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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2024-present	Associate Professor of History, Northwestern University
2022-2024	Assistant Professor of History, Northwestern University
2021-2022	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i> (Seahawk) Assistant Professor of History, St. Mary's College of Maryland
2018-2022	Assistant Professor of History, St. Mary's College of Maryland
2017-2018	Mellon Post-Doctoral Fellow, Cornell University, Society for the Humanities and Department of Asian Studies

EDUCATION

2016	Ph.D., Harvard University, Inner Asian and Altaic Studies
2010	M.A., Indiana University, Central Eurasian Studies
2007	B.A., University of Chicago, Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

Books

God Save the USSR: Soviet Muslims and the Second World War. New York: Oxford University Press, 2021; paperback 2025.

- *A Foreign Affairs* “Best Book of 2022”
- Arabic translation: *Hafiz Allah al-ittihad al-sufieti: al-muslimun al-sufiet va al-harb al-‘alamiya al-thaniya*. Translated by Muhammad Salah Ali. Cairo: Madarat, 2022.

Slavery and Empire in Central Asia. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2018; paperback 2020.

- Finalist for the Central Eurasian Studies Society (CESS) Book Award

Warrior Saints of the Silk Road: Legends of the Qarakhanids. Leiden: Brill, 2018.

The Life of Muhammad Sharif: A Central Asian Sufi Hagiography in Chaghatay. Vienna: Austrian Academy of Sciences Press, 2015.

Edited Volumes

From the Khan's Oven: Studies on the History of Central Asian Religions in Honor of Devin DeWeese. Co-edited with Eren Tasar and Allen J. Frank. Leiden: Brill, 2022.

Beyond Modernism: Rethinking Cultural Change in Muslim Eurasia (19th-20th Centuries). Co-edited with Devin DeWeese and Paolo Sartori. Double theme-issue of the *Journal of the Economic and Social History of the Orient* 59/1-2 (2016).

Refereed Journal Articles and Chapters

“Rescuers or Pirates? The Steamship *Lomonosoff*'s Escape from Murmansk and the 1920 Trial.” *Journal of Legal History*, forthcoming December, 2025.

“Far-Right Orientalism and the Uyghurs: Revisiting Gunnar Jarring.” *positions* 32/2 (2024), 463-487.

“Anatomy of a Caravan Raid: Peril and Possibility in the Kazakh Steppe, 1800-1860.” *Journal of Central Asian History* 2/1 (2023), 1-32.

“Saints, Lost and Found: The Discovery of Sacred Graves in Sufi Hagiography (With a Translation of the Legend of the Seven Muhammads).” In *From the Khan's Oven: Studies on the History of Central Asian Religions in Honor of Devin DeWeese*, edited by Eren Tasar, Allen J. Frank, and Jeff Eden, pp. 212-236. Leiden: Brill, 2022.

“Did Ibn Sa‘ud’s Militants Cause 400,000 Casualties? Myths and Evidence about the Wahhabi Conquests, 1902- 1925.” *British Journal of Middle Eastern Studies* 46/4 (2019), 519-534.

“Slavery in Islamic Central Asia.” *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Asian History*. Ed. David Ludden. New York: Oxford University Press, 2019, 21pp.

“Beyond the Bazaars: Geographies of the Slave Trade in Central Asia.” *Modern Asian Studies* 51/4 (2017), 919-955.

“A Soviet Jihad against Hitler: Ishan Babakhan Calls Central Asian Muslims to War.” *Journal of the Economic and Social History of the Orient* 59/1-2 (2016), 237-264.

“Moving Beyond Modernism: Rethinking Cultural Change in Muslim Eurasia (19th-20th Centuries).” With Devin DeWeese and Paolo Sartori. *Journal of the Economic and Social History of the Orient* 59/1-2 (2016), 1-36.

“A Persian Captive’s Guide to Khiva: Esmā‘il Mir-Panja’s Satirical Recollections.” *Journal of Persianate Studies* 9 (2016), 205-227.

“A Sufi Saint in Sixteenth-Century East Turkistan: New Evidence Concerning the Life of Khwāja Ishāq.” *Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society* 25/2 (April, 2015), 229-245.

