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Curriculum Vitae

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EMPLOYMENT

2018 – Present Visiting Lecturer, Department of History, University of Illinois at Chicago

RESEARCH and TEACHING INTERESTS

Modern East-Central Europe, Modern Poland, Imperialism and Decolonization, LGBTQ+ History, the History of Sexuality and Morality, the Holocaust, Polish-Jewish Relations, European Jewish History, Youth, Childhood, and Family History, the History of Everyday Life

EDUCATION

- Ph.D.** 2017 – History, University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL
Major Field: Modern East-Central European History
Minor Fields: Modern European History
Imperialism and Decolonization
Graduate Concentration: Encounters, Ethnographies, and Empires
Dissertation: “Broken Land: Everyday Life and the Reconstruction of the Polish Countryside, 1914-1939”
Dissertation Committee: Keely Stauter-Halsted, Ph.D. (advisor), Małgorzata Fidelis, Ph.D., Marina Mogilner, Ph.D., Tara Zahra, Ph.D. (University of Chicago), Kathryn Ciancia, Ph.D. (University of Wisconsin-Madison)
- M.A.** 2011 – History, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI
- B.A.** 2009 – Sociology, La Salle University, Philadelphia, PA
maxima cum laude and General University Honors

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Broken Land: Everyday Life and the Legacies of Imperialism in the Polish Countryside, 1914-1939 (in progress)

Articles

“The Real Housewives of Rural Poland: Women and the Making of the Modern Countryside, 1918-1939” (in progress)

“‘Strangers in our own home’: Generational Tensions and the Battle for the Rural Mind and Body in Interwar Poland,” in *Centrum światów jest tutaj*, Tomasz Pudłocki and Jadwiga Sawicka, eds., Rzeszów University Press (forthcoming, 2020).

Book Reviews

Review of Tomasz Pudłocki and Kamil Ruszała, eds. *Intellectuals and World War I: A Central European Perspective. Rocznik Przemyski*, (forthcoming).

Review of Sara Bender, *In Enemy Land: The Jews of Kielce and the Region, 1939-1946. The Polish Review*, (forthcoming).

Review of Borries Kuzmany, *Brody: A Galician Border City in the Long Nineteenth Century. The Polish Review*, (forthcoming).

Review of Beth Holmgren, *Warsaw is My Country: The Story of Krystyna Bierzyńska, 1928-1945* and Donna Solecka Urbikas, *My Sister’s Mother: A Memoir of War, Exile, and Stalin’s Siberia*. H-Poland, H-Net Reviews. December, 2019.

Review of Robert E. Alvis, *White Eagle, Black Madonna: One Thousand Years of the Polish Catholic Tradition*. H-Poland, H-Net Reviews. February, 2018.

Review of Robert Blobaum, *A Minor Apocalypse: Warsaw during the First World War. REGION: Regional Studies of Russia, Eastern Europe, and Central Asia* 6, no. 2 (2017): 301-303.

Review of Longina Jakubowska, *Patrons of History: Nobility, Capital and Political Transitions in Poland*. H-Poland, H-Net Reviews. February, 2015.

FELLOWSHIPS and HONORS

- 2017 UIC Excellence in Undergraduate Mentoring Award
- 2016 UIC History of Poland Scholarship
- 2016 UIC Graduate College Student Presenter Award
- 2015 UIC Polish National Alliance Endowed Research Award
- 2014 UIC History of Poland Scholarship
- 2014 UIC Polish Resistance Armia Krajowa Foundation Scholarship
- 2013 ASEEES Kathryn W. Davis Graduate Student Travel Grant
- 2013 Fulbright IIE, Student Research Grant
- 2013 Kościuszko Foundation Graduate Research in Poland Scholarship (declined)
- 2012 UIC Polish National Alliance Endowed Research Award
- 2011 UIC History of Poland Scholarship
- 2011 UIC Stefan and Lucy Hejna Family Summer Research Fellowship
- 2011 UIC History Doctoral Award
- 2010 Foreign Language Area Studies (FLAS) Award (Yiddish)
- 2010 Foreign Language Enhancement Program (FLEP) Award (Yiddish)
- 2010 MSU Department of History Summer Research Fellowship (declined)
- 2009 Michigan State University Recruitment Award
- 2009 La Salle University Senior Academic Award in Sociology
- 2008 La Salle University John S. Grady Honors Scholarship

TEACHING and RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Instructor of Record

- Western Civilization to 1648
- Western Civilization since 1648
- World History since 1400
- Chicago and the World
- Holocaust History (Fall 2020)
- History of Modern East-Central Europe and the Balkans
- History of Poland
- History Research Seminar
- Elementary Polish I

Teaching Assistant

- Western Civilization since 1648
- History of Modern East-Central Europe and the Balkans
- History of Poland
- Europe and the World

Research Assistant

- Translated Polish-language sources for Emily L.B. Twarog, *Politics of the Pantry: Housewives, Food, and Consumer Protest in Twentieth-Century America* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2017).
- Conducted archival research in Archive of New Documents in Warsaw, Poland for Tara Zahra, *The Great Departure: Mass Migration from Eastern Europe and the Making of the Free World* (New York: W.W. Norton and Company, 2015).
- Conducted archival research in Warsaw, Kraków, and Poznań, Poland for Keely Stauter-Halsted, *The Devil's Chain: Prostitution and Social Control in Partitioned Poland* (Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 2015).

