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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Associated Researcher, SNSPA, Bucharest Romania (2021-2023)

Socialist Contributions to International Law, Prof. Raluca Grosescu (PI)

Nachwuchsgruppenleiter/Junior Project Leader, University of Erfurt (2019-2025)

Principal investigator of the VolkswagenStiftung supported project “The Other Global Germany: Transnational Criminality and Deviant Globalization in the 20th Century.”

Associate Research Fellow, University of Exeter (2014 – 2018)

“1989 after 1989: The Fall of State-Socialism in a Global Perspective,” Leverhulme Trust supported project. Prof. James Mark (PI)

EDUCATION

University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill, PhD History (December 2013)

Dissertation: *Between Dictatorship and Dissent: Ideology, Legitimacy, and Human Rights in East Germany, 1945-1990*. Supervisor, Prof. Konrad Jarausch

McGill University (Montréal, Canada) MA History (December 2007)

McGill University, BA (Honours) History (June 2005)

COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS

Towards Illiberal Constitutionalism in East Central Europe: Historical Analysis in Comparative and Transnational Perspectives (2021-2025)

- Co-Principal Investigator: University of Erfurt, University of Jena, University of Warsaw, the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic, and Central European University

The Other Global Germany: Transnational Criminality and Deviant Globalization in the 20th Century (2019-2024)

- Principal Investigator: University of Erfurt

State Socialist Contributions to International Law: National Approaches and Global Engagements (2021-2023)

- Associated Researcher: National University of Political Studies and Public Administration, Bucharest.

International Law and History: Eastern Europe in a Global Perspective (2019-)

- Handbook co-editor: University of Leipzig – GWZO.

Transimperial History Blog (2021-2022)

- Founding Co-editor: University of Erfurt.

1989 after 1989: The Fall of State-Socialism in a Global Perspective (2014-2018)

- Associate Research Fellow

RESEARCH GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

Major Research Grants:

- Challenges for Europe (2021-2025), Co-Principal Investigator/Co-Applicant, VW Stiftung €1,445,700 (Erfurt sub-project: €376,360).
- Freigeist Fellowship (2019-2024), Principal Investigator and Applicant, VolkswagenStiftung €1,078,400.

Other Grants and Fellowships:

Ernst Abbé Stiftung, Conference support grant (Sept 2022) - Africa and the Cold War III
Leibniz Summer Fellow (Sept-Oct 2015) - Zentrum für Zeithistorische Forschung (ZZF), Potsdam
Doctoral Fellowship (July-August 2012) - German Historical Institute, Washington DC
Bernadotte E. Schmitt Grant (June 2012) - American Historical Association
Graduate Research Grant (Fall 2011) - German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)
Dissertation Fellowship, Berlin Program for Advanced German and European Studies at the Freie Universität Berlin (April 2010-June 2011) - German Studies Association/Free University of Berlin
George Mowry Research Grant (January 2010) - University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Intensive Language Study Scholarship (Summer 2007) – DAAD

ACADEMIC HONOURS

Official Commendation, Fraenkel Prize in Contemporary History (2015) – Wiener Library, London
Fritz Stern Dissertation Prize (2014) – German Historical Institute, Washington DC
Teaching Assistant of the Year (2007) – History Students' Association, McGill University

PUBLICATIONS

Monographs

The German Democratic Republic: The Rise and Fall of a Cold War State (under contract, Bloomsbury)
The Human Rights Dictatorship: Socialism, Global Solidarity and Revolution in East Germany. (Cambridge University Press, 2020)

- Reviewed in *German History*, *Central European History*, *Diplomatic History*, *East Central Europe*, *H-Russia*, *Annali Reviews Online* and the *Süddeutsche Zeitung*.
- German translation proposal under review with C.H. Links, Berlin.

Special Issues and Collective Volumes

Deviant Global Germany: Transnational Histories of Crime, Morality, and Mobility, co-editor with Sarah Frenking and Bodie Ashton. Under review with University of Toronto Press

Socialisms and International Law in the Contemporary World, co-editor with Raluca Grosescu. Under review with Oxford University Press

Routledge Handbook of the History of International Law: Eastern Europe (Routledge: forthcoming 2024)
Co-editor with Isabella Löhr, Dietmar Müller & Stefan Troebst

Everyday Transnationalism, Global Entanglements and Regimes of Mobility at the Edges of East Germany
Special issue: *Central European History* (forthcoming, 2023) Co-editor with Lauren Stokes

(Re-)Constituting the State and Law during the 'Long Transformation of 1989' in East Central Europe. Special issue: *Journal of Modern European History* (18:3, 2020) Co-editor with Michal Kopeček

