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Academic appointments

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| Assistant Professor of History, Quincy University | 2022- |
| Humanities & Sciences Dean's Fellow and Lecturer | 2021-22 |
| Department of History, Stanford University | |

Education

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| Ph.D., History, Stanford University | 2021 |
| M.A., History, Stanford University <i>with World History Teaching Certificate</i> | 2017 |
| M.A., Ottoman History, Istanbul Şehir University | 2015 |
| Teaching Credential, CSU East Bay <i>Multiple Subject, grades K-8</i> | 1999 |
| B.S., Civil and Environmental Engineering, UC Berkeley | 1997 |

Selected awards and fellowships

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| Mellon Fellowship in Medieval Studies at the Medieval Institute of the University of Notre Dame (<i>declined</i>) | 2025-26 |
| I Tatti / Dumbarton Oaks Joint Fellowship (Harvard University Center for Italian Renaissance Studies in Florence and the Dumbarton Oaks Research Library and Collection in Washington, DC) (<i>declined</i>) | 2022-23 |
| Fulbright Fellowship, US-Italian Fulbright Commission | 2018-19 |
| Ric Weiland Graduate Fellowship in the Humanities | 2018-20 |
| Gladys Krieble Delmas Foundation research grant | 2019 |
| Full athletic scholarship, football, UC Berkeley | 1993-95 |
| ROTC scholarship, UC Berkeley (<i>declined</i>) | 1993-96 |

Peer-reviewed publications

Transforming Empire: the Genoese from the Mediterranean to the Atlantic, book under review at Harvard University Press, I Tatti Studies in Italian Renaissance History series

“The shareholders, the new tyrants: the securitizing and the collapse of empire in late medieval and early modern Genoa.” *Mediterranean Historical Review* 40, no. 2 (2025): 191-211.

“Roman Catholicism in the Ottoman Empire.” In *The Renaissance World: Routledge Resources Online*, edited by Kristen Poole and Gábor Ágoston (15 April 2025)

- “From Master to Minority: the Genoese of Pera-Galata across the Byzantine-Ottoman Boundary.” In *Latin Catholicism in Ottoman Istanbul*, ed. Vanessa R. de Obaldía and Claudio Monge: 63-84. Istanbul: Isis Press, 2022
- “Outsourcing the Colonial Project: the Genoese role in Iberian expansion.” *World History Bulletin* 35, no. 2 (2019): 15-48
- “From the Bosphorus to the Atlantic: Genoese responses to the Ottoman conquest.” *The Medieval Globe* 5, no. 1 (2019): 69-107
- “Capitalism by any other name: towards a synthesis of competing visions.” *Middle Ground* 17 (Fall 2018): 1-17

Edited volumes

- Ottoman Realms: The Diversification of Ottoman Studies*, co-edited with Suraiya Faroqhi and Vanessa R. de Obaldía. Boston: Academic Studies Press, forthcoming
- Latin and Eastern Catholicism in Ottoman Anatolia: social, economic, and religious inquiries from the fourteenth to the twentieth centuries*, co-edited with Vanessa R. de Obaldía, Anaïs Massot, and Radu Dîpratu. Istanbul: Isis Press, 2025.

Reviews

- González Arévalo, Raúl and Carmen Peral Bejarano. *El Castil de Genoveses de Málaga (siglos XIV-XV): un barrio comercial fortificado en el Mediterráneo islámico*. Jaén: UJA Editorial, 2024, in *Al-Masāq* (10 February 2025)
- James Mixson, ed. *The Crusade of 1456: Texts and Documentation in Translation* (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2022), in *Medieval Review* (1 April 2023)

Other publications

- “Who Holds the High Ground?” *American Purpose* (15 May 2023)
- “Examining Early Genoese Voyages through Maps,” a curriculum contribution to *World History Commons* (2022)
- “From the Middle East to Britain: the migrating legend of Saint George,” a curriculum contribution to *Our Migration Story: The Making of Britain*. The Runnymede Trust, London, 2017
- Saint Paul and the Seven Churches*. Istanbul: Silk Road, 2014
- “Turkey Aflame.” *New Humanist*, June 2013
- “Turkish Demagogue.” *A Gathering of the Tribes*, June 2013
- “It's Complicated.” *New Humanist*, June 2013
- “A Letter from Syria.” *New Humanist*, November 2012