“The Global Journey of the *Bakhtiyār-nāmah*: New Evidence from the Lund University Archives.” *Acta Orientalia* 75 (2014), 31-45.

“‘The First that Ever Burst, etc.’: William Bateson in the Steppe, 1886-1887.” *Studies in Travel Writing* 17/1 (2013), 1-21.

Book Reviews

Vicky Davis, *Central Asia in World War Two: The Impact and Legacy of Fighting for the Soviet Union* (London: Bloomsbury, 2023), *Slavic Review*, forthcoming.

David Brophy, *In Remembrance of the Saints: The Rise and Fall of an Inner Asian Sufi Dynasty* (New York: Columbia University Press, 2021). *Journal of Islamic Studies* 34/2 (2023), 284-286.

Marlene Laruelle, *Central Peripheries: Nationhood in Central Asia* (London: UCL Press, 2021). *Foreign Affairs* 101/6 (Nov.-Dec. 2022).

“Featured Review”: Eren Tasar, *Soviet and Muslim: The Institutionalization of Islam in Central Asia* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2017). *American Historical Review* 126/2 (2021), 748-751.

Shoshana Keller, *Russia and Central Asia: Coexistence, Conquest, Convergence* (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2020). *Journal of Asian Studies*, 80/3 (2021), pp. 831-832.

Bayram Balci, *Islam in Central Asia and the Caucasus Since the Fall of the Soviet Union* (London: Hurst & Company, 2018). *Journal of Islamic Studies*, 31/3 (2020), 416-418.

Scott C. Levi, *The Rise and Fall of Khoqand, 1709-1876: Central Asia in the Global Age* (Pittsburgh: University of Pittsburgh Press, 2017). *Slavic Review* 77/4 (2019), 1053-1054.

James H. Meyer, *Turks across Empires: Marketing Muslim Identity in the Russian-Ottoman Borderlands, 1856-1914* (Oxford University Press, 2014). *Slavonic and East European Review* 96/2 (2018), 366-68.

Nile Green, ed., *Writing Travel in Central Asian History* (Bloomington, IN: Indiana University

Press, 2014). *Journal of Asian Studies* 75/2 (2016), 521-22.

Encyclopedia Entries

“Hagiography in Central Asia.” *Encyclopedia of Islam*, Third Edition (Leiden: Brill, 2020), 47-49.

“Hafiz.” *Islam: A Worldwide Encyclopedia* (Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2016), Vol. 2, 544-46.

“al-Hallaj, Husayn Ibn Mansur.” *Islam: A Worldwide Encyclopedia* (Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2016), Vol. 2, 555-557.

HONORS, GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

2022	Oxford University Press’ “Best of History” Collection, 2021 (https://academic.oup.com/journals/pages/best-of-history): <i>God Save the USSR</i>
2022	Choice Editor’s Pick: Top Community College Titles (<i>God Save the USSR</i>)
2021-22	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i> (Seahawk Honorary) Professorship, St. Mary’s College of Maryland
2020	Faculty Development Grant, St. Mary’s College of Maryland
2019	Finalist, Central Eurasian Studies Society (CESS) Book Award
2019	Student Club Advisor of the Year, awarded by the Student Government Association of St. Mary’s College of Maryland
2018-2019	Faculty Development Grant, St. Mary’s College of Maryland
2017-2018	Mellon Post-Doctoral Research Fellowship, Cornell University
2015-16	Harvard Graduate School of Arts and Sciences (GSAS) Dissertation Completion Fellowship
2014	Certificate of Distinction in Teaching, Derek Bok Center, Harvard University (course: “Understanding the Middle East: 1800s to the Present”)
2013	Certificate of Distinction in Teaching, Derek Bok Center, Harvard University (course: “Chocolate, Culture, and the Politics of Food”)
2013	SSRC (Social Science Research Council) Eurasia Program Pre-Dissertation Fellowship

