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Education

Ph.D., History, University of California, Davis, 1994
M.A., Russian Studies, Univ. of Michigan, Ann Arbor, 1989
B.A., History, Russian, St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN, 1984

Teaching Positions

2015-	Professor, Old Dominion University
2001-15	Associate Professor, Old Dominion University
1995-01	Assistant Professor, Old Dominion University
1994-95	Lecturer, UC Davis
1989-94	Teaching Assistant, UC Davis
1986-87	Instructor of English, East China Normal University, Shanghai, China

Administrative

2012-21	Chair, Department of History (hiatus in Spring/Summer 2016)
2007-08	Co-Director, ODU—City of Norfolk Film Festival: “Reel Politics”
2006-07	Co-Director, ODU—City of Norfolk Film Festival: “Colonial Encounters”
Spring 2005	Acting Director, Center for Regional and Global Studies
Fall 2004	Acting Associate Director, Graduate Program in International Studies
Spring 2001	Chief Departmental Advisor, Department of History

Awards

2021	Old Dominion University Office of Academic Affairs, Award for Exemplary Leadership, 2012-2021, Chair, Department of History
2015	Marshall Shulman Prize, Honorable Mention, Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies, sponsored by Harriman Institute, Columbia University (<i>The Sino-Soviet Alliance</i>)

Conference planning/Academic Organizing

Giandoni Awards in History, Department of History, Old Dominion University (sponsored awards for undergraduate and graduate research, study abroad, and faculty research, 2020-25)

Host, 24th Berlin Colloquium on Contemporary History, "Sino-Soviet Relations and the Global Cold War," 22-24 September 2016, Berlin

World War 1 Initiative, Old Dominion University (talks, seminars, student-focused activities), in collaboration with colleagues in Department of History, 2013-2018

Panel Organizer, "From Berlin to Beijing: The Socialist Bloc and the Sino-Soviet Split," ASEES, Boston, November 20, 2013

Southern Slavic Annual Conference, Program Committee, Richmond, Virginia, 1999

Courses

Undergraduate: Russia from Stalin to Putin; Russia: Culture and Civilization; Europe in the 20th Century; Europe in the 19th Century; Gorbachev and Reform in Russia; Interwar Dictatorship (co-taught); Cold War; Europe in a World Setting; World History; Historiography (201 and 402)

Graduate: Russia and the World; Empire and Nation in Russia; Stalin and His Era; International History; The Rise and Fall of the Socialist Bloc

Online: Europe in the 20th century; World History

Publications

books:

1) *Convergence and Cold War, 1953-1964* (London: Routledge, 2026 [forthcoming])
-2025 e-edition

2) with Patryk Babiracki, eds., *Socialist Internationalism in the Cold War: Exploring the Second World* (London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2016)

-2018 paperback edition

3) *The Sino-Soviet Alliance: An International History* (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2014)

-2015 Marshall Shulman Prize Honorable Mention

- 2015 Choice Outstanding Academic Title

- 2016 paperback edition

-2022 e-edition

4) *Orientalism and Empire: North Caucasus Mountain Peoples and the Georgian*

Frontier, 1845-1917 (Montreal: McGill-Queen's University Press, 2002)

- 2003 paperback edition

-2022 Polish translation: *Orientalizm po rosyjsku. Górale Kaukazu Północnego i pogranicze gruzińskie, 1845-1917*, trans., Jerzy Rohoziński (Wydawnictwo: Państwowy Instytut Wydawniczy, 2022)

guest editing of journal:

Russian Studies in History, vol. 41, no. 2 (Fall 2002): *Crisis in the Caucasus*, a collection of translations from Russian-North Caucasus relations from the early 19th century to the present

peer-reviewed articles:

"Economic Utility without Cultural Contamination: Sino-Central European Relations in Moscow's Socialist Bloc, 1956-1964" in Enrico Fardella, Charles Krause, Christian Ostermann, eds., *Same Dreams, Different Beds: Sino-European Relations and the Transformation of the Cold War* (Stanford: Stanford University Press, forthcoming)

"Socialist Advisers and the Dilemmas of the "Socialist World System:" Sino-Soviet Exchange as a Model for Failure in Guinea-Conakry, 1950-1964," in Tao Chen and Jan Zofka, eds., *Economic Alliance, Economic Split: Technology Transfers, Trade and Models of Industrialization between China and Soviet Eastern Europe in the Early Cold War* (London: Routledge, 2025), 101-119