Socialism and Human Rights in East-Central Europe since 1945. Special issue: *East Central Europe* (46: 2-3, 2019) Co-editor with Hella Dietz and James Mark

The Socialist World and Post-War International Criminal and Humanitarian Law. Special issue: *Journal of the History of International Law*. (21: 2, 2019) Co-editor with Raluca Grosescu

Journal Articles/Peer reviewed

“Cold War Narcotics Trafficking, the Global War on Drugs, and East Germany’s Illicit Transnational Entanglements,” *Central European History* (forthcoming, 2023)

“Everyday Transnationalism, Global Entanglements and Regimes of Mobility at the Edges of East Germany,” special issue introduction, co-authored with Lauren Stokes in *Central European History* (forthcoming, 2023)

“What’s Next? Historical Research on the GDR Three Decades after German Unification,” peer-reviewed forum with Kerstin Brückweh, Jane Freeland, Mario Keßler, & Daniel Siemens, *German History* (forthcoming, 2023)

“Far-Right Anniversary Politics and Social Media: The Alternative for Germany’s Contestation of the East German Past on Twitter,” co-authored with Sam Merrill and Leah Arlaud in *Memory Studies* (15:6, 2022 1360–1377)

“Arms Intervention: Weimar Germany, Imperial Influence and Weapons Trafficking in Warlord China,” *Journal of Modern European History* (19:4, 2021, 510-528)

“Introduction: (Re-)Constituting the State and Law during the ‘Long Transformation of 1989’ in East Central Europe,” co-authored with Michal Kopeček in the *Journal of Modern European History* (18:3, 2020, 275-280)

“From Tehran to Helsinki: The International Year of Human Rights 1968 and State Socialist Eastern Europe,” *Diplomatica: A Journal of Diplomacy and Society* (1:2, 2019, 180-201)

“Revisiting State Socialist Approaches to International Criminal and Humanitarian Law: An Introduction,” co-authored with Raluca Grosescu, *Journal of the History of International Law* (21:2, 2019, 161-180)

“The Drug War in a Land Without Drugs: East Germany and the Socialist Embrace of International Narcotics Law,” in *Journal of the History of International Law*. (21: 2, 2019, 270-298)

“New Perspectives on Socialism and Human Rights in East Central Europe since 1945,” co-authored with Hella Dietz and James Mark in *Socialism and Human Rights in East-Central Europe since 1945*. Special issue *East Central Europe* (46:2-3, 2019, 169-187)

“The Failure of the Socialist Declaration of Human Rights: Ideology, Legitimacy, and Elite Defection at the End of State Socialism,” in *Socialism and Human Rights in East-Central Europe since 1945*. Special issue *East Central Europe* (46:2-3, 2019, 318-341)

“Human Rights as Myth and History: Between the Revolutions of 1989 and the Arab Spring,” *Journal of Contemporary Central and Eastern Europe* (23:2-3, 2015, 151-166)

Book Chapters/Non-peer reviewed

“Rights and Communism,” in Samuel Moyn and Meredith Terretta (eds.) *The Cambridge History of Rights: Volume V: The Twentieth and Twenty-First Centuries* (Cambridge University Press, forthcoming 2023)

“Nehmt Menschenrechtsilliberalismus ernst! Vom Ge- und Missbrauch der Geschichte und der Schwierigkeit, diese zu schreiben,” in Johannes Haaf, Luise Müller, Esther Neuhann & Markus

