Oxford University Press, 2019), *Journal of Church & State* 63 (2021), 723-26.

Annika Elisabet Frieberg, *Peace at All Costs: Catholic Intellectuals, Journalists, and Media in Postwar Polish-German Reconciliation* (New York: Berghahn Books, 2019), *American Historical Review* 125 (2020), 2017-18.

Nina Grabe, *Die stationäre Versorgung älterer Displaced Persons und “heimatloser Ausländer” in Westdeutschland (ca. 1950-1975)* (Stuttgart: Franz Steiner Verlag, 2020), *Central European History* 54 (2021), 435-46.

Contribution to a forum on Till van Rahden, *Demokratie: Eine gefährdete Lebensform* (Campus Verlag, 2018) [with authorial response] at H-Diplo, January 2021, available [here](https://networks.h-net.org/node/28443/discussions/7094912/h-diplo-roundtable-xxii-21-till-van-rahden%C2%A0-demokratie%C2%A0-eine).

Jacopo Cellini, *Unversalism and Liberation: Italian Cathlic Culture and the Idea of International Community, 1963-78* (Leuven: Leuven University Press, 2017), *American Historical Review* 125 (2020), 316-17.

Matthew Hockenos, *Then They Came for Me: Martin Niemöller, the Pastor who Defied the Nazis* (New York: Basic Books, 2018), *Journal of Modern History* 92 (2020), 225-6.

Kavita Sivaramakrishnan, *As the World Ages: Rethinking a Demographic Crisis* (Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 2018), *Social History* (Winter 2020), 474-6.

[Thomas Brodie, *German Catholicism at War, 1939-1945*](https://networks.h-net.org/node/28443/discussions/4084119/h-diplo-book-review-essay-172-chappel-brodie-german-catholicism)(New York: Oxford University Press, 2018), *H-Diplo* (May 2019).

Michele Dillon, *Postsecular Catholicism: Relevance and Renewal* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2018), *Contemporary Sociology* 48 (2019), 411-12.

[Response to a roundtable](https://networks.h-net.org/node/28443/discussions/2854877/roundtable-xx-9-james-chappel-catholic-modern-challenge) on my own book at H-Diplo, Fall 2018.

Jack Lee Downey, *The Bread of the Strong: Lacouturisme and the Folly of the Cross, 1910-1985* (New York: Fordham University Press, 2015), [*Reading Religion*](http://readingreligion.org/books/bread-strong)[online forum of the American Academy of Religion], published June 2018.

“The Uses of History for Life.” Contribution to a forum on Hugo Drochon, *Nietzsche’s Great Politics* (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2016), *Journal of Politics, Religion, & Ideology* 19 (2018), 236-8.

[“The Divine Comity: On Partnership in Postwar Germany.”](https://networks.h-net.org/node/28443/discussions/1955385/h-diplo-roundtable-xix-41-lions-and-lambs-conflict-weimar-and#_Toc517370592) Contribution to a forum on Noah Strote, *Lions and Lambs: Conflict in Weimar and the Creation of Post-Nazi Germany* (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2017), H-Diplo, June 2018.

Jan Bank and Lieve Gevers, *Churches and Religion in the Second World War*, trans. Brian Doyle (New York: Bloomsbury, 2016), *Journal of Modern History* 89 (2017), 923-925.

Paul Misner, *Catholic Labor Movements in Europe: Catholic Social Thought and Action, 1918-1965* (Washington, D.C.: Catholic University of America Press, 2015), *Journal of Modern History* 89 (2017), 412-414.

“Locating French Liberalism.” Contribution to a forum on *In Search of the Liberal Moment: Democracy, Anti-totalitarianism, and Intellectual Politics in France since 1950*, ed. Stephen W. Sawyer & Iain Stewart (London: Palgrave, 2015), *Journal of Politics, Religion, & Ideology* 18 (2017), 339-341.

*Den Kapitalismus bändigen. Oswald von Nell-Breunings Impulse für die Sozialpolitik,* ed. Bernhard Emunds and Hans Günter Hockerts (Paderborn: Ferdinand Schöningh, 2015), *Central European History* 49 (2016), 146-8.

[“The Weimar Century and the Transnational History of Ideas.”](https://networks.h-net.org/node/28443/discussions/85233/h-diplo-roundtable-xvii-2-weimar-century-german-%C3%A9migr%C3%A9s-and) Review essay on Udi Greenberg, *The Weimar Century*, H-Diplo, September 2015.

Thomas Großbölting, *Der verlorene Himmel. Glaube in Deutschland seit 1945* (Göttingen, Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 2013). *Journal of Modern History* 87 (2015), 492-3.

*Grenzen des katholischen Milieus. Stabilität und Gefährdung katholischer Milieus in der Endphase der Weimarer republic und der NS-Zeit*, ed. Joachim Kuropka (Münster: Aschendorff, 2013). *Catholic Historical Review* 100 (2014), 628-30.

Quinn Slobodian, *Foreign Front: Third World Politics in Sixties West Germany* (Durham, NC: Duke University Press, 2012). *Journal of Contemporary History* 49 (2014), 869-71.

Kevin Spicer, *Hitler’s Priests: Catholic Clergy in Hitler’s Germany* (Dekalb, Ill.: Northern Illinois University Press, 2008). *Journal of Religious History* 35 (2011), 107-9.

