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Education:

Ph.D. 1994 Harvard University, History

M.A. 1988 Harvard University, History

B.S.F.S. 1982 Georgetown University, International Relations, magna cum laude

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Research Interests:

Modern East and Central European Political and Social History, Comparative Education, History of Nationalism and Racism, History of Catholicism.

Profile:

Academic Honors and Awards

Humanities Research Fellowship, University of California, Spring 2007

Membership, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, 2002-03

George L. Beer Prize of the American Historical Association, 2001 (for *Captive University*)

Spencer Fellow, 1996-98

German Marshall Fund Fellow, 1996-97

82nd Airborne Division Association Scholarship, Georgetown University, 1978-82

Professional Service

Co-director, UC Berkeley History Social Science Project (an outreach program for high schools), 2002-06

chinois), 2002-03

North American Editor, *Contemporary European History*, 2002-2010

Editorial Board, *Zeitschrift für Ostmitteleuropaforschung*, Marburg, 2001-present

Editorial Board, *Slavic Review*, 2007-present

Representative Publications:

Books

From Enemy to Brother: The Revolution in Catholic Teaching on the Jews (Harvard University Press, 2012)

Universities Under Dictatorship (State College: Pennsylvania State University Press, 2005), co-edited with Michael Grüttner

German Translation: *Universitäten in den Diktaturen des 20. Jahrhunderts: Zwischen Autonomie und Anpassung* [Universities in the Dictatorships of the Twentieth Century: Between Autonomy and Accommodation] (Paderborn: Schöningh, 2003).

Captive University: The Sovietization of East German, Czech, and Polish Higher Education, 1945-1956 (University of North Carolina Press, 2000).

Czech translation: *Zotročená univerzita: Sovětizace vysokého školství ve východním Německu, v českých zemích a v Polsku v letech 1945-1956* (Prague: Carolinum, 2008)

Ukrainian translation: *Ponevolenni universitet: Sovetizatsia vishoi osviti u Schidnii Nimechchini, Chechii ta Pol'shi, 1945-1956* (Kharkov: Ribalka D.L., 2011)

Referreed Publications (Selections)

"The Paradox of East German Communism: From Non-Stalinism to Neo-Stalinism," in Vladimir Tismaneanu, ed., *Stalinism Revisited. The Establishment of Communist Regimes in East-Central Europe* (Budapest, New York: Central European University Press, 2009), 161-94

"Catholic Racism and Its Opponents," *Journal of Modern History* 79:4 (December 2007), 813-847

"Why the Poles Collaborated So Little—And Why That Is No Reason for Nationalist Hubris," *Slavic Review* 64:4 (2005)

"Mity i kontrmity, przyczynek do dyskusji o polskiej tożsamości historycznej" (Myths and Countermyths: a Contribution to Discussions on Polish Historical Identity), *Pamięć i Sprawiedliwość*, nr. 8 (December 2005)

"Reflections of Social Change: Polish Rural Sociology, 1930-1965," *Trondheim Studies on East European Cultures and Societies* 14 (2004)

"The Sovietization of Higher Education in the Czech Lands, East Germany, and Poland During the Stalinist period (1948-54)," in György Péteri and Michael David-Fox, eds., *Academia in Upheaval* (Greenwood, 2000).

"Nazis and Slavs: From Racial Theory to Racist Practice," *Central European History*, 32:1 (1999), 1-33.

"The Foundations of Diversity: Communist Higher Education Policies in Eastern Europe, 1945-1955," in Kristie Macrakis and Dieter Hoffmann, eds., *Science under Socialism: East Germany in Comparative Perspective* (Cambridge, MA, 1999), 125-139. [Reprinted in German in Hoffmann and Macrakis, eds., *Naturwissenschaft und Technik in der DDR* (Berlin, 1997)]

"Stalinismus und Hochschulpolitik in Ostmitteleuropa nach 1945," ["Stalinism and Higher Education Policies in East Central Europe after 1945"] *Geschichte und Gesellschaft* 24:1(1998), 5-23.