- Wolf (eds.) *Die Grundlagen der Menschenrechte: moralisch, politisch oder sozial?* (Nomos Verlag, forthcoming, 2023)
- “Conclusion -- 1989: World-Historical Fracture and a Return to More of the Same,” in Kirrily Freeman and John Munro (eds.) *Reading the New Global Order: Textual Transformations of 1989* (Bloomsbury, 2022)
- “Transnational Drug Trafficking and the German Embrace of International Narcotics Law from the Kaiserreich to the Nazis” in Dietmar Müller and Katja Naumann (eds.) *Transregional Connections in the History of East Central Europe* (De Gruyter, 2021)
- “Hashers Don’t Read *Das Kapital*: East Germany, Socialist Prohibition, and Global Cannabis,” in James Mills and Lucas Richert (eds.) *Cannabis: Global Histories* (MIT Press, 2021)
- “Who is the Volk? PEGIDA and the Contested Memory of 1989 on Social Media,” co-authored with Samuel Merrill in Samuel Merrill, Emily Keightley & Priska Daphi (eds.) *Social Movements, Cultural Memory and Digital Media. Mobilising Mediated Remembrance* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2020)
- “Abolishing the Exploitation of Man by Man: Socialism and Human Rights since Marx,” in Annette Weinke and Dieter Gosewinkel (eds.) *Human Rights and their Critics* (Wallstein, 2019)
- “Human Rights Movements and the Fall of the Berlin Wall: The Peaceful Revolution of 1989,” in Jean Quataert and Lora Wildenthal (eds.) *The Routledge History of Human Rights* (Routledge, 2019)
- “Human Rights, Pluralism and the Democratization of East and West Germany,” in Harald Wenzel, Konrad Jarausch, and Karin Goihl (eds.), *Different Germans, Many Germanies: New Transatlantic Perspectives* (Berghahn, 2016)
- “Between Dictatorship and Dissent: Ideology, Legitimacy and Human Rights in East Germany, 1945-1990,” *German Historical Institute Bulletin* 56 (Spring 2015)
- “Dictatorship and Dissent: Human Rights in East Germany in the 1970s,” in Jan Eckel and Samuel Moyn (eds.) *The Breakthrough: Human Rights in the 1970s* (University of Pennsylvania Press, 2014)
- “‘Erkämpft das Menschenrecht’: Sozialismus und Menschenrechte in der DDR in der 70er Jahre,” in J. Eckel and S. Moyn (eds.) *Moral für die Welt?: Menschenrechtspolitik in den 1970er Jahren* (Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 2012)

Book Reviews

- Molly Pucci, *Security Empire: The Secret Police in Communist Eastern Europe*. (Yale University Press, 2020) in *German History*, Vol. 40, No. 1 (2022), 140-141.
- Matthew Craven, Sundhya Pahuja & Gerry Simpson (eds.): *International Law and the Cold War*. (Cambridge 2019) in the *Zeitschrift für ausländisches öffentliches Recht und Völkerrecht/ Heidelberg Journal of International Law*, Vol. 81, No. 1, (2021), 265-270.
- “The History of the End of History”, in “Debate on Philipp Ther’s Europe since 1989,” *East Central Europe*. (47: 2-3 2020).
- Mark Hurst, *British Human Rights Organizations and Soviet Dissent, 1965–1985* (Bloomsbury, 2016) in the *Journal of Contemporary History*, Vol 54. No. 1, (2019), 243-45.
- Sandrine Kott, *Communism Day-to-Day: State Enterprises in East German Society* (Michigan UP, 2014), in *H-German* (December 2017)
- Kate E. Tunstall (ed.), *Self-Evident Truths? Human Rights and the Enlightenment* (Bloomsbury, 2012), in *Traces: The UNC-Chapel Hill Journal of History* (2013).
- John Rodden, *Dialectics, Dogmas, and Dissent: Stories from East German Victims of Human Rights Abuse* (Penn State UP, 2010), in *H-Human Rights* (June 2011).

Online Publications

- “Bernhard Graefrath” & “Hermann Klenner,” Legal Biographies, *Socialist International Law* (2021)
- “Was ist los in Erfurt? The East German Past and the Democratic Crisis of the Present/ Die ostdeutsche Vergangenheit und die demokratische Krise der Gegenwart,” *Geschichte der Gegenwart* (February 19, 2020)
- “The Eastern Bloc, the Cold War and International Drug Trafficking,” *Points: The Blog of the Alcohol & Drugs History Society* (August 29, 2019)
- “Reefer Madness Behind the Iron Curtain,” *Points: The Blog of the Alcohol & Drugs History Society* (August 22, 2019)
- “Yes, Genocide (a primer on the term) #MMIWG” *Discard Studies: Social studies of waste, pollution & externalities* (June 4, 2019)
- “The Universal Declaration of Human Rights in East Germany: Socialist Appropriation and Dissident Contestation, 1948-1989,” *zeitgeschichte | online*, Zentrum für Zeithistorische Forschung (December 7, 2018)
- “Writing Human Rights into the History of State Socialism,” *Imperial and Global Forum*, Exeter Centre for Imperial and Global History (March 24, 2014)
- Conference Report. *Human Rights / Social Rights. The Twentieth Century Predicament*. 02.12.2010-04.12.2010, Potsdam, in: H-Soz-u-Kult (March 2011)
- “Solzhenitsyn’s Double-Edged Legacy,” *The Globe and Mail* (Online Edition August 6, 2008)

