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**ACADEMIC RECORD**

Princeton University, 1988-1992  
Free University of Berlin, DAAD Study Year, 1992-93  
Yale University, 1993-1999

A.B., June 1992 (*summa cum laude*)

Ph. D., December 1999

**ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

Purdue University, Associate Professor, August 2008 - August 2024  
Purdue University, Assistant Professor, August 2004 - August 2008  
Texas Tech University, Assistant Professor, September 2000 - June 2004  
New York University (Remarque Institute), Post-Doctoral Fellow, Sept. 1999 - June 2000

**AWARDS AND HONORS**

DAAD Prize for Distinguished Scholarship in German and European Studies, 2015  
(Awarded by the AICGS – American Institute for Contemporary German Studies)  
Outstanding New Faculty Member Award, Texas Tech Alumni Association, 2004  
Hans Gatzke Prize (Best Yale dissertation in European history), 2000  
Phi Beta Kappa, 1992

**MEMBERSHIPS**

American Historical Association  
Central European History Society  
German Studies Association  
Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations

**RESEARCH LANGUAGES**

German (fluent), Russian (intermediate), Portuguese (intermediate), French (reading proficiency)

**SECTION A. DISCOVERY****Publications*****Books***

*Trading Power: West Germany's Rise to Global Influence from Adenauer to Schmidt, 1963-1975*  
(Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2023)  
*Germany's Cold War: The Global Campaign to Isolate East Germany, 1949-1969* (Chapel Hill: The University of North Carolina Press, 2003)

### ***Edited Books***

- Secret Services and International Arms Trade*. Co-edited with Thomas Schlemmer. *German Yearbook for Contemporary History*, Vol. 6 (November 2022)
- Encyclopedia of the Cold War*. Co-edited with Ruud van Dijk, Jeremi Suri, Qiang Zhai, and Svetlana Savranskaya (New York: Routledge, 2008, 2 vols.)

### ***Refereed Articles***

- “Almost Infamous: Amnesty International, the Bonn Republic, and the Brazilian Dictatorship, 1964-85,” *Journal of Contemporary History* (2024): 1-17 [published on-line, not yet in print]
- “Stabilizing the Global South: West Germany, Human Rights, and Brazil, 1960-1980,” *German Yearbook of Contemporary History* 2 (2017): 119-135
- “Paradoxes of *Ostpolitik*: Revisiting the Moscow and Warsaw Treaties, 1970,” *Central European History* 49, 3/4 (December 2016): 409-440
- “Waffen aus Deutschland? Bundestag, Rüstungshilfe und Waffenexport 1961 bis 1975” [Weapons from Germany? Parliament, Military Aid and Weapons Exports, 1961-75], *Vierteljahrshefte für Zeitgeschichte* 64, 2 (April 2016): 327-364
- “Commercial Liberties and Nuclear Anxieties: The U.S.-German Feud Over Brazil,” *International History Review* 34, 3 (September 2012): 449-474
- “Adenauer, Erhard, and the Uses of Prosperity,” *German Politics & Society* 25, 2 (Summer 2007): 86-103
- “Floating the System: Germany, the United States, and the Breakdown of Bretton Woods, 1969-1973,” *Diplomatic History* 31, 2 (April 2007): 295-323
- “‘Number One in Europe’: The Startling Emergence of the German Mark, 1968-69,” *Central European History* 39, 1 (March 2006): 56-78

### ***Book Chapters or Sections***

- “Swaggering Home: Trump, Grenell, and Pompeo in Conflict with Germany,” in Robert Jervis et al, eds., *Chaos Reconsidered: The Liberal Order and the Future of International Politics* (New York: Columbia University Press, 2023), 236-247
- “Peer Pressure in Paris: Country Reviews at the OECD in the 1960s and 1970s,” in *Warden of the West? The OECD and the International Political Economy since 1948*, ed. Matthieu Leimgruber and Matthias Schmelzer (Cham, Switzerland: Palgrave Macmillan, 2017), 209-231
- “Learning to ‘Recycle’: Petrodollars and the West, 1973-1975,” in *Oil Shock: The 1973 Crisis and Its Economic Legacy*, ed. Elisabetta Bini, Giuliano Garavini, and Federico Romero (London: I.B. Tauris, 2016), 172-197
- “Ronald Reagan and Western Europe,” in *A Companion to Ronald Reagan*, ed. Andrew Johns (Wiley, 2015), 393-410
- “John McCloy und die Verurteilten aus dem Amt” [John McCloy and the War Criminals from the Foreign Office] and “Die Alliierten formieren sich” [The Allies Organize Themselves], pp. 435-39 and 441-48 in *Das Amt und die Vergangenheit. Deutsche Diplomaten im Dritten Reich und in der Bundesrepublik* [The Foreign Office and the Past: German Diplomats in the Third Reich and the Federal Republic] (Munich: Karl Blessing Verlag, 2010), commissioned by the Independent Historians’ Commission on the History of the German Foreign Ministry – directed by Eckart Conze, Norbert Frei, Peter Hayes, and Moshe Zimmermann
- “Toward a ‘Community of Stability’? The Deutsche Mark between European and Atlantic Priorities, 1968-1973,” in Thomas A. Schwartz and Matthias Schulz, eds., *The Strained Alliance: U.S.-European Relations from Nixon to Carter* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2010), 145-167

