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## **ACADEMIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS**

Associate Professor of History, Fall 2007 to present.  
Assistant Professor of History, Fall 2001 to Spring 2007.  
Director, European Studies Program, Fall 2002 to present.  
Associate Director, Center for Oral and Public History, Spring 2003 to present.

## **EDUCATION**

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Ph.D. in Modern German History, 2001.  
Dissertation: "Celebration and Suspicion: Sorbs and Jews in the Soviet Occupied Zone and German Democratic Republic." Dissertation director: Professor Konrad Jarausch.  
Georgetown University, School of Foreign Service, M.A. in German and European Studies, 1996.  
M.A. Thesis: "National Socialist Constructions of Sorbian Identity, 1933-1939."  
University of California, Berkeley, B.A. in Political Science, *magna cum laude*, 1992.  
Universität Potsdam, visiting graduate student, 1998-1999.  
Universität Leipzig, visiting graduate student, Summer 1997.  
Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn, study abroad, 1992-1993.

## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Minorities in the German Democratic Republic, nationalism, oral history, gender history.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Book**

*The Human Tradition in Modern Europe* (Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, 2008).  
Co-edited with Cheryl A. Koos.

### **Articles, Chapters, and Reviews**

"The Cold War Politics of Cultural Minorities: Jews and Sorbs in the German Democratic Republic, 1976-1989," *German History* 27, no. 1 (January 2009): 60-83.

"Why not all Germans Celebrated the Fall of the Berlin Wall: East German Jews and the Collapse of Communism," in *The Human Tradition in Modern Europe*, ed. Cora Granata and Cheryl Koos (Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, 2008), 199-213.

“‘The Ethnic Straight Jacket’: Bilingual Education and Grassroots Agency in the Soviet Occupied Zone and German Democratic Republic, 1945-1964,” *German Studies Review* 29, no. 2 (May 2006): 331-46. \*\*Recipient of 2008 German Studies Association Best Article Prize\*\*

Review of Freya von Moltke, *Memories of Kreisau and the German Resistance*, H-German, H-Net Reviews, January, 2004.

URL: <http://www.h-net.msu.edu/reviews/showrev.cgi?path=225641076894638>.

“‘Das hat in der DDR keine Rolle gespielt, was man war.’ Ostalgie und Erinnerungen an Antisemitismus in der DDR, 1949-1960,” in *Zwischen Politik und Kultur: Juden in der DDR*, ed. Moshe Zuckermann (Göttingen: Wallstein Verlag, 2002), 82-100.

“Multikulturalismus aus Deutsch-Amerikanischer Sicht,” in *Was bleibt von der Vergangenheit? Die junge Generation im Dialog über den Holocaust. Mit einem Beitrag von Roman Herzog* (Berlin: Christoph-Links Verlag, 1999), 230-37.

## **WORKS IN PROGRESS**

*Celebration and Suspicion: Jews and Sorbs in the German Democratic Republic* [book manuscript in progress].

## **CONFERENCE PAPERS**

“Political Upheaval and Shifting Identities: Holocaust Survivors in the Soviet Occupied Zone of Germany.” Presented at the Tenth Biennial Lessons and Legacies Conference on the Holocaust, Northwestern University, October 2008.

“The Politics of Cultural Minorities: Jews and Sorbs in the German Democratic Republic.” Presented at the Southern California German Studies Workshop, University of Southern California, November 2005.

“Minority Ethnic Identity, Sorbs, and the Environment in the German Democratic Republic.” Presented at the International Conference on Central and East European Studies, Humboldt University, Berlin, July 2005.

“Ethnic Identity and Cold War Politics.” Presented at the German Studies Association Annual Meeting, Washington DC, October 2004.

“Bilingualism in an East German Borderland.” Presented at the Oral History Association Annual Meeting, San Diego, California, October 2002.

“‘What you were didn’t matter in the GDR.’ Ostalgia and Memories of Anti-Semitism in the GDR, 1949-1960.” Presented at an international conference titled “Between Politics and Culture—Jews in the GDR” at the Institute for German History, Tel Aviv University, Israel, November 2000.

“Oral History and Eastalgia.” Presented at the Oral History Association Annual Meeting, Durham, North Carolina, October 2000.

“Geschlechtsdiskurs und ethnisches Anders-Sein.” Presented in German at the Kolloquium zur DDR- und osteuropäischen Geschichte, Zentrum für Zeithistorische Forschung Potsdam, November 1998.

“East German Family Values: Gender, Ethnic Identity, and the Contested Sorbian Family.” Presented at the New Hampshire GDR Symposium, June 1997.