"Socialist Exhibits and Sino-Soviet Relations, 1950-1960," in Jan Zofka, Péter Vámos, Sören Urbansky, eds., *Beyond the Kremlin's Reach? Eastern Europe and China in the Cold War Era* (London: Routledge, 2023), 25-39

"Socialist Advisers and the Dilemmas of the "Socialist World System:" Sino-Soviet Exchange as a Model for Failure in Guinea-Conakry, 1950-1964," *European Review of History - Revue européenne d'histoire*, vol. 30, no. 3 (2023), 433-451

"Sino-Soviet Relations, Decolonization, and the Global Cold War," *Kritika: Explorations in Russian and Eurasian History*, vol. 19, no. 1 (Winter 2018), 217-224

"Socialist Exhibits and Sino-Soviet Relations, 1950-1960," *Cold War History*, vol. 18, no. 3 (2018), 275-289

and Patryk Babiracki, "Introduction," in Patryk Babiracki and Austin Jersild, eds., *Socialist Internationalism in the Cold War: Exploring the Second World* (London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2016), 1-16

"Sino-Soviet Rivalry in Guinea-Conakry, 1956-1965: The Second World in the Third World," in Patryk Babiracki and Austin Jersild, eds., *Socialist Internationalism in the Cold War: Exploring the Second World* (London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2016), 303-325

"The Dilemmas of Cultural Collaboration in Sino-Soviet Relations: The Failure of *Suzhong youhao*, 1958-1960," *Modern China Studies*, vol. 22, no. 1 (2015), 169-190

"The great betrayal: Russian memories of the 'great friendship,'" *Cold War History*, vol. 12, no. 1 (February 2012), 159-169

“The Soviet State as Imperial Scavenger: ‘Catch Up and Surpass’ in the Transnational Socialist Bloc, 1950-1960,” *American Historical Review*, vol. 116, no. 1 (February 2011), 109-132
and Neli Melkadze, “The Dilemmas of Enlightenment in the Eastern Borderlands: The Theater and Library in Tbilisi,” in Michael David-Fox, Peter Holquist, and Alexander Martin, eds., *Orientalism and Empire in Russia*, (Bloomington, IN: Slavica Publishers, 2006), 295-316

“The Chechen Wars in Historical Perspective: New Work on Contemporary Russian-Chechen Relations,” *Slavic Review*, vol. 63, no. 2 (Summer 2004), 366-376

“Guest Editor’s Introduction,” *Russian Studies in History*, vol. 41, no. 2 (Fall 2002), 4-9
and Neli Melkadze, “The Dilemmas of Enlightenment in the Eastern Borderlands: The Theater and Library in Tbilisi,” *Kritika: Explorations in Russian and Eurasian History*, vol. 3, no. 1 (Winter 2002), 27-49

“Faith, Custom and Ritual in the Borderlands: Orthodoxy, Islam and the ‘Small Peoples’ of the Middle Volga and the North Caucasus,” *The Russian Review*, vol. 59, no. 4 (October 2000), 512-529

“Imperial Russification: Dagestani Mountaineers in Russian Exile, 1877-1883,” *Central Asian Survey*, vol. 19, no. 1 (March 2000), 5-16

“‘Russia,’ from the Vistula to the Terek to the Amur,” *Kritika: Explorations in Russian and Eurasian History*, vol. 1, no. 3 (Summer 2000), 531-546

“Rethinking Russia from Zardob: Hasan Melikov Zardabi and the ‘Native’ Intelligentsia,” *Nationalities Papers*, vol. 27, no. 3 (1999), 503-517

“From Savagery to Citizenship: Caucasian Muslims and Mountaineers in the Russian Empire,” in Daniel Brower and Edward Lazzerini, eds., *Russia's Orient: Imperial Borderlands and Peoples, 1700-1917* (Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 1997), 101-114

“Ethnic Modernity and the Russian Empire: Russian Ethnographers and Caucasian Mountaineers,” *Nationalities Papers*, vol. 24, no. 4 (1996), 641-648

“Who was Shamil? Russian Colonial Rule and Sufi Islam in the North Caucasus, 1859-1917,” *Central Asian Survey*, vol. 14, no. 2 (1995), 205-223

Cold War International History Project (Wilson Center) essays and translations:

“Watching Beijing from Berlin,” *CWIHP Sources and Methods*, History and Public Policy Program (11 January 2021) (introduction to translations by Bernd Schaefer of East German documents on China) (<https://www.wilsoncenter.org/blog-post/watching-beijing-berlin>.)