- “Abstinence and *Ostpolitik*: Brandt’s Government and the Nuclear Question,” in Carole Fink and Bernd Schaefer, eds., *Ostpolitik, 1969-1974: European and Global Responses* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2009), 244-268
- “West Germany and the Lost German East: Two Narratives,” in Charles Ingrao and Franz Szabo, eds., *The Germans and the East* (West Lafayette: Purdue University Press, 2008), 402-420
- “Germans from Venus? The Out-of-Area Problem in U.S.-German Relations,” in Hermann Kurthen, Antonio Menendez, and Stefan Immerfall, eds., *Safeguarding German-American Relations in the New Century* (Lanham, Md.: Lexington Books, 2006), 63-76

### ***Invited Contributions***

- “Weltwirtschaft,” chapter in exhibit catalog *Schmidt: Demokratie leben!*, ed. Johannes Zechner (Dresden: Sandstein Verlag, 2024), 173-177
- “Security and Stability in Germany’s *Zeitenwende*,” *EuropeNow*, Issue 54, February 2024 (special feature on Europe and NATO Since Ukraine, ed. Carl Strikwerda and Ruud van Dijk) (5,000 words)
- “Swaggering Home: Trump, Grenell, and Pompeo in Conflict with Germany” (H-Diplo essay for ISSF Policy Series on “America and the World: The Effects of the Trump Presidency,” published July 6, 2021) (6,500 words)
- “Foreign Relations: Where Germans Sell,” *Central European History* 51, 1 (March 2018): 102-7 (Special Issue: Central European History at Fifty)
- “Declassified Breakthroughs in Germany: A Highly Organized Data Dump is Underway,” *Passport*, Vol. 47, No. 3 (January 2017): 52-55
- “On Disruption: Jill Lepore’s Timely Rebuttal of Clay Christensen,” H-Diplo (November 2014)
- “Does a ‘Grand Strategy’ Do Any Good?,” *Passport*, Vol. 39, No. 2 (September 2008): 19-21
- “Die Hallstein-Doktrin: Ein souveräner Fehlgriff?” [The Hallstein Doctrine: A Sovereign Mistake?], *Aus Politik und Zeitgeschichte* 17/2005 (April 25, 2005), 17-23
- translated and published in Danish by Jens Ellekær

### ***Book Reviews***

- Patrick Cohrs, *The New Atlantic Order: The Transformation of International Politics 1860-1933* (The American Historical Review 129 (4), December 2024: 1784-1785)
- Jan-Otmar Hesse, *Exportweltmeister. Geschichte einer deutschen Obsession* (Archiv für Sozialgeschichte Online, December 2024)
- Lorena de Vita, *Israelpolitik: German-Israeli Relations, 1949-69* (H-Diplo Review Forum, May 2024)
- Michael Franczak, *Global Inequality and American Foreign Policy in the 1970s* (H-Diplo Review Forum, January 2024)
- Andrew Demshuk, *Three Cities After Hitler: Redemptive Reconstruction Across Cold War Borders* (Slavic Review, Spring 2023, 216-17)
- Frank Stengel, *The Politics of Military Force: Antimilitarism, Ideational Change, and Post-Cold War German Security Discourse* (H-War, March 2023)
- Elisabeth Piller, *Selling Germany: German Public Diplomacy and the United States, 1918-1913* (Introduction to H-Diplo Review Forum, May 2022)
- Benedikt Schoenborn, *Reconciliation Road: Willy Brandt, Ostpolitik and the Quest for European Peace* (Central European History, Sept. 2021, 595-97)
- Dennis Romberg, *Atomgeschäfte. Die Nuklearpolitik der Bundesrepublik Deutschland 1970-1979* (Sehepunkte. Rezensionenjournal für die Geschichtswissenschaften, Sept. 2021)
- Hope Harrison, *After the Berlin Wall: Memory and the Making of the New Germany, 1989 to the Present* (H-Diplo Review Forum, Oct. 2020)
- Bettina Weißgerber, *Die Iranpolitik der Bundesregierung 1974-1982* (Sehepunkte, Aug. 2020)

