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Education

PhD	NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY, History, June 2016 Dissertation: “A Global Brotherhood of Paramilitaries: American Conservatives, Anticommunist Internationalism, and Covert Warfare in the Cold War”
MA	NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY, History, June 2011
MA	UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA, History, May 2009
BA	UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA, History, <i>cum laude</i> , May 2007

Employment

2024-Present	UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA, Assistant Professor of History
2022-2024	HARTWICK COLLEGE, Dewar Chair of History and Associate Professor, Chair of the Department of History
2018-2022	HARTWICK COLLEGE, Assistant Professor of History
2017-2018	NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY, Department of History, Nicholas D. Chabreja Postdoctoral Fellow
2016-2017	TEMPLE UNIVERSITY, Department of History, research assistant professor The Center for the Study of Force and Diplomacy, fellow
2016	NEW YORK UNIVERSITY, Tamiment Library, Center for the United States in the Cold War, Agnese N. Haury Post-Doctoral Scholar
2013-2015	NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY, History, Instructor
2014-2015	SOCIETY FOR HISTORIANS OF AMERICAN FOREIGN RELATIONS, Fellow
2011-2014	NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY, History, Graduate Teaching Assistant
2009-2010	UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA, History, Adjunct Professor
2009-2010	THE <i>HISTORIAN</i> , peer-reviewed journal, Assistant Editor

Book

Revolutionaries for the Right: Anticommunist Internationalism and Paramilitary Warfare in the Cold War (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2018)

Notable reviews of *Revolutionaries for the Right*:

Thomas Meaney, “White Power,” *London Review of Books*, August 1, 2019

Markku Rustsila, *Journal of American History*, vol. 106, no. 2 (September 2019), 526-527

Luis Herrán Ávila, *Hispanic American Historical Review*, vol. 99, no. 4 (November 2019), 754-755

Lesley Gill, *Journal of Cold War Studies*, vol. 20, no. 4, (Fall 2018), 268-270

Peer-reviewed Scholarship

“American Power and Pain: Endless War, Reverse Development, and the Arc of U.S. Decline,” *Diplomatic History* volume 45, issue 3 (June 2021): 468-479

“‘It’s a White Fight and We’ve Got to Win It’: Culture, Violence, and the Transatlantic Far Right since the 1970s,” in *The Global History of White Nationalism: From Apartheid to Donald Trump*, ed. Daniel Geary, Camilla Schofield, and Jennie Sutton (Manchester: Manchester University Press, 2020)

“Radio Free Enterprise: The *Manion Forum* and the Making of the Transnational Right in the 1960s,” *Diplomatic History*, volume 40, issue 1 (January 2014): 111-139

Works in progress

White Power Worldwide: The Rise and Radicalization at the Transatlantic Far Right (book monograph)

“‘A Planet-wide Race War’: The Fantasies and Strategies of the Global Far Right since 1945 (article length manuscript, accepted to *The Journal of Right-Wing Studies*)

“From Brooklyn to Belfast: Irish America and the IRA’s Paramilitary Underground” (article-length manuscript)

Reviews and Essays

“The Power Populism” *The Times Literary Supplement*, forthcoming, Review of Thomas E. Patterson, *American Populist: Huey Long of Louisiana* (Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press, 2024).

“Right Turn,” *The Times Literary Supplement*, November 15, 2024. Review of John Ganz, *When the Clock Broke: Con Men, Conspiracists, and How America Cracked Up in the Early 1990s* (New York: Farrar, Straus, and Giroux, 2024).

Roundtable Review of Osamah F. Khalil, *A World of Enemies: America's Wars at Home and Abroad from Kennedy to Biden* (Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 2024) forthcoming in *H-War*

Review of Edward H. Miller, *A Conspiratorial Life: Robert Welch, the John Birch Society, and the Revolution of American Conservatism* (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2021), *American Historical Review*, vol. 129, no. 2 (June 2024).