- 2012 Certificate of Distinction in Teaching, Derek Bok Center, Harvard University
(course: “Understanding Islam and Contemporary Muslim Societies”)
- 2012 VolkswagenStiftung Funded Studentship, Workshop on the Social History of
Central Asia, Institute of Iranian Studies, Vienna, Austria
- 2011 Harvard Graduate School of Arts and Sciences (GSAS) Summer School Tuition
Fellowship (for Advanced Russian)
- 2011 Merle Fainsod Prize, Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies
2009-10 Academic Year Foreign Language Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship, Inner Asian
and Uralic National Resource Center, Indiana University
- 2009 Recruitment Fellowship, Department of Central Eurasian Studies, Indiana
University

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY, 2022-present

- “Russian Revolutions”
- “Khans, Communists, and Oligarchs”
- “Silk Road Empires: A History of Central Eurasia” (300-level)
- “Silk Road Empires” (First-Year Seminar)
- “The Soviet Union”
- “The History of Russia, 800-1700”
- “The History of Russia, 1991-present”
- “Cold War Mirrors”
- “Soviet History through Film”
- “Teaching History” (Graduate Seminar)
- “The History of History” (First-Year Seminar)

ST. MARY’S COLLEGE OF MARYLAND, 2018-2022

- “Russia in the Age of Putin”
- “At Home in the Soviet Union”
- “Modern Central Asia”
- “The Soviet Union”
- “Beyond the Iron Curtain: Modern Eastern Europe”
- “Silk Road Empires: A History of Central Eurasia”
- “Russian Civilization”
- “Russian and Soviet Cinema”
- “The Twentieth-Century World”
- “History of the Modern World (from 1500)”
- “Theories and Uses of History”

CORNELL UNIVERSITY, 2017-2018

“Modern Central Asia: An Introduction”

“Muslims on the Silk Road”

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, BALTIMORE COUNTY, 2016-2017

“Understanding the Modern Middle East”

“Russia to 1917”

“The Soviet Union”

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, COLLEGE PARK, 2017

“Muslims on the Silk Road: Medieval and Early Modern Culture between China and the Caspian Sea”

HARVARDX (edX Online), 2016

Teaching Fellow, “Islam through its Scriptures”

HARVARD EXTENSION SCHOOL (Online/Distance Education), 2014-2017

Teaching Fellow, “Understanding Islam and Contemporary Muslim Societies”

Teaching Fellow, “Bodies and Sexualities in the Medieval Middle East”

HARVARD UNIVERSITY, 2012-2014

Teaching Fellow, “Understanding Modern Middle Eastern History through Literature”

Teaching Fellow, “Islam, Modernity and Politics”

Teaching Fellow, “Understanding the Middle East: 1800s to the Present”

Teaching Fellow, “Chocolate, Culture, and the Politics of Food”

Teaching Fellow, “Understanding Islam and Contemporary Muslim Societies”

Teaching Awards

Student Club Advisor of the Year. Awarded by the Student Government Association of St. Mary's College of Maryland, 2018-2019.

Certificate of Distinction in Teaching. Derek Bok Center, Harvard University (awarded 2012, 2013, 2014).

PAPERS PRESENTED

Invited Lectures and Invited Workshop / Symposium Papers

“How Persian Slaves Freed Themselves in 19th-Century Central Asia: Two Case-Studies of Emancipation.” Buffett First Friday Lecture, Buffett Institute for Global Affairs, Evanston, IL, January 10th, 2025.

“Rebels and Runaways: Slaves' Pathways to Emancipation in Central Asia.” Slavic Colloquium, Yale University, New Haven, CT, November 29th, 2023.

“Sunni Slaves with Sunni Masters: A Peculiar Dimension of the Central Asian Slave Trade.” Hamilton Lugar School of Global and International Studies, Indiana University – Bloomington, November 10th, 2023.

“The Storm Before the Storm: Russia’s ‘Wild East’ Era.” Northwestern International Students Association (ISA) Invited Lecture, Evanston, Illinois, March 3rd, 2023.

“God Save the USSR” (Book Talk). Central Asia Working Group, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, April 13th, 2022.

“How Persian Slaves Freed Themselves in Nineteenth-Century Central Asia.” Near Eastern Studies Seminar Series, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ, February 28th, 2022.

“Soviet Muslims and the Second World War.” Russian Studies Seminar, Friedrich–Alexander University Erlangen–Nürnberg, Erlangen, Germany, June 16th, 2021.

