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Education:

Washington University, St. Louis (A.B. summa cum laude, 1967).
Yale University (M.A. 1969; Ph.D. 1975). Dissertation: "Preparing for the Next War: American Plans for Postwar Defense, 1941-1945."

Fields of Specialization:

Twentieth century America: war, politics, culture.

Employment:

Northwestern University, Richard W. Leopold Professor of History, 2000-
Northwestern University, 1998 - 2001, Associate Dean, Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences
Northwestern University, 1987 - present, Professor of History
Northwestern University, Assistant Dean for Freshmen, College of Arts and Sciences, 1994 - 1997
Northwestern University, 1982-1987, Associate Professor of History
Northwestern University, 1980-1982, Assistant Professor of History
Fellow in Independent Study and Research, National Endowment for the Humanities, 1979-1980
Northwestern University, 1976-79, Assistant Professor of History
Yale University, 1975-76, Lecturer in History
Yale University, 1974-76, Teacher, the Yale Psychiatric Institute
Yale University, 1974-75, Prize Teaching Fellow
Yale University, 1973-74, Teaching Fellow
Yale University, 1973-74, Archives Specialist, Sterling Library
University of Bridgeport and Mattatuck Community College, Summer 1973, Instructor in History
Hamden Hall Country Day School, Hamden, Connecticut, 1969-71, Instructor in History

Honors, Fellowships, Grants, Leaves:

Research Leave, Fall 2017-18
Research Leave, Fall 2013-14
Research Leave, Winter 2009-10
Lambda Literary Award for best book in LGBT Non-Fiction, 2008 (for Gay Artists in Modern American Culture)
Teaching-Reduction Fellowship, Northwestern University Kaplan Humanities Institute, 2007-08.
Research Leave, Winter 2005-06.
University Leave, 2001-02 (for administrative service)
Richard W. Leopold Professor of History, Northwestern University, 2000-
Sexuality Research Grant for 1998-99 from SSRC as dissertation director for and co-applicant with David Johnson, awarded Sexuality Research Fellowship for 1998-99.

University Leave, 1997-98 (for administrative service)
Subvention Grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities to Yale University Press for In the Shadow of War.
Associated Student Government (Northwestern University) Teaching Honor Roll, 1990-91, 1992-93.
University Leave, Fall 1992-93, for work on a synthesis of recent American history.
Humanities Research Award, Northwestern University President's Fund for the Humanities (annual salary plus research allowance), 1989-90.
Bancroft Prize for Distinguished Books in American History and Diplomacy, awarded 1988 for books published in 1987, for The Rise of American Air Power: The Creation of Armageddon.
University Research Committee Grants, 1983-84, 1985-86 for preparation of book manuscript.
Humanities Fellowship, Rockefeller Foundation, 1983-84,
Fellowship for Independent Study and Research, National Endowment for the Humanities, 1979-80.
Research grant, the Eleanor Roosevelt Institute, summer 1980, for research at the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library on American bombing policy.
Research grant from Northwestern University, summer 1977.
George Washington Egleston Prize for best essay in American history, Yale University, 1975.
Prize Teaching Fellowship, Yale University, 1974-75.
Teaching Fellowship, Yale University, 1973-74.
University Fellowship, Yale University, 1968-69, 1971-73.
Woodrow Wilson Fellowship, Yale University, 1967-68.
Phi Beta Kappa, Washington University, 1966.

Work in Progress:

Go Directly to Jail: The Punitive Turn in American Life, and How It Became So Warlike (tentative title) (University of North Carolina Press, Fall 2020).

Publications: Books

Gay Artists in Modern American Culture: An Imagined Conspiracy (University of North Carolina Press 2007, audio book 2014; paper 2015).

In the Shadow of War: The United States Since the 1930s (Yale University Press, 1995; paper, 1997; Chinese edition by National Institute for Compilation and Translation, Taiwan).

The Rise of American Air Power: The Creation of Armageddon (Yale University Press, 1987; paper, 1989).

Preparing for the Next War: American Plans for Postwar Defense, 1941-1945 (Yale University Press, 1977).

Publications: Articles, Essays, Review-essays

Article, "War as a Way of Life," *Modern American History*, spring 2018, 93-96 (online January 22, 2018).

Article (With 9 others), "Colloquy: Queering America and the World," *Diplomatic History* 40:1 (January 2016), 19-80.

Commissioned essay, "American Wars, Barely Visible to Americans," La Vie des Idées/Books and Ideas (online French/English publication), Published in English March 30, 2015; in French February 2, 2016. <http://www.booksandideas.net/American-Wars-Barely-Visible-to-Americans.html>

Review-essay, "Hail to the Chief" (on William Leuchtenburg, *The American President: From Teddy Roosevelt to Bill Clinton* (2015)), *The American Scholar*, Winter 2016, 112-14.

Review-essay, "Unintended Consequences," Los Angeles Review of Books, February 13, 2014: Coffey, *American Arsenal: A Century of Waging War*.

Commissioned essay, "Le Fanatisme Technologique et La Guerre Moderne," in Deux Guerres Totales 1914-1918, 1939-1945: La Mobilisation de la Nation, ed. Dominique Barjot (Paris: Economica, 2012).

Contributor, H-Diplo Roundtable on Frank Costigliola, Roosevelt's Lost Alliances: How Personal Politics Helped Start the Cold War, vol. XIV, No. 8 (12 November, 2012).

Commissioned lead essay, "A War 'unlike any other': America and the World since September 11," OAH Magazine of History, July 2011 issue for the 10th anniversary of 9/11, pp.1-5.

Review Article, "The Vietnam War: Digging Deeply, If Not Widely," The International History Review, 32 (3): September 2010, pp. 533-40.

Contributor, H-Diplo Roundtable on William Hitchcock, Liberation: The Bitter Road to Freedom, Europe 1944-1945, February 11, 2011 (pp.16-19), <http://www.h-net.org/~diplo/roundtables/PDF/Roundtable-XII-5>.