Podcast

Founder and co-host, *Citizens' History*

Teaching experience

- Instructor, Quincy University 2022-
teaching both halves of the world history survey, and courses on
capitalism, the crusades, the Ottoman empire, early modern and modern
Europe, historical methods, historiography
- Instructor, Stanford University 2021-22
courses taught: Historiography (interdisciplinary graduate seminar);
Enlightenment and Genocide: Modern Europe and the Ottoman Empire
(lecture); The Crusades: A Global History (lecture)
- Teaching assistant, Stanford University 2017-21
Sustainability and Civilization (Lanier Anderson), *cross-listed between
History, Biology, and Political Science*
Early Modern Europe (Laura Stokes), *with guest lecture*
The Scientific Revolution (Jessica Riskin), *with guest lecture*
Traders and Crusaders in the Medieval Mediterranean (Rowan Dorin),
with guest lecture
Southeast Asia, Antiquity to Present (Martin Lewis)
- Teaching assistant, Şehir University, Istanbul 2014-15
three semesters of world history survey courses (Origins to AD 1000, AD
1000 to present) (Günhan Börekçi), with two weeks of guest lecturing
- Head Teacher and Instructor, British Side, Istanbul 2011-13
- Instructor of English, Okan University, Istanbul 2009-10
- Shannon Elementary School, Pinole, California 1999-2001
fifth and sixth grades, all subjects
- Harbor Way Community Day School, Richmond, California 1998-99
kindergarten through seventh grade, all subjects

Other employment

- Participant in the research project, “Genoese merchant networks in Africa and
across the Atlantic Ocean (ca. 1450-1530),” directed by Carlo Taviani,
sponsored by the German Historical Institute in Rome 2017-18
- Coordinator, Eurasian Empires Workshop, Stanford Humanities Center
faculty advisors Nancy Kollman and Ali Yaycıoğlu 2017-18

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| Data curator, Galileo Correspondence Project <i>cataloging correspondence to and from Galileo in a digital humanities project to track his networks and material culture</i> (Hannah Marcus and Paula Findlen) | 2015-17 |
| Research assistant, American Research Institute in Turkey (ARIT) 2013 <i>cataloging and conserving the archives of the American Board of Missions in a project supported by the NEH</i> (Brian Johnson) | 2013 |
| Foreign correspondent, France24, Paris <i>based in Istanbul</i> | 2011-14 |
| Foreign correspondent, PressTV, Tehran, Iran <i>based in Ankara, reporting from Turkey and Iraq</i> | 2008 |
| Co-founder and director, Lifeschool, California <i>experiential and environmental education nonprofit serving youth at risk</i> | 1998-2002 |

Conference papers and panels

organizer:

Conference: co-organizer with Vanessa R. de Obaldía, Radu Dipratu, and Anaïs Massot, “Latin & Eastern Catholicism in Ottoman Anatolia,” 19-20 April 2024.

Panel: “Mercenary culture in Latin and Turkic context.” Paper: “Maritime Mercenaries: the Genoese from Baghdad to the near Atlantic.” A joint interdisciplinary conference *Mercenaries and Crusaders (1202-1480s)* at the University of Debrecen, Hungary, 22-24 June 2022.

Panel: “Estates and Banking in Italy's Long Renaissance.” Chair Amanda Scott. Paper: “The New Tyrants: San Giorgio and the Genoese Financial Aristocracy.” Annual meeting of the Renaissance Society of America in Dublin, 30 March – 2 April 2022 **[canceled – COVID]**

Panel: “The Maritime Republics and Islam.” Chair Hannah Barker and commentator Hussein Fancy. Paper: “Aristocracy of Blood and Fortune: the emergence of the Genoese maritime empire, 1282-1373.” Annual meeting of the Medieval Academy of America at UC Berkeley, 26-28 March 2020 **[canceled – COVID]**

presenter:

“From Periphery to Core.” The Mediterranean Seminar’s round-table for *Mediterranean Ecologies*, Saint Louis University, 26 and 27 April 2024.

“‘The shareholders, the new tyrants’: securitizing empire in late medieval and early modern Genoa.” *Networks of Knowledge and Transmission of Ideas in the Late Medieval and Early Modern Mediterranean*, University of Arkansas at Fayetteville, 14 April 2023.