Press and Media Appearances/Interviews

- with Rosamund Johnston, “Episode 29: Guns and Globalization,” RECET Transformative Podcast (Dec 12, 2022)
- with John Paul Kleiner, “The Human Rights Dictatorship,” Radio GDR Podcast (June 2, 2022)
- with Jill Massino, “The Human Rights Dictatorship,” *New Books Network* (May 21, 2021)
- with M.W. Palen, “The Human Rights Dictatorship,” *Imperial and Global Forum* (October 5, 2020)
- with David Broder, “A Human Rights Contradiction,” *Jacobin* (October 3, 2020)
- with Sumi Somaskanda, “How Connected are Germans Really 30 Years after Reunification?” *KCRW Studio Berlin* (September 16, 2020)
- with Bob Whitaker, “Through the Darkest of Times,” *History Respanned* (March 31, 2020)
- with Gesche Schifferdecker, “Concepts of Human Rights Are Not Unique to the West,” *WeberWorldCafé – Max Weber Stiftung* (September 18, 2015)

EVENT ORGANIZATION

- International Conference: *Revisiting the Dark Legacies of Illiberalism: Varieties of Constitutionalism and Legal-Political Practices in Post-Authoritarian Europe*, University of Jena. Co-organized with Joachim von Puttkamer (University of Jena), Marta Bucholc (University of Warsaw), Michal Kopeček (Institute of Contemporary History, Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague), Renáta Uitz (Central European University, Vienna-Budapest), (December 2022)
- International Conference: *Africa and the Cold War III*, Erfurt. Co-organized with Aychegrew Hadera (Bahir Dar University), Christian Methfessel (Leibniz Institute for Contemporary History), Teferi Mekonnen (Institute of Ethiopian Studies, Addis Ababa University), Jan Záhorský (University of West Bohemia in Pilsen), (September 2022)

- International Conference: *Socialisms and International Law in the Contemporary World, Bucharest*. co-organizer with Raluca Grosescu (SNSPA Bucharest), Nelly Bekus (University of Exeter), Bogdan Iacob (Romanian Academy), (September 2022)
- International Workshop: *Verboten, Verrucht, Verpönt: Deviance, Crime and the Illicit in Global German History*. Co-organizer with Bodie Ashton & Sarah Frenking (University of Erfurt) (July 2022)
- Workshop: *Leipzig-Erfurter Arbeitstreffen zu Raumgeschichte und Raumvisualisierung, Sächsisch-Thüringische Arbeitsgruppe zu Raum- und Grenzgeschichte*, Leipzig (Sept 2021) Co-organizer with Antje Dietze (University of Leipzig)
- International Workshop: *State Socialist Contributions to International Law National Approaches and Global Engagements*, Jena/online Co-organizer with Raluca Grosescu (SNSPA Bucharest) (July 2021)
- International Conference: *Entangling Histories of International Trafficking*, Erfurt Co-organizer with Sarah Frenking and Bodie Ashton (University of Erfurt/online) (June/July 2021)
- International Workshop: *New Transnational and Global Approaches to the GDR Border*, Erfurt (July 2019)
- International Conference: *The Other Globalisers: How the Socialist and the Non-Aligned World Shaped the Rise of Post-War Economic Globalisation*, Exeter (July 2017) Co-organizer with James Mark (University of Exeter), Hella Dietz (University of Göttingen) and Robert Brier (GHI Warsaw)
- International Conference: *State Socialism, Legal Experts and the Genesis of International Criminal and Humanitarian Law after 1945*, Berlin (November 2016) Co-organizer with Raluca Grosescu (University of Exeter), Dietmar Müller & Stefan Troebst (GWZO Leipzig) and Marcus Payk (Humboldt University)
- International Conference: *Empire and Humanitarianism: 2nd Imperialism and Global History Network Conference* University of Exeter (June 2016) Co-organizer with Stacey Hynd & Gareth Curless (University of Exeter)
- International Conference: *Human Rights after 1945 in the Socialist and Post-Socialist World*, Warsaw (March 2016) Co-organizer with James Mark, Hella Dietz and Robert Brier

Organized Panels

- “Trafficking, Smuggling, and Illicit Border Crossings: Global Perspectives across the 20th Century,” *American Historical Association*, New Orleans/Online (Jan/Feb 2022), co-organized with David Spreen (Harvard University)
- “Global Trafficking/Global Migration: Marginalization, Integration and Minorities,” *Sixth European Congress on World and Global History*, ENIUGH, Online (June 2021)
- “Human Rights in the Post-War Germanies,” *German Studies Association Annual Meeting*, Online (October 2020)
- “Policing the Borders of the GDR: Transnational and Global Approaches,” *German Studies Association Annual Meeting*, Pittsburgh (October 2018) co-organized with Lauren Stokes (Northwestern University)
- “Rechts- oder Glaubensfragen? Menschenrechte, Ideologie und Religion im geteilten Deutschland und Europa nach 1945,” *51. Deutscher Historikertag*, Hamburg University (September 2016) Co-organized with Sebastian Gehrig (University of Oxford)
- “Memory and Human Rights after the Third Reich in Divided Germany,” *Human Rights and Memory, Fourth Annual Conference of the Dialogues on Historical Justice and Memory Network*, Lund University (Dec 2014) Co-organized with Felix Jimenez (Boston College)