“Culture and Violence in the British Far Right.” Review of Ryan Shaffer, *Music, Youth, and International Links in Post-war British Fascism* (Routledge, 2017); and Nigel Copsey and Matthew Worley, *“Tomorrow Belongs to Us”: The British Far Right since 1967* (Routledge, 2018) *Terrorism and Political Violence*, Volume 35, Issue 5, 2023

Review of Lennart Bolliger, *Apartheid's Black Soldiers: Un-national Wars and Militaries in Southern Africa* (Athens, Ohio: Ohio University Press, 2021), *H-War*, April 2023

Review of Sean T. Byrnes, *Disunited Nations: US Foreign Policy, Anti-Americanism, and the Rise of the New Right* (Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press, 2021) *Diplomatic History*, Vol. 47 Issue 3, June 2023

Review of Robert Pee and Scott Lucas, “Reevaluating Democracy Promotion: The Reagan Administration, Allied Authoritarian States, and Regime Change,” *Journal of Cold War Studies* 24:3 (2022), *H-Diplo* Article Review 1175, April 2023

“They’re Out to Get You,” *The Times Literary Supplement*, February 25, 2022. Review of Edward H. Miller, *A Conspiratorial Life: Robert Welch, the John Birch Society, and the Revolution of American Conservatism* (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2021)

Review of Michael Brenes, *For Might and Right: Cold War Defense Spending and the Remaking of American Democracy* (Amherst: University of Massachusetts Press, 2020), *Diplomatic History*, Vol. 46 Issue 4, September 2022

Review of Gregory Daddis, *Pulp Vietnam: War and Gender in Cold War Men's Adventure Magazines* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2020), *The Pacific Historical Review*, Vol. 90, no. 4, 2021

Review of Seth Offenbach, “Mourning a Loss: Conservative Support for Ngo Dinh Diem,” *Journal of American East Asian Relations* 26 (2019): 257-284, in *H-Diplo*, Article Review 1040, June 2020.

“The Police Know Guerrilla Warfare,” Review of Stuart Schrader, *Badges without Borders: How Global Counterinsurgency Transformed American Policing* (Berkeley: University of California Press, 2019) in *Jacobin*, January 2020

Review of James M. Olson, *To Catch a Spy: The Art of Counterintelligence* (Washington DC: Georgetown University Press, 2019) in *Terrorism and Political Violence*, vol. 32, no. 5 (2020) pp. 1133–1134

Review of Kathleen Belew, *Bring the War Home: The White Power Movement and Paramilitary America* (Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 2018) in *Terrorism and Political Violence*, vol. 32, no. 2 (2020) pp. 435–436

Review of Blaine Harden, *King of Spies: The Dark Reign of an American Spymaster* (New York: Viking, 2018), in *Terrorism and Political Violence*, vol. 31, no. 6 (2019)

“Soldiers of Fortune,” *Jacobin*, June 2, 2018

Review of James Kitfield, *Twilight Warriors: The Soldiers Spies, and Special Agents Who Are Revolutionizing the American Way of War* (New York: Basic Books, 2016), in *H-War*, *H-Net Reviews*, October, 2017

Review of Aaron Bell, “A Matter of Western Civilization’: Transnational Support for the Salvadoran Counterrevolution, 1979-1982,” *Cold War History* 15:4 (November 2015): 511-531, in *H-Diplo*, no. 648 (October, 2016)

Research Interests

United States in the world	Conservative and right-wing movements
US political and cultural history	The global Cold War
War and society	Imperialism and postcolonialism

Fellowships, Grants, and Awards

2021-2024	Hartwick College, Dewar Chair of History, endowed professorship
2017-2018	Northwestern University, Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship, Chabreja Center for Historical Studies
2017	University of Southern Mississippi, Dale Center for the Study of War and Society, Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency, Postdoctoral Fellowship (declined)
2016	New York University, Agnese N. Haury Post-Doctoral Fellowship, New York University, Tamiment Library, Center for the United States and the Cold War
2016	Northwestern University Department of History, Lacey Baldwin Smith Prize for Teaching Excellence for Outstanding Seminar Leader for course on American Empire
2015	Northwestern University Weinberg College Outstanding Graduate Teacher Award
2015	Northwestern University Chabreja Center for Historical Studies Research Grant
2014-2015	Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Dissertation Completion Fellowship
2014-2015	Searle Center for Advancing Teaching and Learning Graduate Teaching Fellowship
2014	Northwestern University Latin American and Caribbean Studies Research Grant
2014	Buffet Center for International Studies Dissertation Research Grant

- 2013-2014 Northwestern University Graduate Research Grant
- 2011 Northwestern University Graduate Research Grant
- 2011 Northwestern History Department, George Romani Prize for best first-year research paper

Conference Presentations, Panels, Invited Talks, and Interviews

“The World in Flames: Francis Parker Yockey and the Postwar Global Far Right,” invited conference paper, “Liberation Conservatives to Reactionary Internationalists: The Right’s New World Order,” University of Pennsylvania, February 21, 2024

Chair and commenter, “Global Circulations of the Far Right in the Twentieth Century,” panel at the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations annual conference, Washington DC, June 15-17, 2023

“The Rise and Radicalization of the Transatlantic Far Right.” Hartwick College Faculty Lecture Series, Hartwick College, Oneonta, NY. April 14, 2023.