Alan Paul Fimister, *Robert Schuman: Neo-Scholastic Humanism and the Reunification of Europe* (Brussels: Peter Lang, 2008). *Journal of Ecclesiastical History* 62 (2011), 269-70.

*Religion and Its Other: Secular and Sacral Concepts and Practices in Interaction*, ed. Heike Bock, et al. (Frankfurt: Campus Verlag, 2008). *Journal of Religious History* 34 (2010), 496-8.

**Other Writing:**

[“We’re Not Asking the Right Questions About Age.”](https://www.nytimes.com/2024/03/06/opinion/biden-aging-america-population.html?smid=tw-nytopinion&smtyp=cur) *New York Times* Guest Essay (March 2024).

[“The Frozen Politics of Social Security](https://www.bostonreview.net/articles/the-frozen-politics-of-social-security/).” Review of two 2022 volumes on Social Security reform, for *Boston Review* (February 2023).

[“The Rock and the Peregrine.”](https://www.commonwealmagazine.org/church-modern-history-mcgreevy-racism-sex-abuse) Review of John McGreevy, *Catholicism: A Global History from the French Revolution to Pope Francis* (Norton, 2022), for *Commonweal* (November 2022).

[“Inside the Post-Liberal Mind.”](https://christiansocialism.com/adrian-vermeule-common-good-constitutionalism-postliberalism-authoritarianism-christianity-left-politics/) Review essay on Adrian Vermelue, *Common Good Constitutionalism* (Polity, 2022), for *The Bias Magazine*(April 2022).

[“They Saved the Church, but at What Cost?”](https://tocqueville21.com/books/they-saved-the-church-but-at-what-cost/) Review essay on Sarah Shortall, *Soldiers of God in a Secular World*, for *Tocqueville 21* (January 2022).

[“End the Generation Wars,”](https://newrepublic.com/article/164374/end-generation-wars) *The New Republic* (December 2021), 47-49.

[“Nudging toward Theocracy: Adrian Vermeule’s War on Liberalism.”](https://www.dissentmagazine.org/article/nudging-towards-theocracy) *Dissent* (Spring 2020), 42-49.

[“Promise of a Feminist Midlife Crisis.”](https://newrepublic.com/article/156772/promise-feminist-midlife-crisis-gail-sheehy-passages) Review of Susanne Schmidt, *Midlife Crisis: The Feminist Origins of a Chauvinist Cliché* (Chicago, 2020), *The New Republic* (March 2020).

[“Confessions of a White Moderate.”](https://www.radicalhistoryreview.org/abusablepast/?p=3479) Thoughts on the renaming of the Carr Building at Duke, The Abusable Past (October 2019).

[“Bad Romance.”](http://bostonreview.net/class-inequality/james-g-chappel-bad-romance) Review of Eugene McCarraher, The Enchantments of Mammon: How Capitalism Became the Religion of Modernity (Harvard, 2019), Boston Review (October 2019).

[“Out of Touch.”](https://www.commonwealmagazine.org/out-touch) Review of George Weigel, The Irony of Modern Catholic History (Basic Books, 2019), Commonweal (September 2019).

[“What Are We Fighting For?”](https://sojo.net/magazine/august-2019/what-are-we-fighting) Review of Petra Goedde, The Politics of Peace: A Global Cold War History (Oxford University Press, 2019), Sojourners (August 2019).

[“No One is Too Old to be President.”](https://www.washingtonpost.com/outlook/2019/04/25/no-one-is-too-old-be-president/?fbclid=IwAR2ytzzWViIhKLprC8W561isDOPmQBX7nozDiVjxb_1EPok5csQ2NAgb1io&utm_term=.e4db3b3e9dda) With Sari Edelstein. Op-ed in Washington Post, April 2019.

“[Europe’s Ghosts: The Bloody History of a Myth](https://www.thenation.com/article/paul-hanebrink-history-of-anti-semitism-and-anticommunism/).” Review of Paul Hanebrink, *A Specter Haunting Europe: The Myth of Judeo-Bolshevism* (Harvard University Press, 2018), *The Nation* (8 April 2019).

[“Canon Fodder.”](https://tif.ssrc.org/2019/03/05/canon-fodder/) Reflections on the Church’s sex abuse crisis for a forum on ecclesiology and law at *The Immanent Frame*, a blog run by the Social Science Research Council (March 2019).

[“Democracy without God.”](https://bostonreview.net/philosophy-religion/james-g-chappel-democracy-without-god) Review of Martin Hägglund, *This Life: Secular Faith and Spiritual Freedom*(Pantheon, 2019), *Boston Review,* March 2019.

[“The Enlightenment We Need.”](https://www.commonwealmagazine.org/enlightenment-we-need) Review of David Wootton, *Power, Pleasure, and Profit: Insatiable Appetites from Machiavelli to Madison* (Belknap, 2018), *Commonweal* (November 2018).

[“Aging into Feminism.”](http://bostonreview.net/gender-sexuality/james-g-chappel-aging-feminism)Contribution to a special issue of *Boston Review* on contemporary feminism, Summer 2018.

Introductions to *Catholic Modern* written by invitation at [*The Immanent Frame*](https://tif.ssrc.org/2018/02/27/catholic-modern-an-introduction/)and [*Aeon*](https://aeon.co/ideas/how-the-crisis-of-the-1930s-made-the-catholic-church-modern)*.*

[“A Serious House.”](https://thepointmag.com/2017/examined-life/a-serious-house) *The Point* (Winter 2018), 29-37

[“Modern Family.”](https://www.dissentmagazine.org/article/family-values-melinda-cooper-review) Review of Melinda Cooper, *Family Values: Between Neoliberalism and the New Social Conservatism* (New York: Zone Books, 2017). *Dissent* Summer 2017, available here:

[“Holy Wars: Secularism and the Invention of Religion.”](https://bostonreview.net/books-ideas/james-chappel-secularism-religion) *Boston Review* May/June 2016.