Commissioned essay, "The United States and Strategic Bombing: From Prophecy to Memory," in Marilyn Young and Yuki Tanaka, eds., Bombing Civilians: A Twentieth-Century History (New York, Free Press, 2008).

"Gay Artists in Midcentury America," The Chronicle Review of The Chronicle of Higher Education, September 7, 2007 (abridged from Gay Artists in Modern American Culture).

Commissioned peer-reviewed article, "Death, Mourning, and Memorial Culture," Columbia History of Post-World War II America, ed. Mark Carnes (Columbia University Press, 2007).

Commissioned peer-reviewed article, "Dead or Alive: American Vengeance Goes Global," Review of International Relations (London), Special Issue on Force and Diplomacy, v. 31 Supplement S1, December 2005 (online March 2006): 245-63. Republished in Force and Legitimacy in World Politics, ed. David Armstrong, Theo Farrell, and Bice Maiguashca (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2005).

Commissioned essay, "America as Reluctant Warrior," The Long Term View 6 (Spring 2004), 19-23.

Article, "Eisenhower's Heroic But Failed Crusade Against Militarization," in Thomas Paterson and Dennis Merrill, eds., Major Problems in American Foreign Relations (Houghton Mifflin; 5th ed., 2000; 6th ed, 2005). Adapted from In the Shadow of War.

Article, "George Bush," originally published 2000, revised/expanded during 2003 for new paper edition published under the title The American Presidency (Houghton Mifflin, 2004).

Review-essay, "A Hidden-Hand Garrison State?" (Friedberg, In the Shadow of the Garrison State), Diplomatic History, Winter 2003.

Essay, "Comment: Humility for Globalcop?," in "The Road to and From September 11: A Roundtable," Diplomatic History, Fall 2002 (637-44).

Review-essay, "Probing the Memory of War: the Vitality of Military History," The Chronicle of Higher Education, January 7, 2000.

Review-essay, (Bravmann, Queer Fictions of the Past), Rethinking History, March 1, 2000.

Article, "George Bush," for The Readers' Companion to the American Presidency (Houghton Mifflin 2000).

Review-essay, "The Triumph of Democratic Capitalism--Without the Democracy and the Capitalism" (Gaddis, Rethinking Cold War History), Reviews in American History, December 1997.

Review-essay, "Entering and Exiting the Vietnam War: Cowardly Generals and Courageous Soldiers" (on Buzzanco, Masters of War: Military Dissent and Politics in the Vietnam Era, and Moser, The New Winter Soldiers: GI and Veteran Dissent During the Vietnam Era), Reviews in American History, March 1997.

- Article, "Patriotic Orthodoxy and American Decline," in Bulletin of Concerned Asian Scholars 27 (Apr.-June 1995); in revised form in History Wars: The Enola Gay and Other Battles for the American Past, ed. Edward Linenthal and Tom Engelhardt (Metropolitan Books, 1996); revised again for Living with the Bomb: American and Japanese Cultural Conflicts in the Nuclear Age, ed. Mark Selden and Laura Hein (M.E. Sharpe, 1996).
- Review-essay, "Projections of Hegemony and Consent in Film" (on Robert J. Corber, In the Name of National Security: Hitchcock, Homophobia, and the Political Construction of Gender in Postwar America, and Thomas Doherty, Projections of War: Hollywood, American Culture, and World War II), Diplomatic History, Fall 1995.
- Article, "We Value Teaching Despite -- and Because of -- Its Low Status," special issue on the practice of history, Journal of American History (December 1994).
- Article, "Teaching Lesbian and Gay History," Perspectives, the Newsletter of the American Historical Association, November 1993.
- Review-essay, "Straight Shooting" (Randy Shilts, Conduct Unbecoming: Gays and Lesbians in the U.S. Military), In These Times, July 12-25, 1993.
- Article, "The Language of War in the AIDS Discourse," in Timothy F. Murphy, Suzanne Poirier, eds. Writing AIDS (Columbia University Press 1993).
- Essay, "War and Weapons: The New Cultural History," Diplomatic History, Summer 1990.
- Review-essay, "The Volatility of Japanese-American Relations," American Quarterly, Fall 1987, 474-479.
- Article, "Was 1945 a break in history?" Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists, July/August 1987, 12-15.
- Review-essay, "Aerial Holocaust: New Histories of the Moral Issues," American Quarterly, Fall 1986, 686-691.
- Article, "The Military" in Special Issue on Contemporary America of the American Quarterly, Spring-Summer 1983, 59-79.
- Article, "The Slide to Total Air War," The New Republic, December 16, 1981, 20-25.
- Review-essay, "Making Military Policy and Military History," American Quarterly, 28 (December 1976), 589-600.

Publications: Short Articles, Encyclopedia Entries

- "War and Politics" (2500 words), Princeton Encyclopedia of American Political History, ed. Michael Kazin (2009).
- "Samuel Barber and Gian Carlo Menotti" (1000 words) and "Leonard Bernstein" (750 words), for Encyclopedia of American Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender History and Culture, ed. Marc Stein (2004).
- "Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Bombing of", in The Oxford Companion to United States History (2001).
- "World War II: Postwar Impact," in The Oxford Companion to American Military History (1999).
- "Bombing of Civilians," in The Oxford Companion to American Military History (1999).
- Article, "Unification of the Armed Forces," in The Harry S. Truman Encyclopedia, edited by Richard Kirkendall (Boston: G.K. Hall 1990).
- Letter to the Editor, Journal of American History, June 1990: 388-391 (in response to JAH "Round Table," September 1989 issue).

Publications: Reviews

- Journal of American History, December 2019, Heinrichs and Gallicchio, Implacable Foes: War in the Pacific, 1944–1945.

Journal of American History, March 2018, 85. Taylor, Military Service and American Democracy From World War II to the Iraq and Afghanistan Wars.

The Historian, December 2017, 856-58., Hudson, Army Diplomacy: American Military Occupation and Foreign Policy After World War II.