- Bernd Rother and Klaus Larres, eds., *Willy Brandt and International Relations: Europe, the USA and Latin America, 1974-1992 (Diplomacy & Statecraft, Vol. 31, 3 (2020): 586-88)*
- Review essay: Glenda Sluga and Patricia Clavin, eds., *Internationalisms*; P. M. H. Bell and Mark Gilbert, *The World since 1945: An International History*; Carole Finke, *The Cold War: An International History (Journal of Modern History, March 2019, 170-75)*
- Giles Scott-Smith and J. Simon Rofer, eds., *Global Perspectives on the Bretton Woods Conference and the Post-War World Order (H-Diplo, February 2019)*
- Till Florian Tömmel, *Bonn, Jakarta und der Kalte Krieg. Die Außenpolitik der Bundesrepublik Deutschland gegenüber Indonesien von 1952 bis 1973 (H-Soz-u-Kult, February 2019)*
- Keith Allen, *Interrogation Nation: Refugees and Spies in Cold War Germany (Central European History, June 2018, 327-329)*
- Emmanuel Mourlon-Druol and Federico Romero, eds., *International Summitry and Global Governance: The Rise of the G-7 and the European Council, 1974-1991 (H-Diplo, July 2016)*
- Daniel Sargent, *A Superpower Transformed: The Remaking of American Foreign Relations in the 1970s (Passport, Sept. 2015, 15-17)*
- Hubertus Büschel, *Hilfe zur Selbsthilfe? Deutsche Entwicklungsarbeit in Afrika 1960-1975 (German History, June 2015, 338-39)*
- Michael Lemke, *Vor der Mauer. Berlin in der Ost-West-Konkurrenz 1948 bis 1961 (German Studies Review, May 2015, 445-47)*
- Giles Scott-Smith, *Western Anti-Communism and the Interdoc Network: Cold War Internationale (Journal of Modern History, Dec. 2014, 890-91)*
- Gregor Schöllgen, *Deutsche Außenpolitik von 1815 bis 1945 and Deutsche Außenpolitik von 1945 bis zur Gegenwart (German History, Sept. 2014, 476-78)*
- Harold James, *Making the European Monetary Union: The Role of the Committee of Central Bank Governors and the Origins of the European Central Bank (The American Historical Review, June 2014, 972-973)*
- Robert H. Ferrell, *Inside the Nixon Administration: The Secret Diary of Arthur Burns, 1969-1974 (Sehepunkte, March 2014)*
- Benn Steil, *The Battle of Bretton Woods: John, Maynard Keynes, Harry Dexter White, and the Making of a New World Order (H-Diplo Review Forum, February 2014)*
- Quinn Slobodian, *Foreign Front: Third World Politics in Sixties West Germany (Central European History, June 2013, 460-62)*
- Edith Sheffer, *Burned Bridge: How East and West Germans Made the Iron Curtain (Journal of Modern History, June 2013, 474-76)*
- John Lamberton Harper, *The Cold War (H-Diplo Review Forum, June 2013)*
- Petri Hakkarainen, *A State of Peace in Europe: West Germany and the CSCE, 1966-1975 (German Studies Review, May 2013, 474-76)*
- Werner Lippert, *The Economic Diplomacy of Ostpolitik: Origins of NATO's Energy Dilemma (Central European History, September 2012, 599-601)*
- Thomas Raithel, Andreas Rödder, and Andreas Wirsching, eds., *Auf dem Weg in eine neue Moderne? Die Bundesrepublik Deutschland in den siebziger und achtziger Jahren (German Studies Review, October 2011, 682-83)*
- Niall Ferguson, Erez Manela, Charles Maier, and Daniel Sargent, eds., *The Shock of the Global: The 1970s in Perspective (H-Diplo Review Forum, November 2010)*
- Frédéric Bozo, *Mitterrand, the End of the Cold War, and German Unification (H-Diplo Review Forum, April 2010)*
- Hannfried von Hindenburg, *Demonstrating Reconciliation: State and Society in West German Foreign Policy, 1952-1965 (European History Quarterly, January 2010, 145-46)*
- Christopher Kobrak, *Banking on Global Markets: Deutsche Bank and the United States, 1870 to the Present (International History Review, September 2009, 645-47)*

- Patrick Kleedehn, *Die Rückkehr auf den Weltmarkt. Die Internationalisierung der Bayer AG Leverkusen nach dem Zweiten Weltkrieg bis zum Jahre 1961* (Central European History, September 2009, 588-90)
- Arne Hofmann, *The Emergence of Détente in Europe: Brandt, Kennedy, and the formation of Ostpolitik* (Diplomatic History, November 2008, 1005-8)
- Review essay: Johannes Paulmann, ed., *Auswärtige Repräsentationen. Deutsche Kulturdiplo­matie seit 1945*; Frieder Günther, *Heuss auf Reisen. Die auswärtige Repräsentationen der Bundesrepublik durch den ersten Bundespräsidenten* (Central European History, June 2008, 334-38)
- Helga Haftendorn, Georges-Henri Soutou, Stephen F. Szabo, and Samuel F. Wells, Jr., eds., *The Strategic Triangle: France, Germany, and the United States in the Shaping of the New Europe* (H-Diplo, May 2008)
- Susanne Hilger, "Amerikanisierung" deutscher Unternehmen. Wettbewerbsstrategien und Unternehmenspolitik bei Henkel, Siemens und Daimler-Benz (German Studies Review, October 2007, 675-77)
- Kai F. Hünemörder, *Die Frühgeschichte der globalen Umweltkrise und die Formierung der deutschen Umweltpolitik (1950-1973)* (German Studies Review, October 2007, 677-78)
- Michael Gehler, *Vom Marshall Plan bis zur EU. Österreich und die europäische Integration von 1945 bis zur Gegenwart* (International History Review, September 2007, 673-75)
- Werner Abelshauser, *Deutsche Wirtschaftsgeschichte seit 1945* (German History, July 2007, 449-451)
- Valentina Glajar, *The German Legacy in East Central Europe as Recorded in Recent German-Language Literature* (German Studies Review, October 2006, 627-27)
- James C. Van Hook, *Rebuilding Germany: The Creation of the Social Market Economy, 1945-1957* (Central European History, December 2005, 699-701)
- Nina Berman, *Impossible Missions? German Economic, Military, and Humanitarian Efforts in Africa* (German Studies Review, October 2005, 701-2)
- James McAllister, *No Exit: America and the German Problem 1943-1954* (H-Diplo, November 2004)
- Dietrich Orlow, *Common Destiny: A Comparative History of the Dutch, French, and German Social Democratic Parties, 1945-1969* (H-German, September 2004)
- Hubert Zimmermann, *Money and Security: Troops, Monetary Policy, and West Germany's Relations with the United States and Britain, 1950-1971* (German Studies Review, May 2004, 428-29)
- Jeremy Noakes, Peter Wende, and Jonathan Wright, eds., *Britain and Germany in Europe 1949-1990* (German Studies Review, May 2004, 429-30)
- Debra J. Allen, *The Oder-Neisse Line* (H-German, January 2004)
- David Childs, *The Fall of the GDR* (H-Diplo, December 2002)