“Chinese in Peril in Russia: The ‘Millionka’ in Vladivostok, 1930-1936,” *CWIHP Sources and Methods*, History and Public Policy Program (29 October 2019) (2 translations from Russian, commentary, historic photographs) (<https://www.wilsoncenter.org/blog-post/chinese-peril-russia-the-millionka-vladivostok-1930-1936>)

“Central Europeans and the Sino-Soviet Split: The ‘Great Friendship’ as International History,” *CWIHP e-Dossier* No. 46 (March 2014),
<http://www.wilsoncenter.org/publication/central-europeans-and-the-sino-soviet-split-the-%E2%80%9Cgreat-friendship%E2%80%9D-international-history>

“Sharing the Bomb among Friends: The Dilemmas of Sino-Soviet Strategic Cooperation,” *CWIHP e-Dossier* No. 43 (October 2013), <http://www.wilsoncenter.org/publication/e->

[dossier-no-43-sharing-the-bomb-among-friends-the-dilemmas-sino-soviet-strategic](#)

“Privilege and Inequality: Cultural Exchange and the Sino-Soviet Alliance,” *CWIHP e-Dossier* No. 41 (August 2013), <http://wilsoncenter.org/publication/e-dossier-no-41-privilege-and-inequality-cultural-exchange-and-the-sino-soviet-alliance>

reviews:

Yinan He, “China’s Cultural Revolution and Mao’s External Threat Inflation,” *Journal of Cold War Studies*, vol. 26, no.1 (Winter 2024), 120-155, in *H-Diplo* (forthcoming)

Radchenko, *To Run the World*, in *H-Diplo/RJISF Roundtable* 16-44 (23 June 2025), 12-15, <https://issforum.org/ISSF/PDF/RJISF-Roundtable-16-44.pdf>

Kramer, Makko, and Ruggenthaler, eds., *The Soviet Union and Cold War Neutrality and Nonalignment in Europe*, in *Journal of Modern History*, vol. 95, no. 4 (December 2023), 1017-1019

Hoxha, *Sugarland: The Transformation of the Countryside in Communist Albania*, in *H-Diplo*, *H-Net Reviews* (October 2023) <https://www.h-net.org/reviews/showpdf.php?id=59417>

Telepneva, *Cold War Liberation: The Soviet Union and the Collapse of the Portuguese Empire in Africa, 1961-1975*, in *H-Diplo Roundtable*, XXIV-28 (24 April 2023), <https://issforum.org/roundtables/PDF/Roundtable-XXIV-28.pdf>

Miller, *We Shall Be Masters: Russian Pivots to East Asia from Peter the Great to Putin*, in *Slavic Review*, vol. 81, no. 4 (Winter 2022), 1094-96

Torigian, *Prestige, Manipulation, and Coercion: Elite Power Struggles in the Soviet Union and China after Stalin and Mao*, in *H-Soz-Kult* (2 November 2022), <https://www.hsozkult.de/publicationreview/id/reb-117875>

Lüthi, *Cold Wars: Asia, The Middle East, Europe*, in *The Journal of Modern History*, vol. 94, no. 1 (March 2022), 183-85

Schaufelbuehl, Wyss and Zanier, eds., *Europe and China in the Cold War: Exchanges Beyond the Bloc Logic and the Sino-Soviet Split*, in *Comparativ – Zeitschrift für Globalgeschichte und vergleichende Gesellschaftsforschung* 31, vol. 3/4 (2021), 494-95

Gamsa, *Harbin: A Cross-Cultural Biography*, in *H-Soz-Kult* (18 August 2021), <https://www.hsozkult.de/publicationreview/id/reb-95067?title=m-gamsa-harbin>

Danhui Li and Yafeng Xia, *Mao and the Sino-Soviet Split, 1959-1973: A New History*, in *H-Diplo Roundtable*, XXII-41 (24 May 2021), <https://networks.h-net.org/node/28443/discussions/7747936/h-diplo-roundtable-xxii-41-mao-and-sino-soviet-split-1959-1973>