Pacific Historical Review, 85/4 (2016), 628-29: Mills, Cold War in a Cold Land: Fighting Communism on the Northern Plains.

Diplomatic History, June 2016, 562-63: Unterman, Uncle Sam's Policemen: The Pursuit of Fugitives Across Borders.

Journal of American Studies, May 2014: Harker, Middlebrow Queer: Christopher Isherwood in America.

Article Review, H-Diplo (H-Net), July 23, 2013: Rutenberg, "Drafting for domesticity: American deferment policy during the Cold War, 1948-1965" (*Cold War History*, 13:1 (2013)).

Pacific Historical Review, November 2013 (630-31): Bennett, One World, Big Screen: Hollywood, the Allies, and World War II.

Journal of Cold War Studies, Winter 2013 (15:1): Maiolo, Cry Havoc: How the Arms Race Drove the World to War, 1931-1941.

H-Diplo (H-Net) Roundtable Review, Vol. 14, 12 November 2012, Costigliola. Roosevelt's Lost Alliances: How Personal Politics Helped Start the Cold War.

"Our War Madness," American Scholar, Autumn 2010: Dower, Cultures of War: Pearl Harbor/Hiroshima/9-11/Iraq, republished in H-Diplo (H-Net) Roundtable Review (electronic review), September 1, 2011, on Dower, Cultures of War.

American Historical Review, December 2010: Zelizer, Arsenal of Democracy: The Politics of National Security—From World War II to the War on Terrorism.

International History Review, March 2009: Hagan and Bickerton, Unintended Consequences: The United States At War.

International History Review, March 2008: Gordin, Five Days in August: How World War II Became a Nuclear War.

American Historical Review, October 2007: DeRosa, Political Indoctrination in the U.S. Army: From World War II to the Vietnam War.

Journal of Cold War Studies, Winter 2007: Hogan and Paterson, Exploring the History of American Foreign Relations (2nd ed).

American Historical Review, June 2006: Cuordileone, Manhood and American Political Culture in the Cold War.

New York Times Book Review, November 9, 2003: Braudy, From Chivalry to Terrorism: War and the Changing Nature of Masculinity.

Newsletter of the Committee on Lesbian and Gay History, Spring 2003: Katz, Love Stories: Sex Between Men Before Homosexuality.

Chicago Tribune, December 23, 2001: Morris, Theodore Rex.

Chicago Tribune, July 22, 2001: Buckley, American Patriots: The Story of Blacks in the Military from the Revolution to Desert Storm.

Journal of the History of Sexuality, January 2001: Andriote, Victory Deferred: How AIDS Changed Gay Life.

Journal of American History, December 2000: Howard, Men Like That: A Southern Queer History.

H-Diplo (H-Net) (electronic review), summer 2000: Melanson, American Foreign Policy Since the Vietnam War.

New York Times Book Review, December 12, 1999: Welsome, The Plutonium Files: America's Secret Medical Experiments in the Cold War.

International History Review, June 2000: Buckley, Air Power in the Age of Total War.

Journal of American History, September 1999: Gustav-Wrathall, Take the Young Stranger by the Hand: Same-Sex Relations in the YMCA.

New York Times Book Review, May 23, 1999: Proctor, The Nazi War on Cancer.

New York Times Book Review, March 22, 1999: Kerber, No Constitutional Right to be Ladies.

Chicago Tribune Book Review, January 17, 1999: Ambrose, The Victors: Eisenhower and His Boys: The Men of World War II.

International History Review, September 1998: Walker, Prompt and Utter Destruction: Truman and the Use of Atomic Bombs Against Japan.

Newsletter of the Committee on Lesbian and Gay History, August 1998: Meyer, Creating GI Jane: Sexuality and Power in the Women's Army Corps During World War II.

New York Times Book Review, April 26, 1998: Bok, Mayhem: Violence as Public Entertainment.

New York Times Book Review, January 4, 1998: Sebba, Mother Teresa: Beyond the Image; Spink, Mother Teresa: A Complete Authorized Biography, and Fisher, Dr. America: The Lives of Thomas Dooley, 1927-61.

New York Times Book Review, October 12, 1997: Rubinstein, The Myth of Rescue: Why the Democracies Could Not Have Saved More Jews from the Nazis.

New York Times Book Review, May 25, 1997: Ehrenreich, Blood Rites: Origins and History of the Passions of War.

Newsletter of the Committee on Lesbian and Gay History, January/March 1997: Streitmatter, Unspeakable: The Rise of the Gay and Lesbian Press in America.

New York Times Book Review, December 8, 1996: Dijkstra, Evil Sisters: The Threat of Female Sexuality and the Cult of Manhood.

New York Times Book Review, September 29, 1996: Fussell, Doing Battle: A Memoir.

New York Times Book Review, January 28, 1996: Weiss, Ideology of Death: Why the Holocaust Happened in Germany.

Science, September 15, 1995: McFarland, America's Pursuit of Precision Bombing, 1910-1945.

Philadelphia Inquirer, August 6, 1995: Alperovitz, The Decision to Use the Atomic Bomb.

New York Times Book Review, July 30, 1995: Lifton and Mitchell, Hiroshima in America: Fifty Years of Denial, and Takaki, Hiroshima: Why America Dropped the Atomic Bomb.

New York Times Book Review, July 16, 1995: Glass, Psychosis and Power: Threats to Democracy in the Self and the Group.

New York Times Book Review, March 19, 1995: Herman, The Romance of American Psychology: Political Culture in the Age of Experts.

Journal of American History, September 1994: Brands, The Devil We Knew: Americans and the Cold War.

Diplomatic History, Summer 1994: Herken, Cardinal Choices: Presidential Science Advising from the Atomic Bomb to SDI, and Baucom, The Origins of SDI, 1944-1983.

Newsletter of the Committee on Lesbian and Gay History, May 1994: Duberman, Stonewall.

In These Times, May 17, 1993: Summers, Official and Confidential: The Secret Life of J. Edgar Hoover.