[“A Servant Heart: How Neoliberalism Came to Be.”](https://bostonreview.net/books-ideas/james-chappel-servant-heart-religion-neoliberalism) *Boston Review* October/November 2015.

[“All Churches Have Heretics: Catholicism, Human Rights, and the Uses of History for Life.”](http://blogs.ssrc.org/tif/2015/06/05/all-churches-have-heretics-on-catholicism-human-rights-and-the-advantages-of-history-for-life/) Review essay on the relationship of Christianity and human rights, “The Immanent Frame, 2015.

[“An Intended Absence? Democracy and the *Unintended Reformation*.”](http://blogs.ssrc.org/tif/2013/09/05/an-intended-absence-democracy-and-the-unintended-reformation/) Review essay on Gregory, *Unintended Reformation*, on “The Immanent Frame” (Fall 2013).

[“The Heretical Imperative.”](http://killingthebuddha.com/mag/exegesis/the-heretical-imperative/) Review essay on Benjamin Lazier, *God, Interrupted: Heresy and the European Imagination between the World Wars*. *Killing the Buddha* (2009). Available here:

**Invited Keynote Addresses:**

“Markets and the Catholic Social Tradition.” Symposium on Markets and Catholic Social Thought, McDonough School of Business at Georgetown University, March 2019.

“Contraception, Usury, and the Formation of Modern Catholic Ethics in the Work of Arthur Vermeersch, S.J., 1880-1940.” “Neo-Thomism in Action. Law and Society Reshaped by Neo-Scholastic Philosophy, 1880-1960,” Catholic University of Louvain, Belgium, October 2017.

**Invited Talks (Individual):**

“The Gender of Care: Alzheimer’s Disease in the 1980s.” Trent Center for Bioethics, Humanities, and the History of Medicine, Duke University, November 2022.

“Old Women or Golden Girls? Neoliberalism and Aging in Reagan’s America.” Presentation to Duke University, Department of History, Colloquium Series, September 2022.

“Senior Citizens in the Senior State.” Carolina Labor Seminar, UNC-Chapel Hill, April 2022.

“Nostalgia and the History of Old Age.” Duke Research Week, February 2022.

“Catholicism and Modernity.” Talk delivered at Collegium Institute for Catholic Thought & Culture, University of Pennsylvania, December 2021.

“Christian Democracy and the Fascist Legacy.” Contribution to “The Past and Present of Christian Democracy,” online roundtable organized by the Democracy Institute at Central European University, September 2021.

“Pilot Trial Examining Feasibility, Acceptability, and Initial Efficacy of In-Home, Family-Driven Life Story Books (LSB) with People with Mild-Moderate Dementia (PWD) and Their Family Caregivers.” Presentation with Nathan Boucher at the Novel Intervention Development Incubator (NIDI) of the Duke Roybal Center, April 2020.

“Wrinkles in Time: The Birth of Old Age in the Nineteenth Century.” Triangle Intellectual History Seminar, February 2020.

“A Church Renewed: Sex, Capitalism, and the Making of Modern Catholicism.” Deitchman Family Lecture on Religion and Modernity, College of the Holy Cross, February 2020.

“The Past and Future of the Catholic Church.” Pop-Up Theology Series, St. Francis de Sales Church in New York, NY, February 2020.

“From Witch to Pensioner: Gender, Temporality, and Old Age in Nineteenth Century Germany.” Presentation at National Humanities Center, April 2019.

“Does it Matter that We Live Forever? Reflections on Old Age and International History.” Columbia Seminar for International History, February 2019.

“Modernity and the Catholic Church.” American University in Paris, March 2018.

“Catholic Modern: An Introduction.” University of Notre Dame, February 2018. Book talk, also delivered in modified form at Regulator Bookshop, Durham NC, February 2018.

“Populism Past and Present.” Duke Undergraduate History Union, October 2017.

“Christian Democracy and the European Variety of Secularism.” Buffett Institute of Global Studies, Northwestern University, February 2017.

“Catholic Political Economy and the Origins of Christian Democracy.” North Carolina German Studies Seminar, UNC Chapel Hill, October 2014.

“Thrones and Altars: Authoritarian Catholicism in the 1930s.” Triangle Intellectual History Seminar, National Humanities Center, March 2014.

“Catholic Political Economy and the Origins of Christian Democracy.” Haverford College, October 2013.

“Miraculous Reconstruction: Catholic Political Economy and the Origins of Christian Democracy.” Presentation at University of Chicago, Society of Fellows, February 2013.

“Rhenish Catholicism, Social Science, and the Origins of Welfare Capitalism in West Germany, 1920-1950.” Institute for Social and Economic Research and Policy, Columbia University, April 2012.

“Occupying Religion: The Restorative Epoch and Atlantic Catholicism, 1947-1950.” New York Area Seminar in Intellectual and Cultural History, Graduate Center, April 2011.

“The Origins of the Catholic Worker: Personalism between Emmanuel Mounier and Dorothy Day.” Catholic Worker Lecture Series, Mary House, New York, February 2011.