Chair and commenter, “Gender, Sexuality and Emotion in the Cold War,” panel at the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations annual conference, New Orleans, June 18-20, 2022

“Forever Wars at Home and Abroad,” roundtable panel at the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations annual conference, New Orleans, June 18-20, 2022

Chair and commenter, “Conservative Internationalism since the 1970s,” American Political History Conference, Purdue University, June 11, 2020

Podcast featured guest “The Rise of the Right,” *Coming in from the Cold* podcast, hosted by William Rosenau, June 2022

“The Paramilitary Paradox: How the US Right Blended State and Extralegal Violence,” Seminar on Studying the Right in the Americas, sponsored French Institut des Amériques, Paris, France, May 20, 2022

“Revolutionaries for the Right: Anticommunist Paramilitary Warfare in the Late Cold War,” Ithaca College, March 23, 2022

“Making Sense of the War in Ukraine,” Hartwick College, Oneonta NY, March 7, 2022

Roundtable panelist, “The Forever War: 9/11 and Its Legacies,” Hartwick College, Oneonta NY, September 9, 2022

Conversation with Professor Osamah Khalil, US and the World Book Conversation Series at Syracuse University, published online January 25, 2022 at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t1W-F6UzaAg>

Commentator, “The Security Apparatus in Transition,” panel at the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations annual conference, held remotely, June 18, 2021

Podcast featured interview guest, “Episode 268: Revolutionaries for the Right,” *The Nostalgia Trap* podcast, hosted by David Parsons April 20, 2021

Roundtable participant on *The Global History of White Nationalism*, Trinity College Dublin, October 8, 2020

Podcast featured interview guest, “The Shadowy Rise of the American Mercenary,” by Ty Joplin, *Al Bawaba News*, April 15, 2020

Roundtable participant, “Doing It All: Reflections on Mike Sherry’s Work and Career,” Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations annual conference, New Orleans LA, June 18-20, 2020 (canceled due to COVID 19)

Chair, “Whose Country, Whose World Is This: Transnational Perspectives on White Supremacy, Democracy, and the 20th-Century American Right,” panel at the American Historical Association annual conference, New York, NY, December 6, 2020

Commentator, Augusta Dell'Omo, “A Dark Nation Born in A Day: Trinity Broadcasting Network Defies the American Political Establishment, 1980-1995,” New York University, Tamiment Library, Center for the United States and the Cold War, November 7, 2019

“‘It’s a White Fight and We’ve Got to Win It’: The Rise and Radicalization of the Transatlantic Far Right,” Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations annual conference, Washington DC, June 20, 2019

Roundtable participant, “Toward a Transnational History of White Nationalism Since 1945,” Organization of American Historians annual conference, Philadelphia PA, April 4, 2019

Book talk, *Revolutionaries for the Right*, invited by the Tamiment Library at New York University, New York, NY, October, 23, 2018

“‘A Successful Counterrevolution’: U.S. Conservatives and the Secret Campaign for Pinochet’s Chile,” paper presented at the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations annual conference, Philadelphia PA, June 23, 2018

Commentator, “Transnational Conceptualizations of Terrorism and Counterterrorism,” panel at the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations conference, Philadelphia PA, June 22, 2018

“‘The Will to Rule a Civilization Built by Better Men’: American Southerners, Transatlantic Whiteness, and the Rogue State of Rhodesia, 1965-1980,” Southern Historical Association Annual Conference, Dallas, TX, November 9-12, 2017

“White Pride Worldwide: Skinheads and Neo-Nazis and the Post-Cold War Era,” Trinity College Dublin, From Enoch Powell to Donald Trump, September 29, 2017.