### **Work Submitted**

- "Research Strategies in a Digital Age: Revisiting *Germany's Cold War*," submission to a *Festschrift* volume for a not-yet-publicized honoree
- "The United States and the States of Germany," in *The Oxford Handbook of American Foreign Relations*, ed. K. C. Johnson (Oxford, pub. date unclear – the editor is AWOL)

### **Invited Lectures Presented at Regional, National, and International Society Meetings and/or Other Educational Institutions**

#### ***International***

- "Austerity Before Neoliberalism: West Germany, the IMF, and Brazil's Military Dictatorship, 1964-1985," Kiran Klaus Patel Doctoral Seminar, Munich, May 2025
- "German Capital in Global Circulation: Exports, Investments, and Technology Transfer," Conference on the Global Turn in German History, Free University of Amsterdam, June 2024

- “Floating the System: How Currency Crises Broke Bretton Woods,” Jan-Otmar Hesse Doctoral Seminar, Bayreuth, May 2024
- “Handelsmacht am Rhein: Wie die Bundesrepublik lernte, ihre wirtschaftliche Fähigkeiten einzusetzen (1963-1975,” Presentation to Institut für Zeitgeschichte, Berlin, April 2024
- “Machtzuwachs und wachsende Mitverantwortung: Die internationale Wirtschafts- und Währungspolitik der Bundesrepublik im Kreis der westlichen Industrienationen,” presentation to the workshop “Kanzlerwechsel: Die Bundesrepublik zwischen Reformpolitik und Krisenmanagement,” Berlin, April 2024
- “West Germany from Adenauer to Schmidt: Learning and Unlearning What Great Powers Do,” Modern German History Seminar, University of London – Institute of Historical Research, January 2024 [virtual session]
- “Wilderness Capital: West Germans and the Building of Brasilia,” Council for European Studies, Lisbon, Portugal, June 2022
- “Monopolists and Interlopers: West German Diplomats vs. Non-State Actors in Latin America, 1958-1975,” New Diplomatic History Network, Aarhus, Denmark, May 2021 [virtual session]
- “Shoot First, Ask Questions Later? Organizing Research in an Age of Digital Reproduction,” Keynote address, 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Workshop in Political History, University of Jyväskylä, June 2019
- “Dead German Diplomats: Violent Revenge and National Honor (1900, 1938, 1970),” New Diplomatic History Network, Middelburg, Netherlands, October 2018
- “Germany, Non-Proliferation, and the Nuclear Threshold,” Utsunomiya University, Utsunomiya, Japan, July 2018
- “Peer Pressure at the OECD: Reviewing Performance & Performing Reviews in the 1960s and 1970s,” University of Zurich conference, “Warden of the West: The OECD and the Global Political Economy, 1948 to the Present,” Zurich, Switzerland, August 2015
- “Germany in Europe: A Historical View of the Present Malaise,” Sabancı University Exchange Lecture, Istanbul, Turkey, May 2014
- “Learning to ‘Recycle’: Petrodollars and the West, 1973-1975,” European University Institute conference on “Pivotal Year: The 1973 Oil Shock and Its Global Significance,” Florence, Italy, September 2013
- “Stability First: How West Germany Avoided Cold War Economic Dictates,” Freiburg Institute for Advanced Studies & Cambridge University Workshop on “Cold War Culture. The Global Conflict and its Legacies in Germany since 1945,” Freiburg, Germany, September 2012
- “East and West Germany in Global Competition: The Cold War in the Wider World, 1949-1972,” Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan, May 2009
- “Posturing and Principle: German Ambivalence Toward Non-Proliferation,” Humboldt Foundation conference in honor of Paul Kennedy, Cambridge, U.K., May 2005
- “Nach Adenauer: Das Problem der deutschen Vormachtstellung in Europa,” Teekreis presentation, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, Bonn, Germany, July 2003
- “10 Theses on German Policy in Africa,” Spring Workshop, Duitsland Instituut, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands, June 2002

### ***National***

- “Rise and Fall of a German-Brazilian Axis,” *Festschrift* conference in honor of Paul M. Kennedy, New Haven, Conn., Nov. 2023
- Seminar co-organizer, “Made in Germany: Myth and Materiality of an Exporting Nation,” German Studies Association, Montreal, Quebec, Oct. 2023; included single-authored paper “Another Ruhr: West Germany’s Investment Empire in Brazil in the 1950s”
- Chair and commentator, panel on “German Diplomacy and History from Weimar to the Cold War,” GSA Montreal (as above), Oct. 2023

Chair and commentator, panel on “Intelligence Gathering and the Psychology of Foreign Policy during and after World War II,” Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations, Arlington, Virginia, June 2023

“Germany’s Global Influence: From Trading Power to the Ukraine War,” panel discussion with Ulrike Franke and Klaus Larres, Krasno Global Events Series, University of North Carolina, March 2023 [virtual]

“The Federal Republic and Weapons Exports: Principles, Exceptions, Chaos,” German Studies Association, Houston, Texas, Sept. 2022

“Amnesty Informational: Human Rights Activists, the Brazilian Dictatorship, and the West German State,” American Historical Association, New Orleans, La., Feb. 2022 [virtual]

