

Curriculum Vitæ
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Education

(2023) **Ph.D., The Pennsylvania State University (all but dissertation)**

Advisor: Ronnie Po-chia Hsia

Secondary committee members: Matthew Restall; Amanda Scott; Faisal Husain; Robin Thomas

Dissertation title: "Sea of Missionaries, Houses of Converts: The Papal States in the Missionary World, 1492-1622"

Examination fields: Early Modern Global, Colonial Latin America, Environmental History

2018 **Master of Arts, Ball State University**

Advisor: Jennifer Mara DeSilva

Secondary committee members: Abel A. Alves; Frederick C. Suppe

Thesis title: "Crisis and Conversion to Catholicism in Early Modern Rome and Beyond"

Examination fields: Medieval Europe; Early Modern Atlantic World

2016 **Bachelor of Arts *summa cum laude*, Ball State University**

Major field: History; Minor field: Anthropology

Refereed Publications

2022 UNDER REVIEW: "Indigenous Globalism: Confraternity, Forgery, and Connectivity in Colonial Cuzco." *Catholic Historical Review*.

2022 FORTHCOMING: "The Curious Case of Ancona: 'Levantine,' Accommodation, and the Exigencies of Papal Power in Adriatic Italy, 1532–1555." *The Sixteenth Century Journal*.

2020 "The Corpus Christianorum, the Expulsion of the Jews from England, and Confluences of Structure and Event." *Clio: A Journal of Literature, History, and the Philosophy of History*. 47/1 (2020): 1-23.

2018 "Reform and the Welsh Cistercian Houses: Colonialism, Replacement, and Hybridization." *Hortulus* 14/2 (2018).

2016 "Medieval Europe and the Culture of Contempt in the Age of the Lateran Councils." *Grand Valley Journal of History* 4/2 (2016): 1-18.

Digital History

"Speaking of Conversion: Tracing the Roman *Casa dei Catecumeni*, c.1500-c.1600"

<https://digitalresearch.bsu.edu/romanconversion/>

Grants and Fellowships – External

- 2022 Fulbright U.S. Student Award, Open Study/Research, Italy, Finalist
- 2021 Annual Meeting Travel Grant, American Historical Association
- 2021 Fulbright U.S. Student Award, Open Study/Research, Italy, Alternate
- 2021 Summer Research and Writing Grant, American Catholic Historical Association, Alternate
- 2020 Doctoral Scholarship, Phi Alpha Theta
- 2019 Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship [FLAS], Italian, Yale University
- 2019 FLAS, Italian, University of Texas-Austin, Declined
- 2019 FLAS Fund scholarship, Middlebury College

Grants and Fellowships – Internal

- 2022 Fulbright U.S. Student Program Graduate Research Fellowship Application Incentive Award, Penn State University
- 2021 Andrew W. Mellon Graduate Fellowship, Sawyer Seminar, Penn State University
- 2021 Committee for Early Modern Studies, Graduate Research Award, Penn State University
- 2020 Edwin Erle Sparks Fellowship, Penn State University
- 2020 RSGO Dissertation Fellowship, Penn State University
- 2020 Mark and Lucy M. Stitzer Grant, Penn State University
- 2020 Liberal Arts Teaching and Research Scholarship, Penn State University
- 2020 McCourtney Family Graduate Scholarship in American History, Penn State University
- 2019 Harriet Pencak Grant, Penn State University
- 2018 Graduate Scholar Award, Penn State University
- 2018 Lawrence Birken Memorial Scholarship, Ball State University, Declined
- 2017 Lawrence Birken Memorial Scholarship, Ball State University
- 2016 Dr. Lawrence and Mabel Hurst Scholarship, Ball State University
- 2014 Merrill Rippy Scholarship, Ball State University
- 2014 Yuhas Scholarship for Study Abroad, Ball State University

Other Awards and Honors

- 2021 First prize for graduate research paper, Penn State Committee for Early Modern Studies
- 2021 First prize for best paper in ABD research, Penn State Department of History paper competition
- 2020 First prize for best papers in pre-ABD research and historiography, Penn State Department of History paper competition
- 2019 Adrian Bantjes Memorial Prize for Best Graduate Student Paper, Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies [RMCLAS], 2019
- 2018 Most Recognizable Graduate Student in History, 2017-2018 Ball State University
- 2016 Faculty Prize, Ball State University Department of History, 2015-2016

Conference Panels Organized

- 2022 “Missionaries and Missionized: Proselytization, Change, and Crisis across the Early Modern Globe.” Sixteenth Century Society and Conference (Panel sponsored by the Society for Reformation Research), October 27.