“Wonderful Legends of the Qarakhanids: The Bughra Khan Narrative Cycle.” Qarakhanids Unearthed Webinar, Washington University in St. Louis, May 25th, 2021.

“Praying with Stalin: Soviet Muslims, State Propaganda, and the Second World War.” Department of History (Middle East Studies), University of Maryland, College Park, April 30th, 2021.

“Slavery and Emancipation in Nineteenth-Century Central Asia.” Havighurst Center for Russian and Post-Soviet Studies, Havighurst Colloquia Series, Miami University, October 5th, 2020.

“Paths to Freedom in Nineteenth-Century Central Asia.” The Center for Slavic, Eurasian and East European Studies (CSEES), University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, September 16th, 2020.

“How the Slaves Freed Themselves: Two Case-Studies from Central Asia.” Comparative Muslim Societies Seminar Series, Mario Einaudi Center for International Studies, Cornell University, October 21st, 2019.

“A Saint and His Magical Pot.” Cultures of Documentation in Persianate Eurasia (15th-19th Centuries), Institute of Iranian Studies, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna, Austria, June 6th, 2019.

“From the Archives of Sanctity to the Archives of Sweden: The Jarring Collection and the Study of East Turkistan’s Hagiographies.” Cultures of Documentation in Persianate Eurasia (15th-19th Centuries), Institute of Iranian Studies, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna, Austria, June 3rd, 2019.

“How the Slaves Freed Themselves: Two Case-Studies from Central Asia.” Department of History, University of Maryland, College Park, March 13th, 2019.

“Slavery and Islamic Law in Central Asia.” Slavery, Liberation, and Islamic Law in the Middle

East and Beyond (symposium), Brock University, St. Catharines, Ontario, Canada, October 5th, 2018.

“The Khivan Slave Uprising of 1873 and the Myth of Russian Abolitionism in Central Asia.” Faculty Lecture Series, St. Mary’s College of Maryland, September 28th, 2018.

“How the Slaves Freed Themselves: Two Case-Studies from Central Asia.” New Perspectives on Slavery: The Ottoman Empire (workshop), University of Bonn, Germany, June 29th, 2018.

“Fugitive Slaves and the Sowing of the Steppe Frontier.” Knowledge and Technology: Production, Transfer, Circulation (workshop), European University, St. Petersburg, Russia, November 13th. 2015.

“Beyond the Bazaars: Geographies of the Slave Trade in Central Asia.” On Khorezmian Connectivity: Space, Mobility, Imagination (workshop), Institute of Iranian Studies, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna, Austria, October 9th-10th, 2014.

“Islam and Politics in Afghanistan: Taliban Alliances Reconsidered.” Guest lecture, “Islam, Modernity and Politics” (graduate seminar). November 22, 2013.

Conference Papers and Participation at Professional Meetings

Guest presenter / commentator: Bulat Mansurov’s *Şükür bagşy*. Event series: *Soviet Central Asia on Screen*. Reimagining Slavic: Art, Culture, and Performance in Soviet and Post-Soviet Central Asia, Northwestern University, May 9th, 2024.

“Muslim Slaves with Muslims Masters: A Peculiar Dimension of the Central Asian Slave Trade,” American Historical Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California, January 6th, 2024.

Chair of panel: “Conflict, Pain, and Memory in Central Eurasia: New Approaches,” Central Eurasian Studies Society (CESS) Annual Conference, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, October 21st, 2023

“Gunnar Jarring Revisited, Or: How I Will Lose Copying Privileges in Lund.” Association for Central Eurasian Studies (ACES) Conference, Indiana University – Bloomington, February 23rd, 2023.

“How the Slaves of Khiva Freed Themselves.” Association for Asian Studies (AAS) Annual Conference (Zoom edition), March 24th, 2021.

Author-Critic forum (chair): Eren Tasar, *Soviet and Muslim: The Institutionalization of Islam in Central Asia*, Central Eurasian Studies Society Conference, George Washington University, October 13th, 2019.

“The Khivan Slave Uprising of 1873.” Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES) Conference, Boston, December 8th, 2018.

