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EDUCATION

- 2022 (exp) Duke University, USA
PhD, History
- Freie Universität Berlin, Germany
Visiting researcher, 2017-2019
- 2013 Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies (IHEID), Geneva, Switzerland
MA, International History
- 2007 University of Mississippi, USA
BA, International Studies

FELLOWSHIPS & GRANTS

- 2020-21 Mellon/American Council of Learned Societies Dissertation Completion Fellowship
- 2019-20 Bass Teaching Fellowship, Duke University
- 2019 Central European History Society, International Research Grant
- 2018 Franklin Humanities Institute, Duke University, Human Rights Research Grant
- 2017-18 German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), Doctoral Research Fellowship
- 2017 Sanford School of Public Policy, Duke University, Dissertation Research Fellowship
- 2017 Temple Family Summer Research Fellowship, Duke Graduate School
- 2007-08 Fulbright Fellowship, Germany

AWARDS

- 2014 Prix Ardit, Best Master's Thesis, Graduate Institute, Geneva (IHEID), Switzerland

PUBLICATIONS

Reviews

- 2020 Review of Lasse Heerten, *The Biafran War and Postcolonial Humanitarianism: Spectacles of Suffering* (Cambridge, 2017) in *New Global Studies* vol. 14, no. 2, 217-220.

Online

- 2018 “Refugee Refusals: Humanitarianism and Human Rights since 1948,” *Zeitgeschichte-Online* (December)

CONFERENCES, TALKS & WORKSHOPS**Conference Presentations**

- 2022 “Biafran Art, Poetry, and Political Activism in 1960s West Germany,” Germany and the African Diaspora (panel), Northeast Modern Language Association Conference, Baltimore, Maryland, March 10-13
- 2020 “African Aid, Child Evacuees, and Medical Research During the Nigeria-Biafra War,” Children, Youth, and Globalization (panel), African Studies Association Conference, November 19-21
- 2019 “Beyond the Iron Curtain: Third-World Refugees and Divided Germany, 1970s and 80s,” The Two Germanies and Global Humanitarianism after 1945 (panel), German Studies Association Conference, Portland, Oregon, October 3-6

Invited Talks

- 2020 “Third-World Refugees, Rights, and West Germany in the 1970s and 80s,” North Carolina German Studies Seminar, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, October 9

Workshops

- 2020 “Third-World Refugees, Mental Health, and Body Politics in 1970s and 80s West Germany,” Bodies Across Borders: An Interdisciplinary Workshop on Migration (invited participant), University of Texas, Austin, April 16-17 (cancelled due to COVID-19)
- 2019 “Third-World Refugees and Migrant Knowledge in West Germany,” Bucerius Workshop on Global Migration (invited participant), University of California, Berkeley, October 21-23
- 2019 “Teaching with Archives,” Duke Summer Workshop and Doctoral Academy, May

Panels and Conferences Organized

- 2019 Panel Co-organizer, “The Two Germanies and Global Humanitarianism after 1945,” with Tobias Hof (Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, Munich), Annual Meeting of the German Studies Association, Portland, Oregon, October 3-6

2016 Organizing Committee, “‘Where I Fare Well, There is My Home’: Migration, Past and Present,” Graduate Student Conference, Duke University, March 4

TEACHING

Duke University

“Human Rights and Genocide,” Instructor of Record, Spring 2020

“The Holocaust,” Teaching Assistant, Spring 2019

“American Dreams, American Realities,” Teaching Assistant, Fall 2016

Other Experience

2012-14 Resident Tutor and Substitute Teacher, Collège du Léman, Switzerland

2007-08 English Teaching Assistant, Gymnasium Rheindahlen, Germany

RESEARCH & SERVICE

2020 Research Assistant, Religions and Public Life, Kenan Institute for Ethics, Duke

2015 Founding Co-Organizer, History Hackathon, Duke University

2011-12 Student Representative, International History, IHEID, Geneva

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Historical Association

Central European History Society

African Studies Association

German Studies Association

LANGUAGES

English (native; research)

German (reading and speaking fluency; research)

French (basic reading proficiency; research)

Spanish (basic reading and speaking proficiency)