- 2021 “Entangled Missionary Encounters: Appropriation, Accommodation, Ambivalence.” Meeting of the American Society for Ethnohistory, November 10-14.
- 2021 “The Converting World I and II: Cultures, Religions, and Encounters in the Global Early Modern.” Renaissance Society of America Annual Meeting, April 7-10.

Conference Papers

- 2023 “Ambivalent Accommodation: Toleration and Conversion in Early Modern Ancona.” Society for Italian Historical Studies (at the American Historical Association Annual Meeting), January 5-8.
- 2022 “Jesuit, Jew, Prostitute, Pope: Making Conversion through Kinship in Early Modern Rome.” American Society for Church History Annual Meeting (at the American Historical Association Annual Meeting), January 6-9.
- 2021 “Naming Missionary Agency: Ambiguous Resistance in the Jesuit Cuzco Mission.” Meeting of the American Society for Ethnohistory, November 10-14.
- 2021 “The Confessional Mediterranean State and Local Religious Minority Experiences: Rome and Ancona.” Renaissance Society of America Annual Meeting, April 7-10.
- 2019 “Conversionary Institutions, The Society of Jesus, and Authority in Sixteenth-Century Rome.” Sixteenth Century Society and Conference, St. Louis, MO, October 19.
- 2019 “Linguistic Appropriation, the Society of Jesus, and Peru in the World of Catholic Renewal: Localism and Globalism in Transatlantic Missionary Strategy, 1543-1683.” Rocky Mountain Council of Latin American Studies [RMCLAS], April 6.
- 2018 “Religious Identity, Identification, and Demographics in Sixteenth-Century Rome: An Evaluation of the *Descriptio Urbis* of 1527.” Sixteenth Century Society and Conference, Albuquerque, NM, November.
- 2018 “The *Gens Latina*, Bodies Politic, and the Image of the Other in High Medieval Europe: *Mappae Mundi* and Beyond.” 53rd International Congress on Medieval Studies, Western Michigan University, May 10-13.
- 2018 “A Tale of Two *Templa*: Sacred Spaces, Intercultural Encounter, and the First Jesuits in Italy and Japan.” Twenty-First Annual Student History Conference, Ball State University, March 23.
- 2018 Digital history project presentation: “Speaking of Conversion: Tracing the Roman Casa dei Catecumeni, c.1500-c.1600.” Twenty-First Annual Student History Conference, Ball State University, March 23.
- 2017 “Monastic Colonialism in Medieval Wales: The Cistercian Family of Margam and Whitland.” 56th Annual Midwest Medieval History Conference, Western Michigan University, September 29.
- 2017 “Colonialism before Columbus: The Monastic Plantation of Wales.” Early Modern History Group, Ball State University, October 3.

- 2016 “Exploring Human Rights in Anglophone Constitutional History: Magna Carta and its ‘Myth.’” Conference on the Americas/Great Lakes History Conference, Grand Valley State University, October 22.
- 2016 “Medieval England and its Jewish Community: An Interdisciplinary Inquiry in Social Persecution.” 87th Annual Meeting of the Indiana Academy of the Social Sciences, Purdue University Northwest, October 7.
- 2016 “Toward a Posthumanist Historical Ontology: Big History, Deep History, and the Case for a De-Centered Perspective.” Nineteenth Annual Student History Conference, Ball State University, February 26.

Invited Talks

- 2022 “Jesuit, Jew, Prostitute, Pope: Conversion, Crisis, and the Family in Sixteenth-Century Rome,” Society for the Study of Religion, Penn State University.
- 2021 “Naming Missionary Agency: Ambiguous Resistance in Jesuit Cuzco,” Sawyer Seminar, Penn State University
- 2021 “The Curious Case of Ancona: ‘Levantine,’ Accommodationism, and Papal Imperialism in the Sixteenth-Century Mediterranean, 1532-1555,” Penn State Ann Richards Awards Symposium.
- 2020 “The Tupac Amaru Rebellion in the Atlantic World,” History 178: Colonial Latin America, Penn State University.
- 2020 “The Rise of the City-State, 1300-1375: Plague, Social Shifts, and Florentine Ascendance,” History 414: Renaissance and Reformation, Penn State University.