Roundtable participant, “Overcoming the Challenges of Transnational Scholarship,” German Studies Association, Indianapolis, Indiana, Oct. 2021

Chair and commentator, panel on “Visions and Representations of Socialism and the GDR,” GSA, Indianapolis (as above)

“Assuaging the Global South: Helmut Schmidt and the New International Economic Order,” German Studies Association, Portland, Oregon, Oct. 2019

Roundtable participant, “New Diplomatic History in the German Lands,” GSA, Portland (as above)

“Oracle of Miracles: Ludwig Erhard’s Ambivalent Welcome in Latin America, 1968-69,” German Studies Association, Pittsburgh, Penna., September 2018

Chair and commentator, panel on “Learning Processes, Attitude Changes, and Transfers of Knowledge in Diplomatic Contacts in the 1970s,” Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations, Arlington, Virginia, June 2017

“Hirschman Effects in Postwar Europe,” working paper for political science workshop on “The Hirschman Effect,” Princeton University, May 2017

“How ‘European’ is West German History?,” German Studies Association, San Diego, Calif., September 2016

“Almost Infamous: Why West Germans Stopped Highlighting Human Rights Abuses in Brazil,” German Studies Association, Arlington, Virginia, October 2015

“Charity as Cultural Renewal? German Civil Society and East Prussian Suffering, 1914-1918,” German Studies Association, Kansas City, Missouri, September 2014

Commentator, panel on “Post-War Germans in the Emerging Cold War,” GSA 2014, as above

Commentator, panel on “Beyond the Nation: Transnational Actors in a Globalizing Europe,” Council for European Studies conference, Washington, D.C., March 2014

“German History and Global Systems: A Constructivist Perspective,” German Studies Association, Denver, Colo., October 2013

Commentator, panel on “Democratizing Institutions in Post-War Germany,” GSA 2013, as above

Commentator, panel on “Nuclear Cooperation and Competition Between Brazil, Germany, and the United States,” Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations, Arlington, Va., June 2013

“Europeanizing the GDR: Divided Germany in a Continental Context,” American Historical Association, New Orleans, La., January 2013

Commentator, panel on “History and Diplomacy in the Nineteenth Century,” German Studies Association, Louisville, Ky., September 2011

Contributor, Roundtable on “Foreign Economic Policy, 1973-1976,” State Department Office of the Historian Colloquium, Arlington, Va., March 2011

“Equipping Armies, Fueling Conflicts? The Moral Scrutiny of West German Military Aid,” German Studies Association, Oakland, Calif., October 2010

Commentator, panel on “Henry Kissinger and German-American Relations,” GSA 2010, as above

Commentator, panel on “The Two Germanys in Transatlantic Relations, 1975-1990,” Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations, Madison, Wisc., June 2010

“Helmut Schmidt: Ein Lehrmeister aus Deutschland,” Symposium in honor of Henry Ashby Turner, Jr., New Haven, Conn., October 2009

Commentator, panel on “Concepts of International Order,” for Conference on the “Decline of the West? The Fate of the Atlantic Community After the Cold War,” Philadelphia, Penna., October 2009

“Commercial Liberties and Nuclear Anxieties: The U.S.-German Feud over Brazil, 1975-77,” Social for Historians of American Foreign Relations, Falls Church, Va., June 2009

Moderator and Commentator, panel on “Ostpolitik and the World,” German Studies Association, Minneapolis, Minn., October 2008

Moderator and Commentator, panel on U.S.-European relations during the era of détente, Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations, Columbus, Ohio, June 2008

Commentator, panel on “Nationalism and the Cold War,” Association for the Study of Nationalities, New York, N. Y., April 2008

Commentator, panel on “transnational – international” history, German Studies Association, San Diego, Calif., October 2007

“Germany as *Lehrmeister*: The Federal Republic in International Economic Forums, 1965-1975,” German Studies Association, Pittsburgh, Penna., September 2006

“Weapons for the Weak? German Leadership among the Non-Nuclear Powers,” German Historical Institute conference on “German *Ostpolitik*, 1969-1974: The European and Global Response,” Columbus, Ohio, May 2006

“The Economic Miracle: Help or Hindrance to Unification?”, workshop paper for “The Adenauer Era in Perspective,” Georgetown University, Washington, DC, March 2006

“After Adenauer: German Ambitions in a Globalizing Era,” Yale International Security Studies Colloquium, New Haven, Conn., September 2005

“Toward a ‘Community of Stability’? The Deutsche Mark between European and Atlantic Priorities, 1968-1973,” German Historical Institute Conference on the Atlantic Community, Nashville, Tenn., September 2004

“The Decision to Float: The United States, West Germany, and the Breakdown of Bretton Woods,” Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations, Austin, Tex., June 2004

“War and Opportunism: East Germany and the Arab States in 1967,” Conference on the United States, the Middle East, and the 1967 War, Department of State, Washington, D.C., January 2004

Comment for a panel on Walter Ulbricht and the Soviet Union, American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Toronto, Canada, November 2003

“Cold War Idealism in West German Discourse: From Central Europe to the Central African Republic,” American Historical Association, Chicago, Ill., January 2003

“Scrambling for Africa: The ‘German-German’ Rivalry South of the Sahara, 1958-1970,” German Studies Association, San Diego, Calif., October 2002