PRESENTATIONS and LECTURES

Conference Panels Organized

“Women and the Making of Modern Poland in the 20th Century,” 48th Annual Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies Conference, Washington, D.C., November 17-20, 2016

Conference Papers and Roundtable Participation

“Sex in the Time of *Sanacja*: Sexual Liberalization in Interwar Warsaw,” 51st Annual Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies Conference, San Francisco, CA, November 23-26, 2019

Roundtable participant on panel entitled, “Teaching Nationalism in the Age of Nationalism,” 51st Annual Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies Conference, San Francisco, CA, November 23-26, 2019

“Civilizing the Countryside: The Internal Colonization of Rural Poland, 1918-1923,” The War

- That Never Ended Conference and Workshop, Jagiellonian University, Kraków, Poland, October 24-26, 2019
- Roundtable participant on panel entitled, "Teaching Polish and Polish-American History," 75th Annual Polish American Historical Association Conference (in association with the 132nd Annual American Historical Association Conference), Washington, D.C., January 4-7, 2018
- "A Tale of Two Villages: Legibility, Control, and the Reconstruction of the Polish Countryside, 1918-1939," 49th Annual Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies Conference, Chicago, IL, November 9-12, 2017
- "The Modern Girl's Guide to the Countryside: Modernity and the Rise of Young Women in Rural Poland, 1918-1939," 4th Annual Polish Studies Conference at the University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL, April 24-25, 2017
- "The Real Housewives of Rural Poland: Women and the Making of the Modern Countryside, 1918-1939," 48th Annual Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies Conference, Washington, D.C., November 17-20, 2016
- Roundtable participant on panel entitled, "Peasant Voice and Agency in Eastern Europe, 1900-1960," 48th Annual Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies Conference, Washington, D.C., November 17-20, 2016
- "Peasants! Get to know one another!": Imperialism, Regionalism, and Rural National Belonging in Interwar Poland," 47th Annual Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies Conference, Philadelphia, PA, November 19-22, 2015
- "What Happens When an Urbanite Tries to Chop Wood?": Humor, Romanticism, and the Image of the City in the Rural Imagination, 1914-1939," Cities East and West: New Maps for Research, University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL, April 13-14, 2015
- "They were used to it.": Polish Villages during the First World War," All Quiet on the Eastern Front? Research Workshop, Jagiellonian University, Institute of History, Kraków, Poland, October 24-26, 2014
- "The War at Home: The Collapse of Homefront Morale in the Polish Countryside," 38th Annual Irish Association for Russian, Central and East European Studies Conference, Dublin, Ireland, May 9-10, 2014
- "My Land, My Poland: The Problem of Rural Polish National Identity After World War I," 45th Annual Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies Conference, Boston, MA, November 21-24, 2013
- "For the moral, spiritual, and physical resurgence of the village': Youth Culture and Generational Tensions in the Interwar Polish Countryside," 4th Annual International Polish Studies Conference, Chicago, IL, October 15-17, 2012

Guest Lectures and Invited Talks

- "Rozdarta ziemia: życie codzienne polskiej wsi i dziedzictwo imperializmu, 1914-1939"
(Broken Land: Everyday Life and the Legacy of Imperialism in the Polish Countryside, 1914-1939), invited by the Towarzystwo Naukowego Doktorantów Wydziału Historycznego Uniwersytetu Jagiellońskiego (The Jagiellonian University History Doctoral Students' Association), Kraków, Poland, October 29, 2014

PROFESSIONAL and UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Article Peer Reviews

- *The International Journal of the History of Sport*
- *Praktyka Teoretyczna (Theoretical Practice)*

Advising

- Graduate Advisor of the UIC Undergraduate History Society, 2010-2011

Conference Organizing

- Co-Organizer of the East European Historians' Workshop, 2011, 2012, 2015, 2017, 2018
- Co-Organizer of the Workshop in Gender and Sexuality in Eastern Europe, 2012
- Co-Organizer of the Windy City Graduate History Conference, 2011

LANGUAGES

Polish: Heritage Speaker and ACTFL Advanced High OPI Rating

German: Intermediate

Yiddish: Intermediate

MEMBERSHIPS

American Historical Association

Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies

Polish Studies Association, 2009-Present (Executive Board Member, 2017-Present)