“End of an Era: Antoniotto Usodimare and Columbus at the cusp of Genoese financial empire, 1455-1492.” Annual meeting of the American Historical Association in New Orleans, 6-9 January 2022.

- “Ottoman Memory of the Genoese: the myths of Evliyâ Çelebi.” Annual conference of the Middle East Studies Association in Washington, DC, 10-13 October 2020.
- “Shrinking Mediterranean, Expanding Atlantic: the Genoese between the Ottoman and Iberian empires, 1435-1492.” The Mediterranean Seminar’s spring workshop *The Global Mediterranean* at Ohio State University, 24-25 April 2020 [**delayed to February 2021**]
- “Building a Financial Empire: the Casa San Giorgio.” Annual meeting of the Renaissance Society of America, Philadelphia, 2-4 April 2020 [**anceled – COVID**]
- “Atlantic Possibilities: the coalescing of a Genoese financial aristocracy in Iberia and its colonies.” Annual meeting of the Renaissance Conference of Southern California, Huntington Library, San Marino, 21 March 2020 [**anceled – COVID**]
- “Aristocracy of Blood and Fortune: the emergence of the Genoese maritime empire, 1282-1373.” Center for Medieval and Early Modern Studies, Stanford University, 16 October 2019.
- “Emperors No More: the thirteenth-century sea change from Constantinople to the Latin west.” Graduate student presenter at *Southern France and the Latin East in the 13th Century: Crusade, Networks, and Exchanges*, Stanford University, 19-20 April 2018.
- “A Reluctant Minority: the Genoese response to the Ottoman conquest of Constantinople.” *Forgotten Connections: Linking Africa, the Mediterranean and Atlantic Worlds in the early modern period*, Warwick University, UK, 20-21 February 2018.
- “Ottoman Memory of the Genoese: the myths of Evliyâ Çelebi.” The Mediterranean Seminar’s round-table *The Uses of Memory in the pre-modern Mediterranean*, University of Notre Dame, 2-3 February 2018.
- “A Reluctant Minority: the Genoese response to the Ottoman conquest of Constantinople.” Annual conference of the Association for the Study of the Middle East and Africa in Washington, DC, 19-21 October 2017.
- “Protestants, Catholics, and Muslims: Reformation responses to the Ottoman Empire.” The spring conference of the American Society of Church History / American Catholic Historical Association at UC Berkeley, 6-9 April 2017.
- “Human and Divine Law in Roman Catholic European and Islamic Society in the Reign of Mehmed II.” Annual conference of the World History Association, Ghent, Belgium, 2-5 July 2016.
- “The Genoese of Pera-Galata after the Conquest: correspondence between the 1455 Ottoman survey and Genoese notarial records.” Western Ottoman Workshop, UC Berkeley, 10-11 March 2016.

Invited talks

- “Lincoln and Liberalism.” Lincoln-Douglas Debate Museum, 10 April 2025.
- “The Armenian Genocide.” Pursuit of Learning in Society (*POLIS*), 18 February 2025.
- “Transforming Empire: the Genoese from the crusades to Columbus.” University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Program in Medieval Studies, 10 April 2024.

- “The pre-liberal and the postliberal,” Quincy Unitarian Church, 26 November 2023.
- “Israel and Palestine.” Socrates Cafe, Quincy Public Library, 10 November 2023.
- “Israel and Hamas.” Quincy University, 19 October 2023.
- “The Common Good.” Address to the annual meeting of the League of Women Voters of Adams County, Illinois, 7 May 2023.
- “The Common Good in World History.” Pursuit of Learning in Society (*POLIS*), 21 and 28 March 2023.
- “Lincoln for our time.” Quincy Unitarian Church, 12 February 2023.
- “Democracy Contested,” roundtable, Quincy University, 8 November 2022.
- “Angevin Naples and the Genoese Imperial Project,” for the symposium *War, Trade, and Sea*, Sant’Anna Institute, Sorrento, Italy, 7 May 2021.
- “Reflections on the Attempted Coup in Turkey,” roundtable, Stanford University, 14 October 2016.
- “Turkey: still a bridge between East and West?” Keynote at the Peterborough and Wisbech Interfaith Forum, Peterborough, UK, 27 May 2015.

Professional affiliations Medieval Academy of America
American Catholic Historical Association
World History Association
American Historical Association
Society for Italian Historical Studies
Society for the Study of the Crusades and the Latin East