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Bio Sketch:

My general field of study is modern German and European cultural and social history. My research has ranged across a variety of topics: the social roots of Nazism; the lower middle classes in European politics between the world wars; historic preservation and German national identity; German memory cultures; the history of consumption; the history of modern travel and leisure; and twentieth-century European religious thought and political theology. I teach surveys on European social-cultural history from the French Revolution to the present, as well as more specialized courses on modern European social history and German history since 1870. In recent years, I've turned to writing fiction. My short stories have appeared or are forthcoming in *Revolution House*, *Forge*, *Eclectica*, *Thunder Sandwich*, *Blinking Cursor*, *Sleetmagazine*, and *Wisconsin People & Ideas*.

Research Interests:

Modern European literature and political fiction in the "age of extremes"; modern German social identities; memory and the built environment; history of travel and leisure

Selected Publications:

- Editor (with Leonard Kaplan), *The Weimar Moment: Liberalism, Political Theology, and Law* (Lexington Books, 2012)
- *German Travel Cultures* (Oxford: Berg, 2000)
- *From Monuments to Traces: The Artifacts of German Memory, 1870-1990* (Berkeley: University of California Press, 2000)
- *Germany's Transient Pasts: Historical Preservation and National Memory in Twentieth Century Germany* (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 1998)
- *Social Life, Local Politics, and Nazism: Marburg, 1880-1935* (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 1986)

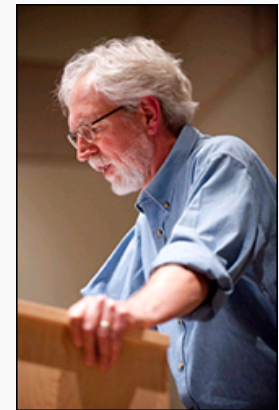
Awards:

- Second Place, Wisconsin Academy of Sciences, Arts & Letters 2013 Fiction Contest
- Chancellor's Distinguished Teaching Award, UW-Madison, 2008-09
- John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellowship
- German Marshall Fund of the United States Research Fellowship
- Jean Monnet Research Fellowship, European University Institute, Florence, Italy
- American Council of Learned Societies Fellowship
- Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation Professorship

Courses Taught:

Lecture Courses:

- History 120 - Europe and the Modern World 1815-Present
- History 410 - Modern Germany 1871-present
- History 415 - History of National Socialism
- History 470 - Religious Thought in Modern Europe - [Syllabus 2009 \(pdf\)](#)



- History 474 - European Social History, 1830-1914 - [Syllabus 2013 \(pdf\)](#)
- History 475 - European Social History, 1914 to Present - [Syllabus 2014 \(pdf\)](#)
- History 513 - European Cultural History, 1815-1870
- History 514 - European Cultural History 1870-present - [Syllabus 2013 \(pdf\)](#)

Undergraduate Seminars:

- History 200 - Historical Studies - Topics: "Modern European Political Novels" [Syllabus 2013 \(pdf\)](#)
- History 600 - Advanced Seminar in History - Topics: "Christianity and Culture in Modern Europe"; "European Lives in the Twentieth Century"; "Religion and Politics in Modern Europe" [Syllabus 2010 \(pdf\)](#); "Fiction and Power in Modern Europe" [Syllabus 2012 \(pdf\)](#); "Modern European Political Novels" [Syllabus 2013 \(pdf\)](#)

Graduate Courses:

- History 866 - Seminar in Social History of Modern Europe
- History 867 - Seminar in European Social and Intellectual History - [Syllabus 2014 \(pdf\)](#)
- History 891 - Proseminar in Modern European History: Central Europe

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