Urbansky, *Beyond the Steppe: A History of the Russian-Sino Border*, in *The Russian Review*, vol. 79, no. 4 (October 2020), 677-78

Perović, *From Conquest to Deportation: The North Caucasus under Russian Rule*, in *American Historical Review*, vol. 124, no. 5 (December 2019), 1991-92

Zhihua Shen and Yafeng Xia, *Mao and the Sino-Soviet Partnership, 1945-1959: A New History*, *H-Diplo Roundtable*, vol. 18, no. 17 (27 February 2017), 8-10, <http://www.tiny.cc/Roundtable-XVIII-17>

- Haslam, *Near and Distant Neighbors: A New History of Soviet Intelligence*, in *H-Soz-Kult* (28 October 2016), www.hsozkult.de/publicationreview/id/rezbuecher-24353
- Zhang, *Beijing's Economic Statecraft During the Cold War, 1949-1991*, in *American Historical Review*, vol. 121, no. 1 (February 2016), 222-23
- Author's Response, *H-Diplo Roundtable Review of The Sino-Soviet Alliance*, vol. 16, no. 27 (2015), 22-24, <https://networks.h-net.org/system/files/contributed-files/roundtable-xvi-27.pdf>
- Fredholm, ed., *The Shanghai Cooperation Organization and Eurasian Geopolitics*, in *Central Asian Survey*, vol. 33, no. 4 (December 2014), 569-70
- Etkind, *Internal Colonization*, in *American Historical Review*, 118:5 (December 2013), 1636-37
- Hopf, *Reconstructing the Cold War*, in *American Historical Review*, 118:4 (October 2013), 1285-86
- Sin-Lin, *Shattered Families, Broken Dreams: Little-Known Episodes from the History of the Persecution of Chinese Revolutionaries in Stalin's Gulag*, in *China Quarterly*, 214 (June 2013), 501-03
- Donahoe and Habeck, eds., *Reconstructing the House of Culture*, in *Russian Review*, 71:4 (October 2012), 710-11
- Schimmelpenninck van der Oye, *Russian Orientalism*, in *Slavic Review*, 70:2 (Summer 2011), 464-65
- Bystrova, *SSSR i formirovanie voenno-blokovogo protivostoianiiia v Evrope (1945-1955 gg.)*, in *Kritika: Explorations in Russian and Eurasian History*, vol. 11, no. 2 (Spring 2010), 447-52
- Bellacqua, ed., *The Future of China-Russia Relations*, in *China Quarterly*, 204 (December 2010), 1002-03
- Radchenko, *Two Suns in the Heavens*, in *China Quarterly*, 203 (September 2010), 756-57
- Grant, *The Captive and the Gift*, in *Russian Review*, 69:3 (July 2010), 529-530
- Lüthi, *The Sino Soviet Split*, in *American Historical Review*, 114:2 (April 2009), 426-27
- Mamaeva, *Obraz kitaia v sovremennoi rossii*, in *Russian Review*, 68:3 (July 2009), 551-552
- Sunderland, *Taming the Wild Field*, in *Journal of Interdisciplinary History*, 37:2 (2006), 291-93
- Jones, *Socialism in Georgian Colors*, in *American Historical Review*, 111:3 (June 2006), 928-29
- Wilson, *Strategic Partners*, in *Europe-Asia Studies*, 57:8 (December 2005), 1237-38
- Russian-Muslim Confrontation in the Caucasus*, in *Slavic Review*, 64:4 (Winter 2005), 904-05
- Rossiiia i musul'manskii mir* in *Russian Review*, 64:3 (July 2005), 523-24
- Werth, *At the Margins of Orthodoxy*, in *Canadian Review of Studies of Nationalities*, 32 (2005), 170-71
- Griffin, *Caucasus*, in *Russian Review*, 64:1 (January 2005), 135-36
- Gvosdev, *Imperial Policies and Perspectives Towards Georgia*, in *Canadian-American Slavic Studies*, 38:3 (Fall 2004), 305-06
- Geraci, *Window on the East*, in *National Identities*, 5:2 (2003), 225-227