“Soviet Bureaucrats Bewildered: Enforcing Soviet Religious Policy after the Second World War.” Perceiving the Past, Representing the Present (workshop), Cornell University, April 12th, 2018.

“Teaching Stalin to Pray: Muslim Patriotism and Soviet Propaganda in Wartime.” Bret de Bary Interdisciplinary Mellon Working Group, Cornell University, November 30th, 2017.

“Slaves into Serfs: Bondage and Manumission along the Steppe Frontier.” 16th Annual Conference, Central Eurasian Studies Society (CESS), George Washington University, October 17th, 2015.

“A Soviet Jihad against Hitler: Ishan Babakhan Calls Central Asian Muslims to War.” Beyond Islamic Modernism: Reassessing Cultural Change among the Muslim Communities of Central Asia, Russia, and Western China, 19th-20th Centuries, Harvard University, April 26-27, 2014.

“Tamerlane’s Master in China (and Beyond): Toward a New Cultural Map of Sufism in Central, South and East Asia.” Reconstructions: Researching and Rethinking Asia Conference, York Center for Asian Research (YCAR), York University, Toronto, Ontario, April 26-27, 2013.

“The Rise of Islamic Institutions in Central Asia: What’s wrong with the ‘Royal Patron’ Model?” Central Eurasia Working Group, Harvard University, April 11, 2013.

“Towards a New Social History of 19th and Early 20th Century Central Asia” (workshop), Institute of Iranian Studies, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna, Austria, September 3-7, 2012.

“A Cache of Islamic Tax Documents in the Harvard University Archives: Materials for the Study of Shrines and State Patronage in Central Asia.” Working Group on Central Asia and the Caucasus, Harvard University, February 13, 2012.

“The First that Ever Burst, etc.: William Bateson in the Steppe, 1886-1887.” 17th Annual Central Eurasian Studies Conference, Indiana University, Bloomington, March 6, 2010.

“Toward a New Conception of Islam in Contemporary Central Asia: A Critique of Common Approaches.” New Voices in Academia Conference, Indiana University, Bloomington, March 27, 2009. (Finalist for Best Graduate Student Paper award).

ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE

Events Organized (Selected)

Panel event: “Thousands Protesting Their Governments in Armenia and Georgia: What’s Going On?” Russian, Eurasian, and East European Studies Program (REEES), Northwestern University. Panelists: Ronald Suny (University of Michigan), Anton Vatcharadze (IDFI, Tbilisi), and Giorgi Kldiashvili (IDFI, Tbilisi). May 20th, 2024.

(As Conference Committee Member): The 2023 Central Eurasian Studies Society (CESS) Annual Conference, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, October 19-22, 2023.

Panel event: “In the Wake of War: How the Geopolitical Ground Has Shifted in Armenia, Azerbaijan, and Georgia,” Russian, Eurasian, and East European Studies Program (REEES), Northwestern University. Panelists: Ronald Suny (University of Michigan), Richard Kauzlarich (George Mason University), Giorgi Mchedlishvili (Tbilisi State University). October 16th, 2023.

Panel event: “Russian Migration into the Caucasus and Central Asia,” Russian, Eurasian, and East European Studies Program (REEES), Northwestern University. Panelists: Ibrat Safo (BBC), Diana Kudaibergen (University of Cambridge), Anton Vacharadze (IDFI), and Amila Bissenova (Nazarbayev University). March 16th, 2023.

Chabreja Center for Historical Studies’ “Works-in-Progress” Workshop Series, Northwestern University, 2022-2023.

Lecture and Q&A: “China's Mass Internment of the Uyghurs” with Rian Thum. Sponsored by the SMCM Program on Asian Studies, the Center for the Study of Democracy, and the Department of History. March 26th, 2021.

Conference: “Beyond Islamic Modernism: Reassessing Cultural Change among the Muslim Communities of Central Asia, Russia, and Western China (19th-20th Centuries),” Harvard University, April 26th-27th, 2014.