- “Human Rights in East and West Germany,” *German Studies Association Annual Meeting*, Louisville, Kentucky (September 2011) Co-organized with Lora Wildenthal (Rice University)

PRESENTATIONS

Keynote Lecture

“Human Rights beyond Liberalism: Dictatorship, Self-Determination and Socialist Rights in East Germany,” *Die Grundlagen der Menschenrechte: moralisch, politisch oder sozial? Frühjahrstagung der Deutsche Vereinigung für Politikwissenschaft-Sektion Politische Theorie und Ideengeschichte*, TU Dresden (March 2021)

Conference Presentations

“The Two German States and the Evolution of Arms Trafficking to Africa in the Cold War,” *Africa and the Cold War III*, Erfurt. (September 2022)

“Hijacking for Liberation or Freedom: Cold War Conflicts and Convergences over the International Law of Air Piracy,” *Socialisms and International Law in the Contemporary World*, Bucharest. (September 2022)

“A Humanitarian Menace and Lucrative Business: Imperial Germany, the Arms Trade and the Competing Geographies of Prohibition and Profit in Africa and the Middle East,” *Verboten, Verrückt, Verpönt: Deviance, Crime and the Illicit in Global German History*. (University of Erfurt) (July 2022)

“Cold War/Drug War: Entangling the Histories of Two Global Conflicts,” *Cold War Dis:connections and the Transformation of Internationalisms* Munich (June 2022)

“Socialist International Law, Human Rights, and Dissent in East Germany,” *14. Österreichischer Zeitgeschichtetag*, Paris Lodron University of Salzburg (April 2022)

“Communist Perfidy or Capitalist Disease: Global Narcotics Trafficking, International Law, and the Cold War,” *American Historical Association*, Online (February 2022)

“Between Leninism, Nazism and Decolonization: State Socialist Eastern Europe and the Right to Self-Determination,” *Reckoning with Empire: The Right to Self-Determination in Historical View*, Yale University (November 2021)

“The Rights of the Volk: Menschenrechte, the Grundgesetz and the Far-Right since Reunification” *German Studies Association Annual Meeting*, Online/Indianapolis (October 2021)

“The GDR, International Humanitarian Law and Freedom Fighters in the Global South,” *State Socialist Contributions to International Law National Approaches and Global Engagements*, Jena (July 2021)

“International Narcotics Institutions in the Cold War: From Competition to Cooperation,” *International Organizations and the Cold War*, University of Vienna/Online (May 2021)

“Socialist Rights in the GDR and Beyond,” *German Studies Association Annual Meeting*, Online (October 2020)

“Inventing a State Socialist History of Human Rights,” *Critical Thinking on Memory and Human Rights Second Annual Workshop*, University of Frankfurt (February 2020)

“Who is the Volk? PEGIDA and the Contested Memory of 1989 on Social Media,” *Hashtags, Tweets, Protest: Social Movements in the Digital Age*, Annual Conference of the Institute for Social Movement Studies, Berlin (November 2019)

“Arms Intervention: Weimar Germany and Weapons Trafficking to Inter-War Conflict Zones in China and Latin America,” *Arms Control across the Empires*, GHI London (September 2019)

“The German State between International Law and Deviant Globalization: Narcotics Trafficking in the 20th Century,” *German Studies Association Annual Meeting*, Portland (October 2019)

“The Revolutions of 1989 in Eastern Europe and the Transformation of Illicit Global Markets,” *Revolutions and Transformations in Global Perspective, 1989-2019*, University of Leipzig (June 2019)

“Africa and East Germany in Human Rights and International Law: Intellectual and Material Entanglements,” *Africa and the Cold War II*, Mekelle University (March 2019)

“The Plague of the Capitalist World: The Evolution of Anti-Narcotics Trafficking in the GDR,” *German Studies Association Annual Meeting*, Pittsburgh (October 2018)

“Rauschgifthandel und Völkerrecht in der Zwischenkriegszeit in Deutschland,” *EEGA-GWZO Joint Annual Conference*, University of Leipzig (July 2018)

“Lawyers, Human Rights and Democratization in Eastern Europe,” *Revolution from Within: Experts, Managers and Technocrats in the Long Transformation of 1989*, University of Jena (June 2018)

“Socialist Emancipation or National Unification: Conflicting Visions of Boundaries, Human Rights, and Self-Determination in Divided Germany,” *Partitions and Borders: A Comparative & Interdisciplinary Conference*, University College Dublin (May 2018)