Yemeljanova, *Russia and Islam*, in *Slavic Review*, 62:4 (Winter 2003), 849-50
 Chorbajian, ed., *The Making of Nagorno-Karabagh*, in *Slavonica*, 9:1 (2003), 45-46
 Magocsi, ed., *Of the Making of Nationalities*, in *Russian Review*, 61:4 (October 2002),
 639-41
 Cornell, *Small Nations and Great Powers*, in *Central Asian Survey*, 21:2 (June 2002),
 217-18
 Suny, ed., *Transcaucasia*, in *Canadian American Slavic Studies*, 35:2-3 (Summer-Fall
 2001), 354-55
 Georgiev, et al., *Rossiia i severnyi kavkaz*, in *Nationalities Papers*, 29:2 (2001), 379-381
 Dziuba, 'Kavkaz' *Tarasa Shevchenko*, in *Russian Review*, 60:1 (January 2001), 109
 O'Ballance, *Wars in the Caucasus, 1990-1995*, in *Canadian American Slavic Studies*,
 33:2-4 (1999), 432-33

Fellowships and Research Opportunities--External

Visegrad Fellow, OSA Archivum, Central European University, Budapest, Hungary, 19
 April – 19 June 2024
 National Research Award, National Council for Eurasian and East European Research
 (NCEEER), 2021-2022
 Guest Research Scholar, Leibniz Institute for the History and Culture of East Europe
 (*Leibniz-Institut für Geschichte und Kultur des östlichen Europa*, GWZO), University of Leipzig,
 22 April – 31 May 2022
 Collaborator, Cold War Studies Group, Charles University, Prague, Jan – Feb 2022
 Fellow, Berlin Center for Cold War Studies/*Berliner Kolleg Kalter Krieg*, Dec 2015-August
 2016
 Fulbright Research Scholar, Russia and Czech Republic, Sept 2008—July 2009
 National Research Award, NCEEER, 2008-2009
 Kennan Institute, Short-Term Research Scholar, Woodrow Wilson Center, August 2006
 American Councils for International Education, Combined Research and Language
 (Chinese), Moscow, January-April 2004
 University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana, Summer Research Associate, 2003
 American Councils for International Education, Combined Research and Language
 (Georgian), Tbilisi, April-July 2000
 American Councils for International Education (fee-for-support), Tbilisi, Georgia, May-
 June 1999
 Kennan Institute, Research Scholar, Woodrow Wilson Center, May 20-Aug 20 1997
 Hoover Institute of Stanford University, Research Scholar, Summer 1995
 IREX Developmental Fellowship (Georgian), 1993-94
 UC Davis Humanities Research Travel Grant, 1992, 1993, 1994
 UC Education Abroad Program
 -Dissertation Research, St. Petersburg, Spring 1992
 -Young Faculty Program, St. Petersburg, Spring 1993
 -Young Faculty Program, Moscow, Spring 1994

Social Science Research Council Dissertation Write-Up Grant, 1992-93
National Council on Soviet and East European Research, dissertation research, 1992
German Center, UC Berkeley, dissertation research, 1992

Fellowships--Internal

ODU A & L/History/Giandoni Research support, College Park, MD (2025 [unused]);
Budapest, Hungary (2024)
ODU A & L FP3 Program, 2024-25
ODU Faculty Research Leave: Prague, Sofia, Krakow, Leipzig (Spring 2022)
ODU Summer Research Fellowship Program: Beijing (Summer 2012)
ODU Faculty Research Leave: Norfolk, Berlin (Spring 2011)
ODU Faculty Development Grant, with Peter Schulman, "Film in the Classroom:
Colonialism on Screen," ODU-City of Norfolk Film Festival (2007)
ODU Summer Research Fellowship Program (A & L): Washington, DC (Summer 2006)
ODU Faculty Research Leave: Moscow (Spring 2004)
ODU Summer Research Fellowship Program: Champaign-Urbana, Illinois (Summer 2003)

Research Talks, Papers, Roundtables, Panels

Chair and Discussant, "Beyond Solidarity: Revisiting Socialist Aid in the Global South,"
Association for East European and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES) National Convention,
Washington, DC, 21 November 2025

"Convergence and Cold War: 'Strategic Consumerism' at RFE/RL and USIA," OSA
Archivum, Budapest, Hungary, 11 June 2024

"Proletarian Internationalism or Hard Currency? Czechoslovak, Bulgarian, and Esat
German Trade Dilemmas in Guinea—Conakry, 1958-1968," NCEEER Working Paper (January
2023)