Media Appearances and Consultancy

God Save the USSR featured in the *Daily Northwestern*, January 26th, 2023
(<https://dailynorthwestern.com/2023/01/26/lateststories/history-prof-jeff-edens-book-named-one-of-foreign-affairs-best-books-of-2022/>)

God Save the USSR (Arabic translation) selected by *Mada* as a nominee: best books of the 2023 Cairo Book Fair (www.madamasr.com), in Arabic)

God Save the USSR (Arabic translation) featured on <https://www.ultrasawt.com> (in Arabic)

God Save the USSR featured on the Campaign for the American Reader Blog, April 27th, 2021:
<http://americareads.blogspot.com/2021/04/pg-99-jeff-edens-god-save-ussr.html>

God Save the USSR featured on the Page 99 Test Blog, April 27th, 2021:
<http://page99test.blogspot.com/2021/04/jeff-edens-god-save-ussr.html>

Member Spotlight Interview: Association for Slavic, East European, and Asian Studies (ASEES), April, 2021 (<https://www.asees.org/about/jeff-eden>).

Featured and interviewed on the Cornell University Society for the Humanities Blog, April 9th, 2021 (<https://societyhumanities.as.cornell.edu/jeff-eden-god-save-USSR>).

Organized & hosted event on Uyghur internment featured on *Radio Free Asia* (Uyghur), March 31st, 2021 (<https://www.rfa.org/uyghur/xewerler/uyghur-weziyiti-03312021171759.html>).

Interview: “Crisis in Nagorno-Karabakh” with host Katherine Bang on “Morning Wave in Busan,” Be-FM 90.5 Busan, South Korea, October 28th, 2020 (http://befm.or.kr/program/template.php?midx=89&pg=morning&cn=morning_sp&mode=view&page=1&intnum=26194).

Featured and interviewed in a two-part “profile” on *Radio Free Asia* (Uyghur), March 9th, 2020 (Part 1: <https://www.rfa.org/uyghur/xewerler/yipek-yoli-03092020150253.html>; Part 2: <https://www.rfa.org/uyghur/xewerler/uyghur-mesilisi-03162020193857.html>)

Featured author interview on the Central Eurasian Studies Society (CESS) Blog, October 10th, 2019: <http://thecessblog.com/2019/10/author-interview-slavery-and-empire-in-central-asia-by-jeff-eden-st-marys-college-of-maryland/>

Interviewed and featured in the article, “Confrontos entre Armênia e Azerbaijão envolvem disputa territorial antiga no Cáucaso; saiba mais,” *G1 / Globo*, Brazil, September 28th, 2020 (<https://g1.globo.com/mundo/noticia/2020/09/28/confrontos-entre-armenia-e-azerbaijao-envolvem-disputa-territorial-antiga-no-caucaso-saiba-mais.ghtml>)

Interviewed for the article, “Leis aprovadas no interior de SP levam Itamaraty a alertar cidades sobre mal-estar com o Azerbaijão,” *G1 / Globo*, Brazil, February 1st, 2019 (<https://g1.globo.com/mundo/noticia/2019/02/01/leis-aprovadas-no-interior-de-sp-levam-itamaraty-a-alertar-cidades-sobre-mal-estar-com-o-azerbaijao.ghtml>)

Featured and interviewed on *Radio Free Asia* (Uyghur), November 7th, 2015 (<http://www.rfa.org/uyghur/xewerler/medeniyet-tarix/uyghur-tarixi-xoja-muhemmed-sherif-11062015214607.html>)

Interviewed on *Radio Free Europe / Radio Liberty* (Russian and Tatar), April 29th, 2014 (<https://www.azatliq.org/a/25366680.html>)

SERVICE TO PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND PUBLISHERS

Central Eurasian Studies Society

Board of Directors Member (elected), 2024-present

Conference Committee Member, Central Eurasian Studies Society, 2022-present

Book Award Committee Judge: CESS Book Award, 2020

Queen Mary University of London

External Steering Committee Member and Affiliate, Centre for Eurasian, Russian, and East European Studies (CEREES), 2023-present

Peer Reviewer

Brill: Handbook of Oriental Studies (HDO) book series
Brill's Inner Asian Library (BIAL) book series
Brill: Islamic Intellectual History (IIH) book series
Brill: Eurasian Studies Library book series
Bloomsbury / I.B. Tauris
Royal Asiatic Society Books
Journal of the Economic and Social History of the Orient
Iranian Studies
Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Asian History
Comparative Studies in Society and History
Ab Imperio
Acta Slavica Iaponica
Journal of Central Asian History
Turkish Historical Review
United States Military Academy at West Point
Asian and African Studies
Kritika