The American Historical Review, February 1993: Lotchin, Fortress California, 1910-1961: From Warfare to Welfare.

The Journal of American History, September 1992: Leffler, A Preponderance of Power.

Chicago Tribune: Hoopes and Brinkley, Driven Patriot: The Life and Times of James V. Forrestal, April 16, 1992.

American Historical Review, June 1991: Berube, Coming Out Under Fire: The History of Gay Men and Women in World War Two.

Chicago Tribune, May 12, 1991: Woodward, The Commanders.

Chicago Tribune, April 7, 1991: Howard, Lessons of History, and Van Creveld, The Transformation of War.

International History Review, February 1991: Hess, Vietnam and the United States.

The Journal of American History, September 1990: Schlight, The War in South Vietnam: The Years of the Offensive, 1965-1968, and Clodfelter, The Limits of Air Power: The American Bombing of North Vietnam.

New York Times Book Review, December 24, 1989: Nolan, Guardians of the Arsenal: The Politics of Nuclear Strategy.

American Historical Review, December 1989: Weart, Nuclear Fear: A History of Images.

Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists, September 1989: O'Connell, Of Arms and Men: A History of War, Weapons, and Aggression.

New York Times Book Review, April 9, 1989: Severo and Milford, The Wages of War: When America's Soldiers Came Home.

New York Times Book Review, January 22, 1989: Newhouse, War and Peace in the Nuclear Age.

American Historical Review, December 1988, 1427-28: Jockel, No Boundaries Upstairs: Canada, the United States, and the Origins of North American Air Defense, 1945-1958.

The Annals of the American Academy, March 1988, 142-43: Higonnet, et al., Behind the Lines: Gender and the Two World Wars.

The Western Historical Quarterly, January 1988, 86-87: Titus, Bombs in the Backyard: Atomic Testing and American Politics.

The Journal of American History, March 1987, 1071-72: Coffey, Iron Eagle: The Turbulent Life and Times of General Curtis LeMay.

The Western Historical Quarterly, April 1986, 210-11: Szasz, The Day the Sun Rose Twice: The Story of the Trinity Site Nuclear Explosion, July 16, 1945.

The Journal of American History, September 1985, 452-53: Rearden, History of the Office of the Secretary of Defense: Vol. I: The Formative Years.

Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists, May 1983, 42-43: Kennett, A History of Strategic Bombing.

Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists, March 1983, 39-40: Gaddis, Strategies of Containment.

Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists, November 1982, 39-40: Fallows, National Defense.

The Journal of American History, December 1982, 757-58: Balfour, The Adversaries: America, Russia and the Open Door, 1941-1962, and Messer, The End of an Alliance: James F. Byrnes, Roosevelt, Truman and the Origins of the Cold War.

The Wisconsin Magazine of History, Spring 1981, 231-32: Porter, The Seventy-Sixth Congress and World War II.

The Historian, May 1978, 525-56: Laqueur, Guerrilla: A Historical and Critical Study.

American Historical Review, April 1978, 553: Stoler, The Politics of the Second Front.

Book Forum, December 1977, 511-14: Rose, Roots of Tragedy: The United States and the Struggle for Asia, 1943-53.

Scholarly and Public Conferences, Invited Lectures, and Seminars (since 1985):

Panelist, "Doing It All: Reflections on Mike Sherry's Work and Career," Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations, June 2020.

Commentator, "Still 'In the Shadow of War'? Reflections on the Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of a Classic," Organization of American Historians, April 2020.

Panelist, Roundtable, "Queering America and the World," Organization of American Historians, April 2020.

Chair, "The Imperial Dynamics of Counterinsurgency Warfare," American Studies Association, November 2017.

Panelist, "War: What Is It Good For? A Conversation in Honor of Marilyn B. Young," Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations," June 23, 2017.

Chair and Comment, "Local, State, Federal: Circling the Bases of U.S. Drug Wars, 1950–1980, Organization of American Historians, April 6, 2017

Comment, "Queering America and the World, Part II," Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations, June 2015.

Comment, Panel on "Masculine Identities," Parks and Recreation: Histories of Leisure Conference, Chabreja Center for Historical Studies, NU, May 8, 2015.

Facilitator, Histories of Violence Symposium, Graduate Workshop, Northwestern University, May 10, 2013.

Comment, "Refiguring the 1970s: New Narratives in U.S. and International History," University of Chicago, April 27, 2013.

Chair, "The Roots of Democratic Upheavals in the Middle East," Organization of American Historians Meeting, 4/12.

Chair and Comment, "Frontiers of Migrants, Military Service, Democracy, and Identity in Twentieth-Century U.S. History," Organization of American Historians meeting, 4/12.

Chair and Comment, "Everyday Soldiers: Militarization in Postwar American Society," American Historical Association meeting, 1/12.

Speaker, "What is an Acceptable View of 9/11?" Organization of History Teachers Luncheon, American Historical Association meeting, 1/12.

Panelist, "A Nation of Suspects: Surveillance and Securitization in the Punitive State," American Anthropological Association meeting, 11/11.

Panelist, Roundtable, "History and Moral Responsibility," Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Annual Meeting, 6/11.

Comment, "National Bodies in Print: Transnational Media and the Global Circulation of Identities," University of Chicago-Northwestern University Global America Conference, 4/11.

Chair and Comment, "Military Culture and U.S. Foreign Relations in the 20th Century," Society for the History of American Foreign Relations Conference, Madison, WI, 6\10.

The Annual Taft Lectures, "Go Directly to Jail: The Punitive Turn Begins," and "Go Directly to Jail: The Punitive Turn in Our Time," University of Cincinnati, February 24-25, 2010.

The Charles R. and Elizabeth C. Wilson Endowed Lecture, "Go Directly to Jail: The Punitive Turn in American Life," Miami University, February 22, 2010.

Organizer and chair, "Don't Ask, Don't Tell, Don't Marry," American Historical Association, January 9, 2010.