Panel Discussant, "Fragile Connections? (New) Institutional Variations of Exchange in
Global Socialism," ASEEES National Convention, Chicago, 10-14 November 2022

"Learning from Guinea—Conakry," Verflechtung und Globalisierung Group,
Geisteswissenschaftliches Zentrum Geschichte und Kultur Ostmitteleuropas (GWZO), University
of Leipzig, 5 May 2022

Panel Discussant, "The USSR and the External World," Moscow School of Social and
Economic Sciences, Moscow, 16 April 2022

Panel Discussant, "Industrial Policy and Sino-Soviet Relations from Transnational
Perspectives" The Business History Conference, Mexico City, 6-10 April 2022

Panel Chair and Discussant, "Russia vis-à-vis Asia: Entangled Self-Reflections with the
Eastern 'Other'," ASEEES National Convention, New Orleans, 18-21 November 2021

Panel Chair, "Empire, Identity, and Borders," ASEEES National Convention, New
Orleans, 18-21 November 2021

"The 'Socialist World System' from Beijing to Conakry: Sino-Soviet Exchange as a
Model for Failure in the Global South, 1950-1964," Authors' Workshop, Economic Dimensions

of the Sino-Soviet Split and Alliance, Geisteswissenschaftliches Zentrum Geschichte und Kultur Ostmitteleuropas (GWZO), University of Leipzig, Leipzig, 1-2 July 2021

Panel Discussant, "Writing International Cultural Histories after World War II: Sources and Methods," ASEEES National Convention, Boston, 6-8 December 2018

Panel Discussant, "Sino-Russian/Soviet Encounter," Association for Asian Studies Annual Conference, Toronto, 16-19 March 2017

"From the Bloc to the Globe: Sino-Soviet Rivalry and 'National-Liberation' Movements, 1958-1973," Institut für Zeitgeschichte, Berlin, 16 June 2016

"Convergence and Cold War: The Many Faces of Sékou Touré, 1960-1964," Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Kolloquium Geschichte Osteuropas, 20 April 2016

"Brown Bag Breakfast: Forschungen zur Chinesisch-Sowjetischen Rivalität in der Dritten Welt," Berliner Kolleg Kalter Krieg, Berlin, 12 January 2016

Participant, 23rd Berlin Colloquium on Contemporary History, "Societal Transformations in Russia since 1980," Berlin, 20-21 May 2016

"From 'Originality' (*samobytnost*) to Beethoven: Socialist Bloc Ideas about Culture in Revolutionary China, 1950-1964," Workshop on "Beyond the Kremlin's Reach? Transfers and Entanglements between East-Central Europe and China in the Cold War Era," Geisteswissenschaftliches Zentrum Geschichte und Kultur Ostmitteleuropas (GWZO), University of Leipzig, 30 June – 2 July 2015

"Sino-Soviet Relations and the Dilemmas of Socialist Bloc Cooperation: Czechoslovaks in Shanghai, 1956-57," National History Center Washington History Seminar (coordinated with SHAFR and CWHIP), Woodrow Wilson Center, Washington, D.C., 27 October 2014

"People of Color and the Socialist World: Sino-Soviet Rivalry in Guinea-Conakry, 1956-65," Workshop on "Exploring the Second World: Socialist Internationalism in the Cold War," Zentrum für Zeithistorische Forschung, Potsdam, Germany, 19-22 June 2014

"Economic Utility without Cultural Contamination: Sino-Central European Relations in Moscow's Socialist Bloc, 1956-1964," Cold War International History Project, Woodrow Wilson Center, "Same Dreams, Different Beds: Sino-European Relations and the Transformation of the Cold War," Washington, D.C., 13 June 2014

"China and the Central Europeans in the Wake of the Split, 1960-1964," ASEEES National Convention, Boston, 20 November 2013

"China's Conditional Affirmation of Soviet Bloc Leadership, 1956-58," SE Conference Association for Asian Studies, Wilmington, NC, 19 January 2013

"Socialist Bloc *Komandirovka* and its Consequences in China, 1950-1960," Conference on "Mao's China, Non-Communist Asia, and the Global Setting, 1949-1976," Hong Kong University, 14 February 2012

"Status in the Mountains," Seminar on "Imperial Perspectives on Social Transformation: Re-Examining *Sosloviia* in the Wake of the Great Reforms," Davis Center, Harvard University, 10 December 2010