SERVICE TO NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

Faculty Director, Russian, Eurasian, and East European Studies (REEES) Program, 2024-present
Graduate Professional Development & Job Placement Coordinator, 2023-2024
Graduate Admissions & Review Committee, 2024-present
Undergraduate Advisor and First-Year Seminar Instructor, Fall 2022; Fall, 2024
Steering Committee, Russian, Eurasian, and East European Studies (REEES), 2022-present
Faculty Board, Keyman Modern Turkish Studies Program, 2023-present
Organizer, Chabreja Center for Historical Studies Works-in-Progress Seminar, 2022-2023
Organizer and host of REEES panel: "Russian migration into the Caucasus and Central Asia,"
March 16th, 2023.
Affiliate Faculty Interviewer/Evaluator for Job Searches:
Department of Art History, "Assistant Professor in Modern Art and/or Architecture of the
Global South," 2023
Department of Art History, "Assistant Professor of Art/Architecture of the Middle East,
North Africa, and Iberia, 600-1500 CE," 2024
Reviewer, Buffett Institute Pre-Dissertation Travel Grant Applications, Spring 2024
Reviewer, Keyman Turkish Studies Program Postdoctoral Fellowship Applications, Spring 2024;
Winter 2025
Reviewer, History Department Graduate Presidential Fellowships
Committee Member, Tenure Case Reviews, Weinberg College, 2024-2026
Committee Member, Teaching Faculty Contract Renewal, Weinburg College, 2024-2025

Honors Theses advised:

- Wyatt Browdy, “Reds, White, and Blue: American Diplomacy and Misinformation in the Bolshevik Revolution,” 2024
- Hayden Morgan, “Understanding the Destructive and Unintended Consequences of the 2022 Russian Invasion of Ukraine on Ukrainian Society and People,” 2024
- Pete Wang, Title TBA (2025)
- Chloe Morton, Title TBA (2025)

Dissertation Committee membership:

- Anastasiya Novatorskaya
- Kyle Woods
- Adam Laten Willson
- Ekaterina Kulinicheva
- Mian Chen

SERVICE TO ST. MARY’S COLLEGE OF MARYLAND

Academic Policy Committee, 2020-2022

Asian Studies Steering Committee, 2020-2022

Faculty Development Grant Committee, fall 2021-spring 2022

Core Curriculum Development Committee, spring 2022

Affiliated Faculty, Asian Studies Program, 2018-2022

Faculty Search Committee:

Visiting Assistant Professor of Modern Eastern European History, spring 2022

St. Mary’s Project Symposium Organizer, spring, 2019

St. Mary’s Project Symposium Host, spring, 2021

Integrated Inquiries Workshop Retreat member, summer, 2020

Core Seminar Teaching Faculty, fall 2021

Guest Lectures in Others’ Classes

- ASIA 200: Islam in Central Asia: From Medieval Times to Soviet Times (spring, 2020)
- ASIA 200: How Did Islam Spread in Asia? (spring, 2021; fall, 2021)

Undergraduate Theses (St. Mary’s Projects) Advised:

- Sean Stansbury, “Mongolia and the Soviet East” (spring, 2019)
- Aidan Kirby, “Stevedores, Entrepreneurs, and Everything in Between: The Changing Identities of Polish Immigrants in Baltimore, 1868-1914” (spring, 2020)
- Madalyn Wilkinson, “The Truth About Race in Early Maryland” (spring, 2021)
- Ray Narvaez, “Monsters of the Mind: Demonization of Mental Illness in American Horror Films” (spring, 2022)
- Sam Laich, “The Comparative Development of Democracy in Estonia, Poland, and Russia” (spring, 2022)

RESEARCH LANGUAGES (*reading proficiency or reading & some speaking*)

Russian; Turkic (Uzbek, Chaghatay, Kazakh, etc.); Persian/Tajik; French; Spanish; some Arabic.