“The Ideological Origins of the Cold War in Europe: Catholicism, Neo-liberalism, and Sovereignty, 1938-1944.” European History Workshop, Columbia University, October 2010.

“The End of Ideology and the Beginning of Religion: The Catholic Contribution to Cold War Liberalism.” Political Theory and Intellectual History Workshop, Cambridge University, April 2010.

**Invited Talks (as part of workshop or panel):**

“Alzheimer’s Disease: An Endless Funeral?” Conference entitled “Excesses of Death,” Duke University, Franklin Humanities Institute, November 2022.

“The Whiteness of Aging.” Flash Talk Series, Duke Center for the Study of Aging & Development, September 2022.

“Catholic Modernity and Contemporary Politics.” Contribution to a roundtable called *Catholic Mid-Century Modern*, hosted by the Collegium Institute, University of Pennsylvania, December 2021.

“The Time of Our Lives: Temporality and Capitalism in Gabriel Winant’s *The Next Shift*.” Contribution to a book discussion at Social Science History Association, Philadelphia, PA, November 2021.

“Age, Disability, and the Meaning of Twentieth-Century Socialism.” Opening talk for conference on age and disability in the Soviet bloc, co-organized by myself and Alissa Klots, University of Pittsburgh, March 2021.

“Mammy Culture: Race, Gender, and Old Age in Twentieth Century America.” American Historical Association, panel series on the history of age, January 2021.

“Socialist and Capitalist Styles of Aging in Post-War Germany.” “Ageing and Gerontology in the Soviet Union after 1945: Situating the Soviet Case,” Liverpool John Moores University, December 2019.

“Concentration Camps in the Present? A Historian’s Perspective.” Forum for Scholars and Publics, September 2019 [as part of a roundtable that I organized].

“Sources, Methods, and the Global History of the Church.” Contribution to plenary panel, “Global History and Catholicism,” Notre Dame, April 2019.

“Is There Such a Thing as Conservative Antifascism?” “Fascism and Antifascism in Our Time,” a civic education event sponsored by Bundeszentrale für politische Bildung, held at Hamburg Institut für Sozialforschung, November 2017.

“Friedrich Heer and the Limits of Catholic-Jewish Dialogue in the 1960s.” “Interreligious Dialogue in the Post-Secular Age.” Duke University, Kenan Institute for Ethics, April 2017.

“Varieties of Secularism in the Catholic Church, 1930-1960.” “What Comes After the Critique of Secularism?” University of California-Berkeley, April 2017.

“Eugen Kogon and the Transition from Anti-Fascism to Anti-Totalitarianism, 1933-1950.” “Trajectories of Antifascism.” Rutgers University, March 2017.

“The Anti-Fascist Origins of *Humanae Vitae*.” “Political Catholicism: Law and Catholic Politics in a Disenchanted World.” New York University, December 2015.

Contribution to Panel Discussion. “Catholic Politics and the Future of Europe.” Center for European Studies, Duke University, September 2015.

“Unraveling Judeo-Bolshevism: Jacques Maritain, Ernst Karl Winter, and the Nature of Catholic Anti-Racism in the 1930s.” “Symposium on the Interwar Kulturkampf.” Queen’s University, Belfast, June 2015.

“The Uses of Federalism: Christian Democracy and the United States in the Early Cold War.” “New Approaches to Translatlantic Relations in the Early Cold War.” Woodrow Wilson Center, Washington, D.C., January 2014.

“Marriage as a Vocation: Catholicism, Sexuality, and Democracy, 1920-60.” “New Histories of Transnational Christianity.” Harvard University, February 2013.

“The Political Languages of Christian Democracy: Historical Aspects -- and Lessons for the Present?” Invited workshop participant. Center for Human Values, Princeton University, 2012.

Kandersteg Seminar on Religion in Modern Europe. Remarque Institute, New York University. Held in Kandersteg, Switzerland, 2012.

**Other Conference Presentations/Comments:**

Participation on panel following Bryonn Bain, performance of “How to Change the World With Stories?”, Duke Dance Department, Shaeffer Theater, Duke University, November 2023.

Comments on Udi Greenberg Book Manuscript, Dartmouth College, September 2023.

“A Tale of Two Syndromes: AIDS and Alzheimer’s in the 1980s.” Organization of American Historians (OAH), Los Angeles, CA, April 2023.

Comment on John Martin’s *A Beautiful Ending* for a book launch at the Kenan Center, Duke University, September 2022.

“Race, Care, and the Making of Old Age, 1900-1930,” presentation at Social Science History Association Conference, Philadelphia, PA, December 2021.

“Against Nostalgia: The Racial Origins of the Modernization Theory fo Age,” *Contesting Care*, online conference, Duke University/Exeter, June 2021.

“Mammy Culture: Race, Gender, and Old Age in Twentieth Century America.” American Historical Association, panel series on the history of age. January 2021.

Response to panel on modern Mexican Catholicism. “The Social and Cultural History of Mexican Catholicism: A Symposium on the State of the Field.” Duke University, October 2019.

“A Wrinkle in Time: Gender, Temporality, and Old Age in Nineteenth Century Germany.” North American Network in Aging Studies, Trent University (Canada), May 2019.

“*Humanae vitae* and the Catholic Church in the Global 1960s.” Coauthored with Maria Paz Rios and Natalie Gasparowicz. “Progressive Catholicism in Latin America and Europe, 1950s-1980s: Social Movements and Transnational Encounters.” Catholic University of Louvain, May 2018.