“Hashish Smuggling Across the Iron Curtain: East Germany and Global Cannabis,” *Cannabis: Global Histories Symposium*, University of Strathclyde (April 2018)

“Human Rights in East Germany: Between Dictatorship and Dissent” *Kolloquium des Imre Kertész Kollegs*, University of Jena (March 2018)

“We Are the People and You Are Not: The German Far-Right and the Appropriation of Democratic Historical Symbolism,” *Remobilising Militant Past: Histories of Protest, Unrest, and Insurrection as Politics and Culture*, King’s College London (September 2017)

“East Germany and the Failed Dream of Global Socialist Oil Solidarity,” *The Other Globalisers: How the Socialist and the Non-Aligned World Shaped the Rise of Post-War Economic Globalisation*, University of Exeter (July 2017)

“Self-Determination as Socialism: East Germany, Decolonization and the International Year for Human Rights,” *'Calendar Propaganda' of Human Rights? Historical Perspectives on the United Nations' Global Observances*, University of Leiden (June 2017)

“There is no drug problem in the GDR?: East Germany, Narcotics Control, and International Law” *State Socialism, Legal Experts and the Genesis of International Criminal and Humanitarian Law after 1945*, Humboldt University of Berlin (November 2016)

“The Ideological Crisis of the 1980s and the Failed Socialist Declaration of Human Rights,” *Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies Annual Convention*, Washington DC (November 2016)

“Human Rights, Peace, and Democratization in East Germany,” *Late Cold War Tandems: Solidarities and Anxieties of the 1980s*. Sheffield University (November 2016)

“Das Scheitern der sozialistischen Menschenrechte,” *51. Deutscher Historikertag*, Hamburg University (September 2016)

“The Failure of Hydrocarbon Socialism: Oil and Political Decline in East Germany,” *Mobilising and Using Energy, from Antiquity to the Present Time*, University of Bordeaux-Montaigne (September 2016)

“Globalization in East Germany,” *GDR Historiography: What’s Next? Seminar at the German Studies Association Annual Meeting*, Arlington (October 2015)

“All Political Power is Exercised by the People?: Contesting Human Rights and Citizenship in the 1968 East German Constitution” *Law, (Inter-) Nationalism, and the Global Cold War, 1945-1989*, Oxford University (June 2015)

“Human Rights, Legitimacy, and the Legacies of State Socialism in the Reunification of Germany,” *British Association of Slavic and Eastern European Studies (BASEES)*, Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge University (March 2015)

“Anti-Fascism for Human Rights in East Germany,” *Human Rights and Memory, Fourth Annual Conference of the Dialogues on Historical Justice and Memory Network*, Lund University (Dec 2014)

“Beyond the ‘Helsinki Effect’: The Opportunities and Challenges of Human Rights History,” Roundtable Panelist, *Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies Annual Convention*, San Antonio (November 2014)

“Globalizing the History of Human Rights in the Soviet Bloc,” *New Perspectives in the Transnational History of Communism in East-Central Europe*, University of Poznan (October 2014)

“Cracks in the Façade of Unity: The Failure of the Socialist Declaration of Human Rights 1985-1989,” *European Summer School on Cold War History*, University of Trento (August 2014)

“Human Rights from the Other Side of the Wall,” *New Narratives of the Cold War*, University of Lausanne (July 2014)

“Human Rights Revolutions?: From the End of Communism to the Arab Spring,” *25 Years of Revolution: Comparing revolt and transition from Europe 1989 to the Arab World 2014*, University of Edinburgh (January 2014)

“Self-Determination and Socialist Human Rights: The Impact of Decolonization on East German Ideology and Diplomacy,” *Postwar Decolonization and Its Impact in Europe*, University of Exeter (December 2013)

“Self-Determination, Post-Colonialism and Socialism: Human Rights in East Germany from a Transnational Perspective,” German Historical Institute, *19th Transatlantic Doctoral Seminar*, Historisches Kolleg, Munich (May 2013)

“Post-Colonialism, Self-Determination and Human Rights in East Germany,” Departmental Research Colloquium, “*Citizenship, Human Rights, and Technology*,” UNC-Chapel Hill (Nov. 2012)

“Uniting and Dividing: Human Rights and the Reunification of Germany,” *(Un)Bound Worlds: Rethinking Boundaries and Borders*, Duke University, Durham NC (March 2012)

“Work Together, Plan Together, Govern Together: The Right to Work in East Germany, 1946-1968,” *American Historical Association*, Chicago, Illinois (January 2012)