Paper, "The Militarization of American Crime," workshop, "Issues in the Critical Study of Armed Forces and Militarization," The Watson Institute for International Studies, Brown University, May 29-30, 2009.

The Oscar Anderson Lecture in American History, "Go Directly to Jail: The Punitive Turn in American Life," Oberlin College, October 6, 2008.

Invited Lecture, "Gay Artists in Cold War America," Institute for Research on Women and Gender," University of Michigan, September 30, 2008.

Panelist, "25th Anniversary of John D'Emilio's Sexual Politics, Sexual Communities," Gerber-Hart Library and the University of Chicago Gender and Sexuality Studies Workshop, March 16, 2008.

Invited paper, "Dead or Alive: The Punitive Turn in American Life" (altered/expanded version of January 16 paper), the Triangle Seminar in the History of the Military, War, and Society (Duke, UNC, NC State), Research Triangle, North Carolina, March 21, 2008.

Invited lecture, "Dead or Alive: The Punitive Turn in American Life" (altered/expanded version of January 16 paper), Seminar on Security, the Military and US Society at the Institute for Social & Economic Research & Policy, Columbia University, February 12, 2008.

Invited Lecture, "Gay Artists in Modern America," Stonewall Library and Archives, Fort Lauderdale, January 23, 2008.

Invited Lecture, "Dead or Alive: The Punitive Turn in American Life," Northwestern University Humanities Institute, January 16, 2008.

Invited Lecture, "Gay Composers in Straight America," Musicology Colloquium, Northwestern University, October 25, 2007.

Invited Lecture, "Is There Still an American Way of War?" (for the dedication of the Russell F. Weigley Room), Department of History, Temple University, September 29, 2006.

Paper, "The Development of American Strategic Bombing," for Workshop, "Bombing and the Civilian: A Twentieth Century History," sponsored by the Hiroshima Peace Institute, San Francisco, March 3-4, 2006.

Presenter, "Technological Fanaticism and Modern War," Conference on "Total War and Mobilisation," Committee for the History of Armaments, French Ministry of Defense, Paris, October 2004.

The Annual George Knepper Lecture in History, "Still In the Shadow of War," University of Akron, October 5, 2004.

Lecture, "The 'Homintern' in the Arts," Lesbian and Gay Studies Project, University of Chicago, April 15, 2004.

Comment, "American Empire, American Freedom: Reassessing War and Empire in United States History," Organization of American Historians, 4/04.

Keynote Address, Colloquium on War, Center for the Humanities and the Arts, University of Colorado-Boulder, March 4, 2003.

Distinguished Visitor, City University of New York, Center for Place, Culture, and Policy: Public Lecture and Faculty Seminar, November 11-12, 2003.

Lecture, "Kubrick's Dr. Strangelove, America's Cold War Strange Love," Pomona College, Hart Institute for American History Lecture Series, February 6, 2003.

Panelist, "Military History: State of the Field," Organization of American Historians Convention, 4/02.

Presenter, "Scandal as Surveillance: Cold War Queer Artists," Conference, "The Vulnerable Citizen: Surveillance and Privacy in Everyday Life," University of Illinois-Chicago, October 2001.

Organizer, Panel, "The 'Homintern' in the Arts: Historicizing American Composers," and Presenter, "Samuel Barber: The 'Conservative' as Queer Artist," American Historical Association Convention, 1/02.

Lecture, "Don't Ask, Don't Tell": The Great Debate on Gays-in-the-Military, 1993, Notre Dame University (History Department, University Standing Committee for Gay and Lesbian Needs, etc.), April 2001

Richard W. Leopold Chair in History, Inaugural Lecture, "The 'Homintern' in the Arts: Gay Men in America's Culture Empire, 1945-1970," Northwestern University November 14, 2000.

Comment, Session on "Queer Bashing in the Men's Club: Homosociality and Anti-Homosexuality of the Cold War State in France and the United States," Future of the Queer Past Conference, 9/00.

Panelist, "Twenty-Five Years of Lesbian and Gay Studies," AHA, 1/00.

Chair and Comment, "War, Memory, and Post-Nationalist American Studies," American Studies Association, 10/99.

Chair and Comment, "Uniform Sexuality: Sex and the American Soldier," Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, 6/99.

Panelist, "The Aesthetic and the 'Authentic' in Representations of the Spanish Civil War," Northwestern University, 4/99.

Lecture, "America in the Twilight of Militarization," History/Political Science, Rutgers University, 12/98.

Chair and Comment, "The Cold War and Constructions of Masculinity," Society for the History of American Foreign Relations, 6/98.

Discussant/Chair, "Gay Political Mobilization and Community Formation," University of Chicago Sawyer Mellon Seminar on Sexual Identities and Identity Politics, 4/98.

Lecture, "Who Put the Gay in the Enola Gay Controversy? And Other Matters," Francis Marion University, 3/98.

Lecture, "In the Shadow of World War II," Distinguished Presidential Lecture in History, Old Dominion University, 2/25/98 (also appearances before classes and campus groups).

Speaker and Discussion Leader, "Who Sustains Patriotic Orthodoxy? Some Perils of Doing Public History," Virginia Air and Space Center, 2/26/98

Comment, "Consensus History, Pluralism, and Feminist Theory: Orthodoxies Reach Middle Age," American Historians Association Convention, 1/98.

Organizer and Presenter, Session on "Military Service and Citizenship," Organization of American Historians Convention, 4/97.

Lecture, "Don't Ask, Don't Tell, and Don't Marry: Sexual Politics in the Twilight of Militarization," Fordham University, 4/97.

Lecture, "Beyond Madonna and RuPaul: Gender and Sexuality in the 21st Century," St. Louis University Endowed Chairs Lecture Series "Future Hopes, Future Fears," 3/97.

Panelist, "Roundtable: Living with the Bomb," Asian Studies Association Convention, 3/97.

Lecture, "Who Put the Gay in the Enola Gay Controversy? And Other Matters," Colgate University, 10/96.