"Catch Up and Surpass: Sino-Soviet Relations and the American Question in the Pages of *Suzhong youhao*," NCEEER Working Paper (January 2009), http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/nceeer/2009_823-10g_Jersild.pdf

"The 'Kitchen Debate' in Global Context: Soviet Exhibits in China, 1953-1955," ASEEEES National Convention, 2006
 "Friendship, the Gift, Betrayal: The Chinese Subversion of the Soviet Friendship Society, 1945-1964," Russian History Workshop, Georgetown University, 22 April 2005
 "Friendship, the Gift, Betrayal," CEREEES, Georgetown University, 26 January 2005
 "The Soviet Pavilion at International Exhibits," Maryland/Harvard Workshop, May 2003
 "The War on Terror and the Flight from History: Russian-Chechen Relations," Kennan Institute, Woodrow Wilson Center, Washington, DC, April 28, 2003
 "The War on Terror and Russian-Chechen Relations," William & Mary, April 2003
 Roundtable, "Far from Moscow" AAASS National Convention, Toronto, 20 November 2003
 "The Chechen Wars in Historical Perspective," REEEEC Summer Research Lab, Champaign-Urbana, Illinois, 24 June 2003
 "The Soviet Pavilion at International Exhibits," AAASS National Convention, Pittsburgh, 2002
 Roundtable, "The Russian Empire in Global History," AAASS National Convention, Pittsburgh, 2002
 "Civic Association and Georgian Culture," AAASS National Convention, Washington, D.C., 2001
 "The 'Il'minskii Method' in the North Caucasus," Southern Slavic, 16-18 March 2000
 "Nativism and Empire in the Russian Caucasus," Midwest Russian History Workshop, University of Chicago, 2000
 "Slavophilism in Imperial Context: Faith, Custom and Ritual in the Borderlands," Berkeley Program in Soviet and Post-Soviet Studies, UC Berkeley, 8 November 1999
 "Slavophiles, Faith and the Frontier," Southern Slavic Studies, 25-27 March 1999
 "Khomiakov and Empire: Faith and Custom in the Borderlands," AAASS National Convention, Boca Raton, 1998
 Roundtable, "Rethinking Imperial Russian History," AAASS National Convention, Boca Raton, 1998
 "Russia and the West in the Caucasus," Conference on Frontiers and Borderlands in History and Memory, University of Maryland, College Park, April 1997
 Panel Discussant, "The Russian Orient," AAASS National Convention, Seattle, 1997
 "Russian Nationalism on the Edges of Empire," ASN, New York, 26-28 April 1996
 Panel Discussant, "The Politics of Culture during the First Five Year Plan," SCSS, Asheville, South Carolina, April 1996
 "Noble Peoples, Savage Mountaineers," AHA National Convention, Chicago, 5-8 January 1995
 Russian Orient Conference, UC Berkeley, September 23-24, 1994
 "Islam and the Russian Empire: Shamil's Trip to the West, 1859," AAASS National Convention, Honolulu, 1993
 "Culturalism in Caucasia as an Alternative Vision of Empire," SSRC Workshop, Kennan Institute, Washington, DC, 1993
 "The Reinvention of Empire," Conference on Central Asia, Madison, 1993

Community

Discussant, GPIS Graduate Research Conference, 2023, 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018, 2015, 2014, 2000

With Cathy Wu, "Assessing the China-Russia Relationship," GPIS Current Events in Context, 11 April 2023

With Eteri Tsintsadze-Maass, "National Narratives and Russia's War in Ukraine: Historical and Political Perspectives," GPIS Current Events in Context, 8 February 2023

Visiting Writer, Benelli Writing Center, Thayer Academy, Baintree, Massachusetts, 14 April 2022

GPIS Pop-Up Seminar, "Reform and Geopolitical Decline: Gorbachev's Good Deeds and the Collapse of the USSR," 14 April 2020

"Contrasting Outcomes of the Global Cold War: Russia and China," Rotary Club of Norfolk, Scope Hall, 21 January 2020

"The Surprising Evolution of the Global Cold War," Institute for Learning in Retirement, TCC – Virginia Beach, 23 October 2019

ODU Fulbright Reception, Strome Entrepreneurial Center, 15 November 2016

Senior Scholar Lecture, College of Arts & Letters, ODU, "Sino-Soviet Relations and the Global Cold War: The Socialist Model and its Critics," 2 November 2016