Book Reviews

- 2021 Martina Mampieri. *Living under the Evil Pope: The Hebrew Chronicle of Pope Paul IV by Benjamin Neḥemiah ben Elnathan from Civitanova Marche (16th cent.)*. Leiden: Brill, 2020. *The Sixteenth Century Journal* (forthcoming)
- 2021 Kiril Petkov, trans. *The Maltese Dialogue: Giuseppe Cambiano, History, Institutions, and the Politics of the Maltese Knights (1554-1556)*. London: Routledge, 2020. *The Sixteenth Century Journal*. (forthcoming)
- 2019 Pamela Long. *Engineering the Eternal City: Infrastructure, Topography, and the Culture of Knowledge in Late Sixteenth-Century Rome*. Chicago, University of Chicago Press, 2018. Reviewed in *Renaissance and Reformation/Renaissance et Réforme* 42/2.

- 2018 Pier Mattia Tommasino. *The Venetian Qur'an: A Renaissance Companion to Islam*. Translated by Silvia Notini. Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press. Reviewed in *Renaissance and Reformation/Renaissance et Réforme* 41/4.
- 2018 Gerry Milligan. *Moral Combat: Women, Gender, and War in Italian Renaissance Literature*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2018. Reviewed in *Renaissance and Reformation/Renaissance et Réforme* 41/3.
- 2018 Antonio Sennis, ed. *Cathars in Question*. York, U.K.: York Medieval Press, 2016. Reviewed in *Teaching History* 43/2.

Field-Related Employment

- 2021 *Instructor of Record, The Pennsylvania State University*
History 01: Western Heritage I
- 2018-2020 *Graduate Teaching Assistant, The Pennsylvania State University*
History 414: Renaissance and Reformation
History 01: Western Heritage I
History 11: World History since 1500
- 2016-2018 *Graduate Teaching Assistant, Ball State University Department of History*
History 150: The West in the World
History 201: American History, 1492-1867
Honors 390: BSU African American Alumni Oral History Project
- 2014-2016 *Undergraduate Teaching Fellow in History, Ball State University*
History 150: The West in the World
History 202: American History, 1868-Present

Other Professional Experience

- 2018 *Assistant Editor of the Biohistory of Grain Project, ed. Carol Blakney and Abel Alves*
- 2017 *Assistant Director of the Ball State African American Alumni Oral History Project*
- 2014, 2015 *Curatorial Intern, The History Museum (South Bend, Indiana)*

Courses Prepared to Teach

European History to 1500; 1500-present
World History to 1500; 1500-present
Renaissance and Reformation
Colonial Latin America
Medieval European Civilization
The Mediterranean World (advanced seminar)

Early Modern Atlantic World (advanced seminar)
Global Catholicisms, 1500-present (advanced seminar)
Comparative Expulsions (advanced seminar)
Oral History Workshop (advanced seminar)

Service

Graduate student faculty representative, Penn State University, 2021
History Graduate Student Association, Penn State University, Secretary, 2019-2020
Founding Editor-in-Chief, *The Burkhardt Review* peer-reviewed graduate history journal, 2017-2018.
Graduate student representative, Ball State History Department job search committee, 2016-2017

Film Documentary

Assistant Director, “Somos Holy Cross” Film Documentary about Latin American migration and Dual Language School programming in South Bend, Indiana
*Nominated for National Emmy, Great Lakes Chapter, Non-Fiction Long Form

Professional Organizations and Affiliations

American Historical Association
Sixteenth Century Society
Renaissance Society of America
Medieval Academy of America
American Society for Ethnohistory
Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies
American Catholic Historical Association
American Society for Church History
Society for Reformation Research

Supplementary Education

2022 “Cafecito Quechua” Course in Southern Quechua, Stanford University Center for Latin American Studies
2021 National Humanities Center, “Meaningful Teaching and Learning in the Humanities Classroom” workshop (July 5-9)
2020 Istituto Sangalli, Winter Workshop: Archives of the Holy See, Rome, Italy (January 2020)
2019 Middlebury College Italian School, Mills College, Oakland, CA (June-August 2019)
2017 Medieval Institute Summer Latin Program, University of Notre Dame (June-July 2017)

Research Languages

Italian: reading and speaking
Latin: reading
German: reading
Spanish: reading

French: some reading
Chanka Quechua: beginning reading
English: native language