“Erkämpft das Menschenrecht!: State-Directed Human Rights Activism in East Germany, 1959-1966,” *German Studies Association*, Louisville, Kentucky (September 2011)

“Human Rights without Pluralism: The East German Example and the Problem of Democratization” at *The Good Germans? New Transatlantic Perspectives*, Berlin Program for Advanced German & European Studies 25th Anniversary Conference, Free University of Berlin (July 2011)

“Menschenrechte im Unrechtsstaat: Vom Staatsozialismus zur Wende,” *Berlin Program for Advanced German and European Studies*, Free University of Berlin (December 2010)

“‘No Human Rights without Socialism – No Socialism without Human Rights!’: Socialist Human Rights and the Helsinki Accords in East Germany,” at *A New Global Morality? The Politics of Human Rights and Humanitarianism in the 1970s*, Freiburg Institute for Advanced Studies (June 2010)

Invited Lectures and Presentations

“The German Far-Right, Constitutional Rights and Memory Politics since Reunification,” Centre of Excellence in Law, Identity and the European Narratives (EuroStorie), University of Helsinki (December 2022)

“Guns and Globalization: Germany and the Illicit International Arms Trade since 1890,” Research Center for the History of Transformations (RECET), University of Vienna. (November 2022).

“The Human Rights Dictatorship: Demobilizing, Demoralizing and Deflecting Dissent in the GDR,” *Landschaften der Verfolgung, Werkstattgespräche VI*, Humboldt Universität (Oct 2022)

“Cold War-Drug War: Entangling the Histories of Two Global Conflicts,” *Cold War Dis:connections and the Transformation of Internationalisms*, LMU Munich (June 2022)

“The Global 1960s: Germany, Decolonization and the Global Cold War,” Guest Lecture at New York University-Berlin (April 2022)

“Die SED-Menschenrechtspolitik und seine Wirkungen: Die Transformation des sozialistischen Menschenrechtsdiskurses in der DDR,” Forschungsverbund Diktaturerfahrung und Transformation, Kolloquium, Universität Erfurt, (December 2021)

“The German Election 2021 in Historical Perspective,” University College Dublin, School of History Panel Discussion, Online (Sept 2021)

“Human Rights as Propaganda, Diplomacy and Dissent in the German Democratic Republic,” Modern History Colloquium, University of Konstanz, (May 2021)

“Narcotics Trafficking and the Illicit Global Entanglements of the East German Border,” Zentrum für Zeithistorische Forschung, Potsdam (April 2021)

“Human Rights beyond Liberalism: Dictatorship, Self-Determination and Socialist Rights in East Germany,” Berlin/Potsdam Research Group, *The International Rule of Law - Rise or Decline?*, Free University of Berlin (October 2020)

“1989: Rauschgiftschmuggel in Ost-Berlin,” *Stadt – Rausch – Regierung: Fragmente einer Drogengeschichte Berlins*, Berlin (November 2019)

“Human Rights in East Germany: Rethinking Solidarity, Socialism and Democracy in the Cold War,” University of British Columbia (October 2019)

“Schwerpunkte in den Medien vs. Schwerpunkte in der Forschung?” Panel Discussion, Summer School with Journalists, EEGA-Leibniz ScienceCampus, Leipzig (Sept. 2018)

“The Ambiguities of Human Rights: Dissent, Collaboration and the Emigration in East Germany’s Long 1970s,” German History Colloquium, Oxford University (November 2015)

“New Political Agendas: Human Rights, Gender and Environment,” table host, Weber World Café: Transregionale Dialoge zwischen Wissenschaft, Gesellschaft und Kultur, Leipzig (Nov 2015)

“The Ambiguities of Human Rights: Dissent, Collaboration and the Emigration in East Germany’s Long 1970s,” Zentrum für Zeithistorische Forschung, Potsdam (October 2015)

“Socialism, Self-Determination, and Dissent: Entangling the History of Human Rights in East Germany,” *Forschungskolloquium zur Vergleichs- und Verflechtungsgeschichte* at the Friedrich Meinecke Institute, Free University of Berlin (June 2015)

“History and Human Rights Methodology,” Guest Graduate Seminar Leader, *Interdisciplinary Methodology Seminar: Human Rights Under Pressure - Ethics, Law and Politics*, Free University of Berlin (December 2014)

“Human Rights from the Other Side of the Iron Curtain,” public lecture at Plymouth University (March 2014)

“Human Rights in Global History since 1945,” guest lecture for undergraduate history course *The World since 1945*, UNC-Chapel Hill (November 2012)

“The Paradox of Socialist Human Rights,” Department of History, University of Connecticut (February 2012)

“Dictatorship, Dissent and Human Rights in East Germany, 1945-1990,” Zentrum für Zeithistorische Forschung, Potsdam (January 2011)