## **CONFERENCE CHAIRING AND COMMENTARY**

Commentator, Southwest Oral History Association Conference, Fullerton, California, April 2007.  
Panel Title: “Women and War.”

Chair, German Studies Association Annual Meeting, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, October 2005.  
Panel title: “Writing, Hermeneutics and Resistance in the Nazi Era.”

Commentator, Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Claremont College, California, June 2005. Panel title: “Refractions of the Nation: Gendered Responses to Political Alienation in Interwar and Postwar Europe.”

Chair, German Studies Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, October 2004. Panel title: “Post-Fascist Health Regimes.”

Chair, American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Conference Group for Central European History, Washington, DC, January 2004. Panel title: “From Enemy to Ally: Reconciliation made Real in Post-war Germany.”

Chair, Oral History Association Annual Meeting, San Diego, California, October 2002. Panel title: “German Perspectives on World War II.”

## **FELLOWSHIPS AND HONORS**

Best Article Prize, German Studies Association and German Academic Exchange Service, Fall 2008.  
CSUF Research Sabbatical, Spring 2008.

CSUF Mini-Grant for Research, Spring 2006.

CSUF International Travel Grants, Summer 2005 and Fall 2002.

Fritz Stern Dissertation Prize Finalist in German History, 2002.

CSUF Program for Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity Summer Stipend, 2002.

Alexander von Humboldt Foundation Federal Chancellor (Bundeskanzler) Scholar 1998-1999.

DAAD dissertation research fellowship, 1998-1999. Declined the award.

U.S. Department of Education Foreign Language Area Studies Grant, Summer 1997.

Friedrich Naumann Foundation Research Grant, Summer 1995.

Legislative Assistant, German Bundestag Internship Program in Bonn, Germany, 1992-1993.

Banking Intern, Sparkasse Berlin, Summer 1990.

High Departmental Honors, UC Berkeley Political Science Department.

University Honors, Berkeley Honor Students' Society.

## **SERVICES AND MEMBERSHIPS**

### CSU Fullerton University Service

Director: European Studies Program, Fall 2002 to present.

Associate Director: Center for Oral and Public History, Spring 2003 to present.

Advisory Board and Bylaws Drafting Committee: Center for Oral and Public History,  
Fall 2005 to present.

Women's Studies Program Council: Fall 2005 to present.

Member, College of Humanities and Social Sciences Curriculum Committee, Fall 2008 to present.

University Honors Program Faculty: Spring 2003 to present.

Faculty Advisor: European Studies Student Society, Fall 2002 to present.

Chair, Academic Senate International Education Committee: Fall 2004 to Spring 2005.

Member, Academic Senate International Education Committee: Fall 2003 to Spring 2004.

International Colloquium Organizer: Fall 2003 to Spring 2004, *The Impact of European Union  
Enlargement on Central and Eastern Europe*, held at CSUF on April 7, 2004 with  
Polish Consul General and Director of European Integration for Kaunas University, Lithuania.

### CSU Fullerton History Department Service

Personnel Committee, Fall 2008 to present.

World Civilizations Committee, Fall 2008 to present.

Recruitment Committee for U.S. Public History: Fall 2006 to Spring 2007.

Recruitment Committee for History of Russia: Fall 2002 to Spring 2003.

Recruitment Committee for Modern U.S. Political History: Fall 2001 to Spring 2002.

Development Committee: CSUF Department of History, Fall 2003 to present.

Welebaethan Editorial Board: CSUF Department of History, Fall 2003 to Fall 2004.

Steering Committee: CSUF Center for Oral and Public History, Fall 2001 to Spring 2003.

Clio Club, Fall 2001.

### Professional Services and Community Activities

West Coast Representative: Alexander von Humboldt Association of America,  
Spring 2002 to present.

Steering Committee: Huntington Library Women's Studies Seminar, Fall 2003 to Spring 2004.

Faculty Advisory Council: Tucker Wildlife Sanctuary, Fall 2003 to present.

Member: American Historical Association.

Member: German Studies Association.

Member: Southern California German Studies Workshop

## **COURSES TAUGHT**

Survey of Modern European History, 1789 to present.

Modern German History, 1871 to 1945.

Europe Since 1945.

Graduate Readings Seminar on 20<sup>th</sup> Century Europe.

Modern European Graduate Research Seminar.

Graduate Readings on Modern European Nationalism and National Identities.  
Graduate Research on Modern European Nationalism and National Identities.  
World Civilizations Since 1500.  
Honors World Civilizations Since 1500.  
European Identities in the Twentieth Century.  
European Studies Senior Colloquium.  
After the Holocaust: Memories of Genocide in Post-World War II Central Europe (developed).

## **LANGUAGES**

Fluent in German (native-level speaker). Proficient in Spanish.