"The Strange Career of Harold Lasswell's Garrison State" (read in absentia), for Panel on "Garrison States: Crossing the Domestic-International Divide," Social Science History Association, 10/96.

Panelist, Northwestern University History Department Colloquium, "History and the Politics of Memory and Commemoration: The Enola Gay Controversy," 11/95.

Speaker and Panelist, Conference on "Hoping for the Worst: The Planning, Experience, and Consequences of Mass Warfare, 1930-1950," Department of History, University of California-Berkeley, 11/95.

Panelist, "Loving: Alternative Paradigms," University of Illinois-Chicago, sponsored by the Illinois Humanities Council and the Chicago Humanities Festival, 10/95.

Panelist, "The Practice of American History," Organization of American Historians Convention, 3/95.

Chair, "Directions and Diversity: Lesbian Health Care and Queer Politics in Historical Perspective," American Historical Association convention (Committee on Lesbian and Gay History), 1/95.

Lecture/seminar, "Moral Equivalents of War in the Reagan-Bush Era," Washington University Department of History, 11/94.

Organizer, Moderator, and Presenter, "Roundtable: The Debate on Gays and the Armed Forces in Historical Perspective," OAH Convention, 4/94.

Presenter and Discussion Leader, Graduate Workshop in Diplomatic History, Ohio State University, 11/93.

Lecture, "Gays in the Military: The Constriction of Rights and the Contraction of National Power," Contemporary History Institute, Ohio University, 11/93.

Leader, Seminar at the Contemporary History Institute, Ohio University, 11/93.

Speaker and Panelist, "Truman and the Atomic Bomb," Department of History, Duke University, 4/93.

Public Lecture, "Who Remembers Leonard Matlovich? Irreverent Notes on the History of Gays in the Military," University of Illinois-Chicago (sponsored by the Chancellor's Committee on the Status of Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Issues), 1/93.

Public Lecture, "Wars Fought and Proclaimed: The Uses of War in American Political Culture," sponsored by Department of History, University of California-Davis, 3/92.

Seminar, "Teaching Lesbian and Gay History," University of California-Davis, 3/92.

Speaker, "Historical Perspectives," and Seminar Participant, Symposium on Sexual Orientation and the Military, sponsored by Indiana University, 2/92.

Paper, "The Contested Boundaries: Teaching Lesbian and Gay History," American Historical Association Convention (Committee on Lesbian and Gay History), 12/91.

Chair, Session on "Lesbian/Gay History, the State and Public Memory," Lesbian and Gay Studies Conference, Rutgers University, 11/91.

Symposium, "Lesbian and Gay Teachers Teaching Lesbian and Gay Texts," Lesbian and Gay Studies Conference, Rutgers University, 11/91.

Paper, "War Metaphors in the AIDS Discourse: Historical Perspectives," Lesbian, Bisexual and Gay Studies Conference, Harvard University, 10/90.

Commentator, Panel on National Security Policy, Eisenhower Conference, University of Kansas, 10/90.

Commentator, Panel on the Cultural History of American Foreign Policy, Annual Meeting of the Society for the History of American Foreign Relations, Washington, D.C., 8/90.

Lecture, "Drugs, AIDS, Abortion, Flag, and so on: War as Metaphor in Recent American History," The Oscar E. Anderson Memorial Lecture, Oberlin College, 4/90.

Symposium, "Strategic Bombing, 1939-1945," in National Air and Space Museum Series "The Legacy of Strategic Bombing," 2/90.

Lecture, "How AIDS Has Changed Our History," University of Illinois-Chicago, 4/89.

Lecture, "The Military in Contemporary American History," Department of History, University of Massachusetts at Amherst, 4/89.

Paper, "Douhet, Mitchell, Liddell Hart: Revisiting the Founding Strategists of Air War." The Second Conference of the Midwest Consortium on Military History, University of Chicago, 10/88.

Lecture, "American Science and World War II," National Air and Space Museum, 12/87.

Commentator, Colloquium, The Wilson Center, Smithsonian Institution, 12/87.

Lecture, "How We Learned to Fear the Bomb: A Historian's View of the Nuclear Dilemma," Skidmore College, 3/86.

Professional Service:

Journal of American History Editorial Board, 1991-94

Bancroft Prize Selection Committee, 1991-92

Advisory Panel, 1993, documentary film, Coming Out Under Fire (Deep Focus Productions: Arthur Dong and Allan Berube, 1994).

Fellowship Selection Committee, Committee on Institutional Cooperation Predoctoral Fellowship Program, March 1994.

Organization of American Historians, Foreign Language Book Prize, 1995-99.

Advisory Committee, Committee on Lesbian and Gay History of the American Historical Association, 1995-98.

John Boswell Prize Committee, Committee on Lesbian and Gay History of the American Historical Association, 1996-98

OAH Lectureship Program, 1997-01.

Program Committee, "The Future of the Queer Past" Conference, University of Chicago, September 2000.

Selection Committee, Fellowship in Aerospace History, American Historical Association, 2000-01.

Consultant, documentary film, The Perilous Fight: America's Second World War in Color (Carlton/PBS 2003).

Consultant, National Museum of American History, for "The Price of Freedom" (permanent exhibit on American military history, opened November 2004), 2002-04.

NU-ETHS Teaching American History Institute, 2006.

Member, Organizing Group, Center for the Study of Militarization, 2006-

Jury, Lambda Literary Foundation Non-Fiction Book Prize, 2009.

External reviewer, Indiana University Department of History, Feb 2010.

Member, Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Council, 2012-15.

External reviewer, UNC-Chapel Hill Curriculum in Peace, War, and Defense, 2016.

Professional Organizations

Organization of American Historians
American Historical Association
Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations
Committee on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender History

Service as Expert Witness: Prepared and submitted legal declaration on the history of discrimination against lesbians and gay men for the federal case of Lt. Paul Thomasson, USN v. Perry, March 1995. Similar documents submitted for Capt. Richard Richenberg, Jr. v. Perry and Widnall, March 1995; Elzie v. Perry, May 1995; Richard Dirk Selland v. Perry, July 1995.