“Menschenrechte im Unrechtsstaat: Sozialistische Menschenrechte in der DDR,” *Kolloquium zur Zeitgeschichte* at the Friedrich-Meinecke-Institute, Free University of Berlin (November 2010)

Discussant/Commentator

Panel Commentator: “Institutionalizing Dictatorship,” *Revisiting the Dark Legacies of Illiberalism: Varieties of Constitutionalism and Legal-Political Practices in Post-Authoritarian Europe*, University of Jena. (December 2022)

Session Commentator: “Historical Perspectives,” *The Rule of Law Under Threat: Eroding Institutions in the Member States and European Remedies*, University of Erfurt (October 2022)

Panel Commentator: “Intelligence Cooperation and Clandestine Knowledge Networks,” *Africa and the Cold War III*, Erfurt. (September 2022)

Panel Commentator: “International Law: Human and Cultural Rights,” *Divided Together? International Organizations and the Cold War*, University of Vienna, (June 2022)

Panel Commentator: “Global Trafficking/Global Migration: Marginalization, Integration and Minorities,” *Sixth European Congress on World and Global History, ENIUGH*, Online (June 2021)

Paper Commentator: Kyle Rapp, “Justifying Force: International Law, Foreign- Policy Decision-Making, and War Justifications” Seminar in Global History and International Law (June 2020)

Panel Discussant: “Beyond the Totalitarian? New Approaches Studying the GDR,” German Studies Association Annual Meeting, Portland (October 2019)

Panel Discussant: “Eastern Europe in Global Perspective,” Transnational Dimensions of Dealing with the Past in ‘Third Wave’ Democracies. Central Eastern Europe and the Former Soviet Union in Global Perspective, University of Bucharest (April 2019)

Paper Commentator: Elizabeth Nijdam, “Panelled Pasts: History, Media and Memory in the German Graphic Novel,” Berlin Program for Advanced German and European Studies, Free University of Berlin (February 2018)

Panel Discussant: „Politische Kultur, lokale Demokratisierung und Partizipation im Umbruch,“ Zur Gesellschaftsgeschichte des Umbruchs. Lebenswelt und Systemwechsel vor, während und nach '1989' " Zentrum für Zeithistorische Forschung, Potsdam (June 2017)

Panel Discussant: “Soviet-type societies and global challenges,” After Socialism: Globalization, Collapse, Transformations, Fondazione Istituto Gramsci, Rome (December 2015)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Erfurt

BA Seminar: Governing the World: The History of International Organizations in the 20th Century (WiSe 2022)

Integriertes Proseminar: Erinnerungen/Memories (SoSe 2021)

BA Seminar: German Colonialism in a Global Perspective (WiSe 2020)

BA Seminar: Germany’s Borders and Boundaries since 1848 (SoSe 2020)

BA Seminar: The History of Global Communism (SoSe 2020)

MA Seminar: 20th Century Global History: International Crime and International Law (SoSe 2019)

BA Seminar: The Global History of Human Rights since 1750 (WiSe 2018)

BA Seminar: The GDR – Global and Transnational Approaches (SoSe 2018)

CIEE-Global Institute Berlin

Holocaust Studies (October-November 2018)

Germany since 1871 (August-September 2018)

Holocaust Studies (July-August 2018)

Holocaust Studies (January 2018)

Carolina Courses Online - Course Designer and Instructor (Summer 2012-Fall 2013)

The Modern Middle East (Fall 2012, Winter 2013, Summer 2013, Fall 2013)

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill - Teaching Assistant (2008-2012)

Native Americans in the 20th Century (Fall 2012)

History of the Holocaust (Winter 2012)

World History since 1945 (Fall 2009)

The Modern Middle East (Winter 2009)

History of Air Power (Fall 2008)

McGill University - Teaching Assistant (2006-2008)

Latin America since 1825 (Winter 2008)

US Intellectual History since 1867 (Fall 2007)

The Second World War (Winter 2007)

American Presidential Campaigning (Fall 2006)

REVIEWER

Fellowships:

University of Iceland – PhD Fellowship Program

Imre Kertész Kolleg Jena – Visiting Fellowship Program

Manuscripts:

British Academy Monographs

Cambridge University Press

Contemporary European History

German History

History of Education

Journal of Cold War Studies

Journal of Contemporary History

Moving the Social

Routledge

Pluto Press

LANGUAGES: English (native), German, French (reading & communication), Russian (basic)

CITIZENSHIP: German & Canadian

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Historical Association

Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies

European Network in European and Global History

German Studies Association

Verband Historiker und Historikerinnen Deutschlands