Featured guest, “The United States and the Syrian Civil War,” *Talking Drumline*, news analysis program on Philadelphia’s WURD 900 AM, April 10, 2017

“Guerrilla Warfare and Paramilitary Violence in the Late Cold War,” Society for Military History Annual Conference, Jacksonville, FL, April 1, 2017

“‘We’re Not Mercenaries’: Right-wing Paramilitaries and Anticommunist Guerrillas in the Late Cold War,” Temple University, Center for the Study of Force and Diplomacy, October 5, 2016

“‘Be a Man among Men’: American Mercenaries in Southern Africa, 1975-1980,” Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Annual Conference, San Diego, CA, June 26-28, 2016

“‘Don’t Call Us Mercenaries’: American Conservatives and Private Paramilitary Schemes in the Late Cold War,” The Center for the United States and the Cold War, New York University, March 3, 2016

“‘I’m A Contra Too’: Right-wing Paramilitary Dreams in the Reagan Era,” invited talk, Conversation on the International Far Right, Buffet Institute for Global Studies, Northwestern University, February 16, 2016.

“Teaching for the First Time,” invited talk, Northwestern University, Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences, New Teaching Assistant Reception, October 6, 2015

“Teaching Critical Thinking,” Northwestern University, Searle Center for Advancing Teaching and Learning, April 20, 2015

“Fighting for the Right: Conservatives and Covert Warfare in the Cold War,” Crossing the Line, Queen Mary University, London, UK, March 16, 2015

“Reagan’s Cold War in Latin America,” Northwestern University, Teagle Teaching Workshop, April 9, 2014

“To Right the World: International Conservative Politics in the Cold War,” Histories of Violence Conference, Northwestern University, Evanston IL, May 8, 2013

“A Global Brotherhood of Paramilitaries: Covert Warfare and Conservative Politics in the Long 1970s,” The Global 1970s Conference, University of Chicago, Chicago IL, April 26-27, 2013

“Radio Free Enterprise: The *Manion Forum* and Conservative Politics in a Global Context,” Berkeley International and Global History Conference, University of California, Berkeley, March 15, 2013

“Crossroads of Conservatism: The *Manion Forum* and the Making of the Transnational Right in the 1960s,” Buffet Center for International Studies, Northwestern University, February 19, 2012

Teaching

I have taught undergraduates as the instructor of record at Hartwick College (2018-2024), Northwestern (2017-2018; 2014-2016), Temple University (2016-2017), and the University of South Florida (2009-2010, 2024-Present).

Instructor of record: The History of US Foreign Relations (advanced lecture)
The United States since 1968 (advanced lecture)
United States History, 1877-Present (introductory lecture)
United States History to 1877 (introductory lecture)
The History of Modern Florida (advanced lecture)
Global History since 1750 (introductory lecture)
African American History (undergraduate seminar)
The United States and the Global Cold War (seminar)
U.S. Empire (first-year student seminar)
The Vietnam Wars (advanced seminar)
US-Latin American Relations (undergraduate seminar)
Modern American Culture (seminar)
American Political History (introductory lecture)
Historical Methods (undergraduate research seminar)
Political Extremism in the Twentieth Century (honor's lecture)
American Empire (seminar)
Women and Gender in American History (advanced lecture)
The Global Civil Rights Movement (undergraduate seminar)
The United States since 1945 (advanced lecture)
War and Society (undergraduate lecture)
Readings in the History of the Americas (graduate seminar)

Teaching Assistant: US Gay and Lesbian History
The United States to 1865
The Vietnam Wars
Political Extremism in Modern Germany
Latin American Civilization

Academic Service

2024-Present Committee on Awards, University of South Florida Department of History

2022-2024 Chair, Department of History, Hartwick College

2022-2023 Chair, Academic Standards Committee, Hartwick College

2019-Present Director, Peace and Conflict Studies Program, Hartwick College

2019-Present Academic Standards Committee, Hartwick College

2019-Present Faculty advisor, history department, Hartwick College

2019-Present Faculty advisor, men's soccer team, Hartwick College

Peer Reviewer

Cornell University Press
Rowman and Littlefield
University of North Carolina Press
Oxford University Press
The American Historical Review
Diplomatic History
The Hispanic American Historical Review
Comparative Studies of South Asia, Africa, and the Middle East
International Journal of Military History and Historiography

Professional Affiliations

The American Historical Association
Latin American Studies Association
The Organization of American Historians
The Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations

References

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