“*Volkssolidarität* and the Cultural Heritage of Aging in 1950s East Germany.” “Cultural Narratives, Processes and Strategies in Representations of Age and Aging.” 9th International Symposium on Cultural Gerontology. University of Graz (Austria), April 2017.

“Revisiting the Welfare Dictatorship: *Volkssolidarität*, East German Eldercare, and the Socialist Style of Welfare in the 1950s.” “Burdens and Beginnings: Rebuilding East and West Germany after Nazism.” University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, April 2017.

“Two Concepts of Rights: Rights Discourse in 1930s French and German Catholicism.” Society for French Historical Studies, Washington, D.C., April 2017.

Comment on panel, “Christianity, Space, and Mobility in Europe’s Age of Extremes.” American Historical Association, Atlanta, January 2016.

“Old Volk: Wilfrid Schreiber between National Socialism and the Pension Reform of 1957.” Worlds of Welfare Conference, Freie Universität Berlin, July 2015.

“Can a Rich Man Enter the Kingdom of God? Thomist and Neoliberal Conceptions of Property, 1930-1950.” “Reassessing Twentieth Century Thomism,” University of Louvain, June 2015.

“Aging and the Antinomies of Historical Reason.” Mellon Biennial Conference, Columbia University, April 2015.

“Helmut Schelsky’s Family Sociology: Between National Socialism and International Social Science.” American Historical Association, New York City, January 2015. [session canceled for reasons beyond my control]

“François Perroux: From Authoritarian Corporatism to Development Economics.” Society for French Historical Studies Conference, Montreal, April 2014.

“Torn between Berlin and Moscow: Ukraine and Crimea in Historical Perspective.” Shared Learning, Chapel Hill, NC, March 2014.

“Ehe als Beruf: Katholizismus, Sexualität, und Demokratie, 1920-1950.”„Siegkatholiken“, Kulturpessimisten, „Gegenintellektuelle“?, Friedrich-Schiller Universität, Jena, September 2013.

“Historicizing Big Data: William Playfair, Political Economy, and the Origins of the Pie Chart.” “Universality and Its Limits.” Weissbourd Conference, University of Chicago, May 2013.

“Nuclear Families in a Nuclear Age: Catholicism, Democracy, and Family Politics, 1930-1950.” Mellon Biennial Conference, Columbia University, April 2013.

“Occupying Religion: The American Occupation and the Catholic Church in West Germany, 1945-1949.” American Catholic Historical Association, New Orleans, LA, January 2013.

“After the Expulsion: Rhenish Catholicism between Weimar and the Cold War.” German Studies Association, Louisville, KY, September 2011.

“The Catholic Origins of Totalitarian Theory: Waldemar Gurian between Europe and America, 1920-1950.” German Studies Association, Oakland, CA, October 2010.

“The Poetics of Sainthood in Interwar Catholic Literature: A Reading of *Sous le soleil de Satan* and *The Power and the Glory*.” European Social Science History Conference, Religion Network. Ghent, Belgium, April 2010.

“Integral Catholicism Comes to America: Waldemar Gurian and Totalitarianism Theory at Notre Dame.” Council for European Studies, Montreal, April 2010.

“Theological Politics and the Origins of Ecumenism in Postwar West Germany.” Council for European Studies, Montreal, April 2010.

“Deutscher Held oder preußischer Barbar? Das Bild Martin Luthers in der katholischen Publizistik der Weimarer Republik.” Katholische Publizistik im 20. Jahrhundert – Positionen, Probleme, Profile. University of Eichstätt, February 2010.

“Reading Israel: Philosophy, Hermeneutics, and *Galut* in Isaiah Berlin and Leo Strauss.” Fifteenth World Congress of Jewish Studies. Jerusalem, August 2009.

“A Machine for Making Catholics: The Constitution of the ‘Catholic Intellectual’ in Edwardian Britain.” “Religion, Secularism, and Nationhood.” University of Illinois, April 2009.

“Theologico-Political Enmity: Carl Schmitt and Erik Peterson in Weimar Germany.” James A. Barnes Club Conference. Temple University, March 2009.

“Radical Catholicism and the Formation of European Identity.” “Contesting Europe.” York University, Toronto, March 2009.

“The Strange Case of William Playfair.” “Age of Comparison?” New York University, March 2008.

Response to Peter Mandler, “One World, Many Cultures: Margaret Mead and the Limits to Cold War Anthropology.” Columbia Center for International History, September 2007.

**Fellowships, Grants, and Honors:**

Josiah Charles Trent Memorial Foundation Grant (Duke University). $3,800 for exploratory research, with a team of undergraduates, on the life of Jacquelyne Jackson, a Black Power gerontologist. Awarded in Spring of 2023.

Winner of the 2021 Chester Penn Higby Prize for “Old Volk: Aging in 1950s Germany, East and West.” Awarded every two years for the best article in *Journal of Modern History*.

PI on “Human Rights Futures,” an Intellectual Community Planning Grant awarded by Duke University for use in 2020. $5,000.

Shortlisted for Laura Shannon Book Prize, Nanovic Institute for European Studies (Notre Dame) (one of five shortlisted books for an interdisciplinary prize given every two years), November 2019.

Winner of the Smith Prize, given every two years by the Southern Historical Association for the best book in European Studies from a Southern university or press, 2019.

Delta Delta Delta Fellowship at the National Humanities Center, 2018-19.