“West Germany’s ‘Stalingrad on the Nile’: Johnson, Erhard, and the Tanks-to-Israel Imbroglio,” Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations, Athens, Ga., June 2002

### ***Regional***

“Trading Power: How Germany Learned to Wield Global Influence (for a time),” Nanovic Institute for European Studies, Notre Dame University, September 2023

Roundtable participant, “Nuclear Risk & Atomic Anxieties,” Purdue and East Asia: Exploring New Humanities, West Lafayette, Ind., October 2019

“From Sea Turtles to Seattle: How Anti-Globalizers Chose the Wrong Target,” conference on “America’s Newest History: The Nineties in Historical Perspective,” West Lafayette, Ind., March 2017

“Almost Infamous: Why West Germans Stopped Highlighting Human Rights Abuses in Brazil,” Purdue Human Rights Workshop, March 2017

“German Capitalism as a State of Mind,” Midwest German History Workshop, Iowa City, Iowa, October 2016



- “The Past Isn’t Past, But the Dead Are Still Dead: Why Moral Duty Shouldn’t Define Historical Inquiry,” Workshop on “Germany: Intersections of History and Philosophy,” Purdue University, October 2014
- “Austerity for Everyone: Helmut Schmidt and the World’s Needy,” Midwest German History Workshop, Bloomington, Ind., October 2014
- “Germany and the European Crisis,” contribution to Ball State University roundtable on Germany in Europe, April 2014
- “Germany, Israel, and Palestinian Terror in the 1970s: ‘Black September’ and its Aftermaths,” Jewish Studies Noon Lecture Series, Purdue, April 2013
- “Signs of Eurosion: Germany’s Waning Commitment to Europe in Historical Perspective,” Erdogan Kumcu Memorial Lecture, Ball State University, March 2011
- “Everyday Life and the Level-of-Analysis Problem,” Midwest German History Workshop, Toronto, Canada, September 2008
- “Is There a Secret History of West Germany?”, contribution to Midwest German History Workshop, Toronto, Canada, November 2006
- “Religion and Society,” contribution to Midwest German History Workshop, Minneapolis, Minn., October 2005
- “Germans from Venus? The Out-of-Area Problem in U.S.-German Relations,” Butler University conference on Transatlantic Relations, Indianapolis, Ind., April 2005
- “The Tyranny of Pragmatic Consensus: Germany, the West, and the Oder-Neisse Border, 1945-1970,” Comparative Literature Symposium on Displacement and Genocide, Texas Tech University, April 2004

### ***Involvement in Graduate Research Program***

#### Master’s and Doctoral Examinations

- Preliminary examination, Zachary Logsdon, fall 2022
- Doctoral Defense Outside Examiner, Jukka Nissinen, summer 2019 [University of Jyväskylä, Finland]
- Preliminary examination, Amber Nickell, fall 2016
- Preliminary examination, Keenan Shimko, summer 2014
- Preliminary examination, Robert Kirchubel, fall 2012
- Preliminary examination, Liberty Sproat, spring 2012
- Preliminary examination, Christopher Snively, fall 2011
- Preliminary examination, Christopher La Cross (SLC), fall 2008 and spring 2010
- Preliminary examination, Dorothée Bouquet, fall 2007
- Preliminary examination, Darrin Cox, spring 2005

#### Member of Ph. D. Committees

- Nathan Halder, history (advisor)
- Stefano Palermo, history (advisor)
- Zachary Logsdon, history
- Amber Nickell, history (Ph. D. defended, July 2021)
- Keenan Shimko, history (Ph. D. defended, April 2018)
- Robert Kirchubel, history (advisor) (Ph. D. defended, June 2017)
- Anthony Rodin, political science (Ph. D. defended, April 2014)

#### Member of M. A. Committees

- Alex Yates, 2024-26 (BA/MA program – advisor)
- Jarrett Huber, 2021-2023 (advisor)
- Erich Drollinger, 2018-2020 (advisor) (thesis defense April 2020)

Trey Johnson, 2013-2015 (thesis defense Nov. 2015)  
Dane Lawson, 2012-2014  
Keenan Shimko, 2011-2013  
Leanne Skirzynski, 2011-2013  
Sanket Desai, 2009-2011  
Becky Adamski, 2007-2009  
Richard Oloffson, 2004-2006  
Adam Mayer, 2006-2008

Recent iterations of History 590 (directed reading) courses for graduate students:

“Capitalism in Germany,” Stefano Palermo (Spring 2024)  
“Capitalism in France,” Stefano Palermo (Spring 2023)  
“Cold War International History,” Jarrett Huber & Zachary Logsdon (Spring 2022)  
“Comparative Fascisms,” Jarrett Huber (Fall 2021)  
“The Cold War and After,” Ryan Hurst (Fall 2021)  
“East Germany and the Soviet Bloc,” Erich Drollinger (Spring 2019)  
“West Germany and the Cold War,” Erich Drollinger (Fall 2018)

### ***Involvement with Undergraduate Research***

History Honors Thesis second reader: Lauren Roudebush (2024), Joshua Hainer (2023), Sydney Greenwood (2022)

History Honors Thesis director: Bradley Pierson (2014), Charles Spencer (2009), Emma Meyer (2008)

CLA Dammon Dean’s Scholar Program: Shawn Carr and Eric Smith (2012-2013)

- Directed data entry on German politics and foreign relations

CLA Dammon Dean’s Scholar Program: Katrina Galt (2008-2009)