Electronic Media Appearances (since 1988; news interviews excluded):

Interview, NHK Television, "American Air Power," broadcast August 2017.
Interview, "848," WBEZ/NPR, on "Don't Ask, Don't Tell." February 4, 2010.
Interview, "All Things Considered," NPR, December 8, 2004.
Guest, Chicago Public Radio, "Odyssey," with Gretchen Helfridge, "Retelling World War II," May 6, 2003
Guest, "On Point," NPR/WBUR Boston, September 10, 2002
Guest, Chicago Public Radio, "Odyssey," with Gretchen Helfridge, June 2001. .
Interview, "Strategic Air Command" (BBC Timewatch, 10/8/96)
Guest, "The Ted Heisel Show," WAAN (Ann Arbor) radio, one-hour talk show on In the Shadow of War, February 26, 1996.
Guest, "Extension 720" (on Sherry, In the Shadow of War), WGN Radio, January 9, 1996.
Guest, 50th Anniversary of G.I. Bill, "Mara Tapp Show," WBEZ Radio (NPR), June 22, 1994.
Panel Discussion, The Cold War, "Extension 720," WGN Radio, May 17, 1994
Guest, "The David Brudnoy Show" (on ROTC and Homosexuality), WBZ (Boston) Radio, October 4, 1991.
Panel Discussion, The Gulf War, "Extension 720," WGN Radio, January 17, 1991.
Panel Discussion, The Gulf Crisis, "Extension 720," WGN Radio, December 4, 1990.
Guest, "The Reviewing Stand," Program on Chemical Weapons, PIA Radio Network, taped January 10, 1989.
"The Studs Terkel Show," WFMT Network (taped May 3, 1988).

Editorial and Op-Ed Pieces (since 1991)

(with T. William Heyck), "Social Security will be destroyed under the guise of 'fixing it,'" Chicago Tribune, December 9, 2004.
"War Advocates Need a Good Dose of Humility," Newsday (also syndicated through L.A. Times/Washington Post service), January 27, 2004.
"Justifying War," Chicago Tribune, March 30, 2003.
"Der Historiker Michael S. Sherry zur Haltung der USA im Kosovo-Konflikt," extended interview with Aufbrau ("America's Only German-Jewish Publication"), 4/16/99.
"It's time to move beyond World War II," Philadelphia Inquirer, August 13, 1995.
"Allied Bombing and the Illusion of Mastery," New York Newsday, February 3, 1991.
"A Matter of Rights for Gay Soldiers," Chicago Tribune, July 28, 1993.
"Allied Bombing and the Illusion of Mastery," New York Newsday, February 3, 1991.

College and University Service at Northwestern (since 1982):

Member, Ad hoc committee on appointment with promotion to tenure, 2020
Chair, Ad hoc committee on appointment with promotion to tenure, 2018.
Chair, Leopold Lecture Committee, 2006 –17
Member, Ad hoc committee for promotion to associate, 2012-13.
Chair, Ad hoc review for promotion to full (external appointment), 2011.
Chair, Ad hoc review for promotion to full, 2009.
Ad hoc review (WCAS Appointments Committee), 2008.
Member, ad hoc tenure review committee, 2002-03, 03-04
Chair, ad hoc tenure review committee, 2006
Member, Political Science Search Committee, Fall 2006
Associate Dean, Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences, 1998-2001
Assistant Dean for Freshmen, College of Arts and Sciences, 1994-97
Member (alternate), University Hearing Board, 1995-96, 96-97
Member, Screening Committee for Director of Counseling and Psychological Services, Spring 1995
Chair (ex officio as assistant dean), College of Arts and Sciences Committee on Academic Standing (1994-97)
Member, College of Arts and Sciences Committee on Academic Standing (1992-93, 93-94)
College of Arts and Sciences Committee on Promotion and Tenure (1990-91)
Chair, University Fellowships Committee, 1987-1989
Chair, special ad hoc committee on tenure, 1996
Chair, special ad hoc committee on promotion/tenure, 1992-93
ad doc Committees on promotion/tenure, member (one, 1987-88; one, 1988-89; one, 1991-92; one, 1993-94).
Member, Program Review Subcommittee, Sociology, 1987-88
Member, CAS Committee on Superior Students and Honors, 1982-83, 1984-85
Member, University Fellowships Committee, 1985-88

Departmental Service at Northwestern (since 1982)

Member, Department Committee for Promotion to Full Professor Review, 2019
Member, Graduate Affairs Committee, 2018-19
Member, Department Committee for Tenure Review, 2018
Chair, Graduate Prize Committee, 2017-18
Scheduling Convener, US history wing
Member, Committee on non-tenure-line appointments, 2016-17
Member, Graduate Affairs Committee, 2014-16
Chair, ad hoc committee for review of spousal appointment, 2014
Chair, Department Committee for Tenure Review, 2011.
Chair, 20th US history search committee, 2010-11
Coordinator, US history field exams, 2010-12.
Convener/Scheduler, US faculty, 2011.
Member, Department Committee for Tenure Review, 2010.
Associate Chair, 2008-09.
Chair, double search in 20th US history, 2007-08.
Member, ad hoc promotion committee, 2007.