Mellon Fellowship for Assistant Professors, Institute for Advanced Study, 2018-19. <declined>

Josiah Charles Trent Memorial Foundation Grant. $13,300 for exploratory research project on styles of aging in East and West Germany. Awarded in 2015, 2016, 2018.

Manuscript Workshop, Franklin Humanities Institute, Duke University, 2015.

Contemporary Civilization Teaching Award (awarded to one instructor per year), 2012.

Honorable Mention, Council for European Studies First Article Prize competition, 2012.

Mellon Interdisciplinary Graduate Fellow, Institute for Social & Economic Research & Policy, Columbia University (2011-12)

Jerrold Seigel Fellowship, Consortium for Intellectual and Cultural History (2010)

Summer Fellowship, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Columbia (2010)

Social Science Research Council, International Dissertation Research Fellowship (2009-2010)

Berlin Program for Advanced German and European Studies Fellowship (2009-2010) (declined)

DAAD Research Grant (2009) (declined)

GSAS International Travel Fellowship (2009) (declined)

Institute for Israel and Jewish Studies Travel Grant (2009)

Kathleen Gash Fellowship for Modern European History (2008-9)

American Theological Librarianship Society Publication Grant (2008)

Council for European Studies Pre-Dissertation Grant (2008)

Hubertus Scheibe DAAD Alumni Association Grant (2008)

British History Fellowship (2007-8)

Richard Hofstadter Fellowship, Columbia University (2006-11)

Senior History Prize, Haverford College (2005)

Phi Beta Kappa, Zeta chapter, Haverford College (inducted 2004)

Michael Freeman Research Prize, Haverford College (2004)

**Graduate Teaching Experience:**

Dissertation committee for Natalie Gasparowicz (History, Duke). Dissertation entitled *Contests Over Contraception in Late Twentieth-Century Mexico*, defended April 2024.

Primary Adviser for Cris Culton (History, Duke). Prospectus defended April 2023.

Dissertation committee for William Sharman (History, Duke). Dissertation entitled *Moral Politics: Global Humanitarianism, Africa, and West Germany, 1960-1985*, defended November 2022.

Dissertation committee for Travis Knoll (History, Duke). Dissertation entitled *Liberate, Inculturate, Educate! Brazilian Black Catholics, Racial Justice, and Affirmative Action from Rio de Janeiro to Brasilia*, defended March 2022.

Dissertation committee for Shahrazad Shareef (Literature, Duke). Dissertation entitled *From Crisis to Restoration: Technical Analysis and the politics of Ialy’s Post-War Development*, defended July 2021.

Dissertation Committee for Thomas Prendergast (History, Duke). Dissertation entitled *In Defense of Empire: Habsburg Sociology and the European Nation-State, 1870-1920,* defended November 2020.

Dissertation committee for Aaron Colston (History, Duke). Dissertation entitled *The World’s Problems Are Your Own: Septima Clark, Elza Freire, & Grassroots Freedom Education in the American Decade of Development*, defended July 2020.

Prospectus committees for Cris Culton, Natalie Gasparowicz, Matthew Jantzen, Travis Knoll, Aaron Colston, Anna Johns, and Yooseong Heo.

Dissertation committee for Carla Hung (Cultural Anthropology, Duke). Dissertation entitled *The Politics of Asylum Among Eritrean Refugees in Italy,* defended June 2019.

Dissertation committee for Matthew Jantzen (Divinity School, Duke). Dissertation entitled *Hermeneutics of Providence: Theology, Race, and Divine Action in History*, defended November 2017.

“Seeing Like a State: Thinking Historically About Public Policy and Welfare.” Graduate research seminar, Duke University Department of History, Spring 2016.

“Methods in Historical Research [History 702].” Graduate seminar, Duke University Department of History, Spring 2018.

“Catholicism and the Twentieth Century: Mobility, Governance, Welfare.” Graduate level independent study. Duke University, Spring 2015.

“Gender in Twentieth Century Europe.” Graduate level independent study. Duke University, Fall 2014.

**Undergraduate Teaching Experience:**

“Human Rights Research.” Capstone Seminar, Human Rights Certificate, Duke University, Spring 2023. Semester-long engagement with OurJourney, a local nonprofit led by formerly incarcerated North Carolinians; planned, fundraised, and hosted a 100-person Re-Entry Seminar in collaboration with several nonprofits and government agencies.

Independent study on “The History of Alzheimer’s Disease.” Duke University, Spring 2022.

Independent study on “The History of Aging and Immigration.” Duke University, Spring 2022.

Participant in “Teaching for Equity Fellows” program, Duke University, 2021-22.

“The History of Death.” Undergraduate seminar, part of an interdisciplinary Immerse Cluster. Fall 2021.

“The European Welfare State.” Guest presentation to Twentieth-Century European history course, Metropolitan State University of Denver, April 2021.

Independent study on “Gender, Religion, and Vietnam-era Protest.” Duke University, Spring 2021.

Fall 2020, ranked in the top 5% of instructors based on teaching evaluations, Duke University.

Thesis adviser for an undergraduate thesis in International & Comparative Studies, Duke University, 2020-21.

“History of the Present.” Lecture course co-taught with Cecilia Marquéz, Duke University, Fall 2020, Fall 2021.

Undergraduate thesis adviser for eleven senior theses, Duke University Department of History, Spring 2015-Spring 2023.