- Directed data entry on confidential British foreign ministry documents

CLA Dammon Dean’s Scholar Program: Ashley Hebda (2006-2007)

- Directed research on the international history of the Hungarian Crisis of 1956

### ***Research Grants and Awards Received***

CRISES Fellowship, University of Jyväskylä (Finland), summer 2020 (canceled due to Covid-19)

Purdue Research Foundation International Travel Grant, fall 2018

Research Incentive Grant, Purdue University, summer 2008

Research Enhancement Fund grant, Texas Tech University, summer 2003

Mellon Dissertation Writing Grant, 1998-99

Smith Richardson Foundation Research Grant, 1996-97

Mellon Summer Language Grant (Russian study in Moscow), 1995

Foreign Language Area Studies (FLAS) Grant, Russian, 1994

E. Bartlett Giamatti Fellowship, Yale University, 1993-95

Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst (DAAD) Study Award, 1992-93

### ***Current Research Interests***

[See narrative in Elements]

### ***Evidence of Interdisciplinary Activity***

- Presentation to Purdue's Political Science Research Workshop (February 2023)
- Participation in a political science working group on the "Hirschman Effect" (Princeton, May 2017; Cornell, November 2018)
- Commentator, IU-Purdue Jewish Studies Workshop, Bloomington, Ind., February 2018
- "I Borrow, U-Borrow: How One Historian Experiences Cooperative Collecting," presentation to the Big Ten Academic Alliance library conference, May 2017
- Mentor for study in a second discipline with Melanie Shoffner (English/Education), Spring 2016
- Co-founder and organizer, with Jennifer William (FLL, German section), of European Studies at Purdue, 2007-2009
- In general, Gray's long engagement with the German Studies Association has involved frequent and ongoing interaction with social scientists and literary scholars

### ***Evidence of National or International Recognition***

Committee Member, AHA Prize in European International History, 2025-  
 Editorial board member, *Central European History*, 2016-2019  
 Chair, German Studies Association Book Prize Committee, 2014-2015  
 Member, German Studies Association Archive Committee, 2009-2015  
 Evaluator, Central European History Society travel grants, 2014 & 2015  
 Member, "Future of the German Studies Association" committee, Fall 2013  
 Tenure or promotion evaluations, 2011, 2016, 2017, 2018 (x2), 2021, and 2022  
 Mitarbeiter, Independent Historians' Commission on the History of the German Foreign Office, 2007-10  
 Grant evaluator for the Social Science Research Council (2009, 2010, and 2011 competitions)  
 Convener (at request of the GSA President), Junior Historians' Caucus, German Studies Association, San Diego, Calif., October 2007  
 Invited presenter to graduate students in the German Historical Institute Summer Archives Program: Cologne, Germany in June 2003; also Gotha, Germany in June 2005.  
 Outside evaluator for Canadian Social Science Research Council grant application, 2006  
 Tenure/book evaluation for a large public university, 2005  
 Article manuscript reviews for the *Journal of Cold War Studies*, *Cold War History*, *German History*, *Central European History*, *Nations and Nationalism*, *International History Review*, *Diplomatic History*, *Diplomacy & Statecraft*, *Vierteljahrshefte für Zeitgeschichte*, and the *Historical Journal*  
 Book manuscript or proposal reviews for University of Toronto Press, Polity Press, Berghahn Books, Bloomsbury Academic, Oxford, Cambridge, Routledge, University of North Carolina Press, Manchester University Press, Bedford St. Martins, Palgrave Macmillan, Greenwood Press, and the Woodrow Wilson Center

### **Other Evidence of Creative Excellence**

Guest Blogger, SHAFR.org (web site of the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations)

- "Germany to Greece: Drop Dead" (March 8, 2010)
- "Twenty Years On: Merkel in Washington" (Nov. 9, 2009)
- "Is Germany At War?" (Sept. 1, 2009)
- "Can China Learn From Germany?" (March 20, 2009)

Co-editor, H-German (listserv on H-Net/Humanities On-Line with 2,500 subscribers), October 2004 – December 2008

- served as supervisory editor, 2nd half 2006
- prepared and chaired meeting of advisory board, October 2006
- created and compiled quarterly "JournalWatch" feature, 2005-2008

- organized forum, summer 2007: “Do we need a new economic history of Germany?”
- published two editorials:
  - “One Day in Germany,” February 2008
  - “Germany: Ein Importweltmeister?,” November 2007
- H-German advisory board member, 2011-2014

## **SECTION B. LEARNING**

### ***Courses Taught during Past Three Years***

#### *Spring 2024*

- History 278 – Money, Trade, and Power: The History of Capitalism

#### *Fall 2023*

- History 423 – Germany and the Great War, 1914-1918
- History 601 – Graduate Reading Seminar: Trans-Atlantic Capitalism

#### *Spring 2023*

- History 104 – Introduction to the Modern World

#### *Fall 2022*

- History 300 – Eve of Destruction: Global Crises and World Organization
- History 408 – Dictatorship and Democracy: Europe 1919-1939

#### *Spring 2022*

- History 278 – Money, Trade, and Power: The History of Capitalism
- History 423 – Divided Germany and the Cold War

#### *Fall 2021*

- History 337 – Europe in the Age of the Cold War
- History 601 – Graduate Reading Seminar: Trans-Atlantic Capitalism

### ***Contributions in Course and Curriculum Development***

Three new courses proposed and approved by the Department of History:

History 278 – Money, Trade, & Power: The History of Capitalism. This course explores the dynamic, restless nature of capitalism. How did banks and joint-stock companies emerge? Why did capitalism facilitate overseas expansion and imperial subjugation? What is “growth,” and why did it not accelerate until the era of industrialization? How did various societies seek to mitigate the business cycle and enhance social welfare? How did modern corporations emerge, and what role did they play in driving the globalization of capital?