Discussion Leader, NARO Cinema, Norfolk, "Red Army," documentary by Gabe Polsky, 8 April 2015

"Russia and the Near Abroad," World Affairs Council, Museum of Contemporary Art, Virginia Beach, 17 January 2015

Introduction of Speaker, MacArthur Memorial Conference on WWI, Norfolk, 17 November 2014

First Class, Orientation for freshmen, ODU, 24 August 2013

GAIT Institute, Faculty moderator at sessions for new TAs, ODU, 23 August 2013

Orientation for ODU Study Abroad Trip, Slides of China, 16 May 2013

Faculty Moderator, Career Planning Panels, GPIS 20th Reunion Weekend, 27 April 2013

"Research Abroad," ODU GPIS, 7 April 2010

"Oldřich Havlíček and Zhen Peilu in Shanghai, 1955-1958," Department of History, ODU, 2 November 2009

"Catch Up and Surpass: Consumerism and the Cold War, 1953-1959," Westbury Canterbury "Great Decisions" Series, Virginia Beach, VA, 13 March 2008

"The 'Kitchen Debate' in Global Context, 1959," A & L Research day, 23 February 2007

"Russia's Middle Class: An Optimistic View," ODU, Foreign Languages, 28 January 2005

"Russia and Islam," Virginia Council for History Education, Richmond, VA, 2004

"Islamic Radicalism, the Chechen Wars, and the Russian Frontier," ODU, 2002

"Russian Perspectives on Central Asia after 9/11," Rotary Club, Virginia Beach, 2002

"Cold War Culture in the Soviet Union," Granby High School, 20 March 2000

"Russia," Workshop on Religion and Spirituality, ODU, 21 September 2000

“Russia’s Time of Troubles,” ODU, Foreign Languages, 9 April 1999
Chair, “Russian Security Debates,” ISA, Norfolk, Virginia, 24-25 October 1997
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American Councils on International Education, Title VIII Fellowships (2020)
NEH Collaborative Research Panel (March 2014)
Fulbright Program Fellowship Committee, Moscow (27-28 September 2008)
NEH Collaborative Research Fellowship Committee, Washington, DC (April 2008)
American Councils JPRS Fellowship Committee for Russian Scholars in America (2004)
American Councils on International Education, Title VIII Fellowships (2003)
IREX Regional Scholar Exchange Program (RSEP), Fellowship Review (2002)

External review of separate fellowship proposals (not as part of national committee):

Zvi Yavetz School of Historical Studies, Tel Aviv University (2025)
Einstein Stiftung Berlin (2023)
Berlin Prize, American Academy in Berlin (2022)
Riksbankens Jubileumsfond, Stockholm, Sweden (2021)
Research Grants Council, General Research Fund, Hong Kong (2018)
University of Strasbourg Institute for Advanced Study (2017)
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (2017, 2004, 1996)
American Councils for International Education (2018, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2006, 2005, 2004, 2001)
NEH Collaborative Research Fellowship (2005)

External review of article manuscripts:

AREI: Journal for Central and Eastern European History and Politics, *Canadian Slavonic Papers*, *Carl Beck Papers on Russian History*, *Central Asian Survey*, *Cinema e Storia: Rivista di studi interdisciplinari*, *Cold War History* (4), *English Historical Review*, *Europe-Asia Studies* (3), *International History Review*, *Journal of Asian Politics and History*, *Journal of Contemporary History* (2), *Journal of Cold War Studies* (8), *Journal of Modern History*, *Kritika: Explorations in Russian and Eurasian History* (4), *Nationalities Papers*, *Russian Review* (3), *Slavic Review* (3), *The Historian*

External review of book manuscripts and proposals:

Berghahn Press, Cornell University Press, Indiana University Press, McGill-Queen's University Press, Oxford University Press (4), Routledge Press, Rowman & Littlefield, Stanford University Press, Westview Press

External review for academic events and promotions

Full Professor (2020)

Tenure (2020, 2018, 2016)

Senior Professor (2019)

Honor's Thesis, United States Naval Academy (2011)

Graduate Student Mentoring and Support

PhD dissertation advisor (GPIS)

-Nikita Lumijoe, *Attitudes of Ethnic Minorities Towards National Defense and Security in the Triadic Nexus: The Case of Russian-speakers in Estonia* (May 2023)

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