“Human Rights Research.” Capstone Seminar, Human Rights Certificate, Duke University, Spring 2020.

“The Global Sixties: Race, Sex, Revolution.” Gateway seminar. Duke University, Fall 2013, Fall 2014, Spring 2015, Fall 2015, Spring 2020, Spring 2021.

“Twentieth Century Europe.” Lecture course. Duke University, Fall 2014, Fall 2015, Fall 2017, Fall 2019, Spring 2021, Spring 2023.

“The Politics of Christ.” Focus Seminar, Duke Universty, Fall 2019, Fall 2020.

“Genocide and Human Rights.” Lecture course. Duke University, Department of History (cross-listed with Public Policy), Spring 2016, Spring 2018.

Fall 2017, ranked in the top 5% of instructors based on teaching evaluations, Duke University.

“Introduction to Human Rights and Social Movements.” Lecture course with a service-learning component. Duke University, Spring 2015.

“Religion, Race, and Citizenship in Modern Europe.” Capstone seminar. Duke University, Spring 2014.

“The History of Human Rights.” Lecture. Duke University, Spring 2014. (as well as in a three-course module for “Introduction to Comparative Studies,” Duke University).

Faculty sponsor. Undergraduate research project on German prostitution and human trafficking, Duke University, 2014-15.

Participated in a Thompson Writing Center study, funded by the Spencer Foundation, about assessment tools and strategies, Fall 2013.

“Classics of Social and Political Thought.” Seminar. University of Chicago, 2012-13.

“The History of Terror: Political Violence from Robespierre to Bin Laden.” Seminar. Department of History, Columbia University. Summer 2012.

“An Age of Catastrophe? Europe and the World in the Twentieth Century.” Lecture course. Department of History, Marymount Manhattan College. Spring 2012.

Contemporary Civilization. Primary Instructor. Office of the Core Curriculum, Columbia University. 2010-2011.

Zionism and the State of Israel. Teaching Assistant (Columbia University). Spring 2009.

American Intellectual History, 1867-Present. Teaching Assistant (Columbia University). Fall 2008.

Colonial Encounters: Europe and the Culture of Empire. Grader (Columbia University). Fall 2008.

Modern European Intellectual History II. Teaching Assistant (Columbia University). Spring 2008.

British History, 1867-Present. Teaching Assistant (Columbia University). Fall 2007.

**Committee Service and Leadership Roles**

Elected as an alternate representative from the Social Sciences to the Academic Council, Duke University, 2023-2024.

Co-Director, Prison Engagement Initiative, Kenan Institute for Ethics, Duke University, 2023-2025.

Director of Undergraduate Studies, Duke University Department of History, 2023-2026. Raised significant funds to launch a new summer program called History+.

Member, Prison Engagement Initiative, Kenan Institue for Ethics, Duke University, 2022-25.

Member, Faculty Advisory Board, Franklin Humanities Institute, 2022-25.

Member, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, Duke University, Department of History, 2022-2023.

Member, President’s Working Group on Student-Athlete Success, Duke University, 2022-23.

Chair, Higby Prize Committee, *Journal of Modern History*, 2022.

Member, Academic Programs Committee [APC], Duke University, Office of the Provost, 2022-2025.

“Teaching for Equity Fellows” program participant (yearlong course in anti-racist pedagogy), Duke University, 2021-22.

Member, Review Committee for Reappointment of Director of Franklin Humanities Institute, Spring 2022.

Chair, Colloquium Committee, Duke University, Department of History, 2021-22.

Member, Third-Year Review Committee for Cecilia Márquez, Duke University, Department of History, 2021-22.

Member of Curriculum Committeee, Duke University, Trinity College of Arts & Sciences, 2021-2023.

Due Diligence Committee, Target of Opportunity search committee, Duke University Department of History, 2021. This became an official hiring committee, on which I also served.

Ex officio member of Faculty-Student Interaction Committee, Duke University, Trinity College of Arts & Sciences, 2020-221.

Colloquium Committee, Duke University, Department of History, 2020-22.

Ad-Hoc Curriculum Committee [helping History faculty acclimate to online teaching during COVID-19], Duke University, Department of History, Summer 2020.

Social Sciences Representative, Executive Committee of the Arts & Sciences Council [ECASC], Duke University, 2020-23.

Chair of Triangle Intellectual History Seminar, 2020-23.

History Department Representative to Arts & Sciences Council, 2019-20.

Founder of, fundraiser for, and on prize committee of the Jarausch Prize in Central European History, administered through the North Carolina German Studies Seminar, 2019-present.

Member of editorial board, KADOC Studies in Religion, Culture, and Society (University of Louvain), 2019-present.

Prize committee member, Juan E. Mendéz Book Award, Duke Human Rights Center @FHI, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2023 competitions.

Member of Executive Committee, Duke Human Rights Center @ FHI, 2018-present.

Committee to evaluate Human Rights Summer Research Grants, DHRC@FHI, 2018, 2020.

Member of “Race, Religion, and Volatile Political Movements” Intellectual Planning Grant, Duke University, 2018-19.

Member of Visiting Scholar Initiative Duke University, Department of History, 2018.

Member of Graduate Committee, Duke University, Department of History, 2017-18.

Faculty Panel to award Oliver Koonz Human Rights Prize for best undergraduate essay, DHRC@FHI, 2016, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2022, 2023.

Advisory Board Member, North Carolina German Studies Seminar, 2015-present. Moderated four presentations thus far.

