

Past Perfect

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Preface: Please send information for *Past Perfect* by December 1, 2021 for the December 2021 issue to benwhisenhunt@comcast.net

News:

Ismael Biyashev, (Ph.D. candidate, History, UIC), published "Between Modernism and Archaism: 'The Dead City of Khara Khoto' and Nomadism as an Archaeological Problem in Late Imperial and Early Soviet Russia," *Ab Imperio* no. 4 (2020): 131-160. [doi:10.1353/imp.2020.0093](https://doi.org/10.1353/imp.2020.0093)

Burton Bledstein, (Associate Professor Emeritus of History, UIC), In the Vicinity of Maxwell and Halsted Streets: Chicago 1890-1930--a digital humanities project including a strong narrative and a depth of primary sources--recently migrated to the History Dept. Server and Website in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (<https://maxwellhalsted.uic.edu>).

In the last calendar year 6.1 thousand visitors accessed the site with 7.5 thousand sessions (source: Google Analytics), and multiple public domain primary source downloads from Box. In order of interest:

- Lewis W. Hine and Urban Photography
- Jane Addams and the Hull-House Settlement.
- Child Labor: Why Children Worked
- "Alien" and "Race" Colonies
- Chicago Dark, Story of the Slum
- Lewis Wirth and Ghetto Living
- Chicago Light and The City Beautiful

Laura Braun-Strumfels, (UIC Ph.D., 2010) Associate Professor of History, Raritan Community College, published "Binational Gatekeepers: The Italian Government and US Border Enforcement in the 1890s," in *Labor: Studies in Working-Class History*. Volume 18, no. 1: 10-37. This article is the second chapter of my book project, currently in peer review. The second part of my good news is that the journal, published by Duke University Press for the Labor and Working-Class History Association, has decided to feature my article! It will be freely available to read and share until June. It is now the most read article in the journal's digital repository <https://read.dukeupress.edu/labor/article/18/1/10/170155/Binational-GatekeepersThe-Italian-Government-and> In December I published this short piece in *Perspectives on History*, "Remote Reflections: Adapting to the Research Conditions at Hand," with advice for how to keep going when your research and writing plans change radically in a

crisis! <https://www.historians.org/publications-and-directories/perspectives-on-history/december-2020/remote-reflections-adapting-to-the-research-conditions-at-hand>

Dolores Davison, (ABD, UIC), Professor of History at Foothill College, in June 2020 she became the president of the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges (ASCCC). The ASCCC is recognized in both statute and in the California Community Colleges' Board of Governors Standing Orders as the organization that represents all CCC faculty in academic and professional matters; currently, there are approximately 58,000 full and part time faculty in the community college system. In this role, she meets regularly with the Chancellor, with system partners from the other public higher education systems in California (the University of California and the California State University systems), with legislators and representatives from the governor's office, and with local campus leaders from the faculty, staff, and students. She was just re-elected to a second, one-year term that will begin on 5 June 2021, and when that concludes she will be returning to teaching at Foothill College, where she teaches history and women's studies and serve as chair in both departments.

Laura Hostetler, (Professor of History, UIC), published "Mapping, Registering, and Ordering: Time, Space, and Knowledge," in Bang, Peter Fibiger, C. A. Bayly, and Walter Scheidel, eds. *The Oxford World History of Empire: Volume One: The Imperial Experience*. S.I.: (Oxford University Press, 2020): 288-317.

Zukhra Kasimova, (Ph.D. candidate, History, UIC) was awarded the Mellon International Dissertation Research Fellowship (IDRF) which will allow her to complete the archival dissertation research abroad in 2021-22. Also, in Spring 2021, Zukhra presented her dissertation work in progress at the "Emerging Voices in Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies" Colloquium, Yale University, and at the "Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies" Program, Smith College.

Young Richard Kim, (Associate Professor, Classics and Mediterranean Studies and History, UIC), edited *Leadership and Community in Late Antiquity: Essays in Honour of Raymond Van Dam* (BREPOLS, 2020) and *The Cambridge Companion to the Council of Nicaea* (Cambridge University Press, 2021).

John Kulczycki, (Professor Emeritus of History, UIC), gave a presentation on February 11, 2021 to the Chicago Map Society "Lines on the Map: The Process of Setting Poland's Borders after the World Wars." A recording is available at: www.youtube.com/watch?v=C54J4gwvrik&t=3s He also published a blog I published on H-Nationalism "The Pursuit of Polish Homogeneity following World War II," on February 20, 2020. networks.h-net.org/node/3911/discussions/5899099/pursuit-polish-homogeneity-following-world-war-ii

Deirdre McCloskey, (Professor Emerita of History, UIC), published *Historical Impromptus: Notes, Reviews, and Responses on the British Experience and the Great Enrichment* (American Institute for Economic Research, 2020).

John Morello, (UIC Ph.D., 1998) retired from DeVry University in 2018. He has been teaching as an adjunct at College of DuPage and Aurora University. He has also reactivated his status as a Fulbright Specialist. He is currently working on content for ABC-CLIO's *Encyclopedia of Racial Violence in America*.

Junaid Quadri, (Associate Professor, Religious Studies and History, UIC), published *Transformations of Tradition: Islamic Law in Colonial Modernity* (Oxford University Press, 2021). <https://global.oup.com/academic/product/transformations-of-tradition-9780190077044?cc=ca&lang=en&>

Maria Ritzema, (UIC Ph.D., 2018), Associate Professor of History at College of DuPage, was granted tenure in February 2021. She will Chair of the History Department at College of DuPage in August 2021.

Jim Sack, (Professor Emeritus of History, UIC), wrote a chapter in a book *Religion and Politics in Nineteenth-Century Britain* edited by Michael J. Turner (New York, 2018), entitled "The Conservative Press and the Secularization of Conservative Identity, 1880-1895."