History 300 – Eve of Destruction: Global Crises and World Organization in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century. This is a course in international history. It is not about any particular country or region; rather, it traces an emerging global conversation about the most urgent world problems and their possible solutions. The emergence of such institutions as the World Health Organization, the United Nations, the International Monetary Fund, non-governmental organizations, and global media outlets created new venues for identifying and communicating about issues that affected international life.

History 423 – Advanced Topics in Modern Germany. This variable-topics course allows for a seminar-level discussion of readings pertaining to specific issues. Iterations of History 423 have included:

- The German Military Tradition
- Germany and the First World War
- Divided Germany and the Cold War
- Germany Big Business: Cars, Steel, Chemicals, and Criminals
- Germany and France: War, Peace, and Memory

### **Preparation of Instructional Materials**

Developed 30 digital lectures for an on-line version of History 323 (German History), Summer 2015

### **Experimentation in Teaching Methods and Techniques**

Participation in Purdue's IMPACT (Academic Course Transformation) program, Fall 2013. Resulted in a reconfiguration of History 104 – a course on Western Civilization since 1500 – to include:

- weekly discussion sections
- on-line hybrid modules covering periods in cultural history (i.e. baroque, classic, etc.)
- frequent writing assignments based on primary sources
- low-stakes quizzes to test factual information
- essay-only midterm and final examinations

### **Participation in Study Abroad**

Developed four-week summer program, "Purdue on the Rhine," taught 2014 and 2016

- Students earned six credit hours (History 302, History 423) studying the entangled history of war, peace, and memory in Germany and France
- Students lived with German host families in Bonn, Germany
- Gray led students on day and overnight trips to museums, battlefields, monuments, industrial sites, and various cities in France, Germany, and the Netherlands

An earlier version of this program, based in Strasbourg, France, ran in summer 2007

- Students lived in dormitories of the Marc-Bloch-University Strasbourg
- Capitalized on the cultural agreement between the state of Indiana and the Region of Alsace

### **Recognition Received from Students and Other Evidence of Impact on Students**

History Department Nominee, Outstanding Undergraduate Teacher, January 2023

### **Commitment to active and responsive mentoring, advising, and support of academic success of undergraduate and graduate students**

Faculty Advisor, Boiler Cinema, Fall 2020 –

Faculty Fellow, Cary Quad, Fall 2015 – Spring 2022

- Coordinated activities for first-year undergraduates with the Resident Advisor (events included paintball; nature walks; and in April 2016, a trip to the Field Museum and Shedd Aquarium in Chicago)
- Ate meals together with undergraduates in the assigned RA group on a regular basis

Presentation to graduate students on organizing photographs from archival research, Fall 2019

Presentation of “Work in Progress” papers to the History Graduate Student Association (HGSA) in November 2005, September 2009, January 2015, October 2019

Served as Phi Alpha Theta Faculty Advisor, Fall 2012 – Summer 2014

## SECTION C. ENGAGEMENT

### ***Departmental, CLA, and University Administrative Service since 2012***

#### *Departmental*

Director of Undergraduate Studies, spring 2022 –  
Member, Space Study Committee, summer 2022 – spring 2023  
Member, Undergraduate Committee, 2020-21  
Director of Communications and Recruitment, spring 2017 – summer 2018  
Chair, “More Majors Committee,” fall 2016  
International Programs Liaison, fall 2009 – summer 2018  
• developed web site & fliers for student reference

#### *College of Liberal Arts*

Member, Education Policy Committee, 2021-22  
Senator, 2020-23  
Senator, 2013-16  
• Vice Chair of the CLA Senate, 2015-16  
• chair of Agenda Committee, 2014-15  
• chair of by-law review subcommittee, 2014-15

#### *University*

Member, Purdue University Press Director Search Committee, spring – fall 2018  
Editorial Board Chair, Purdue University Press, July 2016 – June 2018  
Editorial Board Member, Purdue University Press, September 2012 – June 2016

### ***Community Service Activities Directly Related to Professional and Scholarly Activities***

“Can We Learn from German History?”, Zoom lecture for “Got History?”, January 2021 (for an audience of high school teachers)  
“Thirty Years After: Germany & America since the Fall of the Berlin Wall,” lecture sponsored by the German Studies Association and the Goethe Institute for the “wunderbar together” campaign, West Lafayette Public Library, November 2019  
Guest lecturer, “What Did Germany Do Wrong? Understanding German Crimes in World War I,” Kentland Rotary Club, October 2014  
Guest lecturer, “The Christmas Truce of 1914: A Legacy of Optimism,” Tippecanoe County Public Library, December 2013  
Guest lecturer, Greater Lafayette Intellectual Entertainment, September 2010: “Does Europe Still Matter?” (also served as board member for GLIE from 2010-12)  
Organizer and panelist, public forum, “Continental Drift: Are Europeans and Americans Growing Apart?”, Lubbock, Texas, February 2003  
Organizer and panelist, public forum, “History Hasn’t Ended: European Historians Outside the Archives, Summer 2001,” Lubbock, Texas, October 2001