Other Publications (Selections)

"Nazi Racism and the Church: How Converts Showed the Way to Resist," *Commonweal*, 24 February 2012, 12-16

"Gypsies, Homosexuals and Slavs" in John Roth and Peter Hayes, eds., *The Holocaust Handbook* (Oxford, 2010), 274-292.

"Karl Thiemes theologischer Umkehr," *Freiburger Rundbrief* 17:4 (2010), 256-271.

"Hat denn Gott sein Volk verstossen? Das Zweite Vatikanum und der Streit um die christliche Missionierung der Juden," *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*, 10 April 2010

"The Price of Freedom: What Came Down with the Berlin Wall," *Commonweal*, 20 November 2009, 10-15.

"Benedict, German Catholics and the Holocaust," *Commonweal*, 20 June 2008, 11.

"Reformer and Racialist," *Commonweal*, 18 January 2008, 10-13.

"Universities that are Catholic in Every Sense of the Word: A Response to Father Halik," in C. Garbowski, P. Gutkowski, and A. Kijewska, eds., *Catholic Universities in the New Europe* (Lublin: Wydawnictwo KUL, 2005), 45-56 (also printed as an ErasmusInstitute Occasional Paper, 2005-1, University of Notre Dame).

"Cultural Revolution: Studentocracy in Czech Higher Education, 1948-54," in M. Svatos, L.Velek, and A. Velkova, eds, *Magister noster. In memoriam Prof. PhDr. JanHavranek, CSc.* (Prague, Karolinum 2005), 167-174.

"Reflections of Social Change: Polish Rural Sociology, 1930-1965," *Trondheim Studies on East European Cultures and Societies*, No. 14 (Norwegian University of Technology, 2004).

"Historikerstreit [Historians' controversy] in Post-Socialist Poland and Czech Republic," in Michael Minkenberg and Timm Beichelt, eds., *Cultural Legacies in Post-Socialist Europe. The Role of Various Pasts in the Current Transformation Process* (Frankfurt an der Oder, 2003), 49-56.

Review Essays (Selections)

"In Sheep's Clothing," Review of Hubert Wolf, *Pope and Devil: The Vatican's Archives and the Third Reich* (Harvard, 2010) in *The Book: an Online Review of the New Republic*, 8 February 2011, at <http://www.tnr.com/book/review/pope-devil-hubert-wolf>

"Totalitarianism: Defunct Theory, Useful Word," Review of Sheila Fitzpatrick and Michael Geyer, eds., *Beyond Totalitarianism: Stalinism and Nazism Compared* (Cambridge, 2008) in *Kritika: Explorations in Russian and Eurasian History* 11:4 (Fall 2010), 819-835.

"It Never Occurred to Them," Review of Götz Aly, *Hitler's Beneficiaries: How the Nazis Bought the German People* (Verso, 2007), *London Review of Books* (27 August 2009), 33-34.

"Memorial Day's A Reason to Buy a Beach Bag": Reflections from the USA on István Bébi's *Retrospective*

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"The First Cold Warrior?": Review of Pius XII, the *Holocaust and the Cold War* by Michael Phayer (Indiana University Press, 2007), *Commonweal*, 26 September 2008, 20-24

"No Excuse": Review of *In Defense of Christian Hungary: Religion, Nationalism, and Anti-Semitism, 1890 - 1944* by Paul A. Hanebrink (Cornell University Press, 2006) *Commonweal*, 18 May 2007.

Peter F. Dembowski, *Christians in the Warsaw Ghetto: An Epitaph for the Unremembered*, in *Zagłada Żydów: Pismo Centrum Badan nad Zagłada Żydów IFiS PAN* (Wasaw) 3: 2007, 421-25

"Ordinary Poles": Review of *Fear: Anti-Semitism in Poland after Auschwitz* by Jan T. Gross (Random House, 2005), *Commonweal* 23 February 2007, 28-30

"Rampaging": Review of Catherine Merridale. *Ivan's War: The Red Army 1939-46* (Faber, 2005): Anthony