Member, Graduate Fellowships/Admissions Committee, 2005-07
 Convener/scheduler, US faculty, 2005-07
 Director of Graduate Studies, 2004-05
 Chair, Graduate Fellowships/Admissions/Year-end Review Committee, 2004-05
 Chair, Graduate Affairs Committee, 2004-05
 Member, Planning Committee, 2004-05, 2003-04, 2005-06, 2006-07
 Chair, Promotion Review Committee, 2004
 Member, US History Search Committee, 2003-04
 Chair, US History Search Committee, 2002-03
 Chair, U.S. Open-field Search Committee, 1996-97
 Chair, Standing Search Committee, 1995-96
 Member, Graduate Student Prize Committee, 1994-96
 Member, Graduate Program Committee, 1995-96
 Graduate Fellowships and Admissions Committee (Chair, 1984-87; member, 1987-89, 1990-91, 1991-92, 94-95).
 Member, Subcommittee on Governance and Ethos (1994-95)
 Member, Graduate Student Prize Committee (1994-95)
 Member, Task Force on Undergraduate Education (1993-94)
 Ombudsman (1993-94)
 Newsletter (1992-93, 93-94)
 Undergraduate Advisor (1990-94)
 Member, Undergraduate Recruiting Committee (1991-92)
 Director of Graduate Studies (1984-1987).
 Chair, Graduate Liaison Committee, (1984-87).
 Search Committee, American Foreign Policy (1986-87; Chair 1987-89).
 Director of Undergraduate Studies, Fall 1982-83.

Courses Taught (since promotion to tenure in May, 1982):

B10-2: Introduction to United States History (1984-85, 85-86, 86-87). Lecture.
 C15: The United States in the Twentieth Century (C15-1 taught in 1982-83; C15-2 in 1982-83, 85-86, 87-88, 90-91, 91-92, 93-94, 94-95, 95-96, 08-09, 09-10, 10-11; C15-3 in 1984-85, 88-89, 90-91, 92-93). Lecture.
 C24: American Lesbian and Gay History (1988-89, 1990-91, 1991-92, 1993-94, 1994-95, 1996-97). Lecture.
 C91: War in American History (1982-83, 1984-85). Lecture.
 C91: The History of Science and Warfare (also Science in Human Culture C91) (1986-87, 1987-88). Lecture
 200: *West Side Story*, A Cultural History (2018-19). Lecture
 300: Go Directly to Jail: The Punitive Turn in American Life (2016-17, 17-18, 19-20). Lecture
 315-2: The US. in the Twentieth Century, 1929-1969 (2009-10, 09-10, 10-11, 11-12). Lecture.
 315-B: The US in the Twentieth Century, 1929-1969, School of Continuing Studies, (10-11, 11-12). Lecture
 316: The Sixties (12-13). Lecture (12-13, 13-14, 14-15, 15-16).
 319-3: History of U.S. Foreign Relations (2002-03). Lecture.
 317-3 (later re-numbered 317-2): American Cultural History (2002-03, 03-04, 05-06, 06-07, 07-08, 10-11, 13-14, 14-15, 15-16, 16-17, 17-18). Lecture.
 317B: American Cultural History, School of Continuing Studies (2012-13), Lecture.
 391: The Vietnam Wars (with Mark Bradley), 2004-05, 06-07. Lecture.
 391: America's World War II, 2008-09. Lecture

A02: The Pacific War: America and Japan (1982-83). Freshman seminar.
 A02: Chicago and Continuity in Modern American Communities (1985-86). Freshman seminar.
 A02: The United States in Vietnam (1988-89). Freshman seminar.
 A02: The 1970s: A "Lost" Decade in American History? (1990-91, 1991-92). Freshman seminar.
 A02: The Reagan Era in Historical Perspective (1993-94). Freshman Seminar.
 102: American Culture in the 1950s (2003-04). Freshman Seminar
 102: Go Directly to Jail: How America Became a Punitive Nation (2006-07). Freshman Seminar.
 102: Sex Crimes Panics in Modern America (2011-12). Freshman Seminar.
 102: Why They Fought: Americans in World War II (2012-13, 14-15) Freshman seminar.
 C92: Science and Warfare in the Twentieth Century (1988-89). Upper-division seminar.
 C92: Morality and Military Technology (also Humanities C92) (1984-85). Upper-division seminar.
 C92: Gay and Lesbian American History (1986-87, 1987-88, 1992-93). Upper-division seminar.
 C92: Research in Recent Lesbian and Gay History (1993-94). Upper-division seminar.
 Humanities 301: Go Directly to Jail: The Punitive Turn in American Life (09-10),. Upper-division seminar.
 C/D92: War and National Security in Twentieth Century America (1982-83). Graduate/Undergraduate seminar.
 D10-2: General Field Seminar in American History (1994-95, 95-96, 99-00). Graduate Seminar.
 D15: The Literature of Recent American History (1984-85, 1987-88). Graduate seminar.
 D26: War and Modern American History (1991-92). Graduate Seminar.
 D26: Gender and Sexuality in Modern American History (1992-93, 96-97). Graduate Seminar.
 D26: Gender and Sexuality in the American Cold War (1998-99). Graduate Seminar.
 410-3: General Field Seminar in American History (2002-03, 03-04, 06-07, 09-10, 10-11, 15-16, 16-17, 18-19, 19-20). Graduate Seminar.
 492: Contemporary America (2004-05). Graduate Seminar.
 492: The United States and the World (2008-09). Graduate Seminar.
 492: Crime, Culture, and the State in Modern US History (2011-12). Graduate Seminar.
 585: Divisional Seminar (Dissertators Workshop), various quarters 2002-present.

PhDs Directed:

Steven Wrigley 1985
 Elizabeth McKillen 1987
 Robert Lane Fenrich 1992
 Petra Goedde 1995
 Derek Johnson 1998
 Naoko Shibusawa 1998
 David Johnson 2000
 Seth Jacobs 2000
 Marcus Cox 2001
 Deborah Holland 2002
 Michael Allen 2003
 Bradley Simpson 2003
 James Wolfinger 2003
 James Burkee 2003
 Scott Rohrer 2006
 Michael Cullen Green 2008

Charlotte Cahill 2008
Stephen Mak 2009
Ronnie Grinberg 2010
Tristan Cabello 2011
Andrew Warne 2012
Theresa Keeley 2013
Zachary Jacobson 2014
Kyle Burke 2015
Matthew Kahn 2016
Taka Daitoku 2016
Laila Ballout 2017
Alex Hobson 2017
Bonnie Ernst 2018
Mariah Hepworth 2019
Michael Brownrigg 2020