Member of Executive Committee, Duke University, Department of History, 2014-17.

Member of Colloquium Steering Committee, Duke University, Department of History, 2014-2015.

Faculty Advisory Board, Duke Human Rights Center, 2013-present.

**Other Service:**

Comment for a panel on “Dislocation, Incarceration, Assimilation.” 2021-22 Religions and Public Life Graduate Working Group, Capstone Conference, Kenan Institute, Duke University, April 2022.

Moderated panel entitled “Challenges of Current Trans-Atlantic Careers.” Conference entitled “German Historians in America After 1945,” hosted by North Carolina German Studies Seminar, March 2022.

Organized and moderated discussion with Emily Levine (Stanford) and Molly Worthen (UNC-Chapel Hill) on the rise of the modern research university. Duke University, Center for International and Global Studies, October 2021.

Co-organizer, with Alissa Klots (University of Pittsburgh), “Aging, Disability and Health in Socialist Europe and Beyond,” University of Pittsburgh, March 2021.

Organized, moderated, and participated in two roundtable discussions about “Fascism and Anti-Fascism, Past and Present.” Duke University, Human Rights Center @ FHI, February 2021.

Participant in Duke History Department roundtablel, “Changing Lanes: How to Redirect Scholarship in Response to New Challenges,” February 2021.

Participation in Franklin Humanities Institute book workshop for Nima Bassiri (Literature, Duke), September 2020.

Planned and led a discussion on aging and disability at the Disability Access Initiative, Health Humanities Lab, Duke University, January 2020.

Discussant at film screening of *Prosecuting Evil: The Extraordinary Worlds of Benjamin Ferencz*. Hosted by Duke Human Rights Center@FHI as part of their Rights! Camera! Action! Series, January 2020.

Proposal reviewer for National Humanities Center fellowship competition, 2019.

Public interview of Petra Goedde about her book *The Politics of Peace* (2019). American Grand Strategy Seminar, Duke University, November 2019.

Faculty participant in graduate student grantwriting workshop. MicroWorlds Lab, Duke University, October 2019. Again in October 2021.

Organized roundtable event at Forum for Scholars and Publics, Duke University: “Are Concentration Camps Back? And What Can We Do About It?” September 2019.

In-person, invited consultation with Notre Dame’s Cushwa Center to help organize major conference on global Catholicism, February 2018.

Lead fundraiser ($20,000) and organizer for international and interdisciplinary conference on “The Logic of Sanctuary: Religious Movements in Non-Sovereign Spaces,” held at Duke University on 8-9 February 2018.

Panel participant and respondent. *Vita Activa: The Spirit of Hannah Arendt*. Film screening, Duke Human Rights Center, February 2018.

Manuscript/proposal reviewer: Harvard University Press (2016, 2018, 2023); University of Pennsylvania Press (2017, 2019 (x2), 2022); Leuven University Press (2019); Taylor and Francis (2019); Routledge (2023); Penn State University Press (2024).

Article reviewer, *Modern Intellectual History* (2010); *Journal of Contemporary History* (2014); *Humanity* (2015); *Political Theology* (2016); *American Historical Review* (2016); *Contemporary European History* (2017, 2023, 2024); *Historia Nova* (Duke undergraduate journal, 2018); *Journal of Religious History* (2019, 2022); *Journal of Modern History* (2019); *Bulletin of the History of Medicine* (2020); *Politics and Religion* (2021); *Central European History* (2021); *Journal of Religious History* (2021, 2023 (x2)); *Journal of Global History* (2022); *Journal of the History of Ideas* (2023); *International Review of Social History* (2023)

Co-organizer with two UNC faculty members of the international workshop, “May ’68: New Approaches and Perspectives,” held at National Humanities Center, February 2017.

Project evaluator, Partner University Fund, French Embassy in the United States, 2016.

Grant reviewer for SSRC-IDRF fellowship, 2015-16 and 2016-17.

Introduction and discussion moderation. “La Grande Illusion,” film screening, sponsored by Department of Romance Studies, Duke University, September 2015.

Panel participant and respondent. *The Devil Comes on Horseback*. Film screening, Duke Human Rights Center, March 2014.

Grant Reviewer, Czech Science Foundation (2013).

Educational Consultant for Mouseion, Ltd., designing curricula for use throughout the Arab world, 2012-13.

Served on admissions committee, Mellon Interdisciplinary Fellows Program, Columbia University, Spring 2012.

Co-organizer. Interdisciplinary seminar on “Narrativity.” School of International and Public Affairs, Columbia University, January 2012.

Principal American Organizer. “Normes et Normativité en Histoire.” Columbia University and Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne Joint Graduate Student Conference. Paris, March 2010. Led workshop, “Les historiens dans l’histoire: Michel Foucault et Howard Zinn.”

Panel Organizer. “Cold War Catholicism: New Approaches to Religion and Politics in Postwar Europe.” Council for European Studies, Montreal, April 2010.

International Affairs Coordinator, Columbia University Graduate History Association, 2009-2010.

Principal organizer. “Spring Symposium: The State of History Today.” Columbia University, April 2009.

Undergraduate adviser (volunteer position), Spring 2009.

President, Columbia University Graduate History Association, 2008-9.

Co-organizer. “Symbols of Exclusion: A Center for International History Graduate Student Conference.” Columbia University, May 2008.

Co-organizer. “From the Old Regime to the New: Interpreting the French Revolution with Isser Woloch.” Columbia University, November 2007.